



## 2005 BRAC Commission Schedule Base Closure and Realignment Commission

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#### BRAC Commissioners to Commence Base Visits

Arlington, Virginia, May 23, 2005—This week the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commissioners will be commencing base site visits with fact-finding trips to military installations across the country.

BRAC Commission Chairman Anthony Principi stated, “The site visits are the main forum by which our Commissioners and our staff learn the details of what military activities are really happening at the base, how the Department of Defense recommendations would affect the installation, and whether base closure criteria were applied correctly by the Pentagon while putting its list together. They are an invaluable resource to us, and we look forward to the upcoming visits.”

“We have a lot of hard work ahead of us, and not a lot of time to do it. Each site visit will be packed with detailed briefings, discussions with base personnel, and tours of the key facilities at the installation,” added Chairman Principi. “The Commissioners and the staff will be working hard to ensure that the Commission’s final set of recommendations focuses on military value and is both objective and fair.”

The Commissioners have pledged to visit all of the bases which are on the list for ‘major’ closure or realignment, as proposed by DoD. When a Commissioner visits a base, he or she will be preceded by an analyst. The analyst will gather the preliminary information on a base and then will visit the base concurrently with the Commissioner. Media availability for the Commissioners during their site visits will be dependent upon travel logistics.

#### **The following provides a schedule of base names and visit dates for the week:**

##### **MAY 24**

North Carolina - Pope Air Force Base  
Missouri - Defense Finance and Accounting Service, Kansas City  
Oregon - Portland International Airport Air Guard Station  
Virginia - Naval Station Norfolk  
Virginia - Naval Medical Center Portsmouth

##### **25 MAY**

Georgia - Naval Air Station Atlanta  
Georgia - Naval Supply Corps School Athens  
Missouri - Defense Finance and Accounting Service, St. Louis  
Missouri - Army Human Resources Command, St. Louis  
Virginia - Fort Monroe  
Virginia - Fort Eustis  
Washington - McChord Air Force Base

##### **26 MAY**

Kentucky - Fort Knox  
Alabama - Maxwell Air Force Base  
Maryland - National Geospatial – Intelligence Agency  
Oregon - Umatilla Army Depot  
Virginia - Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren

##### **27 MAY**

Idaho - Mountain Home Air Force Base  
Virginia – Leased Space, Northern Virginia

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