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1 Jul 84 The 1723d Combat Control Squadron was activated at Hurlburt Field, Florida.

1 Oct 87 The 1720th Special Tactics Group (STGP) was designated and activated at Hurlburt Field, Florida. The 1723d Combat Control Squadron (CCS), 1724th Special Tactics Squadron (STSO), and 1730th Para-escue Squadron were all assigned to the 1720th Special Tactics Group.

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STATIONS
Hurlburt FL

BRIG GEN PAUL R. DORDAL ASSUMED COMMAND OF THE 23 WING, POPE AIR FORCE BASE, NC, FROM BRIG GEN JAMES SANDSTRON, 12 JAN. STANDARDIZATION/EVALUATION (STAN/EVAL) TEST CONDUCTED. TENANT ORGANIZATIONS' KEY COMMAND CHANGES OCCURRED. 23 COMBAT CONTROL SQUADRON (CCS) INACTIVATED 4 APR. TWO AIRMEN, SSGT SHAWN P. FISHER AND SRA KIRK J. MCMANIOUS, WON AIR COMBAT COMMAND'S WEAPONS SAFETY AWARD OF DISTINCTION FOR STOPPING A RUNAWAY MHU-110 TRAILER LOADED WITH BDU-50 PRACTICE BOMBS WITH AN A-10A AIRCRAFT ON THE FLIGHTLINE RAMP, 10 MAY 96. IN DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA, A 5,000 POUND BOMB EXPLODED AT KHOBAR TOWERS HOTEL, KILLING 23 PEOPLE AND INJURING 300 MORE, 25 JUN 96. POPE AIR FORCE BASE, NC, EVACUATED ITS FLYABLE A-10, C-130, AND F-16 AIRCRAFT DUE TO IMPENDING ARRIVAL OF HURRICANE BERTHA, 11 JUL 96. HURRICANE FRAN, ONE OF THE MOST DESTRUCTIVE STORMS IN HISTORY, PASSED NEAR POPE AIR FORCE BASE, NC, FORCING THE EVACUATION OF C-130 AND A-10A AIRCRAFT TO LITTLE ROCK AIR FORCE BASE, AR AND GRISSOM AIR RESERVE STATION, IN, RESPECTIVELY, 13 SEP 96. THE FLYING TIGERS FLEW FOR THE LAST TIME AS THE 23 WING, 31 MAR 97. 23 WING REDESIGNATED AS 23 FIGHTER GROUP, 1 APR 97, REPORTING TO ITS PARENT UNIT, 347 WING AT MOODY AIR FORCE BASE, GA. PARTICIPATED AND SUPPORTED RED FLAG; WILDCAT 96-1, 96-5, 96-6; JOINT ENDEAVOR; BIG DROP III; MAJOR ACCIDENT RESPONSE EXERCISE (MARE); SOUTHERN WATCH; AND SAINT MARTIN EVACUATION DUE TO HURRICANE LUIS. DISTINGUISHED VISITORS THAT VISITED POPE AIR FORCE BASE, NC, INCLUDED SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, DR. SHEILA E. WIDNALL AND GEN RICHARD E. HAWLEY, COMMANDER, AIR COMBAT COMMAND.

CONTAINS HISTORICAL RECORD DATA FOR 1723 COMBAT CONTROL SQUADRON, HURLBURT FIELD, FL WITH SUBORDINATE DETACHMENTS AT RHEIN MAIN AIR BASE, GERMANY AND CLARK AIR BASE, PHILIPPINES. MISSION OF 1723 COMBAT SQUADRON TO ORGANIZE, TRAIN, AND EQUIP COMBAT CONTROL TEAMS (CCT) TO RAPIDLY ESTABLISH ASSAULT ZONES AND CONTROL EXPEDITIONARY AIRFIELDS. MISSION INCLUDES CONDUCTING RECONNAISSANCE OF POTENTIAL ASSAULT ZONE SITES, PLACEMENT OF ENROUTE AND TERMINAL NAVIGATIONAL AIDS, PROVIDING COMMAND/CONTROL COMMUNICATIONS, AND REMOVAL OF OBSTACLES AND UNEXPLODED ORDNANCES WITH DEMOLITIONS. LT COL JOHN T CARNEY JR SERVED AS FIRST COMMANDER OF 1723 COMBAT CONTROL SQUADRON, FOLLOWED BY LT COL ROBERT A. COULTER, AND MAJ CRAIG F. BROTCHE ON 7 AUG 87. COMMANDERS QUARTERLY ACTIVITIES LETTERS INCLUDE INFORMATION ON SIGNIFICANT MISSIONS, EXERCISES, TRAINING ACTIVITY, INSPECTIONS, TEST PROJECTS, CONFERENCES, INDIVIDUAL AND UNIT ACCOMPLISHMENTS, IMPORTANT VISITORS, AND COMMUNITY PROJECTS.

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