



HUEYS

in the

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



HEADQUARTERS COMMAND UH-1H ASSIGNED TO 1ST HELICOPTER SQUADRON, ANDREWS AFB, MARYLAND





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STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND

The most familiar of the Huey's in the United States Air Force, the UH-1F has been in active service since 1964. The UH-1F's are assigned within SAC at ten bases to provide rapid response airlift to meet the demands of priority maintenance and supply, security, disaster control, medical emergency, combat crew rotation and command surveillance. The SAC UH-1F's have been deployed to assist in many local emergencies such as the recent Rapid City floods.



MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND

Bell's Hueys are also an integral part of the USAF helicopter training program. Two models, the UH-1N and the TH-1F, are assigned to Military Airlift Command's 1550th Aircrew Training and Test Wing. Both models are extensively utilized to provide consolidated transition, operational, and combat crew training for all Air Force helicopter crew members. The TH-1F's were initially introduced in 1967, while the twin engine UH-1N joined the training fleet in mid 1971.

The most recent Huey to enter Air Force service is the HH-1H rescue helicopter. The Huey H is slated for assignment at ten USAF bases to fulfil the Local Base Rescue (LBR) requirement. In this mission role the HH-1H provides a twenty-four capability for rapid recovery of personnel involved in aircraft accidents, incidents or similar occurrences on or within a 100 nautical mile radius of selected U.S. Air Force bases. Thirty HH-1H's were procured and will enter operational service in early 1973.



TACTICAL AIR COMMAND

Tactical Air Command has utilized two Huey models for its Special Operations Force (SOF) mission. The UH-1P (a modified UH-1F) and the twin engine UH-1N have both been deployed worldwide in support of SOF's counterinsurgency activities, psychological operations, and unconventional warfare. These highly versatile helicopters have seen service in Southeast Asia and are presently deployed to USAF bases in Europe, Central America, and the United States. The UH-1P was first utilized in late 1966 with the UH-1N entering the SOF inventory in 1970.



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