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ORI IN PROGRESS

At 10:30 Saturday morning the first C-130 Hercules aircraft arrived in Gulfport, Miss., beginning the deployment phase of the 317th Tactical Airlift Wing's Operational Readiness Inspection.

The lead aircraft was followed by other aircraft bringing members of the 3rd Mobile Aerial Port Squadron, the Airlift Control Element and some maintenance support people.

Later Saturday, the mainstream aircraft began arriving at 20 minute intervals, bringing the rest of the support people and equipment.

Altogether, 24 aircraft arrived in Gulfport with more than 660 people. One hundred and thirty of the people were flight crew members from the 39th, 40th and 41st Tactical Airlift Squadrons from Pope AFB.

N.C. During their stay here, the aircraft will carry a basic five-man crew plus an additional loadmaster for certain air-drop missions.

Immediately after their arrival, support people began working 12-hour shifts to establish operations centers at the forward operating base. Included among these are a dispensary and a dining hall.

All through Saturday night and Sunday, the 3rd MAPS people processed loads and loaded aircraft scheduled to drop Sunday night.

On Sunday night, 18 aircraft were launched at 15 minute intervals. After these aircraft made their drops, using the Container Delivery System, they went to Pope AFB to pick up

heavy equipment to be used in drops scheduled for tonight and tomorrow night. Thirty-nine missions are scheduled for tonight.

This inspection is taking place in conjunction with a U.S. Army Emergency Deployment Readiness Exercise being conducted by the XVIII Airborne Corps from Fort Bragg, N.C.

The exercise simulates a humanitarian relief mission deploying engineering, medical and military police teams and equipment into an earthquake stricken area.

Other units participating in the exercise are the U.S. Air Force Air Weather Service and the Mississippi Air National Guard, who are providing some logistic support.

IG CONFERENCE SET

In accordance with AFR 123-11, there is a Military Airlift Command Inspector General's Personal Conference session being held in building 289 at Pope AFB, N.C.

This conference runs through Friday and is open to anyone, military and Department of the Air Force civilian employees, who has a complaint,

grievance or inquiry concerning Air Force subjects.

No special permission is required to see the IG and appointments may be made by calling Pope Ext. 4417 or 4745 during normal duty hours. This conference is open to all persons returning to Pope following the Operational Readiness Inspection.



"Boats, I don't think you need our fuel credit card for a routine 2-hour harbor patrol."

TRANSPORTATION VITAL TO ORI

Even with the price of gasoline as high as it is, transportation is still one of the most important factors in today's ever-changing world.

Twelve members of the 317th Transportation Squadron from Pope AFB, N.C. have deployed to Gulfport Miss., as a part of the 317th Tactical Airlift Wing's Operational Readiness Inspection.

SSgt. Dave Pleasants

heads the team which consists of eight drivers and four mechanics. Although there are some Mississippi Air National Guard people working at the motor pool, the Pope team is tasked to maintain and operate the 55 vehicles being used by the 317th TAW during the ORI.

The Pope team arrived in Gulfport Saturday and immediately established a system to provide trans-

portation for the other incoming personnel. They are working 12-hour shift to keep the motor pool operating around the clock.

The three buses the motor pool has are providing transportation to and from the aircraft for the flight crews.

Like everyone else participating in the ORI, the transportation people have a job to do and are striving to get it done.

SCHEDULES AND LOCATIONS

<u>Function</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Days</u>
Base Exchange	B-22	Noon-5 p.m.	Monday-Friday
Dispensary	D-6	Sick Call 7:30-9 a.m. 1-2 p.m.	Daily Emergency 24 hours
Dining Hall	M-5	Breakfast 4-9 a.m. Lunch 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Dinner 3-7 p.m. Midnight 11a.m.-3 a.m.	Daily Daily Daily Daily
ANG Club	M-5	4 p.m. Until	Daily
Military Servise station	G-68	7 a.m.-7 p.m.	Daily
ALCE	A-3	24 Hrs.	Dail-
Motor Pool	S-67	24 Hrs.	Daily
Base Headquarters	A-3	24 Hrs.	Daily
Maintenance Job Control	s-107	24 Hrs.	Daily



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