

337 AIRLIFT SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

337 Troop Carrier Squadron, Medium constituted, 10 May 1949
Activated in the Reserve, 26 Jun 1949
Ordered to active service, 1 May 1951
Inactivated, 1 Feb 1953
Activated in the Reserve, 1 Apr 1953
Inactivated, 1 Jul 1957
Activated in the Reserve on 8 Jul 1958
Redesignated 337 Military Airlift Squadron, 1 Apr 1966
Redesignated 337 Tactical Airlift Squadron, 1 Apr 1972
Redesignated 337 Military Airlift Squadron, 1 Oct 1987
Redesignated 337 Airlift Squadron, 1 Feb 1992

STATIONS

Birmingham Muni Aprt, AL, 26 Jun 1949
Mitchel AFB, NY, 10 Oct 1949-1 Feb 1953
Mitchel AFB, NY, 1 Apr 1953-1 Jul 1957
Bradley Field, CT, 8 Jul 1958
Westover AFB (later, ARB), MA, 1 Apr 1966

ASSIGNMENTS

514 Troop Carrier Group, 26 Jun 1949-1 Feb 1953
514 Troop Carrier Group, 1 Apr 1953-1 Jul 1957
514 Troop Carrier Group, 8 Jul 1958
514 Troop Carrier Wing, 14 Apr 1959
905 Troop Carrier (later, 905 Military Airlift; 905 Tactical Airlift) Group, 17 Jan 1963
439 Tactical Airlift (later, 439 Military Airlift; 439 Airlift) Wing, 1 Apr 1974

439 Operations Group, 1 Aug 1992

WEAPON SYSTEMS

C-46, 1949-1953

C-119, 1952-1953

C-46, 1953-1954

C-119, 1954-1957

C-119, 1958-1965

C-124, 1965-1970 1970-1974

C-130, 1974-1988

C-5, 1987

C-17

COMMANDERS

Unkn, 26 Jun 1949-May 1951

Lt Col Warren E. Cerrone, May 1951

Maj David L. Steege, Aug 1951

Maj Edward F. Fleming, Oct 1951

Capt William P. Windus Jr., Mar 1952

Lt Col Guy B. Gray, 20 May 1952

Lt Col Wilbert E. St. John, 27 Jun 1952-1 Feb 1953

Unkn, 1 Apr 1953-1955

Maj Salvatore J. Camp, Jun 1955

Unkn, 1 Jul 1955-1 Jul 1957

Lt Col Stanley J. Wojno, 8 Jul 1958

Maj Joseph R. Rolles, Jun 1961

Col Saverio P. Martino, Dec 1961-unkn

Lt Col William J. Dublynn, Jun 1964-unkn

Lt Col Richard P. Stevens, Dec 1974

Unkn, 1 Jan 1976-1977

Lt Col Louis Paskevicz, 1978

Lt Col Paul E. Huffman, Sep 1978

Col Clarence J. Bryant, 10 Aug 1980

Lt Col Walter C. Holliday, 2 Jul 1984

Lt Col Jerold Budinoff, 7 Dec 1985

Col Charles S. Joslin Jr., 7 Jun 1987

Lt Col James P. Gallin, 7 May 1988

Lt Col Terrence N. Trent, 1 Aug 1991

Lt Col Fred F. Castle, 9 Jul 1994

Lt Col Merrill N. Cross, Jul 1996

Lt Col William Bradford, 6 Sep 1997

Lt Col Michael J. Marten

Lt Col Louis M. Shogry III

Lt Col Vito Addabbo

Lt Col Patrick L. Cloutier
Lt Col John Healy
Col Jeffrey Hancock
Lt Col Timothy Robinson

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Panama, 1989-1990

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Apr 1971-31 Mar 1973

1 Jan 1975-31 Dec 1976

15 Jun 1989-15 Jun 1991

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm

1 Apr 1966-1 Mar 1972

EMBLEM



On a disc Argent (Silver Gray), between a pile bendwise Azure, fimbriated Or, charged with an

eagle's head erased Argent, garnished Sable, below an open parachute with cargo of the fifth, descending bendwise Gules and of the fourth, terminating at a bull's eye alternating of the third and second, three mullets in pale in sinister and a lightning flash bendwise in dexter Gules, all within a narrow border Blue. Attached above the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Blue border and inscribed "NON DUCOR DUCO" in Blue letters. Attached below the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Blue border and inscribed "337th AIRLIFT SQ" in Blue letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The eagle on the pile suggests the unit's airlift functions in support of the Air Force global reach mission. The descending parachute toward the bull's eye represents the skill and proficiency of the personnel of the unit in the performance of their duties. The stars represent courage, justice and determination, qualities displayed by unit personnel. The lightning flash denotes the swiftness with which the Squadron performs its duties. (Approved, 11 Jul 1996)

MOTTO

NON DUCOR DUCO--I Am Not Led, I Lead

OPERATIONS



On April 15 1971, a 905th aircrew was paying its final respects to an old friend on the occasion of the retirement from active service of "Number 119", a C-124 Globemaster. The big bird went home to roost--not rust-- at Bradley International Airport, the former home of the 905th, and site of the Connecticut Aeronautical Historical Association Museum where she'll be a star attraction. The old girl will become a museum in her own right. She'll be refitted as a living document of Air Force history, spruced up and opened for public viewing early next year. A large wall panel to be mounted inside will tell visitors of the mission and activities of the 905th. The 124 was flown on its farewell flight by a crew of Pratt & Whitney Aircraft employees, all of whom are Reservists. At the controls was Maj. Richard P. Stevens of the 905th's 337MAS and a member of P & Ws Engineering Support Group. A 19 year veteran of service in Japan, Korea,

Vietnam and this country, "Number 119" takes a place of honor next to a C-119 flown by the unit during its Bradley occupancy.

During January and February the 337th Military Airlift Squadron continued to prepare for the changeover to TAC and conversion to C-130 aircraft. Five C-124s were transferred to such destinations as Tinker AFB, Hanscom Field, Davis-Monthan AFB, and the Memphis ANG while remaining aircraft were utilized to maintain proficiency and meet flying time requirements. Naturally, MAC missions came to a halt during the period. Since the new UDL calls for substantial reductions on all crew positions except loadmaster, assistance was given to group personnel interested in obtaining positions with other units. Many of the pilots, engineers and navigators who are being retained are attending C-130 training at Little Rock. Loadmasters at training at Ellington AFB, Texas.

Served on active duty within the United States during Korean War, 1951-1953, airlifting U.S. airborne forces and military equipment and supplies as needed. Trained for and flew airlift missions worldwide, 1953-1957 and since 1958. At the end of 1989, it took part in Operation Just Cause, flying troops and equipment to Panama

1987 C-130 aircraft of 337 tactical airlift squadron transferred to 927 Tactical Airlift Group, Selfridge Air National Guard Base Mi, and to 907 Tactical Airlift Group, Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base Oh.

1987 participated in exercise blazing trails in Huntsville Al and Quito, Ecuador. Demonstration held outside main gate of Westover Air Force Base by an organization called women for peace to protest united states involvement in Central America. Participated in Joint Patriot Thunder exercises. Supported Exercise Flintlock 87.

Participated in joint Army Reserve/Air Force Reserve exercise Exodus 87.

Wing received first of sixteen C-5A aircraft. 1987

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