

113th OPERATIONS GROUP

MISSION

LINEAGE

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STATIONS

Andrews AFB, MD

ASSIGNMENTS

113th Wing

COMMANDERS

LTC Vincent Shiban

Col Jeffrey R. Johnson, Oct 2001-Jul 2003

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

In May 1993, a major restructuring of the 113th was in effect as part of a Guard Bureau test to evaluate potential wing organizations. The 113th was structured around three group

commanders, replacing the "Quad-Deputy" organization. The Objective Wing Organization is comprised of an Operations Group, a Support Group, and a Logistics Group.

District of Columbia Air National Guard aerospace control alert F-16s recently scrambled for the 5,000th time since Sept. 11, 2001, in defense of the nation's capital, unit officials announced "Every day that we come down here to the alert facilities ... we arrive with the mindset that today is the day ... my actions are going to prevent an attack on our nation's capital," said Lt. Col. John Vargas, 113th Wing ACA detachment commander at JB Andrews, Md. Stricter flight restricted zones were instituted over the National Capitol Region following the 9/11 terrorist attacks when the unit began 14/7 alert. Since then, the unit has responded to more incidents than NORAD's other continental alert sites combined. "If you add up all of their alert calls and double that, that doesn't come close to the amount of activity we have had," said 113th Operations Ground Commander Col. Mark Valentine. The 5,000th scramble occurred March 21, 2015

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