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Air Force announces FY2010 force structure realignments

Today the U.S. Air Force announced its proposed force structure realignment for Fiscal Year 2010. It reflects adjustments which will provide unsurpassed Global Vigilance, Global Reach and Global Power ... to *fly, fight and win* in air, space and cyberspace - today and in the future, given available resources.

Langley Air Force Base will feel the impact through a decrease of 399 military personnel and a gain of 125 civilian positions as well as the complete reduction in the 71st Fighter Squadron F-15C primary aircraft authorizations.

Personnel gains are projected for Langley AFB intelligence squadrons, to bolster Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance capabilities, and aircraft maintenance units, to meet growing fifth generation fighter wing requirements.

"The force structure announcement reflects our best effort to meet the expanding Air Force mission areas and growing Joint demands," said Gen. Norton Schwartz, Air Force Chief of Staff. It includes a summary of military and civilian personnel changes and reassignment of aircraft at Air Force bases for the upcoming fiscal year. It does not include programmatic actions in FY11 and beyond.

"We've made some hard choices," General Schwartz said. "However, we believe this is the best overall design to meet America's national security needs and support to the Joint fight." The announcement specifies the force structure changes experienced by the Total Force-AF active duty, Air National Guard, and AF Reserve. Implementation of these actions will occur only after completion of appropriate environmental analyses.

For more details about the FY10 Force Structure realignment visit <http://www.af.mil> or go directly to the Major Command or Air Force installation Public Affairs office.