

4 MOBILE AERIAL PORT SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

4 Aerial Port Operations Squadron constituted, 15 Oct 1953

Activated, 18 Nov 1953

Redesignated 4 Aerial Port Squadron, 15 Nov 1954

Inactivated, 11 Jun 1958

Activated, 8 Dec 1966

Organized, 5 Jun 1967

Inactivated, 1 Oct 1976

Redesignated 4 Mobile Aerial Port Squadron, 8 Nov 1985

Activated, 1 Jun 1986

Inactivated, 1 Apr 1993

STATIONS

Donaldson AFB, SC, 18 Nov 1953-20 May 1954

Chateauroux, France, 5 Jun 1954-11 Jun 1958

Langley AFB, VA, 5 Jan 1967-1 Oct 1976

Rhein-Main AB, West Germany, 1 Jun 1986-1 Apr 1993

ASSIGNMENTS

Eighteenth Air Force, 18 Nov 1953
Twelfth Air Force, 4 Jun 1954
465th Troop Carrier Wing, Medium, 1 Mar 1955
60th Troop Carrier Wing, Medium, 1 May 1956-11 Jun 1956
Tactical Air Command, 8 Dec 1966
1 Aerial Port Group, 5 Jan 1967
316th Tactical Airlift Wing, 1 Jul 1975-1 Oct 1976.
435th Tactical Airlift Wing, 1 Jun 1986
362 Airlift Support Group, 1 Apr 1992-1 Apr 1993

ATTACHMENTS

63 Troop Carrier Wing, Heavy, 18 Nov 1953-Jun 1954
322 Air Division [Combat Cargo], 4 Jun 1954-Feb 1955

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
1 Jul 1969-30 Dec 1970
1 May 1972-31 Dec 1973
1 Jun 1986-30 Jun 1987

EMBLEM



Azure, a cargo parachute proper with a packaged load gules banded sable and a lightning flash of the third in saltire, a segmented globe of the first (ultramarine blue), its axis at 45° marked with parallels of latitude and longitude or (Air Force yellow), all within a diminished bordure of the third. **SIGNIFICANCE:** The blue background represents the Air Force. The globe symbolizes world-wide capabilities, and the cargo chute with load symbolizes dropping and transporting capabilities. The lightning flash represents the speed with which missions are accomplished and the communication ability of the pathfinder functions. The insignia is bordered by red, the squadron's color. (Approved, 21 Apr 1954)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Detachments

Det 1, Neubiberg AB, West Germany: 15 Jul 1954-23 Feb 1955

Det 2, Wheelus Fld, Libya: 26 Jul 1954-23 Feb 1955

Det 3, Nouasseur, French Morocco: 9 Aug 1954-23 Feb 1955

Det 4, Ciampino AAFld, Italy: 9 Aug 1954-23 Feb 1955

Det 5, Athenia AAFld, Greece: 9 Aug 1954-23 Feb 1955

Det 6 (later, Det 1), Bordeaux AB, France: 20 Oct 1954-11 Jun 1958

Det 7 (later, Det 2), Bitburg AB, West Germany: 24 Jan 1955-11 Jun 1958

Det 7, Dreux AB, France: 30 Oct 1955-2 Nov 1957

Det 8 (later, Det 3), Hahn AB, West Germany: 24 Jan-7 Nov 1955

Det 9 (later, Det 4), Ramstein AB, West Germany: 24 Jan 1955-1 Nov 1957

Det 10 (later, Det 5), Toul-Rosierres AB, France: 24 Jan 1955-11 Jun 1958

Det 11 (later, Det 6), Chaumont AB, France: 24 Jan 1955-11 Jun 1958

Det 12, Laon AB, France: 24 Jan-31 Aug 1955

Det 13, Evreux (later, Evreux Fauville) AB, France: 24 Jan-31 Aug

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