

1603 AIR TRANSPORT WING

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1603 Air Transport Wing

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The numerical designation of 1603d was assigned when the 1603d Air Base Group was activated on 1 October, 1948. This gave way to the present 1603d Air Transport Wing on 5 October, 1951.

On 1 January 1953, USAFE assumed command of Wheelus Field, as well as Dhahran Airfield in Saudi Arabia.

On 8 June 1953, the 1603d Air Transport Wing at Wheelus was attached to the Seventeenth Air Force for logistical support.

1603d Air Transport Wing at Wheelus Field Libya replaced by 7272d Air Base, Wing on 1 August. 1955

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