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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(7)

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

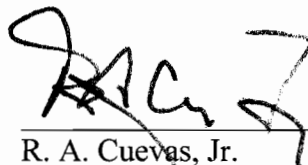
DATE: September 1, 2009

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging Congress
and the Department of
Defense to locate the U.S.
Africa Command
(AFRICOM) at Homestead
Air Reserve Base or some
other suitable site in Miami-
Dade County

Resolution No. R-1078-09

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of
Prime Sponsor Chairman Dennis C. Moss.



R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

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(Revised)

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DATE: September 1, 2009

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County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
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- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
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- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- ☒ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- ☐ No committee review

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(7)
9-1-09

RESOLUTION NO. R-1078-09

RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS AND THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO LOCATE THE U.S. AFRICA
COMMAND (AFRICOM) AT HOMESTEAD AIR RESERVE
BASE OR SOME OTHER SUITABLE SITE IN MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2009, this Board passed Resolution No. 378-09, a copy of which is attached and incorporated by reference, directing the Mayor or Designee to work with the Foundation For Democracy In Africa (FDA), Beacon Council, Defense Alliance, Homestead Air Reserve Base, SOUTHCOM, and other applicable entities to bring AFRICOM to Homestead Air Reserve Base or some other suitable site in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, lobbying efforts before the federal executive and legislative branches may assist in bringing AFRICOM to Homestead Air Reserve Base,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

Section 1. Urges Congress and the U.S. Department of Defense to locate the U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM) at Homestead Air Reserve Base or some other suitable site in Miami-Dade County.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the members of the Miami-Dade Congressional Delegation, the U.S. Secretary of Defense and the Commander of the U.S. Africa Command.

Section 3. Directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the legislation set forth in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs that the 2009 and 2010 Federal Legislative Packages be amended to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Dennis C. Moss. It was offered by Commissioner **Katy Sorenson**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Sally A. Heyman** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Dennis C. Moss, Chairman	absent	
	Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman	aye	
Bruno A. Barreiro	absent	Audrey M. Edmonson	absent
Carlos A. Gimenez	aye	Sally A. Heyman	aye
Barbara J. Jordan	aye	Joe A. Martinez	aye
Dorrin D. Rolle	aye	Natacha Seijas	aye
Katy Sorenson	aye	Rebeca Sosa	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 1st day of September, 2009. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK



By: **DIANE COLLINS**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Jess M. McCarty

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MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(6)

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
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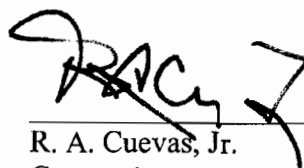
DATE: April 7, 2009

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution requesting the
County Mayor to work with
the Foundation for Democracy
in Africa (FDA), Beacon
Council, Defense Alliance,
Homestead Air Reserve Base
(HARB), Southcom, and other
appropriate groups in bringing
AFRICOM to HARB

Resolution No. R-378-09

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R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

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(Revised)

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DATE: April 7, 2009

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R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 11(A)(6)

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Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(6)
4-7-09

RESOLUTION NO. R-378-09

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR
MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO WORK WITH THE FOUNDATION
FOR DEMOCRACY IN AFRICA (FDA), BEACON COUNCIL,
DEFENSE ALLIANCE, HOMESTEAD AIR RESERVE BASE
(HARB), SOUTHCOM, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE GROUPS
IN BRINGING AFRICOM TO HARB

WHEREAS, the decision to create the United States-Africa Command (AFRICOM) was
due in part to Africa's increasing strategic importance to the United States (U.S.); and

WHEREAS, the establishment of AFRICOM in Miami-Dade County will assist in
achieving the goal of positioning Florida as the gateway to Africa as envisioned at the
AfrICANDO Trade and Investment Conference in 1998. AfrICANDO 1998, a program initiated
by the Foundation for Democracy in Africa (FDA), was born of the idea that Florida with its
physical proximity to Africa and its solid infrastructure, makes the region ideal for moving
people, products and services from the U.S. and other Western Hemisphere countries to Africa
and facilitating goods, services, and people coming from Africa to the U.S. and other nations of
the Western Hemisphere; and

WHEREAS, the economic benefit of Miami-Dade County serving as the gateway to
Africa is enormous and will assist in enhancing the economic, social and cultural quality of life
in the region, creating jobs and attracting more companies and institutions to Florida to take
advantage of the increased U.S.-Africa trade and investment activities; and

WHEREAS, AFRICOM's presence in Miami-Dade County, specifically its relocation to
HARB, will create jobs and expand economic activities as well as enhance South Florida's
chances of success as a gateway to Africa,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the Board requests the County's Mayor or Mayor's designee work with FDA, Beacon Council, HARB, Defense Alliance, SOUTHCOM, and other appropriate groups in bringing AFRICOM to HARB.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Dennis C. Moss. It was offered by Commissioner **Joe A. Martinez**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Jose "Pepe" Diaz** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dennis C. Moss, Chairman	aye		
Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman	aye		
Bruno A. Barreiro	absent	Audrey M. Edmonson	aye
Carlos A. Gimenez	aye	Sally A. Heyman	aye
Barbara J. Jordan	aye	Joe A. Martinez	aye
Dorrin D. Rolle	aye	Natacha Seijas	aye
Katy Sorenson	aye	Rebeca Sosa	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of April, 2009. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: **Kay Sullivan**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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