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SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
ORDER

SUBJECT: Base Realignment and Closure

AUTHORITY: 10 USC § 2687
32 CFR Part 91
Public Laws 100-526, 101-510, 103-421, 103-160, and 106-65

1. Delegation of Authority to Close and Realign Bases.

a. The authority vested in the Secretary of the Air Force under 10 USC § 2687 is hereby delegated to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment, and .ogistics).

b. The authority delegated in subparagraph 1a may be re-delegated by the Assistant Secretary to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations).

2. Re-delegation of Authority to Execute Cooperative Agreements.

a. The authority delegated to the Secretary of the Air Force to act for the Secretary of Defense under Section 204(a)(2) of the Defense Authorization Amendments and Base Closure and Realignment Act (Public Law 100-526) and Section 2905(a)(1)(B) of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-510) in making determinations that the financial resources available to the community (by grant or otherwise) for economic adjustment and community planning assistance purposes are inadequate pursuant to Department of Defense (DoD) Memoranda, September 22, 1992, *Re-delegation of Authority to Execute Cooperative Agreements*, and October 4, 1994, *Re-delegation of Authority to Approve Caretaker Cooperative Agreements*, is hereby re-delegated to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment and Logistics). This authority may be exercised only for the specific purpose of entering into cooperative agreements with local public bodies for the care and maintenance of closed bases after the DoD missions have been withdrawn but before the property is disposed and is subject to the additional conditions and limitations in subparagraph 2b.

b. Prior written concurrence of the Office of Economic Adjustment will be obtained for each ıction taken pursuant to this re-delegation. The request for such prior concurrence shall identify the local organization with which the Air Force will enter into the subject cooperative agreement.

c. The authority re-delegated in subparagraph 2a may be further re-delegated.

d. The authority re-delegated in subparagraph 2b may be re-delegated by the Assistant Secretary to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations).

3. Re-delegation of Authority in Public Law 103-160, Title XXIX.

a. The authorities in Public Law 103-160, Title XXIX, delegated to the Secretary of the Air Force pursuant to 32 CFR Part 91 are hereby re-delegated to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment, and Logistics).

b. The authority re-delegated in subparagraph 3a may be further re-delegated.

4. Re-delegation of Authority to Utilize and Dispose of Real Property and Related Personal Property and Make Determinations and Grant Approvals with Respect Thereto at Closure and Realignment Bases.

a. The authority to utilize and dispose of excess and surplus real and related personal property and to grant approvals and make certain determinations with respect to such property located at military installations identified for closure or realignment as set forth in Title II of the Defense Authorization Amendments and Base Closure and Realignment Act (Public Law 100-526) delegated to the Secretary of Defense by the Administrator of the General Services Administration by Delegation of Authority, August 2, 2001, and re-delegated to the Secretary of the Air Force pursuant to Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, August 31, 2001, *Re-delegation of Authority*, and 32 CFR Part 91, is hereby further re-delegated to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment, and Logistics).

b. The authority to utilize and dispose of excess and surplus real and related personal property and to grant approvals and make certain determinations with respect to such property located at military installations identified for closure or realignment as set forth in Title XXIX of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 (Public Law 101-510) delegated to the Secretary of Defense by the Administrator of the General Services Administration by Delegation of Authority, August 2, 2001, and re-delegated to the Secretary of the Air Force pursuant to Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, August 31, 2001, *Re-delegation of Authority*, and 32 CFR Part 91, is hereby further re-delegated to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment, and Logistics).

c. The authority re-delegated in subparagraphs 4a and 4b may be further re-delegated.

5. Re-delegation of Authorities and Assignment of Duties with Respect to the Base Closure Community Redevelopment and Homeless Assistance Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-421).

a. The authorities granted and the duties assigned to the Secretary of Defense in the Base Closure Community Redevelopment and Homeless Assistance Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-421), and re-delegated and assigned to the Secretary of the Air Force pursuant to Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, December 5, 1994, *Delegation of Authorities*

and Assignment of Duties, are hereby further re-delegated and reassigned to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment, and Logistics).

b. The authority re-delegated and duties reassigned in subparagraph 5a may be further re-delegated and reassigned.

6. Re-delegation of Authority to Execute and Modify Economic Development Conveyance Agreements. The authority under Section 2821 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000, Public Law 106-65, re-delegated to the Secretary of the Air Force by the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology) by memorandum dated 8 Dec 1999, is hereby further re-delegated to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment, and Logistics).

7. Re-delegation to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment, and Logistics). Excluding the authority in paragraph 6, any authority re-delegated or duty reassigned by this Order to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment, and Logistics) may be re-delegated or reassigned by the Assistant Secretary to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment, and Logistics), without authority to re-delegate or reassign.

8. Subject Matter Jurisdiction. The authorities re-delegated and duties reassigned by this Order may be exercised only at installations approved or which may in the future be approved for closure or realignment pursuant to 10 USC § 2687, the Defense Authorization Amendments and Base Closure and Realignment Act (Public Law 100-526), or the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-510).

9. General Rules Governing Re-delegations. Re-delegations of authority and reassignments of duties under this Order may only be made to the extent this Order expressly authorizes such re-delegation or reassignment. Any re-delegation of authority or reassignment of duty made pursuant to this Order shall not be effective unless it is in writing. No re-delegation or reassignment shall occur by implication. Re-delegations and reassignments to a level below that of Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations) may be made by Air Force Instruction. Any person re-delegating authority or reassigning duties in accordance with this Order may further restrict or condition the authority being re-delegated or duty being reassigned.

10. Notifications to Congress. No re-delegation of authority or reassignment of duty under this Order to a level below that of Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations) shall include authority to provide notifications or reports to Congress.

11. Secretary of the Air Force Order 715.3, *Base Realignment and Closure Authorities*, March 18, 2000, is hereby superseded.

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Secretary of the Air Force