



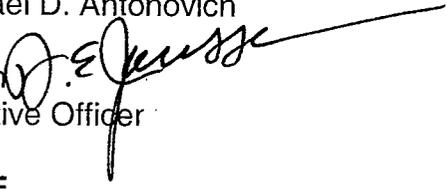
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BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE COMMISSION HEARING

The Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC) will hold a regional hearing at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles at 1:00 p.m. on July 14, 2005 to hear from Federal, State, and local officials on the Department of Defense's (DOD) recommendations for base closure or realignment.

For several weeks, the BRAC has been holding field hearings and conducting site visits throughout the nation relating to DOD base closure and realignment recommendations. Prior to the July 14th regional hearing, yet to be named BRAC members will visit three Southern California bases proposed for realignment or closure. These site visits are scheduled for the Naval Support Activity Corona and Naval Base Ventura on July 12, 2005, and the Marine Corps Logistics Base Barstow on July 13, 2005. The site visits allow BRAC members to speak with commanding officers regarding the military value of the installations on the BRAC list, while the regional hearing provides an opportunity for elected officials in a given area to provide comments to the Commission.

The Los Angeles Air Force Base (LAAFB) was not on the base closure list released by the DOD in May because of its unique functions and high military value. While the Commission can vote to add or remove installations to the Defense Department's list, adding LAAFB would require affirmative votes from seven out of nine Commission

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members, and is considered unlikely. The military installations in Los Angeles County that are on the DOD base closure list include the Navy-Marine Corps Reserve Centers in Los Angeles and Encino, which could lead to the elimination of 71 military positions if these two facilities are closed.

The Commission's recommendations are due to be sent to the President on September 8, 2005. The President is expected to forward the recommendations to Congress, which will have 45 days to approve or disapprove the entire list. If Congress chooses to do nothing, the BRAC recommendations will be automatically implemented.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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