



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
WASHINGTON, DC

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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

FROM: General T. Michael Moseley

SUBJECT: Request for Voluntary Retirement

1. Having completed almost 37 years of active service, I request transfer to the Retired List to be effective on the first day of August 2008.
2. I do intend to request terminal leave.
3. I have read and thoroughly examined DoD Directive 5500.7R concerning pre- and post-retirement standards of conduct and employment activities. I further understand that I may direct any questions to the Designated Agency Ethics Official for the Air Force or The Judge Advocate General of the Air Force.
4. It has been the highest honor to serve our country in the company of so many outstanding men and women.

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General, USAF
Chief of Staff

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CSAF Statement *(To Press)*

Recent events have highlighted a loss of focus on certain critical matters within the Air Force. As the Air Force's senior uniformed leader, I take full responsibility for events which have hurt the Air Force's reputation or raised a question of every Airman's commitment to our core values. For the past 36 years I have been privileged to serve my country as an Airman in the United States Air Force in peacetime and combat. I was honored and humbled to be appointed the Air Force's 18th Chief of Staff and have been proud to serve our Airmen and their families. Upon taking office, I worked hard with Secretary Wynne to ensure the Air Force provided the right forces at the right time to help our Nation and allies win the Global War on Terror.

I think the honorable thing to do is to step aside. After consulting with my family, I intend to submit my request for retirement to Secretary Gates. The Air Force is bigger than one Airman, and I have full confidence that the Air Force will continue working with the Joint team to win today's fight, take care of its Airmen, and meet tomorrow's challenges. I love the Air Force and remain proud of America's Airmen.