

SUMMARY OF 61ST TROOP CARRIER SQUADRON  
DEEP FREEZE 60 OPERATIONS

(Narrative summary and additional details appear in "C-130 Operations Begin," page 3, Bulletin No. 5, January 1960.)

Operation ICE FLOW: The introduction of ski-equipped, four-engine, cargo aircraft in Antarctica was conducted by the 61st Troop Carrier Squadron (Medium), Sewart Air Force Base, Tennessee, under command of Lieutenant Colonel Wilbert Turk, USAF.

Deployment from Sewart Air Force Base: 7 January  
Arrival Christchurch: 13 January (5 planes) and  
17 January (3 planes)

Deployment from Christchurch: 23 January  
Byrd Station resupply begun: 25 January  
Pole Station resupply begun: 27 January  
Return to Christchurch from McMurdo: 7 February

Complement: 7 C-130D Hercules, ski-equipped aircraft  
1 C-130A Hercules, wheel-equipped aircraft (remained at Christchurch)

131 Officers and men, including:  
10 Flight crews  
37 Squadron maintenance personnel  
12 Loadmasters  
45 CAMS specialist personnel

Resupply Mission: 25 January - 5 February

Total tonnage	406.9
Average tonnage per day	41.3
Most tonnage in one day	62.9

Average flights per day	7
Total hours	1104
Hours at NAF McMurdo	379
Average missions per crew	7.3
Total ski landings	128
Byrd	30
Pole	28
McMurdo	70