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## **SENATOR ALLARD COMMENTS ON INSPECTOR GENERAL'S REPORT INTO ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT AT AIR FORCE ACADEMY**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-Colorado), who in February of 2003 requested a U.S. Inspector General's report into allegations of sexual assaults at the U.S. Air Force Academy, today made the following comments concerning the release of the report Tuesday to the Senate Armed Services Committee:

“The Inspector General's report, released today, seems to make it clear that for a decade, successive chains of command failed to recognize a serious problem of sexual misconduct at the United States Air Force Academy.

“The report provides Congress with an assessment of accountability, and is a significant step forward in addressing the problem of sexual assaults at the Air Force Academy.

“Unfortunately, the report leaves many unanswered questions, and raises issues that require additional study. To that end I have requested that the Senate Armed Services Committee hold a hearing early next year to look into the findings of the Inspector General's report, and to compare it to the recommendations of the Fowler Commission.

“I believe that hearing will help bring resolution for many victims and will give the Congress time to compare the findings of the previous commissions with those of the Inspector General. Such a hearing, in addition, will provide the Air Force with an opportunity to expand upon its efforts to address the problem of sexual assaults at the Academy.”

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