

113th MISSION SUPPORT GROUP

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113th Air Base Group

Redesignated 113th Support Group

Redesignated 113th Combat Support Group

Redesignated 113th Mission Support Group

STATIONS

Andrews AFB, MD

New Castle AFB, DE

Andrews AFB, MD

ASSIGNMENTS

113th Wing

COMMANDERS

Col Henry C. B. Clagett, Jr.

LTC Graham

Maj Fairbanks

Col. John B. Handy

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The mission of the 113th Air Base Group was to provide administrative and support services for the 113th Fighter Wing while at Andrews AFB and during annual field training periods.

During the Korean War, the 113th was ordered into active federal service. The Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 113th Fighter Wing, and assigned support units and members thereof, were ordered into active military service of the United States, effective 1 Feb 1951.

On 11 Sep 1952, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 113th Fighter Interceptor Wing was redesignated as Headquarters, 113th Fighter Interceptor Wing. The unit was soon activated at Andrews with 33 officers and 68 enlisted. When activation occurred on 1 Nov 1952 the 113th Air Base Group, assigned to the 113th Fighter Interceptor Wing.

Because of the Berlin Crisis in Germany, as of 1 Oct 1961, by direction of the President, under authority conferred by Public Law 117 of the 87th Congress, the 113th Air Base Group ordered to extended active duty for 12 months, unless sooner relieved by proper authority, at Andrews.

In 1962, 113th Air Base Group personnel participated in Operation Banyan Tree III. This was the third in a series of joint Army and Air Force operations testing the quick strike abilities of coordinated air-ground forces, which centered around Albrook Air Force Base in the Panama Canal Zone. Exercise Banyan Tree III was a three-day maneuver that included land and air action against aggressor forces in Panama's Rio Hato training area. It involved an airborne battle group of more than 1,000 troops, supported by troop carrier, jet reconnaissance and fighter aircraft.

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Col Donald L. Kester, 18 Feb 1969

On August 25,1968, 113th Combat Support Group also became part of the 113th Wing.

On May 27,1969, 113th Combat Support Group were relieved from assignment to the 113th

On December 9,1974, the 113th Tactical Fighter Group was one of 19 that inactivated. The 121 st then came under the 113th Wing. The 113th Group was absorbed by the Wing concurrent with the establishment of Headquarters, 113th Combat Support Group on December 10. Col. Kennedy was the 113th Wing commander. The former Group Commander, Col. Kampschorr, moved to the Wing as Vice Commander, and Lt. Col. Joseph A. Cimmino continued as the Combat Support Commander. Lt. Col. David Ehrlich moved from Group Headquarters to fill the fighter squadron command position, replacing Lt. Col. Masuret who

was attending Air War College. These changes were part of an Air Guard-wide reorganization of Tactical Air Command gained fighter and air refueling units. The move eliminated group headquarters whenever they were co-located with a "parent" wing headquarters. In most cases, there was no loss in strength.

113th Air Base Group: Federalized ANG on 10 February 1951 at Newcastle AFB, DE, and assigned to 113th Fighter- Interceptor Wing; inactivated on 6 February 1952.

In May 1993, a major restructuring of the 113th was in effect as part of a Guard Bureau test to evaluate potential wing organizations. The 113th was structured around three group commanders, replacing the "Quad-Deputy" organization. The Objective Wing Organization is comprised of an Operations Group, a Support Group, and a Logistics Group.

The 512 ABG was replaced at New Castle AFB by the Federalized Delaware Air National Guard's 113th Air Base Group becoming the host unit on 1 Feb 1951. The mission of the 113th was to organize, administer, equip, train and prepare assigned personnel for combat and to maintain a level of operational effectiveness.

With its activation ended in 1952, the 113th was replaced by the 82nd Air Base squadron on 2 Jan 1952.

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