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Thank you!

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The Honorable Anthony J. Principi
Chairman
BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark St., Ste. 600
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Dear Chairman Principi:

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August 25, 2005

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BRAC Commission
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Mr. Philip Coyle, Sr.
BRAC Commission
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Admiral Harold Gehman
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