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A. N. WILLIAMS  
PRESIDENT

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Send the following telegram, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

SEND TO:

Lt. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer  
Commanding General, Air Defense Command  
Mitchell Field, Long Island, New York

Major General Howard N. Turner  
Commanding General, 10th Air Force  
Brooks Field, San Antonio, Tex.

General Carl A. Spaatz  
Commanding General, Army Air Forces  
Washington, D. C.

Brigadier General E. A. Evans  
Executive Director, Reserve Officers Assn.  
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2/21/47

FOR VICTORY  
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TODAY

WHILE WE AGREE WITH THE OVERALL PLAN TO REDUCE EXPENSES THROUGH CONSOLIDATION OF RESERVE TRAINING WHEREVER PRACTICAL, WE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT RESERVE TRAINING 182ND AAF BU SHOULD BE CONTINUED AT FORT WORTH ARMY AIR FIELD AND RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING CONSIDERATIONS:

FROM THE STANDPOINT OF ECONOMY AND EFFICIENCY FORT WORTH ARMY AIR FIELD CAN BETTER SERVE NOT ONLY HEAVY BOMBARDMENT RESERVE TRAINING BUT ALSO ALL RESERVE TRAINING FOR NORTH TEXAS. IT HAS AMPLE FACILITIES FOR THE TRAINING AND MAINTENANCE OF PERSONNEL. IF THIS RESERVE UNIT IS SENT TO HENSLEY FIELD THE GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE TO PROVIDE TWO DOLLARD AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS PER DAY SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE FOR APPROXIMATELY 100 ENLISTED MEN IN CHARGE OF BASE. 182ND AAF BU SERVES APPROXIMATELY TWO THOUSAND OFFICERS AND TWENTY FIVE HUNDRED ENLISTED MEN WHO FORM NUCLEUS OF PERSONNEL WHICH WILL FORM 446TH BOMB GROUP (VERY HEAVY) RESERVE UNIT. FORT WORTH ARMY AIR FIELD HAS ONLY AVAILABLE FACILITIES SERVING THIS AREA WHICH CAN ACCOMODATE VERY HEAVY BOMBARDMENT PLANES. IT IS ONLY NORTH TEXAS INSTALLATION WITH EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES FOR THE REQUIRED TWO WEEKS ACTIVE DUTY TRAINING FOR AIR RESERVE PERSONNEL. RESERVE UNITS MAKE UP OVER NINETY PERCENT OF OUR NATIONAL DEFENSE. IF THIS TRAINING AT FORT WORTH ARMY AIR FIELD IS DISCONTINUED ALL TRAINING AND ITS COSTS TO DATE HAVE BEEN WASTED, LAST BUT NOT LEAST THE INTEREST AND ENTHUSIASM OF RESERVE PERSONNEL CONCERNED WILL CEASE TO EXIST.

FORT WORTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

BY:

MELVIN J. MILLER, PRESIDENT

WILLIAM HOLDEN, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT