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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, 437TH AIRLIFT WING, 437 AW/CC

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Appreciation, Joint Civilian Orientation Conference (JCOC 59)

Please express my deep appreciation to your KC-10 aircrew for their superb support of the Joint Civilian Orientation Conference 59 (JCOC 59).

JCOC is the Secretary of Defense's premier civilian opinion leader program for enhancing public understanding of national security issues and military readiness. The 60 influential citizens who participated represented all segments of American society.

Your air crew, commanded by (b)(6) was vital to the success of JCOC 59. The professionalism displayed by the crew made a lasting impression on the participants. In conversations with escort officers during the trip, participants used words such as "incredible" and "amazing" to describe aerial refueling in general, and the refueling of the B-2 and F-117 in particular.

Please pass on my sincere thanks to (b)(6) crew. Special thanks should go to (b)(6)

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