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HOLLAND

- Movements at Eindhoven: 24/9: 31-40, 31-52 G-91R WGAF LKG-43; 30/10: 31-88, 31-22 G-19F WGAF LKG-41
- Two rotations took place at Volkel in October:
- From 8-10 till 18-10 four Mirages F.1 from Peims were on rotation with 311Sqn. These a/c being: 30-MK/20, -ME/8, -MJ/10, -MI/18. No less than nine F-104's of the 311Sqn went to Peims: D-8047, 8258, 8300, 6684, 8268, 8114, 8259, 8112 all F-104G and D-5807 F-104J.
- On 22-10 six RF-104G's of 306Sqn went to Karup for a rotation with 129Sqn of the EDanAF flying with Drakens. Unfortunately it was an one way rotation so no Drakes were to be seen at Volkel. RF-104G's involved in the rotation: D-8013, 8145, 8052, 8059, 8107, 8165.

The Starfighter from Volkel, that crashed on 19-8-74 near St. Annaparochie, was D-6682.

Other movements at Volkel included:

Aug. 19: BA46, BA29 Mirage 5BA BAF	Oct. 8: 27-35 TF-104G WGAF JB-31; 61-ZR/F-100
BR23, BR11 Mirage 5IR BAF 42BSc.	Transall FAF; 35-66 RI-4E WGAF AG-52;
21-78, 21-50, 26-52 F-104G WGAF JB-31	26-37, 23-38 F-104G WGAF JB-36
Sep. 3: BA35, BA-29 Mirage 5BA BAF	9: 27-02 TF-104G WGAF WS-10
5: FT-37 T-33A BAF	11: 28-34 TF-104G WGAF, 30-MT/16 Mirage F.1
6: XV217 C-130K RAF; XI368 Belfast RAF	15: 30-MM/12 Mirage F.1 FAF /PAF
19: 15785 UH-1H USArmy	16: 64-17785, 61-2632 F-104G RNoAF
26: AQ/94 N-262D FAF; 30-OC/14419 T-33A PAF	17: BA-07, BA-27 Mirage 5BA BAF; 61-ZV/F156
Oct. 7: AR105, AR118 RF-35 EDanAF 729Sqn	Transall FAF

-- Movements from Ypenburg:

May 1: 13801 T-29B USAF 7005AB	Jul. 3: 956 C-130H RNoAF	Sep. 19: XS790 Andover RAF
8: BT431 Viscount TurkAF	9: BA35, BR40 Mirage 5 BAF	Oct. 1: UN-956 C-130H RNoAF
9: K685 C-47 RDAF 721Sqn	30: 24461 T-39A USAF 17AF	10: 53-228 Noratlas RHAF
10: 24477 T-39A USAF	Aug. 2: NAF-901 F-27 NigAF	11: 18048 U-21A USArmy
17: 32294 C-118A USAF	28: 50297 C-131D USAF HQ	25: 01-44J Pembroke BAF
Jun. 20: 133345 T-33A CAF	Sep. 12: 12632 F-104G RNoAF (overhaul)	
27: DT494 T-33A EDanAF	19: NAF902 F-27 NigAF	

Notes: The Norwegian Starfighter stayed till October and made several test-flights. On 22 October the president of Senegal arrived in Caravelle CF-113R. He left on 25/10 and was accompanied by 5 Starfighters from Volkel. Photo's of Ypenburg visitors in this issue.

-- Movements at Beek airport:

Sep. 24: 84-36 CH-53 WGAmy	Oct. 5: 141009 C-131F USNavy	Oct. 30: J8-61 Do-28I WGAF
25: 18014 U-21A USArmy	7: ST-32 SF-260W BAF	15905 U-21A USArmy
30: 109160 CC.109 CAF	21: 24477 T-39A USAF	Nov. 5: XS791 Andover RAF
Oct. 3: 141008 C-131F USNavy	28: 24461 T-39A USAF	6: 24469 T-39A USAF
4: 131593/RT C-118B USN VR-53	18019 U-21A USArmy	13801 T-29B USAF 7005AB

- Visitors at Valkenburg MVK were:
 - Oct. 8: 148987/011 Sea King SH-3G USN HC-2
 - 9: XS488/S, XT472/G, XI453/K, XS514/N, XS515/S, XS499/S, XI460/T, XT448/W, All Wessex HU.5 RN 845Sqn HMS Hermes
 - 13: 151361/LW-9 Orion P-3A USN VP68
 - 14: 158571/LN-11 Orion P-3C USN VP-45
 - 15: KW708 Dominie CC.1 RAF 32Sqn
- Oct. 18: XT475/V-N, XS509/W-P, XS513/W-S, XT482/W-Q, XT486/W-W, XT756/W-M, XI479/J-X, XT771/W-R Wessex HU.5 RN 707Sqn (tailcode VL)
- 25: 13801 T-29B USAF 7005ABS
- 29: 158934/LA-4 Orion P-3C USN VP-5
- 30: 10677 T-39 USAF 7005ABS
- Movements at Soesterberg AB:
 - Sep. 30: AR64-022, 64-033, 64-034, 64-084, all RF-4C USAF 10TRW Alconbury
 - Oct. 7: AR64-081 RF-4C USAF 10TRW 27-15, 28-27 TF-104G USAF WS-10 LM66-456, 66-797 F-4D USAF 48TFW
- Oct. 8: 37-54, 37-56 F-4F USAF LM62-823 C-130B USAF
- 9: AR64-069 RF-4C USAF 10TRW 24-54, 27-89 T/F-104C USAF WS-10
- 11: XS790 Andover RAF Queens Flight
- Schiphol Airport, Fokker-VFW factory on 3 October 1974:
 - G-520, the first F-27 for the Ghana Air Force, on production-line; T3-52, an F-28 Mk.1000C for the Fuerza Aerea Argentina, 1 Aerobrigada; C-3 F-27 (camo) with newly fitted belly radome for navigational training purposes; NAF902 F-27 of the Nigerian Air Force.
- Movements at Leeuwarden AB:
 - Aug. 22: V-215 Neptune MLD (c/s PLUTO321)
 - 29: KR726/W Lightning F.6 RAF 5Sqn (c/s 501)
 - Sep. 18: OT-ZAD RN-4 Pembroke RAF
- Oct. 14: Formation of 2 F-104C (Volkel) and one Mirage 15: XW526/A (c/s 1547), XW534/D (1545) Buccaneer RAF 15Sqn (emergency landing)
- At last, Leeuwarden opened again on 1 November.
- Around 1976-1978 the Neptunes are to be replaced by 13 long-range ASW aircraft; candidates are the Nimrod, the Orion and second-hand Atlantics. Around 1977 the Bundesmarine will receive 15 new S-3A Vikings. Germany had 20 Atlantics, one crashed, one is used as instructional aircraft, leaves 18 operational aircraft. Five Atlantics will be modified to ACM-aircraft, the other 13 are for sale: exactly the number that the Koninklijke Marine needs... Mark our words!
- On 9 November the Ministry of Defence announced that an order had been placed for 6 Westland Lynx for the Naval Air Service (MID) to replace the AB-204. An order for two more with option on another 8 Lynx's (heavier model) is expected. The Lynx is the standard helicopter about which we spoke in FLASH Nr. 47/48 (page 4). In 1978 the Navy must have 16 of these helicopters and in 1983 totally 24 Helicopters are needed.
- On 1-11-74 an NF-5A and an NF-5B collided near Akkrum (Fr.). The NF-5A (K-3000) crashed, while the NF-5B (K-4001) managed to land at Leeuwarden. The K-4001 will be repaired.
- To replace the 56 Piper Cubs the R. Netherlands Army has ordered 30 Bolkow BO.105C helicopters, which will be delivered in 1976. An evaluation committee consisting of Army and Air Force members selected this type from the Gazelle, Lama, Jet Ranger and Alouette 3.

BELGIUM

-- Noted at Melsbroek Military Airport on 30 September were:

Lockheed C-130H Hercules: CM-01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12, all of 15Wing, 20Sqn
 Hunting Pembroke: RM-1/OT-ZAM, RM-3/OT-ZAC, RM-4/OT-ZAD, RM-6/OT-ZAF, RM-7/OT-ZAJ, RM-8/OT-ZAH,
 RM-10/OT-ZAJ, RM-11/OT-ZAK, RM-12/OT-ZAL, all of 15Wing, 21Sqn
 Dassault Mystere 20: CM-01, CM-02 both of 15Wing, 21Sqn
 Douglas C-47 Dakota: K-8/OT-CND and K-10/OT-CWE both of 15Wing, 21Sqn
 Douglas DC-6B: KY-1/OT-CDA plus one more, both of 15Wing, 21Sqn
 Visitor on this day was MM61922 SM-26 of Reparto Volo Stagio Maggiore, ItAF

DENMARK

- In F-35 Draken was lost on 20 September near Skrydstrup AB, serial was A-003; the pilot ejected.
- Five T-33A's have been withdrawn from use and are now stored at Vaerlose AB.
- Catalina L-866 was delivered to England on 31 May 1974; it will be exhibited in the RAF Museum
- The RDAF mechanical School has four aircraft as instructional airframes. F-84G A-777, F-86D F421, Harvard 309 and Chipmunk P-131. The Thunderjet will be replaced by a T-33A this winter.
- The RDAF has taken delivery of 3 more Hughes OH-6A helicopters: I-245, 246, 247.
- The first of 14 delivered ex USAF F-100F Super Sabres is to make a testflight this month. These new Super Sabres are called TF-100F in the RDAF.

FRANCE

- LEZ: Open Day on 22-9-74:
 N.2501: 25, 33, 39, 83/62-KF Alouette 3: 67-FB, FF, FD(2042), FE(2060), FL(2069)
 Paris: 62/41-AP, 65/41-AP, 91/41-? C-160F: F158/61-ZX Alouette 2: 329/329-ML
 Broussard: 11/41-AP, 20/41-AL N262: 76, 91 Puma: 1213/CFC
 Mirage 3BE: 266/2-ZJ Jodel: 513 F-100D: 42156/11-MD Mirage IIIC: 330/33-NP
 Mirage IIIE: 518/3-JA Magister: 5/41-IV Mirage VF: 12/13-SA Jaguar: 123/7-HI, 120/7-HF
- Evreux: Open Day on 29-9-74
 Jodel: 51 Broussard: 226/07, 296 Puma: 1229 Mirage IIIC: 50/10-SF
 DC-6B: 45473/64-FL, 43834/64-PI, 44697/64-PJ T-33A: 14153/314-WD
 Noratlas: 92/64-BW, 166/BV, 181/IT, 47/IG, 183/BE, 169/IN, 58/IC, 158/IO, 50/BH, 103/KF,
 177/IV, 98/BC and codes XS, XL, XD, XH, BM. S red here is Sahare 501/64-FE.
- VILLACOUBLEY: Open Day on 13-10-74
 Static: CM1/192 Noratlas (day-glow) 30-FE/27 Mirage F.1C 141 Caravelle GLEM
 1257 Puma (white) CC/45446 DC-7C ME/9 Nord 250
 BN/282 Marinat (probably wfu) AC/185 Cessna 411 99 Magister
 67-IG/2131 Alouette 3 DK/444 Wassmer EL-43 65-CD/181 Broussard
 165-SN/2089 Alouette 2 LP/56, LV/57 Paris 1R AI/83 Nord 262 291 Mystere 20
 Hangars: ??/89, AR/95 Nord 262 65Esc 2097 SA-319B 185 Broussard 37/55 Nord 1101
 LH/44, LG/24, LK/54, LL/79, LN/80 Paris 1R
 Other a/c on the field: 773 Invader, preserved with the Breguet factories; ?? C-45(wreck)
 ?? Nord 1101, wreck with Breguet; AF/? Nord 260; 61-ZR/100 C-160F; 78 Paris 1R
 CAP/170, 62-70/76 Noratlas; LH/1, LD/92, AQ/94, ??/78 Nord 262; 49, 238 Mystere 20
 At Villacoublay following units are based:
 -- 65 Esc. GLEM (Escadron 1/65 "Vendome" and 2/65 "Bambouillet") with Nord 262, Paris 1R, Broussard

- Escadrille de Calibration "Commercy" with Nord 2501 Noratlas
- Escadron de Transport "Hystere" with DC-8
- G.I.A.M. with Hystere 20, Caravelle, Puma and Alouette 3
- Escadrilla 3/67 with SA-319B
- At Djibouti following units are based:- G.I.A.M.-88 with Noratlas and Alouette 2
- Escadrille de Chasse 4/11 "Jura" with 8 F-100D's, coded 11-Y
- Observed at Bordeaux-Merignac were on 8-9-74:
- SO4050 Vautour 2N: 349/92-AL, 354/92-AM, 357/92-AD, 366/92-AG, 370/92-AJ, 364/92-AY
- SO4050 Vautour 2B: 612/92-AH, 615/-AK, 621/-AN, 637/-AX, 636/-AP, 633/-AT, 623/-AO, 620/-AM, 619/AL
- N1101 Ramier: ??/BT; N2501: 328-EC and 328-ES; T-33A: WS, WQ, VL, WP, VD, WV and 613/AT
- at Tours-Sorigny were on 11-10-74 Ouragan 214/UG (monument) and a E-21 Vercor of the army (ARG???)

ITALY

- Movements at Istrana AB on 10 August: D-8266, 8312 F-104G RNethAF 312Sqn
- 51-06, 51-11, 51-21, 51-32, 51-38 F-104S 51Stormo; 51-86 T-33A and 51-83 RF-35A 51Stormo
- Movements at Grosseto AB on 19 September: 53-26 T-33A 53 Stormo; 5-140 T-33A 53Stormo;
- 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, 4-4, 4-6, 4-14, 4-15 F-104S 4Stormo; 20-1, 20-4, 20-5, 20-6, 20-8, 20-9, 20-16, 20-18, 20-23, 20-24, 20-25, 20-26 TF-104G 20Gruppo; 36-36 F-104S 36Stormo
- Movements at Villafranca AB: 3-19, 3-20, 3-24, 3-25, 3-28 RF-104G 3 Aerobrigata; RM-16 Harvard T-6G;
- 3-01, 3-02, 3-03, 3-06, 3-08, 3-37, 3-40, 3-41, 3-44, 3-49 F-104G 3 Aerobrigata; RM-38, RM-42 S-208M;
- 3-37, 3-030, 3-141 T-33A; 35-15, 35-06 RF-4E WGAFF AG-51 Bremgarten. All on 25 August.
- Other movements: TR954 54951 T-33A RNAAF on 20-9 and SA-92 G-91T on 21-9
- At Villafranca following RF-84F Thunderflashes were present still in a good condition:
- 3-03(51-17032), 3-10(52-7358), 3-13(52-7393), 3-08(52-7466), 3-15(52-7403) and 3-04(52-7474).

PORTUGAL

- A spotting report we received from Peter Vercruijssse:
- Chaves 12-9: monument on a pole is T-33A 1952 (Chaves is a small airfield for sports-aircraft.
- Porto 16-9: Dominio T.m.k.1's XS729/G XS730/H and XS737/K of the RAF, on 9-10 C-47 6160 of PAF
- Viseu 21-9: placed as a monument is Ju-52/3m 6311
- Monte Real 24-9: F-86F Sabre: 5319, 5364, 5321, 5338, 5339, 5310
- T-33A: 1907, 1924(57-541), 1911, 1914, 1919, 1920, 1926, 1927
- Tancos 26-9: SE3160: 9378, 9376; N2508 Noratlas: 6415 is a new all-green camouflage scheme with small markings and black serial; Ju-52/3m: 6310 (wfu); DC-27: 3370, 3489;
- Harvard: 1737, 1747, 1766, 1770, 1774
- Alverca 26-9: Museum: Vampire fighter: 5801; DH82 Tiger Moth: 111; Replica of Fairey: 30; Santa Cruz: 17(c/n F402); Grumman Widgeon G-44: 129 (navy r/c)
- Other a/c wfu. on the field: C-54: 6606, 6607; DC-6B: 3707, 6703; E-19A: 9101;
- Ju-52/3m: 6300, 6301, 6306; P-2B Neptune: 4703, 4710
- Active a/c were Broussard 3304; C-47: 6157 and WGAFF Transall 50-37
- 7-10: Aviocar: 6502 (C212A1-4-14) see photo-page
- Lisboa 29-9: DC-6A: 6702; Boeing 707: 8802; SE3160: 9276
- 30-9: Boeing 707: 8801; SE-316: 9277; T-6 Harvard: 1734
- Sintra 3-10: Beech AT-113: 2504; Broussard: 3301, 3303; Chipmunk DHC-1: 1343, 1360, 1366, 1367,
- 1370, 1375, 1378, 1379, 1380, 1381, 1382, 1383, 1384, 1385, 1386, 1387, 1388, 1389, 1390, 1391, 1392, 1393, 1394, 1395, 1396, 1397, 1398, 1399, 1400, 1401, 1402, 1403, 1404, 1405, 1406, 1407, 1408, 1409, 1410, 1411, 1412, 1413, 1414, 1415, 1416, 1417, 1418, 1419, 1420, 1421, 1422, 1423, 1424, 1425, 1426, 1427, 1428, 1429, 1430, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1434, 1435, 1436, 1437, 1438, 1439, 1440, 1441, 1442, 1443, 1444, 1445, 1446, 1447, 1448, 1449, 1450, 1451, 1452, 1453, 1454, 1455, 1456, 1457, 1458, 1459, 1460, 1461, 1462, 1463, 1464, 1465, 1466, 1467, 1468, 1469, 1470, 1471, 1472, 1473, 1474, 1475, 1476, 1477, 1478, 1479, 1480, 1481, 1482, 1483, 1484, 1485, 1486, 1487, 1488, 1489, 1490, 1491, 1492, 1493, 1494, 1495, 1496, 1497, 1498, 1499, 1500, 1501, 1502, 1503, 1504, 1505, 1506, 1507, 1508, 1509, 1510, 1511, 1512, 1513, 1514, 1515, 1516, 1517, 1518, 1519, 1520, 1521, 1522, 1523, 1524, 1525, 1526, 1527, 1528, 1529, 1530, 1531, 1532, 1533, 1534, 1535, 1536, 1537, 1538, 1539, 1540, 1541, 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- Faro 6-10: here ex GAF C-47E 44-76906 is parked without any markings or regs.
- Cascois-Tires 7-10: here some 7 Harvards are lying, some of them camouflaged without regs (for Biafra) and some ex French (one is 14800).

TURKEY

- Shot down over Cyprus during the war was the Turkish AF F-100 42238.

UNITED KINGDOM

- Visitors at Laarbruch included:
 Oct.24: 22-68 F-104G WGAJ JB-31; 58-30 DC-28D WGAJ JB-31; K-4009 NF-5B RNethAF 316Sqn;
 XW770/J, XW764/C, XW926/M Harrier GR.1A/T.2A RAF 3Sqn; XW269/LB Harrier T.2A RAF 4Sqn
 New Phantoms with No.2Sqn at Laarbruch are XW467/S(ex R) and XW411/H (ex 14 and 31Sqn).
 Latest arrived Buccaneers are: XK887/N with No.15Sqn and XK886/XZ with No.16Sqn
 Phantoms XV417, 494, 486 and 441 left Laarbruch for No.41 and 14 Sqn's.
- Visiting Lossiemouth on 9 September were four XF-5A's of the CAF: 116726, 116728, 116731 and 116739. Accompanying aircraft were CO.137 13703 and 2 Herculeses. All a/c returning from the "Big Click" at Leck.

UNITED STATES

- Movements at Rhein/Main AB included:
 Aug.30: 156172 EC-130C USN "22" VQ-4
 Sep.12: N1 C-140 FAF; 033 C-160D TurkishAF
 17: T10-1/301-01 C-130 Sp. AF (c/s EC-ZHA)
 18: 151889/79 EC-130G USNavy VQ-4
 25: 46-99/152-6015 C-119G ItAF
 Oct. 8: 50-71 C-160D WGAJ LTG-61
 4X-JYB Boeing 707-131 IDFAF
 10: 46-91/152-6024 C-119G ItAF
- Movements at Wiesbaden AB included:
 Sep.13: DB63-7766 C-130B USAF
 17: 148888/23 EP-3E USNavy VQ-2
 19: 154583/LL-12 P-3B USNavy VP-30
 LM62-1858 C-130B USAF; 141008 VC-131F
 20: 54-2266/G-266, 54-2274/G274 F-100D RDAF
 21: 84-55 CH-53G USArmy
- Additions of the RAMSTEIN Open Day on 22-9-74 are:
 33287 C-118 USAF 50297 C-131D USAF HQ
 LM63-7857 C-130B USAF XV186 C-130K RAF
 66-13562 OV-10A USAF 50294 C-131D USAF 7206CSG
 D-5807 TF-104G RNethAF Volkel (not D-5802)
 96606, 96608, 96609 UH-1N USAF
 26-03/9128 F-104G WGAJ JABOG-36 Hopsten
 70-15058, 70-15310 OH-58A USArmy
 3-10/514 Mirage IIIE RAF 3880.
 61-10146 C-130A USAF 10146
 24462 T-39A USAF 12/79 C-141A USAF ASD
 50-67 C-160D WGAJ LTG-63 10201 F-15J Eagle USAF
 SLN-05 Tiger Motl 57-71/2096 AL3 FAF
 12660/RT660 CF-104D RNethAF 726Sqn
 35-40/69-7487 RF-4E WGAJ AG-31
 K-4019 NF-5B RNethAF 314Sqn
 64-13695, 66-0884 UH-1D USArmy
 66-19049 CH-47A USArmy 1834v. Comp. "Big Windy"
- Oct.11: XV204 C-130K RAF, 50969 WC-130H 53WRS/
 Ramey AFB, Puerto Rico USAF
 14: 59-03 DC-28D WGAJ MFG-5
 17: 4X-JYA Boeing 707-131 IDFAF
 OT-ZAJ RM-1 Pembroke BAF 151ing
 22: 50-97 C-160D WGAJ LTG-61
 23: 50-52 C-160D WGAJ LTG-61
 24125 VC-115B USAF 89 MAT
- Oct.10: DM57-0496 DC-130A USAF 355TFW/Davis Monthan
 left 25-10 with 4 BGM-54D Drones: AF67-025,
 026,068 and AF65-403
 35-43 RF-4E WGAJ LG-52; 70225 C-141A 63MAW
 19: DB63-7817 C-130B USAF
 26: 10677 T-39A USAF 7005 ABS

-- On 1-10-74 following a/c were noted o/b USS America at Portsmouth Harbour:

F-4J "NH" (USS Kitty Hawk) VF-213: 155882/100, 155876/101, 155732/102, 155735/103, 155572/104, 155563/105, 155559/106, 155880/107, 155881/110, 155575/111

F-4J "AC" (USS Saratoga) VI-103: 157279/200, 157300/201, 157305/203, 155863/204, 157303/205, 157299/206, 157281/207, 155841/210, 157309/211, 155516/213

A-7C "AJ" (USS America) VA-82: 156800/300, 156748/301, 156794/302, 156755/303, 156774/304, 156795/305, 156786/306, 156767/307, 156757/310, 156768/311, 156745/312, 156746/313

A-7C "LJ" (USS America) VA-86: 156789/400, 156747/401, 156773/402, 156788/403, 156772/404, 156741/405, 156743/406, 156784/407, 156791/410, 156790/411, 156744/412, 156738/413

A-6E "AJ" (USS America) VA-35: 149948/500, 149956/501, 151592/502, 151804/503, 151807/504, 152607/505, 152905/506, 152907/507, 152923/510, 151573/511, 152935/512, 151802/513

KA-6D "AJ" (USS America) VA-35: 151575/520, 151579/521, 151589/522, 151717/523, 151783/524 (no code)

SH-5G "LJ" HC-2: 148974/003, 151532/004, 151527/005

RL-5C RVAF-1: 156617/601, 156639/602 and 156640/603

E-2B "AJ" (USS Forrestal) VAW-126: 150532/760, 149819/761, 152484/763

EA-6A "CY" VMCJ-2/Cherry Point, N. Carolina (USMC): 156983/610, 156991/611, 156981/612, 148618/614

C-1A: 136763 CCD "Miss America" and 146043 VRC-40

WEST GERMANY

- AHLHORN Open Day on 14-9-74
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| Static: 84-13 CH-53G HEER | 18455 CH-54A USArmy | 15624 AH-13 USArmy | 89-59 Sea King |
| XV722/BH Wessex RAF 18Sqn | XF904 SA341 R.Army | 82-05/58-1737 CH-34J WGN | |
| 15734 UH-1D USArmy | XV137/R Scout R.Army | A-342 Alouette 2 RNethAF GPLV | |
| XW924/L Harrier RAF 4Sqn | 51-04 C-160D "GAF LTG-61 | 20952 "Geronimo" CH-47C USArmy | |
| 77-08 Alouette 2 WGAF | 71-13 UH-1D WGAF FBS (white) | 78-23 Sycamore "GAF SAR | |
| 70-47,84,87,71-10 UH-1D "GAF HTG-64 | 70-43 UH-1D "GAF SAR | | |
- Hangar Display: 70-68,74,96,97, 71-00,02,08,11,44 UH-1D "GAF HTG-64
- Other a/c on the field: 78-37 "BAR" Sycamore-cabin EB354/53-7690 RF-84F for air-show
- Ja-11) Can. Sabre "GAF JG-71 and 53-56/186 Noratlas LTG-62 both monuments
- Air Show: X924/L Harrier RAF 4Sqn F-4F "GAF JG-71: 37-11,22,27,30,56
- 5 F-104G "GAF JI-36 including: 26-04,37,25-09,24-72
- UH-1D's "GAF HTG-64: 70-42,46,51,57,81,92, 71-12,24,31,53
- Dornier cancelled the Oper Day at Oberpfaffenhofen on 29/9. Interesting birds at O'hofen are except for the 3 preserved Sabres, the first converted target towing G-91's with D-95.. markings.
- The HEER has chosen the Bolkow 105 as replacement for the Alouette 2. Expectation are 304 Bo-105's
- The VAK-191B has started its test program again, after an 18 months pause. The Luftwaffe uses 3 VAK-191B'S (of VFW-Kokker): D-9563, 9564 and 9565, c/n V-1, V-2 and V-3 resp.
- The winner of this year's "Big Click" was the host team AG-52. In our next issue we hope to can give more details concerning this meet, such as registrations and final results of the teams.
- The Flugbereitschaftstaffel at Koln/Wahn is using 24 aircraft and heli's at this moment:
- 4 Boeing 707's, 3 C-140 Jetstars, 3 Convair CV-440's, 6 Hansa Jets, 4 Dornier DO-28D Skyservants, and 4 UH-1D "poeke poeke".

ITALIAN AIR POWER (part 5)

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HISTORY OF THE "FRECCIE TRICOLORI"

The story of aerobatic display flying in Italy goes back to 1927 to the exhibitions performed by the Campoformidio School. From 8 June 1938 to 23 June 1939 the National Aerobatic Team performed at many international displays with aircraft taken from the 1 Stormo (the original Campoformidio School residents in 1927), 4 Stormo, 6 Stormo and 53 Stormo.

After the war the aerial Aerobatics School was not reformed, but instead in 1950 the 4 Aerobrigata provided a team equipped with the Vampire and named "Cavallino Rampante" (rampant horses) after the squadron badge of the 4th. After two more years the unit was replaced in 1957-58 by the "Getti Tonanti" (Thunderbolts) with the F-84G of 5 Aerobrigata, and in 1955-56 the F-84G was again used, but this time by the 51 Aerobrigata and the "Tigri Bianche" (White Tigers). The Cavallinos returned in 1956-57, but this time equipped with the F-86 Sabre. In 1958 the 2 Aerobrigata appeared for the first time, flying the Sabre 4 with the "Lancieri Neri" (Black Spears).

To mark the Rome Olympics, the 1959-60 team, the Getti Tonanti, this time re-equipped with the F-84F flew with the Olympic colours.

In 1960 the system was changed, and the Aerobrigati were no longer asked to have some aircraft and pilots out of operations in order to train them in aerobatics, but instead a Pattuglia Aerobatica Nazionale (National Aerobatic Patrol) was to be set-up with the responsibilities of providing a display team, and to train J1 I-pilots in aerobatic manoeuvres. On 1 March 1961 the school was set up at Rivolto with the administrative title 313 gruppo Addestramento Aerobatico (31).

The original equipment was the Sabre, and the P.N. adopted the colours used by the Lancieri Neri, these being the national colours of Italy-green, white and red. Conversions to the Fiat G-91P.N. began in 1964 and the school still uses this aircraft for its international displays under the name "Freccie Tricolori" (three-coloured arrows).

Known Italian Aerobatic aircraft serials are:

Freccie Tricolori 1963 Sabre: 19488/H, 19548/M, 19550/G, 19571/I, 19565/N, 1958-/O, 19599/O, 19625/F

Getti Tonanti 1959-60 F-84F: 36591, 36619, 36648, 36683, 36705, 36719, 36735 /and 19754/A

Freccie Tricolori 1964-74 G-91P.N.: MM6238 13,1,8,6,10,9; MM6239 6,15,6,13; MM6240 9,6,11; MM6241

3,7,3,2; MM6242 1,12,4; MM6243 11,6,9,1,9,1,5,6; MM6244 14,2,9,10,3; MM6248 1,12,5,8,1;

MM6249 8,16,5; MM6250 3,11,13,12; MM6251 9(G-91R); MM6252 10,4,6; MM6254 4,3,8,3; MM6255

13; MM6256 22; MM6259 15(G-91R); MM6260 5,10,12,10; MM6261 9,4,14; MM6262 1,6,16, MM6265 2,-.

AIRCRAFT OF THE A.M.I.

The Fiat G-91

From 1960 on several types of Fiat G-91's were delivered to the AMI. These were 4 prototypes, 27 G-91 (later converted to G-91P.N.), 23 G-91R.1, 25 G-91R.1A, and 40 G-91R.1B, 2 G-91T prototypes, a first serie of 75 G-91T.1 and a second serie of probably 25 G-91T.1 and 1 G-91Y prototype and 75 G-91Y. Construction-numbers and registrations are as follows:

Prototypes/Pre-production G-91

G-91 01, G-91 02, G-91 03, G-91 04

G-91 05, G-91 06, G-91 07, G-91 08

c/n	s/n	reg
04	MM6238	5-238, PAN13, 1, 8, 6, 10, 9
05	MM6239	5-239, PAN6, 15, 6, 13
06	MM6240	PAN9, 6, 11
07	MM6241	PAN3, 7, 3, 2
08	MM6242	5-242, PAN1, 12, 4
09	MM6243	PAN11, 6, 9, 1, 9, 1, 5, 6
10	MM6244	PAN14, 2, 3, 10, 3
11	MM6245	5-245 w/o 30-7-59 Treviso
12	MM6246	w/o 15-2-65 Treviso
13	MM6247	w/o 15-5-62 Treviso
14	MM6248	PAN1, 12, 5, 8, 1
15	MM6249	5-249, PAN8, 16, 5
16	MM6250	5-250, PAN3, 11, 13, 12
17	MM6251	PAN9
18	MM6252	5-252, PAN10, 4, 6

c/n	s/n	reg
19	MM6253	
20	MM6254	PAN4, 3, 8, 3
21	MM6255	PAN13
22	MM6256	5-256, PAN22; w/o 22-3-67 Rivolto
23	MM6257	5-257 w/o 27-8-66 Treviso
24	MM6258	w/o 4-9-59 Treviso
25	MM6259	5-259, PAN15
26	MM6260	5-260, PAN5, 10, 12, 10
27	MM6261	PAN9, 4, 14
28	MM6262	5-262; w/o 12-7-61 Treviso
29	MM6263	w/o 14-12-61 Treviso
30	MM6264	PAN1, 16, 6

Fiat G-91R.1: c/n 31 up to 53, s/n MM6265 up to 6287 resp. Known details:

MM6265 5-265, PAN2, -; MM6266 w/o 9-6-60 Treviso; MM6268 5-268, w/o 24-7-62 Treviso; MM6269 5-269, 51-269; MM6270 w/o 28-9-60 Treviso; MM6271 51-271, w/o 17-5-65 Treviso; MM6272 51-272, 51-272; MM6273 5-273, w/o 12-6-62 Treviso after coll. with MM6281; MM6274 5-274, 2-274; MM6277 51-277; MM6278 w/o 31-1-62 San Marino; MM6279 5-279, w/o 16-2-65 Treviso; MM6281 5-281; w/o 12-6-62 Treviso after coll. with MM6273; MM6282 2-282; MM6284 w/o 26-2-61 Pra tica di Mare; MM6286 temp. in service with US Army, w/o 1-2-61 at Fort Rucker (US).

Fiat G-91R.1A: c/n 154 up to 178, c/n MM6290 up to MM6314 resp. Known details:

MM6291 51-291; MM6293 w/o 12-6-64 Valtopiana; MM6294 w/o 7-6-65 Treviso; MM6295 w/o 22-3-65 Treviso; MM6297 2-297; MM6300 2-300; MM6302 2-302; MM6304 32-21; MM6307 2-307; MM6309 51-309; MM6313 w/o 14-2-64 Treviso; MM6314 51-314.

Fiat G-91R.1B: c/n 179 up to 218, s/n MM6375 up to 6414 resp. Known details:

MM6375 2-3; MM6377 2-2, 2-42; MM6379 RS-7; MM6380 w/o 4-5-66 Treviso; MM6381 32-1; MM6383 2 40; MM6385 2-41; MM6388 2-40; MM6391 32-8; MM6394 2-38, crash 29-6-74 at Dyon-Longvic (France); MM6406 2-35; MM6407 w/o 31-11-67 Pordenone; MM6408 2-37; MM6411 2-34; MM6414 2-33

Fiat G-91T.1: c/n 1 and 2, s/n MM6288 and 6289; c/n 45 up to 119, s/n MM6315 up to 6439 resp.; c/n 120 up to 143, s/n 54393 up to 54416 resp. Known details:

MM6289 RS-8, w/o 13-4-64 Latira after coll. with MM567; MM6316 RS-9; MM6318 w/o 12-6-65 Pra tica di Mare; MM6319 RS-9; MM6320 w/o 19-6-65 Le Bourget (France); MM6321 SA-21; MM6323 SA-23; MM6324 w/o 26-10-67 Amendola; MM6325 SA-25; MM6330 SA-30; MM6331 w/o 2-8-68 Amendola after coll. with MM6334; MM6332 SA-32; MM6333 SA-33; MM6334 w/o 2-8-68 Amendola after coll. with MM6331; MM6335 SA-35 crash 27-7-61 at Cairus (SA); MM6336 SA-36 w/o 4-4-71 Rimini; MM6337 SA-37; MM6339 SA-39; MM6340 SA-40; MM6343 SA-43; MM6345 w/o 2-3-67 Amendola; MM6346 SA-46; MM6347 w/o 21-12-67 at Treviso; MM6350 SA-50; MM6351 RS-8, SA-51; MM6352 w/o 5-9-66 at Amendola; MM6354 SA-54, w/o 18-6-71 at Inga (Malta); MM6357 SA-57; MM6358 w/o 30-3-66 Capo Frassa; MM6365 w/o 26-9-67 at Amendola; MM6366 SA-66; MM6367 w/o 5-12-66 at Amendola; MM6369 SA-69; MM6373 SA-73; MM6429 SA-79; MM6430 SA-80; MM6431 SA-81; MM6432 SA-82; MM6433 SA-83; MM6434 SA-84; MM6435 SA-85; MM6436 SA-86; MM6437 SA-87; MM6438 SA-88; MM6439 SA-89

G-91T.1 cont.

MM54397 SA-97; MM54407 SA-107; MM54408 SA-108; MM54409 SA-109; MM54410 SA-110

G-91Y: Totally 75 G-91Y's have been ordered, of which now about 60 are delivered. C/n are MM6440 up to MM6514, c/n 2002 up to 2076 resp. Moreover one prototype has been delivered: MM580 c/n 2001, reg RS-10. Regs known till now are as follows:

MM6441 RS-14, 8-01; MM6442 8-07; MM6443 RS-11, 8-05; MM6444 8-13; MM6445 8-10; MM6446 8-03; MM6447 8-03; MM6448 8-15; MM6449 RS-11; MM6450 8-06; MM6451 8-16; MM6453 8-14; MM6454 8-04; MM6455 8-08; MM6456 8-18 w/o 4-11-71 Cervia; MM6457 8-11; MM6458 8-09, 8-02 w/o 1-4-74 Cesena; MM6459 RS-12; MM6460 RS-14; MM6462 8-12; MM6464 8-21; MM6466 8-22; MM6468 8-24; MM6469 8-25; MM6471 8-27; MM6472 8-30; MM6474 8-34; MM6487 8-50; MM6490 8-53; MM6492 8-55.

Crashes: Of the Fiat G-91A, G-91R and T totally 59 crashes have been recorded till May 1974. These are divided as follows: 11 of prototypes/pre-prod.; 6 of G-91A; 10 of G-91R.1; 4 of G-91R.1A; 2 of G-91R.1B; 9 of unknown R versions; 17 of G-91A.1. Of the G-91Y probably only two a/c crashed

Corrections and additions to our previous parts: With special thanks to G. Cambarini and P. Cappabianca.

Part 1 (nr.44): -- 1 Aerobrigata has 3 Reparto with 4 Gruppo each: 7 Reparto (64, 65, 66, 67 Gruppo) with Nike Ajax; 16 Reparto (56, 57, 58, 59 Gruppo) with Nike Hercules; 17 Reparto (72, 79, 80, 81 Gruppo) with Nike Hercules.

-- 71 Gruppo G.E. (Guerra Elettronica or electronic war) is equipped with a G-47 (CR-52) and a C-119G coded 46-30 and some camouflaged PD-808 ECM without code.

-- The "Controllo Radiomisure" uses 2 F-27 of ATI, I-ATIC c/n 10349 and I-ATIE c/n 10350.

-- MM80000 serials were also used for the Piaggio P-136 (c/n 105 to 118 are MM80000 to MM80013).

-- 3 Aerobrigate: 18 Sqn is also equipped with RF-104G; 5 Stormo: is based now equipped with F-104S; 31 Stormo: is based at Pratica di Mare, not Viterbo; 32 Stormo: is now equipped with G-91Y; 53 Stormo: is equipped with F-104S since 1971. Scuola Plurimotori (SF code) has 207 and 211S. Scuola Centrale Istruttori Volo (code SC) is 200 Gruppo and also equipped with T-33 and G-91T. Scuola Volo Base Iniziale Elica (SE code) has been disbanded. Controllo Radiomisure (and not Centro) is based at Pratica di Mare.

Scuola Lecce (SL) was disbanded around 1960 when this school was re-equipped with MB-326.

Gruppo di Standardizzazione (GS code) is based at Roma-Ciampino not at Cagliari.

Scuola di Aerocoperazione (code unknown) is based at Roma-Guidonia with J-45F.

-- The code -01 is reserved for the Commanding Officer of the unit.

-- Serial numbers: MM50000 is also for fighter trainers; MM50000 is for training a/c only; MM60000 is for liaison and transport a/c; MM100000 is for gliders.

-- G-119J: MM51-8154 was w/o Cisterna on 23-6-69; G-119G: MM52-6018 was w/o Rivolto on 25-4-70. 4 other crashes are: 2-2-61 at Keweenaw Airport; 1-2-61 at Luleaburg Airport; 17-11-61 near Tanganyika Lake; 20-4-64 into Tirreno Sea.

-- CV-440: MM61833 is ex I-MIDA; MM61898 is ex I-DOVA; MM61899 is ex I-DOVA; MM61901 is ex N8446H, ex VH-BZO and ex N6666C; No other CV-440 were delivered to the AMI.

-- DC-9-32: MM62012 SM-12 c/n 47595; MM62013 SM-13 c/n 47600/710 ex N54635

-- DC-6B: SM-23 (MM61964) is currently stored at Ciampino without engines. It seems that all DC-6 were grounded due of suspected flaps failure.

Part 2 (Nr.45): F-84G Thunderjet: this a/c served with:

3 Stormo (13 Gruppo); 5 Stormo (101 and 102 Gruppo) and 5 Aerobrigate (101, 102, 103, 104, 105 Gruppo)



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- 6 Stormo (154 and 155 Gruppo) and 6 Aerobrigata (154, 155 and 156 Gruppo).
 51 Stormo (20 and 21 Gruppo) and 51 Aerobrigata (20, 21 and 22 Gruppo).
 -- The F-84G served from 1952 till 1957 in the AMI.
 -- Some more s/n's: 51-9688, 51-9763, 51-9786, 51-9850, 51-10854, 51-16746(51-29), 52-2901, 52-2917, 52-2942, 51-16730 was 5-55
 52-2904 was not 36- as 36 Stormo never flew with F-84G; 51-11049 was 51-18 now stored at Vigna di Valle (near Rome)
 -- F-84F Thunderstreak; this a/c served with:
 5 Aerobrigata (101, 102 and 103 Gruppo); 6 Aerobrigata (154, 155 and 156 Gruppo); 8 Stormo (101 Gruppo)
 36 Stormo (156 Gruppo only); 50 Stormo (155 Gruppo); 51 Aerobrigata (21, and 22 Gruppo from 1956-59)
 -- Some more s/n: 51-1795(6-4), 52-10525(6-50-14), 53-6579(6-11, 36-4), 53-6633(6-82, 50-18), 53-6639(6-37, 50-01), 53-6642(6-5-642), 53-6810(51-29, 5-810, 8-42, 50-21), 53-6873(6-86), 53-6835(5-835, 50-23), 53-6842(5-842, 8-30, 50-27), 53-6875(5-875, 8-33, 50-18), 53-6880(50-23), 53-6995(36-35).
 53-6720 is AMI and not RIF PU-119! This a/c made an emergency landing at Rimini on 24-7-63 (official AMI-publication "Sicurezza del Volo", nr.31 September 1963).

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NOTE: ABOUT NORTH AMERICAN TEXANS IN SPANISH SERVICE

by Anton le Nobel

- 1) On page 11 of FLASH 47/48, Grupo 78 equipment did not include CAS-113L(E.3B) aircraft as printed, but CISA-1131L (E.3B) aircraft.
- 2) On page 12 the sentence printed as "...the flight-bombers..." should read "... the flight-numbers...".
- 3) On page 13 in the serial-number section the sequence of type-designations should read "E.16, C.6 and C3.6" because of the currency of former two, not "C.6 and C3.6, E.16 as printed.
- 4) On page 17 the Torrejon-based Escuadrilla de Base in the period 1965/1967 should be read as Escuadrilla 981, not 881.
- 5) Page 14 after the list of identities of Coastal Aviation Corporation Texans, the opening sentence of the elinea on ex French Texans should be read as "Also, in 1965 ten...", not "350".
- 6) On page 18 the code for C.6-17 should read "463-2", not 463-3 as printed.
- 7) Photo credit lines for photos 5-7 should read "via A.le Nobel not "br A.le Nobel".
- 8) One other unit which has had T-6D's was Escuadrilla 402 of the Tactical Command. From its base at Tablada aerodrome this unit fulfilled (fulfills) light observation and liaison duties with Cessna O-1 Bird Dogs as its main equipment. Between 1968 and 1970 some C.6's were included in this inventory. One of these was C.6-40 (402-2?) which crashed in 1970.
- 9) Escuadrilla 901 was based at Torrejon, not at Getafe as stated. It was a liaison unit of the Air Defence Command. The Getafe-based unit with 901-codes was Escuadron 901 of the former Grupo 90. Aircraft of these units could be distinguished by the fact that Escuadrilla 901 (Torrejon) used the second part of the applicable Spanish serial numbers as the second part of its codes, while Escuadron 901 (Getafe) applied numbers in an ordinal sequence from 1 onwards. Escuadrilla 901 has since become Escuadrilla 905, while Grupo 90 has become Grupo 91 with squadron-numbers 911 and 912 taking over from 901 and 902.

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THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE in EUROPE

by Hans van de Laar; with special thanks to Paul Jackson, James N Eastman Jr, Chief Research Branch of the Air Force Historical Research Center for their cooperation.

Following up the interesting article about the WGAF and ItAF, I will try to treat of the USAF in Europe. Though the USAFE of today is less interesting (most of its wings fly the F-4) than in the fifties and early sixties, when a great variety of aircraft was used, it is still the favourite air force for many a spotter, but also a very important and one of the biggest air forces in Europe. That's why I decided to write an article about the USAF, which so far will only be dealing with the tactical and air-defence units. The intention is that one or two squadrons and/or wings appear in FLASH every month. Of course squadron-histories and especially serial-lists will not be complete, so any now who has reliable corrections, additions and comments will be welcome at any time

The mission of the USAFE has been and still is to remain constantly alert as a combat ready force, training and maintaining its units for possible defence of this part of the world. Its bases can be found in Iceland, the United Kingdom, Holland, West Germany, Italy, Spain, Turkey and Greece (also France before 1967). Its history starts on 7 August 1945, when the United States Air Force in Europe was formed through redesignation of the United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe. This wartime command had been formed in the United Kingdom on 1 January 1944, and originally consisted of the 8th and 15th Air Force. Postwar tasks of the American force included assistance in the reconstruction of wartorn countries and the occupation and rehabilitation of the defeated powers. USAFE's tasks were the disarming of remnants of the Luftwaffe and the inventory and disposition of vast quantities of U.S. war materials. By 1947, these duties were nearing completion and it was largely an administrative force, which had virtually no combat capability. In 1948, the USAFE helped Greece to suppress a Communist-sponsored revolt by giving support to the Royal Hellenic AF. In this same year Berlin was blockaded by the Russians and a historic operation was set in motion by the USAFE, known as the Berlin Airlift. It was soon clear that USAFE's responsibilities had not ended with the airlift and in mid 1948, a US fighter bomber unit had been deployed to Furstenfeldbruck, W. Germany, the 36th Fighter Group, flying F-80 Shooting Stars. In April 1949, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization was formed and in 1951, as USAFE prepared for its military role in NATO, the 12th Air Force was reactivated and assigned to the command. At the same time the 3rd Air Division which had been activated in England since the Berlin crisis, was assigned to USAFE. Its build-up was rapid, as one tactical unit after another arrived or was activated within the command to meet NATO requirements. By the end of 1951, several USAFE bases had been constructed in France and airfield sites in the French Occupation zone of Germany had been made available. In May 1951, the 3rd Air Division in England was redesignated 3rd Air Force. The 17th Air Force was formed in Morocco in April 1953, and the 32nd Air Division was activated in 1954, as USAFE's airlift support arm. In these years USAFE undertook the job of training pilots and ground-crew of NATO-countries. In 1956, the 17th Air Force was transferred from Morocco to Wheelus, Libya, and then in 1959, again from Wheelus to Ramstein AB. In 1959, tactical units moved from France to air bases in Germany and

England. USAFE continued to use bases in France for tactical reconnaissance aircraft and as headquarters for its 322nd AD. The 65th Air Division in Spain, formerly part of SAC, was transferred to USAFE in 1960, and also in this year the 86th Air Division was activated, both divisions for air defence duties. In consequence of the new Berlin crisis in 1961, an Atlantic crossing was made by 7 fighter squadrons and one tactical reconnaissance squadron, equipped with F/RF-84F aircraft; these were Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve units. Another 3 tactical squadrons with F-104's were moved to Moron AB, Spain for alert duty; these 3 belonged to the 479th TFW at George AFB. The F-84 augmentation elements remained until mid 1962, when their aircraft and mission were assumed by regular Air Force units activated in USAFE. And 1964, the 65th Air Division was inactivated and the fighter interceptor squadrons in Spain had returned to the States earlier that year; the air defence duties had been taken over by the Spanish Air Force. In 1965, the first RF-4J arrived in Europe to be assigned to the 10th TFW and this meant the dawn of the Phantom age in Europe. This same year the French government requested the removal of all foreign troops by 1 April 1967; as the Americans were sure that this wasn't an April-joke of Mr. Charles de Gaulle, USAFE began a major reorganization in March 1965: 9 bases and 76 installations in France were closed and personnel and equipment were relocated to the United Kingdom and West Germany (Operation Freloc). During 1967 and 1968, five USAFE units were redeployed to bases in the US. These so called dual-based squadrons remained under operational control of USAFE Commander in Chief, and continued to train for NATO-requirements. Today the 26 Tactical and Air Defence squadrons of the USAFE operate approximately 400 F-4G/D/J and 100 RF-4C Phantoms and about 80 F-111E "Swingers".

USAFE Tactical and Air Defence Units

Headquarters USAFE: Ramstein AB, Germany

Third Air Force: Headquarters: Mildenhall, England.

- 10 TRW at Alconbury AB (England): 1st TRS, 30th TRS, 32 TRS
RF-4C Phantom II code: AR (formerly AR, AS and AT resp.)
- 20 TFW at Upper Heyford AB (England): 55th TFS, 77th TFS, 79th TFS
F-111E "Swinger" code: UF (formerly JS, JT and JR resp)
- 48 TFW at Lakenheath AB (England): 492nd TFS, 493rd TFS, 494th TFS
F-4D Phantom II code: LW (formerly LK)
- 81 TFW at Bentwaters/Woodbridge AB (England): 78th TFS(W'bridge), 91st TFS(B'waters), 92nd TFS
F-4D Phantom II code: WR (formerly WR, WS and WT resp.) /((B'waters))

Seventeenth Air Force: Headquarters Ramstein AB, Germany

- 32nd TFS at Camp New Amsterdam, Soesterberg AB (Holland)
F-4E Phantom II code: CR Joint control 17th AF/R.Neth.AF.
- 26th TRW at Zweibrücken AB (Germany): 17th TRS, 38th TRS
F-4C Phantom II code: ZR
- 36th TFW at Bitburg AB (Germany): 22nd TFS, 53rd TFS, 525th TFS
F-4E Phantom II code: BT (formerly BR, BT and BU resp.)

-- 50th TFW at Hahn AB (Germany): 10TFS (with F-4D), 496th TFS (with F-4D)
F-4D/E Phantom II code: HP (formerly HR and HS resp.)

-- 52nd TFW at Spangdahlem (Germany): 5th TFS (with F-4C), 23rd TFS (with F-4D)
F-4C/D Phantom II code: SP

-- 36th TFW at Ramstein AB (Germany): 526th TFS with F-4E Phantom II code: R

Sixteenth Air Force: Headquarters Torrejon AB, Spain

-- 401st TFW at Torrejon AB (Spain): 612th TFS, 613th TFS, 614th TFS
F-4C Phantom II code: TJ (formerly TJ, TL and TK resp.)

Abbr: TFW (Tactical Fighter Wing)

TFS (Tactical Fighter Squadron)

TR7 (Tactical Reconnaissance Wing)

TRS (Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron)

The 86th Tactical Fighter Wing

The 86th TFW was originally formed in 1942 at Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma, as the 86th Bombardment Group. Later that year it moved to Hunter Field, Georgia, and in 1943 it went to Key Field, Mississippi, and Camp Kilmer, New Jersey. April 1943 saw the unit convoyed to Oran, Algeria, and train at bases in North Africa. The first combat mission of the 86th was flown on 6 July 1943, in an effort to soften up the Island of Sicily for invasion. In one month of combat the Group flew 2,375 sorties. In September 1943, the organization furnished air cover for the landing at Salerno, and by December had accumulated 10,000 combat hours. In one year of combat missions, the unit flew 14,000 sorties, dropped 5,000 tons of bombs and used 3,000,000 rounds of ammunition. It was also credited with destroying almost 2,600 vehicles, damaging another 1,700, and destroyed 46 locomotives; the 86th downed 23 enemy aircraft. In mid 1944, the Group flew close support for ground forces in Southern France and thereafter moved to Northern Italy, where it concentrated on roadblocks, rail networks and airfields in the Po valley. Later the Group served at Schweinfurt, Germany, until February 1945. In March, devoid of men and equipment, the unit was deactivated at Bolling Field, Washington, D.C. The 86th was reactivated in August 1946, at Fordholz AB, Germany. Subsequent moves brought the Group into service at Lechfeld, Bad Nissingen, Neubiberg and Landstuhl; the latter was later consolidated with Ramstein AB. During its period at Neubiberg, the 86th was transferred to USAF control, on 25 January 1948. The transition from P-47's to the P-84 jet-aircraft (1947-49), brought about the redesignation of the unit as the 86th Fighter Bomber Wing. In 1953, some P-84 Thunderjets of the 86th formed the official USAF demonstration team, known as the Skyblazers, and gave some very good demonstrations at Landstuhl, Le Bourget and Spangdahlem. The arrival of F-86F Sabrejets in April 1953, made the 86th the first in Europe to be so equipped. By end 1954, the Wing was flying the F-86D Sabre and had been redesignated the 86th Fighter Interceptor Wing. In November 1960, the Wing was consolidated with the air defence portion of the 501st Tactical Control Wing at Ramstein and was again renamed the 86th Air Division. It started flying the F-102 Delta Dagger and then was made up of 4 squadrons: the 32nd FIS at Soesterberg AB, the 496th FIS at Hahn AB, the 525th FIS at Bitburg and the 526th FIS at Ramstein AB. On 14 November 1968, the 86th A.D. was again deactivated, when the F-102's had been phased out of its 4 F.I.-squadrons. These squadrons were scheduled to receive the new F-4E Phantoms in 1969, and a change of command took place: the F.I.-squadrons were redesignated Tactical Fighter

Squadron, and the 32nd TFS came under the joint control of the 1. Neth. TF. and the 17th Air Force, the 496th TFS became part of the 50th TFW at Hahn AB, the 525th TFS got the air defence role within the 36th TFW at Bitburg, and the 526th TFS came under control of the 26th TRW at Ramstein AB. On 1 November 1969, the 86th A.D. was reactivated at Zweibrücken AB, Germany, a former base for the Canadian Armed Force, and was redesignated the 86th Tactical Fighter Wing. This new 86th TFW got control of the 81 TFS, flying F-4C's (formerly a unit of the 50th TFW at Hahn AB), and of the 17th TRS, flying RF-4C (formerly part of the 66th TRW at Upper Heyford, England). On 31 January 1973, the 86th TFW at Zweibrücken and the 26th TRW at Ramstein exchanged numerical designations: the 26th TRW was relocated at Zweibrücken AB, equipped with 2 squadrons of RF-4C aircraft, namely the 17th and 38th TFS's (the 81st TFS moved from Zweibrücken to Spangdahlem AB to become part of the new, reactivated 52nd TFW, and here was redesignated the 5th TFS), and the 86th TFW relocated from Zweibrücken to Ramstein AB, its present home, and was equipped with only one squadron: the 526th TFS, flying F-4E Phantoms II. Aircraft of the 86th BG (FB, FFW, AD, TFW, respectively):

1942-1946	unknown	1954-1960	North American F-86F Sabre
1946-1947	Republic P-47 Thunderbolt	1960-1969	Convair F/TF-102A Delta Dagger
1947-1950	Republic F-84E Thunderjet	1969-1973	McDonnell F-4C (81TFS) and F-4E (17TFS)
1953-1954	North American F-86F Sabre	1973 -	McDonnell-Douglas F-4E Phantom (526TFS)

Tail-code since 1970 is ZR (17th TRS), ZS (81st TFS); in 1973, with the relocation of the 86th TFW at Ramstein AB, becoming RS (526th TFS).

Tail-tip colour: red (17th TRS), yellow (81st TFS) and red (526th TFS).

Registrations:

TF/F-102: see under individual histories of 32nd, 496th, 525th and 526th TFS's.

RF-4C: 17 TRS, coded ZR.

68-0553/ZR-ZS-ZR	68-0554/ZR-ZS-ZR	68-0556/ZR-ZS-ZR	68-0557/ZR	69-0555/ZR
0558/ZR	0559/ZR(w/o 22-9-71)	0560/ZR	0561/ZR	
0562/ZR	0563/ZR	0564/ZR-ZS-ZR	0565/ZR-ZS-ZR	
0566/ZR-ZS-ZR	0567/ZR	0568/ZR	0569/ZR(ex 363TRW/J0; 67TRW/	
0570/ZR-ZS-ZR	0571/ZR	0582/ZR(ex 363TRW/JL-20 resp.)		/B1 resp.
0596/ZR plus 65-0935/ZR-ZS-ZR and 65-0939/ZR-ZS-ZR(to 38th TRS/22),				

The RF-4C's coded ZS were all noted in 1972; the 86th TFW probably intended to introduce a base-wing code ZS(both the 81TFS and the 17TRS), and later changed plans(early 1973), when the base-wing code became ZR for the 17th and 38th TFW's (26th TRW) and the 86th TFW moved to Ramstein AB. During the loyal flush 1973, at Florennes AB, Belgium, 68-0558, 0560, 0562 and 0567 were displaying all white tails, with a big Z and number 17 printed on these tails. In 1973 all RF-4C's of the 17th TRS came under control of the 26th TRW.

F-4C: 81st TFS, coded ZS.

63-7440/ZS (ex 4453CCTW/DM) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 7443/ZS (ex 57FWW/WD) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 7452/ZS (ex 4453CCTW/DM) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 7467/ZS (ex 4453CCTW/DM) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 7481/ZS (ex 4453CCTW/DM) to 57FWW/WA; 7487/ZS (ex 4453CCTW/DM) to 91TFS, 81TFW/WS; 4453CCTW/DM, 58TFW/LA resp., also reported with 5TFS, 52TFW/SP, comments about this 7487 wanted please; 7512/ZS (ex 4453CCTW/DM) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 7513/ZS (ex 4453CCTW/DM) to 5TFS, 52TFW/3P; 7515/ZS (ex 4453CCTW/DM) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 7532/ZS (ex 559TFS, 12TFW/XN, 91TFS, 81TFW) to 55TFW/GC, 81TFW/WR, 401TFW/TJ resp.; 7536/ZS(ex 4453CCTW/DM) to 22; 7565/ZS to 22; 7567/ZS to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP;

63-7574/ZS to ??; 7576/ZS (ex 35TFW/GC) to ??; 7593/ZS to ??; 7594/ZS (ex 497TFS, 81TFW/FP, 559TFS, 12TFW/XN resp.); to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 7596/ZS (to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 7607/ZS to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 7615/ZS (ex 4453CCTW/DM) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 7638/ZS (ex 4453CCTW/DM, 91TFS, 81TFW/WS resp.) to 5TFS, 52TFW; 64-0741/ZS (ex 391TFS, 12TFW/XT) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 0749/ZS (ex 391TFS, 12TFW/XT, 4453CCTW/DM, 92TFS, 81TFW/WT resp.) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 0790/ZS (ex 414TFS, 57TFW/WD) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 0819/ZS (ex 81TFW) to ??; 0849/ZS (ex 497TFS, 81TFW/FP) to ??; 0860/ZS (ex 91TFS, 81TFW, 81TFS, 50TFW resp.) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 0869/ZS to DTC; 0879/ZS (ex 91TFS, 81TFW) to ??; 0888/ZS (ex 92TFS/81TFW, 81TFS, 50TFW resp.) to 91TFS, 81TFW/WS-WR resp.; 0889/ZS (ex 92TFS/81TFW, 81TFS, 50TFW resp.) to 91TFS, 81TFW/WS-WR, 401TFW/TJ resp.; 0897/ZS (ex 78TFS, 81TFW, 91TFS, 81TFW resp.) to ??; 0908/ZS (ex 78TFS, 81TFW, 81TFS, 50TFW resp.) to ??; 0910/ZS (ex 78TFS, 81TFW, 81TFS, 50TFW resp.) to 91TFS, 81TFW/WS-WR, 401TFW/TJ resp.; 0915/ZS (ex 78TFS, 81TFW, 81TFS, 50TFW resp.) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP, 401TFW/TJ; 0917/ZS (ex 78TFS, 81TFW, 81TFS, 50TFW resp.) to 5TFS, 52TFW/SP; 0918/ZS (ex 78TFS, 81TFW, 92TFS, 81TFW resp.) to 92TFS, 81TFW/WT-WR, 401TFW/TJ resp.; 0922/ZS (ex 78TFS, 81TFW) to 5TFS, 52TFW; F-4E: 526TFS, coded. See under 526th TFS C-47A: 43-48073 86th FIW (noted in 1955)

NEW G-9... HUNTER INFO (see FLASH Nr.45)
from P.A.Jackson

G-9-	reg	type	F & d/d
344	S1389		
345	528	T.75	Singapore
346	529	F.74B	Singapore
347	530	F.74B	Singapore 17-1-73
348	532	T.75	Singapore
349	536	T.75	Singapore
350	537	F.74B	Singapore 21-2-73
351	538	F.74B	Singapore
352	S1390	T.66E	India 18.6.73
353	S1391	T.66E	India
354	S1392	T.66E	India 11-1-74
355	S1393	T.66E	India 11-1-74
356	534	F.74B	Singapore
365	530	F.74B	Singapore 17-1-73
366	533	F.74B	Singapore
367	544	T.75	Singapore

G-9-	reg	type	F & d/d
368	539	F.74B	Singapore
369	540	T.75	Singapore
370	541	F.74B	Singapore
371	542	F.74B	Singapore
372	543	F.74B	Singapore 15-8-73
376	535	F.74B	Singapore
377	545	F.74B	Singapore 15-8-73
378	346	F.74B	Singapore 24-10-73
379	J731	F.71	Chile
380	J732	F.71	Chile
382	J733	F.71	Chile
383	J734	F.71	Chile 12-1-74
396	J735	F.71	Chile 12-1-74
398	J737	F.71	Chile 12-1-74

G-9-408 ex XF990*; G-9-409 ex 1A626; G-9-410 ex WV393; G-9-411 ex WV398; G-9-412 ex 34086 RSWAF; G-9-413 ex 34072 RSWAF; G-9-414 ex 34071 RSWAF; G-9-415 ex 34082 RSWAF; G-9-416 ex XL604; G-9-417 ex WT755; G-9-421 ex XF975

Note: In 1968 two Hunters were mixed up:

Nose of XF990 and tail of XF366 to 8007M(instructional serial) to G-9-408
Tail of XF990 and nose of XF366 to 8004M; to G-9-350

WEST GERMAN AIR POWER CORRECTIONS & ADDITIONS

From Christian Emrich we received a number of additions to our list of preserved aircraft:

- Aachen: also preserved is a Sycamore without registration, c/n 13466 ex BB176, DD209, AS322 and 78-13.
- Ahlhorn: Preserved besides Sabre JA-110 and Noratlas 53-56 is Sycamore 78-25 (c/n 13481). The cabin of Sycamore 78-37 serves as a bar. During the open day of 14/9 a RF-84F was present without reg., s/n 53-7690, ex EB-354 (this a/c formerly was in Meppen).
- Augsburg: A F-104G coded 89-00 (c/n 8216, 24-67) was temporarily stored with IPR-factories. At the "Berufsschule" is a F-84F without reg., s/n 52-7092 (ex DD304).
- Crailsheim: at a childrens-garden is a H-21C, details unknown
- Darmstadt: With the Technical Highschool are following aircraft: Magister without reg.: c/n D9174 (ex AA-109), D62 (ex AA162), R-130 (ex AA-222) and R-12. D-62 is mounted on a pole, while R-130 and R-12 are wrecks. Moreover there is a Sabre 5.
- Erding: The gate-guardian is F-104G coded 80-58, c/n 8173 (ex 24-30), preserved for technical hangars are F-104G also coded 80-58, c/n 8265 (ex 25-07), TF-104G coded 47-11 (ex 27-20) and DO-27B without reg., c/n 283 (ex Bundesmarine 56-15).
- Fassberg: with the fire-brigade school is F-104F 29-04.
- Flensburg-Harrisleeft: with the fire-brigade school is T-33A 94-59, s/n 54-1523 (ex DD-397).
- Germersheim: stored is a till now unknown F-84F.
- Giebelstadt: at a Heeresflugplatz (army air base) is a Sabre 5 preserved without reg., c/n 982 (ex BB261)
- Hammelburg: on military exercise terrains is F-84F, reg. DE-107, s/n 51-1727.
- Lauda: the Sabre there is ex JB-371
- Lechfeld: on the scrap-yard is T-33A 94-11 (51-17526).
- Laupheim: another DO-27 is preserved without registration, c/n 321E.
- München: a new aircraft in the "Deutsches Museum" is T-33A 94-47. With the Technical University is RF-84F EB-302 s/n 51-1862.
- Neubiberg: The fuselage of a DO-27 without reg. is preserved, while an ex Libeflug N2501 will be displayed in future
- Neuhausen-Eck: a Sabre 6 is stored, details unknown.
- Norvenich/Kerpen: the F-104F DA-101 is ex 29-11, which was formerly stored at Voln/Wahn.
- Oberpfaffenhofen: besides the three Sabres is also a Fiat G-91R.4 stored reg. 30-49(1), c/n 150.
- Reichelsheim: a Sabre 6, reg. D-FADE, c/n 1711 (ex 01-08) is stored.
- Schleswig-Jagel: a Magister, reg. 93-02 (c/n D-79, ex AA-179) is stored.
- Wallerstatten: in a Safariland are two Sycamores: c/n 13485 (named Leopard) and 13486 (named Zebra), both without registrations.
- Eggebeck: with fire-brigade is RF-84F s/n 53-7661 without registration.
- Memmingen: about 10 F-104G fuselages (all ex JG-71) are without reg, or 3/n with a scrap-dealer.
- FURTHER ADDITIONS
- the four missing Alouette 2's are: 1616, 1628, 1629 and 1763 (PP-144, w/c 24-5-66, wreck to Fachhochschule Neubiberg). C/n 1192 is ex PJ-334 and 1463 is also ex JB-473.
- Some further disposals:
- AB-47G: 7401 to D-HAFD; 7417 to D-HOED; 7421 to D-HMER
- DO-27: 5583 to D-BAU; 5645 to D-EIRO

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FLASH Nr.49: Movements: Twenthe 598 is not a Norwegian F-5; this has to be 898 (J7-14898 ex DP-E).
 Mirage F.1: No.1 is just coded "1"; No.4 has recently become 118-IM replacing Mirage IIIE No497
 Warton: XX828 to 833 are Jaguars T.2
 Gate guards: Lancaster VX611 is NX611; Binbrook Spitfire is PK664; Colnerne Valette is WD159.
 the Shackleton is probably MR.3 VR983 and the Hastings TG536 delivered on 12-3-74.
 Carnwell: The Meteor is an NF.12 WS692. It is 7065W on the one side and 7605M on the other!
 Yeovilton: Sea Gladiator is N5903. 71605M is correct.
 Irish Air Corps: Spitfires 158 and 159 were sold on 10-6-63 and stored at Blyth before reg in UK.
 Chipmunk: 199 is ex WG320 and G-APTF; 200 is ex VB620, FI-AJC, G-ARFF and FI-AMH
 Provost: 189A has the major parts (including fuselage) of XP846; The c/n of 190 is PAC/P56/461
 (the last Provost built) and not PAC/W/1069 which is the part number of the wing.
 Vampire: 185 is c/n 15764 and not 15775 which is RAF XK586; 198 ex X 977 is c/n 15563 del.29-7-63
 Creil Open Day: All additions: Hangar: 10-SO c/n 83, 10-SW c/n 85 both Mirage 5C;
 Show: 12-XX c/n 344 CM-17CR; 30-PF c/n 28 Mirage F.1; 10-RB and RV c/n 58 Mirage IIIC
 Static: AX c/n 26 Mirage IVA was of EB 3/91 and WA s/n 16905 T-33A was of STVSV EB 3/91Esc.

BRIEF COMMENT ON THE PHOTOGRAPHS IN THIS ISSUE

- PHOTO 1: One of the many Egyptian AF Antonov An-12's (SU-ARB) that visited Sciphol this summer.
 Photo D.Grew
- PHOTO 2: A shot of the spectacular Belgian "Slivers" aerobatic team. Photo JP.v.Kempen
- PHOTO 3: The Pemboke (OT-ZAC RM-3) is also disappearing in the Belgian Air Force.
 Photo F.Klaassen
- PHOTO 4: What you might call a "low approach" by Packet OT-CAF CP-13 at a Bierset air-display.
 Photo H.Engels
- PHOTO 5: A Hughes OH-6A of the RDanishArmy is H-203. Photo NH.Larsen
- PHOTO 6: Super Sabre G-748 of 727 Squadron on take-off from Skrydstrup AB, 14 June 1974.
 Photo NH.Larsen
- PHOTO 7: A Starfighter of the RNoAF (12632) while landing at Ypenburg AB after a test-flight on
 20 September Photo R.Schrama
- PHOTO 8: On 19 September Fokker F-27 NAF-902 of the Nigerian AF was at Ypenburg.
 Photo R.Schrama
- PHOTO 9: An unusual visitor at Ypenburg was Greece AF Noratlas 53-228, that came in on 10-10-74.
 Photo R.Schrama
- PHOTO 10 & 11: Two F-102A Delta Daggers at Soesterberg AF. The first one is 61013 of 32 FIS, the
 second is 61242 of 526 FIS Photos J.v.d.Oever
- PHOTO 12: A Ramstein Phantom (RS69-260) in its element. Photo USAFE
- PHOTO 13: A very exclusive picture: an Aviocar of the Portugese AF, serial 6502 at Alverca, 7-10-74
 Photo P.Verduijn
- PHOTO 14: At Yeovilton in the Fleet Air Museum: Gannet XL503/070. Photo P.v.d.Krommenacker
- PHOTO 15: An ex CAF CF-5B, prior to delivery to the Venezuelan AF. Photo P.v.Gemert/GCA
- PHOTO 16: TF-104D 30400 of the USAF at the same place.

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