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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

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| **Date:** | July 21, 2016 |
| **To:** | Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime<br>and Members, Board of County Commissioners |
| **From:** | Carlos A. Gimenez<br>Mayor |
| **Subject:** | Joint Use Agreement for Homestead Air Reserve Base – Directive 160912 |

Agenda Item No. 2B4
September 7, 2016

The following memorandum is in response to Resolution No. R-1105-15, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners (Board) on December 1, 2015, directing the Mayor to negotiate a Joint Use Agreement (JUA) with the federal government to allow limited civilian use of the Homestead Air Reserve Base (HARB).

The official request to enter into a JUA to HARB (attached) was submitted on March 11, 2016. HARB reviewed and subsequently forwarded the request to the Air Force's Headquarters of Operations (AFHO). After reviewing it, on June 2, 2016, the AFHO forwarded the request to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

Upon FAA review, the HARB will then forward the request to the Air Force Reserve Command for approval and subsequently to the Secretary of the Air Force which would give the authorization to begin negotiations if approved. HARB has indicated they are trying to expedite the approval process to begin negotiations.

According to initial communications, the timeframe to complete a JUA with the Air Force is generally from one (1) to three (3) years.

Pursuant to Section 3 of Resolution No. R-1105-15, staff will provide written report to the Board every 120 days. If additional information is required, please contact Miami-Dade Aviation Department Director Emilio T. Gonzalez at (305) 876-7077.

Pursuant to Ordinance 14-65, this memorandum will placed on the next available Board meeting agenda.

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