

Richmond Air Guard Station, VA and Des Moines International Airport Air Guard Station, IA

Recommendation: Realign Richmond International Airport Air Guard Station, Virginia. Distribute the 192d Fighter Wing's F-16s to the 132d Fighter Wing, Des Moines International Airport Air Guard Station, Iowa (six aircraft); 482d Fighter Wing Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida (three aircraft) and to backup inventory (six aircraft). Richmond International Airport Air Guard Station real property accountability will transfer to the Department of the Army. The 192d Fighter Wing's manpower will associate with the 1st Fighter Wing. Realign Des Moines International Airport Air Guard Station, IA. The F-16 aircraft currently assigned to the 132d Fighter Wing at Des Moines are redistributed to the 180th Fighter Wing, Toledo Express Airport Air Guard Station, Ohio (nine aircraft) and 138th Fighter Wing, Tulsa International Airport Air Guard Station, Oklahoma (six aircraft).

Justification: Prior to BRAC 2005, the USAF announced a plan for the 192d Fighter Wing (ANG) to associate at Langley Air Force Base. This announcement was made. To accommodate the association and the F-16 force structure plan, the Air Force distributed the F-16s from Richmond to other F-16 bases using military value and judgment. The F-16s from Richmond (49) are distributed to Des Moines (137) and Homestead (31) to enable the capability to support the homeland defense Air Sovereignty Alert mission. Des Moines' F-16s are distributed to Toledo (123) and Tulsa (114) to support the Homeland Defense Air Sovereignty Alert mission and to consolidate the precision-guided weapon employment capability that exists in the Air National Guard.

Payback: The total estimated one-time cost to the Department of Defense to implement this recommendation is \$24 million. The net of all costs and savings to the Department during the implementation period is a cost of \$12 million. Annual recurring savings to the Department after implementation are \$2.5 million with a payback expected in 10 years. The net present value of the costs and savings to the Department over 20 years is a savings of \$13 million.

Economic Impact on Communities: Assuming no economic recovery, this recommendation could result in a maximum potential reduction of 219 jobs (126 direct jobs and 93 indirect jobs) over the 2006-2011 period in the Richmond, VA Metropolitan Statistical economic area, which is less than 0.1 percent of economic area employment.

Assuming no economic recovery, this recommendation could result in a maximum potential reduction of 191 jobs (110 direct jobs and 81 indirect jobs) over the 2006-2011 period in the Des Moines, IA Metropolitan Statistical economic area, which is less than 0.1 percent of economic area employment. The aggregate economic impact of all recommended actions on these economic regions of influence was considered and is at Appendix B of Volume I.

Community Infrastructure Assessment: A review of community attributes indicates no issues regarding the ability of the infrastructure of the communities to support

missions, forces and personnel. There are no known community infrastructure impediments to implementation of all recommendations affecting the installations in this recommendation.

Environmental Impact: There are potential impacts to air quality; cultural, archeological, or tribal resources; land use constraints or sensitive resource areas; noise; and wetlands that may need to be considered during the implementation of this recommendation. There are no anticipated impacts to dredging; marine mammals, resources, or sanctuaries; threatened and endangered species or critical habitat; waste management; or water resources. Impacts of costs include \$145 thousand in costs for environmental compliance and waste management. These costs were included in the payback calculation. There are no anticipated impacts to the costs of environmental restoration. The aggregate environmental impact of all recommended BRAC actions affecting the installations in this recommendation have been reviewed. There are no known environmental impediments to the implementation of this recommendation.