

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AIRLIFT CENTER



MISSION

United States Air Force Airlift Center provides the detailed planning, directing, and reporting of OT&E projects for MAC airlift-related systems. These OT&Es identify the operational effectiveness and suitability of weapon systems before procurement and following procurement, when appropriate, evaluate system performance against changing operational needs. The OT&E results identify operational deficiencies, evaluate system changes, and provide information on organizational structure, personnel requirements, doctrine, and tactics.

LINEAGE

United States Air Force Tactical Airlift Center constituted and activated, 26 Aug 1966

Organized, 1 Sep 1966

Inactivated, 30 Jun 1971

Redesignated United States Air Force Airlift Center, 4 Nov 1975

Activated, 1 Dec 1975

STATIONS

Pope AFB, NC

ASSIGNMENTS

Tactical Air Command

Military Airlift Command, 1 Dec 1975

COMMANDERS

Col James G. Silliman, 1 Sep 1966

Col Howard W. Williams, 1 Jun 1967

Brig Gen Joseph N. Donovan, 13 Jun 1967
Col Charles W. Borders, 31 Jan 1970
Col William A. Dietrich, 27 Feb 1970
Col Charles W. Borders, 10 Jun 1971
Inactive, 30 Jun 1971
Brig Gen Robert F. Coverdale, 1 Dec 1975
Col Benjamin N. Kraljev, Jr., 8 Aug 1977
Col Duane H. Erickson, Feb 1979
Col Robert B. Patterson, Mar 1980
Col Edsel R. Field, 27 Feb 1981
Col Frank E. Willis, 18 Feb 1983
Col Holland F. Clarkson, Jr., 29 Feb 1984
Col Ronnie C. Peoples, 23 Sep 1985
Col John D. Fox, 9 Jan 1987
Col Thomas A. Linn, 28 Mar 1990

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

From 1 December 1975 to 9 January 1987, the 317 Tactical Airlift Wing Commander was also the USAF Airlift Center Commander.

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Sources

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