

AIR COMBAT COMMAND



LINEAGE

Air Combat Command established and activated, 1 Jun 1992

STATIONS

Langley AFB, VA

COMMANDERS

Gen John M. Loh, 1 Jun 1992
Gen Joseph W. Ralston, 23 Jun 1995
LTG Brett M. Dula (acting), 28 Feb 1996
Gen Richard E. Hawley, 5 Apr 1996
Gen Ralph E. Eberhart, 11 Jun 1999
Gen John P. Jumper, 8 Feb 2000
LTG Donald G. Cook (acting), 6 Sep 2001
Gen Hal M. Hornburg, 14 Nov 2001
LTG Bruce A. Wright (acting), 17 Nov 2004
LTG William M. Fraser III (acting), 6 Feb 2005
Gen Ronald E. Keys, 26 May 2005
Gen John D. W. Corley, 2 Oct 2007
Gen William M. Fraser, III, 10 Sep 2009
Gen. Herbert Carlisle

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Air Force Organizational Excellence Awards:

1 Sep 1992-31 Aug 1994

1 Jun 1994-31 May 1996

1 Jun 1996-31 May 1998

1 Jun 1998-31 May 2000

1 Jun 2000-31 May 2002

1 Jun 2002-31 May 2004

EMBLEM

On a shield divided by a nebuly line; the upper part blue, the lower part red; the nebuly line and narrow edge white around outer edge of blue section of shield; over all a sword in a vertical position, the grip red, with black markings, the sword between a pair of wings golden yellow.

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

The upper field of azure symbolizes the sky; the lower field of red, the embattled ground forces. Both are protected by golden wings symbolic of aerial supremacy gained through unblemished personal combat, depicted by a silver sword.

MOTTO

GLOBAL POWER FOR AMERICA

OPERATIONS

The ACC mission is to Aim High...fly, fight, win... integrating capabilities across air, space and cyberspace to deliver precise, coercive effects in defense of our nation and its global interests.

ACC is the lead command for the combat Air Force. The command organizes, trains, equips and deploys combat ready forces to support combatant commanders around the globe. Additionally, ACC provides the air component headquarters to U.S. Northern, Southern and Central commands and supports the in-place air components of U.S. European and Pacific commands. ACC also provides air defense forces to North American Aerospace Defense Command. To accomplish the objectives of the National Defense Strategy, the command operates fighter; attack; bomber; intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; combat search and rescue; battle-management; electronic-combat and unmanned aircraft system platforms. In addition, ACC conducts information operations and provides command, control, communications and intelligence systems to theater commanders and combat forces.

HQ USAF established this command to integrate the bomber and intercontinental ballistic

missile resources of Strategic Air Command and the fighter resources of Tactical Air Command into a single command, able to support and implement joint missions. Air Combat Command (ACC) serves as the Air Force component of the United States Atlantic Command. Air Combat Command is the primary provider of combat airpower to America's war fighting commands. To support global implantation of national security strategy, ACC operates fighter, bomber, reconnaissance, battle-management, and electronic-combat aircraft. It also provides command, control, communications and intelligence systems, and conducts global information operations.

ACC organizes, trains, equips and maintains combat-ready forces for rapid deployment and employment while ensuring strategic air defense forces are ready to meet the challenges of peacetime air sovereignty and wartime air defense.

ACC numbered air forces provide air componency to U.S. Central and Southern Commands with Headquarters ACC serving as the air component to U.S. Northern and Joint Forces Commands. ACC also augments forces to U.S. European, Pacific and Strategic Commands.

Upon activation, ACC assumed control of all fighter resources based in the continental United States, all bombers, reconnaissance platforms, battle management resources, and intercontinental ballistic missiles. ACC also had some tankers and C-130s in its composite, reconnaissance wings.

Since activation, ACC relinquished control of the ICBM mission and control of nuclear weapon capable bombers, tankers and C-130s to other commands.



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Air Force Magazine Almanacs. Air Force Association. Arlington, VA. Various years.