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### Spangdahlem aircraft to move to Incirlik, Turkey?

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Pentagon planners have announced a request for more rights for the use of Incirlik AB, Turkey and intend to move the aircraft from Spangdahlem AB Germany. Their reason as stated is to put these units closer to the Middle East to be better responsive. This is part of a major plan to change the European based USAF.

Turkish officials have hinted at this possibility but have denied even receiving any official request from the US government.

The United States determination to carry out this plan appears to only be able to be stopped by the Turkish government. Current agreement with Turkey is allowance of 48 jet fighters on Turkey's land for deployment. However the United States military largely pulled out in 2003 when Turkey did not allow the Americans to start a northern front into Iraq.



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### United States Air Force - USAFE

#### Units

Unit	Name	Air base	Block	Role	Status
<b>31st FW</b>	<b>AIV</b>	<b>Aviano AB, It</b>	<b>F-16C/D - 40</b>	<b>A-D, CAS</b>	<b>Act.</b>
306th TFS	?	Homestead AFB, FL	F-16C/D	?	Disb.
510th FS	<i>Buzzards</i>	Aviano AB, It	F-16C/D - 40	A-D, CAS	Act.
555th FS	<i>Triple Nickel</i>	Aviano AB, It	F-16C/D - 40	A-D, CAS	Act.
<b>50th TFW</b>	<b>HR</b>	<b>Hahn AB, Ger</b>	<b>F-16C/D - 25</b>	<b>A-D, A-G</b>	<b>Disb.</b>
10th TFS	<i>Sabres</i>	Hahn AB, Ger	F-16C/D - 25	A-D, A-G	Disb.
313th TFS	<i>Lucky Puppies</i>	Hahn AB, Ger	F-16C/D - 25	A-D, A-G	Disb.
496th TFS	<i>Big Dogs</i>	Hahn AB, Ger	F-16C/D - 25	A-D, A-G	Disb.
<b>52nd FW</b>	<b>SP</b>	<b>Spangdahlem AB, Ger</b>	<b>F-16C/D - 50</b>	<b>SEAD</b>	<b>Act.</b>
22nd FS	<i>Stingers</i>	Spangdahlem AB, Ger	F-16C/D - 50	SEAD	Act.
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1987

Turkish Air Force receives first F-16 in rollout ceremony at Fort Worth in July.

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81st FS	<i>Panthers</i>	Spangdahlem AB, Ger	F-16C/D	?	Disb.
<b>86th TFW</b>	<b>RS</b>	<b>Ramstein AB, Ger</b>	<b>F-16C/D</b>	<b>A-D</b>	Disb.
512th TFS	<i>Dragons</i>	Ramstein AB, Ger	F-16C/D	A-D	Disb.
526th TFS	<i>Black Knights</i>	Ramstein AB, Ger	F-16C/D	A-D	Disb.
<b>401st TFW</b>	<b>TJ</b>	<b>Torrejon AB, Sp</b>	<b>F-16C/D</b>	?	Disb.
612th TFS	<i>Fighting Eagles</i>	Torrejon AB, Sp	F-16C/D	?	Disb.
613th TFS	<i>Squids</i>	Torrejon AB, Sp	F-16C/D	?	Disb.
614th TFS	<i>Lucky Devils</i>	Torrejon AB, Sp	F-16C/D	?	Disb.

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