

6TH AIR REFUELING WING



Emblem: Approved 22 Jan 1924 for 6th Group and adopted by the 6th Wing on 18 Mar 1955; replaced by emblem approved on 21 Oct 1980; original reinstated 20 Sep 1988; Significance revised March 1995

BLAZON

Or, pily of twelve Gules, overall a base Azure supporting a sailing ship with sails set affronte Sable, sails Argent, between two mounts issuing from dexter and sinister Vert, below a shooting star in dexter chief and a bi-wing aircraft, viewed from below Argent, garnished Sable, in sinister chief; all within a diminished bordure of the first.

SIGNIFICANCE

Blue and yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater for Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The biplane symbolizes the 6th's first aircraft, the R-4, as well as past reconnaissance missions. The sailing ship represents the 6th's service in the Caribbean. The water and shore reflect the past mission of protecting the Panama Canal and World War II operations in the Pacific. The falling star indicates the 6th's past bombardment mission. The yellow and red sun rays symbolize peace maintained through vigilance and military strength

MOTTO

PARATI DEFENDERE – *Ready to Defend*