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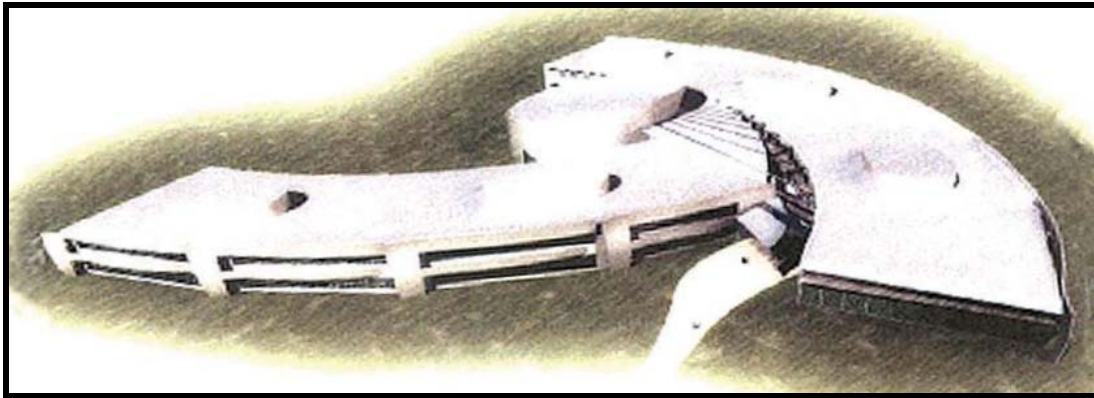
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## New National Security Agency facility adds 1,000 new jobs at Fort Gordon



Ground was broken in late March on the new 500,000 square foot, National Security Agency/Central Security Service facility at Fort Gordon. The NSAG facility will be the largest building complex constructed in Fort Gordon's history. Construction is expected to be completed by 2010 and will have a \$286,000,000 investment, according to the Fort Gordon PAO.

According to Colonel Stephen G. Fogarty, NSAG Commander, the new facility will enable the National Security Agency to strengthen the intelligence support to the nation's policy makers and military leaders. About 1,000 employees will be added to the force of 2,500 joint service, contractors and Department of Defense civilians already assigned to the NSAG center.

The new facility isn't the only structure of importance that will be going up on the post. The construction of a new Battle Command Battle Lab will reach out to industrial and public sectors to coordinate technology with the military.

### Fort Gordon Facts:

Source: Fort Gordon Public Affairs Office

*More than 25,000 people are on post on any given workday at Fort Gordon.*

*Fort Gordon is considered the ninth-largest town in the ninth most populous state.*

*An estimated 70,000 people are affected by Fort Gordon through work or through the post's services.*

*Fort Gordon's Signal Center is the largest military communications and information technology center in the United States.*

## Masters

It was another excellent year for our marketing efforts during the 2007 Masters earlier this month. The Development Authority of Richmond County brought in 22 site selection consultants to visit Augusta as guests of the Development Authority during the week. The Development Authority staff and several board members participated in the Augusta Showcase again this year, in conjunction with the Georgia Chamber of Commerce Red Carpet Tour. Consultants from Florida, North Carolina, Georgia, Texas and Illinois, representing six different consulting firms, accepted our invitation to attend at least one day at The Masters.

## BIO 2007 to be held in Boston

One of the largest gatherings in the biotechnology world will be held in Boston in early May, affording the Development Authority of Richmond County to continue recruiting efforts.

The BIO 2007 Annual Meeting will feature more than 22,000 participants. As part of our four-part Targeted Business Recruitment Plan, the Development Authority will focus on up-and-coming companies interested in research, product development and production. This year's event will be the fifth straight year of attending BIO by the Development Authority of Richmond County, the Georgia Medical Center Authority, the Development Authority of Columbia County, and the Office of Technology Transfer & Economic Development at the Medical College of Georgia.

## We're Moving!

The Development Authority of Richmond County offices will be moving next week to much larger quarters in the Historic Enterprise Mill in Augusta. Our new offices will be in Suite 560, and will feature three offices, a receptionist area, a lobby and a meeting room. Updated information concerning new telephone numbers, addresses and so forth will be forwarded via email to all Development Authority of Richmond County contacts in early May.

## DARC Board Changes Meeting Date

At their April meeting, the Board of Directors of the Development Authority of Richmond County voted unanimously to change the official meeting date, time and place of the Authority to the third Wednesday of every month, at 10:00am, at the Conference Room of the Historic Enterprise Mill. This was done in conjunction with the DARC's move to newer quarters. The third Thursday of every month...which was the previous meeting date...was not available at Enterprise Mill's conference room, prompting the change.