

system but to continue NMD system development to improve NMD system capabilities. With the Proposed Action Alternative, NMD elements and element locations would be selected from the range of locations studied in the EIS. The potential NMD element deployment locations would make maximum use of existing DoD land. The following paragraphs detail potential regions and locations that the U.S. Government would consider as possible sites for each element.

Under the current Proposed Action an initial GBI missile field of 20 missiles could be located at one of the following locations: Clear Air Station (AS), Alaska; Eielson AFB, Alaska; Fort Greely, Alaska; Yukon Maneuver Area (Fort Wainwright), Alaska; Grand Forks Air Force Base (AFB), North Dakota; or Stanley R. Mickelsen Safeguard Complex (SRMSC) Missile Site Radar Site, North Dakota (the SRMSC is centered around the town of Langdon). Wherever the GBIs may be deployed, they would not be fired from their deployment site except in the Nation's defense.

A BMC2 site could be located at one of the following locations: Clear AS, Alaska; Eielson AFB, Alaska; Fort Greely, Alaska; Yukon Maneuver Area (Fort Wainwright), Alaska; Cavalier AS, North Dakota; Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota; or SRMSC Missile Site Radar Site, North Dakota. Also, additional BMC2 facilities would be retrofitted into the existing United States Space Command communication and control facilities at Colorado Springs and other DoD command centers in the United States.

Approximately 14 IFICS could be located at geographically separated locations in the general vicinity of other NMD elements and in the New England states. Identification of potential locations for IFICS is still in progress and will be based on operational requirements. When possible, the IFICS would be located on or near existing DOD installations. Locations tentatively identified to date include: Clear AS, Alaska; Eareckson AS (Shemya Island), Alaska; Eielson AFB, Alaska; Fort Greely, Alaska; Yukon Maneuver Area (Fort Wainwright), Alaska; Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota; Minot AFB, North Dakota, Missile Alert Facility ECHO (near the town of Hampden), North Dakota; SRMSC Missile Site Radar Site, North Dakota; and the Western Aleutians. Studies for potential locations for IFICS sites are still in their early stages. As the studies progress the North Dakota and Alaska locations listed above may be refined and potential locations identified in the New

England states. This updated information will be announced in the **Federal Register** and additional scoping will be conducted to obtain public input regarding the potential environmental effects of deploying an IFICS at those locations.

One XBR would be deployed and the following locations are under consideration: Eareckson AS (Shemya Island), Alaska; Cavalier AS, North Dakota; SRMSC Missile Site Radar Site, North Dakota; SRMSC Remote Sprint Launch Site 1, North Dakota; SRMSC Remote Sprint Launch Site 2, North Dakota; and SRMSC Remote Sprint Launch Site 4, North Dakota.

Any deployment may require elements of the system to utilize existing fiber-optic lines, power lines, and other utilities. Some existing lines used to support the deployed system may require modifications. Deployment of elements to some locations may require the acquisition of new rights-of-way and installation of new utility and fiber optic cable. Potential new fiber optic cable locations include North Dakota and Alaska and an oceanic fiber optic cable along the Aleutian Islands from Seward or Whittier, Alaska, to Eareckson AS (Shemya Island), Alaska.

Scoping Process

This EIS will assess environmental issues associated with deployment alternatives. Scoping will be conducted to identify environmental concerns and issues to be addressed in the EIS. Public scoping meetings will be held as part of the process. The schedule for the scoping meetings is as follows: (1) 1 December from 5–8 p.m. at the Cavalier County Courthouse Meeting Room, 901 3rd Street, Langdon, North Dakota; (2) 2 December from 5–8 p.m. at the Grand Forks Civic Auditorium, 615 1st Avenue, North, Grand Forks, North Dakota; (3) 7 December from 5–8 p.m. at the Carlson Community Activity Center, 2010 2nd Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska; (4) 8 December from 5–8 p.m. at Anderson School, Main Street, Anderson, Alaska; (5) 9 December from 5–8 p.m. at the Delta Junction Community Center, 2288 Deborah Street, Delta Junction, Alaska; (6) 10 December from 5–8 p.m. at Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street, Anchorage, Alaska; and (7) 16 December from 3–8 p.m. at the Days Inn, 2000 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia.

Public input and comments are solicited concerning the deployment alternatives and environmental issues related to the proposed NMD deployment program. To ensure the program office will have sufficient time to fully consider public input on issues,

written comments should be mailed to ensure receipt no later than January 15, 1999.

Comments concerning the EIS should be addressed to: SMDC-EN-V (Julia Hudson), U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, 106 Wynn Drive, Huntsville, AL 35805, telephone (256) 955-4822.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Board of Visitors Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense Acquisition University.

ACTION: Board of Visitors Meeting.

SUMMARY: The next meeting of the Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Board of Visitors (BoV) will be held at the Packard Conference Center, Building 184, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia on Tuesday, December 1, 1998 from 0900 until 1600. The purpose of this meeting is to report back to the BoV on continuing items of interest. The agenda will also include further discussion and an update on efforts directed toward consolidation of the DAU structure into a unified educational institute.

The meeting is open to the public, however, because of space limitations, allocation of seating will be made on a first-come, first served basis. Persons desiring to attend the meeting should call Mr. John Michel at 703-845-6756.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Intelligence Agency, Science and Technology Advisory Board Closed Panel Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Intelligence Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection (d) of Section 10 of Public Law 92-463, as amended by Section 5 of Public Law 94-409, notice is hereby