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Sincerely,

Dorothy Shields
(A Concerned Citizen)

Dorothy Shields
34 Alabama St #2
Buffalo, NY 14204

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Sincerely,

Marisa Bonnisente
(A concerned Citizen)
125 Ullman St.
Buffalo NY, 14207

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BRAC Commission
Washington DC.
c/o NIMAC
P.O. Box 231
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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- The federal government has invested more than $35 million in Niagara Falls since 1995 in new facilities.
- Base Operations Support costs have been reduced more than 33% (to include a 25% reduction in utilities) to make the base one of the most cost-efficient facilities in the Air Force Reserve Command.
- Closure of the base eliminates the ability to recruit and retain New Yorkers in a region in which the units have both maintained in excess of 100% manning rates.
- Niagara Falls existing infrastructure can accommodate eight (8) additional C-130H model aircraft without any military construction.
- Niagara Falls faces no physical encroachment nor air traffic control constraints and has acreage on the base and adjacent to the installation for expansion.

I urge the Commission, in the strongest possible terms, to remove the Niagara Falls AFB from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of the military from our region of the country.

Sincerely, Lyle Whitford
Priscilla Whitford

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May 17, 2005

BRAC Commission
Washington, D.C.

To Whom It May Concern:

The Department of Defense has recommended to the BRAC Commission that the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station be closed. This comes as a very big disappointment to the western New York Community. As Niagara County's second largest employer with nearly 3,000 workers, this would deliver another devastating blow to our region's already declining economy.

The base site lies within close proximity to four major border crossings between the U.S. and Canada, along with the New York State Power Authority's Hydropower complex, which harnesses the waters of the Niagara River and supplies substantial power to the Northeast United States Grid.

While the base serves as a logistical backbone for the war on terror, it is also strategically placed and fully expandable to allow the addition of a fighter squadron to further secure America's northern border and power grid infrastructure. It should be EXPANDED rather than closed.

According to the Niagara Military Affairs Council:

*Closure of the Niagara base would reduce the Air Force presence in NY by 40%, and eliminate the LAST Federal Air Force flying mission in the state. Since 1995, the Niagara base has been modernized with $35M in new facilities and lengthened runways, which have improved the operational effectiveness of the wings.

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I request that you STRONGLY RECONSIDER the decision to close this base. The fine men and women in the 107th Air Refueling Wing and the 914th Airlift Wing have been and continue to be instrumental in securing the home front and fighting the war on terror overseas.

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Thank you for your consideration regarding this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Tanissa S Woolley
2833 1 Main St
Niagara Falls NY 14118

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Sincerely,

(A concerned Citizen)

Sam Fabzone
25 BRATON CT.
Kenmore, N.Y. 14217

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Matt Bernat
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Mary M. Bernat

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Christine M Giovanni - Vollmer

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Mrs S. Giovannini
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Christine Johnson

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Janet Moncalean
(A Concerned Citizen)
190 Lakeview Ave
Orchard Park, NY 14127
Erie County, USA

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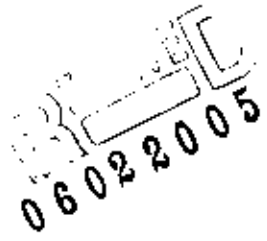

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(A Concerned Citizen)

Gordon L. Nelson
4647 Porter Center Rd.
Lewiston, NY 14092-9764

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Nancy J. Coppola-Mullen
(A Concerned Citizen)
2709 Calvin Blvd.
Tona, NY 14150

Please help us with this situation - thank you

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Sincerely,

Joanne Cole
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Amherst, NY 14226

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(A concerned Citizen)

Michelle Crosby
147 NASSAU Ave
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Fr. Jerry Bartko OSFS
(A Concerned Citizen)
St. Patrick's R.C.
76 Church St
Lockport, N.Y. 14094

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Mary Ann Beane
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Niagara Falls, N.Y.
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Sincerely,

Marlene Fernandez

(A Concerned Citizen)

In addition we are so close to a border that homeland security should be concerned about.

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4798 Oakridge Lane
Lewiston, NY 14092
May 24, 2005

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Martha E. Troia

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Kenneth Crosby

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Sincerely,

[signature]
(A concerned Citizen)
Eileen Bonner
8701 Shore Rd Apt 6X
Brooklyn NY 11209-9241

although I do not line up there, I know the reserve component folk can't pick up & move as do active duty. Do hope you'll consider that aspect re readiness
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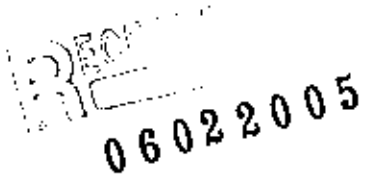

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Sincerely,

Kathleen + Michael Shriver
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Lanc. Ny 14086
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Frances J. Shrewsbury
1200 Ferry Ave
Niagara Falls
N.Y. 14301-1824

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Sincerely,

Bertha S. Frank
(A concerned Citizen)

2044 Townhall Terrace
(address)
Grand Island, N.Y. 14072

Just yesterday we had a chemical scare on the Rainbow Bridge and the Reserve Units had to be called into action.

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5/30/05

Chairman Anthony J. Principi
Base Realignment and Closure Commission
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Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

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(A concerned Citizen)

KENNETH R FRIEND
616 - 73rd St
NFNY 14304

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Mary Lou Grace
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Mary Lou Grace
6721 Lindbergh Ave
Niagara Falls NY 14304

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Sincerely,

Carol Romano
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2912 Terrato Ave
(address)
Niagara Falls, N.Y
14305

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Sincerely,

Ruby Cowden
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Niagara Falls NY. 14305
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Sincerely,

Cynthia Zemmerman
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Drive - Niagara
Falls NY - 14305

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Kerry Zimmerman
(A concerned Citizen)

8 Packard Court
N P NY
14301

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Roy + Anne Hartford
(A concerned Citizen)

3510 Miller Rd
Niagara Falls, NY
14304

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Sincerely,

Vicky Cleaver
(A Concerned Citizen)

1A Packard Ct
(address)

NF N.Y. 14301
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

Ellen P. Grissett
(A concerned Citizen)

533 - 30th ST
(Address)

Niagara Falls, New York 14301
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

Chris Fallon

(A concerned Citizen)

1685 Jane Dr
Niagara Falls
N.Y. 14304

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Sincerely,

Robert Renzo
(A Concerned Citizen)

531 3rd street
(address)

N.F. NY. 14301
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Sincerely,

Joseph D. Santos
(A concerned Citizen)

720-10th St.
(Address)

Niagara Falls - N.Y.
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Sincerely,

Marie Gillmor
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Niagara Falls N.Y. 14301
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June 6, 2005

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Sincerely,

Dave Tronconi
Vice President
Area Operations Manager, Citibank N.A.

A member of citigroup

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Sincerely,

Michael E Braun
(A concerned Citizen)

113 Dean Dr,
Address
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Phone number (optional)_____

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Sincerely,

Lisa Marquise
(a concerned Citizen)

7012 Eerick Rd.
Address
N.T. NY 14120

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Sincerely,

Dennis C Bittel
(A concerned Citizen)

189 Amsterdam
Address
Tonawanda NY 14150

Phone number (optional)

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Brenda Farace
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7273 Lakeview Ct.
Address
N. Tonawanda, NY 14120

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James R. DiVirgilio
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311 Brentwood Drive
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Sincerely,

David A. [illegible]
(A concerned Citizen)

77 Sherwood Ct.
Address
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

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Sincerely,

Kimberly E Malanas
(A concerned Citizen)

303 Oakdale Dr.
Address
N. Tonawanda NY 14120

Phone number (optional) 694-3118

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Sincerely,

Andrea S. Williams
(A concerned Citizen)

349 Evans N. Tonawanda NY 14120
Address

Phone number (optional) 692-5736

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Sincerely,

Heather DeWright
(A concerned Citizen)

1469 Mill St. [redacted]
Address
N. Tonawanda, NY 14120

Phone number (optional) _____

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Sincerely,

Harriet J. Piatasit
(A concerned Citizen)

342 Westgate Rd.
Address
Kenmore, N.Y. 14217

Phone number (optional)

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Colleen Hunt
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Buffalo, NY

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June 6, 2005

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Tonawanda NY 14150
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Sincerely,

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Mary C. Kissel
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Sincerely,

(A concerned Citizen)

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Phone number (optional) 694 8934

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Sincerely,

Kimberly J. Pisarek
(A concerned Citizen)

108 Berwick Lane
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East Amherst, NY 14051

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William T Waldron
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Sharon Murphy
(A concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

(A concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Kathleen Putman
(A concerned Citizen)

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Area Manager, Citibank N.A.

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Chris Harris
(A concerned Citizen)

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(Address)

Niagara Falls NY 14301
(City, State, Zip)

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Judith Hill

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Sincerely,

Valerie K. Jordan

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Sincerely,

Filomena M. Palazzo
(A concerned Citizen)

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(Address)

Niagara Falls NY 14305
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

Shawn Zimmerman

(A concerned Citizen)

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NF NY 14305

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(A Concerned Citizen)

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613 NORTHWOOD DR

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Sincerely,

Wayne E Bieger
(A concerned Citizen)

WAYNE E. BIEGER
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Sincerely,

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Christopher E Gibney
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GRAND ISLAND NY
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Herman G Mathews
(A concerned Citizen)

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758 BASELINE ROAD
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(A concerned Citizen)

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BUFFALO N.Y. 14204

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Laura A. Hayes

(A concerned Citizen)

152 Walnut Street

Buffalo, NY 14204

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Gladys Adams
(A concerned Citizen)
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Buffalo, N.Y.
14207-1349

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Buffalo N.Y. 14207

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B J Kocinski
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(A concerned Citizen)
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GI N.Y.
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New York 14072

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Sincerely,

Richard Nelson

(A Concerned Citizen)

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(A concerned Citizen)

Herbert W. Lydell

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I urge the Commission, in the strongest possible terms, to remove Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of the military from our region of the country.

Sincerely yours,

DCN 3204

BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

May 2005

BRAC Commission
Washington, DC
% NIMAC
PO Box 231
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Charles and Elizabeth Berne

In addition this base is close to the Canadian borders and there are three bridges (international) in market

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BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

June 7, 2005

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

Dear Anthony J. Principi:

I am from Newfane High School, New York and I have recently learned about the potential closing of the Niagara Falls Air Base closing. I disagree with the idea of shutting the air base down.

There are many Western New Yorkers who have stable jobs at the base as well as many others. If this air base shuts down hundreds will lose their jobs and will probably be forced to relocate. This action hurts the Western New York economy and society.

A positive aspect of having the Air Base where it is, is that reliable security is close by. With the U.S/Canada border just miles away, I believe that close security is a good idea. It gives a sense of safety to the community.

I would like to thank you for taking the time to read this letter regarding the closing of the Niagara Falls Air Base. Again, I would like to say that I strongly believe that the Air Base should be kept open and running.

Sincerely,

Trina Rodebaugh

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DCN 3204

BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

June 9, 2005

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

Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I am not satisfied with the Defense Department's recommendation to close our local Niagara Air Force Reserve Base. This is not a wise choice by the department and it is in the best interest of many people if this decision is reversed and they are removed from the list.

The loss of this Air Force Reserve Base would be devastating to the local economy. The already hurting economy would take a larger plunder if all of these full time jobs at the Air Force Reserve Base were lost or even relocated. The United States is hurting for military personnel, but if all the bases keep closing people who don't want to leave their family will never consider joining.

It is in the nation's best interest and I strongly urge the commission to remove the Niagara Falls Reserve Base from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and realignments. Stop the taking jobs away from this region and our country.

Sincerely,

Jason A. Fischer

DCN 3204

BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

6/10/05

Chairman Anthony J. Principi
Base Realignment and Closure Commission
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Arlington, VA 22202

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Also, how will the Department defend the region? Will the Guard respond to man-made or natural disasters when they occur after these massive cuts?

I urge the Commission in the strongest possible terms to remove Niagara Falls AFB from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of the military from our region of the country.

Sincerely,

Marnie Husted
(A Concerned Citizen)
1172 Ashland Ave
(address)
NF NY 14301
(City, State, Zip)

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Ronald G. Harkins II

6/20/2005

submit: Send Letter

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6/20/2005

DCN 3204

From: (Ronald Harkins II)
Date: 06/10/05 14:47:28
To: info@nimac.org
Subject: Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Ronald Harkins II () on Friday, June 10, 2005 at 14:47:25

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address1: 27 Zimmerman Street

city: North Tonawanda

state: New York

zip: 14120

comments:

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

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Ronald G. Harkins II

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Date: 06/10/05 14:48:40
To: info@nimac.org
Subject: Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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city: North Tonawanda

state: New York

zip: 14120

comments:

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

Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I was upset by the Defense Department's recommendation to close Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard base. This recommendation is a not in the nation's best interest and the BRAC Commission should reverse this decision and to remove Niagara Falls from the closure list.

It is hard to understand why the Air Force has decided to take planes, missions and jobs away from so many Air Guard and Air Reserve bases and put them on more costly Active Duty bases.

Also, even the newspapers say that we are facing significant challenges in recruiting during war time. As the only remaining major military installation in western New York, Niagara Falls has been key to military recruitment.

The impact of this decision will be devastating to the New York Air National Guard and will make the Pentagon's efforts to recruit and retain military personnel even more difficult than it is now.

All New Yorkers stand with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are united in its support for this base, and its retention. Overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base

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BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

BRAC Commission;

Why would you want to close the Niagara Falls Airforce Base that is near the falls. If we were attacked no place that certainly interest terrorist would be a location like the falls.

Please remove this base from your list and not send these planes to Little Rock that is located in tornado alley.

Sincerely
Dorothy B Fitzgerald
6035 South Transit Rd
331
Lockport, NY 14094

DCN 3204

BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

May 2005
Your Name and Address
Jessica Horvath
3100 Ransomville Rd
Ransomville NY 14131

BRAC Commission
Washington DC.
c/o NIMAC
P.O. Box 231
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

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Sincerely,

Jessica Horvath

DCN 3204

BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

May 2005
Your Name and Address
Amanda McQuillan
430 Oak St
Youngstown, NY 14174

BRAC Commission
Washington DC.
c/o NIMAC
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Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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Sincerely,

Amanda M. McQuillan

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BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

May 2005
Your Name and Address

ERIC BARKER,
456 FIELDCREST DRIVE
YOUNGSTOWN, NY 14174

BRAC Commission
Washington DC.
c/o NIMAC
P.O. Box 231
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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Sincerely,

DCN 3204

May 2005

Your Name and Address
Dennis Pollow Jr
P.O Box 334
Ransomville, NY 14131

BRAC Commission
Washington DC.
c/o NIMAC
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Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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Sincerely,

Kim Cornell

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BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

May 2005
Your Name and Address
Maria Costello
623 Lake Rd
Youngstown, NY
14174

BRAC Commission
Washington DC.
c/o NIMAC
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Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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Maria Costello

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6/20/2005

May 2005 Leah Randall
Your Name and Address
3736 Creek Rd
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Sincerely,

Leah Randall

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6/20/2005

5/26/05

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Base Realignment and Closure Commission
2521 South Clark Street
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Arlington, VA 22202

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Sincerely,

Lynda Berwick

(A Concerned Citizen)

Lynda Berwick
639 Erie Ave
N Tonawanda NY 14120

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Sincerely,

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Stan T Teyniewski
(A Concerned Citizen)

Stan T Teyniewski
2228 Woodlawn Ave
Niagara Falls NY

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BRAC Commission
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Base Realignment and Closure Commission
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Sincerely,

Laura Koeder
(A Concerned Citizen)

9 Evergreen Dr.
Tona NY 14150

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BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

5/22/05

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Amanda Hersey
(A Concerned Citizen)

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6/20/2005

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Sincerely,

Joseph M. Wozniak
(A Concerned Citizen)
443- 4th St.
N.F, N.Y 14301

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Ken Bluss

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Diane Borowicz
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Received
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Kenneth Gould

(A Concerned Citizen)

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GARY PELTON
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Carri Brown

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Lynda Berwick
(A Concerned Citizen)

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Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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Sincerely,

Valerie Bush
Metro = Bflo. N.Y
# 4697

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BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

May 2005

BRAC Commission,
Washington D.C.
c/o NIMAC
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Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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Sincerely yours,

Edmund M. Page

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6/4/05

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Received
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Base Realignment and Closure Commission
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Sincerely,

Maria E. Stevenson Ln, BSN, CDR
(A concerned Citizen)
6819 Grauer Rd
Niagara Falls,
N.Y. 14305

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Sincerely,

Jeanne Clinton

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BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

May 2005
Your Name and Address
Bryan Pilla
P.O. Box 329
Ransomville NY 14131

BRAC Commission
Washington DC.
c/o NIMAC
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Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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Bryan Pilla

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Sincerely,

Kathleen Malinowski
(A concerned Citizen)

4220 Mohawk Parkway
(Address)

Niagara Falls, NY 14304
(City, State, Zip)

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Received
6/20/2005

6/16/05

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Sincerely,

A. Flavia Melidono
(A concerned Citizen)

626-29 St.
(Address)

Niagara Falls NY 14301
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

Shirley Benson
(A concerned Citizen)

[redacted]
(Address)

[redacted]
(City, State, Zip)

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6/17/05

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Sincerely,

Tina Beasock
(A concerned Citizen)

459 24th Street
(Address)

Niagara Falls NY
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

Ted Wirth
(A Concerned Citizen)

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(address)

Lewiston N.Y. 14092
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

Rosemary Cassano
(A concerned Citizen)

627-17th Street
(Address)

Niagara Falls N.Y. 14301
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Sincerely,

MARLENE CLARK
(A concerned Citizen)

2614 FERRY AVE
(Address)

NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y. 14301
(City, State, Zip)

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BRAC Commission
Received
6/20/2005

6/5/05

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Sincerely,

Joseph M. [illegible]
(A concerned Citizen)

Joe Nannelli
89 Banke Dr.
DePew, NY 14043

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Sincerely,

Paul Baker

(A concerned Citizen)

3401 WARNER DR
GRAND ISLAND
N.Y. 14072

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(A concerned Citizen)

7000 Deborah Dr. 14304

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309-73RD ST.
Niagara Falls NY 14304

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(A concerned Citizen)

126 Harvey Ave
Lockport, NY 14094

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(Concerned Citizen)

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Appleton, NY 14008

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(A concerned Citizen)

680 Tuscarora

E. Amherst

NY 14051

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6/7/05

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Cara Urban
(A Concerned Citizen)
2526 upper Mountain Rd
Lewiston
NY 14132

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Delano Johnson
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Ransom NY
14131

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(A Concerned Citizen)

932 N. Hewitt Dr
Lewiston N.Y. 14092

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Niagara Falls NY 14304

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(A Concerned Citizen)

Burma Altyn
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Ransomville NY 14131

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Niagara Falls, N.Y.
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Niag Falls NY
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Michael A Trunzo
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N. Tonawanda, N.Y.
14120

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N. Ton. N.J. 14120

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Charles G Mansell
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213 - 82 ST
Niagara Falls N.Y
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Cheryl Bolanta
(A Concerned Citizen)
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Ransomville NY
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(A Concerned Citizen)
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Wheatfield NY 14120

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Clarence Barnett
(A Concerned Citizen)
19 Licata Drive
Sabre Park
NIAGARA FALLS NY
14304

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Anna Dornett
(A Concerned Citizen)
19 Gloucester
Niagara Falls N.Y.
14304

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(A Concerned Citizen)
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Lewiston
Ny 14092

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Diane Serrianne
(A Concerned Citizen)
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Niagara Falls, N.Y.
14305

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Rose Mary Romano
(A Concerned Citizen)

146 78th Street
Niagara Falls, NY
14304

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(A Concerned Citizen)
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Niagara Falls NY 14301

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Carol L. Stonyak

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14304

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511 Tronolone

NF, NY 14303

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Donald B Hughes
(A concerned Citizen)

1270-89th St
Niagara Falls, NY 14304

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Lockport, N.Y. 14094

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David Black
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7445 Raymond Rd

Sanborn, NY

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(A concerned Citizen) MAINTENANCE

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LOCKPORT NY 14094

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(A concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Joyce A. Wagner
(A concerned Citizen)
3504 Ransomville Rd.
Ransomville, NY
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Sincerely,

Sandra O'Dee
(A Concerned Citizen)
13 Lincoln Dr Sobre PC
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Christina Arcangelo
(A Concerned Citizen)
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Sabre Park
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(A Concerned Citizen)

1257 90th st.

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Sincerely,

[redacted] US ARMY RETIRED
(A Concerned Citizen)
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Sincerely,

January Holley

(A Concerned Citizen)

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11963 Caldwell Rd

Bliss NY 14024

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NIAGARA FALLS COACH LINES, INC.
120 THIRTEENTH STREET NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK 14303
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CHAIRMAN ANTHONY J. PRINCIPI
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE COMMISSION
2521 SOUTH CLARK STREET
SUITE 600
ARLINGTON, VA 22202

DEAR CHAIRMAN PRINCIPI AND BRAC COMMISSIONERS:

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SINCERELY,

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June 2005

BRAC Commission
Washington, DC
c/o NIMAC
P.O. Box 231
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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Sincerely,

Deanna Heeran

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Sincerely,

James Grissett
(A Concerned Citizen)

533 30th street
(address)

Niagara Falls, New York 14301
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601 Sunnyside Dr
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L Coleman
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(Address)

NFNY 14302
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Lucille Jackson
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V. Johns
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(Address)

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Shannon McNamara

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From: (Shannon L. McNamara)
Date: 06/11/05 10:20:46
To: info@nmac.org
Subject: Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Shannon L. McNamara () on Saturday, June 11, 2005 at 10:20:43

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city: Buffalo

state: NY

zip: 14223

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To: info@nimac.org
Subject: Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

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Michael L. McMullen

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Honorable BRAC Commission Members and Chairman Principi:

The Pentagon has recommended the Niagara Falls Air Base in Niagara Falls, New York be closed! Being a career serviceman myself, I cannot understand the thought process which went into this recommendation. The men and women of both the 914th Air Wing and the 107th Refueling Wing are among the best the Air Force has to offer and we have proved that numerous times throughout our deployments to the Middle East and, in particular, Iraq.

As a member of the 914th ASTS (Aeromedical Staging Squadron) we deployed in October 2003 to Baghdad International Airport and set-up a Contingency Aeromedical Staging Facility (CASF) which treated in excess of 4000 sick and injured Coalition Forces and in doing so, rewrote the Concept of Operations on how to efficiently treat and evacuate our fallen heroes. Our flying squadron was just as successful and helpful in providing supplies and nighttime covert operations due to their expertise in Night Vision Flight Operations, said to exceed the capabilities of even the Special Operations Flight Crews. These Airmen have proven our worth in fighting the Global War on Terrorism abroad and are also acting as a deterrent against the spread of this infestation across our ever porous border with Canada which should be a major concern for anyone in the Western New York Area as well as in the entire nation. To eliminate / close this Air Base, so fondly know as Niagara would be equivalent to opening the floodgates to terrorism.

According to the Niagara Military Affairs Council:

- Closure of Niagara would reduce the Air Force presence in NY by **40%**, and eliminate the last Federal Air Force flying mission in the State. Since 1995, Niagara has been modernized with **$35M** in new facilities and lengthened runways which have improved the operational effectiveness of the wings.
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- Niagara Falls' existing infrastructure can accommodate ***8 additional C-130H model aircraft*** without any military construction.
- Niagara Falls faces ***no physical encroachment nor air traffic control constraints*** and has acreage on the base and adjacent to the installation for expansion.
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I humbly request that you ***strongly oppose*** the decision to close the Niagara Air Base and remove it from the Closure List. The fighting men and women of this base deserve to continue to be able to serve and protect but closure of this facility will most definitely lead to the mass exodus of 1000-1500 of our finest. Thank you for your time and consideration on this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Michael L. McMullen

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RE: Niagara Falls Airbase – National Guard Refueling Wing and Air Reserve Airlift Wing

To Chairman Principi and All BRAC Commissioners:

Based on my knowledge of the Department of Defense ("DOD") ratings for the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard Base, and further based on my concerns involving the importance of this base both in terms of homeland protection and in projection of air power and support, I am both troubled and confused by DOD's recommendation to close this base. Moreover, it is troubling that much of the information on which DOD based its decision has not been made available to parties in interest, including the New York congressmen and senators; in addition, based on my reading of published reports, the New York State's Adjutant General for the National Guard was not briefed by DOD in the course of its studies leading up to the recommendation to close this base.

I was never a member of the military; however, I quest.on the advisability of centralizing our defenses, in particular the centralization of airlift in the state of Missouri. In any event, I am confident that the commissioners, given their military background, will thoroughly review this questionable DOD recommendation. Centralization of forces, in my view, increases the probability of a catastrophic terrorist strike on our defense facilities.

I am sure you are receiving numerous correspondence pointing out the negative impact of the proposed closure on recruitment and retention of our reserve and guard components.

In summary, the recommendation on the Niagara Falls Air Base, as is the case with several of the other military bases, defies military and defense logic and should be thoroughly reviewed and modified by the commission. Accordingly, I respectfully request that, after due study, your commission overturn DOD's recommendation and maintain – if fact, expand – the military functions at the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard Base.

Very truly yours,

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Sincerely,

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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I am at a loss to understand the Commissions recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard Base.

We are next to the Canadian border which is vulnerable to terrorist infiltration or attacks. Not only do we have the State Power Authority located in this vicinity which controls the electrical power throughout New York State, New York City as well as parts of Canada but we have the Lake Ontario Ordinance Works which contains the residue of the Manhattan Project. One explosive would release 18,000 tons of nuclear materials plus ½ of the world's supply of pure radium..

Our area is in need of this Air Base for the general protection of this community. I am enclosing newspaper articles reinforcing the need to keep this Base open.

One newspaper excerpt proves the need of the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station to assist our community in case of hazardous material that could be transported unknowingly thru Canada.

A former assistant secretary of defense under President Ronald Reagan, in his article to the press, reinforces the need to keep this Base open. Closing of a base on Long Island as it services a search and rescue Guard Unit, whereby the Niagara Falls Air Force Base has over the years been called upon to serve the country.

Brig. Gen. James C. Cook's newspaper account of the Niagara Falls Air Base gives additional support and the recommendation to keep this Base open and taken off the base closure.

This Base has been given additional money to upgrade their facilities and has one of the largest runways of all U.S. Bases.

It would be foolhardy and waste of government funds to close this base and transfer or lose their trained and experienced personnel.

Sincerely a concerned citizen

Emily B. Latko

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June 7, 2005

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Dear Chairman Anthony J. Principi:

The closing of the Niagara Falls Airbase would greatly affect the surrounding area of Western New York. This airbase is responsible for many of the enlistees to the armed forces from the Western New York region. If this airbase is closed then many of the families with men or women in the services will have the relocate to Syracuse or another base. This alteration would also mar the economy of the region. This airbase would also be the first defense if anything should happen to Niagara Falls or the surrounding area. I am very much concerned about this recent decision and I hope you will reconsider the judgment you have made on closing the Niagara Falls Airbase

Sincerely,

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Student and concerned citizen

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A third reason there would be a disproportionate economic result in Niagara County is that there are compelling indirect and anecdotal impacts that would be particularly tough at this point in time. These pertain to such factors as the planned improvements and uses of the commercial airport in Niagara Falls. Loss of the military facility adjacent to the airport would clearly place a huge roadblock to those economic development plans. There is then a corresponding impact upon the flow of both people and goods into the area. The implications for tourism to Niagara Falls and transport of commercial cargo to and through the region are more than discouraging.

Looking to the military and security implications of the proposed closing, the impacts are similarly grim. In short, the strategic factors supporting the Buffalo Niagara region as a necessary hub of military presence are overwhelming. Examples of these factors are as follows: (1) our region, including the Niagara Falls base, is located directly on an international border; (2) we also sit on the largest supply of fresh water in North America and, indeed, the Great Lakes comprise over 90 percent of the surface water in our country; (3) within a few miles of the air base are numerous chemical plants and one of the largest hydro-electric facilities in the world; and (4) the Buffalo Niagara region is a genuine cross-roads of both north-south and east-west corridors and infrastructure for the nation. Moreover, the air base and Guard unit have been major factors in pursuing an active and successful recruitment effort in New York State and the Buffalo Niagara region in particular.

The Institute for Local Governance and Regional Growth urges the Commission's careful consideration of these factors and impacts, as well as those raised by many others in our area, as you make this decision of critical importance to the Buffalo Niagara region. The Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard Base is, for many reasons, an asset which our community and country can ill-afford to lose.

Very truly yours,

John B. Sheffer, II
Director

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June 9, 2005

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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I am writing on behalf of the Institute for Local Governance and Regional Growth, a research and public service program of the University at Buffalo, State University of New York. Our Institute focuses largely on the compilation of useful data on the Buffalo Niagara region and the utilization of applied research on critical regional issues and challenges.

It is hoped that the following information will be of value in the Commission's consideration of the recent recommendation by the Department of Defense to close the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard Base. There is no question that the Commission's failure to fully reject this recommendation would result in severe damage to the Niagara Falls and regional economies, as well as represent a substantial step backward in the cause of local and national security.

Looking first to economic issues, there are at least three reasons why the proposed base closing would have a particularly negative impact -- a disproportionate impact upon our community. One is simply an issue of scale or size. A loss of 642 jobs (the number used by the Department of Defense) on a Niagara County population base of 219,846 is necessarily going to be more devastating than in areas with a much larger population. By comparison, the recommended closing in Sunnyvale, California projects a loss of 278 jobs on a county population base of 1,682,585 and the recommended closing in Pittsburgh projects a loss of 322 jobs on a county population base of 1,281,666. Moreover, the base in Niagara Falls is the county's second-largest employer and the actual impact appears to be more like a loss of 3,000 full and part-time military and civilian employees (several times higher than the figure used by the Pentagon) with a payroll of approximately $50 million annually. It has been estimated that the total impact, direct and indirect, on regional businesses would be $150 million.

Secondly, the impact of the base closing would hit a regional economy that is very much hurting in comparison to most areas of the country. A base closing here is going to have a larger and tougher impact in Western New York than in a county or region where the economy is very strong. Again by comparison, the proposed closing in Barnstable County, Massachusetts comes

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N. F. N.Y. 14301

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I am retired and would love to join the N.I.M.A.C. group but just do not have the funds to join.

I am praying daily that the base stays open, and even expands. We need growth in W.N.Y., not another closure — especially one that serves our community + our Country so well.

God bless all of you + God bless America

Sincerely
Dolores Kunzdorfer

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6/20/2005

40 Hillcrest Dr
Amherst NY 14226
June 6, 2005

NLMAC
PO Box 231
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

Gentlemen:

I am writing this letter in my poor effort to help the Niagara Falls Base open.

There has been a tradition of the Military in the Western N.Y. area from the earliest days of our Country - the Revolution era, the war of 1812, etc, Of course this was involving Ft' Niagara, which is now an Historic site. Modern times necessitated modern bases; for many years Niagara Falls Base has served the USA as well as the local community.

It would be a travesty to break the fine tradition of protection provided by our US Military. Even worse would be the travesty of Closing this Base + causing severe damage

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Also, how will the Department defend the region? Will the Guard respond to man-made or natural disasters when they occur after these massive cuts?

I urge the Commission in the strongest possible terms to remove Niagara Falls AFB from the Pentagon's recommended list of base closures and to stop the continuing retreat of the military from our region of the country.

Sincerely,

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Vivian M. Bates

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41 Kurtz Avenue
Lancaster, New York 14086

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Sincerely, Ray Giampaolo

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Sincerely,

Jodie Malziora
(A concerned Citizen)

10 Lindbergh Ct
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2 Johnny Mercer Blvd
Savannah, Ga
31410

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North Tonawanda
NY 14120

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Sincerely,

Ashley M Famara

(A concerned Citizen)

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Amherst N.Y. 14228

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J. V. K

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131 Parkside Ct Apt. 1
Buffalo, NY 14214

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31 Cherry Rd
Ithaca NY 14850
(607) 257 8568

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James [illegible]
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4546 S. Holley Rd

Holley NY 14470

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T. R. Nadeau III

(A concerned Citizen)

105 Vine St.

Batavia, NY 14020

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Patrick McMahon

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Patrick McMahon
12 Kearney Ave
Harriman NY 10926

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(A concerned Citizen)

Daniel J. Ertel
151 Lock St
Lockport NY 14094

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June/10/2005.

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Marie Schultz.
(A concerned Citizen)

800 Wrobel Towers, Niagara Ave. Apt 711
Niagara Falls, N.Y.
14305.

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Sincerely,

Rosemary A Bastuns

(A concerned Citizen)

1955 Whitney Avenue

Niagara Falls, NY 14301

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(A concerned Citizen)
1985 Whitney Avenue
N Tonawanda NY 14120

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Helena Bergeron
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414 18th St
Niagara Falls N.Y
14303

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432-10TH St.
Niagara Falls, N.Y.
14303

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Niagara Falls
NY 14303

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(A Concerned Citizen)
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(address)
Niagara Falls NY
(City, State, Zip) 14303

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Mary Lou Stickens
(A concerned Citizen)

(Address)

(City, State, Zip)

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Richard O. Fang
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84 Sweeney St #212
(address)

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1159 Whitney Ave
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Niagara Falls N.Y. 14301
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Cynthia F. Kovacs

submit: Send Letter

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From: (Cynthia F. Kovacs)
Date: 06/10/05 10:14:08
To: info@nimac.org
Subject: Niagara Air Base Closing Protest

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Cynthia F. Kovacs () on Friday, June 10, 2005 at 10:14:05

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address1: 3382 Baseline Rd

city: Grand Island

state: NY

zip: 14072

comments:

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Sincerely,

A Concerned Citizen

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Base Realignment and Closure Commission
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Sincerely,

Tonya Palmer
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Mary Crittenden
(A concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

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Chairman Anthony J. Principi
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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I was upset by the Defense Department's recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard base. This recommendation is not in the nation's best interest and the BRAC Commission should reverse this decision and remove them from the closure list.

It is hard to understand why the Air Force has decided to take planes, missions and jobs away from so many Air Guard and Air Reserve bases and put them on the more costly Active Duty bases.

Also, even the newspapers say that we are facing significant challenges in recruiting during war time. As the only remaining major military installation in Western New York, Niagara Falls has been key to military recruitment.

The impact of this decision will be devastating to the New York Air National Guard and will make the Pentagon's efforts to recruit and retain military personnel even more difficult than it is now.

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Sincerely,

Audrey M Ward
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Sincerely,

Debra Sattler
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Sincerely,

JOHN S. PITARESI John S Pitaresi
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Stella Maietta
(A concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Mary Cutajar
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Sincerely,

Maria Eade

A Concerned Citizen

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May 2005
Your Name and Address
Joanne Zimmerman
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N. Tonawanda, N.Y.
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BRAC Commission
Washington DC.
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P.O. Box 231
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I am deeply troubled by the Defense Department's recommendation to close the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve Base. This recommendation is a terrible mistake and I urge the BRAC Commission reverse this decision and remove the Niagara Falls Base from the list.

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- The federal government has invested more than $35 million in Niagara Falls since 1995 in new facilities.
- Base Operations Support costs have been reduced more than 33% (to include a 25% reduction in utilities) to make the base one of the most cost-efficient facilities in the Air Force Reserve Command.
- Closure of the base eliminates the ability to recruit and retain New Yorkers in a region in which the units have both maintained in excess of 100% manning rates.
- Niagara Falls existing infrastructure can accommodate eight (8) additional C-130H model aircraft without any military construction.
- Niagara Falls faces no physical encroachment nor air traffic control constraints and has acreage on the base and adjacent to the installation for expansion.

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Sincerely,

Joanne Zimmerman

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Sincerely,

Andrea Montanari

A Concerned Citizen

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Sincerely,

Kelley M Casale

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(A Concerned Citizen)

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