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2521 S. Clark St.
Arlington, Va 22202

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It will be very devastating and far reaching for us, even closing one of our schools that mostly children of CANNON attends.

All consideration possible should be given to removing CANNON from the list. We are all human and can make a mistake, and I certainly feel a human error was made when CANNON was placed on the list.

I'm looking forward to attending your meeting in Clovis ON THE 24TH.

Sincerely,

Clovis, NM 88101

cc:

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It is most difficult to understand why, as CANNON has met, in fact exceeded the requirements of the Pentagon Officials who developed the closure list. Millions of dollars have been spent recently on expanding the fire station, hospital, runway and the overpass.

It will be very devastating and far reaching for us, even closing one of our schools that mostly children of CANNON attends.

All consideration possible should be given to removing CANNON from the list. We are all human and can make a mistake, and I certainly feel a human error was made when CANNON was placed on the list.

I'm looking forward to attending your meeting in Clovis ON THE 24TH.

Sincerely;

Clovis, NM 88101

cc:

President George W. Bush
The White House

Gov. Bill Richardson
Santa Fe, NM

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238 Hart Senate Office Bldg.

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It is most difficult to understand why, as CANNON has met, in fact exceeded the requirements of the Pentagon Officials who developed the closure list. Millions of dollars have been spent recently on expanding the fire station, hospital, runway and the overpass.

It will be very devastating and far reaching for us, even closing one of our schools that mostly children of CANNON attends.

All consideration possible should be given to removing CANNON from the list. We are all human and can make a mistake, and I certainly feel a human error was made when CANNON was placed on the list.

I'm looking forward to attending your meeting in Clovis ON THE 24TH.

Sincerely;

Mary Weigl

Clovis, NM 88101

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Signed: Marian McCall

Address: 1633 Laura Ken, Clovis, NM 88101

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Melinda Adams

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2521 South Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington, Virginia 22202

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Sincerely,

Ryan M. McCall

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88119

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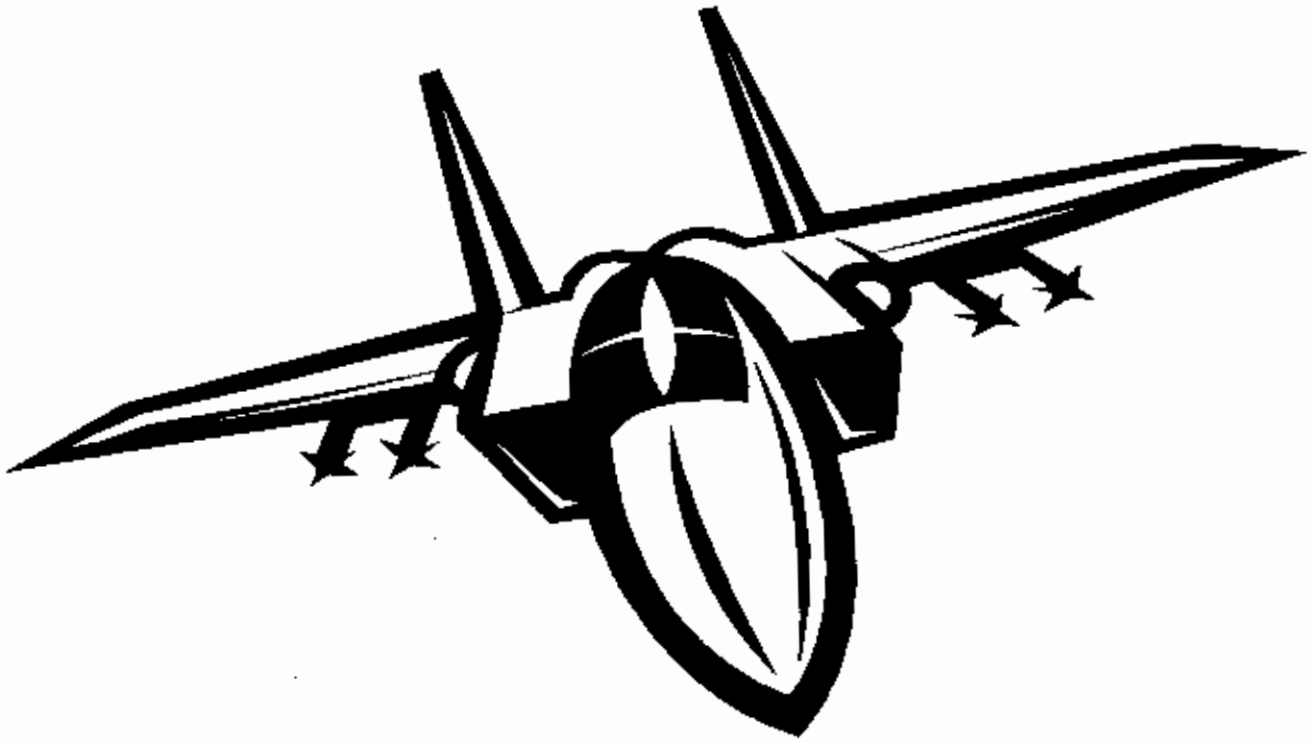

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2521 S. Clark St.
Arlington, Va 22202

Re: CANNON AIR FORCE BASE ON CLOSURE LIST

HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS:

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It is most difficult to understand why, as CANNON has met, in fact exceeded the requirements of the Pentagon Officials who developed the closure list. Millions of dollars have been spent recently on expanding the fire station, hospital, runway and the overpass.

It will be very devastating and far reaching for us, even closing one of our schools that mostly children of CANNON attends.

All consideration possible should be given to removing CANNON from the list. We are all human and can make a mistake, and I certainly feel a human error was made when CANNON was placed on the list.

I'm looking forward to attending your meeting in Clovis ON THE 24TH.

Sincerely,

Phil Reiser

Clovis, NM 88101

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Regarding: Removing Cannon AFB from the BRAC list

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Mary D. Lewis

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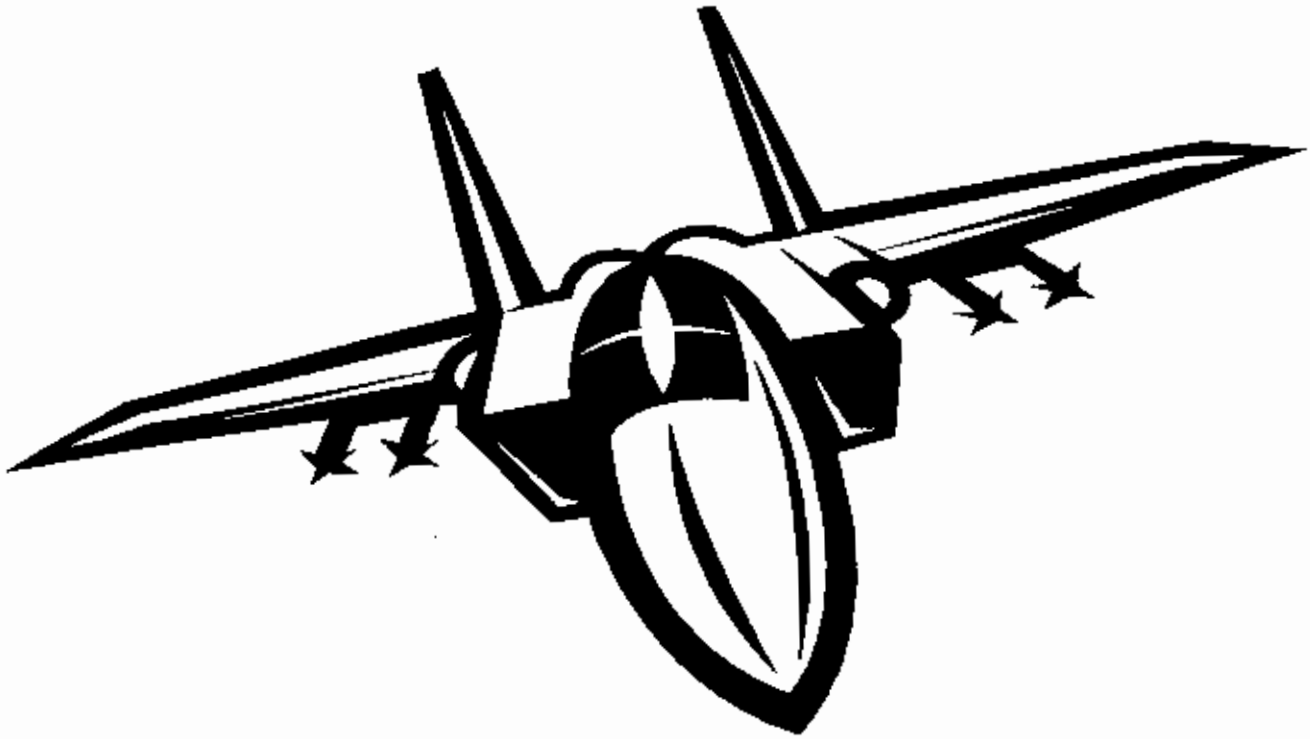

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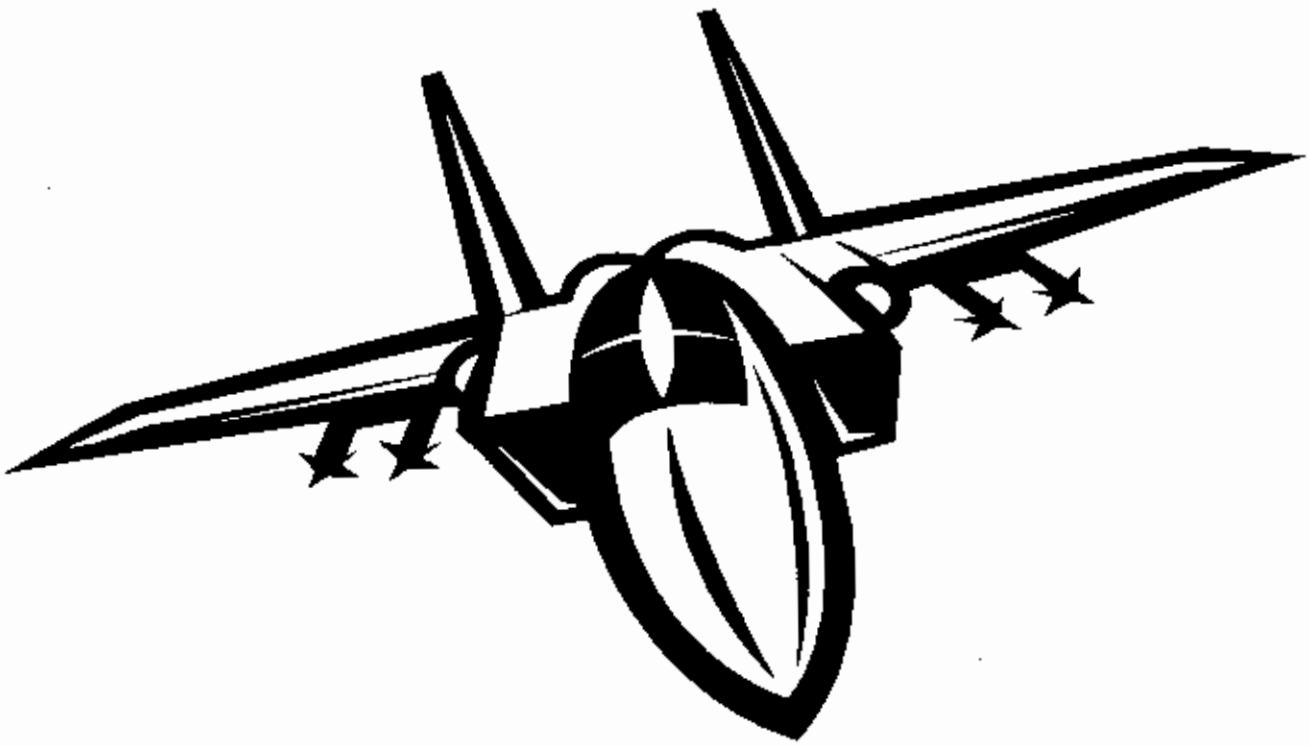

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Regarding: Removing Cannon AFB from the BRAC list

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Pamela A. Robins

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Signed: Michele M Chaney

Address: 1333 Lillington

PS Clovis NM 88101

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I'm looking forward to attending your meeting in Clovis ON THE 24TH.

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Mary Weigel

Clovis, NM 88101

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Signed: Nina A Chalker

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