

913 AIRLIFT GROUP



MISSION

LINEAGE

913 Troop Carrier Group, Medium established and activated, 15 Jan 1963
Organized in the Reserve, 11 Feb 1963
Redesignated 913 Tactical Airlift Group, 1 Jul 1967
Redesignated 913 Airlift Group, 1 Feb 1992
Redesignated 913 Airlift Wing, 1 Oct 1994
Inactivated, 1 Oct 2007
Redesignated 913 Airlift Group
Activated, 13 July 2014

STATIONS

Willow Grove Air Reserve Facility (later, Station), PA, 11 Feb 1963
Little Rock AFB, AR, 13 Jul 2014

ASSIGNMENTS

Continental Air Command, 15 Jan 1963
512 Troop Carrier Wing, 11 Feb 1963
302 Troop Carrier Wing, 8 Jan 1965
514 Troop Carrier (later, 514 Tactical Airlift
514 Military Airlift) Wing, 1 Jul 1966
302 Special Operations Wing, 17 Sep 1970
403 Composite (later, 403 Tactical Airlift) Wing, 21 Apr 1971
459 Tactical Airlift (later, 459 Airlift) Wing, 8 Jan 1976
403 Airlift Wing (later, 403 Wing), 1 Aug 1992

Tenth Air Force, 1 Oct 1994
Twenty-Second Air Force, 1 Apr 1997
Twenty-Second Air Force, 13 Jul 2014

ATTACHMENTS

302nd Special Operations Wing, 1 Jul-16 Sep 1970
403rd Composite Wing, 1-20 Apr 1971

WEAPON SYSTEMS

C-119, 1963-1969, 1970-1971
C-130, 1970
C-130, 2016

COMMANDERS

Col Charles E. Lewis, 11 Feb 1963
LTC Vernon R. Smith, by 1964
Col Reginald L. Anderson, Jan 1965
Col Richard J. Boyle, 25 Sep 1967
LTC Theodore G. Behling, 6 Oct 1968
Col James R. Morrow, 5 Aug 1969
Col Theodore G. Behling, 29 May 1970
LTC Edward W. Vogler, 27 Aug 1975
LTC Angelo C. Natale (interim), Feb 1979
Col Eugene C. Galley, 26 Mar 1979
Col Frederick D. Walker, 1 Jun 1981
Col Joe L. Campbell, 29 May 1983
LTC William J. Quinn (interim), 2 Sep 1984
Col Michael J. Quarnaccio, 12 Oct 1984
LTC James P. Czekanski, 2 Aug 1987
Col Scott R. Nichols, 31 Jul 1989
Col Richard R. Moss, 8 Sep 1992
Col Reinhard Schmidt Aug 2006-Apr 2007

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards
1 Nov 1978-31 Oct 1980

27 Aug 1992-26 Aug 1994

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm
26 Oct-6 Nov 1972.

EMBLEM



Approved, 2 Sep 1970

MOTTO

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OPERATIONS

Performed air transportation for airborne forces, airdrops, airdropings, and extraction delivery of equipment and supplies, as well as airlift of personnel and cargo, 1963-. Trained Vietnamese Air Force C-119 aircrews in 1967 and ferried aircraft to Southeast Asia in Mar 1968 and to Taiwan in Jan 1969. Beginning in 1977, participated in "rotation" operations in the Canal Zone flying airlift in support of Southern Command. In addition, performed humanitarian airlift and supported contingency operations worldwide, including operations in Southwest Asia and the Balkans.

Air Force Reserve Command officials briefed congressional leaders Jan. 3 about plans to inactivate the command's 913th Airlift Wing at Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Willow Grove, Pa. The deactivation process will result in personnel authorizations being removed as of Oct. 1, 2007. The Air Force proposal is to close the tactical airlift unit at Willow Grove as part of the president's defense budget for 2008, which is scheduled for full release this month. The most recent Base Realignment and Closure Commission directed that NAS JRB Willow Grove be closed but did not specifically address the Air Force Reserve wing, which flies C-130 cargo aircraft. Typically, the Air Force would not disclose any future year's budget information until the February announcement. The service provided this advance notice to allow people at the unit a better chance to find new jobs in the Air Force Reserve. The proposed plan is designed to accommodate Presidential Budget Directive 720 reductions and re-direct some of the unit's personnel authorizations elsewhere in the command. If the Air Force plan is approved by Congress, Reservists and civilians assigned to the 913th AW will be eligible for positions at other Air Force Reserve Command units. If the budget actions are approved, the Air Force's goal is to employ the Willow Grove people at other C-130 units as quickly as possible. The Air Force's primary focus is to place as many of the cargo experts as possible at the new C-130 airlift wing at Pope Army Airfield, N.C. 2007

Air Force Reserve Command's 913th Airlift Group flew its final C-130H sortie before converting to the new C-130J at Little Rock AFB, Ark., late last month, officials announced. The 913th AG integrated with Little Rock's Active Duty 50th Airlift Squadron providing conversion training on the legacy C-130, and more recently the C-130J. "We've been balancing both, but now, we transition to the J," 913th Operations Support Squadron operations officer Lt. Col. Keith Jasmin said in a release. With the divestiture of its 14 C-130Hs, the Reserve unit will transition from an active associate unit to a classic association, co-manning the Active Duty C-130Js. The 913th AG will be the first classic associate C-130J unit, according to the release. Reserve aircrew and maintainers will undergo training on the Super Hercules, and complete conversion to the new aircraft by September. The final C-130H training sortie from Little Rock departed on Jan. 28. 2016

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