

56 LOGISTICS READINESS SQUADRON



MISSION

The squadron provides responsive logistics support to train the world's finest F-16 pilots and crew chiefs and rapidly move combat ready forces in support of expeditionary operations worldwide.

LINEAGE

Supply Squadron, 56 Maintenance and Supply Group designated, 28 Jul 1947

Organized, 15 Aug 1947

Discontinued, 1 Aug 1948

56 Supply Squadron, Fighter, Jet, constituted, 14 Jun 1948

Activated, 1 Aug 1948

Redesignated 56 Supply Squadron, 20 Jan 1950

Inactivated, 6 Feb 1952

Activated, 28 Dec 1960

Organized, 1 Feb 1961

Discontinued and inactivated, 1 Jan 1964

Activated, 16 Mar 1967

Organized, 8 Apr 1967

Supply Squadron, 56 Maintenance and Supply Group and 56 Supply Squadron consolidated, 8 Feb 1988. Consolidated unit designated 56 Supply Squadron

Inactivated, 4 Jan 1994

Activated, 1 Apr 1994

Redesignated 56 Logistics Readiness Squadron, 1 Aug 2002

STATIONS

Selfridge Field (later, AFB), Michigan, 15 Aug 1947-6 Feb 1952
K.I. Sawyer AFB, Michigan, 1 Feb 1961-1 Jan 1964
Nakhon Phanom Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand, 8 Apr 1967-28 Feb 1975
MacDill AFB, Florida, 30 Jun 1975-4 Jan 1994
Luke AFB, Arizona, 1 Apr 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

56 Maintenance and Supply Group, 15 Aug 1947-1 Aug 1948
56 Maintenance and Supply Group, 1 Aug 1948-6 Feb 1952
56 Air Base (later, 56 Combat Support) Group, 1 Feb 1961-1 Apr 1963
56 Fighter Wing (Air Defense), 1 Apr 1963-1 Jan 1964
56 Air Commando (later, 56 Special Operations,) Wing, 8 Apr 1967-Unknown
56 Tactical Fighter (later, 56 Tactical Training; later, 56 Fighter) Wing, 30 Jun 1975-1 Nov 1991
56 Logistics Group on 1 Nov 1991-4 Jan 1994; 1 Apr 1994-1 Aug 2002
56 Support (later, 56 Mission Support Group) on 1 Aug 2002

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Robert E. Bremer, 31 Jul 1949
Unknown, 20 Jan 1950-6 Feb 1952
Maj Elmer E. Williams, Jr. 1 Feb 1961
Cpt Daniel D. Rosinsky, 30 Jan 1963
1lt J.K. Lawler, 23 Jul 1963
Maj Ralph L. Bent 30 Aug 1963-Unknown
Lt Col Thaviu P. Hackler, 8 Apr 1967
Lt Col John A. Moe, 23 Apr 1967
Lt Col M.H. Mynheir, 31 Mar 1969
Lt Col Wilbert D. Wesse, 30 Sep 1969
Lt Col Wayne G. Mathern, 15 Aug 1970
Lt Col Alvin L. Yanke, 30 Sep 1971
Lt Col Leland E. Turner, Jr., 31 Jan 1973
Lt Col William A. Lawrence, 17 Sep 1973
Cpt Richard M. Lafontaine, 10 May 1974
Maj James W. Hopp, 31 Jul 1974
Lt Col James O. Turner, 30 Jun 1975
Lt Col Richard W. Dush, 27 Aug 1975
Lt Col Fredrick L. Freshcorn, 5 Jun 1978
Maj David C. Johnson, 25 Oct 1980
Lt Col William C. Shaw, 26 Nov 1980
Maj Alan R. Lewis, 22 Jul 1983
Lt Col Jose L. Miranda, 17 Oct 1983
Lt Col Harry M. Barash, 28 Sep 1984

Maj Loretta L. Floyd, 29 Apr 1985
Lt Col Raymond N. Angor, Jr., 23 Aug 1985
Mr. Louis M. Crawford, 1987
Lt Col Gayle H. Pfeiffer, 17 Aug 1987
Lt Col Joe N. Carter, Jr., 31 Oct 1990
Lt Col Carolyn D. Hamilton, 1 Mar 1993-4 Jan 1994
Lt Col Robert K. Hutto, 1 Apr 1994
Maj Marcus W. Hogins, 20 Jun 1997
Lt Col James A. Teafor, 20 Jun 1997
Maj Peter D. Hofelich, 8 Aug 2000-1 Aug 2002
Lt Col Gary W. Larberg, 1 Aug 2002
Maj Louis P. Seliquni, Jr., 28 Jun 2004
Lt Col Michael E. Washington, 30 Jun 2006
Lt Col Carrie J. Bausano, 18 Jun 2008
Lt Col Michael T. Davis, 30 Jun 2010
Lt Col Erin C. Cluff, 6 Jul 2012
Lt Col Patrick R. Launey, 3 Jul 2013
Lt Col Gregory D. Boschert, 6 Jul 2015
Lt Col Robinson R. Mata, 6 Jul 2017
Lt Col Daniel P. Mcguire, 3 Aug 2020

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Vietnam
Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase II
Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase III
Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase IV
Tet 1969 Counteroffensive
Vietnam Summer/Fall 1969
Vietnam Winter/Spring 1970
Sanctuary Counteroffensive
Southwest Monsoon
Commando Hunt V
Commando Hunt VI
Commando Hunt VII
Vietnam Cease Fire

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Presidential Unit Citations
1 Nov 1968-1 May 1969

1 Oct 1969-30 Apr 1970
1 Apr 1972-22 Feb 1973

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat "V" Device

1 Dec 1970-30 Nov 1971
1 Dec 1971-29 Feb 1972
23 Feb 1973-28 Feb 1974
24 Jan 1975-2 May 1975

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jan 1977-1 Jan 1979
1 Jul 1980-31 May 1982
1 Jun 1984-31 May 1986
1 May 1987-30 Apr 1989
1 May 1989-30 Apr 1990
1 May 1990-30 Apr 1991
1 Jul 1994-30 Jun 1996
1 Jul 1996-30 Jun 1998
1 Jul 1998-30 Jun 2000
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1 Jul 2011-30 Jun 2012
1 Jul 2012-30 Jun 2013
1 Jul 2013-30 Jun 2014
1 Jul 2014-30 Jun 2015
1 Jul 2015-30 Jun 2016
1 Jul 2016-30 Jun 2017
1 Jul 2017-30 Jun 2018
1 Jul 2018-30 Jun 2019
1 Jul 2019-30 Jun 2020
1 Jul 2020-30 Jun 2021

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm
8 Apr 1967-28 Jan 1973

EMBLEM



56 Supply Squadron emblem and patch: On a blue disc bordered yellow, a pair of yellow hands supporting a brown sphere charged with a white aerospace symbol, all enveloped by two red orbital rings salterwise. Surmounting the arms in base a brown Aladdin's Lamp. Attached below the disc a yellow scroll edged blue and inscribed "We Sustain the Mission" in blue letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** The emblem is symbolic of the squadron and displays the Air Force colors, golden yellow and ultramarine blue. The Aladdin's Lamp alludes to the magical swiftness with which the organization accomplishes the logistical mission. The hands are symbolic of supporting a celestial body, represents the earth. The lines surrounding the earth depict supply lines covering the four corners of the world but are more symbolic of covering the earth in mission attainment. The aerospace vehicle pointing upward represents that as yet unassigned logistical missions are to be fulfilled in aerospace activity or future space exploration.

56 Logistics Readiness Squadron emblem: On a disc Azure, a globe Celeste, gridlined Argent, encircled from behind by an orbit bendwise sinister Gules, trisecting in front of the globe and terminating in three mullets in bend of the third, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "SEMPER

EXPEDITUS" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "56 LOGISTICS READINESS SQ" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The blue globe represents logistics. The rings and stars circling the globe represent the disciplines of supply, transportation and plans. (Approved, 11 Feb 2003)

MOTTO

SEMPER EXPEDITUS-- Always Ready

OPERATIONS

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