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Background Note: The 159th Medical Company was originally constituted as the 159th Medical Service Detachment on October 7, 1944, and activated on November 22, 1944 in France. The detachment served in the European, African, and Middle-Eastern Theaters and was deactivated after the end of World War II on November 12, 1945. The redesignated 159th Maxillo-Facial Detachment, which was activated on November 15, 1951 in Korea, served with UN forces until 1953, when it was again deactivated. The redesignated 159th Medical Detachment, reactivated at Fort Riley, Kansas on December 24, 1963, was then deployed to Vietnam, where it provided aeromedical evacuation of selected patients, emergency movement of personnel, and uninterrupted delivery of biological and medical supplies. The 159th Detachment stood down on October 15, 1972, was deactivated, and its records sent to Fort Benning, Georgia. In May of 1973, the 159th Medical Detachment was moved from Fort Benning to Monieth Barracks at Furth in the Federal Republic of Germany. Here the 159th provided medevac coverage for the Nurnberg area until 1978, when the 159th was moved to Lucius D. Clay Kaserne, Garlstadt, in northern Germany. It was in June of 1987 that the 159th Medical Detachment, along with the 2nd platoon 421st Medical Company, were combined to form the 159th Medical Company at the Greishiem airfield in Darmstadt, Germany. The 159th was reorganized to a fifteen aircraft fleet of UH-60As. The 159th Medical Company's mission thereafter was to provide aeromedical evacuation of selected patients, to ensure uninterrupted delivery of biological and medical supplies, transport of medical personnel and equipment as needed, and to provide air search and rescue services as requested.



by local agencies. The 159th also provided aeromedical evacuation assistance to local German nationals and local national medical facilities.

Series/Scope and Content Note: The materials in this collection were donated by Angela Wagner, the last acting commander of the 159th Medical Company at the time of its closure in 2007. The archival items include correspondence, official pronouncements, forms, memoranda, manuals, and photographs related to the work of the unit. The series in the collection are divided by subject and arranged chronologically. Additional commemorative artifacts related to the Company’s closure are stored with the Historical division in the Museum.

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- 00002: USAREUR Leave and Pass Regulation Material (1991-92)
- 00003: Air Transportability Kit Memo (1997)
- 00004: 159th Medical Company Garrison Standard Operating Procedures (May 1997)
- 00005: 81st RSC Regulation 10-6: Organization and Functions—Attachment of Units (April 1998)
- 00006: 159th Command Inspection, 421st Medical Evacuation Battalion (Nov. 1998)
- 00007: Modified Table of Organization and Equipment (1998-2002)
- 00008: Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement Forms (2000)
- 00009: “The A/2-2 Infantry Family Guide to Deployment: ‘Terminators’” (Oct 2000)
- 00010: Equipment List—AUEL Report (2001)
- 00011: Hand Receipts: Aircraft Maintenance/Tools (2001-03)
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00018: Perstempo Continuity Book and Deptempo Reports (2002)

00019: 18-Month Review of Field Manual 8-10-16 on Medical Evacuation (2002-03)

00020: Monthly Inventories—Cyclic and Sensitive Item (2002-03)

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00029: Non-Mission Capable Reports (2002-04)

00030: Hand Receipts—Equipment/Supplies (2002-04)

00031: Aircraft Status, Equipment, Maintenance and Regulations (2002-04)

00032: 421st Medical Evacuation Battalion Deployment Plan (24 Jan 2003) [1 of 2]

00033: 421st Medical Evacuation Battalion Deployment Plan (24 Jan 2003) [2 of 2]

00034: Equipment: Request for MTOE Change (Feb 2003)

00035: 159th Medical Company Daily Aircraft Status, Commander's Files, Deployment (May-Sept 2003)

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00036: 159th Medical Co. Daily Aircraft Status, Commander's Files, Deployment (Oct 2003-Jan 2004)

00037: Request for Issue or Turn-In and Recoverable Item Requests (2004)



- 00038: Enlisted Separations—Chapter 4 (2004)
- 00039: 159th Medical Co. Redeployment Recertification/Validation, MAJ Arthur Jackson (29 April 2004)
- 00040: Change of Command Shortages (12 July 2004)
- 00041: 159th Medical Co. POL Standard Operating Procedures (July 2004) [1 of 2]
- 00042: 159th Medical Co. POL Standard Operating Procedures (July 2004) [2 of 2]
- 00043: 159th Medical Co. Command Inspection Program Outbrief (30 July 2004) [1 of 2]
- 00044: 159th Medical Co. Command Inspection Program Outbrief (30 July 2004) [2 of 2]
- 00045: 159th Medical Co. External Evaluation (18-25 October 2004)
- 00046: 159th Medical Co. Command Brief—CPT John McGuire (2005)

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- 00045: Tech Supply: Inventory, Packing Lists, Contacts, Bench Stock (2005)
- 00046: Supply Records (2005)
- 00047: 159th Medical Company Rear Detachment, Mission Essential Task List Review (Feb 2005)
- 00048: Ground Travel and Transportation Orders (April 2005)
- 00049: Army Readiness Management Systems Outbrief to Commander (7 April 2005)
- 00050: Master Hazard Log (UASSD Arms Funding) (19 April 2005)
- 00051: 159th Medical Co. UASSD Inspection (April 2005)
- 00052: 159th Air Ambulance Co. Occupational Health Worksite Visit (7 July 2005)
- 00053: Commander's Assessment for the Period Ending 10/15/05-12/15/05
- 00054: Personnel and Equipment Records (2005-06)
- 00055: International Security Assistance Force Material (2005-06)
- 00056: USAREUR Family Readiness Group Funding Interim Guidance (2006)
- 00057: Defense Travel System, 266th FINCOM, AO/Traveler Training (2006)
- 00058: Space Available Travel for Dependents of Deployed Active Duty Members—Memo (2006)
- 00059: Personnel, HR and Administrative Material (2996)
- 00060: Hand Receipt—Organizational Property, Clothing and Equipment (Jan-Feb 2006)
- 00061: RD Commander's Priorities—OEF Deployment (2006-2007)
- 00062: Unit Reassignment—Permanent Order 046-5 (Feb 2007)

SERIES 002: MISSION-RELATED MATERIAL



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- 00063: "Out of the Red: A Political-Military Overview of Former Czechoslovakia, 1945-Present, Battlefield Staff Ride Workbook" (n.d.)
- 00064: 159th Medical Co., Romania Continuity Book (1996) [1 of 3]
- 00065: 159th Medical Co., Romania Continuity Book (1996) [2 of 3]
- 00066: 159th Medical Co., Romania Continuity Book (1996) [3 of 3]
- 00067: 159th Medical Co., Moldova (1997) [1 of 2]
- 00068: 159th Medical Co., Moldova (1997) [2 of 2]
- 00069: Kuwait: Rules for the Use of Force Manual (n.d.)
- 00070: United States Army Central Command Kuwait Orientation Material (1999)

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- 00071: Exercise Directive for Veneto Rescue in NE Italy and Slovenia (April 2001)
- 00072: Victory Strike III Aircraft Mission Book (2002)
- 00073: Victory Strike III Aircraft Mission Brief and Maps (2002)
- 00074: 421st After Action Review Comments for Victory Strike III (Oct. 2002)
- 00075: 159th Medical Co. Response to Iraqi Prison Mortar Attack/MASCAL AAR Comments (Sept. 2003)
- 00076: Stress Interviews with Soldiers—159th Medical Company (n.d.)
- 00077: 159th Medical Co. FSMT Deployment, Operation Enduring Freedom Briefer—CPT Hoffman (2004)
- 00078: 159th Medical Co. ROMEX 05 Smartbook, CW2 Scott Forbes (2005) [1 of 2]
- 00079: 159th Medical Co. ROMEX 05 Smartbook, CW2 Scott Forbes (2005) [2 of 2]
- 00080: ROMEX Joint Exercise Reading File (2005)

SERIES 003: ORIGINAL PUBLICATIONS

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- 00081: Soldier Risk Assessment Checklist (n.d.)
- 00082: MEDEVAC Request Procedures (n.d.)
- 00083: "159th Medical Detachment—'We Move Any Patient, Anywhere'" (16 May 1986)
- 00084: Map: Evasion Chart/EVC NI-38A (July 1990)
- 00085: Map: Range 307



- 00086: "A Soldier's Guide to Staying Healthy in Southeast Asia" (1997)
- 00087: "A Soldier's Guide: Kuwait" (4 copies, ca. 1999)
- 00088: Map: Kuwait City (n.d.)
- 00089: "Flightfax—Army Aviation Risk-Management Information" (Aug 2000)
- 00090: "Army Suspends Re-Enlistment Bonuses Until October" (2002)
- 00091: Command Philosophy Memo (2002)
- 00092: "Current News Early Bird" (2002)
- 00093: "Bush to Unveil Homeland Security Strategy" (2002)
- 00094: "Dustoff Digest"—159th Medical Company (2002-03)
- 00095: Center for Army Lessons Learned Newsletter—Aviation Operations at the JRTC (Nov. 2003)
- 00096: Combat Maneuver Training Center—News from the "Box" (Oct-Dec 2003)
- 00097: Deployment Guide: Andrews Federal Credit Union—Pamphlet (2003)
- 00098: What You Need to Know About Smallpox Vaccine—Pamphlet (2003)
- 00099: Map: Bunker Drop Zone (Aug. 2004)
- 00100: What You Need to Know About Anthrax Vaccine—Pamphlet (2005 EUA Edition)
- 00101: "MEDEVAC Units Save Lives in Afghanistan" (Jan 2005)
- 00102: Center for Army Lessons Learned Newsletter: Command and Control—Operations (April 2005)
- 00103: *Countermeasure* (Vol. 26, No. 6, June 2005)
- 00104: *U.S. Army Medical Department Journal*—421st Med. Evac. Battalion Issue (Oct-Dec 2005)
- 00105: Community News: Families, Kids Enjoy Reading WWII Story (ca. 2006)
- 00106: "Road to War" Timeline (2006)
- 00107: *Dustoff Digest* Newsletter (Jan. 2006)
- 00108: Community News: Welcome Home 159th Medical Evacuation Company (Ca. Feb-March 2006)
- 00109: "MEDEVAC Teaches Soldiers Real Value of Training" (n.d.)
- 00110: "Pakistan: Closing a Border—and Closing in on Al Qaeda?" (17 April 2006)
- 00111: ISAF2 Welcome Home and Awards Ceremony (June-July 2006)
- 00112: "MEDEVAC Helo Attacked During Rescue of Afghan Child" (Aug 2006)
- 00113: *The Dustoff* Newsletter (Fall/Winter 2006)
- 00114: "Downrange News: Bagram Crew and Kandahar Crew" (2006-07)
- 00115: "10th CAB Flight Medic, Air Ambulance Crew to Be Honored" (5 Jan 2007)
- 00116: Joint Multinational Readiness center—News from the "Box" (March 2007)
- 00117: *The Dustoff* Newsletter (Spring/Summer 2007)



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- 00118: Combat Maneuver Training Center Observer Controller Academy Slide Book (n.d.)
- 00119: Total Army Training System Courseware: Military Law (n.d.)
- 00120: Aircrew Training Program Waivers (n.d.)
- 00121: Infantry Operations Leadership Reaction Course (n.d.)
- 00122: Unit Movement Officer Information Book (n.d.)
- 00123: Maps: Inprocessing Training Center (WAAF) (n.d.)

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- 00124: Grafenwoehr Training Area SOP1 Training Operations (Jan 1999) (2 copies)
- 00125: Grafenwoehr Training Area Materials (1999-2002)
- 00126: Asst OPS Officer Aviations Operations GTA SOP #4 (July 2000)
- 00127: USAREUR Command Training Guidance (FY 2001-02)
- 00128: 3rd Quarter Training Guidance (FY 2002)
- 00129: 7th Army Training Command Grafenwoehr US Army Airfield SOP (2002)
- 00130: Infantry Operations Land Navigation Handout—Grafenwoehr (2 copies)
- 00131: Company Opord #02-02 (Frozen Tundra) (2002)
- 00132: Operation Frozen Tundra Materials (2002)
- 00133: QTB/USR Training (2002-03) [1 of 2]
- 00134: QTB/USR Training (2002-03) [2 of 2]
- 00135: Training Guidance—Meetings and Briefs (2002-04)
- 00136: T-Days Training Schedule (2002-05)

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- 00138: Deployment Training Matrix (2003)
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- 00140: 159th Medical Co. Deployment Training Book (2003) [2 of 2]
- 00141: Exercise Rules of Engagement Implementation Document (EXRID) Training Center (1 April 2003)
- 00142: Grafenwoehr Training Area SOP #1, Training Operations (2003)
- 00143: Company Field Training Exercise Materials, CPT Jason Davis, OPS Officer (2004)
- 00144: Guidance of Unit Med Support, Grafenwoehr Training Area, CPT Jason Davis, OPS (July 2004)
- 00145: Grafenwoehr Training Area Aviation Operations, Procedures Guide, Redline Briefing, CPT Jason Davis, OPS (May 2004)
- 00146: Operation Desert Fury Material, CPT Jason Davis, OPS (Sept 2004)
- 00147: Training Schedule and Support Material (2006)
- 00148: Exercise Procedures (EXPRO), Joint Multinational Readiness Center (1 Feb 2006)
- 00149: Medical Evacuation Playbook, Field Manual No. 4-02.2 (2007) [1 of 2]
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- 00154: Supporting Documents for Change of Command (2004)
- 00155: 159th Medical Command Change of Command Ceremony, Weisbaden Army Airfield (July 2004)
- 00156: International Security Assistance Force Welcome Home (May 2005)
- 00157: Correspondence and Notes Re: 159th History (Angela Wagner, 2006)
- 00158: Correspondence Re: Accomplishments (2006)
- 00159: 159th Medical Company OPORD 06-01 (Deployment Farewell Ceremony) (Jan 2006)
- 00160: Retirement Ceremony—Weisbaden Army Airfield, Germany (28 June 2006)
- 00161: 421st Medical Battalion Change of Command Ceremony (30 June 2006)
- 00162: 159th Medical Company 1-214th Aviation Regiment Awards Ceremony (12 July 2006)
- 00163: Dustoff Association Re: Awards and Meeting (ca. Jan 2007)
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- 00165: Change of Command Ceremony—159th Medical Company (May 2007)
- 00166: CONUS Re-location Ceremony for 159th Medical Company, 1-214th AVN REGT (14 Aug 2007)



- 00167: 159th Medical Company (Air Ambulance) CONUS Relocation Ceremony Program (14 Aug 2007)
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- 00172: 159th Medical Command Dustoff Welcome Home Transparencies
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00197: Memorial Ceremony in Honor of Staff Sergeant Heathe Craig (29 June 2006)
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- 159th Slide Show for FRG (2006)
- 159th Medical Company (2006)
- 159th Departure Ceremony (2006)
- Reenlistment (2006)
- 159th Medical Company Training 2/ 1-214th AVN BN, Roadmarch, NBC Training (2006)
- ISAF Awards Ceremony (2006)
- 159th Welcome Home Ceremony (2007)
- 159th Medical Company CONUS Relocation (2007)
- 159th History [2 discs]

ZIP and Floppy Discs:

- Dustoff Ball
- LFG EDP (2001)
- "Knights of the Rhine"
- 60-Day Engagement Report
- Alert Roster



- “How We Fight”
- 159th USR (2006)
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Poster:

- Operation Enduring Freedom (2006-07)

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