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March 21, 2005

The Honorable James Hansen  
Nominee  
Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
1000 Defense Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Congressman Hansen:

I am writing to congratulate you on your recent nomination to serve on the 2005 Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission. The responsibilities and decisions ahead of you will be great. Your recommendations will serve to position our nation's military as it transforms to address future challenges. They also will be of major consequence to military base communities nationwide.

With 18 major military installations, and more than 232,000 active duty service members, Reserve and National Guard members, and civilian employees of the armed services, Texas military installations are playing a vital role in our national defense. The military remains an important part of this state's heritage. Our nation's active international border with Mexico and our vibrant ports on the Texas Gulf Coast require a homeland security presence. Also, the defense industry presence in the state is significant and vital to our nation's defense infrastructure.

As Texas' top elected official, I join all Texans in supporting our military, not only in words, but by action. I offer for your consideration the enclosed packet of information highlighting my state's initiatives and commitment to maintaining the valued relationship that Texas so respects and enjoys with our military.

I am committed to continuing the state's role in a substantive partnership with our military installations and in the transformation of our national defense efforts, and I look forward to working with you in the coming months. Together, we can ensure that Texas remains at the forefront of national defense.

Sincerely,

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April 15, 2005

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General Lloyd Warren "Fig" Newton, USAF (Ret.)  
Commissioner  
Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
U.S. Department of Defense  
1000 Defense Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear General Newton:

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Nominee  
Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
1000 Defense Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20301

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The Honorable Samuel Knox Skinner  
Nominee  
Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
1000 Defense Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Secretary Skinner:

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The Honorable Anthony Principi  
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Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
1000 Defense Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Secretary Principi:

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Admiral Harold W. Gehman, Jr., U.S. Navy (Ret.)  
Nominee  
Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission  
1000 Defense Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Admiral Gehman:

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