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**ECONOMIC ALLIANCE OF GREATER BALTIMORE PRESENTS
BRAC BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES SUMMIT**

***Event to Highlight BRAC-related Business Opportunities and How APG Growth will Impact
Greater Baltimore Business Community***

BALTIMORE, MD (5/5/08) – Business opportunities stemming from BRAC will be the topic of discussion at the upcoming BRAC summit, presented by the Economic Alliance of Greater Baltimore. The event will feature a keynote address by Hon. C.A. “Dutch” Ruppertsberger, U.S. House of Representatives, titled “TEAM Maryland” and will focus on the importance of regionalism, partnerships among public/private sectors, and support of the federal government. Lt. Governor Anthony Brown is also expected to present an update on the State of Maryland’s readiness to support BRAC growth and the businesses to come.

The event will take place on Monday, May 5, 2008 at the Water’s Edge Corporate Campus in Belcamp, Maryland, in Harford County. A continental breakfast will begin at 8 a.m., with the program running from 8:30-11:00 a.m.

“This is part of the Alliance’s ongoing effort to bring BRAC stakeholders together and help foster discussion that will fuel Greater Baltimore’s continued economic success,” said Tom Sadowski, Executive Vice President of the Alliance. “Our thanks to all of our corporate sponsors for making this event possible.”

In addition to Ruppertsberger’s address, there will be presentations by Col. Jeffrey Weissman, APG Garrison Commander, and Sadowski on the current status of BRAC and its impact on APG and the Greater Baltimore region. Sadowski and Charles Schelberg, a principal with Miles & Stockbridge P.C. who leads the law firm’s BRAC team, will moderate the event.

The next segment of the program will be a “Meet the Contractors” session, featuring a panel of executives from defense firms, including Nicole Funk, Principal with Booz Allen Hamilton, James Daly, Program Director with EG&G- URS Corporation, Jim Foulk, President of SURVICE Engineering, Luwanda Jenkins, Special Secretary with the Governor’s Office of Minority Affairs, and Richard Alter, President and CEO of Manekin Corporation. This session will cover the various contracting and subcontracting opportunities available, offer ideas for teaming up with prime contractors, address specific real estate needs of government contractors, and review how the Governor’s office is helping small and medium-sized firms secure federal contract and subcontracting work in the BRAC process.

The program will be wrapped up with a presentation by Lt. Governor Anthony Brown, the head of the Governor’s BRAC sub-committee. Lt. Gov. Brown will discuss what the State is doing to enhance infrastructure and services to welcome new residents and employees.

“BRAC presents our region with unparalleled opportunities for economic growth, continued development of our knowledge-based work force, and even greater opportunities to work more intensively in industries focused on advanced technology and information systems,” said Schelberg. “My colleagues and I are pleased to help further the discussion with symposiums such as this one planned with the Economic Alliance of Greater Baltimore.

Sponsors for the BRAC summit are Ellin & Tucker Chartered, Miles & Stockbridge P.C. M&T Bank, and Manekin.

For more information please go to www.greaterbaltimore.org.

About the Economic Alliance of Greater Baltimore

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