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To Brac Commission

Dear BC,

This is Michelle Hobbs I am an 8th grader at Portales Junior High School. I am 14 about to be 15. I think that we should keep Cannon Air Force Base open because it has given us protection, and jobs. If you shut Cannon Air Force Base down then you will have a problem dealing with money. Because people will be moving out and less communitys. And less stores will be out of business! I and everybody else wants to keep Cannon!

Sincerely,
Michelle Hobbs

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Dear Fred Gandy, Jr.,

All I am writing you is
some what I am thinking.
I don't accept money,
but that is not the whole
truth. I am not a thief
but I do have a few things
I have taken from others
but I am not a bad person.
I think the police are good
the bad guys are not. You
yall are the best.

Yours truly

Fred

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W.J. DUNN

Practomimicry:

First of all, you have to be able to identify what is being mimicked. Secondly, it must be done in a way that is acceptable to the person being mimicked. However, you can probably succeed in doing this if you follow some simple steps.

1. Identify the person you want to copy. This may be a teacher, a student, or someone else. You may also want to copy a person who is not in your class. In this case, it would be best to choose someone who is well known and respected in the community. It is also important to choose someone who is not difficult to copy. For example, if you are trying to copy a teacher, it would be better to choose a teacher who is easy to copy than one who is difficult to copy.

2. Decide what you want to copy. This may be a specific action, such as a hand gesture, or a general behavior, such as a way of speaking. It is important to decide what you want to copy before you start copying. This will help you to focus your efforts and make sure that you are copying the right thing. It is also important to decide what you want to copy before you start copying. This will help you to focus your efforts and make sure that you are copying the right thing.

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Dear Broe Cannon:

I have a big question that has been bothering me. How will closing military bases help save money? Considering that many of the citizens met or are at school, but if the bases close, have a part time job or is in association with another. If Cannon closes down, then many of them will move, and the little town could become unpopulated, and it would become a ghost town.

Sincerely,

High School
Student

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I would like you to do it
but we seem to have a problem
I think it's best if I do it
if you don't want to do it
I will do it. The Committee would
like to see it completed.

Very kindly yours
R. G. Johnson

P.S. What do you think?



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BRAC COMMISION
2521 South Clark Street – Suite 600
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To Whom It May Concern,

My opinion of the closing of the Air Force Base at Cannon is that the communities that surround it rely on it, they need this base. I am a student at Portales High School.

Reasons for not closing the base are as follows: 1) the number of people it provides jobs for. If the base closed a great number of people would be losing their jobs, which could lead to a much higher unemployment rate. 2) the Air Force would be suffering a great lose, with all of these bases closing they lower their own numbers for protecting the nation. 3) the size of the two closest cities would also be decreasing with the bases closing and the enlisted would have to move to look for an open base.

I would like to thank you for taking the time to read the opinion of one who can not even vote, I do not believe that by sending these letters for all the students will have an impact on your decision. I ask only to take in consideration every voice, and every opinion. Thanks again.

Cordially,

Ashley Crozier

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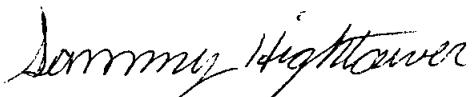
To Whom It May Concern,

I think that Cannon Air Force base should stay. My name is Sammy Hightower and I have lived in Portales all my life and I am a junior at Portales high school.

I think that Cannon Air Force Base should stay because everybody will move and the town will stop growing and there would be a lot more laboring jobs outside and not inside if the base goes. They have spent a lot of money on the base and it would just be throwing it all away. That is a lot of money that could have been used on other things along time ago that we used on it.

Thank you for spending time to read my letter. I appreciate it.

Sincerely,



Sammy Hightower

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To Whom It May Concern,

It has come to my attention that you plan to close Cannon Air Force Base. Not only is this action a threat to the city I live in but it also leaves the country vulnerable.

Closing Cannon will cause harm to Portales by reducing the amount of jobs available to the inhabitants, and cause the community to dissolve. According to one of my sources, Cannon's jets make up a good portion of U.S.'s Air Force. Please reconsider closing Cannon.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Fermin Jimenez

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To Whom It May Concern,

The way that everybody is talking about the situation and the possible outcome if the Cannon Air Force Base does close down and relocate, then I would like it to stay. I am a junior, and I attend Portales High School.

If the base closes then a majority of the people in the community would have to look for a new job or find a new job. The community would either decrease or increase, but either way it is going to hurt our community. If it does close down families would hurt because if they have a close relative that is enrolled at the Cannon Air Force Base and they have to leave them they are going to be pretty sad, and probably only see them only on holidays.

Thank you for listening to my opinion and reading my letter, I really appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Jerrod Long
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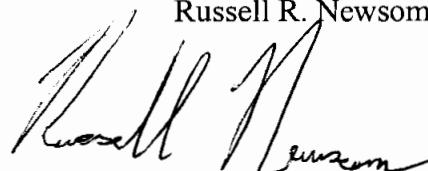
To Whom It May Concern,

I am a Junior (11th grade depending on school district) student at Portales High School and it has come to my attention that Cannon Air Force Base is on the Closer Pending List.

I am writing this on behalf of this knowledge and the knowledge that if this local base does not get off this list by September then it will be closed. If the local base closes then this town's (and all other surrounding towns and cities) productivity will decrease noticeably, due to the fact that many enlisted people that operate this local base also live separate lives outside of the pending base.

Thank you for reading this letter and considering what is within the context of this letter.

Sincerely,
Russell R. Newsom



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To Whom It May Concern,

I am an eleventh grade student at Portales High School, a community near Cannon Air Force Base. I am writing you this letter in hopes that someone of concern does indeed read it.

Being a junior, I have attended several years of schooling thus far. The population of the school is greatly diverse due to Cannon providing a great deal of the student body. I would be enraged beyond belief to hear that Cannon does indeed close its doors to save a few billion dollars of government spending. Cannon Air Force Base is well capable of being the greatest air force base in New Mexico, even in the United States.

Thank you for reading my letter. I hope you take this into consideration, as well as the many other opinions of my fellow society members occupy.

Sincerely,



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2521 South Clark Street- suite 600
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To whom may concern,

I believe that Cannon Air Force Base should stay open.
I'm a student at Portales High School. My name is Amberlie Puebla, I' am planning to graduate and have a good career.

I believe that the Air Force has done a lot to help the communities and help us and people that needs help and do a lot for us. They save the world from bad tragedies to happen.

I believe that the Air Force Base has done a good job trying to fight for stuff that we need to continue are daily lives and always hard to guard the population round us in the United States.

The army has done a great job and families and kids don't need to go through a lot because it's sad that they are moving around to much and it's hard for them to leave the ones they love. They also teach us what's right and for us to finish school and learn about what's going on with the real world, and what we can do to be protected and to protect others.

I want to thank you for every thing that all of you have done for everyone and thank you for your time and consideration. Hoping every thing turns out the way we wanted to be.

Sincerely,

Amberlie Puebla

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To Whom It May Concern,

I think we should NOT get rid of Cannon Air Force Base. My name is Ashleah Richards. I am a junior at Portales High School. I am in Mrs. Reeds English class. I have lived here for 14 years.

If we were to get rid of Cannon Air Force Base it would hurt the community as a whole. First off it would leave a lot of people out of a job, which means they would have to move. This leaves Portales and Clovis with even a lower population than we already have. It would leave a lot of empty houses and property value would go down. Also business owners would not get as much business. Not to mention all the millions of dollars that we have put in our base and it would all go down the drain. Which means it is money out of all American taxpayers' pockets. Cannon Air Force Base is very important to our community, so please reconsider leaving Cannon Air Force Base.

Thank You greatly for taking the time to read my letter. It means a lot to me, and everybody else who wants to keep Cannon Air Force Base.

Sincerely,

Ashleah Richards

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8521 South Alton Street Suite 100

Arlington, VA 22202

If Cannon closes there would be no way to protect
portals and clovis there would be no more
air protection there would be no way
to protect the Los Alamos National Laboratory,
there would be no way to protect the nuclear
lab.

Sandia labs and white sands missile range,
and nuclear bombing range wont be protected
either. These things are very vital to New Mexico.
but if Cannon closes then these places wont
be protected. And 27% of the planes in
Iraq are from Cannon.

Sincerely,

Mike Bonifant

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15718 S. Abeline Portales NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 2202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission,
I am writing in regard of the decision to
possibly closing down Cannon Air force Base
It is my opinion and the opinion of many
other people in the Roosevelt and Curry County
area that closing the base would be the wrong
decision to make. In our school there are 33
out of 265 students that have a parent in the
air force.

many thanks,
Steve Walker

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134-9 Main
Portales NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street - Suite 600
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Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

Closing Cannon Air Force Base would be a huge dilemma for our community. It would pose a problem to our economy as well. People would lose jobs and not be able to support there families and many children would lose all there friends by moving.

Closing Cannon would also mean losing protection from terrorists for Los Alamos National Labs and Sandia Labs.

White Sands Missile Range is one of the best locations for bomb testing. If Cannon was closed, where would you test bombs? Considering all this, it would be a mistake to close Cannon.

Sincerely, Terri Glen

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60 West 11 St.

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2521 South Mark Street suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission: I think that they should not close the base because lots of people will have to move away to some other town.

If they do close the base it will not be secured. It will not be as safe. Also, because there will be a loss of many if the base were to be closed. Those are just some of the many reasons on why they should not close the base.

Sincerely,
Lissette Guerrero

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2521 South Clark Street - Suite 600
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Dear member of the BRAC Commission,

Everybody knows that the economy will be ~~largely~~ effected, especially little towns like Portales and Clovis. That's not the biggest concern. The security is what will be effecting us all. Cannon Air Force Base has at least 27% of the planes, fighting in Iraq, with their name on them. Many people will feel so much safer if Cannon Air Force Base stayed where they are at.

There are 3 ~~large~~ large places in NM that need to be protected by Cannon. There is Los Alamos National Laboratories, Sandia Labs, White Sands Missile Range, and other not so large bombing ranges. Cannon helps protect these



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BIGC commission

2521 South Clark street - Suite 600

Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BIGC commission:

Please take this letter into consideration. Please don't close Cannon because there are lots of benefits to it. For the most part lots of my friends are going to have to move if Cannon closes. There is a huge protection to my home and lots of other homes because of Melrose missile range, White Sands missile range and 27% of the planes that are at IMA are from Cannon so I would appreciate it if you did not close Cannon and thank you for your time in reading this letter.

many thanks,

Todd Sharrock

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PO Box 629
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark St. Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Member of the BRAC Commission,
If Cannon Air Force Base is shut down,
Clovis, Portales and the other itty-bitty towns
adjacent to it will cease to exist, as their
population combined is already, like, 4,000. (Sorry,
that is a slight exaggeration.)

Anyways, New Mexico as a whole is
greatly dependant on Cannon, because NM houses
Sandia Labs and other ~~top~~ research
facilities so Cannon Air Force Base is
important and convenient for NM's protection.

I apologize for my poor spelling and
handwriting, but I hope you listen to the
message: Keep Cannon Open!

Sincerely,
Rhett Butler

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Janet Naomi

Dear members of the Board of Education,

I think you're making a huge mistake. You're going to destroy this town and our property.

You're also going to make people loose jobs and make people move. and we won't have a war show either.

We also wouldn't be as protected and we wouldn't feel safe.



Sincerely,

John [Signature]

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Portales, NM
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Sandia Labs
White Sands Missile Range
Melrose Bombing Range
LANL

Dear Members of Brac Commission,

If you close down the airforce base then the school will lose money and friends will move away. Also the base gives security to the Sandia Labs, White Sands, Missile Range, Melrose Bombing Range and LANL. You must remember that 27% of the planes from the base are in Iraq. The base also gives security to the surrounding towns and cities because of the 9/11 attack. So

Please don't shut down the airforce base.

Since 14,

Ridge Hooper

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2516 W. 14th Lane

Portales, NY 88130

BRAE Commission

2521 Booth Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAE Commission
I am writing to nootice you at my
concern. Everyone in our town and school
is worried about AFB being closed
down. I live right next to the
military houses and I know a lot
of people that live there. They are
really nice but most important
they love their town and they don't
want to keep on moving from
one place to another. Think about
the students that go to school or
college. What all of a sudden they
have to drop out and start all
over. Meet new friends and
start a new life. Our town's
economy would also go down.
And so would our school population.
AFB is already part of our

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1109 N. Ave J
Portales N.M. 88130

BRAC commision
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Dear member of the BRAC commision,
I am writing to ever whom it
may concern my thoughts on why
they shouldn't close down the air
force base.

The reasons why Cannon AFB is essential
to our community is because this is
one of the few things that we have
and in some ways keeping our little
town alive. Without this AFB I
think our town will go completely
dead and effect the college. A lot
of the wives and husbands whose
spouses are in the AFB is good
but then there spouses who aren't
in the military, like a lot of the
house wives go to college. So that's
the reason why this would effect

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814 N Ave. J
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 S. Clark Street Suite 600
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Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

Cannon Air Force Base should not be closed because it plays a part in protecting the country. Twenty-seven percent of the planes in the air come from this base. Most of the population in the Clovis-Portales area is from the base. People who work at Cannon Cannon will lose their jobs. The students of this community will influence the quality of the schools if they are moved from Cannon. Each student is worth three thousand dollars, and make up thirty-four of six hundred students here at Portales High School. Cannon closing could possibly cause other facilities like the Los Alamos Labs, White Sands Missile Range, Sandia Labs, and the

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2111 East 1st Street
Portales, New Mexico 88130

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Dear member of the BRAC Commission,

Let me talk to BRAC folks about a little thing called patriotism. It's something you need more of. There are evil people in Iraq that wish we, as Americans, would drop dead.

Without Cannon Air Force Base, that could actually happen. We need to be patriotic by keeping the base in Clovis. For all we know, you folks could all Osama Benjamins' minions! It sure seems like it from those crazy ideas such as giving Michael Moore an Oscar and such. I, for one, don't want to hear your propaganda!

Love,
Sam Pod

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Kay M

The Cannon Air Force Base is one of the main things that brings people to our area. Most of my friends parents work on base, so if they close I am going to be losing some good friends. And I don't want the base to close because that's why Clovis and Portales are growing so rapidly. If it's closes its going to be a ghost town. Then it would just be a waste of money to be around this area. That's my input on the issue at cannon. Please don't make me loose friends.

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Dear Board Commission;

Throughout the years I have met a lot of people from the Larned air force base. They are good people for our community, which the base I have a feeling of safety. The people that live or do base are very credible and I would not to see them leave.

The people on the base not only help keep our businesses running but, they also work hard to help out our nation. We need as many bases as possible to train as many pilots as possible to always be ready. I think Larned Air Force Base is a good place to do just that.

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Dear BRAC Commission

I am writing you to tell you that closing Cannon Air Force Base is a bad idea. CAFB one the best Base in united states they have one of the best air space for the planes.

If you close down the base the two towns that are near will go down like drain the base bring a lot of people to these town and a lot of kids to the high schools. I just think closing CAFB is a bad idea just to save some money.

Sincerely,

Daniel Boan

Daniel Boan

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To whom it may concern:

The Canadian Air Force Base is an open base for everyone and it is hard to believe that I have just graduated. The Canadian Air Force Base has been in this community at long as I can remember. I've met lots of friends through the base and so has my little brother.

One of my best friends came from a families at the Base. We went to grades 2 to 10 together and we still do. She's going to university this fall and I'm going to university this fall as well. I would like to say thank you for her nice attitude things together and I am very grateful for you all.

I will be X that the Canadian Air Force Base personnel without having to leave the country or move. I have made many great friends and become great friends. The Base has done many things like this and I feel that if you have a place to live as we have in our local community, I would like to thank you all for making my brother and I happy. This being my senior year I am still meeting great people who will be here forever. So to take this away from people I think it's unfair.

Please don't take the Canadian Air Force Base and I hope you will never do. Thank you for your time and I hope you will never do.

Sincerely,

Stephanie

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2521 S. Clark St
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Arlington, VA 22202

Dear BRAC Commission

Closing Cannon will make everyone ~~teenager~~ teenager around Cannon A.R.B very mad we have a friend who works at cannon. If the more the school population will go down. The schools good names will demolish with cannon A.R.B closing.

Having Cannon A.R.B so close is exciting and makes me feel better knowing there is military near by. My family is retired military and we love going to cannon. We go shopping and swimming. Thats basically were I spend summer well thats why I think you should keep Cannon A.R.B. Keep Cannon A.R.B open.

sincerely
Sarah Nichols

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Dear Brad Larson, PhD

Cannon airfield will be an essential element of Portales and Clovis.

Not only will it bring in an aerospace base, when you close canon, but you will put a lot of local money into the business. Also you will change the surrounding towns for the worse. I can't believe you want to destroy the economy of two towns and lives of thousands of people just for a fast buck.

Sincerely

Walker Partin

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Dear Brac Commission,

My parents are involved with the City of Portales, New Mexico. We live across the street from Cannon Meccans, and I have a lot of friends from Cannon. I appreciate you reading these. There would be a lot of changes in Portales and Clovis, and I don't want them to change. If Cannon closes we might even have to move. Thank you for reading my letter. Please take it & time to read the other letter.

Sincerely,
Ethan Ortega

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Dear Brac Commission;

I would like to tell you how Cannon has influenced my life. It has had many of my friends and even opponents stationed at Cannon. I have enjoyed all the activities I have gone to with my friends and family from Cannon. I would be extremely sad if Cannon closed. All the food places might close because all of the population would go down.

Cannon gives me a safe feeling and I don't know what I would do with out it. I have ever been thinking about growing up to be a pilot and Cannon would be a great place to learn.

Guess I'm trying to say, please don't close Cannon! It is half our community! Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

Amber
McCasland

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Dear Brac comision,

I was concerned about why you are closing down Cannon.

I don't think you should close it. I mean most stores in Clovis would lose their customers. And Portales would loose half its population or well maybe less. Cannon is a home to most people. They should get the chance to keep it that way. Again please don't close Cannon.

Thanks,
Kristen
Davis

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Dear BABC Commission

I would appreciate :- if you didn't close down the Cannon Air Force Base. It would influence a lot of things in our small town like our population, safety, and ruin our economy. So don't close down Cannon Air Force Base it would be a big mistake.

Sincerely,

Brian Beigay

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing because I am worried about the Cannon Air Force base. If the cannon closes the schools will suffer and we won't have any activities. We have it on the class if nobody knows or where we live. I want to be able to visit Clovis or stay here and actually have something to do. I just moved here and I like it because there are many fun things to do in Clovis but if your school closes we will suffer.

Bye,
Cayla(PJHS)

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100-12055
Feb 12, 1978

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to draw your attention to the
Cost of Coal for industrial purposes.
The Cost is at present very high.
For the time we must have been informed
that the Petrol prices have to go down
because there are two ways people can stop.

It will also affect the coal industry.
We have to pay more for the coal
and for oil. This will be a burden
on the people. We will have to pay more
for the coal.

Sincerely
S. S. S.

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Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sir:

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I'm am very concerned about
the closing of the Airforce
base. As my mom is a teacher
and she might get fired if it
closes.

Yours truly,
Janice

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Portales, NM 81201

Dear Sissi,

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB base because if the Air force base helps a lot around here. There is a lot of flying base for them to practice the deserve. They even help at the baptist children home in portales (that's where I live). They go to give us a lot of stuff during the holidays. If Cannon gets closed probably we will leave Portales we don't want to live in a ghost town. They have been working for being a good AFB. So Please don't do it.

Sincerely,
Nick Chavez,



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To whom it may concern, you will ruin
jobs. And make families move somewhere
else. They will have to move away.

Sincerely Wyatt

PS

Don't Shut Down the
Cannon AirForce Base!
please !!!!

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621 w. 6th st
Portales, NM 88130

Brac Commission
2521 South Clark street Suite 600
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Dear member of the BRAC Commission:
Cannon Air force base is very important to the
economic health of the Clovis-Portales Area. It
also provides security to Los Alamos National Laboratory,
Sandia Labs, and also has white sands missile range
and melrose bombing range nearby. Cannon also has
plenty of air space to train pilots.

Thank You
Matthew Price
PHS student

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Portales NM 88130.

Brac Commission

7571 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202.

Dear member of the Brac commission,

I write this to you in order to persuade

you to save Cannon AFB located in New Mexico.
There are many reasons for to save Cannon

but I will name three reasons to keep Cannon

First Reason is economic basis of Portales.

If Cannon Leaves Portales without a job dies.

Second reason is ends and begins will be separated
for who knows how much, third reason 27% of
all planes over 10 years from are very old

True These are few reasons why to keep this

base. Because of family's economy and 27%

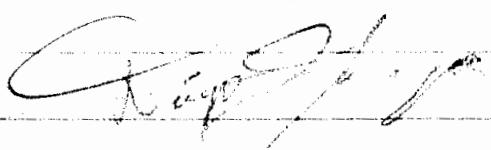
of Iraq protection, Think about it 27%

... & 27% ... that's all for a Air Force Base,

Cannon protects us with military force

and economic bases.

sincerely



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Portales, NM 88130

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Dear members of the BRAC Commission:

I don't think that you should close Cannon AFB because some of the people who are stationed there live in Clovis and Portales and also do most of their shopping there. Also those people will have to move, because of the base closing, and then the other bases may become over crowded.

Some of the jets from Cannon are over in Iraq. I should know because my dad was over there for Christmas, along with most of the other people in his squadron. Closing some of the bases may also decrease the amount of places people can pick to go. Basically, I don't think Cannon should be closed.

Sincerely,
Anthony Skillings

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722 W. 17th Street
Portales, NM

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Arlington, Va 22202

Dear member of the BRAC commission:
Surely you guys have been receiving many letters from bases around the country concerning base closure. Our base is very crucial to our economy, community and also the United States. Airplanes from Cannon aided the U.S. in the war in Iraq. Cannon has missile and bombing ranges to aid in our country and security. Cannon is a well-trained base and they deserve to remain open. Although Portales is a small town, Cannon can be a big help in time of need. Many people everyday from Cannon work hard to protect and keep us safe. So we ask you to reconsider the possible closure of Cannon.

Sincerely,
Sarah

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PO Box 533

Postales, NM. 87540

Dear BRAC Commission,

Even though Cannon and a variety of other bases don't have the proper funding to keep themselves operational, you should most likely keep it least this one open. Also, the amount of paper work is going to suck. So, there's far of which you'll just give the Sarcos on the low ranking dimwits that you're in charge of. I for one don't care what you do because it won't effect me much or at all. The people on TDY and active duty will complain to the civilians, but that's only because they don't know that the minimum for closing a base is two years and the maximum is six years. I'm being forced to write this letter even though you most likely won't read this. These people's "families" depend on this base, how pathetic is that.

Sincerely, Michael Zerkell

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Amber Anson
368 South Roosevelt Rd. U.
Portales, Nm 88130
May 18, 2005

Brac Commission
2521 S. Clark St.
Suite 600
Arlington, Va 22202

Dear BrAC Commission,

My name is Amber Anson. I live in Portales New Mexico. Portales is about eleven miles from Cannon Air force Base. I am writing this letter to share my opinion why I think we should keep Cannon Air force Base open. One of the reasons I think we need Cannon Air force Base is because our population of Both Portales and Clovis would decrease by a big difference. Both Clovis and Portales have a lot of people that are in the military. Another reason is because many people would lose their jobs even though they are not in the military. For instance my brother Jerry Anson works at Cannon Air force Base as a Garbage Man. I know that being a garbage man is not the best job in the world but it still a job that lets you pay bills. So if Cannon Decided to Close my brother and many other people would lose their jobs and this

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BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark St., Suite 600
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Dear BRAC Commission:

Cannon Air Force Base enjoys a close relationship with the surrounding communities who are very supportive of the base, possibly more support than that which would come from a larger metropolitan community. There is a lot of room for expansion and flying space. Closing down Cannon Air Force Base would harm the surrounding communities economically. There is not as much diversity in jobs in this area as in more populated areas.

Please reconsider your decision to close Cannon Air Force Base.

Sincerely,



Desirée Markham
1800 S. Avenue H
Portales, NM 88130

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State Security
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Washington, D.C.

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To Whom it may concern:

I have recently come to my attention that Camp on Hill Force Base is under consideration to be closed. This is abhorrent because many of my close friends and family members have been there since before I was born. And we all know, with time passing along with the Stay, Ranch, Loma, and Hill's like those bases change over and over again. In the years I have known about this base from the days I was nine to today the changing of the guard is like changing a national leadership of best friends and family. So I urge you to speak up and make the same old campers in order to preserve the base so that we get to keep it. Please do a favor.

Rapidity,
Kari Jones

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BRAC Commission
2521 S. Clark St.
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202
Dear BRAC,

Closing Cannon AFB would mean many families are losing their home. Not only do I mean their house, but the place that they have learned to love. They have met so many new friends and many of my old friends will be lost if AFB is closed. Please understand that the entire community is fighting for Cannon because of the love that is between our town and our AFB.

sincerely,
Erica



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Theresa Parker

Cannon is a place that makes every one in the community feel safe and also gives people an opportunity to watch what fighter pilots do, and also creates half of the community.

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S. J. Los ANGELES

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to you as I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. I am a student at Portales Junior High School and I am writing because if Cannon closes I lose my education and about 300 others also because Cannon is the reason we have a school here. We cannot go to another school as it is so far away.

Sincerely,
Mark Lee

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Portales NM

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Dear Sirs,

I am writting about the
closing of CAFB. It will make
our town suffer.

Your friend,
Jacob

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Portales NM 88130

Dear people:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. What would we do if we close? Please, please most of my friends in school don't want you guys to close. So please look or hear these letters, each one of them have hope.

Sincerely

Dylanteray

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Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs,

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. Portales would suffer from the closing of Cannon. Most of the kids in Portales have friends in the Millitary.

Sincerely,
Molly*

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Portales, NM 88130

Dear Brac Committee,

I am a 7th grade student at Portales Jr. High School. I am writing all of gentlemen (and gentle women) about the closure of Cannon Air Force Base. If you do decide to close Cannon it will affect thousands of people in the Clovis-Portales area in very negative ways. Some of my closest friends parents are in the military and I would lose them. ~~Also~~ it is said that the effect of closing Cannon would ~~be~~ ^{be something} like the ~~the~~ Asian Tsunamis not too long ago. I don't know too much about the military but I do believe that Cannon could majorly benefit the United States military. After we pretty mild weather all year around, we have tons of air space, both Portales and Clovis really do support the military, and our schools would suffer majorly. My friends are horrified at the thought of leaving their home again. Please don't take my friends away from me.

Yours Truly,

Serena b

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Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs,

I hope you will consider this letter. I am writing due to Cannon AFB closing down. Us human beings need cannon to be amongst us. Who knows, how many jobs will be lost. Cannon is very convenient and it goes rare for us in a small time to find such a place. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,
Gorman

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BRAC COMMISSION
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Arlington, VA 22202

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am a student of Portales High School. I am in the eleventh grade and I just got my ABC's and, moving on to numbers. I live about 13 miles from Cannon and some times when they are testing some jet engines it keeps me up at night. This lack of sleep causes me to be irritable and is a main contributing factor to lack of effort I put forth in school.

I think that if Cannon Air Force Base is chosen that it will affect Clovis more than Portales. It would not matter much to me because I am not evolved with Cannon. However, Cannon Air Force Base is a very important key to our homeland security and seeing as our nation is at war this would be a very unwise decision to close Cannon. Cannon has the potential to train the greatest fighter pilots this nation has ever seen. Cannon's population boom has strained our community's resources.

Sincerely,
Michael Hodges



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128 Oklahoma Drive
Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202
Attention: Philip Coye

Dear Mr. Coye

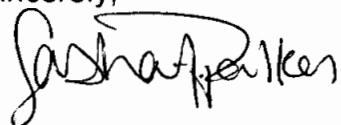
Hello, my name is Sasha A. Parker, I live in Portales, New Mexico and I am a sophomore at the Portales High School. I attend school with many of the students from Cannon Air Force Base. Our community is a small knit farming community where we all shop, eat, and attend school in the same places. Cannon Air Force Base is a great asset to our communities and to our freedom. The jets don't bother me; they only make me feel safe. Seeing our military in and around our community gives me a great sense of pride and security.

Please reconsider closing Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, New Mexico. We support Cannon Air Force Base and we want it to stay where it is at. I recently wrote an essay about the following passage that has a lot of meaning to me-

"Freedom is the freedom,
to say two plus two makes four.
If that is granted all else follows."

The United States of America is all about freedom and our military is a very big part of that! Please let Cannon Air Force Base stay here and continue to make all of us feel safe and proud!

Sincerely,



Sasha A. Parker



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BRAC COMMISSION
2521 South Clark Street- Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To whom it may concern,

I am Chance Tucker. I am 17. I like hunting. The closure of Cannon Air Force Base would be very harmful to our community and our state.

There are several reasons as to why this would be harmful; Cannon air force Base is a very important key to our home land security and seeing that our nation is at war this would be a very unwise decision to close Cannon. Many civilians will lose their jobs.

We hope you will change your mind about closing Cannon. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Chance Tucker

Chance Tucker

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2521 South Clark Street – Suite 600
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To Whom It May Concern,

I am a Junior (11th grade depending on school district) student at Portales High School and it has come to my attention that Cannon Air Force Base is on the Closer Pending List.

I am writing this on behalf of this knowledge and the knowledge that if this local base does not get off this list by September then it will be closed. If the local base closes then this town's (and all other surrounding towns and cities) productivity will decrease noticeably, due to the fact that many enlisted people that operate this local base also live separate lives outside of the pending base.

Thank you for reading this letter and considering what is ^{within} writin the context of this letter.

Sincerely,
Russell R. Newsom

BRAC COMMISSION
2521 South Clark Street – Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

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To whom it may concern,

I am a student of Portales high school. The closure of cannon would be very harmful to our community and state. There are several reasons why this would be harmful.

Cannon Air Force Base is a very important part of our nation. It would not be smart to close Cannon. It is also an important part of our community. It would greatly affect the economy.

A lot of people depend on cannon for business and for jobs. Our community would feel the affects of Cannon getting closed down. So I hope you will change your mind about closing Cannon.

Sincerely, Mac Carty

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2521 South Clark Street-Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Fernando Echeverria and I'm a junior in Portales High School and I would like to see the Cannon Air Force Base stay open. I would like to see it stay open because of how it would affect the economy in the area and there would be fewer jobs. It would also affect the school because there would be fewer students in the Portales/Clovis area. So in conclusion I hope you take my letter in consideration and I would like to thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Fernando Echeverria

Fernando Echeverria

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**BRAC COMMISSION
2521 South Clark Street-Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202**

To Whom It May Concern,

Hello, my name is Nati Rangel I am a junior and attend Portales High School. This letter is to discuss the importance of keeping Cannon Air Force Base open.

I think they should keep it open because if we close it many families would lose their jobs and our economy in this area will go down drastically. There are a few more personal reasons to deal with than over all reasons. My father would like me to go in to the military or a branch of it because he was in it. If I were to go into anything it would be the Air Force. If I go I would like to be stationed near home or be able to come visit every once and a while and it would not be that hard if Cannon was still here.

This concludes my letter of opinion I appreciate you taking the time out of your very busy day to read what I have to say.

Sincerely,



Nati Rangel

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Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern,

I believe that Cannon does not deserve to be on the list. I am a junior at Portales High My name is Stephanie Hatch

Cannon does not deserve to close. It has brought so much business to Clovis and Portales. There would be many people who would have to move and many jobs would leave people without. Cannon needs to be removed from the BPAC list.

Thank you for listening and may you accept my suggestion.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Hatch

(Your name)

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2521 South Clark Street – Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I think that we should leave the base open, because there are many people who are from around here who have jobs on the base and if it is shut down they will be unemployed and have to find new jobs. Also a lot of people who work for the base have been around here for a while and have children who attend school in our towns, they would have to have to just pick up and leave to a complete new school and life.

Also my brother just recently joined the Air Force and had planned on being stationed at Cannon, but if there is no Cannon to be stationed at he will be sent away. So please reconsider Cannon Being on the Brac list.

Thank you for you time.

Sincerely



Emily Lujan

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900 East First

Portales NM 88130

May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission

Attention: Anthony Principi

2521 12th Street

Suite 1000

Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Mr. Principi:

I know you may feel like the Cannon Air Force base is unimportant but to the community of Portales it is. Cannon is not just another air force base to us it's a way of life. People go shopping there and even rent houses from them. There is so much that Cannon can offer. They have unlimited air space and they have plenty of room to expand. I think when your making your decision you should consider the people of the community. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Portales Jones

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Portales NM 88130
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2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing you to tell you my opinion on closing Cannon Air Force Base. I feel that if Cannon where to close it would hurt our Economy. Our economy is not good, but if it where to close I feel that it would make our economy worse. Cannon Air Force Base is the the backbone of Portales and Clovis. I do not know that much about the economy of a town but I do know it is based on the population. If Cannon closes our population is going to go down. This whole thing would be more bad than good if the base closes. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Derek Cheatham

Derek Cheatham

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829 E 2nd Street
Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commision
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear BRAC Commision I would like to say that Cannon AirForce Base in Clovis New Mexico should not be closed down. It does so much for our economy that if it is closed down it would be a great tragedy towards New Mexico.

Sincerely,
~~Chris Carter~~

Chris Carter

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2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing this letter to give you my two cents about the Ideal of closing Cannon. I think it is a bad Ideal and you should not close it. Cannon is a major base in the western part of the state. Cannon is the home to tons of people that will all lose their homes and jobs if you shut it down. thank you and keep Cannon!!

Sincerely



Blake Arnold

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Joab Savage
325 S R. R. P
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 606
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Commission,

I am writing you to inform you that I ~~hope~~ you will keep Cannon Air Force Base open. I live in Portales and believe the closing of this base would hurt my local economy. Please put my small American town into consideration. Thank You

Sincerely,
Joab Savage
Joab Savage

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FBI - Milwaukee
FBI File # 100-18000
Date 6/13/05
Milo, WI 53205

Dear Davis
221 S. Howell
Milwaukee
Wisconsin 53205

Dear Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt,
I hope that you will excuse me in not writing
soon, because it would do your local economy, of myself
and many others, but the thought just wouldn't leave.
The thought of the people of this wonderful land
that I live in, and the fact that we should expand upon
it, because there is now enough room in the country.
Going down to our west we will eventually come up against
the Great Lakes, and we will have to grow in the future.
It is because of this fact that we must have one
industry to grow. Because with this fact that about
the year 1920, when we started many new businesses
and really grew such as W.H. G. L. business,
is opening, and many others. Many new houses and
apartments are being built in this area. I hope you
understand, not to make me nervous, because that you
is knowing our future.

Thank you for your time. sincerely,
Frank Davis

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BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 6000
Arlington, VA 22202

I believe that they should keep canon open because other econome will go way way down. I believe that we will not go completely under but we will go way down. Canon prity much mayed this town and clouis. I like having canon because I have alot of frends that is from canon. So their is more thin the reasons I gave you. But most of all I do not want canon to shut down is because we need them for protection.

Sincerely
Keith Nixon
Keith Nixon

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Joel Combs

1708 S. Roosevelt Rd. 3

Portales, NM 88130

May, 19 2005

BRAC Commission

2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern,

Cannon is vital to the Portales and Clovis area. If closed down it will put a severe dent in our economy. My family has many contracts with Cannon as electricians. If the base is closed many people working for us will lose their jobs, and they will have to start traveling around the country alot to find work. More important than just my families situation is the plight of the whole area. Cannon brings in alot of money to local businesses and schools and I'm not altogether sure how this area will survive.

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1024 East Third Street
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 1600
Arlington, VA 22202
Attn: Chair Anthony Principi

Dear Chair Anthony Principi,

My name is Sarah Taylor,
I live in Portales, New Mexico.
I don't know if you are aware
that Cannon has Supersonic
airspace or not. I do believe
that Cannon Airforce Base is a great
asset to both Curry and Roosevelt
Counties. I also believe that if
you all close this base that
it would no longer be a great
asset to the United States
if Cannon is closed. What ever
you all do decide I hope
that it is the best decision that
you all feel that you could
make for Cannon Airforce Base
and the surrounding counties.

Sincerely,
Sarah Taylor

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1704 North Avenue K
Portales NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To whom it may concern:

I think Cannon Airforce Base should be kept open for a lot of reasons. A lot of people depend on Cannon as a source of income, plus it will be taking away from the community. It will also be taking away from our economy. Making the choice to close down Cannon Airforce Base is a bad choice, and that is my opinion.

Justin Hall

Sincerely, Justin Hall

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Portales, NM 88136
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

There are many reasons we
all think you should select us
for this, but the most important reason,
however, is that the space
is at the top. There are miles and miles
of open range that should be used to
create wonderful training facilities
and not just to think about getting
big big mountains or skyscrapers
by anything like that. There are many
other great reasons you should re-
consider choosing Common Fib.

Sincerely,
Common Fib.

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201 South Knoxville
Portales, NM 88130
May 19th, 2005

Attention: MR. James Hansen
2521 South Clark Street
SUIT 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Mr. Hansen,

This is a student writing from Portales High School, in New Mexico, if you ask me what I think about the "Cannon Air Force Base" closing, I think they shouldn't close it. People have loved ones that are from there, and if the base gets taken out, there family members won't be able to see them as much anymore. If you also take the base out, it would mess up our whole community, Please, think about it!

Thank you for taking your time to read.

Sincerely,

Alexis Rivera
ALEXIS RIVERA

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Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission

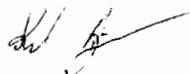
Attention: Mr. Coyle
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Mr. Coyle:

I feel that Cannon Air Force base should not be closed. I feel that our small rural community depends to much on the base for it to be shut down. Our towns shopping center, small businesses, and banks all rely deeply on the business of the many who are employed at our base. I fear if the base shuts down, or town may go down with it. So I hope that you Sir, and the rest of you kind Sirs, will rethink the shutting down of our base.

Sincerely,

KALEB AGUIRRE



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P.O. Box 600
Portales, NM, 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Committee
Attention Mr. James Bilray
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear MR. Bilray

Hello my name is Zach Nuckols and I am a local rancher.

The small town of Portales where I live will take a hard hit by the closing of the base. Along with our ranch, my parents own a business here in town. The business people of the town will also take a hard hit, and our economic level will drop. If it were a big city base, it probably wouldn't matter that much but being the size of our small town, the closure will effect us in a number of ways. It will have many friends moving, the college will loose students, and local businesses will close. I sell a lot of beef to people on base, so it will also hurt my business. Please don't just read this and throw it away, please ~~not~~ write me back. Thank you for your time Mr. Bilray.

Sincerely

Zach Nuckols

Zach Nuckols

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Date 10/10/05

WPA Committee
John S. D. Edwards
Chairman
F. C. Johnson, Vice-Chairman
R. L. Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer

McLean County, Illinois.

Commons of the State of Illinois, 1935-1936
Yearly Budget, 1936-1937
Chairman of the Committee on Education
John S. D. Edwards
Vice-Chairman, F. C. Johnson
Secretary-Treasurer, R. L. Johnson
The following is the proposed budget for the year 1936-1937
and it is submitted to the Legislature for its consideration.
The proposed budget has been prepared by the WPA Committee
on Education in accordance with the recommendations of the
Committee on Education of the Illinois State Federation of
Education. This budget is based upon the following principles:
1. The budget must be balanced.
2. The budget must be fair to all segments of the educational
system.
3. The budget must be based upon a realistic estimate of the
available resources.
4. The budget must be designed to meet the needs of the educational
system.
5. The budget must be designed to promote the welfare of the
citizens of the state.

John S. D. Edwards
Chairman
WPA Committee
on Education

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Portales, NM 88130

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BART Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To who it may concern:

I think we should keep Cannon AFB open. Because we have a lot of air space. If you shot it down our community will lose a lot of people. Then some businesses would lose people. There would also be a loss of teacher in school. So please don't shoot Cannon AFB.

Sincerely,

Aaron Duran
Aaron Duran



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1356 N.M Highway 236

Portales, N.M. 88130

May 19, 2005

BRAAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I do not believe that Cannon Air Force Base should be closed down especially while the United States is at war. Unlike most bases in the United States, Cannon Air Force Base has enough wide open area to expand. The Portales community has enough area to do this. They could add more things to make the base better. Also Portales economy depends on them. The schools will be effected as well the community workforce. Please reconsidered the closing of Cannon Air Force Base.

Sincerely,

Desiree Cordon

Desiree Cordon

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1003 North Abilene
Portales NM 88130

May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To whom It May Concern:

I feel that you should reconsider ^{closin} the base because it has a lot of affect on our community. Many people from our community work on the base. If you close it they will be out of jobs.

Sincerely,

Rochelle Jimenez

Rochelle Jimenez

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Brac Commission
2521 S. Clark St.
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear BRAC Commision

I am writing you to tell you why Cannon Air Force Base should not be closed. Cannon is a very productive base which gets 360 flying days a year. It is also home to 4500 jobs and even more people. Some of those people are good friends. Clovis, NM, where Cannon is located, is a very nice community which many Airforce employees do not want to leave. I was just writing to show you some reasons to not close this great base.

Thank You So Much!

Sincerely,

Chase Acker
Chase Acker



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BRAC Commision
2521 S. Clark St.
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

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To whom it may concern:

I am a resident of Portales and I have been all my life. I was born and raised in this area. All my life Portales has been an all right place to live. But if Cannon Air Force Base was shut down it wouldn't be all right anymore. The population would drop severely and that would hurt our economy big time. About 15 or the people in the areas around Cannon would lose their jobs and lots of businesses would probably shut down. Portales is all ready down and out and shutting down Cannon would hurt portales even more. So please don't destroy our town by shutting down Cannon.

Sincerely,

Zachariah Oguin

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Dear BRAC Commission,

I am very concerned about the BRAC Commission's decision to close Cannon Air Force Base.

I do not believe the Commission is fully aware of the unique attributes that Cannon offers to our national defense. These include ideal weather conditions year round, abundance of airspace with no encroachment issues, and the space to accommodate surge force requirements in training and emergency situations, among many other things.

The closure of Cannon would also have a devastating impact on our community's economy. It has been estimated that the area will lose more jobs, percentage-wise, than any other area in the country. The closing of Cannon will have a severe ripple effect on the economy of the entire state and West Texas. This area is home to a large military retiree population that relies on Cannon for healthcare, grocery shopping, and more. There is not another installation close enough to serve retired military.

As a soon-to-be college student I am also concerned about the negative impact the closing of Cannon would have on education throughout the area, including Eastern New Mexico University and Clovis Community College.

Please consider all of these facts before making your final decision.

Sincerely,

Amanda Eldridge

Amanda Eldridge

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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to express my opinion on Cannon Air Force Base closing. I think that if Cannon Air Force Base closes, it will hurt our economy and Clovis' economy. Cannon Air Force Base helps the Portales/Clovis area by providing jobs for many people. Cannon Air Force Base is a very organized and professionally run institution. They take pride in the way everything looks and their personnel are very well trained to do their job.

The closing of CAFB will take a lot of money away from the schools in Clovis and Portales. That will happen by us loosing students, because if it closes all those students and their parents will move away.

By Josh Gonzales

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219 South Roosevelt Road X
Portales, NM 88130
May 19th, 2005

BRAC Commission
Attention: Mr. Philip Coyle
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 1000
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Mr. Coyle:

I am writing to you about your decision to close Cannon Air Force Base. We of the Portales - Clovis area truly believe you are making a huge mistake in this.

Cannon and its people are a major part of Portales and Clovis. Many of our businesses are somewhat dependant upon them. If Cannon closes, they will lose much of their earnings. About one-fifth of my school is made up of base kids and, if they are made to ~~base~~ move, the school will suffer. Cannon has put so much money into expanding its housing, which - if Cannon closes - will go unused. Why waste this resource when some bases that are not on the BRAC list are overcrowding and have little to no room to expand? Our base boasts practically endless airspace available for their use. With eastern New Mexico's wide open spaces, Cannon has so much opportunity to grow, making Cannon ideal for expansion - not closure.

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Dear Brac Commission,

We the students at Fort Belvoir Junior High School would really appreciate it if you did not close Cannon Air Force Base. If you do close Cannon then a big chunk of our population, in the town and the schools, will decrease drastically. Also businesses will close and put many people out of work in both Fort Belvoir and Clarendon. So, please don't close Cannon that would mean a lot to us.

Sincerely,
Natisha Nessoff

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Dear

Brac Commission, you should not close down
the Canton Air Force Base, because you are
not getting money for the generator all your time
is nothing practice. Be like a ghost town
and I will lose my friends so I am writing
you with my own words do not close down
the base

Sincerely
Tobian Lopez



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May 24, 2005

Dear Board Commission,

My name is Derek Robinson and I am a student at the Portales Junior High school. I am writing this letter to try and convince you not to shut down Cannon Air Force Base. Think about this, if you close down Cannon Air Force Base Clovis would lose a lot of its population. A lot of best friends would have to split up because they have to move. Clovis and Portales would lose a lot of kids from their schools and putting teachers jobs at serious risks. Some of the businesses would close down too. Businesses would be losing a lot of customers, which pay money to keep the store open. Many houses will get put up for sale, but there would be nobody to buy them because all of the base civilians and military people would be moving. A lot of the retired military people would have to move to Albuquerque to live and shop because there is nowhere left for them to go. So I would appreciate it if you don't close down Cannon Air Force Base. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Derek Robinson



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Dear Broc Com. team,

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Clothing costs. Clothing price would
be a lot. Clothing stores don't want to
sell people clothes. People would buy
a lot of clothes. Selling clothes would be
funne. This would help the D.E.A.
because they would take customers and
get a job. They would also help the
public. This would give them the
price of things go very down. The
schools would lose students because
their parents will have to get jobs. People
would also be scared in their homes.
So please don't close CCS when because
it would hurt this area very much.

Sincerely,
LOXIE RICH

Seth Haile



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Dear Mac Cullin,

Please don't close CAFE, Postales, and Cloris will lose a lot of business and the population will decrease, people will lose Friends, there would be a lot of empty houses for sale and would be cheap so wouldn't get sold. If cannon closes I will have to move because in my last weeks there, In some places it is hard to make new friends, the only few new people get to Davis is to shop and eat. There won't be as many sports teams, because there is less kids.

Sincerely,
Seth Haile

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Christina

To whom it may concern,

We want to keep Cancer because
of the Jobs, people need them to
get more money and keep their
kids alive. That's how you get Money
by working in their Jobs and keeping
their families Safe.

Sincerely, Christina Lopez

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To whom it may concern,
I think you should shut down
your "Base". A lot of people
depend on the base. People will
lose there Job

Sincerely Raul Perez

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Amanda Dodson
104A New Mexico 467
Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base

Dear BRAC Commission,

My name is Amanda Dodson I am going to be a senior at Portales High School in the fall. I am writing in regards to Cannon Air Force Base closing. My family owns an electrical business that has completed many jobs at Cannon AFB and has redone several buildings for the past 30 years. Our business relies on Cannon AFB for the majority of our work and income. If Cannon AFB does close our workers may be out of jobs or will have to travel away to maintain a living. Not only will it affect my life and families lives it would affect other businesses and people's lives. I have a handicapped brother and if my dad has to travel for work it would be hardship on our family. Cannon AFB is a great location for people to retire. Many retirees of the air force live in the surrounding area and rely on the medical and the commissary facilities that Cannon AFB provides. If Cannon AFB closes the retirees would have to travel long distances to have these services. Closing Cannon AFB would bring unemployment to many businesses and could possibly affect the hospitals or may cause them to either down size or close. It will have a ripple effect on all businesses because when people lose work they will not be able to afford the products or services they previously were able to afford. Air Force employees have access to colleges in the surrounding area; if the air base wasn't here it may cause the universities not to offer as many classes or certain kinds of classes. People would have to sell their homes at a loss. It would have a ghost town effect due to people moving to get other jobs. With Roosevelt and Curry counties being two of the poorest in the nation closing Cannon AFB would be very devastating. It would not only affect Eastern New Mexico, but West Texas, which happen to supply materials for the construction and other needs at Cannon AFB. All of the runways have been rewired and have new lighting systems, the new ILS landing systems, a new control tower, a new security forces facility, a new fire station, a new front gate, an upgraded back gate and many other buildings being remodeled and built. Cannon AFB has room to expand because there is no encroachment. Cannon's surrounding area has plenty of air space for training. The Melrose bombing range is just seconds away and it wouldn't waste as much gas, time, and supplies to practice there. It is good for the military personnel to have access to this because if they were put in a real life situation they would have had enough practice to do the job to the best of their ability. The weather year round is great for pilots to fly and practice. There are many more reasons why Cannon AFB shouldn't close. It is very important that you come to

Cannon AFB to see what advantages they have to offer. I just heard on the news that you will be traveling to Cannon AFB on June the 24th so I'm asking you to please evaluate Cannon Air Force Base's value to the nation as well as eastern New Mexico and West Texas. My community, family, and I urge you please do not close Cannon AFB.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amanda Dodson".

Amanda Dodson

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279 South Roosevelt Road X
Portales, NM 88130
May 19th, 2005

BRAC Commission

Attention: Mr. Harold Gilman Jr.

2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Mr. Gilman:

I am writing to you about your decision to close Cannon Air Force Base. We of the Portales-Clovis area sincerely think you are making a huge mistake in this.

Cannon and its people are a major part of Portales and Clovis. Many of our businesses are somewhat dependant upon them. If Cannon closes, they will lose much of their earnings. About one-fifth of my school is made up of base kids. And, if they are made to move, the school will suffer. Cannon has put so much money into expanding its housing, which - if Cannon closes - will now go unused. Why waste this housing when some bases that are not on the BRAC list are overcrowding and have no room to expand? Our base boasts practically endless airspace available for us to ~~use~~ use. With eastern New Mexico's wide open spaces, Cannon has so much room and opportunity to grow, making Cannon ideal to expand - instead of shut down.

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SAC - Pueblo
Pueblo, NM 81000
Aug 14 2005

Bureau of Land Management
U.S. Department of the Interior

Albuquerque Field Office

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to you concerning the
decision made by the Bureau of Land

The Bureau of Land Management
and the New Mexico State Game
and Fish Commission to

allow the use of the public lands

for the use of the public lands

Veronica
Lucen

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821 W 16th Street
Portales NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
State 600
Arlington, VA 22202.

TO whom it may concern:

I don't think you should ~~close~~
close down Cannon Air Force base
because it would affect a lot of people
surrounding towns. No all jobs
should be transferred to another or closed
down for those reasons. It would
also affect a lot of the surrounding
schools. It would probably put
a lot of people out of a job. It
would probably affect a lot of students
~~lose~~ with their school work. Be
a hassle with everyone having to
move, & chaos for families having
to move & find new jobs to support
their families. Don't close & Cannon

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May 19, 2005

904 South Dallas APL #1

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202.

Dear member of the BRAC Commission the reason why you should not close down the base is because it is a very important to Portales and Clovis. What if something happen because here in New Mexico we have the atomic bomb here and if something bad happened to that place we would have no one to help us. 2790 of our planes are flying of Iraq right planes from our base are fighting and helping over there right now, and 34 of our 480 students are

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1623 South Avenue O
Portales, NM 88130
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BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I'm not very literate on how the government works, but I do realize that it is irresponsible and a bit unwise to close down military bases. The people on these bases are in the Middle East fighting a war for you, for me, and for the rest of the United States. When they return, I'm sure they don't want to be forced to move across the country; far from their friends and family. I'm writing particularly on behalf of Roosevelt and Curry counties, where Cannon Air Force Base is located. Cannon is a huge addition to our communities. Cannon has grown and will continue to grow if given a chance. If your committee takes this base away, it will not only hurt the military and their families, but it will hurt the schools, churches, businesses, etc. of our counties.

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To whom it may concern,

I want to cannon because
hundred of jobs will be lost
if the base is moved.

Sincerely, Bob

MAY 20, 2005
20 NM HWY 467
PORTALES, NM 88130

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BRAC COMMISSION
2521 S. CLARK STREET SUITE 600
ARLINGTON, VA 22202

DEAR MEMBER OF THE BRAC COMMISSION:

PLEASE LEAVE CANNON AIR FORCE
BASE OPEN. IT IS IN THE BEST
INTEREST OF THE COUNTRY AND
OUR COMMUNITY. I KNOW THAT
YOU DO NOT LIVE ANYWHERE
NEAR CLOVIS OR PORTALES, NM. SO
IF YOU CLOSE CANNON AIR FORCE
BASE IT WILL NOT AFFECT YOU.
I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT IF
YOU CLOSE THE BASE IT WILL
CUT COSTS TO THE GOVERNMENT.
I AM ASKING YOU TO THINK
NOT ABOUT THE GOVERNMENT OR
MONEY, BUT TO THINK ABOUT THE
PEOPLE OF OUR COMMUNITIES. WE
HAVE MADE FRIENDS WITH FAMILIES
FROM CANNON. I KNOW THAT MOST

BRAC Commission
2521 S. Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202



805 S. Eliz.
Portales, NM
88130

May 20, 2005

Dear member of the BRAC Commission,

My name is Mackenzie Kennedy and I am writing with the hope that you will consider not closing the Cannon Air Force base.

There are several reasons why you shouldn't close down the base. One being that if you do, students of schools in Portales, & its surrounding, will be the ones that suffer. If the base is closed, the real estate value will go down. With that down, many people will have to relocate, including teachers.

The student to teacher ratio is already ridiculous, + you want to make that worse? And just a while back people were complaining about ACT scores? It may just be the fact that I'm talking to you from a 15 year old's point of view, and I don't understand everything, but to me it seems like you're just digging a deeper hole for us + yourselves.

Not only will the state scores suffer, but so will the budgets for extra curricular activities. Our band is already barely able to afford decent instruments + your suggesting to cut our budget back around 4000 dollars?

We already need to refill the supplies for sports. I guess we're going to have to tell our athletic classmates the "we can't afford" a new pitcher's mound or new pade for football because all the extra funds are going in to pay for chalk + paper.

I admit that I am not just writing this letter to help benefit the environment. I am also writing because if you close the Cannon Air Force base, I will lose some of the best friends I have ever had because their parent are

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Portales, NM 88130

BRAC COMMISSION
2521 South Clark Street - Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern,

I am Samantha Foshee and I am a junior at Portales High School. I am a Portales, NM, resident, and I strongly believe that Cannon Air Force Base should stay open and active.

I believe that Cannon should stay open for several reasons. One reason is that if Cannon closes, the people employed at Cannon are going to have to pick up their lives and start all over somewhere else. This could lead to possible separations among families. Lead to separation among relatives and it could even lead to marriage separations. The land area is large enough for Cannon to expand. Since this area is scarcely populated, Cannon could expand its facilities and become a larger base. Therefore, Cannon could employ more people and the military in this area would become stronger. If Cannon closes then a lot of people, including non-military people, will develop financial problems. Then more people will rely more on the government for financial stability than as of right now. My last reason for my belief in Cannon staying open is that the surrounding towns will be heavily affected economically. The town sizes will shrink, unemployment rates will increase, and the drug problems will increase.

Thank you so much for taking the time to read and consider my reasoning as to why Cannon Air Force Base should stay open and active. Please consider all of the effects that the closing could have on our communities and make the best choice for everyone.

Sincerely,

Samantha Foshee

Samantha Foshee

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Erica McGill

420 South Avenue C.

Ridley Park, PA 19071

May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2021 South Blvd. Blvd.
Suite 150
Arlington, VA 22209

Attention: Lt. Philip Lee

My name is Erica McGill and I object to the closing of Cannon Air Force Base. I'm 16 and I'm a sophomore at Portaferry High School. Everyone talks about how high school is supposed to be the best 4 years of your life. Well if that's true then it's been the best two years of my life. The only thing is, all of my friends are military. I don't want my best years to be cut short, just because it saves a little money. I can't see anything good coming from the base closer. Families and friends will be torn apart, hearts will be broken, and

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lives will have to be started over
Please consider this

Sincerely,


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1331 South Avenue F

Potomac, MD 20720

Eric Blair
Eric Blair Anthony Principi
2331 South Main Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22206

Dear Mr. Principi

I wish to talk with you
about Cannon air force base being
on that list. I think they should
not be on the list because
my brother joined the army and
when he left they drag him, get
him into a car and
he used to be fairly and is
not real happy with the fact
that's why my brother gets beat
from them. It is going to have to
have a court martial to stop it.
I have a brother named Anthony too.
What a coincidence.

Sincerely
Barbara

Barbara Blair

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341 South Roosevelt Road T
Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To whom It May Concern

I would like to ask you to reconsider your decision on closing Cannon Air Force Base. A lot of people rely on Cannon, not only families but also students. If our population drops the schools would loss money and programs would have to be droped. There is also a good idea made about having an air force base down here. Portales and Clovis has a lot of room and flat plains so that there would be enough space for training. Please think about reconsidering!

Sincerely,

Amanda Craig
Amanda Craig

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Post Office Department
Postal Act 1923
May 19, 1923

BRAC Congress
2521 South Clark Street
\\$ 16 600
Ave. V. 22202

Attention Sirs Please I believe you about
Foreign Mail. Can you tell me what rights
privileges and [unclear] more populated foreign areas
better money so the taxes are off the
people there the money will change the money
will go back home better because of the money
from there we can buy more world day.

Sincerely
John Brown
John Brown

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201 South Knoxville
Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I think your decision to close Cannon should be reconsidered. Cannon airforce base is very important to many of our towns people and also Cannon provides jobs for many people. If Cannon were to be shut down there would surely be a cut in school funds, therefore halting our full potential to gain a good education. This said, I hope this helps you reconsider your decision of closing Cannon.

Sincerely,
Timothy Lucero
Timothy Lucero

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1700 West Fir
Portland, NM 97230
10/11/05 600E

ERAC Foundation
2521 36th Ave. Street
Seattle, WA 98108

To whom it may concern.

I think you are considering
about closing Cannon Air Force
Base, because you have it on a
the school will burn to 1000C
MAY, THAT WILL COST FOR EACH
FAMILY THAT LIVES ON THE BASE.
WE NEED TO GET A LOT OF
SUPPORTING FROM THE PEOPLE
TO KEEP THE CANNON AIR FORCE
FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT. I LIKE
IT IS NICE, I SAW THE CANNON
Air Force Base before if you
like it, you can go with yo
will add.

Sincerely,
Celia Olivas
Celia Olivas

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1105 South Boulder
Portales NM 88130
May 19, 2005

B R A C Commission
2521 Sout Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

TO whom it may concern:

I believe that we need to keep Cannon Air Force Base NOT ONLY for Clovis, but for Portales NM also. Cannon is just as far away from Portales as from Clovis and we need the people to help keep this town alive. We will loose at least a third of the population. That would result in a huge money lose that could wipe us out. SO please reconsider what you are doing.

Sincerely

Shawn Vigil
Shawn Vigil

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900 South Avenue A
Portales NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I believe that shutting down the base is not a good idea. By doing so, it can and will affect many people. It will affect the people who live there, who work there, and to the people who go to the medical clinic. It will also affect the schools. The schools will have less money for the school to operate if they lose students. I please ask you to reconsider the decision that will be taking place.

Sincerely,
Aracely Pacheco
Aracely Pacheco

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2248 South Roosevelt Road
Portales, New Mexico 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, Va 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I think that what ya'll wanna do its wrong, because its gonna affect a lot of people. It would affect kids and their family. They are welcome to our school, but maybe they like it better there. A lot of people would loose there job and were they live and it would be hard to find a house to live if theres a lot of people and maybe the people would find a job somewhere else but it won't be better than what they do. I think it would also affect our economy.

sincerely,

Laura Castillo
Laura Castillo

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421 North Avenue B
Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 606
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to ask you to reconsider shutting down Cannon Airforce Base. If you shut down Cannon there would be a lot of stress in the economy. Many businesses as well as schools rely on Cannon and enjoy the variety of people they send in each year. As far as our space goes we have plenty. Portales and Clovis are not that big so there aren't as many things to be worried about such as running into buildings. The bottom line is that it's a

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1807 S. Roosevelt Rd K P.O. #10
Rogers NM 88132
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Brach Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To whom it may concern:

It would be a mistake to close down the Cannon Hill Elementary. If you close down the there many businesses and schools of Roosevelt and Cherry County will suffer. The Businesses will suffer because 20% of the population is people who live on base. And if that 20% leaves businesses will definitely suffer. It will affect our schools because there are lots of kids in the schools that live on base. If those students leave the schools in Roosevelt and Cherry County will lose money, good programs and teachers.

Sincerely,

Sean Brown

Sean Brown



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1200 East 3RD Street
Portales NM, 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission,
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To whom it may concern

I am writing this letter to try and persuade you into not closing Cannon Air Force base. Cannon is a very big asset to our community. It brings in many very different types of people for our schools and helps us learn new things about these people. Cannon also helps our economy very much, the base closing would be a very hard hit to our community which is already very fragile. The base closing would hurt everyone that is why I believe you should reconsider closing it.

Sincerely,

Jayna Nance

Jayna Nance

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May 20, 2005
Portales NM 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. Around here the weather is great. So they can do practices in the air. We also have a lot of air space. Also Portales support the military. One more thing the Schools will suffer. Kids will loose friends and teachers will lose students. Also I just dont want this town to become a ghost town.

Sincerely,
Rick Clark



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Kelsey

Keep it because people depend
on food and shelter

Sincerely Kelsey

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To whom it may concern,
for jobs, and if you
can save them. I would like
my son. Don't close the Cannon Air force
base there are people and homes
live there. Sincerely,

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May 24, 2005

To: Brac Commission

I am a student from Portales Junior High School. I disagree to the whole idea about closing Cannon. We have many friends here in Portales and if you do decide to close Cannon they would move. Half of our schools population would be gone.

I would very much appreciate it if you didn't close Cannon.

P.S. I couldn't shop at the B.X. :)

Sincerely,
Alexandria
Montane

Dhawles

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Dear Eric Lomax,

As you can probably tell I am not a
writer and I have not written
anything like this before. I know it is not
the best writing but I hope you will
still like it. They are all from my imagination
and I hope you will like them.
I hope you will like them.

Please excuse me for not writing better
but I am not a good writer.

Sincerely,

Eric Lomax

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May 20, 2005
Portales, NM 80130

To whom it may concern:

Cannon Air Force Base was recently selected to be put on BRAC list to be closed. This would hurt our community severely in several reasons. The most important is for all of us here is the fact that our schools will suffer greatly. The enrollment will decrease as well as our quality of education. That is the biggest issue that most of us are set concerned about. Another is that we have a large amount of air space in Portales that is very helpful to our base. These are some major reasons why Cannon Air Force Base should stay open. It will hurt our community greatly. I would greatly appreciate if you took some of the concerns that I mentioned into consideration.

Sincerely,
Mark Best

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Dear Honorable Representative,

I strongly oppose closing Cannon AFB. I suggest you oppose it too. First of all, the economic impact will be catastrophic. Almost every form of business and education will be affected. There will be a massive loss of jobs. The local economy will be crippled! The military will suffer also. The ideal flying conditions and airspace will be lost. There may be a change in public support, for the military and you if you do not fight hard for Cannon!

Sincerely,
Christian Townsend

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May 20, 2005
Portland, OR 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing because
I am concerned about the closing
of Cannon AFB

Yours truly
Colton



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Mar 22 2005 06132005
Roswell, NM 88201

Dear Sirs:

I am writing because the closing
of Cannon AFB, I F X is coming.
Also of course will be the JPO and
I will be here until the day we close
Cannon AFB.

Sincerely, Chris

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May 20, 2005
Portales, NM, 88130

DEAR BRAC committee,

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. My brother is in the military and he we would be very disappointed. It would kill the economy. Businesses would be closed because every body is moving because cannon is closing. You could barely be able to give away your house. It would be a ghost town. And me and my family And all of Portales would hate to see that. So, please don't shut down Cannon.

thank you
Matthew



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May 20, 2005
Portales, NM 88130

To whom it may concern:

I am very concerned about the closing of Cannon Air Force Base. It would harm our already poor economy. The military helps our town, and we help the military, we are like a support team, you take out a chunk of it, the whole building will fall. There is plenty of air space for both the Navy and the Air Force to do their training. Our School system will suffer, and I would like to get a proper education. So please do not close Cannon.

Yours truly,

J.R.

May 21, 2005
W 88120
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Dear BRAC comm'ty,

I have heard that CAFB is on the BRAC list. This has concerned my reg much, for if Cannon closes, the Clovis/Portales community will fail. Cannon has supported us in building and funding both the Clovis/Portales communities. CAFB is almost never delayed for the weather. It is not harsh enough to be so. CAFB also has enough air space for most of any air and ground researches, test runs, and room for CAFB to develop larger. If Cannon closes, our schools will lose funding and students, meaning our schools will shrink. Please reconsider what you are doing.

Sincerely,
Thomas

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July 26, 2005
Dallas, TX

Re: [redacted]

I am writing because I am interested
about the closing of common areas.
• Where would the money come from?
• Large amount or small amounts?
• If large amounts, how?
• School would suffer
Are account holders liable to be closed
for most of the park areas? If so

Ricardo Rodriguez

BAC Commission
2521 S Clark St.
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

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To whom it may concern.

Hi my name is Donovan Clark
and I live in postales New Mexico
close to Cannon A.F.B. From what
I have heard Cannon may have
extended to Cibola.

AS of right now clubs and the
Scouting areas are growing rapidly.
We are building on to the city.
If Cannon closes many people would
leave and I have a lot of friend that
live in the housing in postales living
close to Cannon here with the drugs
and other factors that happen here
at our school.

Now that you may know a little about
this area. Cannon has a big
impact on our area, Please help so
we the people can continue to build
and have a base there. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Donovan Clark

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BRAE Commission
2521 S. Clark St.
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To BRAE Commission:

I'm a Junior in Highschool. If you close down the base it will have great effect on our town. but I think you need to close it down because more hunting land will be open for people to hunt on. Farmers will take down the posted signs.

Sincerely,

Cecily Johnson

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May 20/05

Please keep Cannon.

Moving from Wyoming my mother single with three children she choose Portales because of the community.

The closure of Cannon is not just going to effect Clavis but Portales. My mother was offered a job with her masters degree in Social Work to work on base. Closing Cannon takes away jobs that are offered to others that are not in the military. I feel that the town will be personally negatively effected.

Please keep Cannon.

"United we stand"

Lheri Bechthold

128 Oklahoma Drive
Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202
Attention: Anthony Principi

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Dear Mr. Principi

Hello, my name is Sasha A. Parker, I live in Portales, New Mexico and I am a sophomore at the Portales High School. I attend school with many of the students from Cannon Air Force Base. Our community is a small knit farming community where we all shop, eat, and attend school in the same places. Cannon Air Force Base is a great asset to our communities and to our freedom. The jets don't bother me; they only make me feel safe. Seeing our military in and around our community gives me a great sense of pride and security.

Please reconsider closing Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, New Mexico. We support Cannon Air Force Base and we want it to stay where it is at. I recently wrote an essay about the following passage that has a lot of meaning to me-

"Freedom is the freedom,
to say two plus two makes four.
If that is granted all else follows."

The United States of America is all about freedom and our military is a very big part of that! Please let Cannon Air Force Base stay here and continue to make all of us feel safe and proud!

Sincerely,



Sasha A. Parker

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To who it may concern,
I think you will ruin families if you
close Cannon Air Force Base, You will
also ruin the economics of Portales
and Clovis. I think if you move them
to another base, you will spend
the same amount of money on
the base in Clovis. You will ruin
the houses in Clovis and Portales
and the people who lives there
had friends and they're going to
lose their friends, A lot of
people depend on that place.
People lose their jobs.

Sincerely, Kristen Wagner
in Portales

P.S. That ruins peoples
lives.

P.S. People love the Air
Force Base,

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May 23, 2005

TO whom it may concern that we shall keep the air force base a lot of people lose that job. People come some were in New Mexico and they want to leave somebody will have to take them some where else. We want Clovis.

Sincerely
Maria Rodriguez

R.M. James Elementary
Portales, NM 88130
May 23, 2005

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BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark - Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

ATTN: Chair Anthony Principi

Dear Sir:

I work in Portales as an Art teacher at R.M. James Elementary School. I have lived in Portales for 25 years; have worked at many different occupations and reared 3 sons in this community.

This is a fine community with many friendly people and wonderful weather; cool nights with no mosquitos in the summer; very little crime as compared with larger cities. I think that our "Finest" military people and their families deserve to live in this area. Many military people come back and retire here because of all the benefits of this area.

Please keep Cannon going strong - our area's economy depends on it and the character of this area's people is welcoming, cooperative and mutually beneficial to our nation's military families.

Sincerely yours,
Elvira Tisthammer

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Dear BRAC committee

My name is Chris Kirchner and I'm a senior at Portales High School. While I could easily talk about the impact closure of Cannon Air Force Base would have on the local communities, I've opted to write a letter based on what my dad (a soon to be retired master sergeant) has been saying, and how it seems that mission hasn't been taken into consideration.

Basically, he's said it's a stupid move. There are no problems with the local community buildings too close to the base, as a matter of fact the locals have been working on increasing the air space that can be used for supersonic flight. I've heard about other bases ~~that~~ that have problems with complaints of noise or with people who are stupid enough to build at the end of the runway. Then complain about noise. Luke Air Force base is a perfect example. There are houses at the end of the runway and he said were always complaining about noise. Clovis has gone out of its way to ensure that the base has had plenty of land around the base to ensure "encroachment" won't be a problem.

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Austina Hall
1704 N AVE K
Portales NM 88130
May 19, 2005

Brac commission
2521 S. Clark St.
Suite 400
Arlington, Va 22202

Dear Brac Commission,

I am a Junior at portales High School.
I am very concerned about cannon closing. I do not want it to. I've come so close to friends that will have to move away and there are people who will lose their jobs because that is where they get most of their business. Not only that, but our population will decrease very much.

Thank you so much for your time,
and please do take this into consideration.

Sincerely,

Austina Hall
Austina Hall



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810 N Pine St
Pertiles, OR 97338
July 12, 2005

BPA Community
1521 S Clark St

Salem, OR
503-588-7228

See below:

810 N Pine Street - Pineside School

In Portland, Oregon, USA.

Portland Public Schools, 2005-2006

Open to the public, no admission required

The area in front of it is closed

801 Mission is an area located in

Oregon with many other buildings

Mr. & Mrs. Smith's home

and the area in front of it is closed

by Oregon State Police. (Local)

Not open to the public.

With what I heard

No one area does

not do this.

810 N Pine Street

Portland, Oregon, USA

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BRAE COMMISSION
2501 S. Clark St.
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

TO whom it may concern.

As you may know, Cannon Air Force Base is one of the bases on the list to be shut down. Without Cannon Air Force Base, between Clovis, NM, and Roswell, NM, because of the many families in the area that live in the bases, in Clovis or Roswell, would it affect us if our location. If Cannon Air Force Base is denied not to be shutdown and the terrorists decide to attack they will hit Alamogordo, NM, and New Mexico, because the two bases are two main bases that have planes belonging to us to attack back. And if they shut down Cannon Air Force Base, we will not have what we need to fight them.

Thank you for taking my concerns

Sincerely,
Trisha Ercel
Trisha Ercel

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May 18, 2005
600 E. 18th St.
Portales NM 88130

Dear members of the BRAC commission:

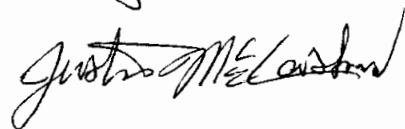
Cannon Air Force Base is a vital part of our community, but we will still move on if you do not remove us from your list.

If cannon is closed our economy will slow down considerably. The growth of the Clovis-Portales microplex will slow down because the supply and demand will slow with the loss of part of our population.

This will also bring about a change in many families and friends. Cannon has been a home to many people for some of their children's whole lives.

If cannon is closed, those kids will be pulled out of an environment that they have become accustomed to. All together, the loss of cannon will slow down growth in our community, but it will definitely not cripple our towns.

sincerely,


Justin McCaskill

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May 18, 2005
812 East Brazos
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC commission:

I have taken this matter into consideration.
I strongly wish for Cannon AFB to stay
for several reasons.

Areas such as White Sands missile Range
and Melrose Bombing Range are nearly
Cannon. This gives Cannon a better opportunity
to run tests and have experience with the
equipment from the surrounding areas).
Cannon also provides more protection and service
to communities. Many families also live
in Cannon. It is a home and community
to people. People have a better sense of security
~~protection~~ knowing Cannon helps to protect us.
Cannon serves a great purpose to counties
in New Mexico. I pray and hope for
Cannon AFB to stay. Thank you for your
cooperation.

Sincerely,
Amanda Peña

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May 18, 2005

224 New Mexico Dr.
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

Cannon AFB is an essential part of our community. The base provides the community with economic stability and a role model for the community.

Cannon AFB provides our community with the financial support of the troops stationed on Cannon. The base gives the community the population for major businesses to construct branches in the area, giving us much needed jobs.

Cannon AFB acts as a role model for the community. The base encourages and actively supports helpful organizations in the community. These organizations include: Habitat for Humanity, ENMRSH, and other exquisite organizations. The base provides many volunteers for Habitat for Humanity and it gives contracts to ENMRSH.

Cannon AFB should not be closed because of the support and services provided to the community. I ask you to reconsider your decision.

Sincerely,
Roy D Bishop
Roy D Bishop

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Mar 18, 2005
616 East 17th Lane
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission,

Cannon AFB is an integral part of the Clovis-Portales area and all of eastern New Mexico. It is the main reason why this area has become what it is today. If the base is shutdown, the economy of this area will be hurt greatly. There are also many men and women that will lose their jobs if it closes. Cannon AFB is also greatly involved in the continuing growth of this area. It will cause a great decrease in rate of the growth of the surrounding area. I thank you for taking the time and listening to the opinions of the people of this area. I also trust that you will make the right decision that will benefit the people of this area.

Thank you,
Jordan Shulans

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May 18, 2005

1662 S. Roos. Rd 3
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC commission:

I am writing concerning the issue of closing Cannon Air Force Base. This event could have harmful conclusions concerning our community.

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Sincerely,

Tamara Shirley
Tamara Shirley

Economically speaking, closing Cannon would be devastating. Businesses in the Clovis-Portales area are supported by Cannon people. The bringing in of new establishments to accomodate the base have provided jobs and opportunities for local community members. With the population decrease, in the middle of a growth period for our area, that would occur, our economy would suffice.

I would also like to address the issue of "why". Our state bases abundance of research and national security. We have missile bases.

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May 18, 2005
567 NM 88
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the Base Commission:

Cannon AFB is an essential part of the Clovis and Portales communities. Clovis and Portales have grown so much from the transferees that have moved here over the years. Cannon AFB is the closest base to all of the following: LANL, Sandia Labs, White Sands Missile Range, and Melrose Bombing Range. Cannon AFB can test all of the new bombs that have been made. Ft ~~Wolfe~~ will be the fastest striking base if the eastern part of New Mexico gets bombed. Cannon AFB is also the only reason Portales and Clovis are on the map. Please reconsider closing down the base.

Sincerely
Jake Leal

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233 New Mexico
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

The closure of Cannon Air Force Base would be devastating to this community. The base provides jobs for both civilians and military personnel. This loss of these jobs would impact both the population and economy of this community. The military personnel leaving this area would strike a major blow to this recently growing community. The base also provides many services to this community. On many occasions since 9-11, the Cannon bomb squad has been called out to locations across the area to help provide a safe means to remove a potential dangerous object.

The location also provides an ideal location for storing and testing aircraft and weaponry. The remoteness and its proximity to more than one testing facility makes it an opportune location. This location is also distant from any potentially dangerous borders, allowing plenty of time to mobilize defense in the event of an attack. Cannon also provides security for the many government labs and sites in the area, specifically Sandia Labs and White Sands missile Range. Thus, please reconsider the proposition of closing Cannon Air Force Base.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Smith
Jeremy Smith

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P.O. Box 296

Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

Closing Cannon Airforce Base is a bad idea. It would not only affect the base personal, but also their families and the community. Families would have to move and businesses would lose customers. People in our area rely on Cannon for security and protection. If you close Cannon, it will increase the probability of terrorists attacking us. I know our founding fathers would not have left us alone and undefended. There is a lot of talk on the news about the lack of jobs and instead of helping this problem, you're just making it worse. I will not let "The Man" bring this community down. Please reconsider your decision to close Cannon Airforce Base.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Brooks
Jeffrey Brooks

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May 18, 2005
700 West 16th Street
Portales, NM 88130

Dear Member of the FEC Committee:

Cannon AFB is good to our community for many reasons. If the base is shut down the economy will be hurt greatly. The population is around 6,000 people. If the base closes many businesses will have to close or relocate from the base. The air force base also provides defense and security for its surrounding areas. Some of the important areas it protects are Laramie, Soddy, White Sands and the Melrose Training Area. This is some of the reasons why the Cannon Air Force Base should not be shut down. Thank you for your time sir or madam.

Sincerely,
Johnathan (Eric)

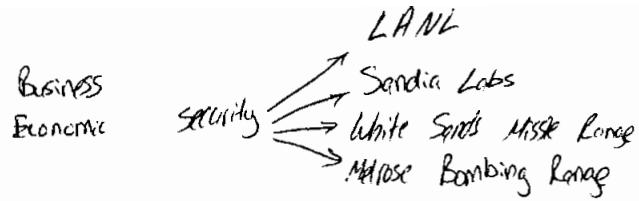
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May 18, 2005
8020 Hwy 205
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the LFAC Commission:

Cannon Air Force Base is an essential part of the Curry and Roosevelt counties. For several of years, Cannon Air Force Base (CAF_B) is a critical part of our communities, because it provides a variety of jobs to the public and CAF_B assists in bringing in people to existing restaurants, stores, and other public places. CAF_B also assisted in the agreement between Curry County and Roosevelt County to be considered a Microplex. This agreement boosted the economy enormously, bringing in new franchises and specialty shops.

Thank you for your time,
Matt Tucker
Matt Tucker



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1085 SRF. 4B
Portales, NM 88130

Dear members of the BRAC commission,

I believe that you should consider keeping the Cannon AFB. I believe that Cannon is an essential beneficiary to the communities of Clovis, New Mexico and Portales, New Mexico. The population of Cannon AFB has exceed 6,000 or more hard working individuals who rely on the base as their main source of financial support. If Cannon is closed down, there will be thousands of the government workers out of work! Not only will the communities around the AFB base suffer, this will have huge repercussions throughout the State of New Mexico and West Texas. The location of Cannon is a huge factor in this. We are positioned close to the White Sands missile range, ~~the~~ the Majuro bombing range, the Sandia Labs, and the Los Alamos National Labs. Our base keep these very important sites safe from terrorists and other outside threats.

Ok, the last paragraph was many reasons that I came up with to suit my teacher. I personally would like to see the base kept open; but on the other hand I also can understand if you have reasons to close the base, I'd understand. The community of Clovis / Portales area is already "burning" on their own. The Milk plant, ethanol plant, bottling plant, and the upcoming cheese plant. have made the communities very more successful.

~~I~~ I am putting my trust in your opinion and knowledge to make the best choice that you see fit.

Thanks for your time,
Loren Brown

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1847 SRR8
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

Cannon Air Force Base has been a very essential part of our community for a long, long time. Cannon AFB is extremely important in the protection of all the military projects in New Mexico. In New Mexico we have Sandia Labs and Los Alamos National Labs; both of these labs are essential in testing and inventing important defense devices. Cannon is ~~as~~ adamant about protecting these two labs. White Sands Missile Range and Melrose Bombing Range are important in trying out the new defense devices made by the lab. Cannon is a training area where people are trained to protect the labs from our enemies and the bombing and missile ranges, as well as train people to work at these places. Without Cannon AFB it will be MUCH harder ~~to~~ for the other bases in New Mexico to protect and have trained employees for our important

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1201 Gemini Circle
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC commission:

I don't claim to know a whole lot about the potential closure of Cannon Air Force Base or why any base needs to close, but putting any military reasons aside, the closure of Cannon would be drastic on areas surrounding the Portales-Cloris area. A large percentage of the people around here are either employed by the base or work indirectly for it. Cannon is a major source of the growths Roosevelt and Curry Counties have been experiencing. With the closure of Cannon, the eventual 'closure' of Portales and Cloris occurs. Cannon has been around for a long time. It has changed from a base near our society to an integral part of our community. If Cannon leaves, so do all non-family owned businesses.

Cannon is an ideal location for a military base for several reasons. New Mexico is not, shall we say, densely populated, or very pretty. This means we have many bombing ranges. Cannon is ideal for tests as there is an amazing amount of room for military tests. Cannon also has two wings over in the Middle East right now. So obviously it's doing some good where its at if

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476th SRBW
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC commission:

As a concerned member of this community I feel by closing Cannon AFB would be very detrimental to both our community and Air Force. This base has been a part of our community for the past 50 years and closing it would financially hurt Clovis and Portales. The location of Cannon is essential for flying high speed air crafts. Without Cannon these planes will end up using twice as much fuel to do their test flights, costing the government and its people. I know that these points have been taken into consideration, but please fully understand the effect that closing Cannon will have. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Michaela Alexander

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1876 NM 236
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

The closure of Cannon Airforce Base would be extremely devastating to our community and state. There are several reasons as to why the closure of Cannon would have only negative effects. Cannon Air Force Base is crucial as a part of our homeland security and given our national circumstance of the war on terror the closure of Cannon would not be the wisest of decisions. In addition to this, our economy of Roosevelt and Curry County will suffer greatly. Without Cannon Airforce Base Clovis and Portales will no longer have the population needed to expand our communities. If the decision to close Cannon Airforce Base is carried out many people in the community will not have enough business to keep their jobs. Many civilians, around 500 people work at Cannon Airforce Base and they will be out of a job. Therefore, leading to financial crisis in many families lives. Considering the many negative effects of the closure of Cannon Airforce Base we ask you to reconsider your decision to have Cannon Close.

Sincerely,

Julia Acree

Julia Acree

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May 19, 2005

1445 BDR Roosevelt #10
NM
portales ~~██████████~~ 88135

Dear member of Brac camision you know
today is a great day very beautiful you know why?
Because we have dinner here without cannon the
town would be empty and dead sorry to disturb you
but its the truth we would loose business and
friends so please really think this through And
Dont worry the town is behind your decision

Sincerely

James Sotelo

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912 West 14th St.
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

I am concerned about the base closure in my area, because it would severely hurt our community as well as economy, because the size of Clovis and Portales. It would drive out most of our population and make it harder for businesses to survive, as well as inadequate development for the area. This would also effect the public schools from the lost of students. The closure of Cannon Air Force Base would severely affect a small community verse a large community. I recommend that you please change the decision.

Sincerely,
Kelly Griffith

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May 19 2005

1108 North Avenue T

Portales, New Mexico, USA

2521 South Clark Street Suite 600

Arlington, VA 22202

1st of member of the BRIC commission.

The capital of Portales is about 20,000 people. It is a rural town. The economic crisis of the 1980's and 1990's has threatened with a great amount of business and money leaving in Portales. There are about 500 people who attend the public schools in Portales. About 100 students attend with about 800 people in the city. Life is not the same as it was in the past.

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Date

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201 Fox Dr.

Portales NM 88130

BRI Administration

2521 South Clark Street - Suite 600

Arlington, VA 22206

Dear members of BRI:

I'm sorry about the problem for class of 2006 at Portales High School and I am here to redress it. I beg of you please to not take action against me. I believe our position would distract from what our community would achieve. Listen to the Honorable. I trust whatever you may say, it is for the best.

Sincerely,

Sarah Smith



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1341 Pueblo Loop
Portales, NM 88130

BEN Commission
2521 South Clark Street Suite 400
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear members of the BEN Commission. I'm in high school and this isn't done in my O.D. and will. My dad is in the military and I do not understand. They protect us and they put us in the
DRAFT. But, But it is also going to help us
Please don't. I need you!
The things we will make
will ruin your decrease
country and we'll go
poor. But I still think
you should do some of
them. Always forever ever, SKY

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1316 S. Main Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission

2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission
I don't think close Cannon AFB is good
because this AFB is a security to our
Community for any terrorist attack and another
think is that here in portales are so
many family's that depends from the AFB.

Adolfo Marquez.

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Ashley Jackson
420 S. Ave. A.
Portales, NM 88130

Brac commision
2521 South Clark Street - suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

I don't think you should shut Cannon down. It's part of our town, part of our lives. If you take it, you will be taking part of us. Our economy will lower. We are already a small community, close, but we don't want it smaller. Think about it. We would really appreciate it if you didn't take Cannon from us.

Sincerely,

Ashley Jackson

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2103 W. Aspen St. Portales N.M. 88102

BRAC Commission 2521 South Clark Street - Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission: I am an Air Force brat. My father was a Sergeant in the U.S. Air Force, Portales and Clovis are the main towns depending on Cannon AFB. I know that as a trooper I would want to be somewhere larger with more entertainment. But the important thing is the training that can be acquired at Cannon. There may not be much entertainment but there is a lot of airspace. The community has supported and cooperated with Cannon for as long as Cannon has been here. Please do not close Cannon if not for our safety, for the benefit of the troops and the excellent training that can be acquired here.

Sincerely, Roberta M. Ranger

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7412 B. S. Ross Rd. # Portales, N.M. 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission,
I dont think youll should shut down the base, I think it'll be trouble, and yet our economy will drop. The base actually makes most of our population. Taking it away I know would make others sad because their family members are there and soon they will be gone too. So please reconsider.

Sincerely,

Ruby Gonzalez

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May 14, 2005

2102 East 1st Street
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission,
I think that we should keep Cannon because
it provides business for many people. For example
my aunt owns a moving business and, she
fifteen percent of their business comes from
Cannon alone. Not to mention the people that
don't want to move that work for the base.
Where are they going to get jobs? Granted we
have a new cheese plant coming to town
and that can provide jobs for a lot of people.
I just don't think the economy could handle the
loss of Cannon. People will lose their friends
and loved ones. So not only will the people that
work at Cannon suffer, All the people who
keeps Cannon for everyone's sake.

Sincerely,
John "Dad" Scott

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Tamara Cuddington
726 W. 17th St.
Portales, NM 88130

Brac Commission
2521 South Clark St. Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

I do not think you should close Cannon because if you do our communities will go down in population. Most of the people that come here are here at Cannon. Or they live here in 801 housing. In closin I still feel you should not close Cannon.

Sincerely,
Tamara Cuddington.

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May 19, 2005

416 S. Abilene
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear members of the BRAC commission,

I am writing to you concerning the closure of our Air Force Base. It will effect us very much because they always see it fight for our freedom. If you would please keep Cannon Air Force Base open, it would be great. When people get called to fight for freedom, we know that we will be protected.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Jessie Johnson

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255 S. Hills oakrd
Portales NM 88130

Brac Commission
2521 south Clark street -suite 600
Arlington VA 22202

Dear BRAC comission, I write this letter to you to save cannon. I just wanna let you know im a clueless teenager and really dont know anything about cannon. If you save it thats great, but if you dont then I dont think I would really mind. I believe that teenagers dont really have any power to do anything, but to sit and watch what the adults do. ~~I know~~ I know for sholy that if our economy drops it would be disasterst sinking very slowly. I believe if you can do it, and put your mind to it then go for it and you will accomplish your goal.

Sincerely,
Jair Ruiz

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May 19, 2005

Office 809 S. Dallas portales New Mexico 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Member of the BRAC commission,

I dont think you should Shut down Cannon
Because It is a small town and people from
portales go up there to. But I think you should Reconsider.
Because Are population will go way down.

Sincerely

Stuart Esawante.

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May 19, 2005

755 S. Hills at rd
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission

2521 South Clark Street - Suite 600
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Member of the BRAC Commission,

Please don't close Casper. If H closes there won't be enough jobs for everyone that wants to stay or those of us that live here. And our economy will drop. Farmers depend on our town and it is great to have H here! If Casper loses Portales will not be a good town to live in cause of the loss of jobs and H will be like a ghost town! That's not good! Please reconsider closing Casper.

Thank you.

Karen Martinez

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May 19, 2005

Office of the
Secretary of Defense

BRAC Commission
2001 South Capitol Street, Suite 600
Washington, DC 20003

Dear members of the BRAC commission:

I am a resident of Pikesville, Maryland. I'm writing to you to encourage you to reconsider shutting the base down. If it is closed, it will affect Fort Detrick and its people. The people that work there will relocate to D.C. Our population will be affected because there won't be enough jobs to support these people. Instead of closing, our town will grow smaller. Having the Air Force brings us pride, and I don't think it's right for you to take this away from us.

Cindy Thunero

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May 19, 2005

1309 N. Abilene Place

Portales, New Mexico 88130

BRAC Commission

2521 South Clark Street-Suite 400

Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC commission,

I'm a high school student, and think the base is a big deal to our community and cannon is in a place where they have lots of room to work which is a good quantity to keep cannon. I always think it will hurt the jobs of many along with the town. I agree to keep cannon alive we need it.

Annalisa Lopez

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205 Oklahome Dr.
Portales, New Mexico 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

I'm a high ~~school~~ school student, I am writing this letter 'cause it's ~~the~~ the closest thing we got to learn how to write a paper. Base ~~not~~ does not affect me and my family but it does affect our small town. If you close it our town will go poor. Then we'll have to move away. Then we'll be so poor to live anywhere else. I know my grammar and everythings wrong 'cause I haven't learned how to write a paper. And all teachers making us write this.

BRAC commission ~~2000~~ Rockville
8521 South Clark St. Suite 1000
Arlington, VA
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1675 S. R.R. #
Portales, NM 88130

2521 S. Clark St - Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC commission:

The closing of Cannon AFB doesn't effect me personally, but there is talk of it effecting our economy. And I do trust that you will make the right decision. I just hope that you won't just close it because we aren't very big and you don't think it will effect anyone.

Thank you for taking the time to read my opinion,

J. Matt Lacy

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919 N Ave N

Portales, NM 88130

Broc Commission

2521 South Clark Street Suite 600

Arlington, VA 22203

Dear members of the Broc commission:

I have many reasons why you should close Corcoran Force base.

One is the people of Portales & Clovis also feel safer with an air force base because no one wants a 9-11 to happen but with an air force base Portales & Clovis know there will not be another 9-11 around the area. Another reason is that i have many friends that come to my school (Portales High School) will have to move if you close the base and most of them are not from this town. So can you please not close the base because my friends would not like that. Thank you

From: Matthew Salazar

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May 10, 2005

600 East Amazon
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street - Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

There are many reasons Cannon Air Force Base should not be closed down. It provides for our economy. \$3000 is given to each student upon their education, and without that, it would be very hard to get them money for school. Many loved ones are members of the base and it would be very hard to lose them safely upon the bases close. One man said that, if you people do what we all want, we all hope you'll be good at what you do. Cannon Air Force Base.

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Christian Smith

To whom it may concern
You will not be saving \$, families will have to
move, jobs will close in Portals and Clavis.

Sincerely, Christian

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MAY 20, 2005

Portales, NM, 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am concerned about the closings of Cannon AFB. Portales has been
vacated all year. There is a large
amount of air space. Portales supplies
the AFB. If you close Cannon
the school will suffer.

Sincerely,

Fernando

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Portales NM 88130

Dear Brac committee:

If you close the base my mom
and dad will probably lose their jobs.
So do not close.

Sincerely
Robie

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MAY 20, 2005
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Dear BHAC Committee:

I am writing because I am concerned
that the money in Committee II may
you will leave it open. Instead we would
have a safe place to store it. If you
I just let me know about this money
please!

Truly Yours,
Nancy



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May 20, 2005
Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. There are several reasons why you shouldn't close Cannon. We have good weather pretty much all year so you wouldn't have to worry about hurricanes or anything. Also, we have lots of open space with nothing on it so we could just keep building onto Cannon. I have lots of friends that have parents that work at Cannon. If you closed it, they would have to move. Last, it would make our community suffer.

Yours truly,
Sarah

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May 20th, 2005
Portales, NM 86030

Dear BRAE committee,

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. It won't just hurt the community of Tularosa, but the community there also. Without Cannon our towns would suffer. We wouldn't have our Music Theater which is one of the only things we have. Our populations in Clovis and Portales will rapidly decline. This will mean that our schools will lose students, and our town will lose people. I have good friends who parents are in the air force and I don't want them to leave. One more thing, Portales supports the military, and the military supports the military. Thank you for your time and please reconsider the closing of Cannon AFB.

Sincerely,
Michael
Portales President

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Dear Rac Commissioner,

Since this is the (final) letter you have sent I will keep it short. Rummel has it that you wish to shut down the only defensive base we have near Port Hueneme. You know / Cannon Air Force Base. The thought of that makes me have a strange feeling inside. Some good and some bad. It's not my choice but think about what you want to do.

Sincerely

Shane Gibson

Student at Port Hueneme
High School.

Do Not Shut down Cannon!

TO Brac Comission

Natasha G.
5-24-05
1st

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We don't need to shut down Cannon air force base because half of what Portales + Clavis are made of is Cannon air force Base. If you guyz shut it down we will lose resturants, teachers, stores, all kinds of things. My best friend is in the military + she might have to move cause of this. And she's like my best friend I've never had.

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May 24, 2005

Dear

Brae Commissioners Sir
writing you all these teller to
say that the common in Faure Bois
should not be closed, because we
would lose many people meaning
our population can come down
down because some particular
is a little town and it's mostly
giving some sense. down because
many people don't afford to
move to somewhere else there
would be more work for
them and if stay and get any-
thing from here something can
happen and that is why I
have the opinion that the common
should not be closed

Sincerely:

Claudia
Urena

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May 24, 2005

Bliss Community

Hello I am Crystal I am a student from Clovis New Mexico. I am joining the effort to save Cannon Air Force base. Some may not understand but Cannon is one of the biggest influences for the area around it. Cannon has brought money to the area to build schools, hobby recreation centers. Most of the benefit from Cannon affects Clovis, but almost everyone commutes to Clovis for shopping, entertainment, and some for their education. A good percent of the areas population is in Clovis if Cannon closes people will lose jobs. If nearly our economy will go down, businesses will close, and children will lose friends. I for one made a friend whose parents are military and if it does close they will move. People have depended on Cannon is closed and their jobs are lost and they can't find one that is like the last one they will move. My best friend mother does Mat. Cannon. They won't just do it. Fair to the taxpayers of the nation.

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Dear Brac Commission:

I would like you to please not close down Cannon Air Force Base. I am an eighth grade student from Portales Junior High School. If you close down Cannon, our school will be effected. Our population of students will go down, just because most people will have to move. When people move, what we discuss will totally change. We will all be the same and talk about all of the same things. If lots of students move, lots of teachers may lose their jobs. Also, people who have retired may have to move to Albuquerque to shop. Most retired people shop at Cannon, and if it is not there, they may have to move. I hope this letter will convince you to keep Cannon open.

Sincerely,
Noelle Sigala

May 24, 2005



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Dear Mrs. Jamieson,
I just wanted to let you
know about the
the Portfolios. I am doing them
now more like.

If it does not go well then
we will have to do all the work
ourselves. The last day we will
do work for the conference. It
will be a good experience.
Probably very interesting. But I think
it will be fun. We will have
to work. The main thing would
be if there is a lot of work to do
and if we will be able to do it
in time and how much will it cost.

I just hope that the NY
office will see what my
would be. I am looking forward to it.

Sincerely

David C. Jones



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1209 North Avenue M
Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
Attention: James Hansen
2521 South
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Mr. James:

I am writing to you this day to ask you kindly if you would reconsider closing Cannon. This base is a vital part in our community. Many tragic things could happen if it closed. Students would have to start over in a new school. Many parents would have to search for jobs because they lose theirs here. Our businesses would go out of business and we would lose friends who they have been accustomed to. There are many reasons why you should reconsider closing Cannon. Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,
Lourdes Gutierrez
Lourdes Gutierrez

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279 South Roosevelt Road X
Portales, NM 88130
May 19th, 2005

BRAC Commission

Attention: Mr. James Hansen
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 1600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Mr. Hansen:

I am writing to you about your decision to close Cannon Air Force Base. We of the Portales-Clovis area sincerely think you are making a mistake in this.

Cannon and its people are a major asset to Portales and Clovis. Many of our businesses are somewhat dependant upon them. If Cannon closes, they will lose much of their earnings. About one-fifth of my school is made up of 'base kids' and, if they are made to move, the school will suffer. Cannon has put so much money into expanding its housing when some bases that are not on the BRAC list are overcrowding and have no room to expand. These houses will now go unused. Our base boasts practically endless airspace available for Cannon's use. With eastern New Mexico's wide open spaces, Cannon has so much opportunity to grow, making it ideal for expansion—not closure.

Not only do we ask you to reconsider because of Cannon's qualities as a base,

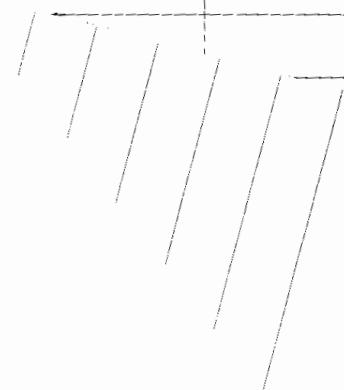
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Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about ~~the~~ closing of Cannon AFB. I do not know why Cannon AFB ~~is~~ ~~is~~ closing because we got good weather year round so AFB could practice their flight. We also have a large air space to fly. And Portales supports the military plus the schools will suffer. We don't go on any trips as it is much less to not have anything to do. So Please do not close Cannon Air Force base because our community will suffer.

Sincerely,

Jeremiah



May 20, 2005

Portales, NM 88130

Dear BRAC Committee:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB.

sincerely,
Tyler

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May 20, 2005
Biloxi, MS 39531

I am writing because
I am concerned about the
closing of Cannon AFB. Are
Schools will suffer because
we will not have anything
to do and we will not
have any employment at
school.

Sincerely,
Russell R. Lee

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May 20, 2005
Portales, New Mexico

Dear Sir,

I am a student at Portales Jr. High School, and I would like to share my opinion with you concerning the closure of Cannon Airforce Base. I don't have enough knowledge about what all goes into running an airforce base. Therefore I cannot give an educated reason as to why Cannon should be closed, or kept open. However, I do believe that it should be left to the military's best interests to decide what to do. I hope the outcome of this does not hurt the Portales / Clovis area to the point that jobs are lost, or less funding for the local schools. This decision should be left to the military to worry about and not the people of Portales and Clovis to argue over. Thank you for taking time to read this letter, and I hope the conclusion of this matter is the right one.

Lincerely,
Alex

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MAIL ROOM
A. T. & T. C. A. M.

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to you to express my thanks for the kind gift of the book "The Great War" which I received from you. It is a very interesting book and I have learned a great deal from it. I would like to thank you again for your kind gift. I hope you will continue to support our cause and help us in our efforts to bring about a better world for all people. Thank you very much.

John Doe
John Doe

May 20, 2005

P.O. Box 1000, Romulus, MI

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Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cranbrook AFB. The school is because the school will suffer. The towns will become a moring town most places will suffer and close up. Some people will lose their jobs when you close the AFB.

The people in the area have lots of support for military and what they do for us. We have good weather all year long so the weather is good for them to practice often. Also they need to practice. There is large amount of air space for them to fly. So please let Cranbrook AFB to close. Please let it stay here and not be open.

Sincerely,

Very truly,

K. Westwood

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May 24, 2005

Dear Brac Commissioners,

US students at PHS are asking you not to close Cannon Air Force base.

Y'all would effect a lot of things in Clovis. Many places that they have berly put might be closed down because of what y'all are doing.

Clovis would be going down of population. The base is mostly all of ours protection. All we are asking is not to close CAFB. Thank You

Sincerely,

Alejandro Gutierrez

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To whom it may concern,

Please don't close cannon there's so many military families hear and look what it would do if it closed. Cannon has made many improvements over they years, They have made new roads, ~~and~~ runways, and much more. If cannon closes it would hurt the town. I'm just writing to tell you how we feel so please take this into consideration that we are nothing without cannon. Most of the schools have military members they wouldn't have lots of kids to make that school so Please Don't Close Cannon.

Sincerely,
Amanda Dobbins

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May 19, 2005

1024 Childrens Dr.
Portales, N.M. 88130

Brae Commission
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, Va 22202

Dear member of the BRAE commission:

We were all shocked to hear that Cannon Air force Base was on the list of bases that might be closed. I'm sure that you have heard this from many people but we need our base. If our base closes then our economics are going to be all messed up. Almost everyone has friends and family that are in the air force and if the base closes then our family and friends have to leave. So please keep cannon!!

Sincerely,

Yours—
Jillivz

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May 19, 2005

1416 N. Abilene Pl.
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark St. - Suite 6000
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Homies of the BRAC Commission,

I like Cannon its a cool place, where would we have the air expo if it was gone? Well I have no authority over whether it stays or goes. But just think of the Air Expo I love it and a lot of other people like it to.

Your Homie,
- Cory

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1720 N AVE. K
Portales, N.M. 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clarkstreet - Suite
Arlington, VA

Dear member of the BRAC Commission,

I am writing to say that you
cannot close down the Air
force Base because Portales will
not be the same, and I have
a friend that lives there and I
don't want him to move. Portales
will lose a lot not just Portales
but Portales and it's people
I just wrote saying please
don't shut it down.

your Best friend,

Bonnie Diana

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May 19, 2005

1884 N.W. 23rd

Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission

2521 South Clark Street - Suite 600

Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC commission,

I am writing this letter to tell you why you should not close the Cannon Air Force base. You should not close it because you will make a lot of people move. Like my friends and some of my friends. Many people will lose their jobs. My whole school is basically military kids. If you close the base ~~at~~ half the school will be gone. That is all I can say about closing the base. Please don't close the base!

Sincerely,

Samantha Miller



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2600 Oklahoma Dr.
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street - suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission,

These letter is to tell you why you shouldn't close the Air Force Base. I think that you shouldn't close it cause I know many people who are in the Air Force Base and they close it those people will move. My Grandpa has two jobs at the base & if you close it he won't have a job at all. ~~This~~ Half the kids who go to school are military kids, & and if you close the base those kids will move and half the school population will be gone. I guess that's really all can say about ~~not~~ not closing the base.

Sincerely,

Kandace Bergsieker

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May 10, 2005

401 ½ N Kilgore
Portales, N.M. 88130

Brac Commission
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, Va 22202

Dear Member of the BRAC commission

I am writing to you that you should keep canon open cause it keep our school open it brings business to our town
So if you take this air base out
it is going to bring this town down.

¶

sincerely
Ricky Lovado

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May 19, 2005

816 N. Ave L
Portales, New Mexico 88130

BRAC Comission
2521 South Clarkstreet - Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Members of the BRAC Comission,
I think that you should keep all
of the air force bases around the
Sandia Labs because if the labs
were getting attacked who would
protect them. Not only the labs,
but protect our people around here
if something were to happen. The
bases also help the schools, because
if one student that has parents
at the base and goes to school
here the school just improved on
their budget. So that's all that
I have to say about keeping Cannon.

Sincerely, Merely Mandaya

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May 19, 2005

496 SRRU
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clarkstreet - suite
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear members of the BRAC commission,

I am writing to you to inform you that if you close down Cannon Air Force, Sandia Labs, and White Sands not only will you take out millions of dollars from New Mexico, but you will also put thousands of people out of work.

The bases bring in thousands of dollars which carries New Mexico. For every kid that enters a school, \$3,000 are given to the school.

If the bases close, not only will you lose money but thousands of soldiers and their families will be without jobs and homes.

Sincerely,
for Dennis II

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214 SRR CO
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2621 South Clark Street - suite 600
Arlington, 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission,

Keep Cannon

OPEN!!

Sincerely,
Me
(Chavez)

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May 19, 2005

312 west 9th
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Comission

2521 South Clark Street - Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear members of the BRAC Commission,
Please don't close Cannon Air Force
Base because there are students
that go to school with me & some
are my friends. If the Base closed they
would move away, I hope you don't
close the base. If the Base closed
we would lose a lot of the
community. We need the Base for
security & economical reasons.

Sincerely,
Jacob
Edwards



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549 NM 88
Portales NM, 88130

Brac commision
2521 south Clark st - suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Brac,

I would like you to keep Cannon Air Force Base open. A lot of people work there and live there. If Cannon is closed many people will have to move, find different jobs, and travel which could cause people to lose money, get cheated, have problems in family and other things. There are a lot of stores and companies that would be shut down and their business would go down if they moved. I would really like you to keep Cannon open.

sincerely,
Joey Moore

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May 18, 2005

201 Texas Drive
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC commission:

Closing down Cannon Air Force Base would be a bad decision. It would affect the 6,000 employees as well as the communities of Clovis and Portales. My community relies heavily on Cannon both socially and economically. In closing Cannon we would lose so much. The variety of culture in this community would be severely depleted. Our towns would dry up and die out. Our growth and population would decrease. By taking Cannon away, you would be stomping on our community and spitting on people's lives. You need to seriously reconsider. This is not the American way. By closing Cannon you are saying its okay to turn your back on your fellow man. Shutting down these people's lives and shipping them off like cattle is simply un-American. Make the right decision.

Sincerely,
Anastasia M. Quinones
Anastasia M. Quinones

May 18, 2005
2124 East 3rd St.
Portales, N.M.
88130

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Dear member of the BRAC commission,

I am writing to ask you to keep Cannon Air Force Base alive. There are several reasons why I ask this. The Sandia Lab, White Sands Missile Range, and Melrose Bombing Range use Cannon for testing. Many of the people in my community and surrounding communities have careers working for Cannon and their whole lives are here and rely on the base. Our communities are small and would suffer greatly if we were to lose Cannon. Not only the people who work there but many small business would as well because the people it brings are our main support for business. The base also brings a sense of security for our town and reassures the people of Portales that we are safe with Cannon nearby.

The closing would also bring a loss of cultural diversity to our communities. I can't begin to tell you all of the interesting and great friends I have made throughout the years because of the base. Portales would be greatly saddened and would have a hard time recovering financially because of this loss.

Sincerely,

Caroline Knudson

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204 NM Drive
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC commission:

The closing of Cannon will affect the Portales/Clovis community greatly. The effects of this will not be good. The area will lose many citizens which will lose the business that they brought.

The economic side isn't the only one that will suffer. Many Cannon families have settled down here and it would be hard on them to move. Just moving a whole family and rearing people away from things they know so well is no easy task.

The closure of the base will also result in a loss of security in the area. Places that are vulnerable, such as Sandia Labs and LANL will have less protection. Taking out the base would mean it would take longer for help to come if it were to be attacked. The time that it would take could mean thousands of lives. With that, I hope you see why the base should be left.

Sincerely,
Joshua Gueco



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105 Oklahoma Drive
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

Cannon Air Force Base is essential to our community because people find jobs at the base as civilian workers. If Cannon were closed, a lot of people would be finding themselves unemployed.

The air force base is important because it makes the community and the state of New Mexico feel secure. Please keep our community in your best interests when thinking about Cannon because it is an important part of our community and lives.

Sincerely,
Jessica Bullo



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142 S. Roosevelt Rd. - X
Portales, N.M. 88130

Dear Member of the BRAC Commission:

We need to keep Cannon AFB open because it will hurt our economics, of course, but also the morale of our fighting men, and the morale of the people who live in this state and these two small towns. The troops that are fighting overseas need some where to come "home" to. Yes, I understand that the state of New Mexico has quite a few bases and missile ranges. It may cost more now but in later years, which is what you must take into consideration, it will more than likely earn back how much it costs.

The highschools in both Clovis and Portales, are made up of many of the children of military families. I speak not only for myself but for the many of military kids whom I have the priviledge of knowing. There are many who have lived here for a long time and would be rather upset to be moved. On this same note I know many military adults who would not wish to be moved.

As for economically, Portales and Clovis are not large town, but are finally able to possibly merge without the AFB here there won't be enough people by far. So please consider this and don't close our base. It is all that is keeping these two towns alive and on the map.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Bispo



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May 15, 2005

717 Redwine Quincy
Portales NM 88130

Dear member of the ERAC Commission:

Vastly & deeply we realize the economic importance of Laramie River Park to the city and towns surrounding it which in itself is cause to earnestly consider the long and short-term effect of Laramie's removal. But it is also a matter of security. There are several locations that, in a very dismal sense on the base, lagoon, for instance such as: LANL, Janesia Lake, the Misk range in White Sands, and the Ganting range in Hobbs, among others.

Please, consider these things carefully along with the visits of our government and, perhaps, the rest of our society before making a decision that will reshape the future.

Respectfully,
Ridgway

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1800 South Avenue H
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC commission:

Cannon Air Force Base is more than crucial to the economy. Closing the base would tear families apart, put bread winners ~~out~~ into unemployment causing even more strain on the federal government. Please, preserve the American family and way of life - keep Cannon!

Sincerely,

Dossee Markham

May 20, 2005
Portales, NM 88130

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Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. There is good weather all year long, no extremely deep snow or clouds, but good weather. There is also a large amount of air space, unlike in big cities, Portales, Clovis, and several other towns support Cannon, and would like it to stay. Schools in the area will suffer also, lose funding and less students. That's why Cannon AFB should stay around and help us out.

Sincerely,
Ryan Mitchell

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May 20, 2005
Portales, NM 88130

Dear Mister,

I hope that they do not
close down Cannon AFB.

Sincerely,
Nancy.

May 19, 2005
by

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May 20, 2005
Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. If you close Cannon then it will make our schools safer. Our schools support the Cannon AFB. Also there is large amounts of space for them to fly. The weather is good all year round for them to practice the flying and stuff.

Sincerely,
Terasa



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Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to you because i am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. If yall close then arz School will loose money and our people will be moving. That is why i am writing you.

Sincerely,

Kayla



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May 20, 2005 Portales, NM 88130

Dear BRAC Committee,

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. I feel that Cannon supports our schools. Our Schools will suffer and so will business as well. Portales and Clovis will be ghost towns.

Sincerely,

Johanna

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May 20, 2005
Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. I would really like to stay because I would hate to lose my friends and it would also hurt the community. The military supports the homeless and the whole community. Also the weather is very good here. We don't get any big storms where they couldn't do anything. There is large amounts of air space to fly planes. If you close Cannon, the towns of Portales and Clovis will suffer badly. Please take this letter in consideration. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Lindsay

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May 19, 2005

814 N. Ave J
Portales, NM 88130

Brac Commission
2521 South Clark Street - suite 1000
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission,

The air force base is very important to the surrounding towns because it helps the economy. It is also important because it helps protect the state and some of the important nuclear plants in New Mexico. Cannon Air Force Base is also important to the rest of the country because it helps test the weapons that are needed over seas. Cannon is able to test the weapons without harming any people. This is because it is not very populated in some of the areas, but in bigger cities this could not be done. Cannon Air Force Base helps the people by providing many



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105 Oklahoma Drive
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

Cannon Air Force Base is essential to our community because people find jobs at the base as civilian workers. If Cannon were closed, a lot of people would be finding themselves unemployed.

The air force base is important because it makes the community and the state of New Mexico feel secure. Please keep our community in your best interests when thinking about Cannon because it is an important part of our community and lives.

Sincerely,
Jessica Bills

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1412 S Roosevelt Rd. x
Portales, NM 88130

Dear Member of the BRAC Commission:

We need to keep Cannon AFB open because it will hurt our economies, of course, but also the morale of our fighting men, and the morale of the people who live in this state and these two small towns. The troops that are fighting overseas need somewhere to "come home" to. Yes, I understand that the state of New Mexico has quite a few bases and missile ranges. It may cost more now but in later years, which is what you must take into consideration, it will more than likely earn back how much it costs.

The highschools in both Clovis and Portales, are made up of many of the children of military families. I speak not only for myself but for the many of military kids whom I have the priviledge of knowing. There are many who have lived here for a long time and would be rather upset to be moved. On this same note I know many military adults who would not wish to be moved.

As for economically, Portales and Clovis are not large town, but are finally able to possibly merge. Without the AFB here there won't be enough people by far. So please consider this and don't close our base. It is all that is keeping these two towns alive and on the map.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Bisco



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717 Redwine Quincy
Portales NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

Undoubtedly you realize the economic importance of Cannon Air Force Base to the cities and towns surrounding it. Which in itself is cause to earnestly consider the long and short-term effect of Cannon's removal. But it is also a matter of security. There are several locations that, in my opinion, benefit us the best, Cannon, for instance such as: LANL, Sandia Lake, the missile range in White Sands, and the bombing range in Hobbs, among others.

Please, consider these things carefully, along with the views of our government and, perhaps, the rest of our society before making a decision that will reshape the future.

Respectfully,

Ridgway

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1800 South Avenue H
Portales, NM 88130

Dear member of the BRAC commission:

Cannon Air Force Base is more than crucial to the economy. Closing the base would tear families apart, put bread winners ~~out~~ into unemployment causing even more strain on the federal government. Please, preserve the American family and way of life - keep Cannon!

Sincerely,

Desiree Markham

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Portales, NM 88130



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Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. There is good weather all year long, no extremely deep snow or clouds, but good weather. There is also a large amount of air space, unlike in big cities, Portales, Clovis, and several other towns support Cannon, and would like it to stay. Schools in the area will suffer also, less funding and less students. That's why Cannon AFB should stay around and help us out.

Sincerely,
Ryan Mitchell

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Dear Mister,

I hope that they do not
close down Cannon AFB.

Sincerely,
Nancy.

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Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. If you close Cannon then it will make our schools suffer. Our schools support the Cannon AFB. Also there is large amounts of space for them to fly. The weather is good all year round for them to practice the flying and stuff.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Terasa



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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to you because i am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. If yall close then arz School will loose money and our people will be moving. That is why i am writing you.

Sincerely,

Hayla

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Dear B RAC Committee,

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. I feel that Cannon supports our schools. Our Schools will suffer and so will business as well. Portales and Clovis will be ghost towns.

Sincerely,

Johanna

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Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. I would really like to stay because I would hate to lose my friends and it would also hurt the community. The military supports the homeless and the whole community. Also the weather is very good here. We don't get any big storms where they couldn't do anything. There is large amounts of air space to fly planes. If you close Cannon, the towns of Portales and Clovis will suffer badly. Please take this letter in consideration. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Lindsay

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Dear member of the BRAC Commission,

The air force base is very important to the surrounding towns because it helps the economy. It is also important because it helps protect the state and some of the important nuclear plants in New Mexico. Cannon Air Force Base is also important to the rest of the country because it helps test the weapons that are needed over seas. Cannon is able to test the weapons without harming any people. This is because it is not very populated in some of the areas, but in bigger cities this could not be done. Cannon Air Force Base helps the people by providing many

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Lucila M. Jacobo Glz.
1048 New Mex. Hwy 88
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Dear Members of the BRAC Commission,

We were informed that you want to close the air force base. I personally think that you should not close it for many personal reasons one of them is because many of my friends here at New Mexico are from a military family and if the air force closes they will be forced to move away. Every student here at Portales High School is not very happy with this deal, but there is one reason why everyone decided to write you a letter. It's very sad to see a friend go. We just hope that everything will be back to normal. Not just with the wars but with this going on. Another reason why they should not close down cannon air force base is what about all the Americans when they are in a war? No one is going to be able to fight for our rights! Maybe everything dose not make sense, but I still care for anyone. I still care... so please read our letters and have an open mind.

Yours Truly,
Lucila Michelle Jacobo Glz.

*Lucila Michelle Jacobo
Gonzalez*

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To whom it may concern,

The community of Portales would be Marjory hurt if Cannon Air Force base closed because there are a lot of people that live around here and wouldn't have jobs if it closed. The high school would also be hurt by the closing of the base also, I myself have a lot of friends that live here because of the base and that would suck if they have to move away and I wouldn't ever get to see them again. Well the point is for u just not to close Cannon Air Force base

Thank you,
Jordan Salas

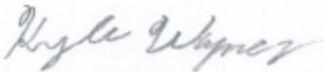
Jordan Salas

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To whom it may concern:

If Cannon closed it would more than likely hurt all the surrounding area such as Portales, and Clovis. I pretty sure that almost all the military families will be transfer which will cause the population to drop considerably. The businesses around this area would suffer from a loss of customers and right now Clovis is quickly growing. We (Me and my family) have a good friend that works at the Cannon. I'm not sure how all the other business stuff will be affected but it can't be good from the way it sounds. PLEASE DONT CLOSE CANNON!

Thank You



Kyle Wagner

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Attention: James Bilray

Dear Mr. Bilray

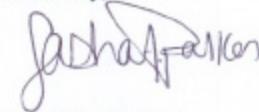
Hello, my name is Sasha A. Parker, I live in Portales, New Mexico and I am a sophomore at the Portales High School. I attend school with many of the students from Cannon Air Force Base. Our community is a small knit farming community where we all shop, eat, and attend school in the same places. Cannon Air Force Base is a great asset to our communities and to our freedom. The jets don't bother me; they only make me feel safe. Seeing our military in and around our community gives me a great sense of pride and security.

Please reconsider closing Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, New Mexico. We support Cannon Air Force Base and we want it to stay where it is at. I recently wrote an essay about the following passage that has a lot of meaning to me-

"Freedom is the freedom,
to say two plus two makes four.
If that is granted all else follows."

The United States of America is all about freedom and our military is a very big part of that! Please let Cannon Air Force Base stay here and continue to make all of us feel safe and proud!

Sincerely,



Sasha A. Parker

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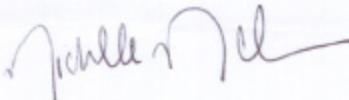
BRAC Commission:

I am a senior at Portales High School, I've lived in Portales my entire life and will soon be attending New Mexico State University. My mom is from Clovis, and my dad lived in Portales his whole life as well. Although, I'm sure you know the economic effect the base closer will have on Clovis and Portales, there is also a great effect on the community as a whole.

Cannon brings so much to the communities of Clovis and Portales. When I was a kid my dad and I never missed an Air Shows, or field trips to Cannon. Now, my family looks forward to Pops Concerts, banquets and other community events Cannon holds. Cannon is directly in the center of Portales and Clovis, it allows two neighboring communities to come together and a shared interest. Both towns can sometimes be rivals but when it comes to Cannon it is always an opportunity to work together and welcome people into our wonderful community.

Please keep in mind the effect on not one, but two communities that need Cannon for their survival.

Sincerely,



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David
Romero

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Dear Director:

I Am a Freshman At Portales
high school. I think that if they
should close down cannon they
would have lots of problems.
such as, They would be jobless
And we would lose enrollment with
students. And the school would
lose funding.



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To Whom It May Concern:

I think that moving Cannon would be a horrendous mistake. My name is Daniel Kelley, I am a Junior at Portales High School.

Moving Cannon would cripple the economy in the immediate area Clovis has been expanding recently, relying on the flow from the base. The businesses rely on Cannon. It would uproot many lives and drastically change how the people live around here. This should be stopped, or the towns surrounding it could be destroyed financially.

Thank you for reading my letter, and I hope it can influence some minds, so that Cannon can be kept.

Sincerely,

Daniel Kelley

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am in favor of keeping Cannon Air Force Base open and running. My name is Amador Lujan and I am a junior at Portales High School.

Keeping Cannon Air Force Base open helps our surrounding communities. It brings more people to our community. Along with those people it brings more businesses. They help populate our high school and other schools in our communities.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and allowing myself to state my opinion.

Sincerely,

Amador Lujan

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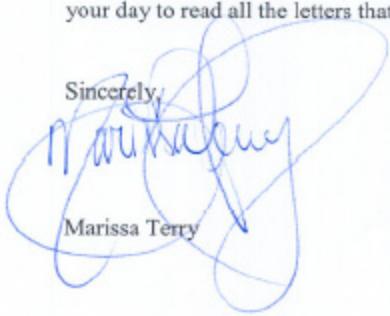
To Whom It May Concern:

Hi. My name is Marissa Terry and I have lived in the Portales/ Clovis area for most of my life. A big part of this area is the people from the military or air force that comes here to stay because they get transferred here. In my opinion, I think that Cannon Air Force base should stay open because it has been here for so long and it is a big part of New Mexico.

Portales and Clovis is a great area for a base because there is so much open land for many different things. The military have room for practice runs in the planes and room to test things that need to be tested. They also have room to expand the base if they needed to. There have been people that have been living here for a long time because they are in the military or their parents are in the military. If the BRAC Commission shuts Cannon and all the bases down then most of the people that are stationed here will have to move. Most of the kids that have gone to school in the Portales and Clovis area will have to go to a different school because they will have to move with their parents. I personally would not want to move if I have lived in a town that I really liked and I had to move because someone wanted to shut it down.

Well thank you so much for your time. I appreciate you taking the time out of your day to read all the letters that come to you. Have a nice day!!

Sincerely,



Marissa Terry

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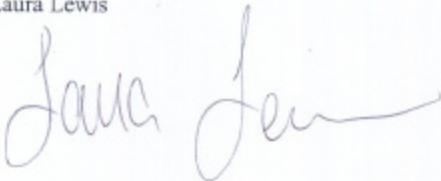
My name is Laura Lewis, and I am currently attending Portales High School. I would like to express my concern with the decision of closing down Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, New Mexico.

Many families have made Clovis their home just because of Cannon. Closing it down would make them have to move and from what I have seen military kids move enough as it is. There has been many improvements done to Cannon and to close it down would just make that a waste of money. Millions of dollars would be lost just by closing it down.

Please take this into consideration and take a good look at what you are going to do to this community. Thank you for taking the time out of your very busy schedule to read this letter and the many letters from the people of Clovis.

Sincerely,

Laura Lewis





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To Whom It May Concern:

I am Autumn Wilkerson from Portales New Mexico. I am a junior at Portales High School and would like to share my opinion of the proposed base closures. I am not in favor of Cannon Air Force Base being closed. Here are my reasons.

In the surrounding area of Cannon, (Portales and Clovis) we depend heavily on Cannon's economic support. In our small growing communities, Cannon is needed. Without Cannon we would lose a lot of business and many people would go bankrupt after depending on Cannon. Also it would affect our schools. On average Portales Schools would lose about twelve people per grade. This is a big loss in such a small area. Clovis would be even more affected than Portales. We depend on our average enrollment to get money from our stingy state. Without the money many school programs would be lost. It would also affect many other people.

I want to thank you for your consideration in reading this letter. I want to ask you to consider the opinions of everyone writing you and make the best decision for everyone.

Thanks Again,

Autumn Wilkerson

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To Whom It May Concern,

I disagree with the descision to close Cannon Air Force Base.
My name is Will Banister.

If the base closes, businesses in the Clovis/Portales area will be effected,
especialy Clovis because it is growing very rapidly. Many of the service people bring
their families to cannon, and they will move if the base closes, and we will lose a lot
money.

I appreciate you taking your time to read this letter, and I hope that you will take
my opinion, as well as other's under consideration.

Sincerely,

Will Banister
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To Whom It May Concern,

I think we should keep Cannon Air Force Base, because it is very important to many people in Clovis and Portales. My name is Lynette Martinez, I am 17 years old, and I am a junior at Portales High School.

I think Cannon Air Force Base should be kept, because it means a lot too many people. We will be affected for many years, if we lose Cannon. Cannon creates many jobs to help support many families. Business will become less, because we will lose a lot of people. People would worry about how to support their families, because they have relied on Cannon for a long time already. Our community will become smaller if we get rid of Cannon.

Thank you so much for taking the time to read my letter. I appreciate you considering my opinion.

Sincerely,



Lynette Martinez

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To Whom It May Concern,

I think we should keep Cannon Air Force Base. It is an important part to our community. My name is Andrea Medrano, I am 17, and I am a junior at Portales High School.

I think we should keep Cannon Air Force Base because it plays a big role in a lot of people's lives. The loss of Cannon Air Force Base would affect a lot of people. If Cannon Air Force Base is shut down a lot of people would lose their jobs and our community would become smaller and smaller. Also, a lot of businesses would be shut down also because of the loss of business coming to them. Also, a large number of people would have to worry about relocating or finding new employment.

Thank you so much for taking the time and reading my letter. I appreciate you considering my opinion. It is good to know that my opinion counts.

Sincerely,

Andrea Medrano

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To whom it may concern,

Hi my name is Santana Brito. I am a junior at Portales High School. I think that Cannon Air Force Base is very major part of Clovis, NM. I think that we should be able to keep Cannon.

Cannon makes up a big part of Clovis, many people that attend Cannon make up a majority of Clovis. Not only in Clovis, but here in Portales too. If Cannon was to be taken away from Clovis, think of all the families that would be hurting.

Thank you for taking the time in reading my letter it is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Santana Brito

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am in favor on keeping Cannon Air Force Base open. My name is Rachel Nicholes. I am 17 years old and I have lived in Portales for thirteen years. Cannon has changed this environment a lot since I have lived here.

I do not think we should be closing any military bases. The military is all that we have to protect us in times like this. There are so many people over seas fighting for our country, some of them have died and you want to close military bases. It does not make any sense to me. The military is a great thing to have. So WHY do we need to close them? I think instead of closing them we should be repairing them. People are fighting so hard for what they believe in, I think they need to have the best of everything they can get and be supported. I support the military because I support my country. I love the country that I live in. I just do not think that the military is getting the best that it can.

Thank you so much for taking the time to read my letter. Please take what I have said to heart.

Sincerely,

Rachel Nicholes

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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Stephanie and I am writing this letter in hopes that my opinion, and others who feel the same, will help keep Cannon Air Force Base open. I do not think it would be a good idea to close down the air force base. I have never been to the air force base myself, however, if the air force base were to close down there will be a lot of people looking for new jobs and maybe a place to live. My mother told me that if the base closed down that Clovis' size would decrease, population wise, and the number of unemployed people would increase. There will not be many available jobs to those who need it and there will be limited living spaces. I do not have much knowledge about the situation because I have never talked to anyone from the air force base, but I do know that it would not be a good idea to close down the air force base.

I know my opinion is not much because I do not know much about the situation but I tired. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter, and thank you for taking my opinion into consideration and I hope that my opinion will make a difference along with the others who feel the same way about keeping Cannon Air Force Base going.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Barreraz

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To Whom It May Concern,

In my mind I believe we should keep Cannon open. Hi, name is Dixie Coats and I am a junior in Portales High School, also I am 17 years old.

I believe it should stay open because Cannon has great opportunities for young individuals. The economy would be greatly destroyed if Cannon is closed. Also there a lot of families that would be greatly missed and their lives would be greatly up rooted to where problems would be created during the closing of Cannon.

I want to thank the BRAC COMMISSION for reading my letter. Hope my letter helps change some decision of closing Cannon.

*Sincerely,
Dixie G. Coats*

Dixie Coats

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am in favor of keeping Cannon Air Force Base in the Clovis, NM area. My name is Lynn Pinedo. I am a local Portales resident.

Losing Cannon would be an economic down fall for all the communities. Clovis and Portales are the main surrounding towns and we heavily rely on the business that the people from Cannon bring to our communities. Both towns are growing rapidly and with Cannon leaving that would mean that there would be about 5,000 people not spending their money in our communities. All the businesses that just opened up would eventually be shut down with the loss of Cannon. Our school struggles enough with receiving money and losing students would just make it worse. Economically we cannot afford to lose Cannon.

I just want to thank you for taking the time out of your day to read my letter. Thank you again.

Sincerely,



Lynn Pinedo

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To Whom It May Concern

I am very much in favor keeping the Cannon Air Force Base open and in business my name is Deonte Bryant Wyche and I am a junior at Portales high school.

Some of the reasons I think Cannon Air Force Base should be left open is that it would affect a lot of things in our area and a lot of people. The main people it would effect would be the people who live in base housing .They would have to move and start all over This would also effect a lot of business in the area and our population in the area would go down and we would lose lots of business.

I just want to thank who ever took the time out of their day to read this and I want to thank you for letting us have a say so in what is going on in this community...

Sincerely
Deonte Wyche



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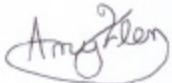
To Whom It May Concern,

I am Amy Flen. I am seventeen years old and a junior at Portales High School. I believe that Cannon Air Force Base should remain open.

I believe that if Cannon is to close that the economics will take a great plug for the worse. If this is to happen 4,780 people will be out of job. (2,824 direct jobs and 1,954 indirect jobs) That is a lot of jobs to lose and my question is how are people going to pay their bills, taxes, and your salaries when they are out of a job? Another concern that I have is that the schools in Clovis, Portales, and surrounding areas would lose money because of students lose. How are teachers suppose to follow the No Child Left Behind Act if the schools do not have the money to do so? You would be taking away finical support that the Clovis, Portales, and surrounding areas need.

Thank you for the time you have spent reading this letter and I hope that it has a impact on the choice that you have laid before you.

Sincerely,



Amy Flen

Alonso Ontiveros
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To Whom It May Concern, I strongly think that Cannon should stay. My name is Alonso Ontiveros Jr. and I am a junior in Portales High School.

There are many reasons that I would like to keep Cannon Air Force Base. The main reason that I want to keep Cannon is because I am planning on joining the military. One of the reasons that I want to join the military is because of Cannon and all of my friends that have parents that used to be or still are in the military. If Cannon is moved to some where else than some of my friends might not be able to get medical attention if they decide to stay and live here.

Well I appreciate the opportunity to help in Mission Keep Cannon and I thank you for taking the time to read my letter.

Sincerely Alonso O.

Alonso Ontiveros

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To Whom It May Concern,

I think that Cannon Air Force Base should be keep open. My name is Cory Tucker I am a Jr. at Portales High School I play football and do track and field.

I think that Cannon be expanded instead of closing. Economical losses would be most devastating to every town within 200 miles of Cannon so by closing down it you will be shutting down a vital part of this region.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter and I hope you will make the right decision.

Sincerely,



Cory Tucker



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To Whom It May Concern,

I believe that for the well being of Clovis and surrounding areas it is essential for Cannon Air Force Base to stay. My name is Joni Brakebill and I am a junior at Portales High School. I have lived here most of my life and Cannon has played a huge role in the community.

Cannon Air Force Base gives Clovis and the surrounding areas support in their small town businesses. It brings so much more culture and knowledge to this area. Not only is Cannon great for this area but for the rest of the world. With some of the best planes and forces it would only hurt moving the base. Closing the base would hurt this area deeply.

Thanks for taking the time to read this letter. Take into consideration the needs of the base and the community that surrounds and supports it. Thank you once again.

Sincerely,

Joni J. Brakebill

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To Brac commission

Cannon can't close down because Portales depends on it. If cannon closes Portales will go with it because many of the people who work there live in Portales. So if the base closes people will have to move to another base. Not only military personnel work on Cannon. Some civilians work there, and it closing will put many people out of work. Forcing them to find more work.

Sincerely,
Stefan I.

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Dear Board Commission,

I am a student at Portales Junior High School. I am asking if you could please consider leaving Cannon open. If it closes it will hurt our economy greatly. The businesses in the Portales and Clovis areas might shut down. If they do Portales would be even more boring than it already is. Cannon also secures our safety. They have invented some of the things for the weather to warn us of danger. Those are just some of the many reasons I ask you to keep Cannon open.

Sincerely
Branden McAfee



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Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

If you take away Cannon Air Force Base it will hurt many communities, the schools, realestate, and businesses.

The schools would loss students, money and possibly teachers. Realestates wouldn't be able to sell a house for anything. Businesses would probably go out of business, and many people would lose friends and family because they would have to move.

Thanks for your time,
Amanda Terry

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Dear member of the BRAC Commission:

The decision to close Cannon Air Force Base will effect Portales High and the city of Portales. The number of students enrolled at Portales High will drop, which will also cause teachers to be laid off. Also the city of Portales will be effected in a lot of different ways. We hope that you decide to keep Cannon!

Sincerely,

Montana Russell

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BRAC COMMISION
2521 South Clark Street = Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

Cannon Air Force Base is a vital part to our economy and it should stay in the Clovis/Portales vicinity. My name is Kory Craig and I am a junior in Portales High School.

The reason that closing Cannon Air Force Base would be a bad idea is because many people would be losing their jobs due to all of the businesses that will be closing. Not only that, but all of our friends and family that are currently enlisted in the base would be leaving. This could resemble the end of Clovis as we know it.

Thank you for taking your time to read my letter. I know that this is a very important situation and I hope that this letter will help you as a future reference.

Sincerely,

Kory Craig

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To Whom It May Concern,

I believe that Cannon Air Force Base should be kept in the Clovis/Portales area. I am Samantha Blackwell, a Portales High School junior. I have lived in Portales for over thirteen years.

Cannon is a vital element to help our community thrive. Without the Air Force Base, our economy would drop. There are many citizens of both Clovis and Portales that are in the Air Force. These citizens are a big collection of the people who go to our stores, buy our groceries, and eat our food. Their support is what keeps our cities going.

The Base also provides many jobs for our community. If the Base were to be removed, the job market would drop tremendously. The people who work at Cannon would be forced to find another job. This job could possibly pay less and make it harder for the families to survive. If the workers of Cannon cannot find a job in the Clovis/Portales area, they might move to another city causing even more problems with our economy. We need Cannon.

Thank you for your time and I hope you consider my opinion of this matter.

Sincerely,

Samantha Blackwell

Samantha Blackwell

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To Whom It May Concern,

I think that Cannon should be kept open. My name is Manuel Sotelo a junior at Portales High School.

If you close Cannon many businesses that depend on people to buy their merchandise are at risk of closing because of the fact that most of the people of Portales are military related. If Cannon closes most likely people that work at Cannon or are military related will move to another military ground which means less people in Portales. It will also affect schools because most kids have parents or guardians that are military related, which will result in them moving also.

Thank you for taking your time in reading this letter.

Sincerely,



Manuel Sotelo

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To Whom It May Concern

My opinion on Cannon Air Force Base is that it should stay in Clovis. I am a junior at Portales High School and will be graduating in 2006.

Cannon should stay open because it has helped the community and businesses grow. Cannon has made it through all kinds of obstacles and still remains strong. If the base closes it will hurt the businesses and it will also hurt the school attendance in the Clovis area. Cannon has become a part of the area and to see it closed will break people's hearts. Every day when you look up and see the planes it is a good feeling to know that we have protection from the pilots at Cannon.

Thank you for considering my opinion on Cannon and I hope that you will reconsider closing Cannon Air Force Base.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Andrade

Jeremy Andrade

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To Whom It May Concern,

In my opinion, Cannon Air Force Base should not be closed. My name is Dustin Shirley. I am an active church member and student.

I think that Cannon should be left open, due to the fact that it is an economic high for the surrounding communities. If Cannon were to be closed it would leave somewhat of an economic depression, and many jobs would be lost and unemployment would go up because of the number of people and families of those people who are stationed here would have to quit. Also some businesses would have to close down because of loss of income. The schools in the communities around Cannon would also lose funding due to the loss of students whose parents are stationed at Cannon or in the small communities of service people around Cannon. The Base has helped the economy in surrounding areas become very well.

I would like to thank you for taking time out of your day to read my opinion on this important subject.

Sincerely,

Dustin Shirley

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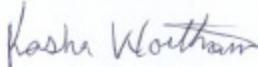
To Whom It May Concern,

In my opinion, Cannon Air Force Base should not close. My name is Kasha Wortham. I am a junior at Portales High School. I am active in National Art Honor Society, ASRTA (an all girls club), and FFA.

There are many reasons I think Cannon should not close, but the one I feel most strongly about the safety I feel. I know that without them I would be just as safe, but I feel safer with them here. Having Cannon has been great for business in our communities. I fear that with Cannon closing Portales and Clovis will cease to exist.

I thank you greatly for taking time to read this and hope that you will consider my feelings. Thank you again.

Sincerely,



Kasha Wortham

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To Whom It May Concern,

On the BRAC closer list my opinion is that Cannon Air Force Base should stay open. Hi, my name is Marcus Armijo I am a junior at Portales High School in New Mexico.

Cannon Air Force Base is important to the communities around the area, because since the Base brings so many people and business's to this area. If all those people leave businesses would lose a lot if business. Also Portales and Clovis would decrease in population badly.

In conclusion, I would just like to thank you for listening and reading my opinions about why Cannon Air Force Base should stay open Thank You.

Sincerely,



Marcus Armijo

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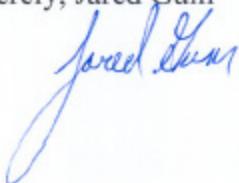
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To whom it may concern,
My name is Jared. I live in Portales New Mexico and I am a
dependent of Cannon Air force Base.

I do not think you should close the air base for the fact that Clovis
and Portales has improved with the help of Cannon. I do not think
it would be right to change that and the fact that twenty percent of
jobs in the area are in cannon. The surrounding people also feel a
sense of security and comfort knowing that Cannon is near by, and
that would be a tragic thing to know that, that is how we feel and
still strip the base from us.

I hope that you will take a chance and think this through. You
would be making a big difference if you left good ol Cannon the
way you found it.

Sincerely, Jared Gum

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jared Gum". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Jared" on top and "Gum" below it, though the two words are connected.

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Brac Commission
2521 South Clark Street- suite 600
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To Whom It May Concern,
I think that closing Cannon Air Force Base is a bad decision. It is a big part
of our Community.

I am a resident of Portales NM, my name is Fausto Rocha and I lived
here all my life. Cannon Air Force Base is where a lot of People from
Portales and Clovis, NM work. Closing it would disrupt our economy and
our way of life.

I would like to thank whoever reads this letter for his or her time, and
hope it does its purpose.

Sincerely,

Fausto
Rocha

Fausto Rocha

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To Whom It May Concern,

Hello, my name is Justin Rolan, I am a junior at the Portales High School, and my opinion and thoughts on the possible closing of Cannon AFB are as follows.

I believe that "if" Cannon AFB is closed, that both the Clovis and Portales economics will suffer severe job loss and unemployment, as well as affecting local and new incoming business in the area. The people who work at this base, who number in the thousands, will be forced to find new jobs elsewhere, if not stationed somewhere else, thus causing the population of both communities to drop, as well as causing housing facilities, to lose tenants if not shut down. Cannon AFB is crucial to the growth of the Clovis and Portales communities, shutting it down will only stop growth, which is not good for any economy.

I thank you for the time that you have taken to read this letter, and it is my hope that you will do what is best for the country as well as our local economy.

Sincerely,

Justin Rolan

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To whom I may concern,

My opinion on what should happen with closing the base is that it should not close should remain open. My name is Jessie Villa I am a junior at Portales High School.

Why I believe that the base should stay open is because the base is a very important and useful business to the two communities of Portales and Clovis, New Mexico. And it is a very important to the people that live and work here. Also it is the base that keeps these two communities going and the population growing.

That is my opinion on why not to close the base. And thank you for taking time to read what I have to say and hopefully you hear me out and keep the base open to also keep these two communities open as well.

Sincerely,

Jessie Villa

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To Whom It May Concern,

This is a letter to all those on the board for the BRAC commission. This letter is a plea to resend the order to close down Cannon Air Force Base in eastern New Mexico. Some in this town value the base. It is there life and there home, they have made numerous friends in these little towns. They have also had a chance to have there children grow up in a safe place and to have a good education at Eastern New Mexico University for there future.

Now why should you value this base? This base has a wide open range around it. This base can be expanded to make a new practice grounds for training, has enough open air space for the practicing of the F-16's flight maneuvers and the base can create a academic presence at our university. The utilization of this base is limitless due to the towns surrounding it and the people with in those towns.

Please consider not closing this base. Both of my parents at one time or another worked at Cannon Air Force Base and it is a vital part of there lives. They both are retirees from this base and love it too death because of the people that they have met and know here and the opportunities it has provided.

Sincerely,

George Stout

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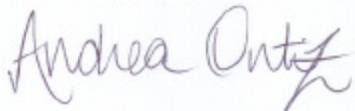
To Whom It May Concern,

I believe we should keep Cannon Air Force Base. I'm Andrea Ortiz, a junior at Portales High School and have been a resident of Portales for about seven years.

I know many people in the military and respect them greatly. Where would these people work? Who would protect us in case of an emergency? There are no other bases near here and the base has done us good. It would affect the population greatly which would end up affecting the people who live in the surrounding communities.

I hope you will consider what I ask for. I really care and know about this situation or I would probably not be doing all this. This decision will affect all of us who live here. Again, thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Andrea Ortiz

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Portales, NM 88130
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Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To whom It My Concern:

I'm writing you in regards of your decision to close down Cannon Airforce Base. I really do think you should reconsider your decision. Closing down the base will really effect our towns, schools, and business's. Sending our military people will cause a lot of our local towns to lose a great deal of money. I appreciate your time and consideration.



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2129 La Vega De Ranchos
Portales, NM 88130
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BRAC commission

Attention: Mr. James Bibray
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Mr. James Bibray:

I am a very concerned citizen of Portales New Mexico. I was waiting to inform you how dramatic your decision will be. It will effect our community and also our school district. Not only will it effect the citizens of Portales, but also Clovis. So if you could please rethink your decision I'm sure the Portales and Clovis community will greatly appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Delisa Ryan

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Darin Stoh

125 Arizona Dr.

Portales NM 88130

BRAE Commission
2521 S. Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington VA 22202

Dear member of BRAE Commission:
To whom it may concern I believe
we should keep Cannon because the
people help the economy of a large
surrounding area. The people that live
there are all very well disciplined and
optimistic. If they were to close I think
it would hurt a lot of small businesses.

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Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I'm concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB.

Sincerely,
Zach

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Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing because you are considering to close Cannon AFB. I am mainly concerned about how the places near Cannon will get by. Many people will move away and businesses may close. If you do feel it is necessary to close Cannon what will you do with it. It will become a ghost town. If I may make a suggestion about what to do with Cannon after it closes I would say you put a giant skatepark there.

Sincerely,

Seth

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Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing you because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. My father is in the military and he very much would like it to stay and I would like it to stay. There is a lot of air space for the jets to fly. Also Portales supports the military. Please allow the base to stay.

Sincerely,
Tayla!!

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Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I'm concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. If you close the AFB then everything like the schools and everything would suffer.

Sincerely,
Catherine

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Portales/NM 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing this letter because I am concerned with the fact that Cannon Air Force Base might close down. This has caused quite an uproar in the communities of both Portales and Clovis. About 20% of the jobs in Clovis have to do with Cannon. If it is to be shut down our school systems will fail. Before you make your final decision remember this, New Mexico is empty and has tons of air space. The weather is mild all year round. Just something to think about. Please don't shut down Cannon, that's all I ask.

Sincerely,

David H.

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To whomsoever this may concern:

I have lived in the Clovis - Portales area most of my life and I know Cannon Air Force Base is very important to this community. If you take away Cannon you take away ~~a~~ piece of almost every person ~~at~~ whether it be through their family, friends, or activities through the base. You are taking away many of my close friends by closing the base. Also it will ruin these cities. New businesses won't want to come here and existing businesses will close down. So please don't tear apart these cities, our souls, and our hearts.

Thanks for your time

Josh Anson

Joshua Anson

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Hi I am Daniel friend
I don't want you to close Cannon
air force base, cause my best friend
Mom and Dad will have to leave
and he would have to go. We
have been friend for 6 years. Now
he could just have to move just
like that we won't be able to
graduation together. That's ~~why~~
why you should not close it

Daniel
Chamotte.

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1120 Leo Drive
Portales, NM , 88130
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BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
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To whom it may concern:

I am writing on the issue of Cannon Airforce Base. In closing the base I believe it would cripple our economy here in Eastern New Mexico. As being a son of a military employee it would also personally take away special privileges that my father has, such as using the base. Also in doing this one third of Portales and Clovis' population would be reduced. While I do not understand your reasons for wanting to close the base, I hope you understand mine and the people of Eastern New Mexico. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Richard Cage
Richard Cage

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201 South Knoxville

Portales NM 88130

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BRAC Commission Attention: Anthony Principi
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whome It May Concern: Anthony Principi

My grandma has been working in the air force since she graduated college. She had to move my dad and my sister many times. Now she has been living in the country outside Clovis for ten years. They have a guest business and a lot of other things but if Cannon closes they will have to leave. I am sure there are many other families in the same situation. It will hurt the economy dramatically if it is closed. We will loose a lot of great people from our community and schools. We are already pretty small and the base plays a large part in Curry & Roosevelt county so please reconsider.

Sincerely

Jonathan Reynolds
Jonathan Reynolds

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Portales New Mexico 88130
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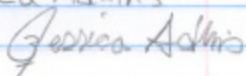
BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom This May Concern:

I am not very literate on how all the government stuff works but I believe shutting Cannon down would be a mistake. What more can you ask for for an air base, you have lots of room to expand, it's flat land, so you don't have to worry about tall building in your way. Cannon is a big part of our society. It has brought life to Portales and Clovis. With Cannon being around Clovis and Portales it has brought more job opportunities, bigger stores, and expanded the places around it. Closing Cannon down, I believe would be a big mistake, so reconsider your decision and please listen to what the people around Cannon have to say, because you're going to hurt alot more people then you think by shutting Cannon down. Thanks!

Sincerely,

Jessica Atkins



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116 Colorado Drive
Portales, NM 88130
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BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I hope this letter might convince you to not close down Cannon. Closing the base could cause the surrounding cities to suffer the loss of the men and women that contribute to our cities. The business, schools, and other establishments would go out of business or would suffer severe pay cuts and many would lose their jobs. I know this may not be enough to change your minds, but please consider the consequences.

Sincerely,
Patricia Parker
Patricia Parker

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201 North Industrial
Portales, New Mexico 88130
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B R A C Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

It's not all that good to hear that the base will be closed the base means a lot to people in Roosevelt and Curry County's. A lot of people go there. Its affecting a lot of people when we all found out that the base is closing. We would really appreciate it if you didn't close it. There is a lot of families that are going to be transported out of here. Its hurting their other side of their family that they had to be transported to a different base. Thanks for all your help.

Sincerely,
Latasha Smith
Latasha Smith

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904 South Chicago
Portales NM 88130
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BHAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22203

To Whom This May Concern:

It has been brought to my attention that you want to close the Cannon Airforce Base. This concerns me because it will affect many things in my community. Many people in Clovis and Portales are in the Airforce so businesses would have less customers and may go out of business. Also many of the kids I go to school with will have to move which is a lot of chaos for them and their families. It will also affect the financial money schools get per kid. I would very much appreciate it if you would reconsider closing the base.

Sincerely,
Judy Reuland

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To whom it may concern,
I think we should keep Cannon
Air Force Base because a lot
of people could loose jobs, they
couldn't live in thier houses,
and they even could loose
a lot of money.

sincerely,
Kacie
Terry

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Dear Broe Commission,

My name is Jared Massey and I go to school at the Portales Jr. High. I would really appreciate it if you didn't close down CAFB. I have some good reasons why you shouldn't. First of all it would hurt Clovis. Clovis would lose a lot of business. They would loose money and population as well. Secondly Portales would loose business and money as well as population. Thirdly Cannon's training area is close by. The pilots don't have to fly a long way and they save fuel. That saves money for the base. It would be better for the Air Force if Cannon wasn't closed. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Jared Massey

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Dear Brac Commission,

I am an eighth grade student at Portales Junior High. Please consider keeping Cannon because a lot of people will lose their jobs and have to move. If people have to move, the population of Clovis and Portales will go down. If the population goes down, businesses will lose customers, and if they lose customers, they lose money, and if they lose money and customers they will probably go out of business. The population of students at school will go down, and they won't need as many teachers, so a lot of teachers will lose their jobs. People will lose the friends that are really close to them. If you close Cannon, Portales will lose what little entertainment they have, and people will be really bored, so Clovis and Portales will become towns full of bored and depressed people. For the sake of fellow Americans, please keep Cannon alive.

Sincerely,
Ashley
Brunson



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Dear Brac Commission,

I am a student from Portales Junior High School. I am writing you to tell you the concern of Cannon Air Force base, and Portales and Clovis. If you were to close Cannon we would have nothing left to do. Cannon is a good place to go bowling and shopping. It also has really good air force people, and good air zone. If you close down Cannon it would be a bad cause! So I would appreciate it if you would not close Cannon Air Force Base.

Sincerely

Kridi L. Brown

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Dear Brac Commission

with my knowledge I understand you are trying to shut down the Cannon Air Force Base only to conserve money for our govt. If so This Idea would be bad for us because after you move it we would have business's shutting down do to lack of customer's, and then you would be taking money out of the govt. Just to build another base for the ones you move. If you put any thought into it you would be hurting us and your self's. I would greatly appreciate if you look at the situation you are putting us and your self's in.

Sincerely,
Steven Aguiar

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Samantha Orozco, James Golden
Portales High School
201 S. Knoxville
Portales, N.M. 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 S. Clark St.
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission,

We here at Clovis & Portales are deeply concerned at the fact that Cannon Air Force Base will possibly be closing. C.A.F.B. has been very important to us in the Clovis, Portales area economically. If the base is closed our towns will be seriously devastated. Our schools would suffer seriously by losing children which leads to losing teachers & schools. Also, our businesses will suffer from a loss of customers. Our towns will practically become ghost towns. On behalf of Clovis & Portales we are seriously against the closing of Cannon. Please review our letters.

Sincerely,
Concerned Students at PHS.

James Golden & Samantha Orozco

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Portales High School
201 S. Knoxville
Portales, NM 88130

YBRAC Commission
2521 S. Clark St. Suite 1000
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the YBRAC Commissions:
Please do not close Cannon Air Force
Base. All of the surrounding area
will be affected. Business will be
forced to close down. All prices will
go up in order to stay in business.
The businesses wont be the only
ones effected. The schools will also
be effected. The High School I
attend will lose \$400,000. This
means we will lose teachers so
our classes will be bigger. Many
of our friends would be forced to
move. I am writing to ask that
you think of all of this when you
are deciding!

Celeste Gonzales Kassandra Short

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Portales High School
201 S. Knoxville
Portales, NM 88130

B.R.A.C. Commission
2521 S. Clark
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the B.R.A.C. commission

This is Jon Jon Prewitt of Portales High. The Cannon Air Force Base should be left open because, the town will lose money and people. Also, the town's mortgage will drop severely. When that happens, the income will also drop substantially. Well, those are my reasons, why Cannon should be left open.

Sincerely,
Jon Jon Prewitt
of Portales High

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Portales High School 201 S. Knoxville
Portales, NM 88130

Brac Commission
2521 S Clark Street Suite 6000
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC commision:

This is Samuel of Portales High. The Cannon Air Force Base should be left open because, the Clovis-Portales area will lose a lot of people and a lot of money. The towns mortgage will go down along with their income. These are just some of the reasons but I think a lot of people have other ideas to keep Cannon open.

Sincerely,
Samuel Martinez

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Portales High School
201 S. Knoxville
Portales, NM 88130

BBAC Commission
2521 S Clark St Suite 605
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BBAC commission:

We are on a mission to keep Cannon Air Force Base. Losing this base will affect not only Clovis, but also the town of Portales. It will affect both communities school districts. If we lost Cannon, we would lose many kids, which could lose about \$40,000 for our school district. The loss is this money may cause teachers to be fired because there won't be money for their salary.

Clovis spent millions of dollars for the expansion of their city, and now it may get smaller in size. The prices of homes will become less and less without this base. Local businesses will have to close because there won't be enough people to give business to keep it open. Many local people will lose their jobs, but at the same time local businesses prices will get higher because there

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201 S. Knoxville
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 S. Clark St. Suite 400
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:
We are against the closing of Cannon.
The closing of Cannon is going to be
devastating to surrounding areas. It will
put schools and companies at risk of
closing. Schools will lose funds, as well
as teachers. People will be out of jobs,
and the cost of living will increase.
We also strongly disagree about closing
Cannon during the war. We might need
Cannon in a huge time of need, closing
Cannon is senseless! All in all, closing Cannon
would be a huge mistake! It will affect
everyone in the surrounding areas.

Sincerely, Desirae Petersen, Kayleigh
Keller, Janette Apotwood, Christian Quigley

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Jessica V. Staton

101 N. India Ave.

Portales, NM, 88130

BRAC Commission

2512 S. Clark St. Suite 600

Arlington, VA, 22202

Dear Member of the BRAC Commission,

It has become public knowledge that Cannon Air Force Base (CAF) has been placed on the Base Realignment And Closure (BRAC) list. CAFB should remain open for a number of different reasons.

First, the base is one of the main sources of employment for the people of Curry and Roosevelt Counties. Secondly, the base makes up about half the population of Clovis, as well as Portales; this closure would hurt as dramatically as far as our economy is concerned. Third, many of the students who attend Clovis and Portales schools are military dependants. The effects of losing that large number of students would be devastating to the resources of both our school systems. And, finally, the biggest problem with the base being closed is that it makes no sense to close any bases while we are at war with two countries in the Middle East. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

A concerned citizen of Portales,

Jessica V. Staton



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May 19, 2005
118 S. Roosevelt Rd. R
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC Commission
2521 S. Clark Street Suite 1000
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC Commission:
If you close Cannon Air Force
base down you will be making a bad
decision. You will loose a lot of people
in the community and also will
hurt portales schools by taking \$400,000
dollars from us. You will also be laying
a lot of the portales teachers off. Then
there will be a lot of houses that they
can't sell. I would advise you to
please not close Cannon Air force
base.

Sincerely,
Shyla Carter

May 20, 2005

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218 S Roosevelt Road R
Portales, NM 88130

BRAC commission
2521 S Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear members of the BRAC Commission:

I have been watching the news and it has come to my attention that you are planning to close Cannon Air Force Base. Cannon is a large part of Clovis and Portales's community, Business and population. If Cannon were to close Clovis and Portales would be no more. The only ones who would make any income are the Dairy men & women. Cannon is also a big part of our educational system if Cannon closes the Education will be so poor so I ask you to consider to keep Cannon here.

sincerely
Kathleen Miller
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May 10, 2005

218 Roosevelt Rd R
Portales, NM 88130

Brac Commission
2521 S. Clark street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the Brac Commission:

It has come to my attention that Cannon will be shutting down some time in the next year. Cannon plays a major role in our little town. A lot of my friends parents work at Cannon and if it closes what's going to happen to them. It also provides a lot of security. Are education will suffer because of the loss of students. The school would have to let some of their faculty go, and both of my parents are part of the school system. Losing Cannon is a serious issue that will cause major problems not just for the people involved with Cannon but for the whole community. Please take all these issues into thought and reconsider your decision. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Shareesa Nusser



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BRAC Commission

2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of BRAC Commission

When I first heard the news of the base closing
I thought to myself, 'People will get laid off their
jobs!' Some people murder themselves if they get laid
off and can't seem to get another job because of the
jerks who laid them off. How would you like it
if you couldn't get a job? Did you ever see Michael
Moore's movie The Big One? It was about people getting
laid off, it showed people crying, CRYING! Do
you want people to cry and know it was all
YOUR fault. I wouldn't if I were you. If you
close the base then people will cry. I don't want
to see that and neither do you, NEITHER DO YOU!

Your friend,
Philip Harrell

Jonathan
Baca
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Brac Commission
2521 S Clark St
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Hi my name is Jonathan I am
a Junior at portales High School I am
aware of the closing of our airforce
base. I personally think if yall close
it.. it will leaves us open for attack
I think if you do not close it will
make us that much stronger in defense.
Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely
Jonathan Baca
Jonathan Baca



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BRAC Commission
2501 S. Clark St.
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear BRAC Commission

My family is retired military
if Cannon AFB closes I will
have to move to Utah. Frankly I
don't want to move, because on
August 16 we will have lived
here for 3 years. Almost all of
my friends are military. My
best friend is military and doesn't
want to move. He just got
here from England and won't
be the same without him.

I go swimming all the
time at Cannon. It's the best
place around. Cannon is also
where my family and I go
swimming and shopping. Sometimes
I meet my friends there. Closing
Cannon would kill me. I
would have to move because
my dad will want. All my

To whom it may concern,

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I am writing this letter in response to Cannon being added to the BRAC list. Cannon has become a way of life for many people in Cloris. Cannon provide great economy for Cloris, and Portales. Many people would have to change a lifestyle they have been so accustomed to. So please let Cannon stay and help both communities thrive, and continue with many peoples way of life.

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BRAC COMMISSION
2521 South Clark Street – Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I think that closing Cannon Air Force Base is a very unwise decision. My name is Erika Wilholt, and I am a junior/soon-to-be senior at Portales High School in Portales, New Mexico.

Closing Cannon Air Force Base would terribly destroy the economy in my home-town of Portales, as well as the nearby and significantly larger town of Clovis and many other small towns and communities in the surrounding area of Cannon. The success and operation of our local businesses strongly depends on products and services purchased by the members of the military stationed at Cannon Air Force Base, along with their families. The number of students in our schools would also decrease significantly due to the loss of Cannon.

I would like to thank you for taking the time to look over my opinion in regards to Cannon Air Force Base being on the BRAC list. I also hope that you might consider my opinion when making a decision about keeping Cannon open, or deciding to close it.

Sincerely,

Erika L. Wilholt

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128 Oklahoma Drive
Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202
Attention: Harold Genman Jr.

Dear Mr. Genman

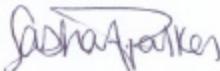
Hello, my name is Sasha A. Parker, I live in Portales, New Mexico and I am a sophomore at the Portales High School. I attend school with many of the students from Cannon Air Force Base. Our community is a small knit farming community where we all shop, eat, and attend school in the same places. Cannon Air Force Base is a great asset to our communities and to our freedom. The jets don't bother me; they only make me feel safe. Seeing our military in and around our community gives me a great sense of pride and security.

Please reconsider closing Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, New Mexico. We support Cannon Air Force Base and we want it to stay where it is at. I recently wrote an essay about the following passage that has a lot of meaning to me-

"Freedom is the freedom,
to say two plus two makes four.
If that is granted all else follows."

The United States of America is all about freedom and our military is a very big part of that! Please let Cannon Air Force Base stay here and continue to make all of us feel safe and proud!

Sincerely,



Sasha A. Parker

Chris
Christensen

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To Whom it May Concern

I am a 16 year old sophomore at Portales High. Closing the base would effect the community of both Portales and Clovis my parents own a mobile home dealership and closing the base would lower the price of homes and make permanent built homes cheaper and easier for people to buy. Cannon couldnt be located in a better spot, there is a bombing range right near the base which is great for fuel economy. There is not more welcoming communities than Portales and Clovis for a air force base. It would crash our communitys economy if the base left us. Please reconsider closing down Cannon.



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2nd we send 11(a) on to you
Dear Brod Commission, sir and madam,
we're not bad, send us price on
for representative portales Jr High & 8th grade.
My name is Sarah. I know that you probably don't care what we say, or how many people disagree with you, but it is worth a try. You can do whatever you want, but just hear me out. If you close Cannon you will ruin not only Davis, but Portales also. We will lose a lot of our population because about half of these people are living here because of the military. We will also loose business because a lot of outside people work on the base, and will move because they can't find work. 2.) Some military people shop here. 3.) Portales people shop at Davis, and if Davis shuts down we will loose a lot of people. Especially since some people feel shopping is a top thing and they will go to different cities. Our house prices will also drop dramatically. I'm not saying that part is bad, but it's not good either. Since a lot of people are involved in military, and some live in portales

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Patty Terry

743 S. Hills Oak Rd

Portales, NM 88130

BRAC

2511 S. Clark Street Suite 600

Arlington, VA 22202

Dear member of the BRAC commission:

In closing down Cannon Air Force Base, so many people will lose their jobs.

A lot of kids go to Clovis Schools and have parents that work at cannon. By

closing Cannon the Schools will lose a bunch of kids, and by losing kids, teachers will lose their jobs because of money shortage).

Teachers will lose jobs and not have a means for making money to support families.

I am ~~asking~~ asking you to please not shut down Cannon! It means so much to our communities.

Thank You,

Patty Terry

May 24, 2005

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Dear Brac Commission,

I really wish you would not close down Cannon Air Force Base because the economy in the Portales Clovis area would drop dramatically & the schools in the area would lose a lot of their students & some of those students are some of my best friends & I would not want to lose them. If Cannon closes then a lot of businesses would close & some of the businesses might be the movies or bowling or maybe some of the stores in the mall then we are losing some of the things we like to do. But I really would hate it if Cannon closed.

Sincerely,

Pepe Garcia

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To Brac commission

I am a concerned student at Portales J. High. I don't think it would be good to close down the Cannon Air Force Base. A couple reasons why is it would hurt the population, Jobs- Safety, Weather, military-Business, taking Shopping, Friend, Communication. People Do really care. So please take the time & read the letters we all have something to say

Sincerely
Patricia Ashcraft

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May 20, 2005

Clovis, NM 88101

Portales, NM 88130

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am writing because I am deeply concerned about the closing at Cannon Air Force Base. I used to go to Cannon AFB all the time when I was younger with my grandfather. we would shop for groceries and go to the shops that are there. I was young so most of that was a small memory but I do remember I loved going and seeing all the friendly smiles. I was just happy to go because they would always say 'hi' and that meant a lot to me. I would see everyone there. Mostly the Air Force. Though lately we have a lot of air space so the Navy and Air Force can work together. If Cannon is closed schools will suffer. The amount of students will decrease if Cannon is closed. With that schools will suffer because most of the funds at the schools are from students. I am a student at Portales and I know that Portales supports the military. See, my family comes from a large Military camp, and if we lose the AFB it will be a large defeat. Though not a large defeat, but losing a wonderful memory.

Sincerely,

Lizzie A.



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May 20, 2005

Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs & Mams:

I understand that you need money
for the F-16s for fuel, but us people
of Portales need Cannon for schools, and
Money. I hope you will understand this.

Sincerely,
Beth.

May. 20, 2005
Portdes N.M. 88130

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am only concerned about the closure because two of my uncles work there and they will be reassigned and I won't get to talk to them.

Sincerely,

~~Steven~~ Steven

May 29, 2005
Portales, NM
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Dear Sirs and/or ma'ams:

I am concerned with the closing of Cannon Air Force Base. One reason I worry is because our economy is already unstable as is and I can hardly think what the closing or realignment would do to us. Also we have a housing problem and I doubt the closing or realignment of Cannon would help at all. Those are my two major concerns.

Sincerely,
Terry Carby



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May 20, 2005 8132005

Portales, NM 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing this letter because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. I think you should not close Cannon AFB because our weather is good all year. Plus, there is a large amount of air space so they can fly their aircraft's. However, there are two very important reasons why you should not close Cannon, because they support the towns of Portales and Clovis. For example, they build homes for the poor people, and they keep our places open. If you close Cannon it is a possibility that Portales' movie theater will close. Another reason is that our schools will suffer. Since so many of the students that go to PJHS, their mom/dad works at Cannon, if they have to move we will not have as many students. That means there will be a problem with money we will not have enough money for a lot of teachers so some will have to go somewhere else. Then there will also not be enough money for organizations, like athletics. I am a big time basketball player, and I love the game, if I can't play basketball because of the closing of Cannon, I will be very mad and that is why you should definitely not close Cannon AFB.

As,

Sincerely,
Shandi W.

May 20, 2005
Portales NM 88130

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Dear Sirs:

I am very concerned about your idea of closing down. It would devastate us. You should not do this it is a catastrophe. I not mention around the house we are following this just you are so wrong to do. I at the will be a big hit and without schools around we have to learn. You know what's the problem is it. & I should be here to. You are the ones leaving the children!!

Yours,
Timothy



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May, 20, 2005
081320 Postales, NM, 88336

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am worried about our town's well being. The BRAC is threatening to close down Cannon Airforce Base. This would have a devastating effect on the Portales Clovis Population. Many stores would close. Many of my friends will be leaving. How could you take a kids friends away. You would kill our town if you closed cannon down. Our town would become a very lonely and lifeless town. You would destroy the movie theater. Many of the cool hangouts will not be there anymore.

~~RE~~ Some reasons to keep it open is ~~because~~ there is lots of air space here. No one complaints of the jets flying over at night. I think it is really cool. You need to understand much of our Portales - Clovis area is made up of airforce people I really hope you will think about my views and suggestions. It would mean a lot if you would leave Cannon here. Please take what I have said into consideration and not blow us off like we don't matter. Don't close Cannon I'm sure, you will reciev lots of letters asking you to leave cannon open.

Yours truly,
Kevin Lada + ka.

May 20, 05

Portales NM
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Dear Sirs and Madams:

It is my understanding that Cannon AFB is on the closure list. Please understand that I am a regular student in Portales, New Mexico, and I wish to tell you how important Cannon is to us. It is very important that Cannon remains because schools and the city would suffer. Cannon is at least one fifth of our town, so our population would greatly decline. Weather is good all of the time, so we would be able to perform all of our practices. We would greatly appreciate it if you didn't close Cannon.

Yours Truly,

Mika Jodstone

May 23 2005 Keep Cannon

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I think you don't need to shut
Cannon down Cannon Air Force Base.

Cus you will shut down the rFW and
dgreenes by the base. And you will hurt
Portales and Clovis very bad.

FROM YOUR TELL

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Dear Broc Commission,

May, 24, 2005

Hey, im a student at Tortales Jr. high. I don't want you to close cannon. My dad is in the Military, and if it closes then i'll have to move. Also, businesses might close. We don't need any stores to close in Tortales. It's boring enough as it is. Another reason is that I like to go to the mall in Davis, and if stores close then there wouldn't be a good place to shop.

Sincerely,
Haley Inemonfer



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May 20, 2005
Portales, N.M. 88130

Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. Portales supports the military. I don't want to live in a lonely place. Portales won't be the same with the cannon being closed. There are large amounts of air space here, for people to fly on airplane. Not like other places like Los Angeles, that don't have much air space. The schools could suffer, with the Cannon closing.

Sincerely,
Brenda.

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Biac commision

2501 S. Clark st

suite 600

Arlington, Va. 22202

Dear member of the biac commision the closing
of cannon air force base would not only harm the economy
in the neighboring towns. I myself am a child of a military
air force men and thus - the first time we lived in the land
of the free (americal) were lived over seas for almost 12 years. since
we moved we made friend and aquaintances. when we belongings arrived
here we found that someone drove a forklift through the # crate
and took anything of there littering. and the stress my family goes through
every time we move all the possiblity and learning friends and family. and
arrive there finding your belongings stolen. of course most of what
im saying you dont care about and even if you just throw this letter
away before you read it. me along with many evant cannon to say
and you all can make it possible

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Dear BRAC Committee,

My name is Dakota Gravin. I am going to tell you why we should keep Cannon Air Force Base open. My father, Danny Gravin, who retired as a Master Sergeant in 2000 had a job there. Most of my family was in the military and stationed at Cannon one time or another. I plan to be stationed at Cannon when I get through high school, if you close Cannon, then my plan will be ruined. If you close Cannon, then we will not be able to have more people be able to move here and populate these towns around it. I am sorry if I wasted your time but I thought you should know.

Sincerely,

Dakota Gravin

Operation Keep Cannon

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May 20, 2005
Portales, NM 88130

Dear BRAC committee,

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon Air Force Base.

If it closes there will be bad changes for the schools and towns of Portales and Clovis.

There's always decent weather for flying here, there is a huge amount of air space, and Portales truly supports the military.

Please reconsider closing the base!

Sincerely,
Talon



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Dear sirs:

I am writing because I'm concerned about the closing of Cannon AFB. Our weather around here is perfect for training. There is so much air space for training also. Our town of Portales and Clovis supports our military base.

Sincerely,
Yours Truly
Chris

5-24-05

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To the Brac Commission:

I'm writing to try to get you to keep Cannon Airforce Base. I'm sure you've done your homework and have extremely good reasons for closing Cannon (though I can find none), but I'm not sure if you understand what would happen to our economy. So I fully intend to inform you.

My name is Amanda Madrid and I am a student at the Portales Jr. High School. One of the things I love most about our school system is the diversity of our students. If Cannon is taken away then I will lose many of my friends and our school will have barely any students. Please keep Cannon.

Clovis is a growing community, but if Cannon leaves then it will stop growing and possibly reverse. The economy will be ruined. So many of our lives are centered around Cannon. Please don't take Cannon.

Sincerely,
Amanda
Homan

May 24, 2005

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Dear Brac Commission,

I am writing to help try and keep Cannon open. I am very concerned about our economy and how it would effect our community. Cannon keeps us going. It provides a steady supply of new people.

There are at least 100 military kids in our school system. We could go down to a 2A school. Many of the jobs held here are by military personnel spouses. Our community would greatly suffer.

Thank you for reading my letter, and considering to keep Cannon open. I know you will try to make the best decision. Thank you,

Sincerely,
Megan Lyons



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May 24th 2005

Dear Brac Commission,

I am a student at PJHS.

I am writing you to tell you to keep Cannon! If you close Cannon a lot of my close friends will have to move. Both Portales and Clovis's population will lower a lot. So please consider keeping Cannon!

Sincerely,

Devan Gniego



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May 2003

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Dear Sirs:

I am writing because I am concerned about the closing of the AFB. There are people here care about it. But I don't that much. But if you do close it you should make it in to a state park. They don't do any thing at the AFB. Do I kind of think you should close it.

Sincerely
garcia

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May 20, 2005
Portales, N.M. 88130

Dear Gentlemen:

I am writing this letter to you because I am concerned about the closing of Cannon Air Force Base. I would hate to see the Cannon Air force Base closing because being in the base is a very important job. Very dangerous, though, complicated, etc. But it is still very important. I would like to thank you for all your support and taking time to read this letter. I also hope that every thing goes swell for you all and the Cannon air force Base.

Sincearly,
Your friend
Analisa S.

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453 South Roosevelt Road U
Portales, NM 88130
May 19, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street
Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

To Whom It May Concern:

I feel you should reconsider closing the base because it would really effect alot of our communities. A lot of students from the base go to school in Portales and in Clovis. The students that come from the base make the school better because there are a variety of students.

Sincerely,
Chantel Duarte
Chantel Duarte