

868 TACTICAL MISSILE TRAINING GROUP



MISSION

The mission of the 868 TMTG has been to develop and conduct all training necessary to prepare Air Force personnel to operate, maintain, and defend the Ground Launched Cruise Missile (GLCM) weapons system in a tactical field environment. In January 1987 the 868th assumed mission of the development and instruction of a Tactical Field Operations Course (TFOC) to teach basic field living skills to Ground Tactical Air Control Systems (GTACS) personnel.

To accomplish its mission, the 868th TMTG is authorized just over 250 personnel. The unit is capable of training over 1000 GLCM personnel per year. GLCM personnel serve with operational units in Europe or staff positions in the U.S. or Europe.

LINEAGE

868 Tactical Missile Training Group

STATIONS

Davis Monthan AFB, AZ

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Col Doug Livingston

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

In June 1988 President Reagan and Soviet Union General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev signed into force the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty eliminating over a period of three years an entire class of nuclear weapons. As a result, all GLCM launchers and missiles are scheduled to be eliminated by June 1991. Once again the 868th TMTG mission has expanded and the unit is tasked to comply with all aspects of the treaty and continue to train the personnel needed to effectively and safely operate the GLCM weapon system until it is destroyed for treaty compliance. The last GLCM weapon system class is scheduled to graduate in May 1990, after which the 868th TMTG will inactivate on 31 May 1990.

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Sources

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