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TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

I transmit herewith the report containing the recommendations of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission pursuant to sections 2903 and 2914 of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990, Public Law 101-510, 104 Stat. 1810, as amended. That report includes changes referenced in errata sheets submitted to me by the Commission, including the enclosed errata sheets dated September 8, September 9, September 12, and September 13, 2005.

I note that I am in receipt of a letter from Chairman Principi, dated September 8, 2005, regarding a district court injunction then in effect relating to the Bradley International Airport Air Guard Station in Windsor Locks, Connecticut. Chairman Principi's letter states that, as a result of that injunction, "you should consider the portion of Recommendation 85 . . . that recommends realignment of the Connecticut 103rd Fighter Wing withdrawn from the Commission's report." The Chairman's letter further states that "[i]f the court's injunction is later vacated, reversed, stayed, or otherwise withdrawn, it is the intent of the Commission that the entirety of the recommendation be a part of the Commission's report." On September 9, 2005, the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit granted a stay of the district court's injunction. Because the injunction is no longer in effect, Recommendation 85 in its entirety is part of the Commission's report.

I certify that I approve all the recommendations contained in the Commission's report.



THE WHITE HOUSE,

September 15, 2005.

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September 8, 2005

The following administrative changes were made to the 2005 Base Closure and Realignment Report following the printing of the hard bound and CD-ROM versions of the report. The electronic versions of the report on the www.brac.gov web site and three ring binder versions of the Report reflect the changes detailed below.

Page 335, chart, 2nd row, 2nd column. Changed from "Army, 12 major closures, \$170,180,00;" to "Army, 12 major closures, \$170,180,000;"

Page Q-92, line 32. Added the motion number "186." to precede the wording, "CREATE AN INTEGRATED WEAPONS & ARMAMENTS SPECIALTY SITE FOR GUNS AND AMMUNITION (TECH 19)"

Page R-13, paragraph (3). Changed from, "After June 30, 2011, the Commission shall promptly provide, upon request, to any Member of Congress information used by the Commission in making its recommendations." to "After June 30, 2015, the Commission shall promptly provide, upon request, to any Member of Congress information used by the Commission in making its recommendations."

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September 9, 2005

The following are corrections to the 2005 Base Closure and Realignment Report. The electronic versions of the report posted here at www.brac.gov will be corrected to reflect these changes.

Page 12, line 15, replace "substantially deviated from final selection criteria 1, 2 and 5" with "substantially deviated from final selection criteria 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7"

Page 129, line 24; page Q-38, Recommendation 90, paragraph a, and; page Q-39, footnote 113, replace "Establish 18 PAA F-16 aircraft at the 183rd Fighter Wing, Fort Wayne International Airport Air Guard Station, IN" with "Establish 18 PAA F-16 aircraft at the 122nd Fighter Wing, Fort Wayne International Airport Air Guard Station, IN."

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September 12, 2005

George W. Bush
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Dear Mr. President:

Further review of the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission Report transmitted to you on September 8, 2005 has revealed several corrections needed for clarity and accuracy. The changes, which are to be incorporated into the Report, are administrative and conforming in nature and serve to ensure correct and complete understanding of the Commission's reasoning and intent.

In addition to the corrections contained in the enclosed errata provided earlier, the following changes have also been made to the Report:

- Page 127, 8th paragraph. Delete "(ANG)" after "57th Fighter Wing".
- Page 253, line 7. Change PAYBACK PERIOD from "4 YEARS" to "8 YEARS".
- Page O-7, Appendix O, 2nd entry: "Denver-Aurora, CO Metropolitan Statistical Area". Change "Air Reserve Personnel Center" to "Air Reserve Personnel Center and Defense Finance and Accounting Service (Buckley Annex)".
- Page O-21, Appendix O, 8th entry. "Fayetteville, NC Metropolitan Area". Replace "Pope Air Force Base/Net Changes for This Economic Area" figures with:

-5,806	-382	-132	-6,320	-4,234	-10,554	-3.8%
-1,728	-135	-132	-1,995	-1,321	-3,316	-1.6%

- Page O-22, Appendix O, 1st entry: "New Bern, NC Metropolitan Statistical Area". Replace "Total for North Carolina" figures with:

-1,310	-721	-161	-2,192	-1,424	-3,620	-1.7%
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The electronic version of the Report posted on the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission website will be corrected to reflect these changes.

Mr. President, I once again note, on behalf of the Commissioners and staff, that it has been an honor and privilege to serve on the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

Respectfully yours,



Anthony J. Principi
Chairman

Enclosure

- (1) Changes to BRAC Commission Report dtd September 8, 2005
- (2) Changes to BRAC Commission Report dtd September 9, 2005

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September 13, 2005

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Dear Mr. President:

The need for an additional change to the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Report has been brought to my attention. A motion to amend a recommendation of the Secretary of Defense was voted down but is reflected in the Report as having passed. As a result of the motion failing and in the absence of the Commission determining that the Secretary deviated substantially from the force-structure plan and final selection criteria as required by Section 2903(d)(2)(B) of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990, as amended, the Secretary's recommendation is approved.

Three changes in the Report, described below, are required to correct this error.

- Page 170. Delete "Commission Recommendations" and the text that follows.
- Page Q-58, Appendix Q. Replace subparagraph a. with the Secretary's recommendation: "Realign Fairchild Air Force Base, WA. The 141st Air Refueling Wing (ANG) will associate with the 92nd Air Refueling Wing at Fairchild Air Force Base, and the 141st Air Refueling Wing's eight KC-135R aircraft are distributed to the 185th Air Refueling Wing (ANG), Sioux Gateway Airport Air Guard Station, IA. The 256th Combat Communications Squadron and 242nd Combat Communications Squadron, which are ANG geographically separated units at Four Lakes and Spokane, are relocated into available facilities at Fairchild Air Force Base."
- Pages Q-58 and 59, Appendix Q. Delete footnote 160.

The effect of these changes is limited with results that conform to and reflect the Commission's overall purpose and plan. The Secretary's recommendation largely provides for the distribution of aircraft as the Commission envisioned. I am confident that the realignment of Fairchild Air Force Base directed by the Secretary will be accomplished consistent with the overall KC-135 aircraft laydown plan developed by the Commission.

Respectfully yours,

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