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Dear Mr. President:

Further examination of the 2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission report transmitted to you on September 8, 2005, has revealed the need for additional modifications. The changes are necessary for accuracy and clarity.

A new version of Appendix O: Economic Impact of Commission Final Deliberations, is attached at enclosure (1). Several sections of the original version of the appendix contain mixed, and therefore misleading, economic data from 2003 and 2005. Other sections do not accurately reflect realignment and closure actions taken by the Commission. The original economic data received from the Department of Defense is reflected in the new version in instances where the Commission made no change to the Department of Defense recommendation. Where the Commission made a change to a Department of Defense recommendation that altered economic impact, the Commission has recalculated the impact based on current economic data and modified Appendix O accordingly.

The corrections below are required in Appendix Q: Commission's Final Recommendations.

- In Recommendation 21, page Q-9, Appendix Q, change the subparagraphs to remove the repeated "a" designation.
- In footnote 102, page Q-34, Appendix Q, delete the word "Airlift" in the fifth bullet where it is repeated.
- Beginning in the fourth line of footnote 104, page Q-35, Appendix Q, delete the language "The A-10s assigned to the 103^d Fighter Wing will be distributed to the 104th Fighter Wing, Barnes Municipal Airport Air Guard Station, MA (nine aircraft) and retirement (six aircraft). The wing's expeditionary combat support (ECS) elements will remain in place at Bradley and Bradley will retain capability to support a Homeland Defense mission.' and insert in its place".

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- In footnote 133, page Q-47, Appendix Q, delete the language “the Commission strike the text of the entire recommendation and inserted in its place”.
- In footnote 153, page Q-56, Appendix Q, replace the word “altitute” with the word “altitude”.
- On page Q-58, Appendix Q, delete footnote 159 (footnote 160 was deleted earlier). Renumber footnotes 161 through 268 as footnotes 159 through 266.
- In Recommendation 132, paragraph 1, page Q-65, Appendix Q, replace the words “Amy Review Boards” with the words “Army Review Boards Agency”.
- On page Q-67, Appendix Q, correct the formatting of the heading for Recommendation 135 by deleting the figure “2.”.
- In footnote 187, page Q-68, Appendix Q, replace the abbreviation “UT” with the abbreviation “OK”.
- On page Q-73, Appendix Q, correct the formatting of the heading for Recommendation 147 by replacing the figure “3.” with the figures “147”.
- On page Q-85, Appendix Q, insert the number for Recommendation 176.

The corrections reflected below are required in Appendix T: Maps and Charts.

Map Name and Page	Original (erroneous) Map Designation	Corrected Map Designation
United States Northeastern Seaboard (pg T-2)	Otis Air National Guard Base, MA was incorrectly listed as a closure (red circle).	Otis Air National Guard Base, MA is now correctly listed as a realignment (blue diamond).
United States Southeastern Seaboard (pg T-3)	The locations of Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico and the Ramey USARC, Puerto Rico, were incorrectly transposed.	Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico and the Ramey USARC are now correctly located.
United States Great Lakes Region (pg T-4)	Whitehall Memorial USARC, OH (closure) was incorrectly listed twice, while DFAS Columbus, OH (gaining) was not listed at all.	DFAS Columbus, OH is now correctly listed as a gaining installation (green triangle).
South Central United States (pg T-5)	NAS Corpus Christi, TX was incorrectly listed as a closure (red circle).	NAS Corpus Christi, TX is now correctly listed as a realignment (blue diamond).

These changes correct what are mostly editing errors. They do not alter the substance of the report and they accurately reflect the Commission's intent. As with previous changes, the electronic version of the Report posted on the Commission website will be corrected to reflect these changes.

Respectfully yours,



Anthony J. Principi
Chairman

Enclosure

(1) New version of Appendix O