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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Tim Sweet I live in Clovis New Mexico. I'm writing with great concern upon learning that Cannon Air Force base is currently on the BRAC closure list. I really do not understand the reasoning behind this due to the fact that Cannon meets all the requirements to stay open. There are many bases that are not on the list that have no room to expand, Cannon does. Many bases not on the list have restricted air space, not Cannon. As you can see I could go on and on about what Cannon has that meets your requirement for it to remain open. Know I want to write to you as a business owner. I own Billy the Kid Museum in Fort Sumner New Mexico. We are concerned due to the fact that it will impact our small community because we do receive gross receipts from Cannon personal. We have the three Museums' in this community. Cannon service men and women bring their family's here to visit. We also have a lake where they can have water recreation. Every time I hear one of Cannon's Jets fly over I tell all my friends that what they hear is the sound of Freedom, please don't take that away from us. Cannon offers great training facility's a great Bombing range and also if you will check super sonic flight space. What more is needed? Cannon needs to be removed from the closure list. Please do this not only for Clovis, but for New Mexico, and the United States.

Respectfully,

*Tim Sweet*  
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*P.S. Fort Sumner is 65 miles West of Cannon. We are near the Super Sonic Flight Area. Thank you for your time.*

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