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The Honorable Shaun Donovan
Director
The Office of Management and Budget
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Dear Director Donovan:

Thank you for your assistance in allowing me to review your office's analysis concerning the Foreign Affairs Security Training Center and efficiencies that could be achieved by locating its training functions within the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

After personally reviewing this analysis, I am more convinced that the Office of Management and Budget's analysis should be made public. Doing so would better inform the debate over the most effective and efficient use of taxpayer resources in meeting the urgent training needs of the Department of State's Bureau of Diplomatic Security. My reading of your office's analysis would indicate:

- locating training facilities at FLETC would save taxpayers \$812 million over 10 years;
- FLETC would be able to accommodate students more quickly than at Ft. Pickett;
- not only is FLETC able to handle the complex scheduling needs of Diplomatic Security ("DS") but could assist in the development and refinement of curriculum;
- FLETC can accommodate the training requirements laid out by DS;
- Transportation savings of locating FASTC at Fort Pickett would not exceed the capital cost savings of utilizing FLETC; and
- existing support services at FLETC provide an added value of \$625 million over the State Department's attempts to reduce its construction budget by removing such facilities.

This analysis makes clear that FLETC is the better location to provide this necessary training. Given the urgent need to bring this training online and the mandate on all public servants to be good stewards of taxpayer resources, I urge you to make your analysis public.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Earl L. "Buddy" Carter
Member of Congress