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Ernest Fitzgerald, fired in 1970 after disclosing cost overruns of \$2 billion on the C-5 jet transport plane, said Tuesday he doesn't want the new job the Air Force is offering in place of his old one. Fitzgerald said he'll protest to the Civil Service Commission that the Air Force is attempting to shuffle him into a position with lesser power and responsibility and authority than he had before. Fitzgerald waged a three-year fight for reinstatement before the Civil Service Commission ruled Sept. 18 that the Air Force had acted improperly when it dismissed him in January, 1970.

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