

# **469<sup>th</sup> AIR BASE GROUP**

## **MISSION**

## **LINEAGE**

469th Air Base Squadron activated, 1 Apr 1995  
Redesignated 469<sup>th</sup> Air Base Group, 1 Aug 1996  
Inactivated

## **STATIONS**

Rhein Main AB, Germany

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

1 April 1995, the 435th Airlift Wing, host unit of Rhein Main AB since 1975, and its subordinate units inactivated in formal ceremonies that marked the transition of the base to a contingency base. HQ USAFE activated the 469th Air Base Squadron the same day to replace the wing.

In recognition of the base's strategic importance, HQ USAFE redesignated the 469th Air Base Squadron as a group on 1 August 96. As a group, the commander, a colonel, had more authority in conducting day-to-day affairs as well as organizing for a wartime mission. The upgrade also placed the commander in a better position to deal with local German authorities and visiting US dignitaries.

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Sources

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