
Marine Corps Recruit Depot
Public Affairs Office
1600 Henderson Ave. Suite 120
San Diego, CA 92140



ADVISORY 12-08

DATE: April 18, 2012
Contact: MCRD Public Engagement Office
Email: rdsd_pao@usmc.mil
Phone: (619) 524-8724
Mobile Phone: (619) 778-0734

MARINE CORPS TO PRESENT GUIDANCE ON DRAWDOWN PLAN

WHAT: An active duty force drawdown brief will be held to provide an overview of the Marine Corps' drawdown plan and yearly end-strength reduction goals.

WHY: The purpose of the brief is to provide guidance and information regarding the Marine Corps' drawdown plan and to discuss the voluntary and involuntary force shaping tools that will be used to achieve reductions. **The event will also orient leaders, enlisted, officer and selected civilians on the challenges and opportunities available to the Marines as they make career decisions during the drawdown.**

WHEN: Monday, April 23, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

WHERE: McDougal Hall, MCRD San Diego

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On January 26, 2012, the Secretary of Defense announced that the Marine Corps will reduce its force from 202,100 to 182,100 Marines over the next four years. The Commandant of the Marine Corps has approved a multi-year plan to drawdown the Corps by 5,000 members per year beginning in fiscal year 2013.

MEDIA INSTRUCTIONS: Media interested in covering the event must RSVP with the Public Affairs Office no later than noon on April 20, for coordination purposes.

Media attending the event should meet at Gate 2 at the intersection of Barnett Avenue and Henderson Avenue at 11:45 a.m.