

4304 EVALUATION GROUP

MISSION

LINEAGE

4304 Evaluation Group

STATIONS

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OPERATIONS

Barksdale's last new tenant in 1958 was SAC's 4304th Evaluation Group. This Group was organized by SAC for the purpose of standardizing combat crew flight operation. All of this active reorganization was the result of integrating B-52/KC-135 aircraft into the Second Air Force weapons inventory. This resulted in a series of actions which were interrelated and often concurrent. Existing wings equipped with B-36's, were being converted to B-52's and trained to a state of combat readiness; and new wings were being activated, organized, equipped, and trained. This heavy force was being dispersed to reduce its vulnerability and hasten its speed of reaction. Second Air Force was the last of SAC's numbered Air Forces to convert, and the series of aircraft delivered incorporated most of the improvements which resulted from the experiences of the Eighth and Fifteenth Air Forces.

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