

10th AIRBORNE COMMAND AND CONTROL SQUADRON



LINEAGE

10th Air Corps Ferrying Squadron constituted, 18 Feb 1942
Activated, 1 Mar 1942
Designated 10th Transport Squadron, 19 Mar 1943
Disbanded, 31 Mar 1944

10th Liaison Squadron constituted, 1 Jun 1951
Activated, 25 Jul 1951
Inactivated, 15 Mar 1955

10th Fighter Squadron, Commando constituted, 28 Mar 1966
Organized, 8 Apr 1966
Discontinued and inactivated, 17 Apr 1967

10th Airborne Command Control Squadron constituted, 15 Sep 1969
Activated, 1 Jan 1970

10th Transport Squadron reconstituted and consolidated with 10th Liaison Squadron, 10th Fighter Squadron, Commando and 10th Airborne Command Control Squadron, 19 Sep 1985.
Consolidated squadron retains 10th Airborne Command Control Squadron designation

Redesignated 10th Airborne Command and Control Squadron, 18 Jun 1987
Inactivated, 31 Dec 1991

STATIONS

Bolling Field, DC, 1 Mar 1942
Cudahy (later, Billy Mitchell) Field, Wise, 2 Mar 1943
LaGuardia Field, NY, 8 Jul 1943-31 Mar 1944
Seoul Air Base, South Korea, 25 Jul 1951
Osan-Ni Air Base, South Korea, 28 Jan 1954-15 Mar 1955
Bien Hoa Air Base, South Vietnam, 8 Apr 1966-17 Apr 1967
RAF Mildenhall, England, 1 Jan 1970

ASSIGNMENTS

Bolling Field (later, Trans-Atlantic) Sector, Air Corps Ferrying (later, Air Transport) Command, 1 Mar 1942

Domestic Transportation Division, Air Transport Command, 16 Mar 1943
26th Transport Group, 1 Apr 1943-31 Mar 1944
Far East Air Forces, 1 Jun 1951
5th Air Force, 25 Jul 1951-15 Mar 1955
3rd Tactical Fighter Wing, 8 Apr 1966 17 Apr 1967
513th Tactical Airlift Wing, 1 Jan 1970
513th Airborne Command and Control Wing, 31 Dec 1991

DETACHMENTS

Detachment# 1, 10th Liaison Squadron, Taegu Air Base
Detachment #2, South Korea, 21 Aug 1953
Taegu Air Base, South Korea, 2 Sep 1953-11 Mar 1954

WEAPON SYSTEMS

C-46
C-47
C-56
C-60
C-64
UC-67
C-84
C-87
B-24, 1942
L-5, Aug 1951, 1953
L-20, 1952-1955
F-5, 1966
EC-135, 1970
EC-135H

ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT SERIAL NUMBERS

EC-135H
61282
61-0285
61291

ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT TAIL/BASE CODES

UNIT COLORS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Soon after activation of the 10th Air Corps Ferrying Squadron in Mar 1942, some air crews participated in the aerial evacuation of the Philippines. In the summer of 1942, transported key officials and lend-lease shipments to Europe. Squadron aircrews flew airlift missions during the invasion of Africa in 1942 and early 1943. Redesignated 10th Transport Squadron in Mar 1943 and moved to Milwaukee, WI. In Oct 1943, transported Ambassador W. Averill Harriman by C-54. from Washington DC to Moscow, USSR. Flew several other missions to Moscow and transported high military and government officials to destinations in Latin America, Africa, Australia, the Far East, and Canada from activation until all personnel transferred in January 1944 to the 26th Transport Group Headquarters. The 10th Transport Squadron remained unmanned from then until disbanded in Mar 1944.

Activated in July 1951 in Seoul, South Korea, the 10th Liaison Squadron supported the 930th and 931st Engineer Aviation Groups, the 6147th Tactical Control Group, and the 17th Bombardment Wing, among others. Using L-5 and L-20 aircraft, the unit surveyed forward areas for airfield, radar, and communications sites and regularly surveyed abandoned air strips. The squadron provided emergency airlift to remote forward positions, transported air liaison officers to forward U.S. Army units, and performed courier service, including the delivery of mail and monthly payrolls to forward Air Force units. It also transported North Korean prisoners on occasion and dropped arms and supplies to guerrillas behind enemy lines.

The 10th Fighter Squadron, Commando, activated in Mar 1966 at Beinh Hoa Air Base, South Vietnam. Flew F-5 combat missions in support of friendly ground forces, using varied munitions. During its year of activation, the 10th Fighter Squadron, Commando, flew 7,321 combat sorties. Last missions were flown on 17 Apr 1967, the date on which the F-5s transferred to the Vietnamese Air Force and the squadron inactivated.

When activated on 1 Jan 1970, the 10th Airborne Command Control Squadron acquired the resources and mission of the 7120th Airborne Command Control Squadron. The 10th ACCS provided a pilot, co-pilot, navigator, boom operator, and radiomen for the EC-135H Airborne Command Post on alert for the United States Commander-in-Chief, Europe. A battle staff, representing all four services, came from another organization to operate the Airborne Command Post during exercises. The EC-135Hs also served as aerial tankers, and beginning in 1972 the squadron provided emergency aerial refueling for USAFE's aircraft. When U.S. presidents visited

Europe, the EC-135Hs provided communications support. Flights during exercises in support of NATO, JCS, and other agencies followed routes over the North Sea, North Atlantic Ocean, and sometimes the Mediterranean Sea. Between 1 Jul and 18 Nov 1970 and 16 Oct and 16 Dec 1980, the EC-135Hs: stood alert and flew from RAF Lakenheath while the runway at Mildenhall was repaired.

430605 C-60 42-108790 TOAEF Greenwood, Carl Patterson Field, OH

430531 C-67 39-29 KCRGC Love, Phillip R 36 Mi W Austin, NV

430609 UC-78A 42-38278 BLMF Jacobsen, Robert P Near Gen Mitchell Field, WI

430613 C-46A 41-12366 LAC Higbee, Charles Gen Mitchell Field, Cudahy, WI

430322 C-43E 42-91417 Cudahy Field, Milwaukee, WI LACGL Swartz, Allan Cudahy Field, WI

510925 L-5G 45-34928 FLEF Pierson, Leonard K-9 Pusan-East AB

530112 L-20A 51-16479 TOA Edrington, Walter A-2 Seoul, Korea



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