# 86<sup>th</sup> OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQUADRON



# **MISSION**

## LINEAGE

86<sup>th</sup> Airdrome Squadron activated, 15 Mar 1943 Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948 Reconstituted and redesignated 86<sup>th</sup> Operations Support Squadron and activated, 1 May 1991 Inactivated, 15 Jan 2004 Activated, 5 Feb 2005

# **STATIONS**

Hunter Field, GA North Africa, 11 Jan 1944 India, 3 Mar, 1944 Burma, 28 Sep 1944 Ramstein AB, Germany

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

86<sup>th</sup> Operations Group

# **COMMANDERS**

# **HONORS**

**Service Streamers** 

# **Campaign Streamers**

# **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

## **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**



86<sup>th</sup> Operations Support Squadron emblems



86<sup>th</sup> Operations Support Squadron emblem: On a disc Azure, a knight's chess piece Argent detailed Sable bejeweled Or disseminates into a representation of a divided highway of the third and detailed of the second to base in chevron, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "EXCELLENCE STARTS HERE" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "86 OSS" in Yellow letters. **SIGNFICANCE**: 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 knight, a nobleman, seeker of virtue and defender of the crown, symbolizes the unit's duty to fight and lead. The runway symbolizes the "crown," a valuable crown that the knight protects to successfully accomplish the mission the unit defends during peacetime and wartime operations.

**MOTTO** 

**NICKNAME** 

**OPERATIONS** 

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