

2005 BRAC Commission Schedule

Base Closure and Realignment Commission

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BRAC Commission confirms receipt of the list of bases chosen for closure or realignment from the Pentagon

Arlington, Virginia – Today the Base Closure and Realignment Commission (BRAC), received Volume I of the much-anticipated list of bases suggested for closure or realignment by the Department of Defense. Public Law 101-501 established this commission with the objective of creating a non-partisan, fair, and objective review of the list.

An accurate and thorough review will be conducted in which all voices from each community will be heard and the security needs of our country will have foremost importance.

Chairman Anthony Principi stated:

"I committed to the Congress, to the President, and to the American people, that our deliberations and decisions would be based on the criteria set forth in statue and devoid of politics. The process would be open, independent, fair and equitable and, that we would ensure a voice for the people affected by DoD's proposals through both site visits and public hearings."

The commission will work over the weekend to prepare for next week's Hearings starting on Monday.

<u>Date: Monday, May 16th</u> Time: 1:30PM - OPEN Session

WITNESSES:

Panel #1

Donald Rumsfeld

Secretary of Defense

General Meyers

Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff

Panel #2

Mr. Philip W. Grone,

Principle Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Instillations and Environment

Honorable Michael W. Wynne

Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisitions and Technology **SUBJECT:**

Presentation of Department of Defense BRAC Recommendations and Methodology

PRESS Availability with all Commissioners - Details TBA this afternoon.