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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE
(INSTALLATIONS, ENVIRONMENT, & LOGISTICS)

SUBJECT: BRAC 2005 Guidance for the Education and Training Joint Cross-Service Group

Thank you for your recommendation that graduate level flight training be excluded from analysis by the Education and Training Joint Cross-Service Group (E&T JCSG) because the vast majority of graduate training is service-specific and conducted at single sites. I have carefully considered your views, as well as similar views expressed by the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installations and Environment. While service-specific and/or single sited training facilities may present less consolidation potential, review of this function by the JCSG fosters treatment of training facilities as national assets, which meets both the spirit and letter of the Secretary's direction for a comprehensive cross-service BRAC analysis. Accordingly, I have advised the E&T JCSG that it should review all undergraduate pilot training, undergraduate navigator training/naval flight officer training, and graduate level rotary wing flight training. I have also advised it to review fixed wing graduate level flight training, but focus its analysis on the facilities and basing aspects of that function, leaving to the Services any doctrinal issues. Additionally, the JCSG if not otherwise captured by the above categories, training for new and emerging weapons systems that are not Service specific, such as the Joint Strike Fighter, the V-22, and the H-60. I have asked the E&T JCSG to provide a final report for ISG approval by October 24, 2003.

Because the Secretary has established a decision making structure that is joint at every level, the Services will be involved in the analysis of the above functions and will have the opportunity to review the JCSG's recommendations as members of the ISG and IEC.

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