

56th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Lineage.

Designated Supply Squadron,
56th Maintenance and Supply
Group on 28 July 1947.
Organized on 15 August 1947.
Discontinued on 1 August 1948.

Consolidated (8 February 1988) with
56th Supply Squadron, Fighter,
Jet, which was constituted on
14 June 1948.

Activated on 1 August 1948.

Redesignated 56th Supply Squadron on
20 January 1950.

Inactivated on 6 February 1952.

Activated on 28 December 1960.¹

Organized on 1 February 1961.

Discontinued, and inactivated, on 1 January 1964.²

Activated 16 March 1967.

Organized on 8 April 1967.³

Inactivated on 4 January 1994.⁴

Activated on 1 April 1994.⁵

Redesignated 56th Logistics Readiness Squadron on 1 August 2002.⁶



¹ AFOMO 536m, 28 December 1960

² AFOMO 90n, 16 September 1963

³ PACAF SO G-41, 8 March 1967

⁴ ACC SO GB-18, 30 December 1993

⁵ AETC SO G-34, 25 March 1994

⁶ AETC SO G-02-20, 23 June 2002

Honors.

Campaign Streamers.

Vietnam

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase II [1967-1968]

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase III [1968]⁷

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase IV [1968-1969]

Tet 1969 Counteroffensive [1969]

Vietnam Summer/Fall 1969 [1969]

Vietnam Winter/Spring 1970 [1969-1970]⁸

Sanctuary Counteroffensive [1970]

Southwest Monsoon [1970]⁹

Commando Hunt V [1970-1971]¹⁰

Commando Hunt VI [1971]¹¹

Commando Hunt VII [1971-1972]¹²

Vietnam Cease Fire [1972-1973]¹³

Decorations.

Presidential Unit Citations

Southeast Asia 1 November 1968-1 May 1969¹⁴

Southeast Asia 1 October 1969-30 April 1970¹⁵

Southeast Asia 1 April 1972-22 February 1973.

⁷ PACAF SO G-184, 30 July 1969

⁸ PACAF SO G-352, 14 June 1971

⁹ PACAF SO GB-0019, 31 January 1974

¹⁰ PACAF SO GB-0022, 31 January 1974

¹¹ PACAF SO GB-0025, 31 January 1974

¹² PACAF SO GB-0027, 31 January 1974

¹³ PACAF SO GB-0187, 15 July 1974

¹⁴ DAF SO GB-552/1970

¹⁵ DAF SO GB-352/1971

Decorations. (Continued)

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 December 1970-30 November 1971 with Combat "V" Device¹⁶
1 December 1971-29 February 1972 with Combat "V" Device¹⁷
23 February 1973-28 February 1974 with Combat "V" Device¹⁸
24 January 1975-2 May 1975 with Combat "V" Device¹⁹
1 January 1977-1 January 1979²⁰
1 July 1980-31 May 1982²¹
1 June 1984-31 May 1986²²
1 May 1987-30 April 1989²³
1 May 1989-30 April 1990²⁴
1 May 1990-30 April 1991²⁵
1 July 1994-30 June 1996²⁶
1 July 1996-30 June 1998²⁷
1 July 1998-30 June 2000²⁸
1 July 2001-30 June 2003²⁹
1 June [July] 2003-30 June 2005³⁰
1 July 2005-30 June 2006³¹
1 July 2006-30 June 2007³²

¹⁶ DAF SO GB-667, 28 September 1972

¹⁷ DAF SO GB-553/1973

¹⁸ DAF SO GB-600/1975

¹⁹ USAF SO GB-623, 10 August 1976

²⁰ DAF SO GB-719, 30 November 1979

²¹ DAF SO GB-117, 22 February 1983

²² DAF SO GB-275/1987

²³ TAC SO GA-053, 29 August 1989

²⁴ TAC SO GA-048, 16 August 1990

²⁵ TAC SO GA-069/1991

²⁶ AETC SO GA-18/1996

²⁷ AETC SO GA-12/1998

²⁸ AETC SO GA-9/2000

²⁹ AETC SO GA-55/2004

³⁰ AETC SO GA-0052/2006

³¹ AETC SO GA-045/2007

³² AETC SO G-054/2008

Decorations. (Continued)

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (Continued)

1 July 2007-30 June 2008³³

1 July 2008-30 June 2009³⁴

1 July 2009-30 June 2010³⁵

1 July 2010-30 June 2011³⁶

1 July 2011-30 June 2012³⁷

1 July 2012-30 June 2013³⁸

1 July 2013-30 June 2014³⁹

Special Honors.

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm: 8 April 1967-28 January 1973.

Assignments. 56th Maintenance and Supply Group, 15 August 1947-1 August 1948. 56th Maintenance and Supply Group, 1 August 1948-6 February 1952. 56th Air Base (later, 56th Combat Support) Group, 1 February 1961-1 April 1963. 56th Fighter Wing (Air Defense), 1 April 1963-1 January 1964. 56th Air Commando (later, 56th Special Operations,) Wing, 8 April 1967⁴⁰-Unknown. Tactical Air Command, Unknown-30 June 1975.⁴¹ 56th Tactical Fighter (later, 56th Tactical Training; later, 56th Fighter) Wing, 30 June 1975⁴²-1 November 1991. 56th Logistics Group on 1 November 1991-4 January 1994⁴³; 1 April 1994⁴⁴-1 August 2002.⁴⁵ 56th Support (later, 56th Mission Support Group) on 1 August 2002-.⁴⁶

³³ AETC SO G-071/2009

³⁴ AETC SO G-025/2010

³⁵ AETC SO G-086/2011

³⁶ AETC SO G-171/17 April 2012

³⁷ AETC SO G-036, 1 March 2013

³⁸ AETC SO G-017, 1 February 2014

³⁹ AETC SO G-029, 8 January 2015

⁴⁰ PACAF SO G-41, 8 March 1967

⁴¹ TAC SO GA-12, 10 June 1975;

⁴² TAC SO GA-12, 10 June 1975;

⁴³ ACC SO GB-18, 30 December 1993

⁴⁴ AETC SO G-34, 25 March 1994

⁴⁵ AETC SO G-02-20, 23 June 2002

⁴⁶ AETC SO G-02-20, 23 June 2002

Stations. Selfridge Field (later, Air Force Base), Michigan, 15 August 1947-6 February 1952. K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base, Michigan, 1 February 1961-1 January 1964. Nakhon Phanon Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand, 8 April 1967⁴⁷-28 February 1975. MacDill Air Force Base, Florida, 30 June 1975-4 January 1994. Luke Air Force Base, Arizona, 1 April 1994-.⁴⁸

Aircraft. None.

Emblem. Approved on 11 February 2003

Blazon. On a disc Azure, a globe Celeste, gridlined Argent, encircled from behind by an orbit bendwise sinister Gules, trisecting in front of the globe and terminating in three mullets in bend of the third, all within a narrow border Yellow.

Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "SEMPER EXPEDITUS" in Yellow letters.

Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "56TH LOGISTICS READINESS SQ" in Yellow letters.

Motto. Service to The Best.

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 blue globe represents logistics. The rings and stars circling the globe represent the disciplines of supply, transportation and plans. The Latin motto translates in English to "Always Ready."

⁴⁷ PACAF SO G-41, 8 March 1967

⁴⁸ AETC SO G-34, 25 March 1994

Commanders.

Supply Squadron, 56th Maintenance and Supply Group

[15 August 1947-1 August 1948]

Unknown

15 August 1947-1 August 1948

***56th Supply Squadron, Fighter, Jet* [1 August 1948-20 January 1950]**

Lt Col Robert E. Bremer

bef 31 July 1949 [to at least Dec 1949]

Unknown

Unknown

***56th Supply Squadron* [20 January 1950-6 February 1952;
1 February 1961-1 January 1964;
8 April 1967-4 January 1994;
1 April 1994-1 August 2002]**

Unknown

20 January 1950-6 February 1952

Capt (later,

Maj) Elmer E. Williams, Jr.

1 February 1961

Capt Daniel D. Rosinsky

30 January 1963

1st Lt J.K. Lawler

23 July 1963

Maj Ralph L. Bent

30 August 1963-Unknown [1 January 1964]

Lt Col Thaviu P. Hackler

8 April 1967

Lt Col John A. Moe

23 April 1967⁴⁹

Lt Col M.H. Mynheir

bef 31 March 1969

Lt Col Wilbert D. Wesse

bef 30 September 1969

Maj (later,

Lt Col) Wayne G. Mathern

15 August 1970

Lt Col Alvin L. Yanke

bef 30 September 1971

Lt Col Leland E. Turner, Jr.

bef 31 January 1973

Lt Col William A. Lawrence

17 September 1973

Capt Richard M. LaFontaine

10 May 1974⁵⁰

Maj James W. Hopp

31 July 1974⁵¹

⁴⁹ 56 SUPS SO 3, 23 April 1967

⁵⁰ 56 SUPS SO G-2, 10 May 1974

⁵¹ 56 SUPS SO G-3, 31 July 1974

Commanders. (Continued)

Lt Col James O. Turner	bef 27 August 1975 [Probably 30 June 1975]
Lt Col Richard W. Dush	27 August 1975 ⁵²
Lt Col Fredrick L. Freshcorn	5 June 1978
Maj David C. Johnson	25 October 1980 ⁵³
Maj (later, Lt Col William C. Shaw	26 November 1980 ⁵⁴
Maj Alan R. Lewis	22 July 1983 ⁵⁵
Lt Col Jose L. Miranda	17 October 1983
Lt Col Harry M. Barash	28 September 1984 ⁵⁶
Maj Loretta L. Floyd	29 April 1985
Lt Col Raymond N. Angor, Jr.	23 August 1985
Mr. Louis M. Crawford	1987
Lt Col Gayle H. Pfeiffer	17 August 1987 ⁵⁷
Lt Col Joe N. Carter, Jr.	31 October 1990
Lt Col Carolyn D. Hamilton	1 March 1993-4 January 1994 ⁵⁸
Lt Col Robert K. Hutto	1 April 1994 ⁵⁹
Maj Marcus W. Hogins	bef 20 June 1997
Lt Col James A. Teaford	20 June 1997 ⁶⁰
Maj Peter D. Hofelich	8 August 2000 ⁶¹ -1 August 2002

⁵² 56 CSG SO G-3, 27 August 1975

⁵³ 56 CSG SO G-48, 25 October 1980

⁵⁴ 56 CSG SO G-51, 26 November 1980

⁵⁵ 56 CSG SO G-27, 22 July 1983

⁵⁶ 56 CSG SO G-29, 28 September 1984

⁵⁷ 56 CSG SO G-69, 17 August 1987

⁵⁸ 56 SUPS SO G-002, 12 March 1993

⁵⁹ [58 SUPS SO SO-GAA-3, 20 August 1993]

⁶⁰ SO SO-GC-003, c. 20 June 1997

⁶¹ 56 SUPS SO SO-GC-001, c. 3 August 2000

56th Logistics Readiness Squadron [1 August 2002-.]

Lt Col Gary W. Larberg	1 August 2002 ⁶²
Maj Louis P. Seliquni, Jr.	28 June 2004 ⁶³
Lt Col Michael E. Washington	30 June 2006 ⁶⁴
Lt Col Carrie J. Bausano	18 June 2008 ⁶⁵
Maj (later, Lt Col) Michael T. Davis	30 June 2010 ⁶⁶
Lt Col Erin C. Cluff	6 July 2012 ⁶⁷
Lt Col Patrick R. Launey	3 July 2013 ⁶⁸
Lt Col Gregory D. Boschert	6 July 2015-Present. ⁶⁹

⁶² 56 LRS SO SO-GH-002, 26 September 2002

⁶³ 56 LRS SO 56 LRS GS-2004-3, 14 July 2004

⁶⁴ 56 MSG SO MSG-06-03, 19 June 2006

⁶⁵ 56 MSG SO G-025, 10 June 2008

⁶⁶ 56 MSG SO G-020, 25 June 2010

⁶⁷ 56 MSG SO G-023, 3 July 2012

⁶⁸ 56 MSG SO GS-22, 3 July 2013

⁶⁹ 56 FSS SO GS-19-15, 10 July 2015

Narrative.

The 56th Logistics Readiness Squadron's lineage makes it one of the oldest wing units. On 28 July 1947, it was designated the Supply Squadron, 56th Maintenance and Supply Group. It was organized on 15 August 1947, along with the wing, at Selfridge Field (later, Air Force Base), Michigan, and assigned to the 56th Maintenance and Supply Group. On 1 August 1948, the unit was discontinued.

It was replaced with the 56th Supply Squadron, Fighter, Jet, which was constituted on 14 June 1948. On 8 February 1988, the two were consolidated. Activated on 1 August 1948, it was assigned to the 56th Maintenance and Supply Group. On 20 January 1950, it was redesignated as the 56th Supply Squadron. It was inactivated on 6 February 1952.

On 28 December 1960, the squadron was reactivated and organized on 1 February 1961 at K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base, Michigan, and assigned to the 56th Air Base (later, 56th Combat Support) Group. On 1 April 1963, the unit was reassigned to the 56th Fighter Wing (Air Defense). The squadron was discontinued, and inactivated, on 1 January 1964.

The squadron was activated 16 March 1967 and organized on 8 April 1967, at Nakhon Phanom Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand. It was assigned to the 56th Air Commando (later, 56th Special Operations,) Wing. While in Thailand, the squadron earned 12 Campaign Streamers, 3 Presidential Unit Citations, 4 Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards with Combat "V" Device, and a Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm.

At an unknown date, the unit was reassigned to Tactical Air Command, but rejoined the 56th Tactical Fighter (later, 56th Tactical Training; later, 56th Fighter) Wing on 30 June 1975 at MacDill AFB, Florida. On 1 November 1991, the squadron was reassigned to the 56th Logistics Group. While at MacDill AFB, the squadron supported F-4 and F-16 training operations. On 4 January 1994, the squadron inactivated.

The unit reactivated on 1 April 1994 at Luke AFB, Arizona, reporting again to the 56th Logistics Group. On 1 August 2002, the unit absorbed the personnel and equipment of the 56th Transportation Squadron and was redesignated 56th Logistics Readiness Squadron. That same day, the squadron was reassigned to the 56th Support (later, 56th Mission Support Group). Today, the squadron provides responsive logistics support to train the world's finest F-16 pilots and crew chiefs and rapidly move combat ready forces in support of expeditionary operations worldwide.

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