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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to you about the closure of Cannon Air Force Base. We, as a community, do not wish this to happen. We have unlimited flying space, and of the largest bombing ranges in the USA. Cannon has a large impact on Eastern New Mexico and West Texas. With the closure of Cannon Air Force Base, it would cause a 21% loss of the area work force. That would be devastating for Clovis, NM and surrounding areas. We would like to see Cannon stay open for a long time. Too many people benefit from the business that the military brings to see it close. We feel that Cannon does not fit the criteria for base closure.

Thank you,

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