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**A glossary of acronyms and abbreviations related to
United States Department of Defense
Base Realignment and Closure
actions in Maryland**





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One month after Congress enacted BRAC changes into law in late 2005, a partnership was formed among Baltimore, Harford and Cecil Counties, Baltimore City and Aberdeen Proving Ground. Called the *Chesapeake Science & Security Corridor*, this partnership has evolved from a business development and marketing focus to include regional planning and infrastructure, and coordinated efforts to assure an improved environment, better business climate, and higher quality of life.

The partnership formally expanded in April 2007 with the signing of a regional memorandum of understanding to include seven additional strategic partners: counties in southern Pennsylvania and Delaware, and four key economic development and policy groups. The Commander of Aberdeen Proving Ground serves the partnership ex officio.

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Every organization has its own language. This seems particularly true in government and the military, where with the well-intended goal of abbreviating communications, a paragraph can be reduced to an alphabet-soup of acronyms.

The following are some of the most common acronyms and abbreviations related to the Base Realignment and Closure activity at Aberdeen Proving Ground and Ft. George G. Meade, Maryland. Most of the entries are for organizations that will be relocating or are already present on the bases. Also included are commonly used acronyms for local organizations and processes that may be part of BRAC activities. We call these *bracanyms*, a term we coined that you only will find in this publication.

At the risk of breaking A-Z rules, we start with:

BRAC Base Realignment and Closure. A process where an independent panel reviews analyses prepared by the United States Department of Defense and makes recommendations to the President and Congress concerning realignment of military base activities to improve efficiency. The most recent iteration of base realignment was enacted as federal law in November, 2005 and is known as BRAC 2005.

20th Support Command (CBRNE) The 20th Support Command (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and High Yield Explosives); located at APG and headed by a general officer, the Command is not involved in BRAC actions. A major subordinate command of the US Army Forces Command, CBRNE manages technical assets for response to a wide variety of attacks.

AACC Anne Arundel Community College.

AEC Used as an acronym for each of two distinct organizations: (1) US Army Environmental Center, relocating from the Edgewood Area of APG to Fort Sam Houston, Texas (2) US Army Evaluation Center. Partially co-located in Alexandria, VA and Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG); as a part of BRAC actions the Center will be consolidated at APG.

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AFCEA Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association. A non-profit membership association serving the military, government, industry, and academia as a forum for advancing professional knowledge and relationships in the fields of communications, IT, intelligence, and global security.

AMC Army Materiel Command. Located in Alexandria, Virginia, HQ AMC is the higher HQ for several APG organizations and is to relocate to Redstone Arsenal, Alabama.

AMSAA Army Materiel Systems Analysis Activity. Located at APG. Its higher HQ is the US Army Research, Development and Engineering Command (RDECOM).

APG Aberdeen Proving Ground.

ARL Army Research Laboratory. The HQ and some of its subordinate activities are located at Adelphi, Maryland; three directorates are located at APG, and the Vehicle Technology Directorate (VTD) now located at Glenn, Ohio and Langley, Virginia, will relocate to APG. ARL is a part of US Army Research, Development and Engineering Command (RDECOM).

ATC US Army Aberdeen Test Center, located at APG. Its higher HQ is the Developmental Test Command (DTC), also at APG.

ATEC US Army Test and Evaluation Command. Sometimes used to refer only to the HQ of the command, HQ ATEC, which is located in leased space in Alexandria, VA and is moving to APG.

BCC Baltimore Community College.

BCT Brigade Combat Team.

BDO Business Development Office. The APG and Ft. Meade Business Development Offices market the capabilities, facilities and technologies of each base and promote collaborations and technology transfer among federal, state, and local governments, academia and industry.

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BMC Baltimore Metropolitan Council.

BPAC Harford County's BRAC Planning and Advisory Commission.

C4ISR Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance. C4ISR is not an organization, but a unifying concept of operations for the organizations involved in this broad area of activity.

CCBC Community College of Baltimore County.

CCC Cecil Community College.

CECOM Communications-Electronics Command. A part of the CE LCMC (Life Cycle Management Command) located at Fort Monmouth and to be relocated to APG; CECOM performs what is generally known as sustainment, the acquisition, logistics, maintenance, and repair of communications and electronics equipment and software.

CE LCMC Also C-E LCMC; the Communications-Electronics Life Cycle Management Command; headed by a major general; located at Fort Monmouth and to be relocated to APG; serves as a unifying headquarters for CECOM, PEO C3T, and PEO IEW&S. Its higher HQ is Army Materiel Command (AMC).

CERDEC Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center. A part of US Army Research, Development and Engineering Command (RDECOM) and one of the organizations relocating to APG from Fort Monmouth; also considered to be a part of "Team C4ISR."

CHPPM The US Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine, located at the Edgewood Area of APG; not involved in BRAC changes.

CMA Chemical Materials Agency, located at the Edgewood Area of APG with oversight of chemical weapons destruction; not involved in BRAC changes.

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COE Can have either of two meanings: (1) acronym for US Army Corps of Engineers; (2) abbreviation for “center of excellence,” a massing of expertise and resources on an area of work at one location.

CSSC Chesapeake Science and Security Corridor. A regional BRAC partnership among member jurisdictions Baltimore City, Baltimore, Cecil and Harford Counties. CSSC strategic partners include planning and economic development agencies in York and Lancaster Counties (Pennsylvania), and New Castle and Wilmington (Delaware), plus the Baltimore Metropolitan Council, Economic Alliance of Greater Baltimore, and Greater Baltimore Committee. The Commander of Aberdeen Proving Ground serves ex officio.

CTP Consolidated Transportation Plan.

DA Department of the Army.

DAR Defense Access Road Program.

DBED Maryland Department of Business & Economic Development. The agency houses an Office of Military and Federal Affairs.

DISA Defense Information Systems Agency. The primary agency relocating some of its operations to Ft. George G. Meade as a result of BRAC actions.

DLLR Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation.

DOD United States Department of Defense; also written as DoD.

DOL United States Department of Labor.

DPW Department of Public Works.

DTC Developmental Test Command. HQ for DTC is located at the Aberdeen Area of APG and is a part of US Army Test and Evaluation Command (ATEC); headed by a general officer.

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DTRA Defense Threat Reduction Agency. The portion of DTRA HQ that deals with defense against chemical and biological weapons, currently located at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, is to relocate to APG. DTRA reports to the United States Secretary of Defense.

EAGB Economic Alliance of Greater Baltimore.

ECBC US Army Chemical Biological Research, Development and Engineering Center. Located at the Edgewood Area of APG and a part of the US Army Research, Development and Engineering Command (RDECOM); not directly involved in BRAC relocations, its missions are related to those of several incoming organizations.

EUL Enhanced Use Lease or Enhanced Use Leasing. A tool used by the US Army Corps of Engineers that allows private sector developers to lease Department of Defense land and/or facilities to the private sector or to public-private partnerships.

EZ Enterprise Zone.

FCS Future Combat System. The Army's largest and most complex development program intended to provide a new generation of vehicles (including unmanned aerial vehicles as well as ground systems), communications, and command and control systems. Elements of FCS are important activities for the Fort Monmouth organizations and the testing and evaluation (T&E) organizations at APG.

GBC Greater Baltimore Committee.

GBBR Greater Baltimore Board of Realtors.

GIG Global Information Grid, managed by the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA).

GWIB Governor's Workforce Investment Board.

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HCC Harford Community College.

HCPS Harford County Public School system.

HQ Headquarters.

ICD Used verbally, refers to the US Army Medical Research Institute for Chemical Defense, located at the Edgewood Area of APG. Not involved in BRAC actions, but its activities are related to those of personnel relocating from Walter Reed Medical Center. Sometimes called MRICD

ISR Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance.

JHU The Johns Hopkins University.

JPEO Joint Program Executive Office or Joint Program Executive Officer. A PEO whose activities provide products for more than one of the services (the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps). The JPEO for Chemical and Biological Defense (JPEO CBD) is to relocate from leased space in Alexandria, Virginia to APG.

LCMC Life Cycle Management Command. A HQ commanded by a major general, which oversees the activities of a grouping of related programs and sustainment activities and reports to Army Materiel Command (AMC). The intent of the LCMC concept is to provide “cradle to the grave” oversight for an area of Army materiel.

JTF-GNO Joint Task Force-Global Network Operations directs the operation and defense of the Global Information Grid (GIG). The Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) operates, maintains and secures the GIG.

M&S Modeling and simulation.

MDOT Maryland Department of Transportation.

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MHEC Maryland Higher Education Commission.

MILCOM A contraction of “military communications,” a large, national symposium and expo held each year for the broad C4ISR area.

MILCON Military Construction. May refer to construction projects, e.g., for buildings, but often refers to funding for those projects. MILCON funding is a distinct national budget appropriation, separate from other defense funding, that is provided via annual National Defense Authorization and Appropriation Acts.

MSDE Maryland State Department of Education.

MTA Maryland Transit Authority.

NETOPS Network operations.

NSA National Security Agency. Though not a military agency involved in BRAC, NSA is located at Ft. George G. Meade and is rapidly expanding.

OC&S US Army Ordnance Center and Schools. Colloquially known as the Ordnance School, OC&S is relocating from APG to Fort Lee, Virginia.

O&M Operations and Maintenance. Often refers to the category of funding that supports the broad range of activities in maintaining military bases and activities.

OEA Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment. Office of Secretary of Defense (OSD) field agency that assists State and local governments in developing programs in response to DOD actions. The OEA provides planning grants to communities to help them deal with BRAC gains as well as losses.

OPUS East Not an acronym, but the name of the developer of The G.A.T.E. an enhanced use leasing project at the Aberdeen Area of APG.

OSD Office of the United States Secretary of Defense

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PEO An office managing a group of related program, project, or product offices, which together represent significant levels of funding and complexity for development and procurement activities. The program executive officer is usually a brigadier general or equivalent level member of the civilian senior executive service.

PEO C3T Program Executive Office Command Control and Communications Tactical; located at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey and part of the Communications-Electronics Life Cycle Management Command (CE LCMC), to be relocated to APG.

PEO EIS PEO Enterprise Information Systems; located at Fort Belvoir and will not move to APG. It provides business information systems and information technology support to the Army and addresses such areas as procurement, manpower, and force management software. Viewed as a strategic partner and part of the C4ISR team.

PEO IEW&S PEO Intelligence, Electronic Warfare and Sensors; a part of the Communications-Electronics Life Cycle Management Command (CE LCMC), to be relocated to APG.

PM Program manager, project manager, or product manager. PM may refer either to the office or to the officer who heads it. Each of these manages the development and initial procurement of a set of related materiel programs, with the largest and most complex managed by a program manager, and the smallest by a product manager.

PM Guardian Project Manager Guardian, manager for a large program providing US military installations protection against attack with chemical and biological weapons; reports to JPEO CBD.

RDE Research, development and engineering.

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RDEC Research, development and engineering center; a generic term sometimes used in discussions of the centers, such as ECBC and CERDEC.

RDECOM US Army Research, Development and Engineering Command. The HQ is located at the Edgewood Area of APG; headed by a major general, RDECOM includes ARL, AMSSA, ECBC, CERDEC, and five other research, development and engineering commands across the United States.

RDT&E Research, development, test, and evaluation; a broad categorization of activities and funding.

SHA Maryland State Highway Administration.

SWN Susquehanna Workforce Network.

T&E Test and evaluation.

TU Towson University.

UB University of Baltimore.

UMB University of Maryland Baltimore.

UMBC University of Maryland Baltimore County.

USAMRICD US Army Medical Research Institute for Chemical Defense. See also ICD.

US DOT United States Department of Transportation.

VJC Villa Julie College.

VTD Vehicle Technology Directorate, an Army Research Laboratory (ARL) directorate that is relocating to APG from Glenn, Ohio and Langley, Virginia.

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- The two bases in Maryland gaining the most BRAC-related jobs are Fort George G. Meade (approximately 5,800 new Department of Defense jobs on base) and the Aberdeen Proving Ground (a net of about 8,000 new Department of Defense jobs on base).
- Most of the new jobs moving to Ft. Meade will be with the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA), currently based in Northern Virginia.
- Most of the new jobs moving to Aberdeen Proving Ground will be related to Command, Control, Communications and Computer (Team C4ISR), currently based in Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey.
- A conservative estimate of additional contractor-related employment projects 1.5 to 2 new private sector contractor jobs for every new government job.
- Conservative estimates total 40,000 to 60,000 direct, indirect and induced BRAC-related jobs will be created in Central Maryland over the next decade.
- While some smaller units are transferring jobs as early as summer 2007, the majority of the positions will transfer in 2009 and 2010.
- By federal law, final execution of BRAC-directed movement is required to be completed by the end of 2011.

Note that these estimates reflect jobs,
not the total number of people moving to Maryland.

Source: Maryland Department of Business & Economic Development Office of Military & Federal Affairs, 2007

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