

The 8 BRAC criteria to be used by Secretary of Defense (SecDef) in his determination of closure and realignment selections. The SecDef's list shall be issued by 16 May 2005

The following criteria are part of the Law – Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990, as amended [See Section 2913 (e) - FINAL SELECTION CRITERIA.—Not later than February 16, 2004, the Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register and transmit to the congressional defense committees the final criteria to be used in making recommendations for the closure or realignment of military installations inside the United States under this part in 2005. Such criteria shall be the final criteria to be used, along with the force-structure plan and infrastructure inventory referred to in section 2912, in making such recommendations unless disapproved by an Act of Congress enacted on or before March 15, 2004.]

- 1. The current and future mission capabilities and the impact on operational readiness of the Department of Defense's total force, including the impact on joint warfighting, training, and readiness.**

- 2. The availability and condition of land, facilities and associated airspace (including training areas suitable for maneuver by ground, naval, or air forces throughout a diversity of climate and terrain areas and staging areas for the use of the Armed Forces in homeland defense missions) at both existing and potential receiving locations.**

- 3. The ability to accommodate contingency, mobilization, and future total force requirements at both existing and potential receiving locations to support operations and training.**

- 4. The cost of operations and the manpower implications.**

- 5. The extent and timing of potential costs and savings, including the number of years, beginning with the date of completion of the closure or realignment, for the savings to exceed the costs.**

- 6. The economic impact on existing communities in the vicinity of military installations.**

- 7. The ability of both the existing and potential receiving communities' infrastructure to support forces, missions, and personnel.**

- 8. The environmental impact, including the impact of costs related to potential environmental restoration, waste management, and environmental compliance activities.**