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Mr. Anthony Principi
2005 DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE AND REASSIGNMENT COMMISSION
2521 South Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington VA 22202

RE: AFIT/CLOSING AT WPAFB AND TRANSFER TO A CALIFORNIA BASE

Dear Mr. Principi:

We wish to express our dismay over the proposed transfer of Air Force Institute of Technology to California.

We most respectfully submit that it is unfathomable such a move be made if based upon nothing else other than economics. California??? certainly one of the most expensive areas of this country to live, in all facets of normal existence, housing, rentals, gas, food, transportation and on and on! To send military personnel out to California for schooling defies all sensible logical economical and fiscal responsibility to the taxpayers.

What would make good sense, in view of Air Force Institute of Technology's long established class location blessed with expandability, would be to move the Defense Language Institute and Naval Post Graduate School to Dayton and WPAFB thereby saving the taxpayer big bucks for transitory students.

Further, if moved, what is the WPAFB and the US Government supposed to do with the elaborate Air Force Institute of Technology facility - let it sit vacant and idle? California is a dynamic growth area and can readily absorb the move of Defense Language School and/or Naval Post Graduate School to Dayton. Dayton is not quite so resilient. However, keeping and maintaining the Air Force Institute of Technology at WPAFB is the proper, responsible, overall redeeming and economically compensatory solution that must be made!

Here's thanking you for your professional attention!

Sincerely,

Harrison H. Weaver/pje