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**NORTH AMERICAN AEROSPACE DEFENSE COMMAND  
AND  
UNITED STATES NORTHERN COMMAND**



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNDERSECRETARY OF DEFENSE (ACQUISITION,  
TECHNOLOGY & LOGISTICS)

FROM: Commander, NORAD and USNORTHCOM  
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SUBJECT: Review of Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Recommendations

1. We appreciate the opportunity to review the final draft 2005 BRAC recommendations. Following a thorough review, we find that they do not create an unacceptable risk to the accomplishment of our homeland defense or defense support of civil authorities missions. We understand that in these intense days before final submission there may be a need to change these draft recommendations and therefore request that you make us aware of any adjustments that may affect NORAD and/or USNORTHCOM equities.
2. We would like to extend our thanks to your office and the Joint Staff for their absolutely superb support to us during our involvement in the BRAC process. The interaction and teamwork between combatant commands, departments, the Joint Staff, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense produced tremendous dividends in our view. We would especially like to cite the tireless efforts of Colonel Dan Woodward and Commander John Lathroum of the Joint Staff.
3. We look forward to joining you as the BRAC process enters its final stages and moves on to the critical task of successfully implementing the final BRAC decisions in a way that enhances our missions.

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