

Mark, response to below is requested by Tue / Wed to support meeting with BRAC staff later this week. Please call if there are any issues. We are willing to meet with the Navy BRAC analyst to expedite this request.

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The Honorable Solomon P. Ortiz
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Dear Congressman Ortiz:

Thank you for the opportunity to meet with your staff and representatives in our office on June 22, 2004. I believe we had a very productive discussion addressing your questions as outlined in the e-mail sent by Mr. Gordon Turner of your staff to CDR Mark Hochberg of Navy Office of Legislative Affairs on June 20, 2005.

In the e-mail you requested information regarding the COBRA analysis, Training Ranges and the Electro-Magnetic Roll Facility. Our responses to your specific questions have been coordinated with Commander, Fleet Forces Command, and are provided below.

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- The billet reduction at Naval Station Ingleside comes from base support personnel and tenants as shown is the following breakdown: Afloat Training Group – 59 personnel, Regional Support Group – 21 personnel, Fleet and Industrial Supply Center Detachment Ingleside – 20 personnel, Mine Warfare Training Center – 39 personnel, Shore Intermediate Maintenance Activity – 367 personnel, Naval Station Ingleside– 230 (BOS and other tenants not specifically listed). The details are contained in the scenario data call. We provided a hard copy of the data call notebook to your staff on June 22, 2005.

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the pre-BRAC numbers or did the Navy assume no reduction in base operating costs with the force structure reductions?

- Naval Station Ingleside provided certified data on the projected personnel reductions as a result of the decommissioning of the MHCs. They only included the shipboard personnel and did not provide additional reductions in base support personnel. Naval Station Ingleside maintained that with the decommissioning of the MHCs, there would be very few reductions of personnel prior to FY08. We asked Naval Station Ingleside to verify this information and they have indicated that additional personnel from the Shore Intermediate Maintenance Activity (SIMA) should have been reflected in the pre-BRAC reductions. That information will be forwarded to you as soon as it is received through the certification process.

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- For calendar year 2003, mine warfare ships utilized the training areas in the proximity of NS Ingleside/NAS Corpus Christi 114 days for the year. Of these days, 5 were devoted to training against mine shapes in the water.
- For calendar year 2004 mine warfare ship utilization was 98 days. Of these days, 8 were devoted to training against mine shapes in the water.
- For calendar year 2003, mine warfare helicopters utilized the "training areas" in the proximity of NS Ingleside/NAS Corpus Christi 144 days for the year. No days were devoted to training against mine shapes in the water.
- For calendar year 2004, mine warfare helicopter utilization was 192 days. No days were devoted to training against mine shapes in the water.
- Combined ship/helicopter training is not conducted in the Corpus Christi area.

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- The requirement to construct an EMR facility in the San Diego area is noted in the scenario data call response. Military Construction in the

amount of \$50M was included to build the facility in the San Diego area.
Refer to the scenario data call DON-0032B.

Enclosed are discs that contain the redacted version of the military value scoring sheets and the COBRA runs for the movement of MHCs prior to the revisions to the force structure plan, and the alternate receiving site for the Naval Station Ingleside mission and assets.

I trust this information satisfactorily addresses your concerns. We will forward the additional information requested as soon as it becomes available. If we can be of further assistance, please let me know. We stand ready to meet with you again as needed to further explain our analysis.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures:
As stated