

1603 MOTOR VEHICLE SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

1603 Motor Vehicle Squadron

STATIONS

Wheelus AF, Libya

ASSIGNMENTS

1603 Maintenance and Supply Group

COMMANDERS

Maj J. A. Ramsey

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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MOTTO

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OPERATIONS

Boasting over 200 personnel, 136 airmen, four officers and 79 indigenous workers, the 1603d Motor Vehicle Squadron runs a 24-hour schedule seven days a week to keep Wheelus on wheels.

With its transportation and maintenance sections in constant and full operation, approximately 385 vehicles are utilized on daily dispatch either on permanent or taxi basis for over two dozen Wheelus squadrons and units, assigned or tenant.

Vehicles assigned operate an average of 245,000 miles per month, furnishing transportation for approximately 13,000 passengers and transport 8,000 tons in that same period. Monthly vehicle utilization is 96.5 % of its total number. Maintenance also has a big job in handling 1,100 pieces of equipment of all sizes and types, and processes an average of 500 work orders monthly in its section.

The assigned units were reorganized and a wing structure was established. The 1603d Medical Group was formed plus the 1603d Air Base Group, which had jurisdiction over the 1603d Air Police Squadron, the 1603d Installation Squadron, and the 1603d Food Service Squadron. In May 1952, the 1603d Maintenance and Supply Group was formed to supervise the 1603d Maintenance Squadron, the 1603d Supply Squadron, and the 1603d Motor Vehicle Squadron.

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