



# Media Advisory

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AS OF TUESDAY, JULY 26, THE FOLLOWING AIRLIFT HAS OCCURRED:

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Air Mobility Command military and commercial cargo aircraft have delivered more than 780 people and approximately 1235 short tons of humanitarian goods. Since July 21 AMC active duty, Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard crews have completed 37 airlift missions and 14 aerial refueling missions, off-loading nearly 1.5 million pounds of fuel.

### Air Force Demonstrates Global Capability

A U.S. Air Force C-5 Galaxy cargo plane carrying a water delivery system made a non-stop flight from Travis Air Force Base, Calif., to Goma, Zaire yesterday. The C-5 was refueled in flight three times over the course of the flight.

The aircraft, flown by an Air Force Reserve aircrew from the 349 Airlift Wing departed Travis AFB, Calif. on Monday at 6:35 a.m. EST. It met two Air National Guard KC-135 tankers from Bangor, Maine, for its first aerial refueling at 1:20 p.m. EST, and met up with tanker aircraft from the 100th Air Refueling Wing from RAF Mildenhall for the second and third refuelings at 6:30 p.m. EST and 11:05 EST.

The C-5 arrived at Goma at 5:09 a.m. EST today, more than 21 hours after take-off, but still within one minute of its projected arrival time. In all, the C-5 received about 63,500 gallons of jet fuel while in flight.

"By doing the three aerial refuelings, we probably saved about ten hours on the trip," said Maj. Brian Dobbert, a member of the Tanker Airlift Control Center.

The C-5 carried a water pumping system capable of pumping up to 1.7 million gallons of water per day from up to twenty miles away. The system will deliver water from a lake about 20 miles from the camp, and is expected to be up and running Thursday.

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### SECURITY AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL DEPLOY

Twenty-six security personnel from March AFB, Calif. and 13 from Dover AFB, Del. have deployed to provide additional ground security at staging locations in Europe and Africa.

To date nine active duty medical personnel have deployed from AMC units, another 62 Air Reserve Component and active duty personnel are projected to deploy to provide health care and aeromedical evacuation support at various locations in Europe and Africa.