

the 18 F-16 aircraft assigned to the 178th Fighter Wing (ANG) to meet the Primary Aircraft Authorizations (PAA) requirements established by the Base Closure and Realignment recommendations of the Secretary of Defense, as amended by the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

Establish 18 PAA F-16 aircraft at the 140th Wing (ANG), Buckley Air Force Base, Colorado.

Establish 18 PAA F-16 aircraft at the 149th Wing (ANG), Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Establish a contiguous enclave for the 178th Fighter Wing (ANG) sufficient to support operations of that unit, including flight operations, and compatible with joint use of

the Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport as a civilian airport.

If the State of Ohio decides to change the organization, composition and location of the 178th Fighter Wing (ANG) to integrate the unit into the Future Total Force, all personnel allotted to the 178th Fighter Wing (ANG), including the unit's Expeditionary Combat Support (ECS) elements, will remain in place and assume a mission relevant to the security interests of the State of Ohio and consistent with the integration of the unit into the Future Total Force, including but not limited to air mobility, C4ISR, Information Operations, engineering, flight training or unmanned aerial vehicles. Where appropriate, unit personnel will be retained in skills relevant to the emerging mission.

This recommendation does not effect a change to the authorized end-strength of the Ohio Air National Guard. The distribution of aircraft currently assigned to the 178th Fighter Wing (ANG) is based upon a resource-constrained determination by the Department of Defense that the aircraft concerned will better support national security requirements in other locations and is not conditioned upon the agreement of the state.

The Commission found that this change and the recommendation as amended are consistent with the final selection criteria and the Force Structure Plan. The full text of this and all Commission recommendations can be found in Appendix Q.

OHIO NATIONAL GUARD—HURRICANE SUPPORT JOINT TASK FORCE BUCKEYE I

Unit	Mission	Missions/Quantities
ASSISTANCE PROVIDED		
Army Units:		
JTF Buckeye I	Patrols	363
	Distribution	84
	Outreach/Tailgate Distribution	93
	Traffic Control Points	64
	Static Security	65
	MRE Distribution	755,600 MREs
	Water Distribution	301,170 Gallons
	Louisiana Superdome Security	8,000 Evacuated
	Citizen Evacuation	52 Evacuated
	Deceased Identification	31 Deceased Identified

Unit	Missions	Sorties	Personnel Moved	Cargo Moved (tons)
Air Units:				
179th Air Lift Wing	44	116	1227	291
121st Air Refueling Wing	9	20	379	30
Total	53	136	1606	321

OHIO NATIONAL GUARD—HURRICANE SUPPORT JOINT TASK FORCE BUCKEYE II

Unit	Mission	Missions/Quantities
Assistance Provided		
Army Units:		
JTF Buckeye II	Distribution	101
	Meals (MREs/Box Meals)	3,725,568 Meals
	Water	2,862,872 Gallons
	Ice	3,694,080 pounds
	Escort Security	80

Unit	Missions	Sorties	Personnel Moved	Cargo Moved (tons)
Air Units:				
179th Air Lift Wing	3	8	75	31
121st Air Refueling Wing	3	6	96	11
Total	6	14	171	42

IN HONOR OF THE PEACE AND JUSTICE AWARDS DINNER OF CLEVELAND

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 1, 2005

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of Rev. Mr. Bill Merriman, The Empowerment Center of Greater Cleveland, Marilyn Cunin and the Pulaski Franciscan Community Development Corporation as they receive the annual Peace and Justice awards from the Commission on Catholic Community Action.

Rev. Mr. Bill Merriman is a deacon at St. Patrick's Parish in Cleveland. He received the Individual Award for his work as an advocate and catalyst for social justice and peace locally and globally for over thirty-five years.

Rev. Mr. Merriman aggressively works with transitioning refugees into the city of Cleveland through the Migrant Refugee Office.

The Empowerment Center of Greater Cleveland received the Organization Award. The Empowerment Center has worked on numerous cases including getting school supplies to families on welfare. Their nearly forty years of service of advocacy on public policy and practical programs with and for low-income people across greater Cleveland has earned them this recognition.

Marilyn Cunin received the Special "Church in the City" Recognition Award. She received this award for her strong support of "The Church in the City" Forum series, as well as the West Side Ecumenical Ministry and the East Cleveland Public Library and countless efforts to strengthen the urban core of Northeast Ohio.

The Pulaski Franciscan Community Development Corporation is a not-for-profit CDC. Their collaboration effort with the St. Stanislaus Parish to develop the Cloisters Housing Development in the Warszawa Historic District in Cleveland, Ohio is a major revitalization to the Slavic Village area. For their spearheading efforts the Pulaski Franciscan Community Development Corporation received the Special "Church in the City" Recognition Award.

Mr. Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honor and recognition of the recipients of the Catholic Community Action Annual Peace and Justice Awards as they are honored today for their work.

IN HONOR OF JUDGE PHILIP N. GUMBS

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 1, 2005

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Judge Philip N. Gumbs. Judge Gumbs passed away after a life of distinguished service to his family and his community at the age of 82.

Judge Gumbs was a first generation American who volunteered for the U.S. Army Air Corps immediately after graduating high school and served honorably in World War II. After returning home, he earned his undergraduate degree from Rutgers University and his law degree from Lincoln University in St. Louis. Judge Gumbs was a probation officer and a law partner before an ardent desire to see his children receive a good education caused him to enter public life as a member of the Matawan Board of Education.

Judge Gumbs's work to improve education was his first step in a career of dedicated public service. He would go on to hold many other public offices including serving on the township council and as the mayor of Matawan. He was elected to the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders with the highest number of votes for any elected seat in the county. He later became the first African-American director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders. He was appointed a judge in 1976, and served as a workers' compensation judge for 25 years.

Judge Gumbs was a lifelong member of St. Mark AME Zion Church. He was an active member of his church community and served in a number of capacities, including superintendent of the Sunday school, a role that allowed him to continue his work to improve