

39 EXPEDITIONARY OPERATIONS GROUP



MISSION

LINEAGE

39 Operations Group established, 19 Aug 1993

Activated, 1 Oct 1993

Inactivated, 16 Jul 2003

Redesignated 39 Expeditionary Operations Group, and converted to provisional status, 23 Sep 2011

STATIONS

Incirlik AB, Turkey, 1 Oct 1993-16 Jul 2003

ASSIGNMENTS

39 Wing, 1 Oct 1993-16 Jul 2003

United States Air Forces in Europe to activate or inactivate at any time on or after 23 Sep 2011

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

27 Jun-29 Sep 1998

15 Dec 1999-14 Dec 2001

EMBLEM

Azure, a bend sinister double beveled parti per bend sinister Gules and Argent, surmounted by six flight symbols Or, ascending bendwise in triangular formation three, two, and one, all within a diminished bordure of the last. Attached below the shield, a White scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "39TH EXPEDITIONARY OPERATIONS GP" 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 group of flight symbols in formation suggests the precision with which the unit expounds six of the tenets of aerospace power: resistance, concentration, balance, synergy, priority, and centralized control, decentralized execution. The seventh tenet of aerospace power which the unit exemplifies is flexibility and versatility as reflected by the arched bend.

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

39th Expeditionary Operations Group replaced 7440th Operations Group (Provisional) as air component of combined Task Force Northern Watch. 15 Sep 1997

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