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BULLET BACKGROUND PAPER

ON

AIR FORCE (AF) LOGISTICS SUPPORT CENTERS (LSC)

PURPOSE

- To provide background on DOD's BRAC Recommendation to establish AF Logistics Support Centers (LSC)

BACKGROUND

- The Logistics Support Center (LSC) is the latest evolution in the AF to centralize supply management
- In 1997, the AF moved core supply functions from unit supply squadrons to Regional Supply Squadrons (RSS) and gave RSS supply responsibility for geographical areas
- The LSC concept takes the RSS concept one step further and centralizes supply support into weapon system specific support
- Under the LSC concept, there will be only two supply centers. One to support the Combat Air Force (fighters, bombers, missiles); the other to support the Mobility Air Force (airlift, tankers)
- The Combat Air Force Logistics Support Center, will be located at Langley AFB, VA and the Mobility Air Force Logistics Support Center will be located at Scott, AFB, IL

DISCUSSION

- The AF position is that the LSC structure provides the most effective support to the warfighter. According to the AF, the RSS structure has a number of weaknesses. To include:
 - Support based on geographical boundaries, requiring warfighter support from two or more centers when units are deployed
 - Inefficiencies as different RSSs compete for the same parts and airlift
 - Minimal fleet support visibility
 - Results in support seams during transition from peacetime to contingency operations
 - Not all MAJCOMs or ARC forces supported by a regional squadron
- Under the LSC construct. The AF projects that it will be able to streamline capability to deploy, employ, and sustain operations, provide total weapon system/fleet visibility, improve spares and airlift allocation and seamless transition from peacetime to contingencies for all AF units and provide "one face" to the warfighter, whether at home or deployed.

DOD BRAC RECOMMENDATION SPECIFICS:

- Establish a CAF LSC at Langley AFB by realigning RSS positions from Hickam AFB, HI Sembach AFB (Germany) (non-BRAC programmatic) as well as base-level Logistics Readiness Squadron positions from Luke AFB

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- Establish a MAF LSC at Scott AFB by realigning RSS positions from Hurlburt Field and Sembach AFB (Germany) and Logistics Readiness Squadron positions from Little Rock AFB and Altus Air Force Base
- This Recommendation realigns manpower from ACC/RSS (Langley AFB, VA), AMC/RSS (Scott AFB, IL) and base-level Logistics Readiness Squadron positions into two LSC that support of CAF and MAF.
- It also disestablish AFSOC/RSS (Hurlburt Field, FL), PACAF/RSS (Hickam AFB, HI) and USAFE/RSS (Sembach AB, GE)
- Economic Impact (maximum potential reduction of positions):
 - Altus OK: 26 positions (16 direct; 10 indirect)
 - Honolulu, HI: 269 positions (151 direct; 118 indirect)
 - Fort Walton Beach-Crestview-Destin, FL: 98 positions (54 direct; 44 indirect)
 - Little Rock, AR: 26 positions (16 direct; 10 indirect)
 - Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ: 28 positions (16 direct; 12 indirect)
 - **Maximum total positions realigned: 447 (253 direct; 194 indirect)**

ISSUES:

- No input received from impacted communities on this recommendation.
- This BRAC recommendation is essentially an Air Force reorganization of its supply chain management. An analysis of the recommendation did not find any deviation from military value selection criteria