

## 315 MISSION SUPPORT GROUP



### MISSION

#### LINEAGE

315 Air Base Group established, 23 May 1952  
Activated, 10 Jun 1952  
Inactivated, 18 Jan 1955  
Redesignated 315 Combat Support Group, 22 Jul 1971  
Activated, 31 Jul 1971  
Inactivated, 31 Mar 1972  
Redesignated 315 Air Base Group, 13 Feb 1986  
Activated in the Reserve, 1 Mar 1986  
Redesignated 315 Combat Support Group, 1 Apr 1990  
Redesignated 315 Support Group, 1 Feb 1992  
Redesignated 315 Mission Support Group, 1 Oct 2002

#### STATIONS

Brady Airfield, Japan, 10 Jun 1952-18 Jan 1955  
Phan Rang AB, South Vietnam, 31 Jul 1971-31 Mar 1972  
Charleston AFB, SC, 1 Mar 1986

#### ASSIGNMENTS

315 Troop Carrier Wing, 10 Jun 1952-18 Jan 1955  
315 Tactical Airlift Wing, 31 Jul 1971-31 Mar 1972  
315 Military Airlift (later 315 Airlift) Wing, 1 Mar 1986

#### COMMANDERS

Col William J. Thompson, 10 Jun 1952

Maj John G. Buschman, 25 Aug 1953  
Col Garth C. Cobb, 15 Sep 1953  
Col John A. Cosgrove, 30 Mar 1954-Unknown  
Col Donald E. Libby, 1971  
Col Arthur R. Burke, 1971-31 Mar 1972  
Col William D. Stephens, 9 Nov 2008

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

Korean Service

### **Campaign Streamers**

Vietnam  
Command Hunt VI  
Commando Hunt VII  
Vietnam Ceasefire.

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat "V" Device  
31 Jul 1971-31 Mar 1972

### **Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards**

1 Jul 1988-30 Jun 1989  
1 Jul 1989-30 Jun 1990  
21 Sep-31 Oct 1989  
1 Jul 1993-30 Jun 1995  
1 Jul 1995-30 Jun 1997  
1 Jul 1998-30 Jun 2000  
1 Sep 1998-31 Aug 2000  
11 Sep 2001-10 Sep 2003  
1 Aug 2005-31 Jul 2007

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation  
[10 Jun 1952]-27 Jul 1953

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm  
[31 Jul 1971]-31 Mar 1972

## **EMBLEM**



315 Combat Support Group emblem



315 Mission Support Group emblem Blazon. Per fess nebuly Celeste and Argent, fimbriated Or, below in chief three mullets of the third, an aircraft fesswise of the second, in base a globe per pale of the second and Azure, gridlines counterchanged; all within a diminished bordure of the third. Attached below the shield, a White scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "315 MISSION SUPPORT GROUP" 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 three yellow stars mounted on a light blue background represent the unit's service in three wars. The stylized aircraft is symbolic of the means by which the assigned mission is accomplished. The globe signifies the worldwide capability of the wing to perform in daylight or darkness and through all kinds of weather. (Approved, 18 Feb 2021)

## MOTTO

## OPERATIONS

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