

U.S. scales back troops at European bases

The Pentagon has unveiled sweeping plans to consolidate its forces in Europe, taking thousands of U.S. military and civilian personnel out of bases in an effort that will save about \$500 million each year

★ U.S. facilities due for closure

★ U.S. facilities due for partial closure

RAF Mildenhall: Major U.S. Air Force base will see gradual withdrawal of 3,200 troops and their families. Reductions partially offset by additional 1,200 personnel and F-35 fighter jets at nearby **RAF Lakenheath** from 2020



Lajes Field: Around 500 troops and civilians to be withdrawn from Portugal's Azores – island base used as refuelling and rest stop for long-haul flights

*Four commissaries at Kelley Barracks, Patch Barracks, Panzer Barracks and Robinson Barracks

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