

# 435th Contingency Response Group

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## Mission Briefing



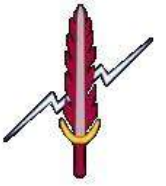
**435 AMS Commander**  
**Lt Col Charles 'Doc' Schlegel**

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# Overview



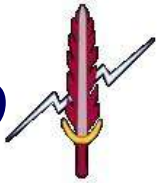
- **435 CRG Mission Statement / Vision**
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## ***Mission:***

**USAFE's only "Open the Base" force, providing expeditionary airfield operations, combat support and training, flyaway security, construction, and aircraft arresting system support.**

## ***Vision:***

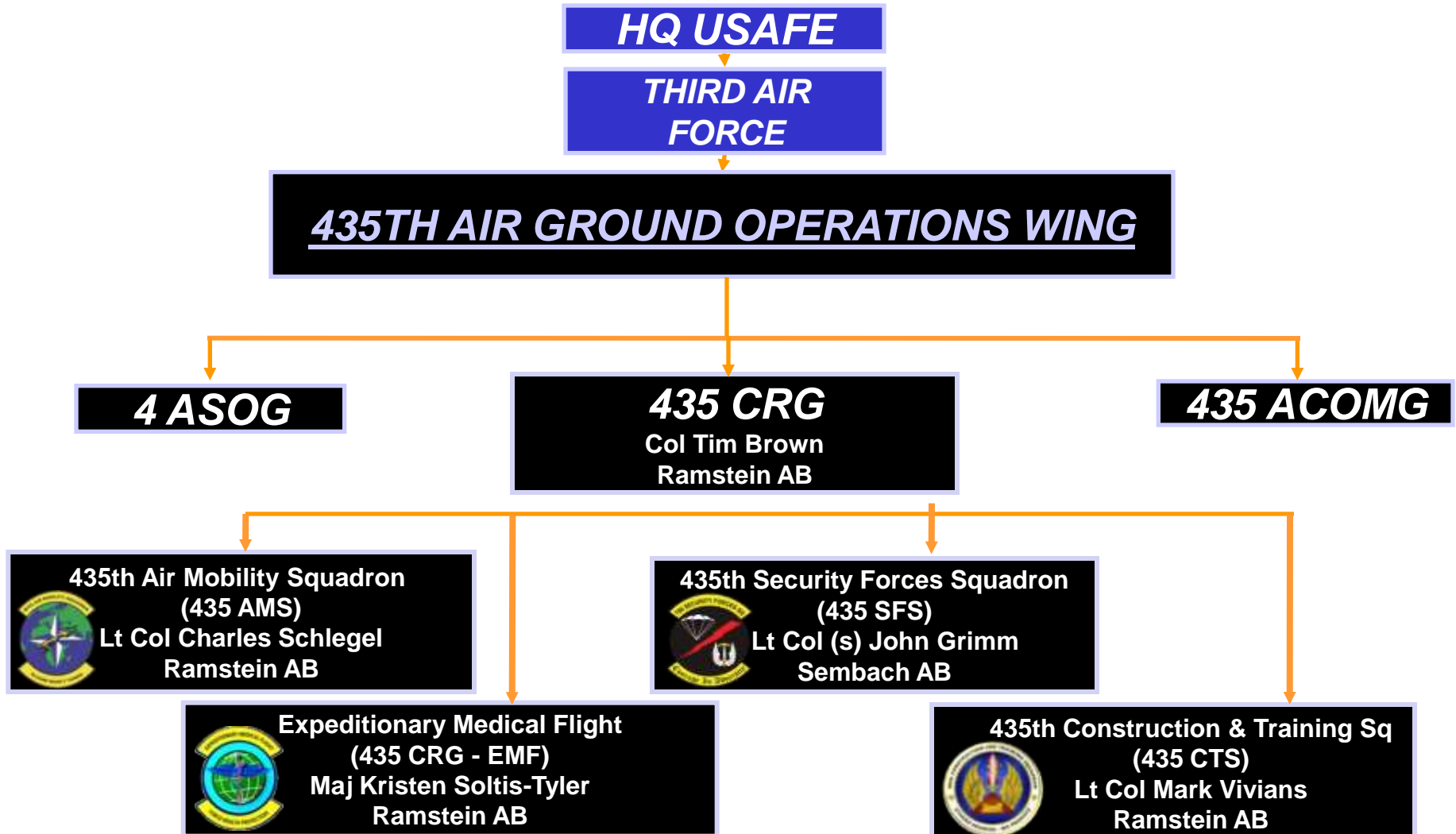
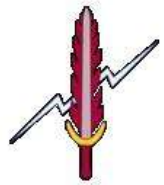
**"The Air Force's premier, most capable Contingency Response Group...Light, Lean, Lethal!"**

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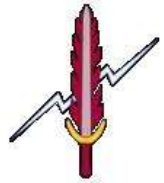
# Organizational Structure



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# *Background*

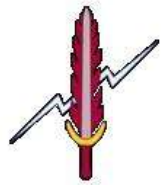


- **435 CRG is USAF's 1st CRG...established in Feb 1999**
- **Prior to 2004, USAF CRG's had no standardization**
  - Different organic capabilities/personnel...MAJCOM specific
  - No consistent, robust airbase opening capability to the JFC
- **Apr 2004, HAF standardized CRG mission capabilities**
- **Air Force CRG Operational Concept:**
  - Established airbase-opening as CRG's core capability
  - Recognized validity of MAJCOM-specific capabilities & requirements based on unique AOR issues
  - Authorized additional capabilities / forces provided they do not detract from the established core airbase opening capability set

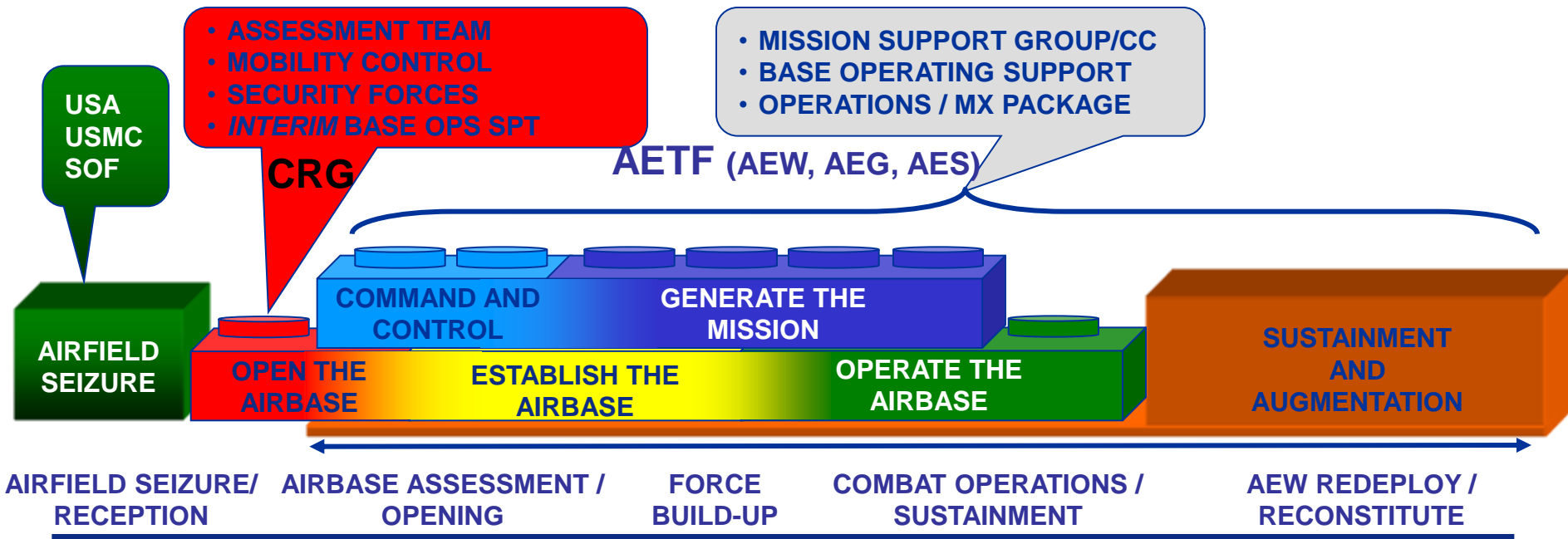
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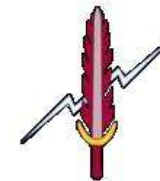
# AETF Force Modules



- Five AF Standardized Force Modules (FMs)
- Right People & Equipment for Mission Requirements
- Seamless From Base Opening to AEW Sustainment
- AMC is Lead for Open the Airbase FM



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# When Do You Need the CRG?

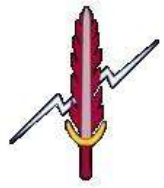
- **Mission**
  - Open An Airfield/Base/Ramp
  - Humanitarian Assistance (HA)
  - Non-Combatant Evacuation (NEO)
  - Global Strike Mission
- **Footprint**
  - Small—Working MOG of 2
- **Threat Level**
  - Permissive or Uncertain
  - Hostile within a Cordon Force
- **Mission Duration**
  - 30 Days or Less
    - Open the Airbase and transition to Establish the Base Force
    - Open and Close for small footprint contingency op



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# 435 CRG Operational History 2008



**Mission Summary:**  
*(01 Jan 08 – 31 Dec 08)*

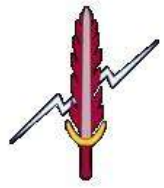
**TOTAL:**

**Missions**                    573  
**Countries**                 75

**Other Countries:**

**Afghanistan**  
**Columbia**  
**Hong Kong**  
**Kyrgyzstan**  
**Pakistan**  
**United States**

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# Capabilities

**Five 435 CRG mission req'ts formally established by USAFE CONOPs (Oct 2001) & MOU w/AMC (2003)**

1. **Open-the-Airbase; deployable in <12 hrs (Airborne capable)**
2. **Support for Inter/Intra-theater airlift (GRL); deployable in <12 hrs**
3. **Conduct Airfield Surveys; deployable in <12 hrs**
4. **Conduct USAFE SF Regional Training Center Ops**
5. **Provide Phoenix Raven Support**

**Four more missions added (3 in Mar 07, then one more Apr 08)**

1. **Provide all formal Expeditionary Combat Support training for USAFE**
2. **Provide Barrier Maintenance Capability (Depot) and Mobile Aircraft Arresting Systems (MAAS) support**
3. **Provide USAFE w/time-sensitive construction capability**
4. **DEUCE Military Construction Team**

**BPC mission might be formally added in 2010**

**- USAFE CRG has been doing BPC by default since 1999**

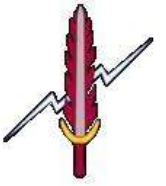
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*Not typical  
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# Summary



- **435 CRG provides tailored capability across wide spectrum of operations for the JFC**
- **435 CRG is light, lean, and lethal...maximizing effects with limited resources**
- **435 CRG has been doing BPC since its inception by default**
- **435 CRG is unique with missions not found in other CRGs**

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