approximately $7.6 million for 109 admission requiring 6,765 bed days. The average length of stay was 62 days with an average per diem of $1,125 in FY 1992. Based on increases in the Consumer Price Index (Urban) for medical care, the average per diem for 1996 under CHAMPUS is estimated to be $1,320. This contrasts with a current estimated average cost of about $600 per day in participating VAMCs.

C. Caseload, Costs

The design of the rehabilitation protocol is limited to patients between the ages of 17–55 years. CHAMPUS population projections for fiscal year (FY) 1996 included approximately 2.1 million beneficiaries between 17 and 55 years of age.

This Demonstration Project is conservatively projected to provide inpatient rehabilitation services for approximately 100 TRICARE/CHAMPUS patients with TBI each year.

The Demonstration Project involves the costs for the inpatient bed days required for the initial evaluation, rehabilitation and subsequent re-evaluations at the participating DVA facilities. The beneficiary cost-shares applicable under TRICARE/CHAMPUS shall apply under the Demonstration Project.

On average, each TRICARE/CHAMPUS beneficiary participating in the clinical trials would require about three bed days for evaluation for the protocol, sixty bed days for the rehabilitation services, and five bed days each for the post-discharge evaluation and three follow-on re-evaluations. Over the entire Demonstration Project each participant would require about eighty-three bed days.

The current annual CHAMPUS costs for 100 admissions in rehabilitation hospitals and skilled nursing facilities for the beneficiaries with TBI are estimated to be $8.18 million. This contrasts with the estimated cost of $4.38 million for 100 admissions during the first year of the demonstration. This represents a projected cost avoidance of approximately $3.8 million to DoD during the first year of the demonstration while providing access to rehabilitation services for the beneficiaries.

D. Operation of the Demonstration

The Demonstration is projected to last for three years. The Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) will designate a Project Officer in the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (DASD) for Clinical Services. The DASD (Clinical Services) provides oversight for the DVHIP operations.

Office of CHAMPUS will provide for demonstration claim processing via specific contractual arrangement with a claims processor. The contractor would not be involved in clinical issues but will direct patients to the nearest participating DVA facility for evaluation.

Dated: July 21, 1997.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Privacy and Security on Publicly Accessible DoD Internet Services

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a voluntary notice by the Department of Defense to inform those who use publicly accessible defense information on the Internet what measures are being taken to gather information about visits and to protect the integrity of Department of Defense Internet systems. Effective immediately, the DoD changing its notice to users to notify them of what we are doing and why.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Richard Silva, OASD(PA), Room 2E791, 1400 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–1400 or on-line via the DefenseLINK message form at http://www.dtic.mil/defenselink/faq/comment.html.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In its ongoing efforts to provide open, honest and accurate information to the public, the Department is hereby notifying those who use publicly accessible defense information on the Internet what measures are being taken to gather information about visits and to protect the integrity of Department of Defense Internet systems and why it is necessary to do so.

First, most World Wide Web services record information about web site visits for site management purposes. DoD uses industry-standard software to gather basic data about web site visits. This data is used for site management purposes, such as assessing what information is of most and least interest to users, determining technical design specifications, and identifying system performance or problem areas.

Second, computer vandalism has become an ever increasing problem over the past few years. These attacks can lead to the alteration of information that is used and trusted by millions of people. It is becoming more and more important for the Department to take a more proactive role in protecting its computer systems from these attacks. Therefore, to insure that the DoD public web services remain available to all users and to protect them from fraudulent, unlawful or abusive use, the Department is employing industry-standard methods to monitor network traffic to identify unauthorized attempts to upload or change information, or otherwise cause damage.

No other attempts are made to identify individual users or their usage habits. Raw data logs are used for no other purposes and are scheduled for regular destruction in accordance with National Archives and Records Administration General Schedule 20.

Third, the Department is publishing the attached ''privacy and security notice'' on its publicly accessible Internet systems to inform users what we are doing and why.

DefenseLINK (http://www.dtic.mil/defenselink/) is the official World-Wide Web Information Service from the Department of Defense and is the starting point for locating U.S. defense information around the world. The purpose of DefenseLINK is to provide the public with a single, unified starting point for information about the Department of Defense, its organization and its functions. DefenseLINK provides direct access to the Information Services established by each military service. These Defense World Wide Web services contain many Defense publications, answers to frequently asked questions about the department, news releases and photographs. Information within these public access services may be distributed or copied. Use of appropriate byline/photo/image credits is requested.

Below is the new privacy and security notice being implemented on all DoD publicly accessible Internet systems.

Link from Index.html pages—''*Please read this privacy and security notice.*''

( )—indicates sections to be tailored at the installation level.

[ ]—indicates hyperlinks.

*—indicates information located at the hyperlink destination indicated.

Privacy and Security Notice

1. (DefenseLINK) is provided as a public service by the ([Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense-Public

Affairs] and the [Defense Technical Information Center]).

2. Information presented on (DefenseLINK) is considered public information and may be distributed or copied. Use of appropriate byline/photo/image credits is requested.

3. For site management, [information is collected] * for statistical purposes. This government computer system uses industry-standard software to create summary statistics, which are used for such things as assessing what information is of most and least interest, determining technical design specifications, and identifying system performance or problem areas.

4. For site security purposes and to ensure that this service remains available to all users, this government computer system employs industry-standard methods to monitor network traffic to identify unauthorized attempts to upload or change information, or otherwise cause damage.

5. No other attempts are made to identify individual users or their usage habits. Raw data logs are used for no other purposes and are scheduled for regular destruction in accordance with [National Archives and Records Administration General schedule 20].

6. Unauthorized attempts to upload information or change information on this service are strictly prohibited and may be punishable under the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act of 1986 and the National Information Infrastructure Protection Act.

7. If you have any questions or comments about the information presented here, please forward them to (us using the DefenseLINK [Comment Form]).

Example: Information Collected From DefenseLINK for Statistical Purposes

Below is an example of the information collected based on a standard request for a World Wide Web document:

pm2e–1–678.afbdsop.com—[28/Jan/1997:00:00:01–0500]

''GET/defenselink/news/nr012797.html HTTP/1.0'' 200 16704

Mozilla 3.0

pm2e–1–678.afbdsop.com—this is the domain and IP address of the requester (you as the visitor). In this case, (....com) the requester is coming from a commercial address instead of a military or educational institution address.

[28/Jan/1997:00:00:01–0500]—this is the date and time of the request

''GET/defenselink/news/nr012797.html HTTP/1.0''—this is the location of the requested file on DefenseLINK

200—this is the status code—200 is OK—the request was filled

16704—this is the size of the requested file in bytes

Mozilla 3.0—this identifies the type of browser software used to access the page, which indicates what design parameters to use in constructing the pages.

Requests for other types of documents use similar information. No other user-identifying information is collected.

Dated: July 22, 1997.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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* Link from above—''information is collected''

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

National Defense Panel Meeting

AGENCY: DoD, National Defense Panel.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and summary agenda for the meeting of the National Defense Panel on August 7, 1997. In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II, (1982)), it has been determined that this National Defense Panel meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1)(1982), and that accordingly this meeting will be closed to the public from 0830–1700, August 7, 1997 in order for the Panel to discuss classified material.

DATES: August 7, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Suite 532, 1931 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Defense Panel was established on January 14, 1997 in accordance with the Military Force Structure Review Act of 1996, Public Law 104–201. The mission of the National Defense Panel is to provide the Secretary of Defense and Congress with an independent, non-partisan assessment of the Secretary's Quadrennial Defense Review and an Alternative Force Structure Analysis. This analysis will explore innovative ways to meet the national security challenges of the twenty-first century.

Proposed Schedule and Agenda

The National Defense Panel will meet in closed session from 0830–1700 on August 7, 1997. During the closed session on August 7 the Panel will be meeting at the Crystal Mall 3 office to receive briefings on developing alternative military strategies for achieving American national security objectives in the year 2020—Strategy Option Development Task Plan, and determining existing and future potential solutions to capability requirements and assess those candidate solutions relative to feasibility/performance, cost, risk and other appropriate measures of merit-Capabilities Assessment Work Plan.

The determination to close the meeting is based on the consideration that it is expected that discussion will involve classified matters of national security concern throughout.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Please contact the National Defense Panel at (703) 602–4176/6.

Dated: July 22, 1997.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Record of Decision for the Disposal and Reuse of Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base (ANGB), Ohio

On May 15, 1997, the Air Force issued the Revised Supplemental Record of Decision (RSROD) for the Disposal and Reuse of Rickenbacker (ANGB). The decisions included in this RSROD have been made in consideration of, but not limited to, the information contained in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Disposal and Reuse of Rickenbacker ANGB, which was filed with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) and made available to the public on February 17, 1995.

Rickenbacker ANGB realigned on September 30, 1994, pursuant to the Defense Authorization Amendments and Base Closure and Realignment Act (DBCRA), of 1990 (10 United States Code 2687) and recommendations of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission. Rickenbacker ANGB was recommended for closure by the 1991 Commission, but as a result of a proposal by the State of Ohio, the 1993 Commission recommended that Rickenbacker ANGB be realigned rather than closed, so that Ohio Air National Guard units could continue to operate in a cantonment area within the base.