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MEMORANDUM FOR OSD BRAC CLEARINGHOUSE

SUBJECT: OSD BRAC Clearinghouse Tasker 0739 – DISA & NGA

1. Reference response to information request, 28-July-2005, from Mr. Frank Cirillo, Director, Review and Analysis, BRAC Commission, subject as above.

2. Request/Question: I respectfully request a written response from the Department of Defense concerning the following requests, which pertain to the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency (INT-4) and the Defense Information Systems Agency (H&SA-27):

By county, what is the population of the two agencies?

Was any consideration made to include the DISA Joint Spectrum Center in Annapolis in the consolidation of the DISA units?

With the extremely low rent available to the DISA facilities in Slidell, LA, was any consideration made to augment the DISA testing facility in Slidell, LA, with the testing capacity in the Washington area, instead of moving the LA functions to DC?

Assuming the demographics support the majority of the labor force closely collocated to their place of employment, was any consideration given to relocating DISA to Ft Belvoir instead of Ft Meade and NGA to Ft Meade instead of Ft Belvoir?

I would appreciate your response by August 3, 2005. Please provide a control number for this request and do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide further information concerning this request.

3. Response.

Question 1:

The population by county for DISA's work locations is summarized in the following chart:

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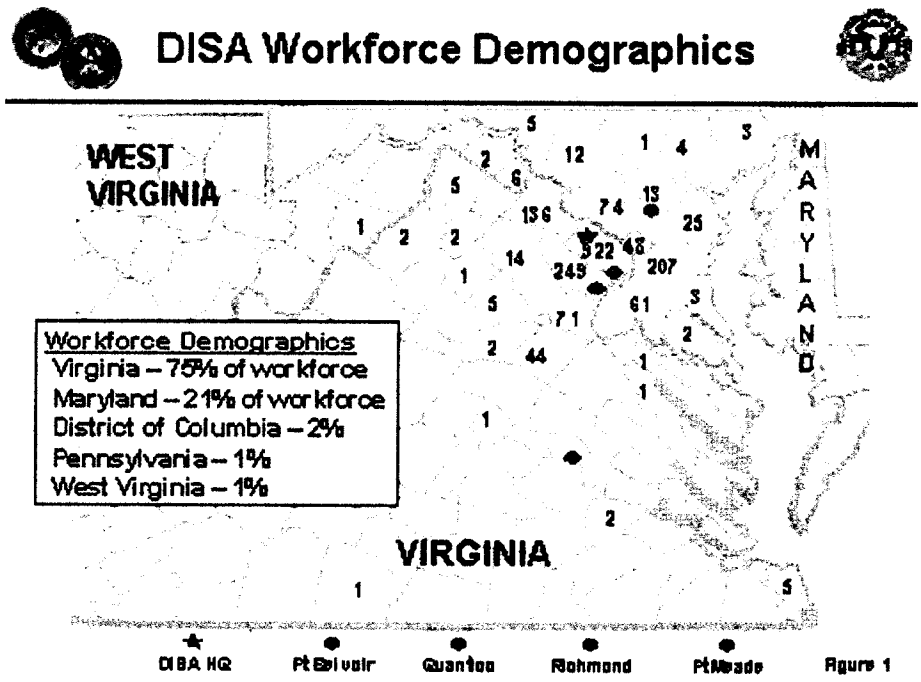
DISA – Personnel Summary by County -- Workplace (HSA data)

County	Data	Total
Arlington County, VA	Sum of Mil (Total)	12
	Sum of Civ	30
	Sum of Contr / Other	15
	Sum of TOTAL PERS	57
City of Falls Church, VA	Sum of Mil (Total)	218
	Sum of Civ	1,605
	Sum of Contr / Other	1,037
	Sum of TOTAL PERS	2860
ST TAMMANY COUNTY, LA	Sum of Mil (Total)	1
	Sum of Civ	102
	Sum of Contr / Other	48
	Sum of TOTAL PERS	151
City of Alexandria, VA	Sum of Mil (Total)	
	Sum of Civ	11
	Sum of Contr / Other	34
	Sum of TOTAL PERS	45
Total Sum of Mil (Total)		231
Total Sum of Civ		1,748
Total Sum of Contr / Other		1,134
Total Sum of TOTAL PERS		3113

The following PowerPoint chart shows the DISA population distribution by county for government employees graphically -- by residence (DISA slide):



This inquiry has been forwarded to the Intelligence Joint Cross Service Group; the IJCSG has not yet provided similar data for NGA.

Question 2:

The HSA JCSG discussed with DISA whether to include the Joint Spectrum Center (JSC) in a consolidation of the DISA Headquarters. Due to some special circumstances, discussed below, it was mutually decided between the HSA JCSG and DISA that the JSC was not a good fit for a headquarters consolidation, especially under the alternatives that might relocate DISA outside of the NCR. The JSC was not included in any of the COBRA runs for any of the scenarios considered for DISA.

Further information is provided in this response that was provided to the HSA JCSG by DISA: The Joint Spectrum Center is located on the site of the former David Taylor Research Center in Annapolis immediately adjacent to Naval Station Annapolis. Access to the building is provided through the Naval Station. The David Taylor Research Center was closed by a BRAC (believe in FY95), and the property was turned over to Anne Arundel County. DISA signed a 25 year lease with the county at no cost. Subsequently, the county sold the property to a developer. DISA currently pays for O&M services that are comparable to what it would pay for base operating support on a military base.

The JSC support contractor is located in a nearby building that is not on the former David Taylor Research Center site, but is only 10 minutes away.

With DISA headquarters now recommended for consolidation at Ft Meade, relocating the JSC to Ft Meade is an attractive alternative. It didn't make sense to move the JSC, a field activity, when DISA headquarters was targeted for Omaha, NE, or Colorado Springs, CO. However, Ft Meade is in the same county as the current JSC facility, less than 30 minutes away. The JSC also has ongoing relationships with another Ft Meade tenant that could be strengthened by collocation. DISA sees several advantages to collocating the JSC with DISA headquarters at Ft Meade, and no substantive disadvantages.

Question 3:

The intent of the recommendation for DISA was to consolidate a number of its headquarters and related facilities. As such, and based on DISA's assessment of the military value of its facilities, the entire capacity of DCTF Slidell is excess to DISA's requirements since there is not sufficient space at this facility to accommodate the full consolidation of DISA's headquarters operation. DISA is confident that it will have sufficient testing resources available to accomplish the mission-essential testing workload after the closure of DCTF Slidell. The major portion of the testing workload currently performed at Slidell is reimbursable workload performed to support customer requirements. This workload can be accommodated in other DISA data processing facilities as well as other DISA testing facilities.

Question 4:

The HSA JCSG initially considered five different relocation options for DISA, including both Ft Belvoir and Ft Meade. In considering only those two locations as close alternatives, Ft Belvoir (.8644, or a rank of 57 out of 334) had a slightly higher military value than Ft Meade (.8446, or a rank of 94 out of 334). However, the Ft Meade alternative provided better economics, with an NPV that was nearly $50 million higher and annual recurring savings of greater than $4 million more than at Ft Belvoir. Ft Meade was also deemed preferable since Ft Belvoir is and has the potential to be more crowded than Ft Meade. Synergy was also seen with various intelligence activities already located at Ft Meade. Neither Ft Meade nor Ft Belvoir is more than 50 miles away from DISA's current locations so no permanent change of station for employees is required at either site.

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