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MEMORANDUM FOR AF/XOR AF/XPP SAF/AQQ SAF/AQP SAF/USA

FROM: AF/XP

SUBJECT: Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Analysis: Military Value

The Air Force BRAC 2005 office is developing data collection tools and processes for use during the next round of base closures and unit realignments. The first of our two data calls (focused on installation capacity) is nearly complete. We are beginning work on the second data call, which will focus on military value. The Base Closure Executive Group (BCEG), through its working group, needs assistance from the HAF CONOPS Champion, force programming, and acquisition experts closest to these operational issues. Several weeks ago, SAF/IEB asked for your support to create groups of AO-level experts (Atch 1). To date, most but not all of you have responded with support. It's time now to fill up the roster and move out (Atch 2).

The law authorizing the Department of Defense to conduct a round of closures and realignments in 2005 specifically directs that decisions be based primarily on military value. Our military value assessment must be based on our planned force structure, the approved BRAC 2005 selection criteria, the attributes of major weapons systems involved, and our future concepts of operations (CONOPS). By early December the groups you're supporting will request BCEG approval on base "attributes" required to support our future CONOPS and force structure. Assisted by the BCEG working group, these groups will help develop questions based on attributes associated with the weapons systems in the Air Force's future force structure plan. Answers to these questions will be used by the BCEG to analyze basing alternatives. This effort will literally decide the basing strategy for our force structure over the next 20 years.

Col Tom Fleming, Chief, BRAC Division (SAF/IEBB), is ready to train the military value analysis team. The first session is slated for 14 Nov 03. Col Fleming can be reached at 692-9515.

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1. SAF/IEB Memo, 9 Oct 03, w/ atch
2. Roster, Military Value Analysis Teams

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