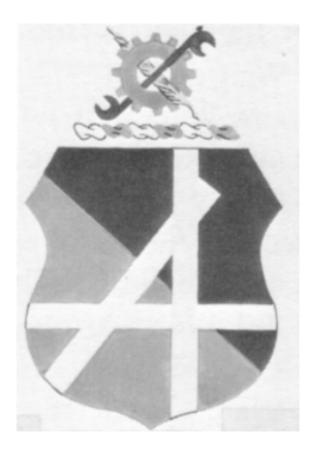
1st AIR BASE WING



MISSION

1st Air Base Wing operated, administered, and maintained Andrews AFB, providing logistical support for tenants.

LINEAGE1

1st Composite Wing established, 9 May 1969 Activated, 1 Jul 1969 Redesignated 1st Air Base Wing, 1 Jul 1976 Inactivated, 30 Sep 1977

STATIONS

Andrews AFB, Maryland, 1969-1977

ASSIGNMENTS

Headquarters Command, USAF, 1 Jul 1969

¹ Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, AL.

WEAPON SYSTEMS

C-47, 1969-1972

C-54, 1969-1970

C-118, 1969-1975

C-131, 1969-1975

CH-21, 1969-1971

EC-135, 1969-1975

T-29, 1969-1973

T-33, 1969-1973

T-39, 1969-1975

TH-1, 1969-1971

UH-1, 1969-1976

CH-3, 1970-1976

VC-131, 1971-1975

KC-135, 1973-1975

E-4, 1974-1975

COMMANDERS

Brig Gen Richard A. Knobloch, 1 Jul 1969 Col Benjamin M. Matlick, Jr., 1 Feb 1970 Brig Gen Carlton L. Lee, 1 Mar 1970 Brig Gen Clarence J. Douglas, Jr., 25 Aug 1972 Brig Gen William E. Brown, Jr., 31 Jan 1975 Col Leonard R. Peterson, 17 Jun-30 Sep 1977

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award 1 Jul 1976-30 Jun 1977

EMBLEM



1st Composite Wing emblem: On a shield per bend gules and azure, a conventional air base runway, throughout argent. Crest: On a wreath of the unit's colors (argent and azure), a quill or and a wrench gules in saltire, interlaced with a cogwell azure. (Approved, 22 Apr 1955 for 1401st Air Base [later, 1001st Composite] Wing; used 1 Jul 1969-30 Sep 1977 by 1st Composite [later, 1st Air Base] Wing.)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Replaced 1001st Composite Wing, absorbing its personnel and resources, on 1 Jul 1969. Provided airborne and ground alert operations required for the support of a National Emergency Airborne Command Post (NEACP). Exercised command jurisdiction over Andrews AFB, Md, and over assigned elements. Supported tenant organizations at Andrews AFB. Provided flight management of mission support operations, including high priority airlift. Supported proficiency flying training of assigned and attached personnel, and for personnel of HQ USAF, HQ AFSC, and other organizations within the greater Washington, D.C., area. Furnished base support and services for transient aircraft, both domestic and foreign. Engaged in emergency airlift and search and rescue missions. Two composite squadrons inactivated on 30 Jun 1975, and the 1st AC&CS transferred on 1 Nov 1975, leaving only the CH-3s and UH-1s operated by the 1st Helicopter Squadron. The latter transferred on 1 Jul 1976. Replaced by 76 Air Base Group on 1 Oct 1977.