# **725 AIR MOBILITY SQUADRON**



## **MISSION**

## LINEAGE

625 Military Airlift Support Squadron constituted and activated, 27 Dec 1965 Organized, 8 Jan 1966 Inactivated, 1 Aug 1983

625 Military Airlift Support Group established, 1 Jul 1983 Activated, 1 Aug 1983

625 Military Airlift Support Squadron and 625 Military Airlift Support Group consolidated, redesignated 625 Airlift Support Squadron, 1 Jun 1992

Redesignated 625 Air Mobility Support Squadron, 1 Apr 1994 Redesignated 725 Air Mobility Squadron, 15 Mar 2001

## **STATIONS**

Torrejon AB, Spain, 8 Jan 1966 Rota NAS, Spain, 1 Apr 1994

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

Military Airlift Command, 27 Dec 1965
322 Air Division, 8 Jan 1966
435 Military Airlift Support (later, 435 Tactical Airlift) Wing, 24 Dec 1968
322 Air Division, 23 Jun 1978
Twenty-First Air Force, 1 Apr 1992
608 Airlift (later, 621 Air Mobility Support 721 Air Mobility Operations) Group, 1 Jun 1992

## 521 Air Mobility Operations Group, 4 Sep 2008

#### **COMMANDERS**

Col Myles A. Rohrlick, 1 Aug 83
Col George L. Newton III, 18 May 84
Col Reuben T. Dixon, Jr., 26 Jul 84
Col Jack E. Keeter, Jr., 27 Oct 86
Col Thomas W. Griesser, 19 Jun 89
Col John L. Tullis
LTC Brandon Hileman

#### **HONORS**

## **Service Streamers**

None

# **Campaign Streamers**

None

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

None

## **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 May-13 Jun 1967

1 Jul 1972-30 Jun 1974

1 Jan 1985-31 Dec 1986

1 Jul 1988-30 Jun 1990

1 Jul 1990-30 Jun 1991

1 Jul 1991-30 Jun 1993

1 Apr 1992-31 Mar 1994

1 Jan-31 Dec 2002

1 Jan 2003-30 Sep 2004

1 Oct 2004-30 Sep 2005

1 Oct 2005-30 Sep 2006

1 Oct 2006-30 Sep 2007

1 Oct 2007-30 Sep 2008

1 Oct 2008-30 Sep 2009

1 Oct 2009-30 Sep 2010

Meritorious Unit Award

1 Oct 2011-30 Sep 2012

#### **EMBLEM**





625<sup>th</sup> Military Airlift Support Squadron emblem.

625<sup>th</sup> Military Airlift Support Group emblem

725<sup>th</sup> Air Mobility Squadron emblem: On a disc Azure, a globe on its axis per bend counterchanged Argent and Sable, grid lines counterchanged of the like, charged at nombril with a heurt emitting four lightning bolts two in sinister, one to chief and one base and two in dexter, one to chief and one to base Or, overall in chief a stylized aircraft of the last, all within a narrow Black border. Attached above the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "MAINTAINING FREEDOM" in Black letters. Attached below the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "725TH AIR MOBILITY SQ" in Black 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 center circle represents the Mediterranean Theater serviced by the Squadron. The four lightning bolts symbolize the timely information flow in and out of the Squadron. The globe indicates worldwide service and is depicted in two separate colors to indicate 24-hour service. The aircraft represents the mission of the Squadron to support Air Mobility Command aircraft moving passengers, cargo and equipment through the en route system. The unit motto, "Maintaining Freedom," signifies the Squadron's role in sustaining liberty across the globe. It is also a reference to the Squadron's role in maintaining the flow of Air Mobility Command aircraft and missions through maintenance, aerial port and command and control functions. (Approved, 10 Jun 1985, revised, 30 Sep 2010)

#### **MOTTO**

#### **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

The 625th Air Mobility Support Squadron officially moved to NAVSTA from Torrejon Air Force Base last Friday at a ceremony held at the Spanish Theater here. "In the past Rota has been a detachment. part of Torrejon," said Col. John L. Tullis, commander of the squadron. The main reason the squadron came to Rota was to be closer to its major customer. According to Tullis, "Our primary purpose is to provide logistical support to the 6th Fleet and their entire operations." Tullis said because of the increased responsibility of the Air Force.

"Right now were about 45 to 50 percent manned of the number of people were ultimately going

to have, which is 130 people. We should have those 130 people all on station by the end of October," said Tullis. When the squadron becomes fully manned it will be considered operationally ready, and it will be fully capable to provide its mission support to Rota. "As time goes on we will providing more and more services and more and more help," said Tullis, "via additional aircraft and missions coming through here." With the additional aircraft, Quality of Life will also take a step up when it comes to on Space "A" flights.

Tullis said "The opportunity to travel Space "A" through Rota, to and from, cast and west, will greatly increase with the additional missions we get through here." Tullis said Rota will see about a 50 percent increase in of aircraft corning through here in both directions, from about three to six a day. "And that should allow a 50 percent increase in Space "A" travel capabilities." More Space "A" destinations may also rise with the increased flights. according to Tullis. Tullis said the Air Force is growing in Rota. but the armed form in a whole are shrinking.

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