

167 MAINTENANCE GROUP

MISSION

LINEAGE

167 Maintenance Group

STATIONS

Martinsburg, WV

ASSIGNMENTS

167 Airlift Wing

COMMANDERS

Col Brian L. Truman

Col Phillip S. Michael

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

A new isochronal inspection hangar at Shepherd Field in Martinsburg, West Virginia, opened in early October as part of a maintenance complex where most of the shops for the 167th Airlift

Wing, the West Virginia Air National Guard C-5 unit, are under one roof. The wing's new corrosion control hangar will be completed in early 2008. On 7 November, a C-5 made the first landing on the newly opened runway in Martinsburg.

West Virginia Guard Ends C-5 Regional Inspection Mission The West Virginia Air National Guard's 167th Airlift Wing completed its final C-5 isochronal inspection on March 6, wrapping up an eight-year mission that was the first of its kind in the Air Force, according to a March 10 wing release. The wing served as one of three regional isochronal inspection hubs, along with Dover AFB, Del., and Westover ARB, Mass., conducting preventative maintenance on the massive cargo aircraft every 420 days. "We started this process from scratch," said MSgt. James Buckley, a 167th isochronal coordinator. "We only had the C-5s for about a year when we received the regional isochronal mission ... we had to build all that up ourselves with a small group of people." The Air Force is retiring many of its older C-5s and the 167th is transitioning its fleet to the C-17 Globemaster III, states the release. In its eight years as a regional hub, the inspection team, which was mostly comprised of members of the 167th Maintenance Group, averaged a 39-day inspection cycle per aircraft, having completed a total of 63 aircraft from eight different bases, states the release.

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