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July 8, 2005

BRAC Commission
2521 S. Clark Street, Suite 600
Arlington, VA 22202

RE: NAS JRB Willow Grove

Dear BRAC Commissioner,

I urge you to consider maintaining or realigning the military installation NAS JRB Willow Grove, located in Horsham, PA. This is the model of joint use base facilities whose strengths include:

- **Working Joint Operations** including **all** services except Coast Guard.
- **Critical/strategic location** near all Northeast Corridor major metropolitan and port areas.
- **Vital part of Homeland Defense and Security** for the East Coast. Many hospitals near-by with heliports. What happened in London yesterday was a reality check. It is not if America will be hit again but when.
- **Huge economic impact** to our local region.
- Modern 8,000 ft. runway and modern Digital Radar Air Control System – **one of only four** in the U.S. and available for Emergency Preparedness and operations.
- **Strong community support.**

I appreciate your review of the NAS JRB Willow Grove and hope for your recommendation in maintaining the Base.

Sincerely,



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BRAC Commission
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Arlington, VA 22202

Dear BRAC Commissioner:

WE STRONGLY urge you to convey our interest in maintaining the military installation NAS JRB Willow Grove, located in Montgomery County, Horsham, PA. The Willow Grove is a model of the joint use of base facilities whose strengths include:

Working Joint operations including ALL services except the Coast Guard

Critical/strategic location near all Northeast Corridor major metropolitan and port areas

Vital part of Homeland Defense & Security for the East Cost

Huge economic impact to our entire local region

Modern, 8,000 ft. runway and modern Digital Radar Air Control System

-one of only four in the United States and available to Emergency Preparedness and operations.

Strong community support.

We appreciate your representation and thank you for conveying our strong appeal to keeping NAS JRB WILLOW GROVE --- OPEN !!!!!

Sincerely yours,

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