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Question: Secretary Rumsfeld told the SASC, "We do not expect our forces to fight where they are stationed. We know that our forces will need to move to the fight wherever it is." How has the Department integrated analysis and findings from the ongoing Mobility Capabilities Study (MCS) to ensure our mobility forces can get our troops to the fight, given that posture decisions are seemingly already made?

Answer: The Department works to ensure that its major analytic efforts are integrated and mutually supporting. DoD efforts to strengthen our global defense posture are embodied in a rolling decision process that is continually informed by the Mobility Capabilities Study (MCS) and other ongoing initiatives, and recommendations from the MCS that affect posture changes will be infused into that process.

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Question: No list of overseas bases to be closed has been released to date, although we anticipate an interim list will soon be available. How will the Department coordinate this with the BRAC recommendation?

Answer: Global defense posture changes involving the relocation of forces from overseas to the U.S. and U.S. territories informed the BRAC process and have been incorporated into the Department's BRAC recommendations.

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Question: What is the state of planning for the redeployment of troops from overseas to the United States? Have the specific units been identified and a schedule developed? Can the schedule be made available to the BRAC Commission? Will these units be brought home individually, as whole divisions, as whole brigades, or at some lower level of command?

Answer: Global defense posture changes will return service members to the U.S. and U.S. territories over the next 12 years. Some of the planned posture changes are already in implementation (e.g., brigade move from Korea to Fort Carson, and NAVEUR consolidation), some will be implemented during the FYDP, and still others will be implemented after the FYDP, pending further refinement and negotiations. Some forces are returning as whole units, while some returning units are inactivating (and their billets dispersing). Information on these changes and their status has been provided to Congress and can be made available as needed. The Department submitted the Integrated Global Defense Posture Report to Congress in September 2004, which detailed personnel changes as of that date. Subsequently, the Department submitted detailed infrastructure master plans provided with the FY06 budget submission.

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Question: In response to a question during testimony regarding the Commission's concerns regarding the timing of BRAC with the Quadrennial Review, Mr. Henry mentioned that since this particular QDR is based more on determining capabilities rather than forces, the Department's BRAC process has a baseline with which to make the recommendations to the Commission. He further stated that the final QDR recommendations would be adjusted to the final BRAC directed basing structure prior to submittal to the Congress in the next year's budget cycle. Does this imply that the Commission's recommendations could play a role in the Department's Force Structure and stationing plan for the next twenty years? If so, is this appropriate?

Answer: The Department works to ensure that its major analytic efforts are integrated and mutually supporting. As with global defense posture, the QDR is a rolling decision process that is continually informed by other ongoing Departmental initiatives, to include BRAC. The BRAC process will help align domestic infrastructure for forces returning to or departing from U.S. territory; relocations overseas will put forces where they are most needed, vice wherever they will fit. Posture changes and BRAC are key, interdependent components of the President's defense transformation agenda; both inform the QDR and will affect the Department's capabilities planning.