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Please reverse this decision to close Cannon AFB and vote to keep us open. 06102005

Personal Reasons:

- 1) I'm retired AF and planned my retirement life around a military base. It is too late for me to move and start all over.
- 2) I am a civil service employee and will lose my job.
- 3) My wife is a X-Ray Tech and about 25% of her patients are active military. The hospital expansion was put on hold when Cannon closure was announced.
- 4) Many retired families from Clovis, Portales, Lubbock, Amarillo, Roswell and other communities depend on Cannon.

Base Web Cite

- 1) The base web cite states it all:
 - a) "World's Most Lethal Warfighting Team"
 - b) another motto "America's Go To Wing"
 - c) The wing stands ready to go wherever needed to do America's business and do it with precision, day or night, whenever called.
 - d) World famous 27th Fighter Wing. Its primary mission is to maintain an F-16 Fighting Falcon fighter wing capable of day and night combat operations for warfighting commanders worldwide at any time.
 - e) The world's best at Air Force core competencies.
 - f) We are the wing of choice when our nation calls 911 for lethal warfighters to apply combat power.
 - g) We are the World's Most Lethal Warfighting Team, and we're ready to accomplish any task, any time, anywhere!
 - h) World's best at flying and fixing airplanes
 - i) World's best at deploying mission ready warriors and equipment.
 - j) Plan for Cannon's long-term lethality
- 2) These are not my quotes, but copied directly from the base web cite. These are pretty powerful words and to me say the main reasons to keep it open.
- 3) Either we have been brainwashed over the years, or the commanders believed these statements to be true!

Cannon Entrance

- 1) Again, the statement "World's Most Lethal Warfighting Team"

Computer Screen Savers on Base

- 1) Every screen saver on every computer also has the scrolling message "World's Most Lethal Warfighting Team"

We could state all of the awards Cannon has received, talk about the ability to grow because we don't have any problem with encroachment, talk about the valuable air space we have, etc., But I want to keep this short and to the point.

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