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The Honorable Duncan Hunter
Chairman, Committee on Armed Services
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6035

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1. Component DEF (TMA)		FY 2003 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT DATA			2. Date FEB 2004	
3. Installation and Location/UIC: NSA Bahrain Bahrain				4. Project Title Branch Dental Clinic Addition		
5. Program Element 87717D		6. Category Code 540 10	7. Project Number 60470	8. Project Cost (\$000) 1,369		
9. COST ESTIMATES						
Item		U/M	Quantity	Unit Cost	Cost (\$000)	
PRIMARY FACILITIES					1,143	
Dental Clinic		SF	4,295	245.17	(1,053)	
Antiterrorism/Force Protection		LS	--	--	(41)	
Special Construction - Piles		LS	--	--	(49)	
SUPPORTING FACILITIES					81	
Water, Sewer, Gas		LS	--	--	(29)	
Paving, Walks, Curbs And Gutters		LS	--	--	(33)	
Site Imp(13) Demo()		LS	--	--	(14)	
Other (O&M Manuals)		LS	--	--	(5)	
ESTIMATED CONTRACT COST					1,224	
CONTINGENCY PERCENT (5.00 %)					61	
SUBTOTAL					1,285	
SUPERVISION, INSPECTION & OVERHEAD (6.5 %)					84	
CATEGORY E EQUIPMENT					0	
TOTAL REQUEST					1,369	
TOTAL REQUEST (NOT ROUNDED)					1,369	
INSTALLED EQT-OTHER APPROPRIATIONS					(0)	
10. Description of Proposed Construction: Construct single-story addition to the current Dental Clinic consisting of pile foundations, concrete slabs and walls, movement resisting concrete structure, and built-up precast roof to deliver adequate spaces for seven dental treatment rooms, one dental consult room, and clinic administrative and support spaces. Supporting facilities will expand existing dental air and vacuum systems and extend existing utilities. Project design will comply with UFC 4-510-01 (MIL-HDBK 1191) and DoD Antiterrorism/Force Protection Standards. Facility will comply with Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards/Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility guidelines. Operations and maintenance manuals (OMSI) will be provided. Air conditioning: 12 tons.						
11. REQ: 7,539 SF ADQT: 3,244 SF SUBSTD: NONE						
PROJECT: Project will construct an adequately sized and configured dental facility addition to existing spaces to support required outpatient dental services for 4,350 military personnel assigned to Naval Support Activity Bahrain. The addition delivers adequate space as defined by current DoD space planning allowances for dental treatment and staff support spaces.						
REQUIREMENT: Current dental treatment space available at Bldg 265 is inadequate to permit efficient delivery of the available appointment capacity generated by the staff of five dentists, two oral hygienists, and the supporting dental technicians. Documented space deficiencies create an environment of care where each provider can only serve one patient at a time. This project will permit NSA Bahrain dental providers capacity to serve two patients at a time via implementation of modern and highly efficient dental workflow management. Further, the project will eliminate the serious lack of appropriate office and dental storage space which hamper daily operations and decrease efficiencies on account of the significantly space constrained work areas.						
CURRENT SITUATION: The current lack of an adequate number of properly sized and configured dental treatment spaces effectively prevents						

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CURRENT SITUATION (Continued):				
<p>two of the five available dentists from delivering services at the BDC Bahrain facility on a regular basis. This situation reflects a total availability of only five dental treatment rooms for the full staff complement of five dentists and two oral hygienists. In addition, the inadequate office and supply space requires the use of hallway and patient/staff circulation spaces to accommodate basic administrative and logistical functions which not only constricts movement but greatly hampers efficient operation of the overall clinic. The negative impact is expressed by a reduction in the number of available patient appointments. The more general effect is the overall inefficiency of dental care delivery of a clinic hampered by seriously overcrowded dental work and clinic circulation spaces. The current clinic facility is incapable of addressing required workload.</p>				
IMPACT IF NOT PROVIDED:				
<p>Patients requiring dental treatment will continue to face unnecessary delays in access to required dental care which negatively impacts total force readiness at this important forward operating location. Working conditions will remain incapable of delivering a modern environment of care or operate using efficient dental workflow methods. The ability of dental staff to achieve a high level of dental readiness is simply not possible without an adequately sized and configured facility to work from. Current DoD dental space criteria help expose the full extent of glaring space deficiencies present in the Bldg 265 Branch Dental Clinic facilities.</p>				
ADDITIONAL :				
<p>No alternative spaces or buildings of opportunity at NSA Bahrain are available or capable of supporting dental clinic operations.</p>				
JOINT USE CERTIFICATION:				
<p>The Director, Defense Medical Facilities Office certifies that this project has been considered for joint use potential. Joint use construction is recommended.</p>				
Estimated Construction Start:		JUL 2004		
Estimated Midpoint of Construction		DEC 2004		
Estimated Construction Completion:		JUL 2005		
<p>Director, Defense Medical Facilities Office: Mr. Surinder K. Sharma, P.E. Phone Number: 703-681-4324</p>				