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Dear members of the BRAC commission,

Since the placement of the Cannon base on your list our community has been trying to prove how important the base is, not only to our comonunity but to the state as well. In Portales High School alone there are about 700 students, and out of those I personally know 30 of them that are military. $3,000 goes to the school for each military student, so in the closing of this base you would also be cutting a (%) precentage of the school's funds. You would also be taking a security force away from the L.A.N.L. (Los alomos national lab.), the Sandia labs, White sands missle range, and the Melrose Bombing Range, which are all vital parts to our national defense system and need to be protected. Our community cares, and know that you know how much we do I hope you will reconsider having Cannon on the list.

Thank you and God bless,

Ms. Janet Katherine Walker