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The Honorable Anthony Joseph Principi
Chairman, Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission

Attn: Mr. Charles Battaglia
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Arlington, VA 22202

May 2, 2005

My Dear Mr. Chairman:

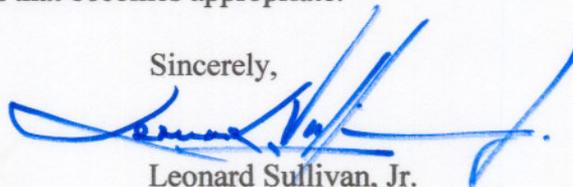
My non-profit organization has been working for some years to improve the image of our nation's capital city in the eyes of all Americans as well as others worldwide who look to the US for hope and inspiration. DC's socioeconomic ills flow from the fact that it is rich in poor people, and poor in available land that could enrich their lives and improve the city's below-average urban stature.

The District sorely needs hundreds more acres of unencumbered properties suitable for high-density development. Your commission could easily make them available, since alternate (and safer) military installations abound well within the national capital metro area.

Rather than repeat our rationale, I am attaching the letter we sent to Secretary Rumsfeld last fall as well as a hard copy of our web site analysis for those who may wish more detail. All of you are welcome to visit our web site at www.narpac.org/REXBRAC.HTM. We don't know DoD reactions to our inputs, but doubt their enthusiasm for ceding space so close to the seat of world power.

We look forward to an opportunity to plead our case for closing District military facilities before the Commission, if and when that becomes appropriate.

Sincerely,



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