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SUMMARY OF CHANGES

This administrative change updates AFMD 9 to reflect the current OPR and Certifying Authority, removes unnecessary acronyms, and includes an editorial change to sentences in the Mission paragraph on USAFE and USEUCOM.

1. Mission. USAFE-AFAFRICA organizes, trains, and equips forces for independent, joint, or combined military operations. USAFE provides combatant commanders rapidly deployable, capabilities-focused expeditionary air, space, and cyberspace forces to conduct the full range of military operations. USAFE also enhances transatlantic security, promotes regional stability, and advances U.S. interests in Europe, Africa, the North Atlantic, the Mediterranean, Russia, the Caspian Sea, and portions of the Middle East. USAFE is a Major Command of the United States Air Force (USAF) and the Air Force component of United States European Command

(USEUCOM). AFAFRICA is the Air Force component to United States Africa Command (USAFRICOM), and the USAFE-AFAFRICA staff supports the AFAFRICA Commander's responsibilities in Africa.

2. Command. The Commander, USAFE-AFAFRICA:

2.1. Is responsible to the Chief of Staff of the Air Force (CSAF) for administration, organization, training, and equipping of assigned forces.

2.2. Commands designated USAF forces assigned/attached to USEUCOM and, in his role as Commander, AFAFRICA, commands designated USAF forces assigned/attached to USAFRICOM.

2.2.1. By direction of CSAF, exercises administrative control over assigned and attached USAF forces.

2.2.2. By direction of the Commanders, USEUCOM and USAFRICOM, exercises operational control over their respective assigned and attached air forces.

3. Responsibilities. The Commander, USAFE-AFAFRICA:

3.1. Plans, coordinates, supports, and conducts employment of air, space, and cyberspace operations across the full range of military operations, including security cooperation, to achieve USEUCOM, USAFRICOM, and North Atlantic Treaty Organization objectives based on their respective taskings.

3.2. On order, provides assigned Air Force forces to other combatant commands.

3.3. Establishes, sustains, improves, maintains, and operates bases and facilities used by USAF throughout the USEUCOM and USAFRICOM areas of responsibility.

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