

DCN: 6944

Operation Keep Cannon

COYOTE SUNSET

The silhouette of a prowling coyote searching for food on the New Mexico desert.



2440

Photo © James Tallon

It'd be mighty poor
and lonely in these
parts without Cannon!

Yara Fulcher
2716 Putnam Dr
Clovis NM 88101

© Distributed by Smith-Southwestern, Inc. • Printed in Singapore
www.smith-southwestern.com • 1193604

BRAC Commission

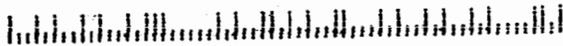
AUG 08 04 89

Received



BRAC Commission
2521 S Clark St
Arlington VA
22202

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE



BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

Karen Kelling
HC 66 Box 2
Cuervo, NM 88417

July 17, 2005

Base Re-alignment Commission
2521 South Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

RE: Cannon Air Force Base

Dear Sirs:

I am just one person living on a ranch south of Cuervo, New Mexico. There are more people buried in the Cuervo Cemetery, on our ranch, than live in the neighboring town--so I realize that my opinion will not carry much political clout. I want to put in my two cents anyway.

Quite often a jet from Cannon flies over our house and shakes the windows and frightens the horses and I wonder if I should check to see if my husband has gotten bucked off. But on the unlikely day I find him sprawled out on the ground I will just lie down beside him for a better view of those wonderful jets, flown by those wonderful young pilots from Cannon who train over the ranches of New Mexico. They make us feel safe.

Please keep Cannon Air Force Base open.

Sincerely,



Karen Kelling

Operation: Keep Cannon

NEW MEXICO

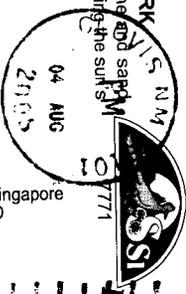
VALLEY OF FIRE STATE PARK

The brilliant formations of eroded sandstone and siltstone dunes often appear to be on fire when reflecting the sun's rays in Valley of Fire State Park.

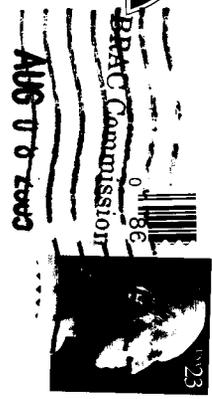
Photo © Gary Rasmussen

With 329 flying days per year and unreached airspace, who wouldn't rather be flying at Cannon?

Yancey Fisher
2716 Retnam Dr
Clem's Mill 88101

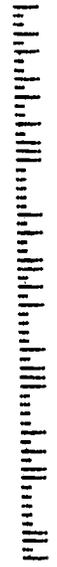


© Distributed by Smith-Southwestern, Inc. • Printed in Singapore
www.smith-southwestern.com • 00L0790



Received
BRAC Commissioners
2521 S Clark St
#600
Arlington VA
22202

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE



BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

Anthony J. Principi,

Sir, this is just a note to tell
you how important Cannon AFB
is to our city, surrounding towns,
and even our state.

I know you are doing your best
and we are praying for God to
help in your decisions.

God bless you and thank you.

Sincerely,

Truitt & Corinne Hardage

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

James H. Bilbray,

Sir, this is just a note to tell you just how important Common AFB is to our city, surrounding towns, and even our state.

I know you are doing your best and we are praying for God to help you in your decisions. God bless you and thank you.

Sincerely,

Jrutt + Corinne
Hardage

BRAC Commissioner

AUG 08 2005

Received

Philip Coyle,

Sir, this is just a note to tell you just how important Cannon AFB is to our city, surrounding towns and even our state.

I know you are doing your best and we are praying for God to help you in your decisions.

God bless you and thank you.

Sincerely,

Truitt & Corinne Hardage

BRAC Commission

AUG 11 8 2005

Receiver

Harold W. Selman, Jr.

Sir, this is just a note to tell
you just how important

Cannon AFB is to our city,
surrounding towns and even
our state.

I know you are doing your
best and we are praying for
God to help you in your
decisions.

God bless you and thank you.

Sincerely,

Truitt + Corinne Hardage

BRAC Commission

AUG 11 8 2005

Received

James V. Hansen,
Sir, this is just a note to tell
you just how important Cannon AFB
is to Clouis, surrounding towns,
and even our state.

I know you are doing your
best and we all praying for God
to help you make your decisions.

God bless you and thank you,

Sincerely

Treitt & Corinne Hardage

BRAC Commission

AUG 11 8 2005

Receiver

James T. Hill

Sir, this is just a note to tell you just how important Cannon AFB is to Clouis, surrounding towns and even our state.

I know you are doing your best and we are praying for God to help you make your decisions.

God bless you and thank you.

Sincerely

Traut + Corinne Hardage

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

Loyal "Fig" Newton,
Sir, this is just a note to
tell you how important CommonAFB
is to Clavis, surrounding towns
and even the state.

I know you are doing your
best and we are praying for
God to help you with your
decisions.

God bless you and thank you.

Sincerely,

Smith & Corinne Hardage

BRAC Commission

AUG 18 2005

Received

Sue Ellen Turner,

This note is to tell you how important Cannon AFB is to clouds, surrounding towns and even our state.

We know you are doing your best and we are praying for God to lead you in your decisions.

God bless you and thank you.

Sincerely,

Truitt + Corinne
Hardage

BRAC Commission

AUG 11 8 2005

Received

Samuel Knox Skinner,
Sir, This note is to tell you
how important Cannon AFB
is to Clovis, surrounding towns,
and even our state.

We know you are doing your
best and we are praying for
God to lead you in your
decisions.

God bless you and thank you.

Sincerely,
Loritt & Corinne Haidage



CLOVIS BOARD OF REALTORS, INC.

P.O. Box 1063
Clovis, New Mexico 88102-1063
BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

AUGUST 4, 2005

BRAC COMMISSIONERS

FAX 703-699-²⁹⁵²2735

PLEASE VOTE TO REMOVE CANNON FROM THE LIST.

MOST OF YOU HAVE BEEN HERE AND SEEN THE

POSSIBILITIES THAT CANNON CAN PROVIDE FOR THE

FUTURE SAFETY OF OUR COUNTRY.

Tillie Shaw
TILLIE SHAW, EXEC. VICE PRES.
CLOVIS BOARD OF REALTORS, INC.

8-5-05

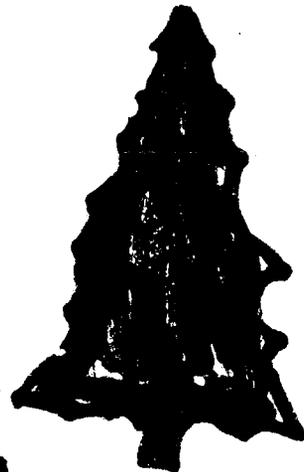
*I've tried several times to fax this
and always get no response from remote machine
there you will buy it in the mail.*

*Thanks
Tillie*

Keed CANNON



5 year old
Sarah Jo Samson
Sister of Amanda Samson, Pres of our Board
and Granddaughter of Kenneth + Jo Jones
Reactors of our Board. owner of Kenneth Realty

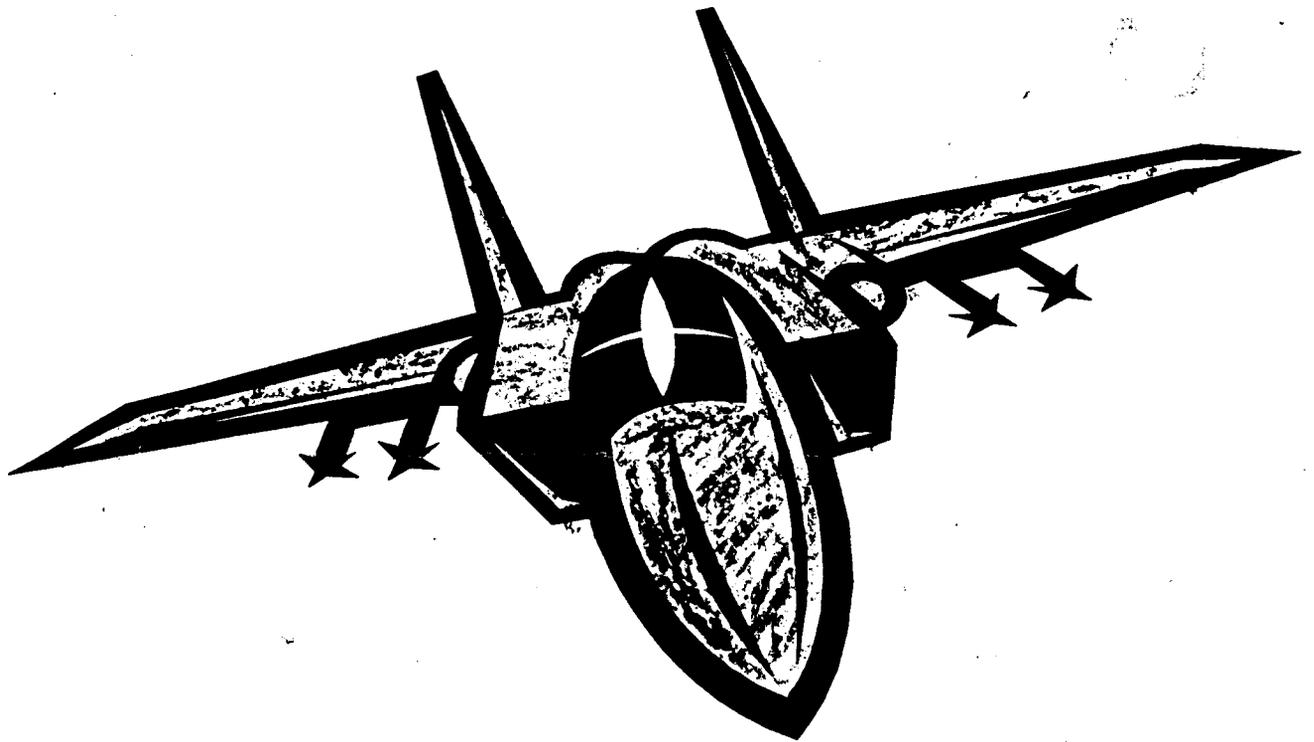


Please

OPERATION

Toy land
Day care

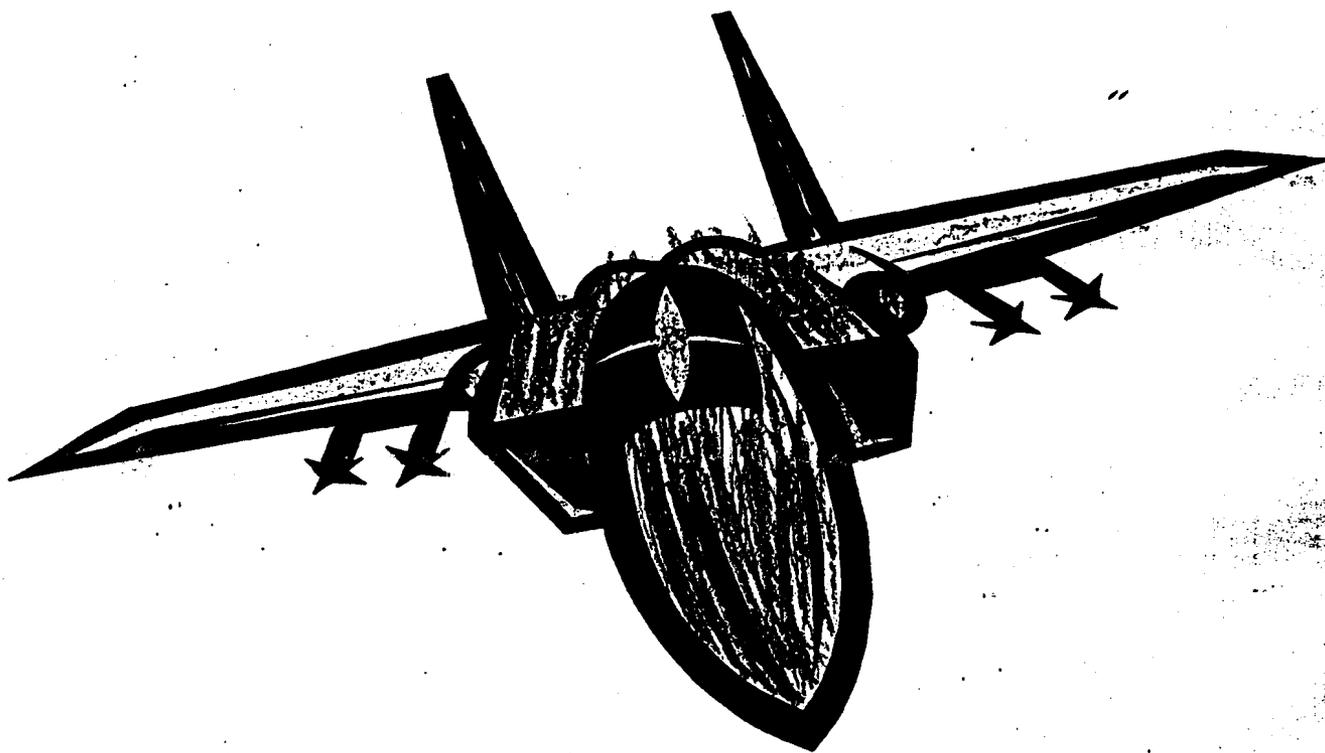
KEEP CANNON



NAME Steffan AGE: 12

OPERATION

KEEP CANNON



NAME Tyler Damron AGE: 6

AUG 08 2005

Dear Sue Ellen Turner,

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Landon Johnson

Dear James T. Hill,

AUG 08 2005

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson

AUG 08 2005

Received

Dear Samuel Knox Skinner,

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Landon Johnson

Dear James H. Bilbray,

AUG 08 2005

Received

I would like to add further input on the issue to close Cannon. Because I am a citizen to New Mexico and to Curry County I feel it is my responsibility to help save Cannon the best way I can. I have written letters in the past but everyone is still encouraging the letter writing campaigns and even sending emails concerning the issue. Before, I wrote about how closing the base would effect things in my community and even those of which relate to Cannon itself. Furthermore, watching the news lately has not been what most of us want to hear. As the deadlines draw near so does our chances to keep our beloved base. It seems closing Cannon is still strong in the hearts of those who control our defense in America. Which means why close a base to build another one? Why close a base that has no encroachments? Why close a base that has so much room to grow? And why close a base without thoroughly inspecting it in the first place? Forgive me if I impede but after all Clovis and the surroundings areas have done to keep Cannon all efforts seem to be for nothing. If Cannon does close then it is evident that the personnel stationed here will be sent to other places. Also, the same applies to the personnel of other base closures. Is this going to crowd the bases that are not being closed? So the question is what does the Department of Defense have in store for those people. I believe there is good reason to close a base that is below standards, or even because of good relevant reasons. Cannon does not seem like to type of base to close for such reasons so I would like to stress as long as what ever happens is done truthfully and with the best intentions, then we as Americans have to trust our Defense is working for its people.

Sincerely,

RK Dickson

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Dear James V. Hansen,

Received

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson

BRAC Commission

AUG 19 2010

Received

Dear James H. Bilbray,

Many people work and live on Cannon Air Force Base. There are many retired military personnel who live in Clovis and the surrounding areas. On any given day a person can see a vehicle with some form of military reference and not just one mind you many! Do you realize how many people will be looking for a new home or job because Cannon may close? I do not know about you but I would not like looking for a new job or even a new home if I were 60,70,80 years old because Cannon is closing. Of course everyday things happen for a reason but some say closing Cannon is because of profit and loss, Cannon being under code, or whatever the real reason may be can you honestly say that closing the base will make things better? In my opinion closing the base will create many problems for the people around it. The fact of the matter is by closing Cannon the Defense department is fixing whatever problem Cannon is creating for them. Unless there is a solution for what the base closure will do to our community then it is obvious it is not right. Lets find the problem, fix it then if the problem persists, consider another method. But lets be rash do we deserve the effects of closing Cannon? If you lived here would you see things differently? I think so. Clovis is thriving and growing everyday I do not want to see that end. Think how you may feel about such a thing. With that said you may understand the position my friends and I am faced with.

Sincerely,

RK Dickson

August 5th 2005

To: BRAC Commission

BRAC Commission

I know you have now ^{AUG 08 2005} looked at Oceana ^{Received} to decide if you will vote to move it so that Cannon AFB will survive.

I sincerely hope that your decision will be to keep Cannon open. Even in this "limbo" period the amount of business that our insurance business has lost has been considerable because people quit buying houses & cars. If the base closes we will be left with just a business that is similar to the business in the first year or two it was open. Years of building customers & hiring employees would all have been for nothing. Employees would have to be let go as the business closed. I'm sure many other businesses are in the same shape. Because of the small population of the town, losing Cannon is traumatic. If we were a larger city we could absorb the loss much better.

Also - it is very strange that the President appointed the commission to make these decisions but it appears they don't trust you to be objective and won't do the job right if areas you are from are considered. I believe commissioners should not recuse themselves just because there might be an "appearance of conflict of interest." That was part of the job when you were appointed - Thanks

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Dear James H. Bilbray,

Received
Many people work and live on Cannon Air Force Base. There are many retired military personnel who live in Clovis and the surrounding areas. On any given day a person can see a vehicle with some form of military reference and not just one mind you many! Do you realize how many people will be looking for a new home or job because Cannon may close? I do not know about you but I would not like looking for a new job or even a new home if I were 60,70,80 years old because Cannon is closing. Of course everyday things happen for a reason but some say closing Cannon is because of profit and loss, Cannon being under code, or whatever the real reason may be can you honestly say that closing the base will make things better? In my opinion closing the base will create many problems for the people around it. The fact of the matter is by closing Cannon the Defense department is fixing whatever problem Cannon is creating for them. Unless there is a solution for what the base closure will do to our community then it is obvious it is not right. Lets find the problem, fix it then if the problem persists, consider another method. But lets be rash do we deserve the effects of closing Cannon? If you lived here would you see things differently? I think so. Clovis is thriving and growing everyday I do not want to see that end. Think how you may feel about such a thing. With that said you may understand the position my friends and I am faced with.

Sincerely,

Deanne Dickson

Dear Anthony J. Principi,

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Receiver

Many people work and live on Cannon Air Force Base. There are many retired military personnel who live in Clovis and the surrounding areas. On any given day a person can see a vehicle with some form of military reference and not just one mind you many! Do you realize how many people will be looking for a new home or job because Cannon may close? I do not know about you but I would not like looking for a new job or even a new home if I were 60,70,80 years old because Cannon is closing. Of course everyday things happen for a reason but some say closing Cannon is because of profit and loss, Cannon being under code, or whatever the real reason may be can you honestly say that closing the base will make things better? In my opinion closing the base will create many problems for the people around it. The fact of the matter is by closing Cannon the Defense department is fixing whatever problem Cannon is creating for them. Unless there is a solution for what the base closure will do to our community then it is obvious it is not right. Lets find the problem, fix it then if the problem persists, consider another method. But lets be rash do we deserve the effects of closing Cannon? If you lived here would you see things differently? I think so. Clovis is thriving and growing everyday I do not want to see that end. Think how you may feel about such a thing. With that said you may understand the position my friends and I am faced with.

Sincerely,

Deanne Dickson

AUG 08 2005

Dear James V. Hansen,

Received

Many people work and live on Cannon Air Force Base. There are many retired military personnel who live in Clovis and the surrounding areas. On any given day a person can see a vehicle with some form of military reference and not just one mind you many! Do you realize how many people will be looking for a new home or job because Cannon may close? I do not know about you but I would not like looking for a new job or even a new home if I were 60,70,80 years old because Cannon is closing. Of course everyday things happen for a reason but some say closing Cannon is because of profit and loss, Cannon being under code, or whatever the real reason may be can you honestly say that closing the base will make things better? In my opinion closing the base will create many problems for the people around it. The fact of the matter is by closing Cannon the Defense department is fixing whatever problem Cannon is creating for them. Unless there is a solution for what the base closure will do to our community then it is obvious it is not right. Lets find the problem, fix it then if the problem persists, consider another method. But lets be rash do we deserve the effects of closing Cannon? If you lived here would you see things differently? I think so. Clovis is thriving and growing everyday I do not want to see that end. Think how you may feel about such a thing. With that said you may understand the position my friends and I am faced with.

Sincerely,

Deanne Dickson

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Dear Harold w. Grehman Jr.,

Received

Many people work and live on Cannon Air Force Base. There are many retired military personnel who live in Clovis and the surrounding areas. On any given day a person can see a vehicle with some form of military reference and not just one mind you many! Do you realize how many people will be looking for a new home or job because Cannon may close? I do not know about you but I would not like looking for a new job or even a new home if I were 60,70,80 years old because Cannon is closing. Of course everyday things happen for a reason but some say closing Cannon is because of profit and loss, Cannon being under code, or whatever the real reason may be can you honestly say that closing the base will make things better? In my opinion closing the base will create many problems for the people around it. The fact of the matter is by closing Cannon the Defense department is fixing whatever problem Cannon is creating for them. Unless there is a solution for what the base closure will do to our community then it is obvious it is not right. Lets find the problem, fix it then if the problem persists, consider another method. But lets be rash do we deserve the effects of closing Cannon? If you lived here would you see things differently? I think so. Clovis is thriving and growing everyday I do not want to see that end. Think how you may feel about such a thing. With that said you may understand the position my friends and I am faced with.

Sincerely,

Deanne Dickson

AUG 08 2005**Received**

Dear Philip Coyle,

Many people work and live on Cannon Air Force Base. There are many retired military personnel who live in Clovis and the surrounding areas. On any given day a person can see a vehicle with some form of military reference and not just one mind you many! Do you realize how many people will be looking for a new home or job because Cannon may close? I do not know about you but I would not like looking for a new job or even a new home if I were 60,70,80 years old because Cannon is closing. Of course everyday things happen for a reason but some say closing Cannon is because of profit and loss, Cannon being under code, or whatever the real reason may be can you honestly say that closing the base will make things better? In my opinion closing the base will create many problems for the people around it. The fact of the matter is by closing Cannon the Defense department is fixing whatever problem Cannon is creating for them. Unless there is a solution for what the base closure will do to our community then it is obvious it is not right. Lets find the problem, fix it then if the problem persists, consider another method. But lets be rash do we deserve the effects of closing Cannon? If you lived here would you see things differently? I think so. Clovis is thriving and growing everyday I do not want to see that end. Think how you may feel about such a thing. With that said you may understand the position my friends and I am faced with.

Sincerely,

Deanne Dickson

Dear Lloyd Newton,

AUG 08 2005

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. ^{Received} Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Landon Johnson

Dear James T. Hill,

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Landon Johnson

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED
OF INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW
1200 MITCHELL, P.O. BOX 370
CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO 88101

505-762-4700

FAX 505-769-9790 BRAC Commission

OF COUNSEL
HURSHEL R. HARDING
CHARLES F. AYCOCK*

TEXAS OFFICE

402 THIRD STREET, P.O. BOX 286

FARWELL, TEXAS 79325

PHONE: 806-481-3361

FAX: 806-481-9060

JOHN ALDRIDGE (1905-1968)
SAM ALDRIDGE (1907-1977)

JOHNNY W. ACTKINSON*
MARION TY RUTTER, P.C. **
JEFF W. ACTKINSON, P.C.*

**ALSO LICENSED IN OKLAHOMA AND ARIZONA
*NOT LICENSED IN NEW MEXICO

AUG 08 2005

Received

August 3, 2005

BRAC Commission
The Honorable Samuel K. Skinner
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Skinner:

Thank you for your service on the BRAC Commission. I know that each of you are working long hours, as are your staff members, on the task at hand and are taking this duty very seriously. It was great to have several of the members of the Commission visit Clovis and I appreciate each member's attentiveness and questions while visiting Clovis. The number of people that lined the streets of Clovis was a clear indication of how much Clovis and Portales care about Cannon Air Force Base, and as you can tell, we feel that having Cannon on the BRAC closure list is a mistake and that Cannon Air Force Base should be removed from the closure list. The presentations to the Commission clearly pointed out the value of this base and the service that Cannon provides not only to the military but to the entire country as well. I further appreciate your Commission asking pointed questions of D.O.D. since our hearing and trying to create alternatives that would keep Cannon.

I have the utmost confidence that you will fulfill all of your duties as a BRAC commissioner and will lawfully weigh all the criteria and give consideration to all of the factors. I am also confident that Cannon will be recommended for removal from the BRAC list after you lawfully discharge your duties as a BRAC commissioner. The military value of Cannon, by looking at the past history of Cannon and its involvement with past war time and peacekeeping duties speaks for itself. However, I challenge you to find any other major Air Force Base which has a better combination of flight weather, expandability, great airspace, little electromagnetic interference, award winning personnel and facilities, state-of-the-art air traffic control and suitability for interservice training. Can you imagine how valuable Cannon will be for interservice training with Fort Bliss which is going to be adding 12,000 troops? We have the bombing range and we have plenty of space, want more space, all it cost is \$1,300 to \$1,500 per acre to expand. Where else can

BRAC Commission
The Honorable Samuel K. Skinner
August 3, 2005
Page 2

you expand at such a minimal cost? Next, in regards to the encroachment issue, we do not have such an encroachment issue here in the Clovis area as was evidenced by the Commission members' view from the control tower during the Cannon visit. In the past, when the Pentagon has asked for things to occur at Cannon Air Force Base, the community and the Committee of Fifty have come through with each and every request made. The ability for pilots at Cannon to pull up their landing gear and practically begin training immediately is of great value to our military, not just Cannon, but other bases as well. Look at all the fuel time that is being wasted by other bases currently using our range, it has to be more efficient to have the planes based here instead of somewhere else. A sub-sonic fly zone is all but achieved and should be factored into the BRAC review. Further, there will be a huge economic impact on the local community and a great cost expense in regards to the recent privatization of housing for Cannon personnel and also with the relocation expense of the equipment and personnel.

Again, thank you to each member who attended the June 24, 2005 hearings in Clovis and for your kind consideration of my letter and I look forward to hearing your commission's recommendation that Cannon be removed from the BRAC closure list. Please contact me if you have any questions or if there are any other matters which you would like any input in order for you to fulfill your duties as a BRAC Commission member.

Sincerely,



MARION TY RUTTER

MTR:st

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED
OF INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS

JOHN ALDRIDGE (1905-1968)
SAM ALDRIDGE (1907-1977)

JOHNNY W. ACTKINSON*
MARION TY RUTTER, P.C. **
JEFF W. ACTKINSON, P.C.*

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW
1200 MITCHELL, P.O. BOX 370
CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO 88101
505-762-4700
FAX 505-769-9790

OF COUNSEL
HURSHEL R. HARDING
CHARLES F. AYCOCK*

TEXAS OFFICE
402 THIRD STREET, P.O. BOX 286
FARWELL, TEXAS 79325
PHONE: 806-481-3361
FAX: 806-481-9060

**ALSO LICENSED IN OKLAHOMA AND ARIZONA
*NOT LICENSED IN NEW MEXICO

BRAC Commission

AUG 3 2005

August 3, 2005

Receiver

BRAC Commission
General James T. Hill
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear General Hill:

Thank you for your service on the BRAC Commission. I know that each of you are working long hours, as are your staff members, on the task at hand and are taking this duty very seriously. It was great to have several of the members of the Commission visit Clovis and I appreciate each member's attentiveness and questions while visiting Clovis. The number of people that lined the streets of Clovis was a clear indication of how much Clovis and Portales care about Cannon Air Force Base, and as you can tell, we feel that having Cannon on the BRAC closure list is a mistake and that Cannon Air Force Base should be removed from the closure list. The presentations to the Commission clearly pointed out the value of this base and the service that Cannon provides not only to the military but to the entire country as well. I further appreciate your Commission asking pointed questions of D.O.D. since our hearing and trying to create alternatives that would keep Cannon.

I have the utmost confidence that you will fulfill all of your duties as a BRAC commissioner and will lawfully weigh all the criteria and give consideration to all of the factors. I am also confident that Cannon will be recommended for removal from the BRAC list after you lawfully discharge your duties as a BRAC commissioner. The military value of Cannon, by looking at the past history of Cannon and its involvement with past war time and peacekeeping duties speaks for itself. However, I challenge you to find any other major Air Force Base which has a better combination of flight weather, expandability, great airspace, little electromagnetic interference, award winning personnel and facilities, state-of-the-art air traffic control and suitability for interservice training. Can you imagine how valuable Cannon will be for interservice training with Fort Bliss which is going to be adding 12,000 troops? We have the bombing range and we have plenty of space, want more space, all it cost is \$1,300 to \$1,500 per acre to expand. Where else can

BRAC Commission
General James T. Hill
August 3, 2005
Page 2

you expand at such a minimal cost? Next, in regards to the encroachment issue, we do not have such an encroachment issue here in the Clovis area as was evidenced by the Commission members' view from the control tower during the Cannon visit. In the past, when the Pentagon has asked for things to occur at Cannon Air Force Base, the community and the Committee of Fifty have come through with each and every request made. The ability for pilots at Cannon to pull up their landing gear and practically begin training immediately is of great value to our military, not just Cannon, but other bases as well. Look at all the fuel time that is being wasted by other bases currently using our range, it has to be more efficient to have the planes based here instead of somewhere else. A sub-sonic fly zone is all but achieved and should be factored into the BRAC review. Further, there will be a huge economic impact on the local community and a great cost expense in regards to the recent privatization of housing for Cannon personnel and also with the relocation expense of the equipment and personnel.

Again, thank you to each member who attended the June 24, 2005 hearings in Clovis and for your kind consideration of my letter and I look forward to hearing your commission's recommendation that Cannon be removed from the BRAC closure list. Please contact me if you have any questions or if there are any other matters which you would like any input in order for you to fulfill your duties as a BRAC Commission member.

Sincerely,



MARION TY RUTTER

MTR:st

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED
OF INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS

JOHN ALDRIDGE (1905-1968)
SAM ALDRIDGE (1907-1977)

JOHNNY W. ACTKINSON*
MARION TY RUTTER, P.C. **
JEFF W. ACTKINSON, P.C.*

**ALSO LICENSED IN OKLAHOMA AND ARIZONA
*NOT LICENSED IN NEW MEXICO

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW
1200 MITCHELL, P.O. BOX 370
CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO 88101

505-762-4700
FAX 505-769-9790

BRAC Commission

OF COUNSEL
HURSHEL R. HARDING
CHARLES F. AYCOCK*

TEXAS OFFICE

402 THIRD STREET, P.O. BOX 286
FARWELL, TEXAS 79325
PHONE: 806-481-3361
FAX: 806-481-9060

2005

received

August 3, 2005

BRAC Commission
Brigadier General Sue E. Turner
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear General Turner:

Thank you for your service on the BRAC Commission. I know that each of you are working long hours, as are your staff members, on the task at hand and are taking this duty very seriously. It was great to have several of the members of the Commission visit Clovis and I appreciate each member's attentiveness and questions while visiting Clovis. The number of people that lined the streets of Clovis was a clear indication of how much Clovis and Portales care about Cannon Air Force Base, and as you can tell, we feel that having Cannon on the BRAC closure list is a mistake and that Cannon Air Force Base should be removed from the closure list. The presentations to the Commission clearly pointed out the value of this base and the service that Cannon provides not only to the military but to the entire country as well. I further appreciate your Commission asking pointed questions of D.O.D. since our hearing and trying to create alternatives that would keep Cannon.

I have the utmost confidence that you will fulfill all of your duties as a BRAC commissioner and will lawfully weigh all the criteria and give consideration to all of the factors. I am also confident that Cannon will be recommended for removal from the BRAC list after you lawfully discharge your duties as a BRAC commissioner. The military value of Cannon, by looking at the past history of Cannon and its involvement with past war time and peacekeeping duties speaks for itself. However, I challenge you to find any other major Air Force Base which has a better combination of flight weather, expandability, great airspace, little electromagnetic interference, award winning personnel and facilities, state-of-the-art air traffic control and suitability for interservice training. Can you imagine how valuable Cannon will be for interservice training with Fort Bliss which is going to be adding 12,000 troops? We have the bombing range and we have

BRAC Commission
Brigadier General Sue E. Turner
August 3, 2005
Page 2

plenty of space, want more space, all it cost is \$1,300 to \$1,500 per acre to expand. Where else can you expand at such a minimal cost? Next, in regards to the encroachment issue, we do not have such an encroachment issue here in the Clovis area as was evidenced by the Commission members' view from the control tower during the Cannon visit. In the past, when the Pentagon has asked for things to occur at Cannon Air Force Base, the community and the Committee of Fifty have come through with each and every request made. The ability for pilots at Cannon to pull up their landing gear and practically begin training immediately is of great value to our military, not just Cannon, but other bases as well. Look at all the fuel time that is being wasted by other bases currently using our range, it has to be more efficient to have the planes based here instead of somewhere else. A sub-sonic fly zone is all but achieved and should be factored into the BRAC review. Further, there will be a huge economic impact on the local community and a great cost expense in regards to the recent privatization of housing for Cannon personnel and also with the relocation expense of the equipment and personnel.

Again, thank you to each member who attended the June 24, 2005 hearings in Clovis and for your kind consideration of my letter and I look forward to hearing your commission's recommendation that Cannon be removed from the BRAC closure list. Please contact me if you have any questions or if there are any other matters which you would like any input in order for you to fulfill your duties as a BRAC Commission member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marion Ty Rutter". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

MARION TY RUTTER

MTR:st

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED
OF INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW
1200 MITCHELL, P.O. BOX 370
CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO 88101

505-762-4700
FAX 505-769-9790

OF COUNSEL
HURSHEL R. HARDING
CHARLES F. AYCOCK*

TEXAS OFFICE

402 THIRD STREET, P.O. BOX 286

FARWELL, TEXAS 79325

PHONE: 806-481-3361

FAX: 806-481-9060

JOHN ALDRIDGE (1905-1968)
SAM ALDRIDGE (1907-1977)

JOHNNY W. ACTKINSON*
MARION TY RUTTER, P.C. **
JEFF W. ACTKINSON, P.C.*

**ALSO LICENSED IN OKLAHOMA AND ARIZONA
*NOT LICENSED IN NEW MEXICO

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

August 3, 2005

BRAC Commission
General Lloyd W. Newton
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear General Newton:

Thank you for your service on the BRAC Commission. I know that each of you are working long hours, as are your staff members, on the task at hand and are taking this duty very seriously. It was great to have several of the members of the Commission visit Clovis and I appreciate each member's attentiveness and questions while visiting Clovis. The number of people that lined the streets of Clovis was a clear indication of how much Clovis and Portales care about Cannon Air Force Base, and as you can tell, we feel that having Cannon on the BRAC closure list is a mistake and that Cannon Air Force Base should be removed from the closure list. The presentations to the Commission clearly pointed out the value of this base and the service that Cannon provides not only to the military but to the entire country as well. I further appreciate your Commission asking pointed questions of D.O.D. since our hearing and trying to create alternatives that would keep Cannon.

I have the utmost confidence that you will fulfill all of your duties as a BRAC commissioner and will lawfully weigh all the criteria and give consideration to all of the factors. I am also confident that Cannon will be recommended for removal from the BRAC list after you lawfully discharge your duties as a BRAC commissioner. The military value of Cannon, by looking at the past history of Cannon and its involvement with past war time and peacekeeping duties speaks for itself. However, I challenge you to find any other major Air Force Base which has a better combination of flight weather, expandability, great airspace, little electromagnetic interference, award winning personnel and facilities, state-of-the-art air traffic control and suitability for interservice training. Can you imagine how valuable Cannon will be for interservice training with Fort Bliss which is going to be adding 12,000 troops? We have the bombing range and we have plenty of space, want more space, all it cost is \$1,300 to \$1,500 per acre to expand. Where else can

BRAC Commission
General Lloyd W. Newton
August 3, 2005
Page 2

you expand at such a minimal cost? Next, in regards to the encroachment issue, we do not have such an encroachment issue here in the Clovis area as was evidenced by the Commission members' view from the control tower during the Cannon visit. In the past, when the Pentagon has asked for things to occur at Cannon Air Force Base, the community and the Committee of Fifty have come through with each and every request made. The ability for pilots at Cannon to pull up their landing gear and practically begin training immediately is of great value to our military, not just Cannon, but other bases as well. Look at all the fuel time that is being wasted by other bases currently using our range, it has to be more efficient to have the planes based here instead of somewhere else. A sub-sonic fly zone is all but achieved and should be factored into the BRAC review. Further, there will be a huge economic impact on the local community and a great cost expense in regards to the recent privatization of housing for Cannon personnel and also with the relocation expense of the equipment and personnel.

Again, thank you to each member who attended the June 24, 2005 hearings in Clovis and for your kind consideration of my letter and I look forward to hearing your commission's recommendation that Cannon be removed from the BRAC closure list. Please contact me if you have any questions or if there are any other matters which you would like any input in order for you to fulfill your duties as a BRAC Commission member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marion Ty Rutter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Marion" being the most prominent.

MARION TY RUTTER

MTR:st

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED
OF INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW
1200 MITCHELL, P.O. BOX 370
CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO 88101

505-762-4700
FAX 505-769-9790

OF COUNSEL
HURSHEL R. HARDING
CHARLES F. AYCOCK*

TEXAS OFFICE

402 THIRD STREET, P.O. BOX 286
FARWELL, TEXAS 79325
PHONE: 806-481-3361
FAX: 806-481-9060

JOHN ALDRIDGE (1905-1968)
SAM ALDRIDGE (1907-1977)

JOHNNY W. ACTKINSON*
MARION TY RUTTER, P.C. **
JEFF W. ACTKINSON, P.C.*

**ALSO LICENSED IN OKLAHOMA AND ARIZONA
*NOT LICENSED IN NEW MEXICO

BRAC Commission

August 3, 2005

AUG 18 2005

Receiver

BRAC Commission
The Honorable James V. Hansen
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Hansen:

Thank you for your service on the BRAC Commission. I know that each of you are working long hours, as are your staff members, on the task at hand and are taking this duty very seriously. It was great to have several of the members of the Commission visit Clovis and I appreciate each member's attentiveness and questions while visiting Clovis. The number of people that lined the streets of Clovis was a clear indication of how much Clovis and Portales care about Cannon Air Force Base, and as you can tell, we feel that having Cannon on the BRAC closure list is a mistake and that Cannon Air Force Base should be removed from the closure list. The presentations to the Commission clearly pointed out the value of this base and the service that Cannon provides not only to the military but to the entire country as well. I further appreciate your Commission asking pointed questions of D.O.D. since our hearing and trying to create alternatives that would keep Cannon.

I have the utmost confidence that you will fulfill all of your duties as a BRAC commissioner and will lawfully weigh all the criteria and give consideration to all of the factors. I am also confident that Cannon will be recommended for removal from the BRAC list after you lawfully discharge your duties as a BRAC commissioner. The military value of Cannon, by looking at the past history of Cannon and its involvement with past war time and peacekeeping duties speaks for itself. However, I challenge you to find any other major Air Force Base which has a better combination of flight weather, expandability, great airspace, little electromagnetic interference, award winning personnel and facilities, state-of-the-art air traffic control and suitability for interservice training. Can you imagine how valuable Cannon will be for interservice training with Fort Bliss which is going to be adding 12,000 troops? We have the bombing range and we have plenty of space, want more space, all it cost is \$1,300 to \$1,500 per acre to expand. Where else can

BRAC Commission
The Honorable James V. Hansen
August 3, 2005
Page 2

you expand at such a minimal cost? Next, in regards to the encroachment issue, we do not have such an encroachment issue here in the Clovis area as was evidenced by the Commission members' view from the control tower during the Cannon visit. In the past, when the Pentagon has asked for things to occur at Cannon Air Force Base, the community and the Committee of Fifty have come through with each and every request made. The ability for pilots at Cannon to pull up their landing gear and practically begin training immediately is of great value to our military, not just Cannon, but other bases as well. Look at all the fuel time that is being wasted by other bases currently using our range, it has to be more efficient to have the planes based here instead of somewhere else. A sub-sonic fly zone is all but achieved and should be factored into the BRAC review. Further, there will be a huge economic impact on the local community and a great cost expense in regards to the recent privatization of housing for Cannon personnel and also with the relocation expense of the equipment and personnel.

Again, thank you to each member who attended the June 24, 2005 hearings in Clovis and for your kind consideration of my letter and I look forward to hearing your commission's recommendation that Cannon be removed from the BRAC closure list. Please contact me if you have any questions or if there are any other matters which you would like any input in order for you to fulfill your duties as a BRAC Commission member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marion Ty Rutter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Marion" being the most prominent.

MARION TY RUTTER

MTR:st

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED
OF INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW
1200 MITCHELL, P.O. BOX 370
CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO 88101

505-762-4700
FAX 505-769-9790

OF COUNSEL
HURSHEL R. HARDING
CHARLES F. AYCOCK*

BRAC Commission

TEXAS OFFICE

402 THIRD STREET, P.O. BOX 286

FARWELL, TEXAS 79325
PHONE: 806-481-3361
FAX: 806-481-9060

AUG 08 2005

Received

JOHN ALDRIDGE (1905-1968)
SAM ALDRIDGE (1907-1977)

JOHNNY W. ACTKINSON*
MARION TY RUTTER, P.C. **
JEFF W. ACTKINSON, P.C.*

**ALSO LICENSED IN OKLAHOMA AND ARIZONA
*NOT LICENSED IN NEW MEXICO

August 3, 2005

BRAC Commission
The Honorable James H. Bilbray
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Bilbray:

Thank you for your service on the BRAC Commission. I know that each of you are working long hours, as are your staff members, on the task at hand and are taking this duty very seriously. It was great to have several of the members of the Commission visit Clovis and I appreciate each member's attentiveness and questions while visiting Clovis. The number of people that lined the streets of Clovis was a clear indication of how much Clovis and Portales care about Cannon Air Force Base, and as you can tell, we feel that having Cannon on the BRAC closure list is a mistake and that Cannon Air Force Base should be removed from the closure list. The presentations to the Commission clearly pointed out the value of this base and the service that Cannon provides not only to the military but to the entire country as well. I further appreciate your Commission asking pointed questions of D.O.D. since our hearing and trying to create alternatives that would keep Cannon.

I have the utmost confidence that you will fulfill all of your duties as a BRAC commissioner and will lawfully weigh all the criteria and give consideration to all of the factors. I am also confident that Cannon will be recommended for removal from the BRAC list after you lawfully discharge your duties as a BRAC commissioner. The military value of Cannon, by looking at the past history of Cannon and its involvement with past war time and peacekeeping duties speaks for itself. However, I challenge you to find any other major Air Force Base which has a better combination of flight weather, expandability, great airspace, little electromagnetic interference, award winning personnel and facilities, state-of-the-art air traffic control and suitability for interservice training. Can you imagine how valuable Cannon will be for interservice training with Fort Bliss which is going to be adding 12,000 troops? We have the bombing range and we have plenty of space, want more space, all it cost is \$1,300 to \$1,500 per acre to expand. Where else can

BRAC Commission
The Honorable James H. Bilbray
August 3, 2005
Page 2

you expand at such a minimal cost? Next, in regards to the encroachment issue, we do not have such an encroachment issue here in the Clovis area as was evidenced by the Commission members' view from the control tower during the Cannon visit. In the past, when the Pentagon has asked for things to occur at Cannon Air Force Base, the community and the Committee of Fifty have come through with each and every request made. The ability for pilots at Cannon to pull up their landing gear and practically begin training immediately is of great value to our military, not just Cannon, but other bases as well. Look at all the fuel time that is being wasted by other bases currently using our range, it has to be more efficient to have the planes based here instead of somewhere else. A sub-sonic fly zone is all but achieved and should be factored into the BRAC review. Further, there will be a huge economic impact on the local community and a great cost expense in regards to the recent privatization of housing for Cannon personnel and also with the relocation expense of the equipment and personnel.

Again, thank you to each member who attended the June 24, 2005 hearings in Clovis and for your kind consideration of my letter and I look forward to hearing your commission's recommendation that Cannon be removed from the BRAC closure list. Please contact me if you have any questions or if there are any other matters which you would like any input in order for you to fulfill your duties as a BRAC Commission member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marion Ty Rutter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

MARION TY RUTTER

MTR:st

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED
OF INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW
1200 MITCHELL, P.O. BOX 370
CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO 88101

505-762-4700
FAX 505-769-9790

OF COUNSEL
HURSHEL R. HARDING
CHARLES F. AYCOCK*

TEXAS OFFICE

402 THIRD STREET, P.O. BOX 286

FARWELL, TEXAS 79325

PHONE: 806-481-3361

FAX: 806-481-9060

JOHN ALDRIDGE (1905-1968)
SAM ALDRIDGE (1907-1977)

JOHNNY W. ACTKINSON*
MARION TY RUTTER, P.C. **
JEFF W. ACTKINSON, P.C.*

**ALSO LICENSED IN OKLAHOMA AND ARIZONA
*NOT LICENSED IN NEW MEXICO

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

August 3, 2005

BRAC Commission
The Honorable Philip Coyle
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Coyle:

Thank you for your service on the BRAC Commission. I know that each of you are working long hours, as are your staff members, on the task at hand and are taking this duty very seriously. It was great to have several of the members of the Commission visit Clovis and I appreciate each member's attentiveness and questions while visiting Clovis. The number of people that lined the streets of Clovis was a clear indication of how much Clovis and Portales care about Cannon Air Force Base, and as you can tell, we feel that having Cannon on the BRAC closure list is a mistake and that Cannon Air Force Base should be removed from the closure list. The presentations to the Commission clearly pointed out the value of this base and the service that Cannon provides not only to the military but to the entire country as well. I further appreciate your Commission asking pointed questions of D.O.D. since our hearing and trying to create alternatives that would keep Cannon.

I have the utmost confidence that you will fulfill all of your duties as a BRAC commissioner and will lawfully weigh all the criteria and give consideration to all of the factors. I am also confident that Cannon will be recommended for removal from the BRAC list after you lawfully discharge your duties as a BRAC commissioner. The military value of Cannon, by looking at the past history of Cannon and its involvement with past war time and peacekeeping duties speaks for itself. However, I challenge you to find any other major Air Force Base which has a better combination of flight weather, expandability, great airspace, little electromagnetic interference, award winning personnel and facilities, state-of-the-art air traffic control and suitability for interservice training. Can you imagine how valuable Cannon will be for interservice training with Fort Bliss which is going to be adding 12,000 troops? We have the bombing range and we have

BRAC Commission
The Honorable Philip Coyle
August 3, 2005
Page 2

plenty of space, want more space, all it cost is \$1,300 to \$1,500 per acre to expand. Where else can you expand at such a minimal cost? Next, in regards to the encroachment issue, we do not have such an encroachment issue here in the Clovis area as was evidenced by the Commission members' view from the control tower during the Cannon visit. In the past, when the Pentagon has asked for things to occur at Cannon Air Force Base, the community and the Committee of Fifty have come through with each and every request made. The ability for pilots at Cannon to pull up their landing gear and practically begin training immediately is of great value to our military, not just Cannon, but other bases as well. Look at all the fuel time that is being wasted by other bases currently using our range, it has to be more efficient to have the planes based here instead of somewhere else. A sub-sonic fly zone is all but achieved and should be factored into the BRAC review. Further, there will be a huge economic impact on the local community and a great cost expense in regards to the recent privatization of housing for Cannon personnel and also with the relocation expense of the equipment and personnel.

Again, thank you to each member who attended the June 24, 2005 hearings in Clovis and for your kind consideration of my letter and I look forward to hearing your commission's recommendation that Cannon be removed from the BRAC closure list. Please contact me if you have any questions or if there are any other matters which you would like any input in order for you to fulfill your duties as a BRAC Commission member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marion Ty Rutter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MARION TY RUTTER

MTR:st

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED
OF INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS

JOHN ALDRIDGE (1905-1968)
SAM ALDRIDGE (1907-1977)

JOHNNY W. ACTKINSON*
MARION TY RUTTER, P.C. **
JEFF W. ACTKINSON, P.C.*

**ALSO LICENSED IN OKLAHOMA AND ARIZONA
*NOT LICENSED IN NEW MEXICO

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW
1200 MITCHELL, P.O. BOX 370
CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO 88101
505-762-4700
FAX 505-769-9790

OF COUNSEL
HURSHEL R. HARDING
CHARLES F. AYCOCK*

TEXAS OFFICE
402 THIRD STREET, P.O. BOX 286
FARWELL, TEXAS 79325
PHONE: 806-481-3361
FAX: 806-481-9060

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

August 3, 2005

BRAC Commission
Admiral Harold W. Gehman, Jr.
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear Admiral Gehman:

Thank you for your service on the BRAC Commission. I know that each of you are working long hours, as are your staff members, on the task at hand and are taking this duty very seriously. It was great to have several of the members of the Commission visit Clovis and I appreciate each member's attentiveness and questions while visiting Clovis. The number of people that lined the streets of Clovis was a clear indication of how much Clovis and Portales care about Cannon Air Force Base, and as you can tell, we feel that having Cannon on the BRAC closure list is a mistake and that Cannon Air Force Base should be removed from the closure list. The presentations to the Commission clearly pointed out the value of this base and the service that Cannon provides not only to the military but to the entire country as well. I further appreciate your Commission asking pointed questions of D.O.D. since our hearing and trying to create alternatives that would keep Cannon.

I have the utmost confidence that you will fulfill all of your duties as a BRAC commissioner and will lawfully weigh all the criteria and give consideration to all of the factors. I am also confident that Cannon will be recommended for removal from the BRAC list after you lawfully discharge your duties as a BRAC commissioner. The military value of Cannon, by looking at the past history of Cannon and its involvement with past war time and peacekeeping duties speaks for itself. However, I challenge you to find any other major Air Force Base which has a better combination of flight weather, expandability, great airspace, little electromagnetic interference, award winning personnel and facilities, state-of-the-art air traffic control and suitability for interservice training. Can you imagine how valuable Cannon will be for interservice training with Fort Bliss which is going to be adding 12,000 troops? We have the bombing range and we have plenty of space, want more space, all it cost is \$1,300 to \$1,500 per acre to expand. Where else can

BRAC Commission
Admiral Harold W. Gehman, Jr.
August 3, 2005
Page 2

you expand at such a minimal cost? Next, in regards to the encroachment issue, we do not have such an encroachment issue here in the Clovis area as was evidenced by the Commission members' view from the control tower during the Cannon visit. In the past, when the Pentagon has asked for things to occur at Cannon Air Force Base, the community and the Committee of Fifty have come through with each and every request made. The ability for pilots at Cannon to pull up their landing gear and practically begin training immediately is of great value to our military, not just Cannon, but other bases as well. Look at all the fuel time that is being wasted by other bases currently using our range, it has to be more efficient to have the planes based here instead of somewhere else. A sub-sonic fly zone is all but achieved and should be factored into the BRAC review. Further, there will be a huge economic impact on the local community and a great cost expense in regards to the recent privatization of housing for Cannon personnel and also with the relocation expense of the equipment and personnel.

Again, thank you to each member who attended the June 24, 2005 hearings in Clovis and for your kind consideration of my letter and I look forward to hearing your commission's recommendation that Cannon be removed from the BRAC closure list. Please contact me if you have any questions or if there are any other matters which you would like any input in order for you to fulfill your duties as a BRAC Commission member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marion Ty Rutter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "M".

MARION TY RUTTER

MTR:st

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED
OF INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW
1200 MITCHELL, P.O. BOX 370
CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO 88101

OF COUNSEL
HURSHEL R. HARDING
CHARLES F. AYCOCK*

TEXAS OFFICE

402 THIRD STREET, P.O. BOX 286
FARWELL, TEXAS 79325
PHONE: 806-481-3361
FAX: 806-481-9060

JOHN ALDRIDGE (1905-1968)
SAM ALDRIDGE (1907-1977)

JOHNNY W. ACTKINSON*
MARION TY RUTTER, P.C. **
JEFF W. ACTKINSON, P.C.*

505-762-4700 BRAC Commission
FAX 505-769-9790

AUG 08 2005

Received

**ALSO LICENSED IN OKLAHOMA AND ARIZONA
*NOT LICENSED IN NEW MEXICO

August 3, 2005

BRAC Commission
The Honorable Anthony J. Principi, Chairman
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Principi:

Thank you for your service on the BRAC Commission. I know that each of you are working long hours, as are your staff members, on the task at hand and are taking this duty very seriously. It was great to have several of the members of the Commission visit Clovis and I appreciate each member's attentiveness and questions while visiting Clovis. The number of people that lined the streets of Clovis was a clear indication of how much Clovis and Portales care about Cannon Air Force Base, and as you can tell, we feel that having Cannon on the BRAC closure list is a mistake and that Cannon Air Force Base should be removed from the closure list. The presentations to the Commission clearly pointed out the value of this base and the service that Cannon provides not only to the military but to the entire country as well. I further appreciate your Commission asking pointed questions of D.O.D. since our hearing and trying to create alternatives that would keep Cannon.

I have the utmost confidence that you will fulfill all of your duties as a BRAC commissioner and will lawfully weigh all the criteria and give consideration to all of the factors. I am also confident that Cannon will be recommended for removal from the BRAC list after you lawfully discharge your duties as a BRAC commissioner. The military value of Cannon, by looking at the past history of Cannon and its involvement with past war time and peacekeeping duties speaks for itself. However, I challenge you to find any other major Air Force Base which has a better combination of flight weather, expandability, great airspace, little electromagnetic interference, award winning personnel and facilities, state-of-the-art air traffic control and suitability for interservice training. Can you imagine how valuable Cannon will be for interservice training with Fort Bliss which is going to be adding 12,000 troops? We have the bombing range and we have

BRAC Commission
The Honorable Anthony J. Principi, Chairman
August 3, 2005
Page 2

plenty of space, want more space, all it cost is \$1,300 to \$1,500 per acre to expand. Where else can you expand at such a minimal cost? Next, in regards to the encroachment issue, we do not have such an encroachment issue here in the Clovis area as was evidenced by the Commission members' view from the control tower during the Cannon visit. In the past, when the Pentagon has asked for things to occur at Cannon Air Force Base, the community and the Committee of Fifty have come through with each and every request made. The ability for pilots at Cannon to pull up their landing gear and practically begin training immediately is of great value to our military, not just Cannon, but other bases as well. Look at all the fuel time that is being wasted by other bases currently using our range, it has to be more efficient to have the planes based here instead of somewhere else. A sub-sonic fly zone is all but achieved and should be factored into the BRAC review. Further, there will be a huge economic impact on the local community and a great cost expense in regards to the recent privatization of housing for Cannon personnel and also with the relocation expense of the equipment and personnel.

Again, thank you to each member who attended the June 24, 2005 hearings in Clovis and for your kind consideration of my letter and I look forward to hearing your commission's recommendation that Cannon be removed from the BRAC closure list. Please contact me if you have any questions or if there are any other matters which you would like any input in order for you to fulfill your duties as a BRAC Commission member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marion Ty Rutter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "M".

MARION TY RUTTER

MTR:st

AUG 08 2005

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P.

A REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP COMPRISED
OF INDIVIDUALS AND PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS AT LAW
1200 MITCHELL, P.O. BOX 370
CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO 88101
505-762-4700
FAX 505-769-9790

OF COUNSEL
HURSHEL R. HARDING
CHARLES F. AYCOCK*

TEXAS OFFICE
402 THIRD STREET, P.O. BOX 286
FARWELL, TEXAS 79325
PHONE: 806-481-3361
FAX: 806-481-9060

JOHN ALDRIDGE (1905-1968)
SAM ALDRIDGE (1907-1977)

JOHNNY W. ACTKINSON*
MARION TY RUTTER, P.C. **
JEFF W. ACTKINSON, P.C.*

**ALSO LICENSED IN OKLAHOMA AND ARIZONA
*NOT LICENSED IN NEW MEXICO

August 3, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 South Clark Street Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Cannon Air Force Base, Clovis, New Mexico

Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for your service on the BRAC Commission. I know that each of you are working long hours, as are your staff members, on the task at hand and are taking this duty very seriously. It was great to have several of the members of the Commission visit Clovis and I appreciate each member's attentiveness and questions while visiting Clovis. The number of people that lined the streets of Clovis was a clear indication of how much Clovis and Portales care about Cannon Air Force Base, and as you can tell, we feel that having Cannon on the BRAC closure list is a mistake and that Cannon Air Force Base should be removed from the closure list. The presentations to the Commission clearly pointed out the value of this base and the service that Cannon provides not only to the military but to the entire country as well. I further appreciate your Commission asking pointed questions of D.O.D. since our hearing and trying to create alternatives that would keep Cannon.

I have the utmost confidence that you will fulfill all of your duties as a BRAC commissioner and will lawfully weigh all the criteria and give consideration to all of the factors. I am also confident that Cannon will be recommended for removal from the BRAC list after you lawfully discharge your duties as a BRAC commissioner. The military value of Cannon, by looking at the past history of Cannon and its involvement with past war time and peacekeeping duties speaks for itself. However, I challenge you to find any other major Air Force Base which has a better combination of flight weather, expandability, great airspace, little electromagnetic interference, award winning personnel and facilities, state-of-the-art air traffic control and suitability for interservice training. Can you imagine how valuable Cannon will be for interservice training with Fort Bliss which is going to be adding 12,000 troops? We have the bombing range and we have plenty of space, want more space, all it cost is \$1,300 to \$1,500 per acre to expand. Where else can

BRAC Commission
August 3, 2005
Page 2

you expand at such a minimal cost? Next, in regards to the encroachment issue, we do not have such an encroachment issue here in the Clovis area as was evidenced by the Commission members' view from the control tower during the Cannon visit. In the past, when the Pentagon has asked for things to occur at Cannon Air Force Base, the community and the Committee of Fifty have come through with each and every request made. The ability for pilots at Cannon to pull up their landing gear and practically begin training immediately is of great value to our military, not just Cannon, but other bases as well. Look at all the fuel time that is being wasted by other bases currently using our range, it has to be more efficient to have the planes based here instead of somewhere else. A sub-sonic fly zone is all but achieved and should be factored into the BRAC review. Further, there will be a huge economic impact on the local community and a great cost expense in regards to the recent privatization of housing for Cannon personnel and also with the relocation expense of the equipment and personnel.

Again, thank you to each member who attended the June 24, 2005 hearings in Clovis and for your kind consideration of my letter and I look forward to hearing your commission's recommendation that Cannon be removed from the BRAC closure list. Please contact me if you have any questions or if there are any other matters which you would like any input in order for you to fulfill your duties as a BRAC Commission member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marion Ty Rutter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and "R".

MARION TY RUTTER

MTR:st

AUG 08 2005

Dear Harold W. Grehman Jr.,

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson

AUG 08 2005

Dear Philip Coyle,

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson

AUG 08 2009

Received

Dear Anthony J. Principi,

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson

AUG 08 2005

Received

Dear James H. Bilbray,

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson

Dear Philip Coyle,

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

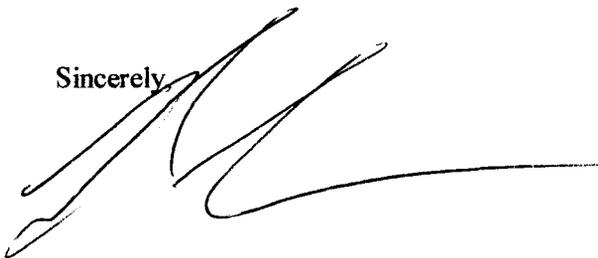
The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

Sincerely,



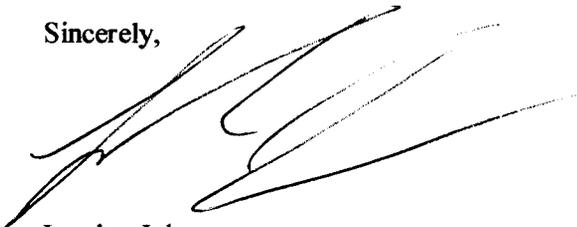
Landon Johnson

Dear James H. Bilbray,

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Landon Johnson

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

Dear Anthony J. Principi,

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

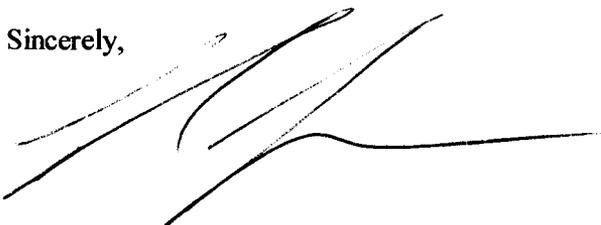
The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Received

Sincerely,



Landon Johnson

Dear James V. Hansen,

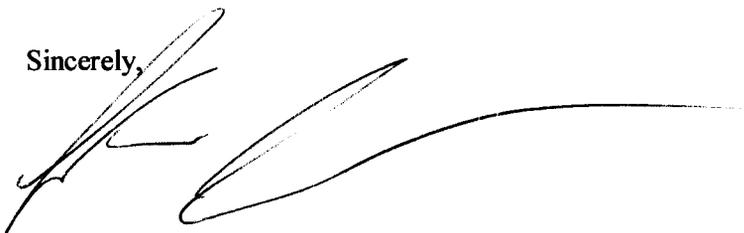
AUG 08 2005

Received

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Landon Johnson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Landon Johnson

Dear James T. Hill,

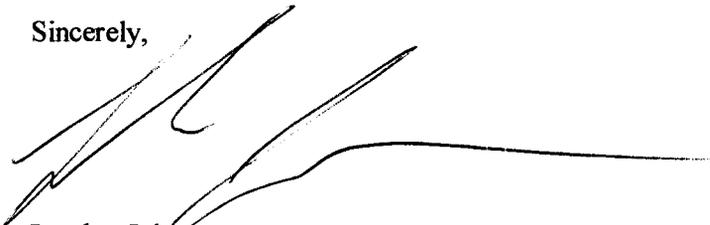
AUG 08 2005

Received

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



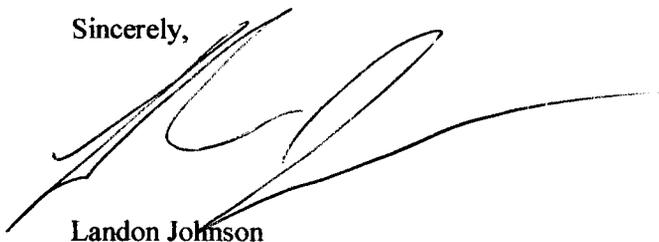
Landon Johnson

Dear Harold W. Grehman Jr.,

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The BRAC Commission created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Landon Johnson

Dear James H. Bilbray,

AUG 08 2005

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Jamie Baker

Dear Philip Coyle,

AUG 08 2005

Received

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Jamie Baker

Dear Lloyd Newton,

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Landon Johnson

Dear Sue Ellen Turner,

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005
Received

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Landon Johnson

Dear Anthony J. Principi,

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Jamie Baker

Dear Harold W. Grehman Jr.,

AUG 08 2005

Received

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Jamie Baker

Dear Samuel Knox Skinner,

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Landon Johnson

Dear Lloyd Newton,

AUG 08 2005

Received

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Jamie Baker

Dear Samuel Knox Skinner,

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Jamie Baker

Dear James T. Hill,

BRAC Commission

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Jamie Baker

Dear James V. Hansen,

AUG 08 2005

Received

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Jamie Baker

Dear Sue Ellen Turner,

AUG 08 2005

Received

I would like to address the proposed matter to close Cannon Air Force Base. There are many reasons why I feel Cannon should not close but one reason really stands out; what is to come of the Department of Energy (DOE) sites in this area? WIPP located outside of Carlsbad, NM is one concern. The U.S. DOE created the site in 1993 to lead the nation's transuranic waste disposal efforts and in 2000 the (CBFO) Carlsbad Field Operations took on significant new responsibilities including protecting the environment along the U.S. and Mexico border. Another site located in New Mexico is the Sandia Labs located in Los Alamos its' primary objective is to develop the scientific principles that govern the performance and integration of nanoscale materials, thereby building the foundations for future nanotechnologies. According to the web site nanoscale science and technology is at the frontier of materials science, chemistry, biology, computational science and engineering. Secretary of Energy, Spencer Abraham said, "by accelerating the advancement of nanoscience, this new center will pave the way for new technologies that benefit our nation's energy, environment, and national security and enable the United States to compete in the high technology world economy." Finally Pantex located in the high plains of West Texas is the premier supplier for nuclear fuel components for the U.S. Navy they have 44 years of experience involving nuclear fuel components.

The question I have for the Department of Defense and the BRAC Commission is that if Cannon is closed can we afford to have these sites hundreds of miles away from the next base? Of course these sites are under high security and are ran by trained professionals but by closing the doors of to Cannon Air Force Base will these bring interest to those who plain to do further harm to our country. If terrorists organizations or anyone for that matter see these changes as windows of opportunities could we be invoking future trouble or even worse nuclear components being stolen? I feel this is a major concern and if Cannon does close what does The Defense Department have in store for these sites?

Sincerely,



Jamie Baker

AUG 08 2005

Received

Dear Harold W. Grehman Jr.,

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Landon Johnson

AUG 08 2005

Dear James H. Bilbray,

Received

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Landon Johnson

AUG 08 2005

Dear Philip Coyle,

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. ^{Received.} Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Landon Johnson

AUG 08 2005

Dear James V. Hansen,

Received

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Landon Johnson

BRAC Commission

AUG 08 2005

Dear Sue Ellen Turner,

Received

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson

BRAC Commission

Dear Lloyd Newton,

AUG 08 2005

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson

BRAC Commission

Dear Samuel Knox Skinner,

AUG 08 2005

Lately I have been hearing about a base being put on the closure list, located on the East Coast. Listening to the gossip around town makes me wonder if Oceana was put on the list to save Cannon. Wishful thinking may be the only logical thing in this case but regardless a person can still hope. As I read about Oceana, I realized how much this base had in common with Cannon. For example, no encroachments, lots of room to grow, no school, malls, or anything of that nature that would be directly affected by a flight path. The governor, state reps and so on all seem very concerned about the BRAC Commissions decision to put Oceana on the list. Although the government on the East Coast is concerned you have a few people who do not directly like the base there. A man by the name of Hal Levenson, spokesman for a group called Citizens Concerned About Jet Noise, said, "he would liked to show BRAC Commissioners a shopping mall and two elementary schools that are in Oceana's flight path." But obviously there is not any, again just like Cannon.

Cannon is located 8 miles outside of Clovis, which makes it hard to conflict with schools and malls. The base has room to grow and grow to the point were there would be no problem making room for more aircraft. I strongly believe keeping Cannon open to home other bases being closed is an awesome idea. The biggest point of interest Cannon I believe has is NO ENCROACHMENT! You and I both know how much the people in this area care about our base. The affects that will be caused by a base closure will hurt us in many ways. So yes we should be concerned about our future, after all this is our home and we will do what we deem necessary to keep our small town alive. It is easy to see that other communities don't care if their bases close. That is fine but let me put it this way if there are people who do not care what happens to their community and so forth then lets close those bases. Do our best to keep the ones open were it matters most. Lets fix the problems that Cannon has before we close the doors, lets see if there is anyway to save our base and my home. I trust whatever you decide it is the right thing to do for everyone.

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson