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July 18, 1975

Dear Bob:

I am enclosing some pictures taken during your visit with the President yesterday during the Congressional Hour.

Sincerely,

Charles Leppert, Jr. Special Assistant for Legislative Affairs

Honorable Robert E. Bauman U. S. House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 26, 1975

July 17, 1975

MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVE BOB BAUMAN (R-MD.)

Thursday, Fabruary 27, 1975 The Oval Office

Max L. Friedersdorf Via:

Vernon C. Loen / L

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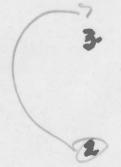
II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

A. Background:

A tentative Army recommendation would transfer and 1. consolidate the functions of the Aberdeen Ordnance Center and School at the Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama. Consideration is being given to alternative activities at Aberdeen (See Tab A).

> Mr. Bauman requests that a decision on the transfer of the Aberdeen facility not be made until Bauman discusses it with the President Reman a statement that the President les ordered a review of any proposed transfer.

The Army recommendation proposing transfer of the Aberdeen facility was made pursuant to a DOD review study of facility usage and consolidation in 1973-74 (See Tab B)



- 4. Mr. Bauman's request for a meeting with the President on this matter has been pending for almost one (1) years for a meeting with the President on this matter has been pending for almost one (1) years for a meeting with the President on this matter has been pending for a meeting with the President on this matter has been pending for a meeting with the President on this matter has been pending for a meeting with the President on this matter has been pending for a meeting with the President on this matter has been pending for a meeting with the president on this matter has been pending for a meeting with the president on this matter has been pending for a meeting with the president on this matter has been pending for a meeting with the president on the president on the president of the president of the president on the president of the preside
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 Maryland, to Edwards AFB, California.
- 7. The DOD began a study in April, 1974, on the feasibility of consolidating the Navy and Air Force test pilot schools. This study is still under review and no final decisions have been made (Soc Tab C).
- 8. Mr. Bauman will a see that transfer of the test pilot school from Patuxent, Maryland, is another step in the direction of closing the Naval Air Station at Patuxent, Maryland, with severe economic impact in his Congressional District.

B. Participants:

The President Rep. Bob Bauman Charles Leppert, Jr. (Staff)

C. Press Plan:

White House photographer only

III. TALKING POINTS

1. Bob, I am sorry it has taken so long to set up this meeting.

I recognize your concern over the impact these prepased transfers could have on your Congressional District.

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TALKING POINTS (Continued)

- 2. I am sure you recognize that these proposed transfers still under review and see part of a long standing commitment to reduce defense spending through consolidation of facilities wherever possible.
- 3. I will ask that you be kept fully informed on these matters as the review on each product toward some final resolution.



WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

Date: July 2, 1975

Thru: Max L. Friedersdorf

Vern Loen

From:

Charles Leppert, Jr

Via:

Warren Rustand

MEETING:

Representative Bob Bauman, R - Md.

DATE:

Next Congressional Hour

PURPOSE:

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PARTICIPANTS:

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FORMAT:

The Oval Office (10 minutes)

PRESS COVERAGE:

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

November 7, 1974

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

WILLIAM E. TIMMONS

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JERRY H. JON

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INFORMATION PAPER

DACS-DMA 12 Feb 75

SUBJECT: Armament Development Center Conceptual Plan

PURPOSE. To provide information on the preferred alternatives for the Armament Development Center.

FACTS

1. Alternative 3 places the entire Armament Development Center at Aberdeen.

This alternative provides the best opportunity for achieving a fresh start and an effective acquisition process for the long range. It achieves the highest degree of consolidation, collocates all laboratories with long-distance firing ranges, and could be completed by FY 81. Implementation will lead to severe community impact, especially at Picatinny Arsenal. It causes dislocation of approximately 10,700 jobs, and higher one-time investment (178M) than is required by the two-site alternatives. However, its annual operating costs at steady state are lower than the other two alternatives.

2. Alternative 5 places the Headquarters and three laboratories at Aberdeen and one laboratory (large caliber) at Picatinny.

This alternative is more advantageous as an improvement which preserves the option for future complete consolidation than as an ultimate solution. It immediately provides a fresh start for the small caliber development activity at Aberdeen Proving Ground and collocation with Ballistics Research Laboratory and Headquarters, Armament Development Center. Geographical separation of the Large Caliber Weapon Systems Laboratory results in less work force flexibility and technology flow than in Alternative 3 or 5A. Dispersed large caliber development activities are consolidated with the preponderant large caliber ammunition base already at Picatinny. Moderate community impact results at losing installations; and the population at Aberdeen increases by about 1000. One-time investment is \$107M; and implementation can be completed by FY 80. The total job dislocation is approximately 8500.

3. Alternative 5A places two laboratories (Chemical and Ballistics) at Aberdeen and the Headquarters and two laboratories (Large and Small Caliber)



DACS-DMA

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at Picatinny.

This alternative promises to effect many improvements in the acquisition process. It collocates top management and the two weapons systems laboratories, has the potential for excellent work force flexibility, and facilitates technology interchange between the Large and Small Caliber Weapon Systems Laboratories. A course of action to implement must consider the potential for revitalizing the large caliber ammunition base at Picatinny, which will be joined at one location by both weapon systems laboratories and the Headquarters. Moderate community impact will result at losing installations. One-time investment costs and implementation completion are similar to Alternative 5. The total job dislocation is approximately 7500.

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ACTION CATEGORIES:

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11 - OTHER ACTION - BRIEFING REQUIRED.

ACTION ACCOMPLISHES/IMPACT ARMY BRIEFING TEAM NOTE: ONE MEMBER FROM CATEGORY I EACH TEAM BRIEF STAFFERS IN EACH CASE. CONSOLIDATES LARGE CALIBER, SMALL CALIBER, BALLISTICS RESEARCH AND CHEMICAL SYSTEMS AT ASA(R&D) REP. ARMAMENT DEVELOPMENT CENTER (ADC).

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SASC STAFFERS. SAC STAFFERS. HAGS STAFFERS. HAG STAFFERS.	181400 FEBRUARY 1975 TO BE DETERMINED, 181000 FEBRUARY 1975	NO SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL IS BEING DEVELOPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AMARC STEERING GROUP GUIDANCE.
MI: SENATORS GRIFFIN AND HART; REPRESENTATIVES BLANCHARD, BRODHEAD, CONYERS, DIGGS, DINGELL, NEDZI AND O'HARA.	241100 FEBRUARY 1975.	CLOSE HOLD
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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

July 12, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

BILL TIMMONS

FROM:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

SUBJECT:

Congressman Bauman - Aberdeen Proving Ground

Following your reply to Congressman Bauman's June 6 request for a meeting with the President to discuss the future of the Aberdeen Proving Ground (Tab C), you requested the NSC to prepare a paper covering the substantive aspects of the problem. We have asked Defense for the relevant information which may be summarized as follows.

Under the pressure of fiscal constraints, the Army during the past year, has been conducting a review of its facilities usage in the interest of consolidating activities where possible, thereby reducing operating costs. As a result of this review, it was their tentative recommendation in December 1973 that the Ordnance Center and School be relocated from Aberdeen to the Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, Concurrently, they examined the feasibility of locating other activities at Aberdeen as backfill for the loss of the Ordnance School. Thus, it is the Army's objective as expressed in a letter to Bauman at Tab B, "to ultimately provide the same general level of effort at Aberdeen." No decision has been taken on these proposals to move activities from or to Aberdeen at this time.

After review of the Army's position, we find no basis for intervention in the matter on national security grounds. The consolidation program appears well conceived. In addition, it should be noted that should the Ordnance School and Center be moved with no replacement activity at Aberdeen, the economic impact on the surrounding economy would be minimal. (Estimated total community earnings loss of one percent and reduction in the area work force of less than one percent. See backup material at Tab B.)

Congressman Bauman's concern is probably premature. Given the personal interest and attention in the matter throughout DOD as

reflected in Secretary Clements' meeting with the Maryland Delegation, it appears that the matter is being moved towards an appropriate solution. Accordingly, a meeting with the President does not really appear necessary. Should you wish to reply further to the Congressman, a draft letter is at Tab A for your consideration.

Attachment



Dear Mr. Bauman:

This responds to your letter to the President regarding the proposed transfer of the US Army Ordnance Center and School from Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland.

I have been advised that subsequent to your letter the Deputy Secretary of Defense met with you and other members of the Maryland delegation to discuss the Department of Defense plans for the Aberdeen Proving Ground. I am aware of the public release that the Department of Defense made at that time and also of the release made by members of the Maryland delegation. I believe the information that has already been made public is an excellent summary of the current status of Aberdeen and of considerations affecting its future status.

I have also reviewed the letter to you from General Kingston, Acting Chief, Army Legislative Liaison, dated 28 June 1974. There is nothing that I can add to the information that you now have at hand. I was pleased to note that General Kingston assured you that the Department of Defense would be in touch with the members of the Maryland delegation prior to announcement of any changes affecting Aberdeen.

Sincerely,





DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY . THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY WASHINGTON, D.C. 2010

OFFICE, CHIEF OF

25 June 1974

Honorable Robert E. Bauman House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Bauman:

The Secretary of the Army has asked me to reply to your inquiry addressed to the Secretary of Defense concerning the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School.

As you are aware; the Army is conducting an analysis of its long range stationing requirements. The U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School is among activities still under review. Consideration is being given to relocating Aberdeen's training functions in order to consolidate currently separated Ordnance training. However, there has been no decision to change the present configuration and location of the Ordnance Center and School.

On 14 June 1974, following his meeting with you and other members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation, Deputy Secretary of Defense Clements formally announced that Department of Defense considers Aberdeen Proving Ground an important facility and expects it to continue making a major contribution as an active part of the nation's defense effort. While the Army is considering consolidation of Ordnance training, alternatives are being developed which consider relocation of other activities to Aberdeen. The intent of these plans is to ultimately provide the same general level of effort at Aberdeen. Mr. Clements reaffirmed that plans or decisions regarding possible changes in missions for Aberdeen Proving Ground are not firm.

Documentation concerning the Ordnance School and the alternatives considering the relocation of other activities at Aberdeen is not complete and therefore not now available. I certainly appreciate your interest and concern in this hatter. Prior to any public announcement regarding Aberdeen.

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members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation will be notified and the documentation will be available for review at that time.

I hope the information provided will be of benefit to you.

Sincerely,

J. P. KINGSTON

Brigadier General, GS

Acting Chief of Legislative
Liaison



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· ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND

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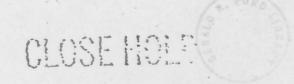


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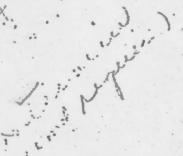
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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

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Faithfully yours,

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 26, 1975

MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVE BOB BAUMAN (R-MD.)

Thursday, February 27, 1975 12:20-12:30 p.m. (10 minutes) The Oval Office

Max L. Friedersdorf

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Charles Leppert, Jr.

PURPOSE I.

To meet at Representative Bob Bauman's request on the proposed transfer of the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School at Aberdeen. Maryland, and the proposal to transfer the Navy Test Pilot School, Naval Air Station, Patuxent, Maryland.

BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN II.

Background: A.

- 1. A tentative Army recommendation would transfer and consolidate the functions of the Aberdeen Ordnance Center and School at the Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville. Alabama. Consideration is being given to alternative activities at Aberdeen (See Tab A).
- Mr. Bauman requests that a decision on the transfer 2. of the Aberdeen facility not be made until Bauman discusses it with the President and the President gives Bauman a statement that the President has ordered a review of any proposed transfer.
- 3. The Army recommendation proposing transfer of the Aberdeen facility was made pursuant to a DOD review study of facility usage and consolidation in 1973-74 (See Tab B).

- 4. Mr. Bauman's request for a meeting with the President on this matter has been pending for almost one (1) year.
- 5. The current status of the recommendation on the Aberdeen facility is that it is still under review.

 Mr. Bauman has been briefed on the alternatives (See Tab A) and will be given an opportunity to respond directly to the Secretary of the Army.
- 6. Mr. Bauman will also raise the issue of transferring the Naval Test Pilot School at Patuxent, Maryland, to Edwards AFB, California.
- 7. The DOD began a study in April, 1974, on the feasibility of consolidating the Navy and Air Force test pilot schools. This study is still under review and no final decisions have been made (See Tab C).
- 8. Mr. Bauman will argue that transfer of the test pilot school from Patuxent, Maryland, is another step in the direction of closing the Naval Air Station at Patuxent, Maryland, with severe economic impact in his Congressional District.

B. Participants:

The President Rep. Bob Bauman Charles Leppert, Jr. (Staff)

C. Press Plan:

White House photographer only

III. TALKING POINTS

1. Bob, I am sorry it has taken so long to set up this meeting. I recognize your concern over the impact these proposed transfers could have on your Congressional District.

TALKING POINTS (Continued)

- 2. I am sure you recognize that these proposed transfers are still under review and are part of a long standing commitment to reduce defense spending through consolidation of facilities wherever possible.
- 3. I will ask that you be kept fully informed on these matters as the review on each proposal progresses toward some final resolution.



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20350

February 20, 1975

Honorable Robert E. Bauman U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Bob.

I appreciate your concern over the possibility of the Navy Test Pilot School being moved to Edwards AFB.

I must correct the impression that the Navy is conducting the study. The study was directed by the Department of Defense and is being conducted by the OSD staff. The Navy is participating in the study and is submitting information to the chairman of the study group.

The purpose of the study is to determine the feasibility, desirability and cost-effectiveness of consolidating the Navy and Air Force test pilot schools. This is the third recent study on this subject, the last two being initiated as a result of letters to the Secretary of Defense from Senator McIntyre. This present investigation has been in progress since April 1974. A tentative conclusion that consolidation is feasible has been reached by the study group. They have collected voluminous information on aircraft, personnel, maintenance, weather, airspace and facilities requirements and cost data. Now the study group is examining the data to determine the desirability and cost-effectiveness of a consolidation. The study group essentially has three alternatives available to recommend to SECDEF: continue separate schools, consolidate at Patuxent River or consolidate at Edwards AFB.

We have provided detailed information showing the costcffectiveness of our school and the advantages of having the school located at the Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River. We are attempting to ensure that all the additional costs of consolidation are identified and taken into consideration. We have pointed out that one Navy and one Air Force class would have to be eliminated in order to consolidate.



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The Navy is very pleased with the support of the communities surrounding Patuxent River. Your interest in this problem is sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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J. William Middendorf II Secretary of the Navy



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

July 12, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

BILL TIMMONS

FROM:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

SUBJECT:

Congressman Bauman - Aberdeen

Proving Ground

Following your reply to Congressman Bauman's June 6 request for a meeting with the President to discuss the future of the Aberdeen Proving Ground (Tab C), you requested the NSC to prepare a paper covering the substantive aspects of the problem. We have asked Defense for the relevant information which may be summarized as follows.

Under the pressure of fiscal constraints, the Army during the past year, has been conducting a review of its facilities usage in the interest of consolidating activities where possible, thereby reducing operating costs. As a result of this review, it was their tentative recommendation in December 1973 that the Ordnance Center and School be relocated from Aberdeen to the Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. Concurrently, they examined the feasibility of locating other activities at Aberdeen as backfill for the loss of the Ordnance School. Thus, it is the Army's objective as expressed in a letter to Bauman at Tab B, "to ultimately provide the same general level of effort at Aberdeen." No decision has been taken on these proposals to move activities from or to Aberdeen at this time.

After review of the Army's position, we find no basis for intervention in the matter on national security grounds. The consolidation program appears well conceived. In addition, it should be noted that should the Ordnance School and Center be moved with no replacement activity at Aberdeen, the economic impact on the surrounding economy would be minimal. (Estimated total community earnings loss of one percent and reduction in the area work force of less than one percent. See backup material at Tab B.)

Congressman Bauman's concern is probably premature. Given the personal interest and attention in the matter throughout DOD as

reflected in Secretary Clements' meeting with the Maryland Delegation, it appears that the matter is being moved towards an appropriate solution. Accordingly, a meeting with the President does not really appear necessary. Should you wish to reply further to the Congressman, a draft letter is at Tab A for your consideration.

Attachment



Dear Mr. Bauman:

This responds to your letter to the President regarding the proposed transfer of the US Army Ordnance Center and School from Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland.

I have been advised that subsequent to your letter the Deputy Secretary of Defense met with you and other members of the Maryland delegation to discuss the Department of Defense plans for the Aberdeen Proving Ground. I am aware of the public release that the Department of Defense made at that time and also of the release made by members of the Maryland delegation. I believe the information that has already been made public is an excellent summary of the current status of Aberdeen and of considerations affecting its future status.

Thave also reviewed the letter to you from General Kingston, Acting Chief, Army Legislative Liaison, dated 28 June 1974. There is nothing that I can add to the information that you now have at hand. I was pleased to note that General Kingston assured you that the Department of Defense would be in touch with the members of the Maryland delegation prior to announcement of any changes affecting Aberdeen.

Sincerely,





DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY OF THE ARMY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20110

OFFICE, CHIEF OF

25 June 1974

Honorable Robert E. Bauman House of Representatives. Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Bauman:

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J. P. KINGSTON

Brigadier General, GS

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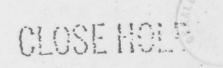


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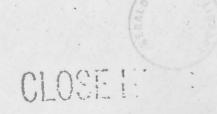
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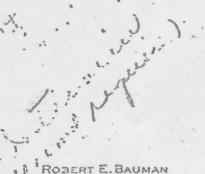
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INFORMATION PAPER

DACS-DMA 12 Feb 75

SUBJECT: Armament Development Center Conceptual Plan

PURPOSE. To provide information on the preferred alternatives for the Armament Development Center.

FACTS

1. Alternative 3 places the entire Armament Development Center at Aberdeen.

This alternative provides the best opportunity for achieving a fresh start and an effective acquisition process for the long range. It achieves the highest degree of consolidation, collocates all laboratories with long-distance firing ranges, and could be completed by FY 81. Implementation will lead to severe community impact, especially at Picatinny Arsenal. It causes dislocation of approximately 10,700 jobs, and higher one-time investment (178M) than is required by the two-site alternatives. However, its annual operating costs at steady state are lower than the other two alternatives.

2. Alternative 5 places the Headquarters and three laboratories at Aberdeen and one laboratory (large caliber) at Picatinny.

This alternative is more advantageous as an improvement which preserves the option for future complete consolidation than as an ultimate solution. It immediately provides a fresh start for the small caliber development activity at Aberdeen Proving Ground and collocation with Ballistics Research Laboratory and Headquarters, Armament Development Center. Geographical separation of the Large Caliber Weapon Systems Laboratory results in less work force flexibility and technology flow than in Alternative 3 or 5A. Dispersed large caliber development activities are consolidated with the preponderant large caliber ammunition base already at Picatinny. Moderate community impact results at losing installations; and the population at Aberdeen increases by about 1000. One-time investment is \$107M; and implementation can be completed by FY 80. The total job dislocation is approximately 8500.

3. Alternative 5A places two laboratories (Chemical and Ballistics) at Aberdeen and the Headquarters and two laboratories (Large and Small Caliber)

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This alternative promises to effect many improvements in the acquisition process. It collocates top management and the two weapons systems laboratories, has the potential for excellent work force flexibility, and facilitates technology interchange between the Large and Small Caliber Weapon Systems Laboratories. A course of action to implement must consider the potential for revitalizing the large caliber ammunition base at Picatinny, which will be joined at one location by both weapon systems laboratories and the Headquarters. Moderate community impact will result at losing installations. One-time investment costs and implementation completion are similar to Alternative 5. The total job dislocation is approximately 7500.

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CATEGORY I

ARMAMENT DEVELOPMENT CENTER (ADC).

OPTION 3: ESTABLISH ADC AT ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND...GLOSE PICATINNY ARSENAL.

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CONSOLIDATES ORDNANCE TRAINING AT ONE LOCATION. APPROXIMATELY \$8M ANNUAL COST REDUCTION.

DISLOCATES APPROXIMATELY 1584 MILITARY AND 808 CIVILIAN JOSS OF WHICH 382 MILITARY AND 373 CIVILIAN JOSS ARE ELIMINATED. ONE-TIME COST (LESS CONSTRUCTION) IS APPROXIMATELY \$3M. CONSTRUCTION COSTS ARE \$30M FYDP MCA AND \$21M LONG RANGE MCA.

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ORDNANCE SCHOOL CONSOLI-DATION WILL BE MENTIONED AS AN ACTION PROPOSED TO TAKE PLACE IN CONJUNCTION WITH ESTABLISHMENT OF AN

HARRY DIAMOND DEVELOPMENT CENTER (HDDC).
ADDRESSES ASA/EW LABORATORY., ESTABLISH HDDC AT ADELPHI, MARYLAND.

CONSOLIDATES NON-COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRONICS WITH CURRENT HARRY DIAMOND LABORATORY SYSTEMS AT ADELPHI, MARYLAND AND PLACES NIGHT VISION LABORATORY UNDER HDDC. APPROXIMATELY 1800 JOBS FROM FORT MONMOUTH TO NCR.

SIGNIFICANT MCA AND LEASE COSTS.

ASA(R&D) REP. DCSRDA REP. AMC REP. CLL REP.

CATEGORY IA

MOBILITY EQUIPMENT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER (ERDC).

DESIGNATE AS SEPARATE DEVELOPMENT CENTER REPORTING DIRECTLY TO HQ, AHC.

REALIGNS MERDC TO IMPROVE ORGANIZATIONAL EFFICIENCY AND PROVIDE FOR INITIAL ACQUISITION (FIRST PRODUCTION BUY) CAPABILITY.

STUDY INDICATES ELIMINATION OF 183 JOBS BUT THESE HAVE ALREADY BEEN ELIMINATED BY PREVIOUS MISSION REDUCTION ACTION, ONE-TIME COST IS APPROXIMATELY \$2M. NO MCA IS REQUIRED.

ASA(R&D) - REP. DCSRDA REP. AMC REP. CLL REP.

MATICK DEVELOPMENT CENTER (NDC).

DESIGNATE AS SEPARATE DEVELOPMENT CENTER REPORTING DIRECTLY TO HQ. AHC .

REALIGNS NATICK LABORATORIES TO IMPROVE ORGANIZATIONAL EFFICIENCY AND PROVIDES FOR INITIAL ACQUISITION (FIRST PRODUCTION BUY) CAPABILITY. NO ANNUAL COST REDUCTION.

ADDS APPROXIMATELY 25 JOBS TO NATICK.

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ASA(I&L) REP. DCSRDA REP. CLL REP.

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D. C. 20350

February 20, 1975

Honorable Robert E. Bauman U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Bob,

I appreciate your concern over the possibility of the Navy Test Pilot School being moved to Edwards AFB.

I must correct the impression that the Navy is conducting the study. The study was directed by the Department of Defense and is being conducted by the OSD staff. The Navy is particpating in the study and is submitting information to the chairman of the study group.

The purpose of the study is to determine the feasibility, desirability and cost-effectiveness of consolidating the Navy and Air Force test pilot schools. This is the third recent study on this subject, the last two being initiated as a result of letters to the Secretary of Defense from Senator McIntyre. This present investigation has been in progress since April 1974. A tentative conclusion that consolidation is feasible has been reached by the study group. They have collected voluminous information on aircraft, personnel, maintenance, weather, airspace and facilities requirements and cost data. Now the study group is examining the data to determine the desirability and cost-effectiveness of a consolidation. The study group essentially has three alternatives available to recommend to SECDEF: continue separate schools, consolidate at Patuxent River or consolidate at Edwards AFB.

We have provided detailed information showing the costeffectiveness of our school and the advantages of having the school located at the Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River. We are attempting to ensure that all the additional costs of consolidation are identified and taken into consideration. We have pointed out that one Navy and one Air Force class would have to be eliminated in order to consolidate.



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The Navy is very pleased with the support of the communities surrounding Patuxent River. Your interest in this problem is sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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J. William Middendorf II Secretary of the Navy





OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

22 February 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR Mr. James Falk

Associate Director for Intergovernmental Relations

The White House

THROUGH: Major General Richard L. Lawson

Military Assistant to the President

Jim:

It is our understanding that the President intends to meet with Congressman Bauman in the near future and the subject of the move of VP-30 from Pax River to Jacksonville may arise.

The attached is a Fact Sheet which may assist you in addressing the VP-30 issue.

Peter T. Kempf Colonel, USAF Military Assistant

Attachment

P.S. also included is a little addressing the Pan Rwin Test Pilot School.

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PATROL SQUADRON THIRTY (VP-30) RELOCATION

PURPOSE:

- To present the background, status and problems associated with the relocation of Patrol Squadron Thirty (VP-30) from Naval Air Station Patuxent River, Maryland to Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida.

BACKGROUND:

- Patrol Squadron Thirty is tasked to indoctrinate and train Atlantic Fleet replacement pilots, aircrewmen and maintenance personnel in the P-3 aircraft in order to provide a maximum level of air combat readiness in all-weather antisubmarine operations. The squadron manning is 67 officers and 554 enlisted personnel. This relocation is not a new proposal but the final increment of an Atlantic Fleet Base Loading Plan which was approved by the Secretary of Defense in June 1970. The required construction in support of the VP-30 relocation was presented before Congress and approved in the fiscal year 1973 military construction legislation. TABS A and B refer.

DISCUSSION:

- This plan was developed in order to consolidate Atlantic Fleet VP squadrons at two locations thus recognizing increased training and fiscal efficiencies.
- The total Atlantic Fleet VP relocation was time phased over a three year period in order to permit an orderly transition of squadrons and support. With the scheduled completion of the VP complex and associated training facilities in Jacksonville in CY-75, the Navy in May of 1974, stated its intent to initiate the final action, the change of homeport for Patrol Squadron Thirty. An effective date of 1 May 1975 was identified.
- The homeport change of a replacement training squadron is necessarily complex in that there are multiple student classes on board at all



times. To eliminate the requirement to move students and to avoid termination of all training during the transition period a phased move was planned. Simultaneous aircrew and maintenance training was planned for both Patuxent and Jacksonville. coordination between the Basic Training Command, Bureau of Naval Personnel, Fleet Aviation Specialized Operational Training Group Atlantic, Naval Aviation Maintenance Training Detachment and fleet units was accomplished in order that effective training could be continued, uninterrupted. As a result of the above on 9 December 1974 the permanent duty station of the squadron was officially changed. Any delay, such as that required for an additional GAO study, would have seriously disrupted the efficiency of the move and impacted on the welfare of the personnel involved.

- At this time an advanced party of approximately 46 people has relocated to Jacksonville in order to establish a parallel training program and to coordinate the move into new spaces.

PROBLEMS:

- All problem areas associated with the move have been satisfactorily resolved. Specifically the following issues required in-depth review during relocation planning.
 - a. Air Space Congestion. Potential air space congestion problems have been solved by air space reorganization and the installation of updated radar equipment in the local Jacksonville area. During recent negotiations the FAA in Jacksonville stated that the areas control facilities were fully adequate to accommodate all planned VP-30 flight evolutions.
 - b. Community Housing/On Base Housing. Officers and senior enlisted personnel are not currently having problems in locating private housing in Jacksonville, as evidenced by the 110 such families who have already

purchased housing incident to the move. As the Jacksonville area is significantly more highly developed than Patuxent River, our lower enlisted families will have more opportunities to locate adequate civilian housing, but it is expected that they may have some problems, as at all locations, with finding units within their price range. Limited on-base housing is available but there is a lengthy waiting list for all quarters.

- c. Hangar/Training Facilities. Sufficient hangar space will be available prior to the final movement of squadron equipment. The newly constructed Applied Instructional Building (AIB) and the associated trainer facilities programmed for Jacksonville represent improvements in all areas.
- Training Environment. The Jacksonville d. relocation will allow VP-30 to regain a necessary close association with fleet squadrons. Training efficiency will be improved by use of new trainers, the close proximity to fleet units, and the availability of experienced fleet personnel to staff VP-30. Collocation of Fleet Aviation Support Organization (FASO), Naval Aviation Maintenance Training Detachment (NAMTD), and VP-30 will allow efficient use of training aids in specially designed surroundings (AIB). The cost reduction realized as a result of the new trainer usage, reduced movement of personnel, and fleet trained personnel available for staff duty will be significant. TAB C is a summary of anticipated savings.

IMPACT OF THE ACTION:

- Approximately 80 officers and 691 enlisted personnel are associated with the relocation of Patrol Squadron Thirty and its associated support commands. Their total salaries are estimated to be \$8.7M.

IMPACT OF NOT COMPLETING THE RELOCATION:

- If for any reason the move were not allowed to be completed the following impact would occur:

- a. Newly constructed training facilities at Jacksonville would not be fully utilized.
- b. Training facilities similar to those constructed in Jacksonville would have to be duplicated at Patuxent at significantly increased costs.
- c. Until new facilities could be constructed at Patuxent, continued use of makeshift spaces would degrade training and result in a loss of operational capability.
- d. Increased operating cost would be generated due to the nonavailability of adequate trainers.
- e. Increased material support at NAS Patuxent River would be necessary.
- f. Continued use of unrehabilitated barracks would cause discipline and morale problems.
- g. PCS/TEMAD funds would increase due to separation of training facilities and user activities.

TAB D provides a funding profile should VP-30 remain at Patuxent.

TAB A Excerpt from Congressional Record on Military Construction Appropriations for 1973

TAB B Excerpt from Congressional Record on Military
Construction Appropriations for 1974

TAB C Summary of Cost Reductions

TAB D Fiscal Impact if VP-30 Remains at Patuxent



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Naval Air Test Center, Paturent River, Md., \$4,914,000.

This center tests and evaluates aircraft and weapons systems, components, and related equipment for fleet use and supports two research squadrons, the

test pilot school and a naval hospital.

The aircraft data analysis project will provide housing for computer equipment and the 216 personnel assigned to operate the computers. Currently, equipment is housed in widely scattered, deficient, temporary buildings. The requirement to coordinate the test and evaluation activities of modern fleet aircraft systems has increased threefold in the last 4 years, and new facilities

The bachelor enlisted quarters project will provide modern living quarters for 653 men currently living in 20-year-old BEQ's that are open bay dormitory type

which allow the men no privacy.

The galley improvements project will provide 100 tons of air conditioning to alleviate the discomfort experienced in the existing mess during the summer months. The existing galley is the sole messing facility for enlisted men.

Status of funds:

Cumulative appropriations through fiscal year 1972	\$14, 398, 000
Cumulative obligations, Dec. 31, 1971 (actual)	12, 227, 588
Cumulative obligations, June 30, 1972 (estimated)	13, 076, 640

DESIGN INFORMATION

Project	Design cost	Percent complete Mer. 1, 1972
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4. 5.	Fiscal year 1973 project		653 496

Mr. Sikes. The request is for \$4,914,000, principally for an aircraft data analysis building and a bachelor enlisted quarters moderni-

What is the status of construction of the surface effect ship R. & D.

Admiral ENGER. We expect to award a contract this May, sir.

ACTIVITIES AT PATUXENT RIVER

Mr. Sikes. What flying activities will remain at Patuxent River

in the long range program?

Mr. Abbott. We will have a development squadron, and oceanographic development squadron, a detachment of that squadron which is doing research on the magnetic field of the earth, the test pilot school which has some 24 aircraft of various kinds.

Mr. Sikes. Complete that for the record.

(The information follows:)

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Mr. Sik Patuxen: Mr. Ari Jacksonvi group P-. next 12 n squadron.

Mr. Sik and civilia Also show (The in In addition to the flying activities remaining at Patuxent River in the longrange program, as already enumerated in the testimony, the following additional flying activities will remain at the station:

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to the Naval Air Station.

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Mr. Sikes. What flying activities have been and will be moved from Patuxent?

Mr. Abborr. The five P-3 patrol squadrons, three of which went to Jacksonville, and two to Brunswick Naval Air Station. A training group P-3 patrol squadron which will move to Jacksonville in the next 12 months or so. Then a VR support squadron, a transport squadron, which went to Andrews AFB.

Mr. Sikes. Provide for the record the present and projected military and civilian personnel levels for each of the units assigned to Patuxent! Also show the projected percentage of bachelor enlisted personnel.

(The information was classified:)

Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla., \$3,676,000

This Station provides support for aircraft squadrons engaged in all-weather antisubmarine operations and logistic support of the Naval Air Rework Facility, and a Navy Air Maintenance Training Detachment.

The applied instruction building project will provide training spaces for weapons system trainers/flight simulators and associated part task trainers, and maintenance trainers for the P-3A/B/C weapons system.

Status of funds

Cumulative appropriations through fiscal year 1972	\$53, 529, 000
Cumulative obligations, Dec. 31, 1971 (actual)	42, 113, 344
Cumulative obligations, June 30, 1972 (estimated)	46, 771, 936

DESIGN INFORMATION

	Project	D	esign cost	Percent complete Mar. 1, 1972
Applie	d instruction building	*****************	\$160, 503	12

Mr. Sikes. The request is for \$3,676,000 for an applied instruction building.

What new missions are being moved here?

Mr. MURPHY. Sir, as mentioned earlier, the patrol squadrons formerly based at Patuxent River have relocated to Jacksonville. This facility will provide the training building for use by the one squadron coming from Patuxent River that conducts the replacement training for all of the squadrons flying the P-3 aircraft in the Atlantic Fleet.

Mr. Sikes. Was the cost of this facility taken into account in

plunning the move here!

Mr. MURPHY. Yes, sir; it was. The cost of this facility was considered in studying the economics of the overall move to both Brunswick and Jacksonville.

Mr. Sikes. Is similar training for this aircraft to be performed elsewhere?

Mr. MURPHY. No. sir: this will be the single replacement air group for the Altantic Fleet P-3 community.

I should say in the Pacific Fleet, yes, there is a replacement air group at NAS Moffett Field also for P-3 squadrons there.

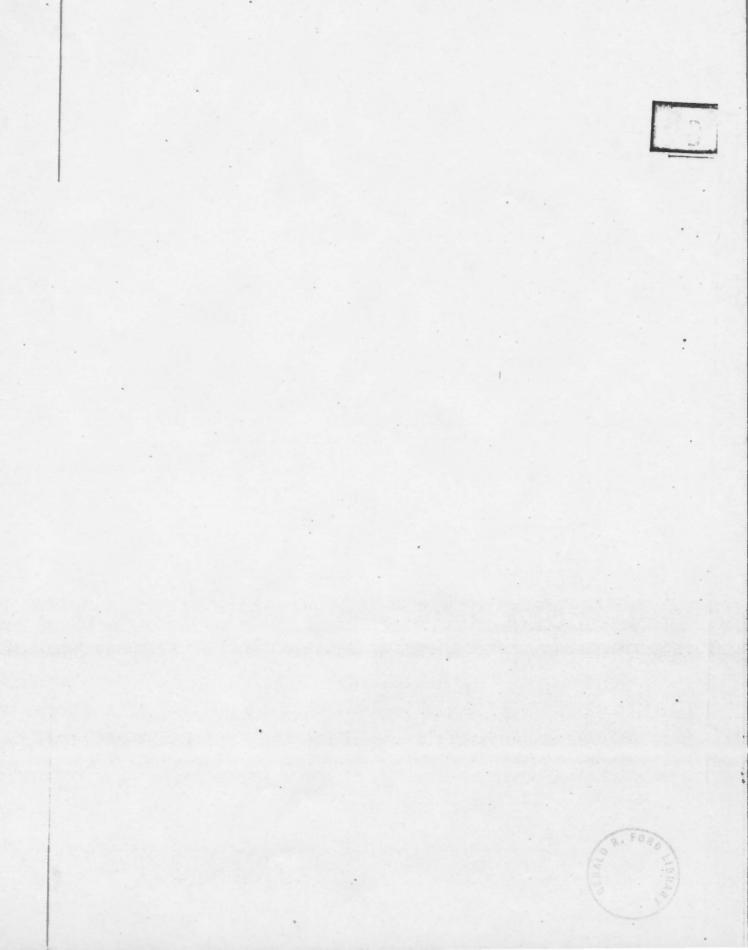
Mr. Sikes. Will they be consolidated?

Mr. MURPHY. No. sir. It is not practical to consolidate in that the squadrons operating in the different fleets require this training close at hand to their main operating base so that the crews can be rapidly refreshed in the weapons systems.

Mr. Sikes. The next item is the Naval Training Center at Orlando.

NAVAL TRAINING CENTER. ORLANDO, FLA.

(The page follows:)



MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1974

HEARINGS

BEFORE A

SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD CONGRESS

FIRST SESSION

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NAVAL AIR TEST CENTER, PATUXENT RIVER, Md., \$1,240,000

This center tests and evaluates aircraft and weapons systems, components, and related equipment for fleet use and supports two research squadrons, the test pilot school, and a naval hospital.

The electromagnetic propagation facility project will provide a facility free from electronic interference adjacent to an extensive water surface for electromagnetic propagation studies on avionics systems. It will replace existing substandard dispersed buildings currently used for these studies which do not provide a suitable environment for the sensitive and expensive electronic gear used in the studies.

The electrical distribution system project will correct current deficiencies which resulted in 79 power outages over the last couple of years, and provide additional transformer capacity to meet the power demand of new testing equipment and facilities.

Status of funds

Cumulative appropriations through fiscal year 1973	\$20,998,000
Cumulative obligations, Dec. 31, 1972 (actual)	14, 597, 285
Cumulative obligations, June 30, 1973 (estimated)	18, 114, 421

DESIGN INFORMATION

Project	Design cost	Percent complete Apr. 1, 1973
Electromagnetic propagation facility	\$34, 499 10, 000	52 31

RELOCATIONS

Mr. PATTEN. What functions are being relocated in and out of NATC. Patuxent River?

Mr. MURPHY. The patrol squadrons have been migrating out of Patuxent River to Jacksonville and Brunswick for about 3 years now, Mr. Chairman. The last squadron will transfer to Jacksonville this year. That is one action. Under the SER announcement, we are moving into Patuxent River a research and development squadron from Key West, Fla. Essentially those are the main moves going on as the ongoing mission of development continues.

Mr. PATTEN. Can you provide the costs and savings associated with these moves for the record?

Mr. MURPHY. Yes, sir.

· [The information follows:]

Naval Air Test and Evaluation Squadron 1 (VX-1) with 348 military personnel and 14 aircraft, will relocate to NATC Patuxent River, Md., from NAS Key West, Fla. This move complements other moves into NAS Key West which result in significant savings. VX-1 is more closely alined with the basic test and evaluation mission of the Patuxent River facility, where existing excess facility capacity is available. Facilities freed up at NAS Key West by the move out of VX-1 will be available for support of A-5 reconnaissance squadrons displaced by the closure of NAS Albany, Ga.

Savings associated with the VX-1 move to Paturent River are in reality the savings generated by closure of NAS Albany, since the Albany units will be accommodated (in part) in the former VX-1 facilities at NAS Key West. The annual savings from closure of NAS Albany are \$3.986 million. One time relocation costs from Albany are \$4.023 million. MILCON required at NAS Key

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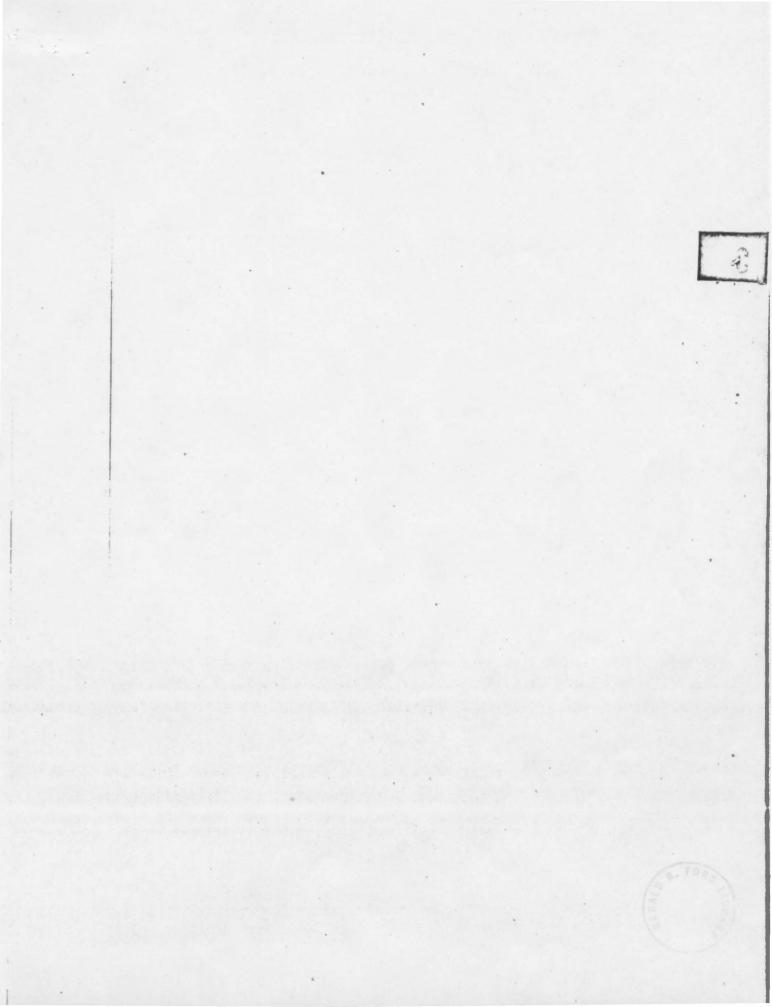
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P-3 squadron relocations from Patuxent River	***
Total MILCON	750, 00
P-252—Alterations to buildings 305/301————————————————————————————————————	284,00
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AIR TEST CENTERS

Mr. Patten. How do the test functions carried out at the Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River, differ from those carried out at Lakehurst or at China Lake. Calif.? Is there any duplication of function or of facilities between these activities?

Mr. Murphy. First, Mr. Chairman, with regard to Lakehurst and Patuxent River, we think a most concise statement would be at Lakehurst we marry the ship to the airplane and at Patuxent River we marry the airplane to the ship. Patuxent River is concerned principally with the aircraft itself, its ability to perform in flight, be arrested and make a carrier landing. The test and inspection and survey process on all new aircraft is conducted at Patuxent River. Lakehurst is fully equipped with catapults and arresting gear systems to test that aircraft's ability to land on a ship's deck. Patuxent River also serves as host to the Navy's test pilot school.

Mr. OBEY. Could I ask you to run that by me once more.



SUMMARY OF COST REDUCTIONS

PCS Cost Reduction

Present Annual PCS funding required

at Patuxent	\$521,000	
Programmed Annual PCS funding required at Jacksonville Annual Savings	\$325,000	\$195,000
Operating Cost Reduction		
Utilizing new syllabus, trainers, and facilities		\$1,561,000
Temporary Additional Duty (TAD) Cost Rec	duction	
Annual TAD Patuxent	\$1,130,200	

Annual Salary Reduction

Annual Savings

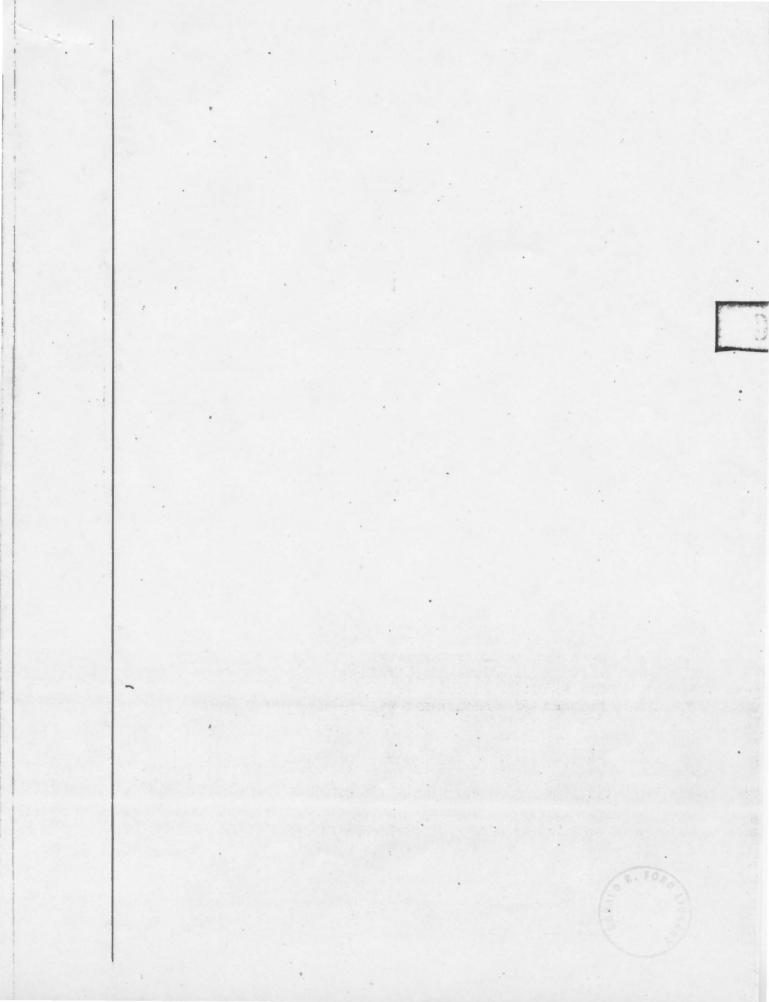
Billet Reduction due to A/C reduction and new trainer utilization	\$725,000
Total Annual Savings	\$ 3,447,034

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There also exists an indirect cost reduction due to the relocation. This indirect cost reduction is associated with on-going VP single site facilities. Services such as messing, AIMD, fueling and general mission support (i.e. weather, OPCON, etc.) are established and fully functional to support round the clock operations.



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FISCAL IMPACT IF VP-30 REMAINS AT PATUXENT

1. ONE TIME COSTS

MILCON FOR AIB/2F87 BLDG	\$3.5M
REHABILITATION OF BOQ	3.5M
TOTAL	\$7.0M

2. ANNUAL COSTS

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OF QUARTERS COMPLETE	\$.96	6M	
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1/ The additional TAD, PCS and operating costs included would be required until such time as both officer and enlisted quarters have been rehabilitated; military construction has been completed and trainers have been installed. The earliest possible date such facilities could be utilized is estimated to be FY-79. Additionally, AIMD operations at Patuxent will require expansion until adequate trainers are available and squadron training aircraft can again be reduced.





DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D. C. 20350

February 20, 1975

Honorable Robert E. Bauman U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Bob,

I appreciate your concern over the possibility of the Navy Test Pilot School being moved to Edwards AFB.

I must correct the impression that the Navy is conducting the study. The study was directed by the Department of Defense and is being conducted by the OSD staff. The Navy is participating in the study and is submitting information to the chairman of the study group.

The purpose of the study is to determine the feasibility, desirability and cost-effectiveness of consolidating the Navy and Air Force test pilot schools. This is the third recent study on this subject, the last two being initiated as a result of letters to the Secretary of Defense from Senator McIntyre. This present investigation has been in progress since April 1974. A tentative conclusion that consolidation is feasible has been reached by the study group. They have collected voluminous information on aircraft, personnel, maintenance, weather, airspace and facilities requirements and cost data. Now the study group is examining the data to determine the desirability and cost-effectiveness of a consolidation. The study group essentially has three alternatives available to recommend to SECDEF: continue separate schools, consolidate at Patuxent River or consolidate at Edwards AFB.

We have provided detailed information showing the costeffectiveness of our school and the advantages of having the school located at the Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River. We are attempting to ensure that all the additional costs of consolidation are identified and taken into consideration. We have pointed out that one Navy and one Air Force class would have to be eliminated in order to consolidate.



The Navy is very pleased with the support of the communities surrounding Patuxent River. Your interest in this problem is sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Bill

J. William Middendorf II Secretary of the Navy



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November 7, 1974

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

WILLIAM E. TIMMONS

FROM:

JERRY H. JON

SUBJECT:

Rep. Robert E. Bauman (R-Md)

Your memorandum to the President of November 5 on the above subject has been reviewed and the following notation was made:

-- I feel quite obligated to see Bob.
I can listen and make no commitment.
I do understand your view but on scales,
I think I should see.

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Don Rumsfeld

November 5, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

William E. Timmens

SUBJECT:

Rep. Rebert E. Bauman (R-Md)

Congressman Robert Bauman has had a continuing request for a piedge from you, and previously from President Nimen, that there be no decision made concerning the future of the U.S. Army Ordance Center and School at Aberdeen, Maryland without first giving him an opportunity to discuss the matter with you.

There is presently an Army recommendation that this function be moved to Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama. Concurrently, the Army would bring in other activities to Aberdeen resulting in little impact on the local economy. Since this recommendation will probably be carried out in the national interest, it is obvious that you cannot comply with Bauman's request.

Although you have previously indicated a willingness to see Bauman on this matter, it is my belief that it is in your best interest not to see him since there is no way you or anyone else can make the inevitable decision acceptable to him.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you authorise me to continue to decline his requests for appointments to discuss this matter.

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FROM: POWELL A. MOORE

For Your Information

Per Our Conversation

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COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS

Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

September 13, 1974

SEP 17 1974

The Honorable William Timmons
Special Assistant to the President
for Legislative Affairs
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

In further response to your letter of August 30th regarding the Army Ordnance Center and School at Aberdeen Proving Ground, I would like to again request as I have done repeatedly under two Presidents that I be given a statement from the President that he has ordered a review of any proposed transfer of this facility and that no decision will be made until such time as I have a chance to fully discuss the matter with him.

Quite obviously, such a statement sent to me from the President would be of great value to me at this point, but it is useless to wait until after November 5th.

Bill, please, do something about this now.

Faithfully yours,

ROBERT E. BAUMAN Member of Congress

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WASHINGTON

September 8, 1974

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

WILLIAM E. TIMMONS

FROM:

JERRY H.

SUBJECT:

Rep. Robert E. Bauman (R-Md)

Your memorandum to the President of September 4, on the above subject has been reviewed and the following notation was made:

-- If Bauman wants 15 minutes, I will meet with him; but I want facts that justify decision.

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Al Haig

Warren Rustand

Dear Bobs

I would like to acknowledge receipt and thank you for your Angust 21 and August 22 letters to the President. I will make certain that he receives them as soon as rossible.

I can understand your concern that some of the positions taken by the President are in conflict with your views. However, I feel cartain that your comments will be fully considered. Also, I am hopeful that you will examine the President's position in context with his statement that he intands to be President of all the people which will mean decisions raflecting a consensus of many diverse views and opinions.

In addition, we will continue to follow up on your desire to resolve the matter of the Army Ordnance Center and School.

Eith hest regards,

Sincerely,

William B. Timmons Assistant to the President

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

ROBERT E. BAUMAN
FIRST DISTRICT
MARYLAND

August 21, 1974

Dear Mr. President,

For more than a year I have been in contact with the Defense Department and the White House, including the former President, regarding the status of the Army Ordnance Center and School located at Aberdeen Proving Ground in my Congressional District.

I am sure that your Congressional Liaison staff can brief you fully on this matter. I would simply like to request, first, that you restate the White House policy that no transfer of the Ordnance School shall occur at this time, and further that I be permitted to make a case for the retention of the Ordnance School prior to any decision on this matter by you.

Beyond this immediate request I would like to ask that you permit me a meeting with you to discuss the entire matter as soon as it is convenient for you.

Faithfully yours,

ROBERT E. BAUMAN Member of Congress

The President .
The White House Washington, D.C.

COPY

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

July 12, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

BILL TIMMONS

FROM:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

SUBJECT:

Congressman Bauman - Aberdeen

Proving Ground

Following your reply to Congressman Bauman's June 6 request for a meeting with the President to discuss the future of the Aberdeen Proving Ground (Tab C), you requested the NSC to prepare a paper covering the substantive aspects of the problem. We have asked Defense for the relevant information which may be summarized as follows.

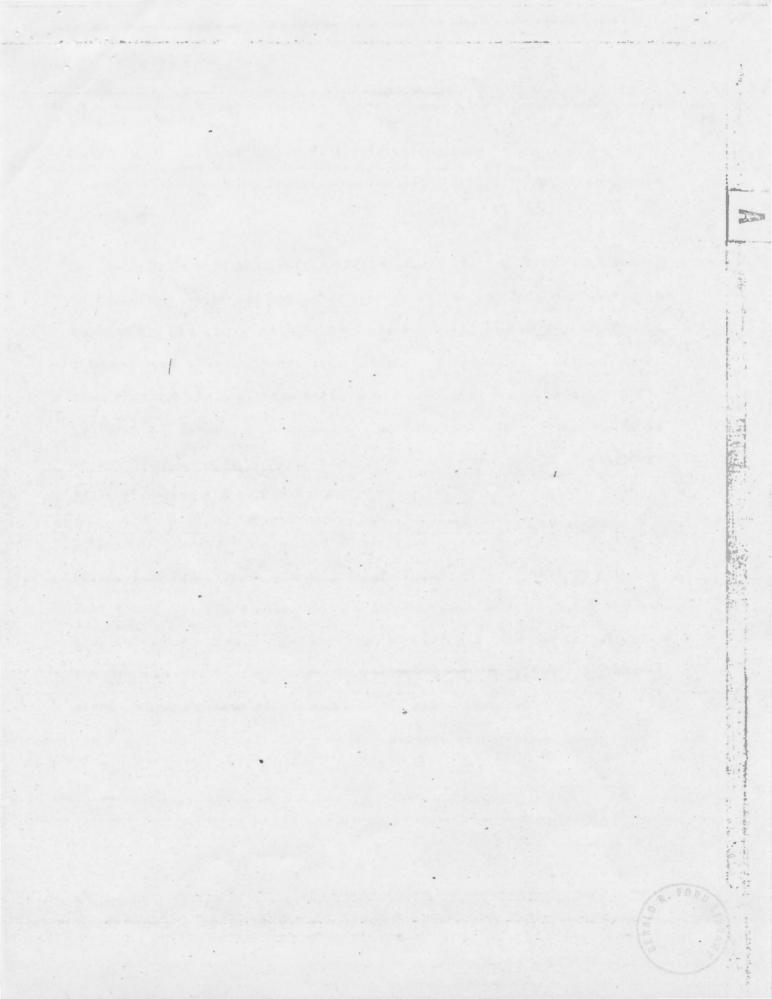
Under the pressure of fiscal constraints, the Army during the past year, has been conducting a review of its facilities usage in the interest of consolidating activities where possible, thereby reducing operating costs. As a result of this review, it was their tentative recommendation in December 1973 that the Ordnance Center and School be relocated from Aberdeen to the Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. Concurrently, they examined the feasibility of locating other activities at Aberdeen as backfill for the loss of the Ordnance School. Thus, it is the Army's objective as expressed in a letter to Bauman at Tab B, "to ultimately provide the same general level of effort at Aberdeen." No decision has been taken on these proposals to move activities from or to Aberdeen at this time.

After review of the Army's position, we find no basis for intervention in the matter on national security grounds. The consolidation program appears well conceived. In addition, it should be noted that should the Ordnance School and Center be moved with no replacement activity at Aberdeen, the economic impact on the surrounding economy would be minimal. (Estimated total community earnings loss of one percent and reduction in the area work force of less than one percent. See backup material at Tab B.)

Congressman Bauman's concern is probably premature. Given the personal interest and attention in the matter throughout DOD as

reflected in Secretary Clements' meeting with the Maryland Delegation, it appears that the matter is being moved towards an appropriate solution. Accordingly, a meeting with the President does not really appear necessary. Should you wish to reply further to the Congressman, a draft letter is at Tab A for your consideration.

Attachment



Dear Mr. Bauman:

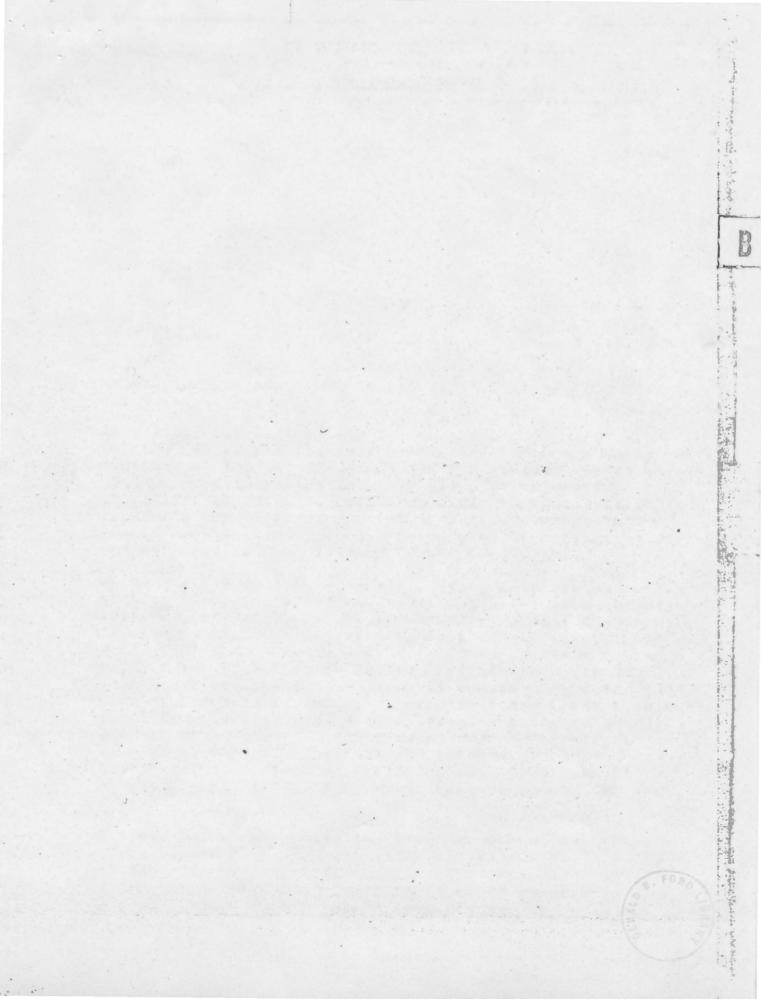
This responds to your letter to the President regarding the proposed transfer of the US Army Ordnance Center and School from Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland.

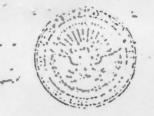
I have been advised that subsequent to your letter the Deputy Secretary of Defense met with you and other members of the Maryland delegation to discuss the Department of Defense plans for the Aberdeen Proving Ground. I am aware of the public release that the Department of Defense made at that time and also of the release made by members of the Maryland delegation. I believe the information that has already been made public is an excellent summary of the current status of Aberdeen and of considerations affecting its future status.

I have also reviewed the letter to you from General Kingston, Acting Chief, Army Legislative Liaison, dated 28 June 1974. There is nothing that I can add to the information that you now have at hand. I was pleased to note that General Kingston assured you that the Department of Defense would be in touch with the members of the Maryland delegation prior to announcement of any changes affecting Aberdeen.

Sincerely,







OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20310

28 June 7974

OFFICE, CHIEF OF

Honorable Robert E. Bauman House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Bauman:

The Secretary of the Army has asked me to reply to your inquiry addressed to the Secretary of Defense concerning the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School.

As you are aware, the Army is conducting an analysis of its long range stationing requirements. The U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School is among activities still under review. Consideration is being given to relocating Aberdeen's training functions in order to consolidate currently separated Ordnance training. However, there has been no decision to change the present configuration and location of the Ordnance Center and School.

On 14 June 1974, following his meeting with you and other members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation, Deputy Secretary of Defense Clements formally announced that Department of Defense considers Aberdeen Proving Ground an important facility and expects it to continue making a major contribution as an active part of the nation's defense effort. While the Army is considering consolidation of Ordnance training, alternatives are being developed which consider relocation of other activities to Aberdeen. The intent of these plans is to ultimately provide the same general level of effort at Aberdeen. Mr. Clements reaffirmed that plans or decisions regarding possible changes in missions for Aberdeen Proving Ground are not firm.

Documentation concerning the Ordnance School and the alternatives considering the relocation of other activities at Aberdeen is not complete and therefore not now available. I certainly appreciate your interest and concern in this matter. Prior to any public announcement regarding Aberdeen.

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members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation will be notified and the documentation will be available for review at that time.

I hope the information provided will be of benefit to you.

Sincerely,

J. P. KINGSTON

Brigadier General, GS

Acting Chief of Legislative
Liaison

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ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND

Deputy Secretary of Defense William Clements today formally announced the following information which has been provided to members of the Maryland Congressional delegation in response to their continuing interest in the future of Aberdeen Proving Ground.

Department of Defense considers Aberdeen Proving Ground an important facility and expects it to continue making a major contribution as an active part of the nation's defense effort. The Army is considering relocation of Aberdeen's Ordnance Center and School in order to consolidate currently separated Ordnance training. This could result in short run changes in the level of effort at Aberdeen. However, the Army also is developing alternatives in its long range stationing and installation plan which include consideration of locating other activities at Aberdeen. The intent of these plans is to ultimately provide the same general level of effort at Aberdeen. Plans and decisions regarding possible changes in missions for Aberdeen Proving Ground are not firm at this time.

The Defense Department appreciates the support it receives from the Aberdeen work force and the surrounding community. It looks forward to the continuation of that cooperative relationship.

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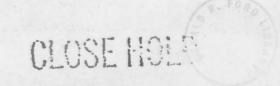
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FACT SHEET

Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland

Aberdeen Proving Ground has a total permanent population in excess of 12,000 people comprised of approximately 4,000 military and 8,000 civilians. In addition, there are on the average about 2,300 military students attending the Ordnance School at Aberdeen.

In December the Army recommended relocating the Ordnance Center and School from Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, to Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, thereby consolidating the Ordnance Center and School with the Missile and Munitions Center and School now located at Redstone Arsenal. The action would eliminate one functional school resulting in an annual cost reduction of \$10.6 million. There are no civilian involuntary separations expected as a result of the proposed consolidation. 1743 military and 782 civilian permanent jobs would be dislocated (transferred and climinated) from Aberdeen, of which 636 military and 368 civilian jobs would be eliminated. Of the 414 civilian jobs transferred from Aberdeen, approximately 143 civilian employees are expected to transfer with functions. The remaining employees are expected to find Federal employment or would separate through normal attrition or retirement. The military spaces climinated would be reallocated to combat forces and funds associated with other savings would be applied to accounts in support of combat forces. The current plan is to commence consolidation of the schools early next spring with completion in about twelve months. The Army's long range stationing study (CONCISE) did not identify backfill for Aberdeen. The principal recommendation of the Army Materiel Acquisition Review Committee (AMARC) report was to evolve toward development



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centers within the Army Materiel Command (AMC). One such center would be an Armaments Development Center. A conceptual plan including the center's location will be submitted to Department of the Army in December 1974, followed by a Case Study and Justification Folder (CSJF).

The Ballistic Research Laboratory (BRL) located at APG is one of several possible sites for the location of the Armaments Development Center. However, even if APG were selected as the home of this center, initial estimates indicate a time gap of twelve to eighteen months between the time the Ordnance School begins to move and the center starts to form.

The Secretary of the Army released the AMARC report to the Chairman of the Senate and House Armed Services and Appropriations Committees, and briefings were conducted on 29 May for the Chief Counsels of the House and Senate Armed Services Committees. The Appropriations Committee briefings were held on 30 May and 3 June for the SAC and HAC, respectively. The Counsels were reminded of the FOUO protective markings on the report. The possible location of the Armaments Development Center at APG was not discussed at these meetings.

Deputy Secretary of Defense Clements met with members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation on 13 June 1974 and outlined the status of the proposal to consolicate Ordnance training functions. On 14 June 1974, a press release was provided correspondents regarding Aberdeen Proving Ground.

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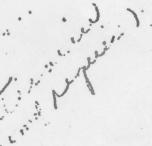
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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

June 6, 1974

ROBERT E. BAUMAN FIRST DISTRICT MARYLAND

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

On May 23, 1974 I sent you a letter, a copy of which is enclosed to which I have yet to receive any response.

In view of the fact that I have not received any response, I would like to ask for an appointment with you personally to discuss this matter. I cannot emphasize too strongly the grave problem presented to the people of my District by the proposed transfer of the Army Ordnance School from Aberdeen Proving Ground.

Again, I emphasize to you my strong desire to discuss this matter since previous inquiries to your staff over a seven month period have not produced any resolution of this problem.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Faithfully yours,

ROBERT E. BAUMAN

Member of Congress

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

William E. Timmons

SUBJECT:

Rep. Robert E. Bauman (R-Md)

In tab A are subject's letters to you of August 21 and 22 and a copy of my reply.

The Aberdeen Proving Ground matter is a lengthy, complicated one. For your information, I am also enclosing in tab B a copy of a report on this situation prepared for me by the National Security Council.



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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

ROBERT E. BAUMAN FIRST DISTRICT MARYLAND

August 21, 1974

Dear Mr. President,

For more than a year I have been in contact with the Defense Department and the White House, including the former President, regarding the status of the Army Ordnance Center and School located at Aberdeen Proving Ground in my Congressional District.

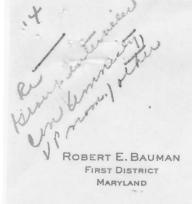
I am sure that your Congressional Liaison staff can brief you fully on this matter. I would simply like to request, first, that you restate the White House policy that no transfer of the Ordnance School shall occur at this time, and further that I be permitted to make a case for the retention of the Ordnance School prior to any decision on this matter by you.

Beyond this immediate request I would like to ask that you permit me a meeting with you to discuss the entire matter as soon as it is convenient for you.

Faithfully yours,

ROBERT E. BAUMAN Member of Congress

The President The White House Washington, D.C.





HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

August 22, 1974

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Dear Mr. President,

I regret that we did not have more time this morning during our picture taking session so that I could express to you certain thoughts regarding your recent actions.

I know that the Steering Committee has requested a meeting with you in the near future, and I hope this will be arranged. In the meantime I want you to know that I am gravely concerned with the positions that you have taken on the issues of amnesty, Rhodesian chrome and the failure to veto H.R. 69 so that an iron clad anti-busing provision could have been included.

It goes without saying that the nomination of Mr. Rockefeller is very hard for me to swallow, and I have had any number of complaints from Party leaders in my District not only about this nomination but about other issues as well.

I want very much to work with you if that is possible, but I honestly fail to understand the change in attitude which has occurred on your part since you became President.



I write this letter in the spirit of friendship that dates back more than twenty years and in the hope that you will consider how many of your friends view these events.

With best wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

ROBERT E. BAUMAN Member of Congress

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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August 30, 1974

Dear Bob:

I would like to acknowledge receipt and thank you for your August 21 and August 22 letters to the President. I will make certain that he receives them as soon as possible.

I can understand your concern that some of the positions taken by the President are in conflict with your views. However, I feel certain that your comments will be fully considered. Also, I am hopeful that you will examine the President's position in context with his statement that he intends to be President of all the people which will mean decisions reflecting a consensus of many diverse views and opinions.

In addition, we will continue to follow up on your desire to resolve the matter of the Army Ordnance Center and School.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

William E. Timmons
Assistant to the President

The Honorable Robert E. Bauman House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

WASHINGTON

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BT:

SUBJECT: Rep. Bauman's request for constituent to present 2 Harford County Bicentennial coins to President.

Vern has been talking with Bauman's secretary on this and has worked it out for coins to be presented to Vern, Max or someone on staff in August - in lieu of meeting with President.

However, Bauman is still pushing for personal meeting with President on Aberdeen. Vern has assured them you are working on it.

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MEMORANDUM OF CALL

TO: YOU WERE CALLED BY-YOU WERE VISITED BYann Munsor OF (Organization) PLEASE CALL CODE/EXT. IS WAITING TO SEE YOU WILL CALL AGAIN WISHES AN APPOINTMENT RETURNED YOUR CALL MESSAGE To fallow up on his request Told her we'd call wan

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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BT:

Would you want to consider asking Parker to scratch Bauman and replace with one of these other drop-by requests we have in? After was in last spring when he was running for office & again right after he was elected.

Note: Max says his request for Jim Martin is vital. This guy ran against Martin - if Martin can get him in to see the President, Yates will not oppose Martin this time. Also, the Bauman mtg. was just a routine letter -- we never put in a schedule request.

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WASHINGTON

March 28, 1974

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

MR. WILLIAM E. TIMMONS

FROM:

DAVID PARKER

SUBJECT:

Congressman Robert E. Bauman

The President will see Congressman Robert E. Bauman and Mr. William A. Humbert at 12:10 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, for five minutes in the Oval Office. <u>Purpose:</u> Mr. Humbert wishes to present the President with two coins that have been minted in honor of the Harford County Bicentennial Celebration. <u>Press Coverage:</u> White House Photographer.

Please notify Congressman Bauman and forward an appropriate briefing paper to Chuck Wardell on Monday, April 1.

cc: Dr. Hoopes

Mr. O'Donnell

Mr. Wardell

Mr. Warren

Mr. Ziegler



Dear Bob:

Thank you for your March 19 letter concerning the possibility of arranging for the President to recoive two coins minted to mark the Harford County Bicentesnial Celebration,

It was most thoughtful of you to write on behalf of Mr. William A. Hambert who wishes to make this presentation. I will be pleased to ask that careful consideration be given to the possibility of arranging for a presentation.

With werm regards,

Sincerely,

William S. Timmons
Assistant to the President

The Houarable Robert E. Bauman House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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Md. base would gain in 2 of 3 plans

By EDNA GOLDBERG

An Army study group recom-mended yesterday creation of Remaining at Aberdeen the top-rated alternative, the and Harford county are being under two of the three alterna- of 621 jobs. | become the site for all arma- Arsenal in Huntsville, Ala. tives proposed by the commit-

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