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4th Brigade May Be Merged With 29th

HONOLULU (AP) -Army and Defense Department officials are reviewing the status of the 6th Infantry Division, parent unit of the 4th Brigade at Schofield Barracks.

The Army Times, a service publication, reported in its May 22 edition that Pentagon economists want to disband the 6th, which was forming at Ft. Campbell, Ky.

This has led to speculation that the men and equipment of the 4th Brigade would be transferred to Hawaii's 29th Infantry Brigade, which reported for active duty at Schofield May 13.

The 4th has about 1,000 men, and the 29th is about 1000 men short.

Army officials here have declined to discuss possible merger of the two brigades. The Army issued a statement Monday saying that only the status of the 6th Division is under review.

The 4th Brigade began forming at Schofied earlier this year and had its color presentation ceremony April 25. The color ceremony for the division, scheduled for May 11, was postponed.

The 4th is now under operational control of the U.S. Army, Pacific.

The Times said, "Deactivation of the 6th Division could have political repercussions. It would raise the question of the necessity of calling up troop brigades of civilian soldiers, the 29th and one in Kansas, while disbanding a division of regulars, volunteers and draftees."