

The Honorable Anthony J. Principi, Chairman
2005 Defense Base Realignment & Closure Commission
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Dear Honorable Chairman:

This is to inform you that we are opposed to the realignment and/or possible relocation of the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT).

The movement of AFIT from Wright-Patterson AFB would not only have a critical impact on the entire Dayton region and beyond, but will have a tremendous unjustifiable cost to DoD. AFIT is truly the backbone of advance education for our military personnel; and with its partnership with the AF Research Laboratory at WPAFB, surrounding universities and colleges, it could not be duplicated at the same level any place other than Wright-Patterson.

Also, we are opposed to the recommendation concerning moving the development and fielding systems Group (DFSG) and other Operational Support Group (OSSG) elements at WPAFB to Hanscom AFB in Massachusetts.

Please give these requests your favorable consideration. We appreciate your efforts and thank you in advance.

Sincerely,



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