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121st Air Refueling Wing Capture Awards at "2007 Air Mobility Rodeo"

COLUMBUS, OH - An 18-member team from the Ohio National Guard's 121st Air Refueling Wing (ARW), Columbus, Ohio competed in the "2007 Air Mobility Rodeo" which took place July 23-27 at McChord Air Force Base in Washington State.

The Air Mobility Rodeo is a combat skills competition designed to develop and improve techniques and procedures while enhancing air mobility operations and promoting esprit de corps. Air mobility units from the active and reserve components and several nations competed in this week-long event.

The 121st ARW flies KC-135 aircraft and was the only Air National Guard Wing to compete against active and reserve Air Force units in this year's competition.

The aircrew took first place honors in two categories:

- > Best KC-135 Aircrew
- Best KC-135 Air Refueling Crew

The maintainers received first place honors for:

Best KC-135 Post Flight Inspection

The media is invited to greet the unit upon their return at 6 p.m., July 28 at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base (7170 Minuteman Way).

For more information and to arrange security clearance, please contact Capt. Karen O'Neill at 859-803-8633.