September 18th: Air Force Birthday

SACRAMENTO - Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi today issued the following statement:

"On Sept. 18, 1947, after many years of planning, an independent air arm was formed, an equal to the Army and Navy: the United States Air Force. Prior to that birthday, the Air Force was as part of the Army, serving in conflicts from the First World War until today.

Since its inception, the Air Force has changed dramatically, employing new technology and responding to a changing world.

Our Air Force inherits a century of flight and a history of boundless accomplishments, and I salute and thank you, the men and women in the U.S. Air Force who serve, and have served, Happy birthday U.S. Air Force!”