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Camp Able Sentry to go to “warm” status

HEIDELBERG, GE – The commanding general, U.S. Army Europe has determined that Camp Able Sentry, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, will transition to a warm base status by early January 2003.

A warm base is a military facility that is minimally maintained and is not operating at its full capacity, but is available should increased operations be necessary.

The base will transition to a warm status as a direct result of the continued success of the Kosovo mission and efforts to maintain efficient operations in the Balkans. In the last year, CAS’s use as a logistical base has decreased as the operating environment in Kosovo has stabilized and the more direct logistical hubs there have matured and become primary.

CAS will become a warm base when no U.S. soldiers or Department of Defense civilians are assigned or living there and all soldier support services are discontinued. This will be achieved in a phased operation beginning in December 2002 and ending in January 2003.

The facilities at CAS will be maintained and secured by defense contractors.

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