

439 CONTINGENCY RESPONSE FLIGHT



MISSION

LINEAGE

439 Airlift Control Flight constituted, 14 Jul 1987

Activated in the Reserve, 1 Oct 1987

Redesignated 439 Contingency Response Flight, 31 Mar 2017

STATIONS

Westover AFB (later, Westover ARB), MA, 1 Oct 1987

ASSIGNMENTS

439 Military Airlift (later, 439 Airlift) Wing, 1 Oct 1987

439 Operations Group, 1 Aug 1992

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Christopher D. Kreig

Lt Col Patrick King

Lt Col Gregory Ulrich

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

15 Jun 1989-15 Jun 1991

1 Oct 1995-30 Sep 1997

1 Oct 1999-30 Sep 2001

1 Oct 2001-30 Sep 2003

1 Jul 2005-30 Jun 2007

1 Jul 2007-30 Jun 2009

EMBLEM



On a disc Azure, the silhouette of the shoulders and head of a patriot attired in a tri-corner hat Sable, in chief an arc of six mullets Or, all within a diminished border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "439TH AIRLIFT CONTROL FLT" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "RIGID FLEXIBILITY" in Yellow 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 patriot silhouette represents the original militiamen originating in New England, the geographical area of the unit. Black symbolizes night, the element in which the unit's duty is performed. The six stars refer to the six New England states. (Approved, 22 Mar 2001)

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OPERATIONS

USAF Unit Histories

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Sources

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