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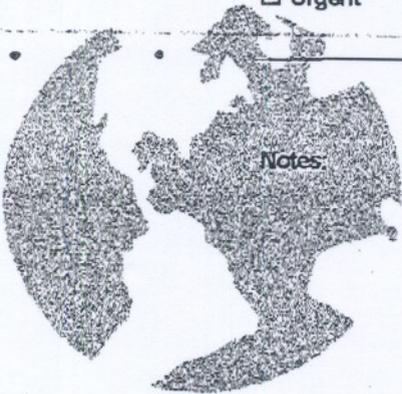
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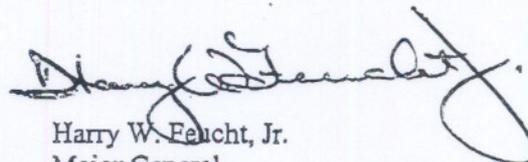
Gentlemen:

Thank you for your dedicated service to our nation as you diligently work to complete your assigned task. This letter will address several issues that will add information for you and the BRAC Commissioners.

1. Surveys of Ohio ANG members of the 178 FW (BRAC proposed realigned) and 179 AW (BRAC proposed closure) show the following attrition rates: Operations – 85-90% with some starting immediately, Maintenance – 85% of Guard members and 75-80% of the fulltime force (historical data from BRAC 1991, 1993 and 1995), Mission Support – 75-80%.
2. Reduction-in-Force (RIF) procedures – There are no cross-leveling placement entitlements across state lines or between the National Guard and the Army, Air Force or Navy Reserve as a full-time technician or AGR. The complexity of addressing personnel realignment and job loss or gain issues is significant and not evident in the statistical analysis of the proposal.
3. The 179th AW possesses eight C-130H models that were purchased by Congressional Additive funding. These aircraft were acquired in 1991 and are not shown in the data presented by the National Guard Bureau to the Chief, Base Realignment and Closure Division, Re: BI-0099-ANG aircraft acquired through congressional add.
4. The leadership of the Ohio Air National Guard does not and will not support the existing Future Total Force Excursion Plan developed and presented by the National Guard Bureau (Air National Guard) staff in conjunction with the President, Adjutants General Association. Irrespective of Future Total Force initiatives, the Ohio Air National Guard believes and has proven that the Air Force substantially deviated from BRAC laws, had hidden policy issues within the Air Force recommendations, and misapplied military value. Changes to force structure should be implemented by programming actions as appropriate vice BRAC law.

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Sincerely,



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