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The Buffalo Niagara business community stands with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community in support of the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard Base, and its retention. Overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Sincerely,

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Base Realignment and Closure Commission
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All New Yorkers stand with the Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are united in its support for this base, and its retention. Please, overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

Sincerely,

Harold A. Smith
(A concerned Citizen)

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Michael J. Moley

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130 Robert Drive
Lancaster, NY 14086
June 20, 2005

BRAC Commission
Washington, DC

Gentlemen:

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Sincerely,

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Shirley Bright-Neeper
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Sincerely,

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Albert Manuel, USMC

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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6/27/05

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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commisioners:

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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.

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 open.

Sincerely,

D.S. Moskowitz

(A concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Lisa Tomasik

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Michael Graham

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Sincerely, Jack F. Wood II

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Sincerely,

Joan Mazzeike
(A concerned Citizen)

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(Author)

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Boston, N.Y.
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Sincerely,

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Rita Navarra
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Sincerely,

Clara D Schultz
Name

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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 [illegible] Niagara Falls/Western New York community and are [illegible] support for this base, and its retention. Please, overturn the Pentagon's recommendation and keep the base open.

(A concerned citizen)

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Sincerely,

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Lancaster N.Y 14086

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(NIAGARA FALLS ARS FIREFIGHTER)

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June 8, 2005

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Subject: Possible Closure of the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Base

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The possibility of closing the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Base as recommended by Pentagon officials, causes me great consternation for the safety of the citizens of the Western New York Region and our Country's combat readiness. This is a big mistake.

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I also find it appalling to accept a reduction in the combat ready reserve forces and resources at a time when our Country is militarily over extended with world challenges and commitments ranging from Afghanistan to Iraq, along with numerous other countries.

I join with fellow Western New Yorkers in voicing in the strongest terms possible to remove the Niagara Falls Air Reserve Base from the Pentagon's recommended list of Base closures. I am sure you realize the 914th Airlift Wing is the last Air Force Reserve-flying unit in New York State. Unfortunately, our State has experienced a constant history of cut backs in Air Force activity. The history of the 107th Air Refueling Wing, New York Air National Guard is as impressive as any active duty organization, operating at a fraction of the cost of an active unit.

Thank you for your attention.

Regards,

Mark T

5 Mosher Dr
Tonawanda, NY 14150

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Sincerely,

(A concerned Citizen)

Vernica Radolczyk
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Sincerely,

Gary P. Kirkani
(A concerned citizen)

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

Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

I am writing to express my objection to your decision to include the Niagara Falls Air Force Reserve and Guard base on the list for closure. There are many reasons why this should not happen and I wanted to give you our view of what this base means to our community.

First of all our community has been well served by the 914th and the 107 National Guard. Our community has watched time after time, these men and women leaving their families to go and serve this nation, leaving families and jobs behind "because it was the right thing to do!" Their families gave their support, even though they knew that those they love would be put in harms way and also that they would suffer emotionally and financially while they were gone. They were in Desert Storm, they were in Afghanistan, And they were in Iraq. That is what they have done for our country.

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Sincerely,

716-297-3708

Margaret Giuliani
4805 Klein Rd
Niag Falls NY 14304

Dear Mr. Cooper

I am sending you a copy of a letter that I sent to the BRAC Commission opposing the closing of the Niagara Falls Base. I also sent copies to Senators Clinton and Schummer and Congressman Reynolds and Congresswoman Slaughter.

I know that there are those more knowledgeable of the specifics of base operations and the military/tech issues, but I wanted to do more than sign my name to a mass produced letter. Hopefully others in the community will do the same. If there is anything else that I could help with, please call me.

Sincerely

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Carol J. Pearson

(A concerned Citizen)

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830 Onondaga St
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Michele Deschotte
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158 Brinton St.
(address)

Bflo. NY 14216
(City, State, Zip)

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Stewart E Russell
(A concerned Citizen)

922 91 ST.
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Niagara Falls, NY 14304

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Sincerely,

Susan F. Fanin
Name

1361 Saybrook Ave, N. Tonawanda, NY 14120
Address (mandatory)

June 2005

BRAC Commission
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Arthur E. Wade

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72 Old Lyme Rd. #2

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Sincerely,

Sally Anne Henderson
(A concerned Citizen)

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Dear Chairman Principi and BRAC Commissioners:

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I lived in Lewiston, NY, for over 20 years and have spent the bulk of my life in the Niagara Frontier area. I remember the planes that flew above us during World War II, as well as during the cold war era, when we feared a nuclear attack. I also remember several occasions when we lost the power from Niagara. On two occasions, I recall that the entire north eastern section of the country was without power because of problems at the power facility.

I have been very unhappy with what passes for Homeland Defense in our area. Isn't it obvious that the Canadian Border runs right down the middle of Niagara River? People are sneaking across or attempting to sneak across on a regular basis. We need the protection which is afforded us by an active air base in the Niagara Falls area. We need a Homeland Defense plan which includes the protection of the falls and the generating facility. We need protection for our area on the ground and in the sky.

Western New York has a proud history of rallying to the aid of our country whenever necessary. Now, sadly, our once highly productive factories are closed, our industry has moved to the greener side of the fence, and we are economically bereft. The Niagara Falls Air Base provides much needed economic stability to an area that is still making a great contribution to the welfare of our country.

I truly believe that the closing of the Niagara Falls Air Base would be a disasterous mistake.

Sincerely,

Joy A. Internicola

Joy A. Internicola, Concerned Citizen

06/21/2005

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Philip G. Intermale

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Joanne MacLaur
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260 Niagara Shore Dr. Tonawanda, NY 14150
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(A concerned Citizen)

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Snyder NY 14226

June 20, 2005

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Robert J. Ganson, CCIM

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Lynn Murphy
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Niagara Falls, NY 14305

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Nancy Walsh

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Sincerely,

Sister Christine Winterhalter

BRAC Commission
Received
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7.07.2005

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Sincerely,

Barbara L. Marshall
(A concerned Citizen)

BRAC Commission
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7/13/2005

June, 2005

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Sincerely,

(A concerned citizen)

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(Address)

No. Tonawanda NY 14120

(City, State, Zip)

BRAC Commission
Received
7/13/2005

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This is a very sensitive geographic area. We are a border region and supply power to a large area of the Northeast. The closing of the base will make this region a more open target and less able to defend itself.

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Sincerely,

Michael C. Goodenough
(A Concerned Citizen)

4493 S. Buffalo St #3 Chestnut House
(Address)

Orchard Park NY 14127
(City, State, Zip)

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Sincerely,

Olin E. Kotz
(A Concerned Citizen)

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(address)

Tonawanda, New York
(City, State, Zip) 14150

BRAC Commission
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Cold War veteran - 4 yrs. Regular Army
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note - Mr Principi - Thanks for your great work for the VA. BV

BRAC Commission
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Lockport, NY 14094
(City, State, Zip)

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Jeanne R. Hands

A Concerned Citizen

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With the Lackawanna 7 being within this area, and the border so close you are leaving this region open for many different attacks on waterways, electric and people. Please take into concern.
As well as the missions that this command does answer for our country.

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Crystal M. Hayden
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Kenmore, NY 14131
A Concerned Citizen

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(A concerned Citizen)

DAVID J. BERUBE
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NO TONAWANDA, NY 14120

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Benjamin A. Pearson
(A concerned Citizen)

Ben Pearson
830 Onondaga St.
Lewiston, NY 14092

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(A concerned Citizen)
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Amherst NY 14226

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Sincerely, Alyssa Slinkosky

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Sincerely,

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Mary Jane Bowers
Name

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Ronald L. Hall
(A concerned Citizen)

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(Address)

Springville, N.Y. 14141
(City, State, Zip)

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Carole Hochbert

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Buffalo 14216

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Sincerely,

Craig A. Dolbows
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Ellen M. Grant
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Respectfully yours,

Ellen M. Grant

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JUL 15 2005
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June 24, 2005

Stacey Klimtzak
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Best regards,

Stacey Klimtzak

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Hornell, NY 14843

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Sincerely,

William Schupp

BRAC Commission
JUL 13 2005
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Sonya Gentner
5787 Genesee Rd
Springville, NY 14141

June 24, 2005

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Charlotte Wolcott
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Dale, NY 14039

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Respectfully yours,

Sharon Persichini

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Shirley Saldana
5220 McKinley Pkwy
Hamburg, NY 14075

June 26, 2005

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Best regards,

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Best regards,

Jane Jewell

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Denise Fulkerson
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Buffalo, NY 14203

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Sincerely,

Denise Fulkerson

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Justina Williams
303 Cable St
Buffalo, NY 14206

June 27, 2005

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Yours truly,

Justina Williams

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Sincerely,

(A Concerned Citizen)

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No. Hampton
NH 03862

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JUL 13 2005

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Bob Mencer
20 Torry Dr
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June 25, 2005

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candace kelley
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(A concerned Citizen)

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Judith O'Brien

(A Concerned Citizen)

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ROME NY 13440

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(A Concerned Citizen)

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Portsmouth,

N.H. 03801

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Sincerely,

Ruby M. Kraus
(A concerned citizen)

8144 State Rt 52

Narrowsburg,
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Cynthia P. Shanley
(A Concerned Citizen)
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Stratham, NH
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Sincerely,

(A concerned Citizen)

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(Concerned Citizen)

12 Spencer Blvd
Cohoes
NY 12047-2002

June 2005

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

BRAC Commission

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1. The federal government has invested more than $35 million in Niagara Falls since 1995 in new facilities.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. Niagara Falls' existing infrastructure can accommodate eight (8) additional C-130H model aircraft without any military construction.
5. 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,

Nancy Garfield
Name

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Sincerely,

(A Concerned Citizen)

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& N Falls/Buffalo - needs some sort of Military Base!
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(A concerned Citizen)

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Sarah G. Waite

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Gasport NY 14067

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Address (mandatory)

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(A concerned Citizen)

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GRAND ISLAND N.Y. 14072
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Diane M. DiCarlo

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Sincerely,

STACIE CICHOCKI
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AKRON, N.Y. 14001

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Address (mandatory)

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[illegible] Cambridge Sq.
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Sincerely,

Kyle [illegible]
(A [illegible])

322 Cambridge St
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[illegible] Dr E

Cheektowaga NY
(City, State, Zip)

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980 [illegible]

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Sincerely,

Jessica Bird
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BRAC Commission
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P.O. Box 231
Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0231

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Michele Bernier

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Sincerely,

Kaeann Przybyla
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Derby NY
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June 22, 2005

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Sincerely,

Family of Joseph Bortz

(~~A Concerned~~ Citizen)

DISABLED VETERAN (VERY CONCERNED)

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Virginia Tarzant
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David Klass

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

(A Concerned Citizen)

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Sincerely,

Dorothy Kuniz
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Sincerely,

J. [illegible] USMC

(A Concerned Citizen)

59 LAURIE LEA

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Kelly Foy & family
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DAVID L. PAONESSA
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YOU PEOPLE MUST BE OUT OF YOUR MIND TO CLOSE BASES WHEN A WAR IS ON!

BRAC Commission

6 /25/ 05

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WILLIAM SITZMAN
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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 to reverse this decision and remove them from the 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. Of all the bases to pick to close, how do you close the base whose unit helped rescue Jessica Lynch in Iraq because they are the lead night vision C-130 unit in the reserves?

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,

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