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Dear Chairman Prinicipi:

Thank you for your leadership in this important Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process. I recognize the importance of modernizing our military to deal with the threats of the 21st century.

Today, Secretary Rumsfeld announced his recommendations for the BRAC Commission to review. As you may already know, the recommendation for Dyess Air Force Base, which is located in my district, is to gain 24 B-1 aircraft, but lose 32 C-130's.

As a result of this announcement I would like to invite you to discuss this matter further with me.

While the Defense Department's announcement today is an acknowledgement that Dyess is our Nation's premier B-1 base, I disagree with the recommendation to transfer our C-130's.

The C-130's have been based at Dyess since 1961. With its assault landing strip, extensive facilities and good flying weather, Dyess has been an excellent home for the C-130's over the years. Moreover, Dyess has the necessary ramp space to handle the additional B-1's, C-130's and tankers.

Again, thank you for your leadership. I look forward to hearing from you soon regarding my request.

Sincerely,



Randy Neugebauer

