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WORKSHOP, PUBLIC HEARING TO LOOK AT SHARED USE OF KELLY RUNWAY

(MEDIA ADVISORY: Public Affairs staff will be at Kennedy High School to assist media from 5:30 p.m. until the sessions end.)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Use before 6 p.m. on June 27)

KELLY AFB, Texas (June 21, 2000) -- Two meetings on June 27 at Kennedy High School will discuss environmental issues involved with shared military and commercial use of the Kelly Field runway. The Air Force is using the meetings to solicit input from the public to be considered before an Air Force decision is made.

The program will include an informational workshop at 6 p.m. followed by a Public Hearing beginning at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2000. The back-to-back meetings will be held at Kennedy High School, 1922 South General McMullen Drive.

prior to the hearing. Formal comments will be taken only during the official public hearing; workshop comments will not be recorded.

“An official hearing doesn’t provide an opportunity for the Air Force to answer the public’s questions,” said Pat McCullough, senior representative of the Air Force Base Conversion Agency at Kelly. “By setting up the workshop first with small conversation groups, we can have two-way communication and our staff can answer some of the concerns of our neighbors. We can also help people understand how to get their comments included in the process.”

San Antonians are invited to provide comments whether or not they attend the hearing. Additional comments will be accepted by the Air Force Center for Environmental Excellence until July 24, 2000. Comments may be submitted by mail, fax machine or by telephone. The address is: Mr. Jonathan D. Farthing, HQ AFCEE/ECA, 3207 North Road, Brooks AFB, TX 78235-3787 or by fax to 210/536-3890 or call Mr. Farthing at 210/536-3787.

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