

44 ORGANIZATIONAL MISSILE MAINTENANCE SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

44 Organizational Missile Maintenance Squadron
Constituted, 20 Aug 1975
Activated, 30 Sep 1975

STATIONS

Ellsworth AFB, SD, 30 Sep 1975

ASSIGNMENTS

44 Strategic Missile Wing

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

44 Organizational Missile Maintenance Squadron emblem: On a medium blue disc edged with a narrow yellow border a sphere of the field, rimmed and grid-lined blue surmounted by a green olive branch and a yellow lightning flash in saltire, overall a gray missile palewise ascending, its nose enveloped by a black atomic symbol. Attached below the disc a blank yellow scroll. Motto: Attached above the disc a yellow scroll inscribed DETERRENCE THROUGH READINESS in blue

letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** The emblem is symbolic of the squadron and its mission. 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 missile represents the missile weapon system. The olive branch symbolizes the hope for world peace through readiness, and the lightning bolt denotes the power of nuclear capability, represented by the atom. The globe denotes worldwide coverage. The color blue represents the sky, the environment in which the weapon system operates. (Approved, 12 Aug 1977)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

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