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# NSSC THIS WEEK



## Natick Soldier Systems Center



### BUDGET UNCERTAINTY AND NATICK

In the face of current budgetary uncertainties, the Department of Defense informed Congress on Feb. 20 of its intention to administratively furlough DoD civilian employees for 22 days during Fiscal Year 2013 if no resolution is found.

<http://1.usa.gov/X18aYw>



### NATICK, UMASS LOWELL WORK FOR SOLDIERS

Scientists and engineers from Natick Soldier Research, Development and Engineering Center will join faculty and student researchers from the University of Massachusetts Lowell in a new research and development initiative.

<http://1.usa.gov/XDcpFi>



### ARMY SURGEON GENERAL TRIES BODY ARMOR

Army Surgeon General Lt. Gen. Patricia Horoho recently tried on female body armor. "This is what security should feel like," Horoho said. "You should not have to think about it. It's just there."

<http://1.usa.gov/WMySmb>



### 'SUNSHINE' COMES TO DORIOT CLIMATIC CHAMBERS

A new Solar Simulation Unit has allowed the Doriot Climatic Chambers at Natick Soldier Systems Center to replicate sunshine. The 18 1,500-watt metal halide vapor lamps can mimic different climates, seasons and times of day.

<http://1.usa.gov/W7SgI8>



### VETERANS SAMPLE NEW RATIONS TECHNOLOGY

Veterans from the small town of Hopkinton, Mass., recently got a taste of new military rations technology at their monthly veterans breakfast, courtesy of the U.S. Army Natick Soldier Research, Development and Engineering Center's Combat Feeding Directorate.

<http://1.usa.gov/W80W6J>

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