

## 86<sup>th</sup> MUNITIONS SQUADRON



### **MISSION**

### **LINEAGE**

86<sup>th</sup> Munitions Squadron constituted, 1 Jul 2009  
Activated, 16 Jul 2009

### **STATIONS**

Ramstein AB, Germany, 16 Jul 2009

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

86<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Group, 16 Jul 2009

### **COMMANDERS**

### **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

On a disc Azure, on a pile Or, a bomb Sable enflamed Gules, between in base lightning bolts radiating pilewise of the second; all within a narrow Black border. Attached above the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "STRENGTH TO FIGHT" in Black letters. Attached below the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "86TH MUNITIONS SQUADRON" in Black 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 divided background refers to the day and night operation of the unit. The pile symbolizes the aerospace program. The bomb centered on the pile symbolizes ordnance and with the sharp point of the pile represents the accuracy of the munitions processes. Radiating from the tip of the pile are lightning bolts which represent the Squadron's ability to modernize its air and space inventories. The lightning bolts further underscore the speed and accuracy with which the ordnance can be deployed. (Approved, 9 Mar 2010)

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Airmen with the 86th Munitions Squadron at Ramstein AB, Germany, led a team last month that upgraded the base's stock of AGM-65 Maverick H- and K-model air-to-ground missiles. They installed a new software circuit card in the missiles' guidance control section to make the missiles more accurate. The change will also give pilots an in-flight abort option "so they can, at the last minute, hit abort and the missile will veer off," said SSgt. Nicholas Dillenbeck of the 86<sup>th</sup> MUNS. The H model is a blast-fragmentation version of the Maverick. The K model is a penetrator variant. Ramstein has no fighters, but stores the Mavericks since it is a major airlift hub and the AGM-65s can readily be sent from there to the combat theater. The Air Force plans to update more than 2,000 of these Mavericks by July 2011.

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