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Home of Cannon AFB

Dear Sirs:

Cannon was put on the BRAC hit list. I am sure you have received may letters about keeping bases open. This is one which I hope you will read carefully. Yes, Cannon AFB closing would be a hard ship to the community here, but there is something that concerns me more. That is our Home Land Security. Cannon meets all its goals. Their troops are the sharpest we have the best area for flying and we are not being encroached by the city or the air space from large air ports. We are one of the cleanest bases. All of the facilities on base follow the EPA guide lines. I should know I work at Cannon as a Shift Manager for the Shoppette on base. Please come to Cannon and take a look at what our country would be loosing.

I am just amazed at the fact that you would sacrifices out security. Why are we not closing some of the bases over seas. My husband and I were at Lakenheath England form 1977 to 1980 and back then several of the bases were obsolete. Would it not be a better mover to close some of the World War II bases and bring out people home? We need to protect our country and closing states side bases is an open invitation to terrorist to strike at our heart land again.

Before you make this decision on money. Look first to security and what we need. And that need lies right here at Cannon AFB.

Sincerely
Raejean Toledo,
Shift Manager at Cannon Shoppette Cannon AFB

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