

APPENDIX A-7
RELOCATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT

I. SITUATION AND ASSUMPTIONS

A. Frankfort is subject to a variety of hazards, including:

1. Severe weather,
2. Chemical spills,
3. Transportation accidents, and
4. Other technological hazards.

B. Frankfort is considered a possible target for a nuclear attack.

C. In order for State Government to continue operations during or following a disaster affecting Frankfort, alternative locations for State Government functions must be identified.

D. Documents needed for State Government to survive are duplicated and stored at the Kentucky Library on the campus of Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Ky and at the High Bridge Quarry near Wilmore, Ky.

E. There will not be a complete relocation of state personnel and equipment from Frankfort. There will be some relocation of personnel and equipment necessary to sustain essential governmental services.

F. State Government employees and equipment located in the alternate state capitals will be utilized first.

II. MISSION

To ensure State Government continues to operate even if the city of Frankfort is seriously damaged or the President orders the resident population evacuated due to national security considerations.

III. DIRECTION AND CONTROL

A. The Governor remains in charge.

B. Frankfort remains the primary point of governmental authority.

1. Bowling Green is the primary alternate state capital.
 - a. Units of State Government will use their existing offices in Bowling Green.

If an agency has no office in Bowling Green, one or more of Western Kentucky University's buildings will be utilized. A decision on which buildings to use will be made at the time of need.

- b. Any personnel relocated into Bowling Green will be lodged in local motels unless classes at Western Kentucky University have been suspended due to a national emergency.
2. Secondary alternates for use as the site of state government are:
 - a. Western Kentucky - Murray State University
 - b. Central Kentucky - Eastern Kentucky University or, in the event of evacuation of high risk areas due to the possibility of war, Somerset Community College
 - c. Eastern Kentucky - Morehead State University
 3. These sites were selected because of their location on or near major highways, space for housing and office use, available communications, support equipment and support facilities.
- C. The judicial system would be operational if Frankfort were evacuated because there are no restrictions placed on where a court of justice can be held.
1. With the exception of district court judges; any judge, including those who have retired, can be assigned to any court by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.
 2. Judgeships that are vacant will be filled by the Governor, who will choose from a list of three names prepared by a judicial nominating committee.
 3. District court clerks have statewide jurisdiction and can be assigned anywhere in the state.
- D. The legislature can meet in special sessions at any location announced by the Governor. Legislative committees can meet pending the call for the special session. Special elections will be needed to fill vacant legislative seats.
- E. If the city of Frankfort is ordered relocated by the President due to a possible attack (see Annex Y), state government will not relocate as a whole. Alternate state governments will be provided at one or more of the relocation sites to continue to perform essential State Government services if the government in Frankfort is unable to operate due to an enemy attack.
1. State Government personnel in the designated state alternate government sites will perform the roles normally provided by Frankfort offices, if Frankfort

is destroyed.

2. Personnel from Frankfort offices may be assigned to an alternate state government site by their Cabinet Secretaries to support possible activation of one of these alternate sites as well as the State Capital.
 3. Equipment may also be relocated from Frankfort to one of the alternate state capitols. Any equipment that is relocated must be compatible with equipment already in use at the alternate State Capital.
- F. When the relocation order is lifted the alternate state capitols will be downgraded, unless Frankfort is unable to sustain State Government.
- G. If Frankfort is destroyed or damaged to the point of being unable to support state government, the legislature will decide on a new location to be state capital.
- H. The Kentucky Emergency Operations Center is located at the EOC Building, Boone National Guard Center, Frankfort.
1. If the EOC Building is damaged by an event confined to that facility then Building 112 (the Armory) also at Boone National Guard Center will serve as a temporary EOC or at the Phone Bank Room at the University of Kentucky (See Appendix A-8).
 2. If the EOC Building and its surrounding environment are rendered uninhabitable, a temporary state EOC will be located in the city designated as the alternate state capitol.

IV. CONCEPT OF OPERATION

A. Succession

1. During periods of high international tension, one person in the line of succession to the Governor will remain outside the designated high risk areas.
2. The lines of succession for elected officials are outlined in the state Constitution.

B. Each cabinet will need to appoint an alternate Secretary to act in his/her place at the alternate capitol.

1. The alternate cabinet secretary will be the highest ranking official of that cabinet's office in the city designated as the alternate state capital unless the Secretary of the Cabinet designates otherwise.
2. The Cabinet Secretary should also designate a person at the alternate State Capital to fulfill the functions of a standby to the alternate cabinet secretary if

that person is unable to function in that role.

C. Communications

1. The Kentucky Emergency Warning System will function as Kentucky's primary statewide communications network.
2. Internal communications for the state will be:
 - a. Telephone
 - b. RACES
3. External communications for the state will be:
 - a. Kentucky Educational Television (KET)
 - b. Emergency Broadcast System (EBS)
 - c. University National Public Radio System (NPR)
4. All designated alternate points of operations for the state government are located at or within line of sight of a KEWS, KET, or NPR transmitting tower.
5. A mobile communications center, if needed by state government, can be requisitioned from among the local governments operating such equipment.

VI. GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- A. Kentucky State Constitution
- B. Recovery from Nuclear Attack, FEMA 160
- C. Kentucky Government, Legislative Research Commission
- D. A Citizens' Guide to the Kentucky Constitution, Legislative Research Commission

VII. CONTACT POINTS

- A. Western Kentucky University
Director of Security 502-745-2549
- B. Eastern Kentucky University
Contact to be determined
- C. Morehead State University
Manager of Public Safety 606-783-2035

D. Murray State University
Contact to be determined

E. Somerset Community College
President 606-679-8501