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Air Force Memorial Foundation Receives Additional \$1.5 Million Gift from Lockheed Martin

Arlington, Virginia, September 28, 2004 – The Air Force Memorial Foundation received notification of an additional \$1.5 million pledge from Lockheed Martin Corporation to support the building of the Air Force Memorial. With this additional commitment, Lockheed Martin becomes the “lead donor” to this significant project with their pledges/contributions totaling \$5,530,300.

“You have truly assumed the ‘leadership role’ on this Memorial, and for this we are deeply appreciative,” stated Foundation President Major General (Retired) Ed Grillo in a letter to Mr. Robert J. Stevens, Chief Executive Officer, Lockheed Martin. In recognition of Lockheed Martin’s leadership, the company name will be placed in a contributor category all to itself—the President’s Group—where in perpetuity it will be prominently remembered.

The Air Force Memorial will be constructed on a promontory overlooking the Pentagon and most of Washington DC. The prominent feature of the Memorial is three stainless steel spires which will soar into the sky some 270 feet. Lockheed Martin’s superb commitment will insure this Memorial becomes a reality, and in turn, honors the millions of men and women who have served the United States Air Force and all its predecessor heritage organizations.

The Air Force Memorial Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax exempt organization, whose purpose is to construct a memorial to the men and women of the United States Air Force using only private funds. No taxpayer dollars will be used. Contributions can be made directly to the Air Force Memorial Foundation, 1501 Lee Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22209-1198, and, for U.S. government employees, through the Combined Federal Campaign. For more information, visit www.airforcememorial.org.