

**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE  
HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND  
VETERANS' AFFAIRS**

January 16, 2002  
8:10 a.m.

**COMMITTEE CALENDAR**

OVERVIEW: MAJOR GENERAL PHILLIP OATES, ADJUTANT GENERAL -  
TERRORISM DISASTER POLICY CABINET; EXECUTIVE SUMMARY & FINANCIAL  
INFORMATION

**TAPES**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

REPRESENTATIVE MIKE CHENAULT, Chair, called the House Special  
Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs meeting to order at  
8:10 a.m.

**PRESENT**

Committee members present were Representatives Chenault, Masek,  
Murkowski, Cissna, and Hayes. Other legislators present were  
Representatives Dyson and Lancaster, and Senator Phillips.

**SUMMARY OF INFORMATION**

MAJOR GENERAL PHILLIP OATES, Adjutant General/Commissioner,  
Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, answered  
legislators' questions specific to each department's  
subcommittee reports and stated specific recommendations.

JIM DUNCAN, Commissioner, Department Of Administration,  
discussed recommendations of the Telecommunications Subcommittee  
on the Governor's Terrorism Disaster Policy Cabinet Report.

GARY L. HAYDEN, Director, Construction, M&O, Southeast Region,  
Department of Transportation & Public Facilities, answered  
questions specific to whether or not the Department had  
considered shutting down public access to the Dalton Highway.

DEL SMITH, Deputy Commissioner, Department Of Public Safety, addressed statewide communication capabilities during times of disaster or terrorist threats. He discussed having a statewide test project. Commissioner Smith brought up protection of the Alaska pipeline and having a security checkpoint along the Dalton Highway, which is now being manned by the Alaska State Troopers and the Alaska Defense Force.

COLONEL RANDY CRAWFORD, Director, Division of Alaska State Troopers, Department of Public Safety, answered legislators' questions regarding top priorities, the listed military bases, and the Port of Anchorage. He expressed a need to work closely with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

PAT POURCHOT, Commissioner, Department Of Natural Resources, examined the possibility of a threat to Anchorage's water supply at Eklutna Lake and explained that the department was beefing up its protection.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

The committee took no action.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

CHAIR CHENAULT adjourned the House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs meeting at 9:45 a.m.

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