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FYI. The judge ruled in favor of the Air Force earlier today. Great news ahead of our Anniversary weekend!
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VERMONT NATIONAL GUARD ANNOUNCES SUPPORT OF SUMMARY JUDGEMENT

The Vermont National Guard Announces Support of Summary Judgement issued at 10:20 a.m. on August 10, 2016.

"We know Vermonters are very proud of their Vermont Air National Guard and today's decision is a clear message that the Air Force did its due diligence when making the F35 basing decision.," said Major General Steven Cray, adjutant general of Vermont. "We are very happy to put the lawsuit behind us and to focus on the future of the Vermont Air Guard. As community partners it's important that we continue to work side by side with our airport neighbors."

The first F-35As are scheduled to arrive in 2019.

"This decision secures the Vermont Air National Guard mission and these important jobs for hardworking Vermont families," said Gov. Peter Shumlin.

The Vermont Air National Guard is projected to receive 18 F-35As, replacing the 18 F-16 Fighting Falcons currently assigned to Burlington. Burlington AGS currently hosts the oldest version of the F-16 aircraft and this decision allows the Air Force to retire those aircraft.

The F-35A, manufactured by Lockheed Martin, is a fifth-generation fighter aircraft intended to be the Air Force's premier strike aircraft through the first half of the 21st Century. It is a multirole fighter that is expected to eventually replace the service's F-16 and A-10 fleets.

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