

123 COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

123 Combat Support Squadron

STATIONS

Louisville, KY

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

LTC Charles Robertson, 1962-1964

LTC William Robertson, 1964-1966

LTC Cecil Walker, 1966-1967

Maj Maynard G. Weppner, 1967

LTC Charles Sauer, 1967-1973

LTC Fred W. Cross, 1973-1974

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

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123rd Combat Support Sq was called to Federal service in 1968 and then deactivated awaiting release of all KYANG units from federal service

The 123d Tac Recon Wing was completely reorganized, effective Oct. 15, into a double-deputy structure, which reinstated the 123d Tac Recon Group with a commander, and under him, a deputy commander for each of the areas of operations and materiel. Also created were a 123d Materiel Squadron (combining the Supply and CAM Squadrons) and a 123d Combat Support Squadron (which merged the A&E Squadron and the Transportation Squadron). At the same time the Wing Headquarters, the 165th Tac Recon Squadron and the 123d Tac Hospital were also reorganized, and the total changes reduced the KyANG strength by 185 spaces. The new group commander was Col Eugene F. Kinnaird Jr.

1968 Orders for the 123d Tac Recon Wing and all other units of the Ky-ANG (except for State Headquarters) called for 24 months' active duty, unless sooner relieved. Kentucky units affected by the call (with their gaining commands in parentheses) were: Hq, 123d Tac Recon Wing (TAC) Hq, 123d Tac Recon Group (TAC) 165th Tac Recon Squadron 123d Tac Hospital 123d Combat Support Squadron 123d Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron 123d Supply Squadron 123d Communications Flight (AFCS) 165th Weather Flight (AWS-MAC)

At that point it also became clear that a number of members of the KyANG would not be moved to Richards-Gebaur with the Wing. The Group Headquarters would be shelved for the time being, the 165th Tac Recon Squadron would be greatly enlarged as an "augmented" squadron, and the 123d Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron would be reorganized and redesignated as a Field Maintenance Squadron. The Combat Support Squadron, Weather Flight, Communications Flight, Tac Hospital, and Supply Squadron would all be inactivated "for the duration."

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Dec. 10 1974 ... A major structural reorganization of the KyANG inactivated the 123d Tac Recon Group at Louisville and changed the wing command structure extensively. The Combat Support Sq became the 123d Combat Support Gp, and the 189th Tac Recon Group at Little Rock AFB was relieved of assignment to the 123d Tac Recon Wing at the same time. The 123d Reconnaissance Technical Sq at Adams Field was released from the Arkansas group and remained assigned to the 123d headquarters at Louisville.

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