

**Deployment Downtime  
(Personnel Issues)  
Resolution 19-10**

**WHEREAS**, Air Force Instruction 10-401 is established dictating the *Downtime Guidance* designed to reintegrate the military member back to their family, local community, home station and work center and per paragraph 8.3.2. gives each major command responsibility for establishing and publishing personnel recovery (e.g. leave, passes, attribution and retention) policies for returning deployers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Air Force Reserve Command has mandated Reserve military members remain in the local area of their assigned unit after the mandatory appointments and re-deployment actions are complied with even if the Reserve member does not reside in the local area; and

**WHEREAS**, lack of resources in the way of funding for family travel to assigned installation as well as lack of family accommodations for the Reserve military members prohibits this integral part of reunion and reintegration to the Reserve military member who lives outside the local area; and

**WHEREAS**, this Air Force Reserve Command policy is disingenuous to the concept of the *Downtime Guidance* for it discriminates against those members who reside outside of the local area barring them from re-integration with family and local community and creates unneeded stressors in direct opposition to the intent of the 14-day *Downtime Guidance*;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that ROA, chartered by Congress, strongly urge the Office of the Secretary of Defense to change leave and pass policy to release those Reserve military members who do not reside in the local area of the assigned installation immediately after post deployment requirements are met so that they may return to their home of record or current residence to satisfy the intent of transitioning back to civilian work life, local community and family.

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