

1254 AIR TRANSPORT SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

1254 Air Transport Squadron activated, 1 Oct 1948
Inactivated, 8 Jan 1966

STATIONS

Washington National Airport, Washington, D.C.

ASSIGNMENTS

Continental Division, Military Air Transport Service
HQ Military Air Transport Service, 7 Mar 1951

WEAPON SYSTEMS

C-121
C-47
C-54

COMMANDERS

Maj James D. Grace, 1 Oct 1948
Col Clifton C. Hutchinson, 29 Apr 1949
LTC Chester C. Moomaw, 22 Oct 1949
Col James R. Hahn, Jun 1951

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Table of Distribution 455 was received from Headquarters MATS. This table authorized a total of 83 officers, 453 airmen and 119 civilian for the 1254th Air Transport Squadron. 1 Nov 1950

Headquarters Military Air Transport Service directed the reorganization of the 1254th Air Transport Squadron. The organization now included: 65 officers, 321 airmen, 11 civilians., 20 Feb 1951

General Orders number 46 was published by Headquarters Military Air Transport Service, relieving the 1254th Air the Transport Squadron from assignment to Continental Division, Military Air Transport Service and reassigning the unit to Headquarters, Military Air Transport Service., 7 Mar 1951

1 August 1952 As air travel gained greater acceptance, there were more and more high level requests for domestic VIP airlift support. To make room for its expanded operation, the 1254th Air Transport Squadron was redesignated the 1254th Air Transport Group (Special Missions). The new Group was divided into two squadrons. The 1298th ATS was given the responsibility for overseas missions and continued to operate its four-engine aircraft at National Airport. The 1299th Air Transport Squadron moved across the Potomac River to Boiling AFB and handled domestic missions with its twin engine Convairs.

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Sources

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