2704th AIRCRAFT STORAGE AND DISPOSITION GROUP

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The Air Force reached a particularly poignant milestone in the reclamation program in July 1961, when the last of the 342 huge B-36 bombers which had flown majestically into Davis-Monthan met its fate and disappeared into scrap. A contractor had paid more than \$528,000 for the 2,800 tons of aluminum from 80 B-36s which once had been the mainstay of America's strategic defense. Only two of the giants were spared for careers as display exhibits at the Air Force Museum and the museum at Strategic Air Command headquarters. Another survivor which left Arizona in 1961 was the B-29 named Bock's Car, whose grim mission it had been to drop the second atomic bomb on Nagasaki, Japan, during World War II. Meanwhile, on August 1, 1959, the Arizona Aircraft Storage Squadron became the 2704th Air Force Storage and Disposition Group, directly under the command of Air Materiel Command headquarters.

The Arizona Aircraft Storage Branch was discontinued as a directorate-level component of the San Bernardino Air Materiel Area. Accordingly, it was redesignated as the 2704th Air Force Aircraft Storage and Disposition Group (AFASDG) under the jurisdiction of the Air Materiel Command.1 Aug 1959

The 2704th AFSDG was discontinued and replaced by the Military Aircraft Storage and Disposition Center (MASDC). 1 Feb 1965

The 2704th AF Aircraft Storage and Disposition Group was redesignated as the 2704th Air Force Storage and Disposition Group. 1 Apr 1960

MAJOR UNITS ASSIGNED DM

1st Bombardment Wing 1 May 1941

Headquarters, 16th Bombardment Wing 1 June 1943

39th Combat Crew Training School 1 December 1943

233rd Army Air Force Base Unit c March 1944

4105th Army Air Force Base Unit (Air Base) 15 November 1945

4270th Army Air Force Base Unit (Separation Base) 15 November 1945

248th Army Air Force Base Unit 31 March 1946

3040th Aircraft Storage Depot 20 August 1948

3040th Aircraft Storage Squadron 5 October 1949

Arizona Aircraft Storage Branch 1 June 1956

2704th Air Force Aircraft Storage and Disposition Group 1 August 1959

2704th Air Force Storage and Disposition Group 1 April 1960

4080th Strategic Wing 1 July 1963

4453rd Combat Crew Training Wing 1 July 1964

Military Aircraft Storage and Disposition Center 1 February 1965

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