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- Federal President Frank-Walter Steinmeier is patron of the "LUFTBRÜCKE BERLIN 70 The return of the raisin bombers"
- Overflight over the Brandenburg Gate approved

Federal President Frank-Walter Steinmeier is the patron of the event "Airlift 70 - The Return of the Raisin Bombers", which commemorates the largest and most spectacular aid operation of all time: the Allied airlift to West Berlin.

From 10th to 17th of June 2019, more than 30 original machines from four continents will once again fly the old routes via Wiesbaden, Faßberg and Jagel to the capital and over the Brandenburg Gate.

"We are happy and honored that the Federal President supports this unique event," said Jörg Siebert, who, together with Peter Braun and Dr. Ing. Thomas Keller is one of the three initiators of this internationally acclaimed historic flight event, which will feature more than 30 old original raisin bombers from 14 nations.

"For our 180 pilots and crew members, the promise of the Federal President of the Federal Republic of Germany is an unbelievable motivation and support," says the Dutchman Peter Braun, Director "Aviation and Crews" in the project. More than half of the 36 DC-3s will embark on the difficult and exhausting journey from the East Coast of the US across the North Atlantic route to Europe. 40 hours pure flying time, mostly in waterproof survival suits.

After the events in Wiesbaden-Erbenheim, Faßberg and Jagel, the pilots and the people of Berlin can expect very special events. Because: the commitments for the overflights over the Brandenburg Gate and over the historic Tempelhof airfield have recently arrived. These will be unique images that travel around the world from Germany. A wonderful symbol of international friendship.

Until then, there is still much to do.



LUFTBRÜCKE BERLIN 70 is a unique experience.

Would you like as many original raisin bombers as possible to come to Berlin? Then we need your help.

Become part of this historical event and support us with a financial donation!

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