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Dear Admiral Gehman,

The Admiral commanding the organization to which my engineering sub-unit now belongs, the Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division (Admiral Skinner) recently released guidance on contacting the BRAC commission and others advising us of numerous prohibitions against providing official documents, or other data that have not been cleared by the command to those outside the command. We have been cautioned to phrase all conclusions and so forth as "personal opinions" as well. I aim to comply with the admirals direction in this regard with the following recommendation based upon my personal opinion:

In my personal opinion, moving the acquisition jobs and electronic warfare jobs, including engineering and logistics from the Pt. Mugu site to the China Lake site will have a disasterous effect upon mission capability, skilled manpower, ability to expand the industrial base in emergency situations as we have had to do in wars past, and in my personal opinion, any estimate of a time when savings will overtake costs for such

movement of jobs is illusory. I have concerns about violating the command policy by elaborating further.

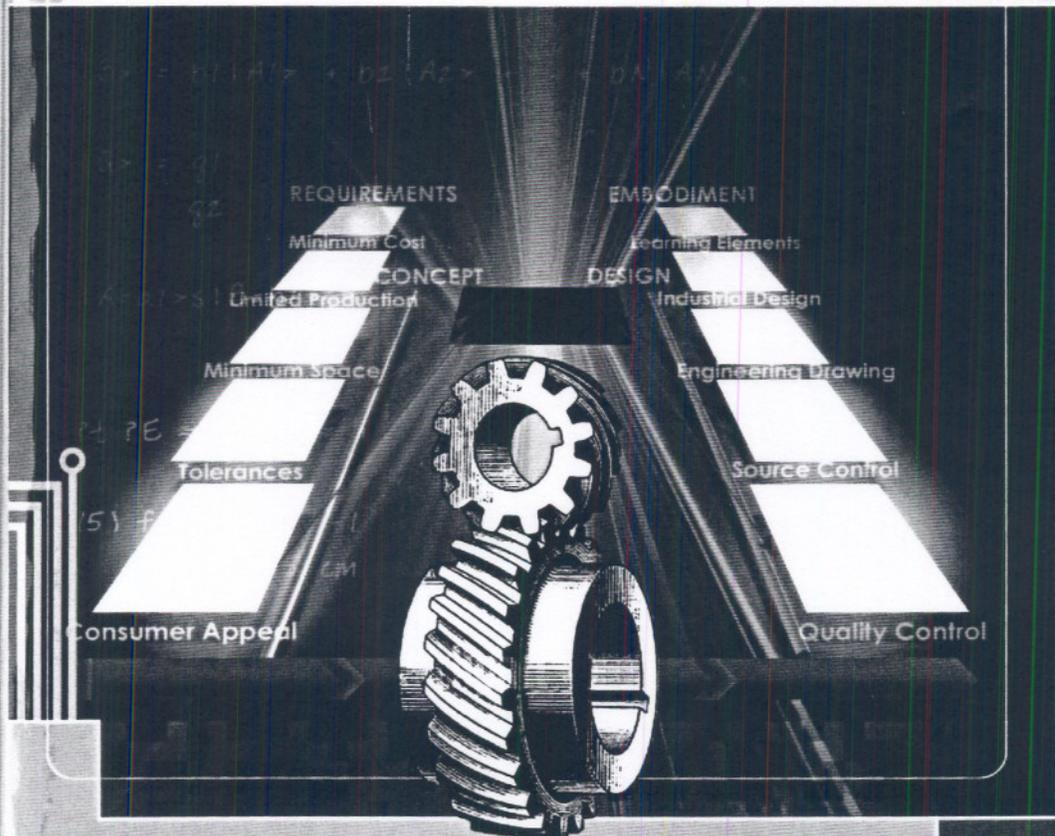
I am enclosing a commercial book which I wrote and which has been cleared by the command legal counsel prior to its publication to support my credibility. I selected you to write to because your biography advises that you have an industrial engineering degree and that you have followed a path in life of public service.

Thank you for your time,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ron Smith". The signature is written in dark ink on a white background.

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