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### **401ST TACTICAL FIGHTER WING CONTRIBUTIONS TO DESERT SHIELD/STORM**

The 401st TFW deployed two Tactical Fighter Squadrons (TFSs), the 612th TFS to Incirlik, Turkey, and the 614th TFS to Doha, Qatar. Both flew daily missions into Iraq and Kuwait. The 614th TFS flew 1,303 combat sorties and dropped over 3.7 million pounds of bombs. The 612th TFS flew 1,093 combat sorties and dropped over 3.9 million pounds of bombs.

Torrejon Air Base and the 401st TFW support personnel at Torrejon AB supported 39 percent of the total airflow for DESERT SHIELD/DESERT STORM and PROVEN FORCE. By the end of April 1991, the 401st TFW had supported 10,235 missions through Torrejon Air Base and 92,000 passengers. This averaged 1,400 aircraft per month from August-February.

The 401st TFW Hospital deployed an Air Transportable Hospital to Qatar, and were prepared to act as USAFE's only Southern Region aeromedical staging facility. A 250 bed ASF was readied and staffed with medical augmentees from USAFE and the CONUS. The hospital personnel issued chemical warfare antidote kits to transiting personnel, operated a flightline sickcall service, blood donor transshipment center, blood donor center, and was ready with a mobile decontamination team.

401st Supply Squadron supported DESERT SHIELD/DESERT STORM by supplying fuel, supplies and spare parts to aircraft transiting Torrejon AB. The fuel supplied during DS/DS peaked at 38 million gallons in January and by the cease fire had reached 185.5 million gallons since the beginning of DS. Supply provided 9,000 items and 3 million pounds of munitions.

The 401st Services Squadron provided 500,000 meals to transiting personnel and billeted over 345,000 aircrew members.

401st Civil Engineers built a field kitchen, and turned a maintenance hanger into a troop reception center and a warehouse into an aeromedical staging facility.

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