

31st MISSION SUPPORT GROUP



MISSION

The 31st Mission Support Group goal is to provide world class infrastructure and service in support of quality of life and combat capability to the 31st Fighter Wing and the Aviano Air Base community.

The group is composed of five squadrons. The 31st Security Forces Squadron provides law enforcement services to the military community and maintains installation security during peacetime and wartime operations. The 31st Civil Engineering Squadron provides, operates and maintains the installation infrastructure, facilities and housing necessary to support aerospace forces at Aviano. The 31st Communications Squadron supports United States objectives throughout the Southern Region with voice, data, imagery, air field and information management. The 31st Services Squadron enhances combat capability by providing programs, facilities, products and quality of life initiatives to the 31st Fighter Wing and its associated units. The 31st Mission Support Squadron supports and enhances mission readiness and quality of life for members of the Department of Defense and local community by providing a wide variety of products and services.

LINEAGE

31st Airdrome Group established, 6 Nov 1947

Organized, 20 Nov 1947

Discontinued, 25 Aug 1948

31st Air Base Group established, 15 Jun 1948

Activated, 22 Aug 1948

Inactivated, 1 Jul 1952

Activated, 25 Sep 1957

Inactivated, 1 Jan 1959

Redesignated 31st Combat Support Group and activated, 9 Jun 1967

Organized, 15 Jul 1967

31st Airdrome Group and 31st Combat Support Group consolidated, 1 Oct 1984. Consolidated unit designated 31st Combat Support Group.

Redesignated 31st Support Group, 1 Nov 1991

Inactivated, 1 Apr 1994

Activated, 1 Apr 1994

Redesignated 31st Mission Support Group, 19 Jul 2002

STATIONS

Turner AAF (Later AFB), GA, 20 Nov 1947-1 Jul 1952

Turner AFB, GA, 25 Sep 1957-1 Jan 1959

Tuy Hoa AB, South Vietnam, 15 Jul 1967-15 Oct 1970

Homestead AFB, FL, 15 Oct 1970-1 Apr 1994

Aviano AB, Italy, 1 Apr 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

31st Fighter (later, 31st Fighter-Bomber; 31st Fighter-Escort) Wing, 20 Nov 1947-1 Jul 1952

31st Fighter Bomber (later, 31st Tactical Fighter) Wing, 25 Sep 1957-1 Jan 1959

31st Tactical Fighter (later, 31st Tactical Training; 31st Tactical Fighter; 31st Fighter) Wing, 15 Jul 1967-1 Apr 1994

31st Fighter Wing, 1 Apr 1994

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Vietnam

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase II

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase III

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase IV

TET 69/Counteroffensive

Vietnam Summer/Fall, 1969

Vietnam Winter/Spring, 1970

Sanctuary Counteroffensive

Southwest Monsoon

Kosovo

Air Campaign

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Presidential Unit Citation
Vietnam, 1 May-31 Dec 1968.

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat "V" Device
15 Jul 1967-30 Apr 1968

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
1 Oct 2000-1 Oct 2002
2 Oct 2002-30 Sep 2004
1 Jun 2009-31 May 2011

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm
9 Mar 1967-31 Oct 1970

EMBLEM



31st Air Base Group emblem

31st Mission Support Group emblem: Per bend nebule Or and Azure, in chief a Wyvern Light Blue, sans legs, endorsed of the second, all within a diminished bordure of the first. Attached below the shield, a White scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border inscribed "31ST MISSION SUPPORT GROUP" in Blue letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The nebule dividing the field symbolizes clouds, the area of the unit's operations. The legless Wyvern represents strength and ferociousness in the air when faced with the enemy.

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OPERATIONS

Air Force Order of Battle

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