

# **175 OPERATIONS GROUP**

## **MISSION**

175 Operations Group ensures combat mission ready forces are properly organized, trained and equipped for on call worldwide combat deployments. Forces include intelligence, weather, aircrew flight equipment, airfield management, aviation resource management and A-10C attack pilots. Ensures mission accomplishment in the A-10C to include close air support, forward air control, combat search and rescue, and maritime interdiction with all-weather and night precision capability. Officers: 5 Enlisted: 10

## **LINEAGE**

175 Operations Group

## **STATIONS**

Warfield Air National Guard Base, Middle River, MD

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

175 Wing

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

## **COMMANDERS**

Col Charlie Morgan

Col Ron Ball

Col Gary Wingo

LTC Marino Nov 2005 - Sept 2009

Col Kevin Campbell

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

**EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

During 2011, the group's 107 personnel and 22 A-10C organized, trained and equipped for worldwide deployments from the Korean area of responsibility to the entire U.S. Central Command theater of operations. Most notably, the group conducted two operational readiness evaluations in February and May, in preparation for the HQ ACC Inspector General operational readiness inspection conducted June 10-15, 2011. The group proved it is ready for its worldwide tasking by with an overall rating of "excellent." Our intelligence personnel shined with an overall "outstanding" rating, a Superior Team award, and nomination for IG Best Practice award for mobility operations. The group was also recognized with six individual Superior Performer awards. In February, the group flew in the U.S. Northern Command Exercise Falcon Virgo in support of the Air Defense of the National Capital Region. In March, the group also participated in the U.S. Air Forces Central Exercise Neptune Falcon at Nellis AFB, Nev., to support an evaluation directed by the Combined Forces Air Component Commander. In October, the group sent 12 aircraft and 157 personnel to Exercise Jaded Thunder at MacDill AFB, Fla. This exercise supported U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps., United Kingdom and special operations forces, in preparation for Operation Enduring Freedom operations in Afghanistan next year. During this time, the A-10C was upgraded to Suite 7 software and the LITENING GEN4 targeting pod, adding increased situational awareness, imaging and moving target tracking capabilities to the already formidable Warthog.

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