

1630 AIR BASE SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

1630 Air Base Squadron, activated, Jun 1950

Inactivated, 10 Oct 1951

STATIONS

Aeroporto Orly-Paris, France

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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MOTTO

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OPERATIONS

The first NATO tenant at Aeroport Orly-Paris was the USAF Military Air Transport Service, 1630th Air Base Squadron, activated in June 1950. Agreement was reached 10 November 1950 on a new lease to allow for the use of a small portion, namely seventy-five acres on the east

edge of the airfield, primarily for aircraft parking. Also located on this parcel were five usable Quonset huts. On 1 April 1951 the Air Base Squadron was expanded to fifty-seven officers and airmen to support the air transport needs of SHAPE, which was activated on the same day. Another important mission developing at Orly Air Base was providing aircraft and facilities to maintain the flying proficiency of USAF pilots assigned to the Paris region. On 10 October 1951 Orly AB was expanded to 350 acres and personnel were increased; the 1630th AB Squadron was inactivated and replaced by the 1606th AB Group.

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