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May 31, 2005

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

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The Honorable James H. Bilbray
Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
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The Honorable Philip Coyle
Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
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The Honorable Harold W. Gehman, Jr.
Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
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Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
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The Honorable James T. Hill
Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
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The Honorable Lloyd Newton
Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
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The Honorable Samuel Knox Skinner
Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
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The Honorable Sue Ellen Turner
Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
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