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The Honorable Anthony J. Principi
Chairman
Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
2521 South Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Chairman Principi:

I understand the United States Department of Defense has recently made recommendations to the Commission relating to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS). These recommendations include the consolidation of a significant number of DFAS employee positions into DFAS-Indianapolis and Major General Emmett J. Bean Center.

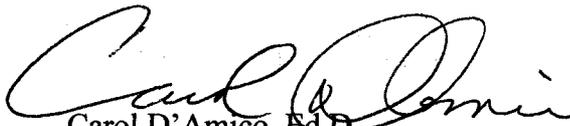
As Executive Vice President of Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana and the Chancellor of the Central Indiana Region, I wanted to inform you that our College stands ready to partner with the Pentagon should these recommendations be implemented. We offer a state-of-the-art campus within walking distance of the Major General Emmett J. Bean Center, offering programs in business, healthcare, and various other courses that transfer to public and private universities in the region.

As the state's community college we offer courses that reflect the occupational needs of the regions we serve. Ivy Tech will work closely with you to assess both your present and future job needs. We will do whatever possible to support this transition and actively promote programs and offerings to assist in the training of any employees in order to promote economic development in Indianapolis and Lawrence Township.

As the state's best educational value, Ivy Tech offers access to affordable higher education to over 60,000 residents of the state of Indiana making us the second largest college in the state of Indiana.

We understand that the decision-making process for the Commission is a challenging one. We greatly appreciate all of the members of the Commission for their service to our great country. Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana is ready to meet the demands that you may have during this transition. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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