56 AIR OPERATIONS SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

56 Air Operations Squadron

STATIONS

Hickam AFB, Hickam

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

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Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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On a disc Azure, a lightning bolt embowed bendwise sinister Or garnished Tenné, between in chief three mullets arrayed in a semi-circle Argent and a demi-globe issuing from sinister base Celeste displaying landmasses of the third, and surmounted on its horizon by a stylized White mullet in perspective, garnished and ribbed Light Blue, all within a narrow Red border. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Red border and inscribed "56TH AIR OPERATIONS 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 large star represents the Aerospace Operations Center (AOC) and its many critical nodes of cohesively operating towards the air battle management goal. The three smaller stars represent the primary areas of responsibility, Alaska, Korea and the Polynesian Island. The globe and landmasses signify commitment and support to the primary mission of establishing and maintaining command and control of the aerospace environment. The lightning bolt symbolizes rapid deployment response and electronic theater command and control through communication data links.

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