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## **Air Force Announces Tinker Aerospace Complex Lease Signing**

WASHINGTON -- The Air Force has signed a long-term lease agreement with Oklahoma County that will enable the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center to establish the Tinker Aerospace Complex at the former GM facility south of Tinker AFB, Okla.

“The Air Force is very pleased to enter into a low-cost, long-term lease agreement with Oklahoma for the prior GM facility south of Tinker AFB. This facility will enhance operations at Tinker AFB and provide long term benefits to the Air Force,” said acting Secretary of the Air Force Michael B. Donley. “The new complex will reduce the amount of projected military construction projects needed to replace substandard facilities and provide a much better quality of life for depot maintenance personnel. It will also enable the Air Force to garner new technologically-advanced workloads at the Air Logistics Center in partnership with industry.”

The lease, which was signed September 24th, covers 430 acres of land formerly occupied by the General Motors Plant, and includes 3.8 million gross square feet of real property of which 3.5 million square feet is industrial and administrative space.

The property was purchased from General Motors by the State of Oklahoma and Oklahoma County through a bond election in May. They in turn made the property available to Tinker AFB through a low-cost, long term lease.

The active involvement of the community was critical to making this agreement possible. According to Ms Debra Walker, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Logistics, “This type of transaction is a first for the Air Force and is truly innovative. It’s been a pleasure working with the patriots of Oklahoma to finalize this lease.”