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MEMORANDUM OF MEETING

DATE: June 29, 2005
TIME: 1:15 pm
MEETING WITH: Navy Officials
OBJECTIVE: To discuss BRAC actions affecting Naval Base Ventura County (Point Mugu)
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MEETING RESULTS/FOLLOW-UP ACTION:

Navy officials said they believe the BRAC process is fair as long as the process is followed and that all relevant data is evaluated. They made some observations relative to our examination of the Point Mugu realignments to China Lake. While they cited no specific concerns or examples involving Point Mugu, they raised the following questions that they wanted to make sure the BRAC staff considers in its analyses.

- 1. Has risk been properly assessed?**
- 2. What is the impact on “intellectual capital” caused by movement to China Lake?**
- 3. Are the numbers of people cited in COBRAs affected by the realignments valid? Are the “right” people moving?**
- 4. Is there a sound business case made to support the realignment?**
- 5. Are the moves “transformational?”**
- 6. Were the costs for ranges, targets, squadrons, electronic warfare and weapons and armaments separated out and properly identified in the COBRAs?**

Navy officials reiterated their support of the BRAC process and said they would live with whatever recommendations come out of the process.