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NEWS from Congressman
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STATEMENT BY CONGRESSMAN CHARLES W. WHALEN, JR.
ON WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB FY 1968 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
REQUESTS, MADE IN DAYTON, FRIDAY, JAN. 27, 1967

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The eleven projects totalling over $25 million in the Fiscal Year 1968 Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Military Construction Program request show the Defense Department's awareness of the important role the field plays in national defense.

I discussed the formulation of the package at length with officials at the base last month before leaving Dayton for Washington.

I was concerned that the initial request of $14 million--originally proposed for Fiscal Year 1968--by the base to the Defense Department at first was reduced to $1.407 million before being increased to the $25 million figure that the Defense Department now is proposing to Congress.

I am confident that it will receive careful consideration when it comes before the House Armed Services Committee, to which I have been assigned.

A recap of the projects requested, which total $25,137,000, is as follows:
1. The second increment to the Avionics Laboratory's Electronic Warfare Lab, Area B: $7,833,000.

2. A Technical Intelligence Laboratory for the Foreign Technology Division in Area A: $7,084,000.

3. An Energy Conversion Laboratory for the Aerospace Research Laboratories, Area B: $3,140,000.

4. An Aerospace Medical Laboratory for Impact Testing, Area B: $2,740,000.

5. A Flight Dynamics Research Laboratory, Alteration of Bldg. 45, Area B: $1,563,000.

6. Aeronautical Systems Building, alteration of Bldg. 16, Area B: $980,000.

7. A New Bachelor Officers Quarters, housing 96 men, Patterson Field: $871,000.

8. Engineering Test Laboratory, alteration of Building 70 in Area C: $269,000.

9. Communications and Electronics Shop, alteration of Building 70, Area C: $267,000.

10. Medical Science Laboratory, Alteration of Building 1405, Area A: $231,000.