

351 OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

351 Airdrome Squadron Activated, 10 May 1944

Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948

Reconstituted and redesignated 351 Operations Support Squadron, 29 Aug 1991

Inactivated, 1992

STATIONS

Louisville AAF, KY 10 May 1944

Bowman AAF, KY 1944

Sylhet Dec 1944-Jan 1945

Argatala

Chittagong

Namponmao

Ledo

Whiteman AFB, MO 1991-1992

ASSIGNMENTS

4 Combat Cargo Group

351 Operations Group, 1991-1992

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

351 Operations Support Squadron emblem: In the dexter chief, six white stars on a blue background in the sinister chief, a black and white eagle descending with black key in talons from a yellow background; a battlement extending across fess point from dexter to sinister; in the sinister base, a gold lamp of learning on a red background; in the dexter base three spires, red, blue, and green respectively pointed towards the middle chief; a narrow blue border around the disc with a blank yellow scroll attached beneath. **SIGNIFICANCE:** The embattlement suggests the Air Force mission to defend the peace. The unit provides operational support to three missile squadrons represented by the three spires. The stars denote the variety of functions the squadron provides in support of the wing. The eagle recalls the unit heritage as part of the 351st Bomb Group during World War II. The eagle grasps a key indicative of the dedication of the unit's personnel in providing necessary equipment for the wing to fulfill its function. The lamp of knowledge stands for the training functions of the squadron. (Approved, 4 May 1992)

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OPERATIONS

The Combat Cargo Groups were to be self-contained groups, capable of being 100% operational and always ready to go at a moment's notice. To that end, each Combat Cargo Squadron was to have an Airdrome Squadron assigned with it. Each Airdrome Squadrons mission was to supply all tasks, including everything (from cooking to aircraft maintenance), necessary for the Combat Cargo Squadron to be self-sufficient. Both of these groups would function as one unit. Each of the Combat Cargo Groups was to consist of four Squadrons, each with 25 aircraft (originally C-47's).

351st Airdrome Squadron supported 16th CCS.

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