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**BRAC COMMISSION
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Sir:

KEEP CANNON OPEN:

Cannon troops and their families are a part of our community that you want to take away. You have stated that it is not political, but it is. I know that Cannon is one of the Cleanest and most efficient when it comes to handling Hazardous Waste. So that would make us the easiest to clean up. The government does not want to clean up a mess. So such Cannon down and hide you other mistakes.

Here is a thought. Why not KEEP CANNON open and have them teach these other bases that are so dirty HOW to clean themselves up?

Is this thought to radical for the government? Or is BRAC taking the easy road?

Cannon is so needed in this area. Not only to protect and defend our country, but to lead the way in environmental issue.

We have wide open space, lots of land for expansion. A dedicated community. Plains Regional Medical Center with new heart and Cancer Wings. I am a Cancer survivor and I know what it means to have the Medical Center and the support of Cannon Air Force Base. We have a new VA clinic to help our troops that are coming home.

Home! We have troops over in Iraq and this is called home. So you want to take their home away something that is stability in their lives.

BRAC: You need to reconsider your decision. Think before you keep Cannon on the list. On the 23rd and 24th of June when you are hear stop, look and listen to the people. Yes, I am sure you will find some that might want the base to close. But they are such a minority. This community has backed Cannon since after World War II. Please, back this community and KEEP CANNON open.

This community would be lost without their Cannon.

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Cannon*