445th AIR EXPEDITIONARY SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

445th Bombardment Squadron (Medium) constituted, 16 Jun 1942

Activated, 26 Jun 1942

Redesignated 445th Bombardment Squadron, Medium, 9 Oct 1944

Inactivated, 12 Sep 1945

Redesignated 445th Bombardment Squadron, Light, 26 May 1947

Activated in the Reserve, 29 Jun 1947

Inactivated, 27 Jun 1949

Redesignated 445th Bombardment Squadron, Medium, 25 Nov 1953

Activated, 15 Dec 1953

Discontinued and inactivated, 25 Oct 1961

Redesignated 445th Air Expeditionary Squadron, and converted to provisional status, 13 May 2011

STATIONS

Barksdale Field, LA, 26 Jun 1942 Columbia AAB, SC, 1 Aug 1942 Walterboro, SC, 20 Sep 1942 DeRidder AAB, LA, 2 Dec 1942-21 Jan 1943 Oujda, French Morocco, 7 Mar 1943 Ain M'lila, Algeria, 12 Mar 1943
Souk-el-Arba, Tunisia, 1 Jun 1943
Soliman, Tunisia, 8 Aug 1943
Grottaglie, Italy, 3 Oct 1943
Amendola, Italy, 20 Nov 1943
Vincenzo, Italy, 14 Jan 1944
Gaudo, Italy, 18 Feb1944
Solenzara, Corsica, 23 Apr 1944
Falconara, Italy, 8 Apr 1945
Pomigliano, Italy, Aug-12 Sep 1945
Toledo Mun Aprt, OH, 29 Jun 1947-27 Jun 1949
Pinecastle AFB, FL, 15 Dec 1953-25 Oct 1961

ASSIGNMENTS

321st Bombardment Group, 26 Jun 1942-12 Sep 1945 321st Bombardment Group, 29 Jun 1947-27 Jun 1949 321st Bombardment Wing, 15 Dec 1953-25 Oct 1961 Air Combat Command to activate or inactivate at any time on or after 13 May 2011

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-25, 1942-1945 B-47, 1953-1961 DB-47, 1947-1960 B-25C B-25J

COMMANDERS

Unkn, 26 Jun 1942 Cpt William V. MacFarlane, Sep 1942 LTC Bailey C. Cook, 9 Mar 1943 Maj Richard T. Tipton, 19 Nov 1943 Cpt Ellwood H. Beeson, 8 Jan 1944 LTC Bailey C. Cook, 31 Jan 1944 Maj Percy D. Register, Jr., 17 Mar 1944 Maj Thomas C. Bounds, 1 Aug 1944 Cpt Frank M. Furey, 20 Feb 1945-unkn Unkn, 29 Jun 1947 LTC John H. Mohn, Jul 1948-unkn Unkn, 15 Dec 1953 LTC Charles Joyce, 24 May 1954 LTC Lawrence F. McGuire, Aug 1955 LTC Burdett J. McKinnis, Mar 1956 LTC Charles S. Glenn, Jul 1957

LTC Robert L. Boardman, Oct 1958

LTC Howard E. Cody, Apr 1959-unkn

MMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

World War II Tunisia

Sicily

Naples-Foggia

Rome-Arno

Southern France

North Apennines

Central Europe

Po Valley

Air Combat, EAME Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations Athens, Greece, 8 Oct 1943 Toulon, France, 18 Aug 1944

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OPERATIONS

Combat in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations and European Theater of Operations, 15 Mar 1943-25 Apr 1945. Maintained combat readiness to execute strategic bombing at anytime, anyplace and anywhere, 1953-1961.

The Afghan Air Force this month performed its first all-Afghan C-130 training flight, according to an Air Force Central Command release. The flight was a significant step toward sustainability by the only C-130 crew in the Afghan Air Force, which was conducted just over a year after the first all-Afghan crew flew its first operational mission on the plane, stated the release. During the flight, US advisors trained Afghan flight engineer and loadmaster candidates on other C-130s,

even though initial training of C-130 crew members was not originally part of the train, advise, and assist mission. The sortie was an upgrade flight for an Afghan aircraft commander candidate. In August, the Air Force announced that airmen assigned to the 445th Air Expeditionary Advisory Squadron were hosting hands-on classes to train Afghan Air Force members on how to repair and operate the Afghan C-130H.2015

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Sources

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