



RESERVE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

**Precision Engagement Equipment
Resolution No. 16-19**

WHEREAS, the targeting pods and radars in the Air Force Reserve Command (AFRC) provide precision engagement capability and are installed on Reserve Component aircraft that represent a significant portion of operational support of the A/OA-10, B-52, C-130 and F-16 aircraft inventory; and

WHEREAS, modernization of precision engagement equipment will greatly increase combat capability by improving target identification and detection performance; and

WHEREAS, the Air Force Reserve Command supports the continued employment of targeting pods as a top priority to fulfill combat requirements; and

WHEREAS, the AFRC cannot support the Combatant Commander's precision strike tasking without taking advantage of emerging and necessary technology enhancements; and

WHEREAS, the tactical stand off range will be minimal, combat lethality will decrease and pilots will be put at risk during combat operation if AFRC does not take advantage of emerging technology enhancements; and

WHEREAS, equitable precision engagement capabilities are necessary across the total force's equipment inventory to ensure seamless integration of the Reserve Components in the fight; and

WHEREAS, without certain radar upgrades, the AFRC F-16 and C-130 fleets will be unable to bring true precision all-weather air-to-ground targeting when the US Government tasks AFRC to complement or replace USAF forces in conflicts around the world like their regular Air Force counterparts; and

WHEREAS, all of the AFRC C-130s are equipped with the APN-241 radar, which was designed in the 1990s and is suffering from reliability, maintainability and sustainability due to diminishing manufacturing sources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, chartered by Congress, urge the Congress to authorize and appropriate funds to enhance the precision engagement equipment of the Air Reserve Components; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, chartered by Congress, urge Congress to provide additional funding for advanced targeting pod enhancement kits for the AFRC A-10, B-52 and F-16; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, chartered by Congress, urge Congress to provide additional funding for radar upgrades for the Air Force Reserve Command F-16 and C-130 fleets until all the required radars have been installed.

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