

955 AIR EXPEDITIONARY SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

955 Air Expeditionary Squadron activated, 5 May 2009

STATIONS

Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan

ASSIGNMENTS

755 Air Expeditionary Group

COMMANDERS

LTC William E. Wade, May 2009

LTC Kenneth B. Bowling, May 2010

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On a disc Sable, a sword palewise point to chief Gules, detailed of the field, fimbriated Or, flanked

by lightning bolts points to base, one in dexter Vert, fimbriated of the third and one in sinister Azure, fimbriated of the third, four mullets, two fesswise in chief, one in dexter nombril, one in sinister nombril all of the third, all within a narrow bordure Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "SUMUS OMNES IN BELLO PRO PACE" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "955TH AIR EXPEDITIONARY 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 sword symbolizes the warrior ethos of the Airmen. The sword outline is symbolic of a violent weapon while the center memorializes the tragic wounds the Airmen have suffered. The pair of lightning bolts represents the power of Airmen to deliver U.S. Air Force capabilities while participating in ground-centric missions of the U.S. Army. The four stars symbolize the four traditional Department of Defense services honorably engaged in joint combat against enemy forces. The background of the patch is symbolic of the dark despairs of armed conflict.

MOTTO

SUMUS OMNES IN BELLO PRO PACE--WE ARE ALL IN WAR FOR PEACE

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

5/7/2009 Bagram Airfield officials have added four new squadrons to their growing list of units during an assumption of command ceremony here May 5. More than 1,200 joint expeditionary tasking and provincial reconstruction team Airmen deployed to more than 40 forward operating bases and camps throughout Afghanistan will now be assigned to 655th, 755th, 855th or 955th Air Expeditionary Squadrons under the 755th Air Expeditionary Group. "As our mission roles have increased, it became obvious we needed to reorganize the 755th AEG," said Col. James Reed, the 755th AEG commander, before unfurling the new unit guidons. "These squadrons will be instrumental in taking care of our Airmen working side by side with the Army, coalition forces and the Afghan people fighting terrorism in Afghanistan." Colonel Reed said the leadership, management and expertise of the new squadron commanders and staff will provide greater accountability, administrative control and support for Airmen. The four squadrons coincide with International Security Assistance Force's regions of responsibility and provide support for Airmen in more than 130 different Air Force specialty codes.

Air Force Unit Histories

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Sources

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