



# FACT SHEET

## U.S. Air Force Fact Sheet

### 603RD AIR AND SPACE OPERATIONS CENTER

#### Unit :603rd Air and Space Operations Center

**Motto:** People First, Mission Always, and Excellence in Everything  
**Nickname:** Wolfhounds

**Mission:** Plan, direct and assess operational level command & control of integrated air, space, and cyber power to support EUCOM and AFRICOM across the operations spectrum.

**Vision:** The 603rd AOC will be EUCOM and AFRICOM recognized leaders in Joint and Allied command and control integration.

**Operations:** The 603rd AOC provides command and control of air and space power in U.S. European Command and U.S. Africa Command's areas of responsibility.



To accomplish the mission, the AOC utilizes the strengths and efforts of over 400 enlisted, officers, and DoD civilian personnel, as well as assistance from coalition nations, and personnel from the 19th Battlefield Coordination Detachment and elements of the 10th Army Air and Missile Defense Command.

During large-scale contingency operations, the 603rd AOC facility is able to support more than 600 individuals. The synergistic efforts of the 603rd AOC's five divisions enable execution of day- to-day operations, exercises, and real-world contingencies in support of the 3rd Air Force commander as the Combined Forces Air Component Commander (CFACC) for the U.S. European Command and U.S. Africa Command areas of responsibility.

The \$24 million, 55,000-square-foot facility, which opened in 2011, operates 24 hours per day, 365 days per year to support joint and coalition efforts in Europe and Africa.

The 603rd AOC is the innovative leader for real-world execution and operational testing in air, space, and information operations. The expansive communications infrastructure installed at the 603rd AOC makes this facility ideal for testing new command and control, communication, and intelligence systems prior to fielding the capabilities within AOC's around the globe.

**Organization:** The 603rd AOC has five divisions: Strategy; Combat Plans; Combat Operations; Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance; and Air Mobility. In addition, several Specialty and Combat Support Teams provide cross-functional support and expertise to all divisions.