



# News Release

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### **DARPA ANNOUNCES MOVE PLAN**

*Ground-breaking on new building in Ballston scheduled for early 2010*

The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) will relocate all operations to a new leased site in Arlington, Va., in summer 2012. The facility will be located in Arlington's "Science Corridor," near the Ballston Metro and buildings occupied by the National Science Foundation and the Office of Naval Research. Ground-breaking on the new building is scheduled for early 2010.

The U. S. General Services Administration, in conjunction with the Department of Defense Washington Headquarters Services, has signed a lease with Ashton Park Associates, LLC managed by The Shooshan Co., Arlington, Va., for 352,750 square feet of space in a building to be constructed at 675 North Randolph Street in Arlington. The new building is one of four to be constructed on the site, which is on the east side of the Ballston Common Mall, approximately one-half mile from DARPA's current location. The building will occupy a one-acre lot with 13 stories above ground and a parking garage below. The increased square footage in the new building will allow DARPA to move full-time support contractors on-site and accommodate future growth in the Agency. The new building will include a conference center, eatery, and expanded visitors lobby, and will be constructed in accordance with Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) principles for sustainable development.

In 1991, DARPA moved from a Rosslyn office building to its current leased space at 3701 North Fairfax Drive in the Virginia Square area of Arlington. The 2012 move to a new facility is required in order to meet Department of Defense (DoD) antiterrorism force protection standards.

DARPA is the central research and development organization for the Department of Defense. The Agency manages and directs research and development projects for DoD and pursues research and technology where the risk and payoff are both very high and where success may provide dramatic advances in support of military missions.

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- As the project proceeds, updates will be posted on the DARPA website, <http://www.darpa.mil>.
- The related GSA press announcement is available at <http://www.gsa.gov>.
- For additional information on the new building's developer, architect and other team members, see [http://www.shooshancompany.com/commercial/Founders\\_Square.aspx#](http://www.shooshancompany.com/commercial/Founders_Square.aspx#).

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