

On the back of the letter was the following:

**OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION:** 1<sup>st</sup> Combat Evaluation Group

**BLAZON:** Per bend azure and gules fimbriated argent, in chief between the points of a pair of dividers a bomb fesswise and in base three flight symbols benwise in bend all of the last, all within a diminished bordure of the like.

**MOTTO:** COMBAT EVALUATION.

**SIGNIFIGANCE:** The emblem is symbolic of the Group and its mission. On a shield of the national colors, red, white, and blue (the red and blue also being used on the Strategic Air Command's emblem and representing that command, the blue also representing the sky which is the theatre of our operations, and the fortitude portrayed in the accomplishment of our mission), three delta-winged darts symbolizing unlimited potential are pointed to pierce obstacles, and streamlined to avoid resistance. The calipers and bomb indicate our technical accuracy in evaluating SAC's Strike Power.

HEADQUARTERS  
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Reply to  
Attn of: DAS

CT: 1<sup>st</sup> Cmbt Eval Gp Heraldic Design

To: SAC (DPSP)

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 4, Air Force Regulation 900-3, 5 November 1959, it is requested that the attached Heraldic design be approved as the official emblem of the 1<sup>st</sup> Combat Evaluation Group (SAC).

2. The emblem is symbolic both in design and basic color. The red and blue fields symbolize the two basic missions of the organization and the white components of the emblem complete the combination into the national colors.

3. Significance of the emblem is as follows:

“Our emblem is symbolic of our group’s primary mission. Our Shield, displaying the same shade of blue used on the Strategic Air Command’s emblem, and old glory red, indicates the command we serve, the sky our theatre of operations; and the fortitude portrayed in the accomplishment of our assigned mission. The three delta-winged darts symbolize unlimited potential, pointed to pierce obstacles and streamlined to avoid resistance. The calipers and bomb denote our technical accuracy in evaluating SAC’s Strike Power.”

4. The motto “Combat Evaluation” is the group’s essential task.

5. The colors in the attached design are not the desired colors. The blue should be Ultra-marine blue; the red should be Old Glory Red; the white should be AF White; the yellow border on the scroll should be AF Yellow; and the lettering in the scroll should be ultra-marine blue.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Signed

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