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62 AW/CC Roll Call

5 May 2016

Team McChord,

Tomorrow the 10th Airlift Squadron (AS) will inactivate for the fifth time in its short 76 years of history. In its early days the 10th AS was designated a Transport Squadron that moved from Olmsted Field, PA overseas to locations such as Algeria, Italy, and Germany and finally back to the United States at McChord in 2003 as an Airlift Squadron.

The Squadron's legacy rests in its support efforts following the attack on Pearl Harbor as well as the multitude of operations including providing airdropped supplies to escaped POWs in northern Italy. The support by the 10th AS during the 1944 Italian Campaign earned the squadron the



Distinguished Unit Citation. After flying missions over West Berlin in hostile Soviet territory, the squadron flew short-range personnel movements around USAFE up until the end of the Cold War. In its most recent activation, the 10th AS has maintained a standard of **Delivering Safe and Reliable Global Airlift** in OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, and the more current OPERATION FREEDOM'S SENTINEL and OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE.

Whether they were flying the C-47 Skytrain in the Army Air Corps or the C-17A Globemaster in the Air Force, the 10th AS has always provided **Trusted**, **Responsive Worldwide** Airlift and it is only appropriate to recognize the unit's global mission impact. I encourage all those interested in the inactivation to attend the ceremony on Friday morning, 6 May 2016 in Hangar 9. It will appropriately start at 1010 and will highlight more of the 10th's distinguished history.

<u>On the Horizon...</u>

Deployed Families Dinner [10 May] ALS Graduation [11 May]

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