

36 INTELLIGENCE SQUADRON



MISSION

The 36 Intelligence Squadron provides tactical target materials, special targeting and weaponeering analysis, and tailored digital data bases to support U.S. Air Force weapons systems, mission planning and aircrew training. The squadron also provides focused and tailored intelligence to meet the specific requirements of Air Force units preparing for deployment, while they are deploying, and during the time they are deployed.

The 36 is organized into four flights:

Digital Materials Intelligence Applications Targeting/Recognition Materials Requirements Management

The Digital Materials Flight provides accurate digital maps, charts, elevation data, detailed geocoded imagery and other digital products supporting automated mission planning needs and unique requirements for advanced weapon systems. It serves as the Air Force's sole producer of multi-spectral imagery.

The Intelligence Applications Flight supports combat air forces, training units, the NAIC and AIA staffs by producing materials, targeting analysis and specialized target studies.

The Targeting/Recognition Materials Flight produces ad hoc and scheduled general military intelligence to support exercise, training and combat operations of the Air Force and other Department of Defense aircrew members the same type of target materials they will be using in operational conditions as well as producing prototype target materials for future and developmental weapon systems.

The Requirements Management Flight assigns and tracks all ad hoc and scheduled production requirements. They also submit, track and monitor associated all-source intelligence collections.

LINEAGE

28 Observation Squadron constituted, 1 Jul 1942
Activated, 17 Jul 1942
Redesignated 28 Reconnaissance Squadron (Fighter), 2 Apr 1943
Redesignated 28 Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, 11 Aug 1943
Redesignated 36 Photographic Mapping Squadron, 9 Oct 1943
Redesignated 36 Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron, 29 Mar 1944
Inactivated, 20 Feb 1946
Redesignated 36 Tactical Intelligence Squadron, and activated, 1 Sep 1990
Redesignated 36 Air Intelligence Squadron, 1 Nov 1991
Redesignated 36 Intelligence Squadron, 1 Oct 1993

STATIONS

Godman Field, KY, 17 Jul 1942
Camp Campbell AAFld, KY, 25 Jun 1943
Bowling Green Municipal Airport, KY, 30 Jul 1943
Campbell AAFld, KY, 1 Oct 1943
Muskogee AAFld, OK, 10 Apr-31 Oct 1944
Hollandia, New Guinea, 15 Dec 1944
Biak, 26 Dec 1944
Clark Field, Luzon, c. 28 Apr-26 Jul 1945 (air echelon at Clark Field, Luzon, to Sep 1945)
Okinawa, 4 Aug 1945
Chofu, Japan, Oct 1945
Fort William McKinley, Luzon, Dec 1945-20 Feb 1946
Langley AFB, VA, 1 Sep 1990

ASSIGNMENTS

73 Observation (later, 73 Reconnaissance; 73 Tactical Reconnaissance) Group, 17 Jul 1942
76 Tactical Reconnaissance Group, 9 Oct 1943 (attached to 73 Tactical Reconnaissance Group to 3 Nov 1943)
74 Tactical Reconnaissance Group, 21 Oct 1943
I (later, III) Tactical Air Division, 29 Mar 1944
Far East Air Forces, Nov 1944
Thirteenth Air Force, 2 Dec 1944
Fifth Air Force, 7 Dec 1944
6 Photographic (later, 6 Reconnaissance) Group, 23 Dec 1944
Seventh Air Force, 20 Oct 1945
V Fighter Command, 29 Nov 1945
Far East Air Forces (later, Pacific Air Command, U.S. Army), 3 Dec 1945-20 Feb 1946
480 Tactical Intelligence (later, 480 Air Intelligence; 480 Intelligence) Group, 1 Sep 1990

WEAPON SYSTEMS

L-1A

L-4A

P-39D

P-39J

P-39N

P-40F

UC-78

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

World War II

American Theater

Campaign Streamers

World War II

New Guinea

Luzon

Southern Philippines

Eastern Mandates

China Offensive

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Meritorious Unit Awards

1 Jun 2004-31 May 2006

1 Jun 2006-31 May 2007

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat "V" Device

1 Jun 2002-31 May 2003

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Sep 1990-31 Dec 1991

1 Jan 1992-30 Sep 1993

Air Force Organizational Excellence Award

1 Oct 1993-30 Sep 1995

Philippine Presidential Unit Citation

EMBLEM



36 Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron emblem: A medium blue sphere shaded and highlighted, ringed light green, supporting two caricatured figures in flight suits proper, wearing orange aviator's helmets and white goggles; first caricatured figure leaning over edge of ring and holding black aerial camera, second caricatured figure standing on ring, leaning on sphere, and taking measurements on surface of sphere with dividers held in right hand. (Approved, 7 Mar 1944)

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OPERATIONS

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