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Chairman Anthony J. Principi
Base Realignment and Closure Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Chairman Principi:

I know you've heard from a lot of folks in New Mexico about the possible closure of Cannon Air Force Base, but I'd like to add my two cents as well.

While I don't represent the area surrounding Cannon Air Force Base, I do represent almost 15,000 square miles north and west of Clovis. I was very surprised at the number of military retirees that live as far as 200 miles from Clovis (including many Texas residents), who count on Cannon for commissary, PX and other privileges we've promised them. If Cannon closes, it will leave a large void in the lives of **those retired military families who've given up so much for the rest of us.**

Additionally, I want to reiterate the support we've given over the years to Cannon; including supporting expanded training areas, limiting airspace to other users and generally welcoming the U.S. Air Force into our lives. Chairman Principi, I appreciate you and the job you've been assigned ... I hope that you will be able to find a way to keep Cannon Air Force Base open as an integral part of our national and regional security.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Brian Moore", written over a large, stylized outline of the letter "B".

Brian Moore