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June 23, 2005

Dear Admiral Gehman,

Regarding BRAC, please do not close Red River Army Depot or Lone Star Army Ammunition Plant in the Texarkana, Texas area. These businesses furnish desperately needed jobs in our community, as well as providing important services for our armed forces.

Thank you,

Ted & Angela Stone

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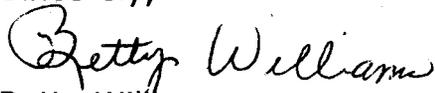
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Dear BRAC Commission members, ^{Received}

★ I was born Feb 10, 1993 here in Texarkana, Texas. I am 12 years old and in the 7th grade at Liberty Eylau Middle School. I am also a First Class Boy Scout of America. To serve our great country and honor our soldiers, I think it would be sad to close Red River and Lone Star. All the jobs that would be lost would not only affect the people but also my town that I love. I think we need to support our country with jobs for citizens and support for soldiers for fighting for our freedom. Are things so bad in our country that we take jobs away from our citizens? Not only their wages but also their health insurance. How are they and their families going to survive? Who will supply this for them? Please reconsider and leave both Lone Star and Red River open, we as a country need this. For the Land of the Free and the home of the brave. ★

Yours Truly,
Sheldon Hartman

June 13, 2005

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Citizen of Bowie County
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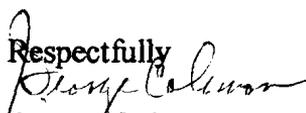
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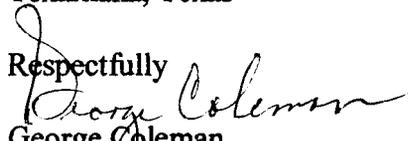
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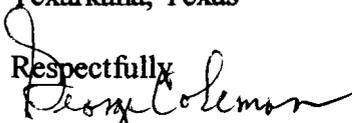
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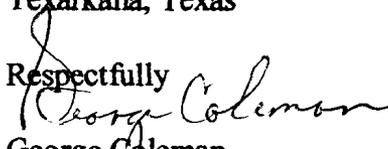
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Brigadier General Sue E. Turner (USAF Ret)
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Hi Brigadier General Turner;
I'm writing you to ask you to take Red River Army Depot and leave Star off the BRAC list. I hear we were only put on the list at the last minute. I'm sure herdes of people will give you good reasons for removal. I've heard some at the Hooks town hall meeting that I'm sure they've addressed the committee. They said it was still important that individuals write.

I've watch our people on the Defense Logistics step up to the plate and learn to do many new things and take on new assignments and work hard to succeed even though we are constantly under the shadow of A76. People have learned how to do other peoples' jobs so they can help when work loads are high in other areas. I know the women in our office learned to drive Forklifts and stock selectors to get material down to check it so warehouse people don't have to stop production to assist us.

I have neighbors and friends who work on the Red River side. Some have been to Iraq to keep the vehicles running. Seems that side works hard to support our military.

I know our side has sent people to set up supply facilities in the war areas. We've also sent people to catch up other depots.

Safety is very important at Red River. I was shocked when I heard the DLA side would be moved to Oklahoma ~~side~~ if the depot closes and they have had some serious accidents there from what I've heard.

I have a friend who has a mentally challenged daughter who works at Lone Star. IF Lone Star closes she would lose her job and there wouldn't be much of a chance of her ever finding another job around here. I know we hire some mentally and physically challenged people who would be in the same situation. I've never heard anyone talk about these people, but it would really be hard on them.

IF these two facilities close it will be a huge economical blow to these rural area. The lose of the government payroll would just start the downward escalation. Businesses, stores, restaurants would probably cut back or close costing even more jobs. Families will suffer as members will have to move away to find other jobs. Society here would change forever. It would be sad to kill a community.

Well, I'd best close for now. Take care

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To The Honorable Samuel K. Skinner,

I'm writing you to try to get Red River Army Depot and Lone Star off the BRAC list. They told us we need to send lots of letters to different people. I chose you because you have the same last name as one of the guys that work in our office. I don't know anything about you. I would assume this would be a hard assignment.

I figure the people they hire to lobby or whatever they do with our donations will probably swamp you with all kinds of figures. I know I don't understand of the side effects that closing the two facilities would cause. I would think it would really hurt the economy when the income of those workers were being spent around here. Probably cause even more people to lose jobs. The place just seemed to start growing in the last couple of years - mainly service jobs that don't pay well. Maybe the economy would be stronger in ten years to handle a blow like this - but not now.

I know the people working more medical facilities are worried because the workers at these facilities have health insurance and so many people around here don't. I would of never thought of that. Gosh, I remember when they cut back before the hospitals

and store selectors so warehousemen
wouldn't be pulled off production to assist
us office workers, they told us stories of
accidents there - deadly ones. Safety
is really stressed here.

We've recently got new buildings - nice
ones - to close? Some things just don't
make sense.

We have money to spend in other countries
to help their economy, but we have to do
it at the expense of the economy in
our own country. This is relatively a
rural environment.

I'd always heard military organizations
appreciate the work our depot did and only
had good to say about us and I realize
maybe they just tell us that staff to
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May 31, 2005

The Honorable Anthony J. Principi
Chairman
Base Closure and Realignment Commission
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RE: 188th Fighter Wing, Fort Smith, Arkansas & Red River Army Depot,
Texas

Dear Secretary Principi:

The purpose of this correspondence is to officially request that the BRAC make a site visit to both the 188th Fighter Wing in Fort Smith, Arkansas and the Red River Army Depot near Texarkana, Arkansas. Having visited these two military installations personally, it is my opinion that a site visit would have a significant influence on the BRAC's decision to include the 188th Fighter Wing and the Red River Army Depot in their recommended closure or realignment list to the president.

As you know, on Friday, May 13, 2005, the Base Closure and Realignment ("BRAC") Commission released the Department of Defense ("DOD") recommended list of military installations for closure or realignment. On that list is one military installation - 188th Fighter Wing - that is in my former congressional district and one - Red River Army Depot - that sits on the boarder of Arkansas and Texas. The 188th Fighter Wing located in Fort Smith, Arkansas and the Red River Army Depot in Red River, Texas. The 188th Fighter Wing was recommended for realignment and the Red River Arsenal was recommended for closure.

It is my understanding that the DOD gives high priority to the military value assigned to a military installation in its decision whether to include a military installation on the BRAC list. According to the Wing Commander's office of the 188th Fighter Wing, the 188th Fighter Wing's military value was impacted by a lack of on-site military installation infrastructure. The DOD based their decision on data that is two years old. The 188th Fighter Wing has recently acquired an additional twenty-five (25) acres and has the capabilities to house and maintain up to thirty-seven (37) F-16 Fighting Falcons at one time.

According the full BRAC report the 188th Fighter Wing will have seven (7) F-16's reassigned to another installation. This will result in the loss of seventy-eight (78) jobs.

Additionally, according to the Future Total Force section of the Department of the Air Force once the seven (7) F-16's are reassigned the remaining eight (8) F-16's will be retired concurrently. Therefore, as a result of losing all fifteen (15) F-16's the 188th Fighter Wing will lose approximately 684 jobs between 2006 and 2011. From a homeland security perspective, our military would lose a key air defense facility capable of responding to terrorist threats to the interior.

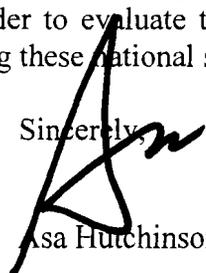
The Red River Army Depot workforce is drawn from a four state region, Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana. The loss of the Red River Army Depot could potentially result in the loss of 4,176 jobs. This would have a significant impact on the Texarkana, Texas and Texarkana, Arkansas metropolitan area.

The Red River Army Depot's most influential mission includes the repair, rebuild, overhaul and conversion of tactical wheeled vehicles, as well as the Army's light tracked combat vehicle fleet, including the Bradley Fighting Vehicle System, the Multiple Launch Rocket System, and their associated secondary items.

The Red River Army Depot is more popularly known for its vital ammunition storage center, with approximately 174,000 tons of ammunition valued at over \$5.3 billion in a 9,000 acre area. It is also home of the Missile Recertification Directorate, a separate specialized activity that monitors and certifies the readiness of Hawk and Patriot missiles. The first Scud missile intercept over Israel was with a Patriot missile bearing Red River's logo.

In this growing age of terrorism it is vital that each region of our country have the military capabilities to protect targets of interest. Therefore, I urge the BRAC to schedule a visit to these important defense facilities in order to evaluate the information I have referenced in this letter, and to re-consider targeting these national security facilities.

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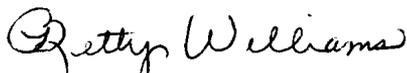
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Dear commissioners Hill & Turner,

This letter is in regard to the 2005 round of Base closures. In order to be fair in this process, I feel that all information should be considered. The installation that I am making reference to is Red River Army Depot, Texarkana, Texas. There will be individuals from the Red River Army Depot (R.R.A.D.) community making arguments in order to get R.R.A.D. off the "Hit List." However there will be no one to dispute what these individuals will say. I will fill that void.

(A) The argument that closing R.R.A.D. will destroy the economy of Bowie County and the surrounding area.

Response: This might have been true during the 1995 round of Base closures, but that argument will not hold water today. Since the 1995 B.R.A.C. action many private companies have established their work-sites at what use to be part of the Red River Army Depot Defense complex. This commerical area is known as "Red River Commerce Park." Hopefully commissioners will be able to tour this industrial park and see how community officials were able to attract industry to the park that now EMPLOY many former R.R.A.D. off-cast employees as a result of B.R.A.C. 1995. The community leaders have done an outstanding job of showing the Department of Defense that R.R.A.D. is not essential to this area as it use to be. Bowie County Judge James Carlow & the mayor of Texarkana, Ark. The Honorable Horace Shipp (Mr. Shipp claims to have saved R.R.A.D. from closure in 1995, I hope that there is a statue erected for him and Judge Carlow at the front gate of R.R.A.D..) will be proud to show you the sucessful " Red River Commerce Park." The sucess of this commerce park should be considered in this evaluation of R.R.A.D. The Department of Defense gave the R.R.A.D. community lemons and these leaders made a lot of lemonade.

I hope you will tour this park when you visit the now scaled down version of Red River Army Depot. A large part of R.R.A.D. buildings and land were returned back to the public. Many people that use to work for R.R.A.D. now work for these private commerical tenants. One of these large U.S. Government contractors is L.S.I., which does a lot of work Government employees use to do. The Depot adapted to a bad situation and showed that they are willing to have more of their work contracted out. In the last couple of years, a lot (and I mean a lot) of companies have located in Texarkana and the surrounding area. And there are more to come as a result of I-30, I-49, and I-69 running thru Texarkana and the area close by. Our elected officials know that a lot of business and industry will be attracted to cities such as Texarkana, Hooks, New Boston, Nash and others that are in the proximity of 3 interstate highway systems. Even though these highway systems are not completed yet, companies will start setting up shop. This area is not in the "dire straits" that these elected officials try to make the B.R.A.C. Commissioners think they are in. The Texarkana Chamber of Commerce can provide proof as to projected growth of new business and industry in the R.R.A.D. community area.

(B) The worker population at R.R.A.D. has a large amount of employees that can retire. And they should do so.

(C) A base closure would get rid of a lot of employees that are on light duty and not being a productive employee. R.R.A.D. is full of these employees.

(D) If a R.R.A.D. employee gets caught up in a B.R.A.C. action (reduction in force) they can go on the Department of Defense Priority Placement Program (P.P.P.) for jobs at other installations. If the employee refuses to re-locate in order to continue their career, then that is their problem and not that of the U.S. Government. The U.S. Government will pay for the relocation, so there is no excuse for not moving.

(E) Closing an installation is not as elected officials make it out to be. Government documentation will prove that most installations have done very well after said installation closed down under B.R.A.C. Politicians always make a mountain out of a mole hill. It is their nature. Their objective in life is to get re-elected. They will tell voters what they want to hear to get their vote. B.R.A.C. actions are always big vote getters. Politicians on a political issue is like flies on a "cow paddy." Senators Hutchison & Cornyn voted for this round of base closures and they also voted against a bill that would have delayed the 2005 process for 2 years. Now they act so concerned. They help create a bad situation and now they want to come riding in on white horses and save the day. The democrats pulled the same crap in 1995. Our elected officials do not have the backbone to confront Senators Hutchison & Cornyn as to why they voted as they did. Instead our elected leaders "suck-up" to these two scallawags (Hutchison & Cornyn) They pretend to be "friends" of Red River Army Depot. Consider the old saying, "Keep your enemies close and your friends closer."

(F) I lost my career as a result of the closure of the Defense Depot, Memphis, Tenn. in 1997. People that lost their jobs under B.R.A.C. 95 did not sit around like a cry baby and feel sorry for themselves. Many accepted jobs at other installations or other U.S. Government agencies. The Priority Placement Program (P.P.P.) is not exclusive to Department of Defense jobs.

(G) Many elected officials in this area are going to use the same strategy that they used in 1995. They feel that employees lining up along a road-side waving at B.R.A.C. commissioners and leading them to selected areas of R.R.A.D. (Dog&Pony show) will convince them to take R.R.A.D. off the B.R.A.C. "Hit List." They think B.R.A.C. commissioners can be played; Who knows maybe they can.

(G) During the 1995 B.R.A.C. process, A R.R.A.D. official (Dennis Lewis) bragged in the media (Texarkana Gazette) that they (R.R.A.D.) "whipped their (B.R.A.C. commissioners) ass. This is a fact. Mr. Lewis will probably be the first one in your face. If I am proven wrong in what I said in regard to Mr. Lewis I will gladly apologize for it. It has been over 10 years since that statement was made. However when I talk to R.R.A.D. employees about B.R.A.C. 95, most of the time the "We whipped their Ass" statement comes up in the conversation. Most people were embarrassed by it. It sounded juvenile.

(H) I know what saved Red River Army Depot and other Texas installations off the B.R.A.C. 95 closure. It was not yellow T-Shirts and different colored balloons & a "dog& pony show."

(I) I worked at Red River Army Depot for 13 years and at the Defense Depot Memphis, Tenn. for 4 years. So therefore I do know the system.

(J) The question that should be asked and answered is why does the Department of Defense want to shut down Red River Army Depot (more than once) The D.O.D. knows the operation of Red River

River Army Depot better than anyone. Information has been accumulated for decades thru many investigations. D.O.D. is very well aware of what is going on at R.R.A.D.

(K) R.R.A.D. is a leader in theft of Government property, They have a long history of it.

(L) R.R.A.D. is a leader in sick leave abuse.

(M) R.R.A.D. is a leader in workman compensation claims

(N) R.R.A.D. is a leader in E.E.O. complaints, to include sexual harassment complaints.

(O) Too much Buddy-Buddy favoritism going on at R.R.A.D.

(P) Fraud waste and abuse in regard to overtime. 3 or 4 months before the new fiscal year starts in Oct. A lot of un-necessary overtime is worked. In fact most employees are forced to work this overtime, They are "drafted." The reason for this abuse is if the overtime is not used, R.R.A.D. will not get the same amount of overtime the next fiscal year. This happens during peace time and war time. Most work can be done on regular time. If they wanted to cut the overtime out, they would hire more employees. But they want the overtime. Payroll records will confirm what I say. The tax-payers are being taken for a ride.

(Q) Red River Army Depot jobs have been mostly family type jobs. Meaning if one of your parents worked at R.R.A.D. it was a good chance you would get priority for jobs at R.R.A.D.

(R) Red River Army Depot has a sorry record in regard towards Veterans because the mostly non-Veteran Workforce does not really care for Veterans because they are a threat to them. meaning that Veterans have rights that Non-Veterans don't have. one right is retention during a reduction in force. If a non-Veteran has 30 years of service and a Veteran has 10 years of service and they both have the same job title and classification and pay grade and a reduction in force comes about the Veteran will stay and the non-Veteran will go.

(R) However some Government official foresaw the unfair (fair) perceived advantage that Veterans had (deserved) over non-Veteran applicants and came up with the idiotic concept (which is regulation) that Seniority and Veterans preference does not count on the Department of Defense Priority Placement Program. This weeds out the older employees that have medical problems and in general more baggage than a younger employee. The idiot that came up with this B.S. concept probably was not a Veteran and/or had very little civil service time. What the whole deal is tantamount to discrimination towards Veterans And age discrimination.

(S) I could write a book on all the underhanded crap pulled at R.R.A.D.

(T) I could care less if R.R.A.D. stays open or not, However I feel that the commission should take a real close look at R.R.A.D. and determine why the Department of Defense wants to shut R.R.A.D. They are most likely justified in their endeavor.

(U) The issue of jobs and how it affects the community is not an issue of Military value.

(V) Elected officials think this is the last round of Base closures. Congress can pass a bill and have another round of base closures anytime they want to.

(W) even if R.R.A.D. remains open, it means very little. D.O.D. will strip down missions until there is very little left. It was done after B.R.A.C. 95.

(Y) I hope you can see past the yellow T-Shirts and pretty balloons and the staged dog & pony show and determine what the

problem really is.

(Z) The main concern put forth by elected officials is that of the economy of the area and how the closure of R.R.A.D. would be detrimental towards said economy.

This area has come a long way since 1995 when that argument was made. Again the economy issue has no relevance as to "Military value." After all Military value is what it is all about.

Red River Army Depot is an old Depot and has old ways of doing things. Very few Red River Army Depot employees will lose their job if they accept a job off the D.O.D. Priority Placement Program. I was offered 3 jobs: Cherry point, N.C., Jacksonville, Florida, Fort Hood, Texas. But I am on V.A. compensation for P.T.S.D.

Believe it or not there is life after Red River Army Depot.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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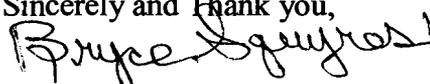
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However, this is not the primary purpose of my letter. I am urgently requesting your personal attention. The closing of Red River Army Depot, in Bowie County, threatens the area of Northeast, Texas with much greater long-term destruction than the tornado. Red River Army Depot is the primary establishment of employment for a 200-mile radius. Their financial contribution to over a dozen different school districts assists in making a quality education available to several thousand students. All of these school districts, except one, have a 50% or greater low-socio-economic student population.

In simple terms, the reality of funding the "no Child Left Behind Act" would be seriously disabled without the Red River Army Depot. Forcing schools to consolidate increases the student teacher ratio and compromises differentiated instruction for the individual child. I must also mention that an economic "black hole" would engulf Northeast Texas if this depot were closed. This is an urgent request for your personal intervention to stop the Department of Defense from closing Red River Army Depot. I thank you in advance for your consideration in resolving this matter.

Respectfully yours,

Janie Elliott

Janie Elliott
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DeKalb, Texas 75559



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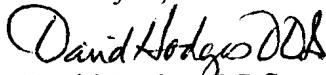
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Bowie County, Texas

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To the BRAC Commission:

As a very concerned citizen of Bowie County, I would ask that the Commission please rethink and recheck every thing concerning the information about the closure of RRAD and LSAP. My husband has worked at LSAP for 42 years and we have many friends that work at both installations. I know the closure would be devastating to our area. Even more than that would be

~~products to our men~~
--x Women Serving our Country. I understand that some of the information given to the Commission was not correct and I pray you will recheck every thing and leave RRAD and LSAAP to serve our country and give jobs to our area.

Thank you
Mr. & Mrs. W. S. Faulkner
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Dear B.R.A.C. Commissioners,

This is a follow-up letter to my June 8, 2005 letter to the commission. Officials at Red River Army Depot and local, state and Federal elected officials (politicians) have pumped the notion as to how good their over-all record is. Before the 1995 B.R.A.C. action if any crime happened in regard to Red River Army Depot, the local media was notified and it became a news story. But after B.R.A.C. 1995 negative information was restricted from the media. Red River Army Depot only wanted positive information "leaked" on purpose, in case they found themselves on another B.R.A.C. "hit list".

However I am going to tell you about a situation that was not reported in the Texarkana area about Red River Army Depot. But it was reported on WFFA-T.V. Channel 8, Dallas Texas. A copy of this short to the point report is included in this packet. It is on the D.V.D. format.

NO Shreveport, La T.V. stations (our local off air channels) and local newspapers carried this story. Yet a T.V. station 180 miles from Texarkana ran the story. Red River Army Depot blocked the story from the local public in order to keep negative information ending up in the wrong hands. Or is it the right hands? The United States Government will lie in order to protect itself from a situation if stated in the true sense would result in a catastrophe.

I will document what is on the D.V.D. :

This report was after the downing of T.W.A. flight 800. This report tells about an attempted theft of "stinger missiles" from Red River Army Depot, Texarkana, Texas. The report tells how the missiles were moved to an area to be **LATER** picked up for use by a drug cartel.

This is what I know. (A) Stinger missiles are used to bring down aircraft. (B) Stinger missiles are supposed to be held in a very secure area. that require security clearances for those

that work in said area. (sorry for the double space) So it had to be a Red River Army Depot employee or Contractor that moved said missiles for pick-up by un-authorized personnel (drug cartel)

Many witnesses said they saw an object(s) rise into the air and strike TWA 800. The United States Government later put forth the theory (not proof) that TWA 800 was brought down by a CENTER fuel tank explosion. The United States Government also claimed that these eye-witnesses did not see what they saw. The United States Government also SAID that after the Nov.22, 1963 assassination of President John F. Kennedy. And many of those eye-witnesses ended up dead shortly afterwards from other than natural causes. If your eye-witness TESTIMONY benefits the United States Government then your eye-witness account is creditable.

The United States Government discredited the eyewitness accounts in regard to TWA 800 because a missile strike would have come back on the United States Government. And the Missile would have had to come from some military installation like Red River Army Depot. With the UNLIKELY exception of the black market. Some experts say a stinger missile could have reached TWA 800. The Government says it could not reach the altitude required. The U.S. Govt. does not know at what altitude TWA 800 was hit. Radar experts claim "blips" showed up on the radar screen that could have been missiles.

I do know it could be very possible a stinger missile from Red River Army Depot could have brought down TWA 800.

It Makes no difference or not. There could still be employees that were involved in this attempted theft that still work at Red River Army Depot.

The point is the officials at Red River Army Depot controls the local media. So there is a lot going on out there at R.R.A.D. that they do not want the U.S. Government to know about.

R.R.A.D. officials claim that they have a good record however they are hiding information (negative) from the B.R.A.C. commission. This is the type of information the Department of Defense has on Red River Army Depot and why they want to shut it (Red River Army Depot, R.R.A.D.) down.

R.R.A.D. has a long history of theft of Government property. Many years ago there was a big helicopter parts theft ring. This probably cost the government millions of dollars. 2 individuals were only charged with this. Anyone that has ever worked in supply knows that it would have involved many more people.

Another way of theft is by downgrading material. I reported

this to the F.B.I. years ago. The way it works is. Material comes to Red River Army Depot in Code A condition. This like new code A material is down graded to an unusable code such as code F (junk) It use to take an inspector to downgrade Code A material to Code F or other lower codes. Then the now code f material is taken to P.D.O. and is later auctioned off as junk. Some of this if not most is done by sealed bids. and the individuals involved already know what to bid.

A lot of this material ended up across interstate 30 from Red River Army Depot at a place called " Red River Parts."

I saw this pulled in saudi Arabia.

I was in the work area and there was a Detroit Diesel engine valued at approx. \$16,000.00 sitting in the D.R.M.O. or P.D.O. section to be carried off as junk. All that was wrong with this new engine was a Valve cover had been punctured by a forklift prong. I went and got my camera (we were allowed to take pictures) and started taking pictures of the engine. An inspector CAME up and asked me what I was doing. I said the engine could be repaired and did not need to be sold as junk. Afterwards the engine was moved to a holding area to be sent back to the United States to a Depot for repair. Someone was going to sell a new engine and make some fast money. I will take a polygraph test in regard to what I say. Also have pictures of said engine.

If the B.R.A.C. commission knew all that D.O.D. has on Red River Army Depot they would see why D.O.D. wants R.R.A.D. to shut down. It goes beyond Yellow T-shirts, Pretty balloons.

And people crying that they might LOSE their job. The employees fear that they might have to go to work or move. They have been spoiled. Many have never had another job. There are many good workers at Red River Army Depot. There is also some of the lowest low-life you will ever meet in your life. I feel that the B.R.A.C process is to consider all factor and to consider input from everyone whether it is negative or positive. If not the process is no more than a facade or as I like to say, a 'DOG & PONY SHOW

Enclosure: 1-D.V.D.

Whenever I send your office material I send a Copy to Mr. Horace Shipp, I do not do anything behind his back without his knowledge

I made reference to the fact " attempted theft." Attempted theft is still a violation of law. The F.B.I. or the A.T.F. leaked the story to Dallas, Texas station WFAA. So I know it must be valid. I will tell you right now, if a stinger missile from Red River Army Depot brought down TWA 800, you can bet your last dollar the United States Government would lie about it to cover their rear end. They have lied for a lot less. If it got out as many people believe that a stinger type missile brought down TWA 800, it would destroy this country. Like I say, the United States Government will lie and do anything to protect itself. After all who is going to do anything to them for lying. Lying is a national past time in Washington, D.C.

Some classic lies told by the United States Government:

(1) Gulf of Tonkin incident lie told by President Johnson and his band of merry men to congress in order to escalate the Viet Nam war. This lie led to over 58,000 Americans being killed.

(2) U.S.S. Liberty incident lie.

(3) Ruby Ridge, Idaho incident lie.

(4) Weapons of Mass destruction, which is President Bush's Gulf of Tonkin incident. How many more American men and women are going to have to die to satisfy an idiotic President Bush. He doesn't care, he never fought in a war, like many of those trying to save Red River Army Depot.

Given the choice of having world peace and no more wars or to have wars and the killing of Americans so they could have their job, they would choose the latter. As a Viet Nam combat Veteran, I get tired of these non-Veteran civilian employees making their case with supporting the troops. If they want to support the troops then join the military and make a real sacrifice. Working a lot of overtime at Red River Army Depot is no sacrifice. They claim they are

supporting the troops. They are supporting their pocket-book. If you paid these parasites what the military is paid there would not be many of them working at the Depot. It is like if you took the money out of RELIGION there would not be many preachers around.

(5) Waco, Texas religious compound massacre incident lie.

(6) Oklahoma City bombing incident lie.

(7) The assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The United States Government version of this tragedy is the biggest load of ~~shit~~ that I have ever heard in my life.

OTHER POINTS TO BE MADE

In the local news media during the last week there have been statements such as. During the 95 B.R.A.C. process the tide was turned when the B.R.A.C. commissioners saw a sea of yellow T-shirts. Many commissioners were moved by the site of yellow T-Shirts. Red River Army Depot think that they came up with the concept of Yellow T-Shirts, balloons and people waving at the commissioners. Every installation in the country facing closure used the tactic. All the officials talk about is yellow T-shirts and putting on a show for the commissioners. They have not addressed the issues. This is not about yellow T-shirts or is it? A lot of installations that shut down under B.R.A.C. 95 used the Yellow T-Shirt and balloon campaign.

The R.R.A.D. officials argued the "Centrally located Depot" argument. No Depot in the country was more centrally located in the United States than the Defense Depot Memphis, Tenn.

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and that Depot closed in 1997.

The Dept. of Defense could care less if an installation is "centrally located" or not. It means nothing. The issue has no nexus as to reality. Whoever pushes the issue is riding a dead horse. Since most wars, if not all are fought off the East and West coasts of the United States, then it makes sense to D.O.D. to have maintenance and supply installations (depots) located on the East and West coasts. If there was a danger of having a conflict with Mexico again, then Red River Army Depot's centrally located installation would be vital to national defense but there is no threat from Mexico. Red River Army Depot's competition, Anniston Army Depot in Ala. is not far from Georgia and is considered an east coast installation, it fits into the scheme of things better than Red River Army Depot. It makes no sense to lug military material back and forth to the middle of the country and then send it back to the east or west coast for shipment to a war zone. By doing away with Red River Army Depot, you are cutting out the middle man. Any businessman will tell you that you save money when you cut out the middle man.

Another issue that has saved a lot of money in the supply system is the use of "Direct Vendors". The use of direct vendors cuts down on warehouse space and the number of employees. It allows the military to purchase directly from a local supplier or ~~MANUFACTURER~~ a very large part of their inventory. Just about every city near a military base has a Wal-Mart Supercenter which has about everything the military needs in the way of everyday supplies. A large part of military warehouse space holds house-keeping supplies. I am not talking about weapons and vehicles. Red River Army Depot warehouses hold a lot of out-dated and obsolete inventory. I once saw a "60 minutes" report on the Defense Logistics Agency (they run the supply function at Red River Army Depot; D.D.R.T.) and how they were wasting ware-house space by filling it with obsolete material.

I will give you an example why direct vendors make more sense than having large military ware-houses. Years ago I was working in Building 581 at Red River Army Depot and we received an order for a large amount of "light bulbs." These were plain old light bulbs., the kind you use in your home. This order was being shipped to a military installation near Enid, Okla. (I

remember all of this very well because it was so stupid,
The problem is that all these light bulbs had to be pulled
(picked) from warehouses and then sent to the pack lines and
broke down and place packing in the sleeves to keep the bulbs
from breakage. The price of these low cost everyday light bulbs
went way up. (packing material, labor) I asked one of my super-
visors if they had a Wal-mart in Enid, Okl. and why they could
not **BUY THEM** locally, better known as "direct Vending ."

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Also if a military customer needs something they usually
can receive it from a direct vendor or **MANUFACTURER** faster than
you can from a supply depot by the use of overnight shipping
or same day shipping. Depots also do this but direct vendors
systems is over all more cost efficient.

I will also give you an example how Red River Army depot
will stretch work to make it look like more production.

I have seen a military customer order a line item that does not
cost very much. Let's say they order 7 machine screws and these
screws come 10 to a package. The packers would remove 3 screws
from the package and wrap the remaining screws one at a time
and then pack the 7 screws into a small pack and label it and
then ship it. The cost of the screws were so low that all 10
screws should have been shipped instead of wasting time and
creating phoney production. This kind of waste goes on all the
time in the Defense Logistics Agency function at Red River
Army Depot. D.L.A. officials are not going to push the direct
vendor concept as much as they should because it would be cutting
their throat as to job security.

I will give you an un-related example of this. I live out in the
county and a lot of the roads are paved. The road commissioner
does not pave all the roads because he would have to get rid
of some road graders and get rid of some employees. So he does
not pave all the roads because of job security.

In the supply system a small screw is considered a line
item also a large military armored tank is considered 1 line
item. This causes confusion. It is a lot easier to get big
production if you are running small items. And your production
is determined on how many line items you work.
There are many ways management manipulates production figures
to make it look like they are doing more than they really are
doing.

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On June 12, 2005 at approx. 11:15 A.M. I heard Red River Army Depot Fire Department radio traffic on my radio scanner, talking about the following situation. There had just been a scheduled power outage and when the power came on, there was a power surge and people could hear computers and other electrical appliances " frying ." I am sure that some computers and the data on them were destroyed. I am documenting this because of the pending B.R.A.C. action. I don't really know if it is an accident or not, however if something fishy comes up later , I will consider this.

Consider this. I made reference to the T.W.A. 800 incident. Shortly before that incident there was a fire in a " igloo" storage building. AT THE TIME I thought it was very strange because these igloos just don't catch on fire. They are mostly located in the ammunition storage area of Red River Army Depot. So afterwards the TWA 800 incident happened and I remembered the igloo incident. I then contacted the F.B.I. in New York City (the ones handling the TWA 800 investigation) and explained to them what I knew and they might consider that the igloo fire might have been set to cover a theft. I don't know. The F.B.I. in New York City referred me to the Dallas, Texas F.B.I. office and then I told them what I told the F.B.I. in New York, City. But I do know for a fact that within weeks I heard about the attempted theft of stinger missiles at Red River Army Depot, The subject of the WFAA-T.V. 8, Dallas, Texas report. I also have proof that I called the F.B.I. I produced this evidence in a " Whistle-blower " appeal in Memphis, Tenn. in front of Federal administrative Judge Cunningham.(from Atlanta, Georgia) (I prevailed in that appeal against the Department of Defense.

Fires are CONVENIENT for the United States Government. The Dept. of Veterans Affairs always demands that the Veteran produce documentation to back-up a V.A. claim. Many Veterans got screwed because there was a large fire at the military record center in St. Louis circa 1973 that destroyed thousands of records that belonged to Veterans. Hard to make your case when the United States Government is destroying it. The same office wrote me a letter saying that they lost my paperwork and if they find it they will fill my request for a COPY.

What could be fishy about the June 12, 2005 incident?

Explanation:

An employee could have been trying to destroy evidence on a computer that could convict him/her of a crime. Who knows? But the concept is not far fetched. Years ago (approx. 3) a Red River Army Depot employee mr. Grady Cox of Avery Texas was caught down-loading child pornography off the internet with the use of a U.S. Government (R.R.A.D.) computer. The evidence in the computer convicted him. The last that I remember he was serving time. (in this submission I made reference to some R.R.A.D, employees being the lowest of the low-life, Mr. Cox "was" one of them.)

This power surge happened in Building 421 south. It involved the electronics and engineering section (the way I heard it on the radio scanner.) Was this incident an accident? Computers frying as a result of a power surge might not be an accident.

This was a scheduled power outage. That means employees in said sections knew about it and probably knew when the next one was going to take place. There was no excuse for a power surge to damage computers . These electronic Techs. know about surge and spike protectors which protect computers from surges and spikes. They also protect other electronic equipment. I use them on all of my electronic equipment.

In my 2 letters (so far) to the B.R.A.C. commissioners it seems like I am also speaking to someone else. This is very true, I am also speaking to Mr. Horace Shipp and others on the Save the depot commo I want them to know exactly what I am writing you about. I have nothing to hide.Red River Army Depot does not affect my income one bit.

AND IT DOES NOT AFFECT THE ELECTED OFFICIALS EITHER.

EXCEPT JUDGE CARLOW IN THE SALE OF \$6000.00 RIDING LAWN MOWERS.

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The United States Defense against "whistle-blowers" and anyone else that speaks out against their corruption (wrong-doing)

(A) Any time someone speaks out against the United States Government, they (U.S.G.) go into the damage control mode.

(B) The U.S. Government attacks the messenger and if necessary destroy said individual to dis-credit what they report.

(C) without exception, the most common line of defense is the time proven argument that the "whistle-blower" is a disgruntled employee. Most of the time this is without foundation. It does not matter. The United States Government also uses the "employee has an ax to grind." Again without foundation, again it does not matter.

(D) It does not matter if the employee is disgruntled or if he has an ax to grind. Under the "whistle-blower" concept, motive is secondary. The reporting of wrong-doing is the primary concern and motive is irrelevant as long as what is being reported is true. (actual or perceived)

(E) Another weapon that the United States Government uses against whistle-blowers is The use of "fitness for duty mental evaluation exams." this under-handed tactic has been used for decades to dis-credit statements from "whistle-blowers."

(F) Another tactic used is "Constructive Removals", this is an under-handed way of firing someone. Red River Army Depot fired me twice with the use of 2 constructive removals. Both times the " U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board" overturned the decisions. I have also been sent for a forced mental evaluation (fitness for duty) against my will. This action back-fired on Red River Army Depot.

(G) I have had every under-handed action pulled on me. But I always prevailed. Reviewing officials saw through the Red River Army Depot manure.

(H) Red River Army Depot officials will lie, cheat, and steal to save Red River Army Depot from closure.

(I) I have documentation to back up everything I say. Item (H) is a qualified opinion.

(J) The Department of Defense has documentation where I have been paid under the " whistle-blower protection Act of 1989" So therefore it is kind of self-explanatory.

THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WILL RUN THE DISGRUNTLED EMPLOYEE

EXCUSE INTO THE GROUND.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



George J. Wisdom

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New Boston, Texas 75570

Please excuse my bitter attitude. Red River Army Depot officials "tried" to shaft me many times. I don't have the heart felt sympathy that I should have. But this does not blind me to the truth of the matter.

P.S. remember motive is secondary. What is being reported is what matters and not why it is being reported.

SOME GOVT. OFFICAL MIGHT SAY I AM RAMBLING. THE U.S.

GOVT. IS EXPERTS AT RAMBLING. SO IF THEY SAY I AM

RAMBLING IT HAS TO BE TRUE.

READ SOME OF THEIR RAMBLING LEGAL ARGUMENTS.

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USN, Retired
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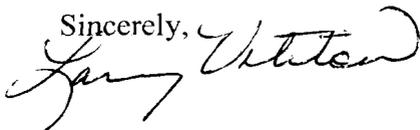
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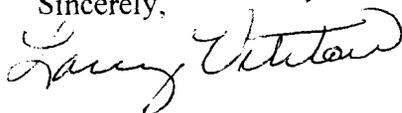
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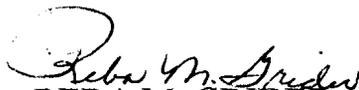
TO: Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission
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As a former employee of Red River Army Depot and Lone Star Army Ammunition Plant, I have great interest in the retention of both facilities remaining in the defense complex.

The employees of these installations have always accomplished assigned missions on time and in an outstanding manner. The work they perform is vital to the men and women serving in the armed forces. Many awards for quality have been received. The morale and can do attitude of these installations have made them leaders in their respective fields.

Red River Army Depot employees have worked many long hours in support of the current conflicts. It seems that while a nation is at war, a base closing and realignment process is inappropriate. The BRAC is based on peacetime, Mr. Rumsfield explained on TV, but we are a long way from peacetime. We must stay strong in defense and we must be prepared to fight on the ground as well as in the air. I pray that God will guide you with wisdom in all your decisions.

Sincerely,


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June 14, 2005

James H. Bilbray
BRAC Defense Base Closure and Realignment
2521 S. Clark St. Suite 600
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Dear Mr Bilbray

In life, someone can not give something they do not have, before one can give they must have it to give, and I feel your decision to give support closing down RRAD, Texarkana, is your like of knowledge what RRAD is really about.

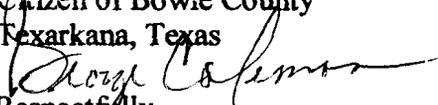
You can not give support for closure when you do not have all the facts and knowledge about such. I encourage you to educate yourself about the history, background, etc. of RRAD and see it in the eyes of all those citizens whom will be effected by your like of giving something you do not have.

I encourage you to come to Texarkana, and look the people in eye, and tell us, why you are closing down a part of History, RRAD.

Please do not stand behind a shield of politics, and stand like a man and face truth.

Please do not close RRAD, by doing so, you have become a part of a group, who is stripping away our heritage and stand for freedom by giving something you do not have to give.

Citizen of Bowie County
Texarkana, Texas


Respectfully

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Scarborough, Jimmy W Mr TACOM-RRAD

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To: Scarborough, Jimmy W Mr TACOM-RRAD



Commissioners:

I am an employee of the Red River Army Depot in Texas. I am writing to express my views of the Pentagon's suggestion that our base be closed. First of all, I cannot believe that ANY base should be closed during this time of war. Our young soldiers deserve the very best we can do right now and there is no way that it can be done when we are moving/swapping materials, equipment and people all over the country to relocate, and then to gear up to start producing.

I certainly do not envy your job. You must evaluate and make decisions that will impact thousands of families, millions of dollars of lost revenue, businesses will close, churches and schools will suffer.

Your information that you get to evaluate us needs to be absolutely current, not 3 years old. For the past 12 months we have increased our production levels tremendously. Holidays and leave have been cancelled and we are working 24-7 to get the work out the gate. 18 wheelers are rolling in and out of here by the hundreds each day. We welcome your presence and are eager to show you what we do and how we do it.

I keep hearing of "centers of Excellence", RRAD has been one of these for many years, we produce high quality products and always meet our quotas. Why fix something that is working???

Thank you

Jim Scarborough

PO Box 1240

Hooks, TX 75561

Work phone 903-334-3662

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Scarborough". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline.

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Brigadier General Sue Ellen Turner
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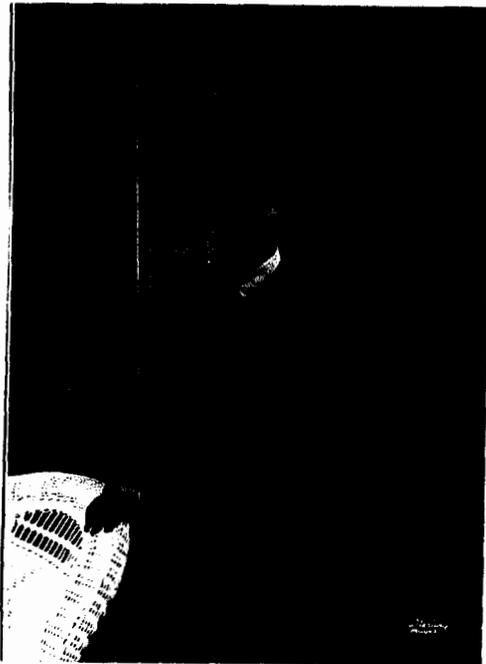
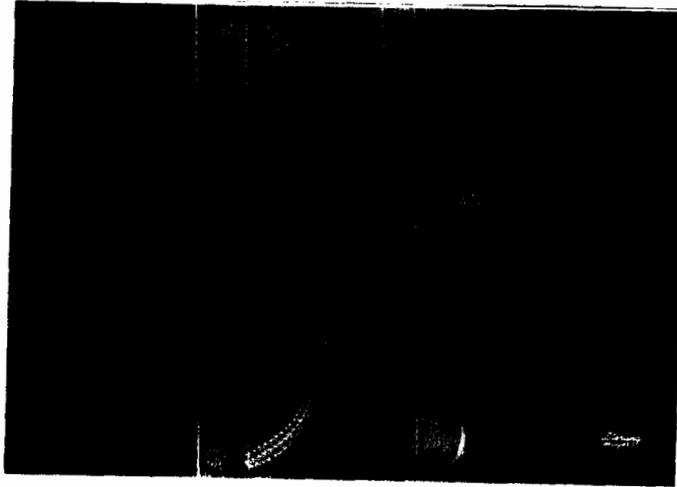
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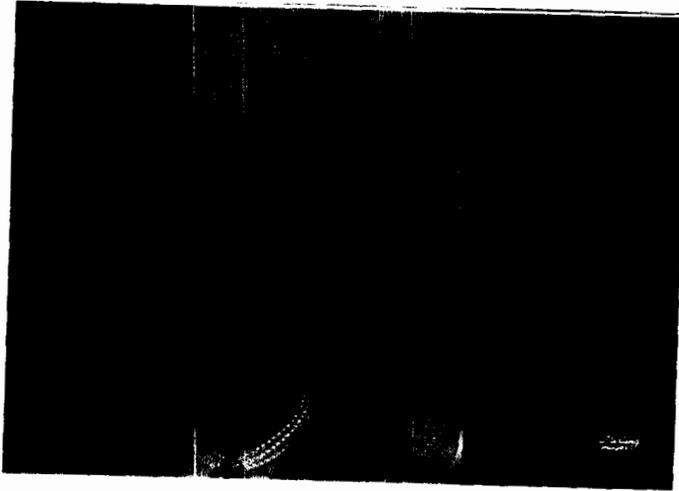
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