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**September 8, 2005**

*The Honorable Michael W. Wynne  
Chairman, Infrastructure Steering Group  
3010 Defense Pentagon  
Washington, DC 20301-3010*

*Dear Secretary Wynne:*

*I am sending this letter for clarification of language contained in BRAC amendments 186-4a and 186-4d concerning DoD Tech-19, Create an Integrated Weapons & Armaments Specialty Site for Guns and Ammunition.*

*The purpose of amendments 186-4a and 186-4d was to leave existing energetics activities in place at Picatinny Arsenal, Naval Surface Weapons Center Indian Head and Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake. The language included in the Commission's recommendation for Tech-19 does not intend to consolidate these activities in any one location, nor is it the Commission's intent to create a separate "Center of Excellence" for energetics.*

*Picatinny Arsenal will become the DoD Gun and Ammunition "Center of Excellence" as described in the DoD Tech-19 recommendation and as modified by our recommendations.*

*Sincerely,*

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Anthony J. Principi".

*Anthony J. Principi  
Chairman*

*Cc: Congressman Rodney P. Frelinghuysen*

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