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The Honorable Anthony J. Principi
Chairman
Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
2521 South Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Mr. Chairman
Dear Chairman Principi:

Thank you for your invitation to appear before the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission at its August 20th hearing to present testimony on the Department's recommendations prior to your final deliberations.

The Department is pleased to inform you that Mr. Michael Wynne, Chairman Infrastructure Steering Group, will lead a panel that consists of Secretary of the Army, Francis J. Harvey; Chief of Staff of the Air Force, General John P. Jumper; Vice Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Robert Willard; and the Director for Force Structure, Resources, and Assessment, Joint Staff, Admiral Evan Chanik.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Andrew England".