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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY

SUBJECT: Consolidation of Defense Commissary Agency Accounts Control Sections

I concur in the Defense Commissary Agency request to close the Accounts Control Sections at Langley Air Force Base and Sacramento in order to complete the consolidation of accounting functions at Fort Lee, Virginia. This consolidation is a closure or realignment to which section 2687 of title 10 does not apply and, therefore, may lawfully proceed in advance of the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process.

However, consolidation actions taken in advance of BRAC have the potential to be viewed as prejudging subsequent BRAC recommendations. Additionally, there is a potential for subsequent BRAC recommendations to undercut the cost effectiveness of these actions. As such, I would strongly caution that your briefings to the Congress and/or public make it very clear that the Department is fully aware that this relocation's end state may be affected by subsequent BRAC recommendations.

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