“A Looming Georgia Storm - Possible Base Closures in 2005”

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SUMMARY

• BRAC ’05 Background
• The Georgia Military Affairs Coordinating Committee (GMACC)
• Community Action Groups
• Economic Impact of Georgia’s Bases
• Forts McPherson and Gillem
• Atlanta Forts Foundation
BRAC ’05 BACKGROUND

• 13 Bases in Georgia

• All military services represented- 120,000 workers

• Economic impact estimated to be between $21B and $25B

• 4 Previous BRAC rounds- 88, 91, 93, 95

• Georgia has never lost a base in previous rounds
BRAC ’05 BACKGROUND

• 23-25% will be closed or realigned

• “Mission Value” is the prime evaluation criteria

• Other Considerations
  - Cost savings associated with closure or realignment
  - Economic impact on the community
  - Ability of community infrastructure to support the base now and in the future
    - Environmental Impact

• DOD will play a more prominent role in this round
BRAC Process  
(In General Terms)

- Congress approves.
- DOD and Services do evaluation.
- DOD makes decisions and passes them to a commission appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate.
- Commission reviews and makes changes.
- Commission passes its recommendation to the President.
- If he approves, he sends to Congress for an “up or down” vote.
BRAC TIMELINES

- Dec’03 – selection criteria announced.
- Feb ’04 – selection criteria approved.
- Mar ’04 – force structure decisions
- Fall ’04 (estimated) – military service provides recommendations to the DOD.
- Mar ’05 – president appoints the BRAC ’05 Commission.
- May ’05 – DOD passes list of recommended bases to be impacted to the Commission.
BRAC TIMELINES

✓ Sep’05- Commission passes its recommendations to the President.

- President has various options at this point.
COMMON FUNCTIONS

- Supply and Storage- Fort Gillem
- Industrial Operations- Robins AFB/MCLB Albany
- Technical Operations
- Education and Training- Fort Benning/NSCS Athens
- Medical- Fort Gordon
- Headquarters and Administration- Fort McPherson
- Intelligence-Fort Gordon
GEORGIA MILITARY AFFAIRS COORDINATING COMMITTEE

- Governor Perdue
- Honorary Chairmen (Senators Nunn and Mattingly)
- Chairman and Board of Directors
- Community Action Group Leaders
- GMACC Staff

Note: The Committee advisor is not appointed. (Carl Swearingen)
MISSION ELEMENTS

• Determine where and how to improve the mission value of each Georgia base.

• Examine the extent of community support and fix shortfalls.

• Determine what other types of missions, functions, or organizations would “fit” on Georgia’s bases.

• Installation cost efficiencies.

• Retain and recruit additional Defense Industry for Georgia.

• Overall—be competitive in ’05!!!
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COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP TASKS

• Organize the community action group into a BRAC-action task force.

• Raise funds for operational expenses.

• Identify community support shortfalls and fix—requires data collection and/or studies.

• Support the needs of the military installation thru elected representatives.
COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP TASKS

• *Look for public-private partnerships and/or privatization to reduce installation annual operating expenses.*

• Determine the feasibility of moving additional missions, functions, and/or organizations to the installation.
## 2004 Military Installation Economic Impact Data

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<td><strong>Totals</strong></td>
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<td><strong>36,298</strong></td>
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FORTS McPHERSON/GILLEM

- Total Population Supported: 177,268
  - 16,729 workers and families
  - 29,479 reservists and other services
  - 131,060 retirees and families

- Direct Economic Impact: $671.21M
  Annually
ATLANTA FORTS FOUNDATION

- Established Nov 4, 2003 to educate about BRAC 2005/ enlist community support
- Board of Directors- Political and Business leaders (Clayton, Cobb, Fayette and Henry Counties)
- Independent Study- new missions, functions and organizations
- Meeting with Under Secretary Grone and Congressman Scott
FOUNDATION CONTACTS

• The Officers:
  – Tom Salter  770-478-0801
  – Grant Wainscott 770-961-4002
  – Tom Syracuse 770-565-7943

• Save Forts McPherson/Gillem Foundation, 2270 Mt Zion Rd, Jonesboro 30236

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