



This unique 500KG Bomb, sacrifices raw explosive power, for insane AOE due to the shockwave it creates upon detonation.

This is effectively a much bigger but less versatile version of the "Eagle Cluster Bomb", that shines with extremely large enemy groups or bases, and has non-Hard crowd control attached.

It's to note that the stratagem effectively has 2 Zones the "Blast Zone" and the "Shockwave Zone".

1. The blast zone is relatively small in both range and power, equal to 1 Eagle Air Rocket
2. The Shockwave zone is extremely large, same as a 380MM barrage, and is able to deal as much damage as a Cluster Bomb

Due to this, the stratagem has effectively 2 Phases, as the 500KG Bomb detonation, and the Shockwave propagating and damaging everything in its path. It is NOT instantaneous.

Design Talk & Balance

Unlike the other two, this stratagem intended purpose isn't really to compete with the Cluster Bomb or 500KG bomb, but instead to mostly side-grade, trading X Benefit for Y drawback, and is balanced accordingly.

1. It has a much bigger AOE, but with that comes risk of self/ally kill, and much less versatility, as usage on the fly is much more risky.
2. It is more powerful overall but has 2 Charges instead of the 5 of the Eagle Cluster bomb.
3. Its damage is consistent across the whole Shockwave, but it has travel time, it isn't instantaneous.
4. The small center explosion can destroy a Bug Hole/Bot Factory, but it's obviously nowhere as strong as a Standard 500KG bomb.
5. The effective AOE is much bigger than a standard 500KG, but it isn't nearly as destructive nor as powerful, as the shockwave itself cannot destroy buildings and deals little damage to heavily armored units.

Fun Facts

1. SH stands for "Super-Heated". The bomb's core is Superheated before detonation, to allow for a much faster and cleaner explosion, which in return creates a much more powerful and even Shockwave all around.
2. "4" is in reference to the 4th iteration, wonder what happened to the other 3 prototypes... : D
3. The input code is a mix of the Cluster Bomb and 500KG bomb codes, as the stratagem mixes them both, so i found that to be quite fitting.