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**1993
REPORT
TO THE
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The President
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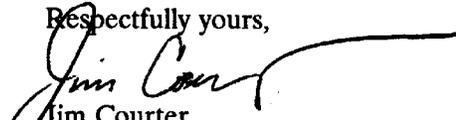
Dear Mr. President:

We are pleased to submit the 1993 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission report containing the Commission's findings and conclusions based on a review and analysis of the recommendations made by the Secretary of Defense, together with the Commission's recommendations for closure and realignment of military installations inside the United States.

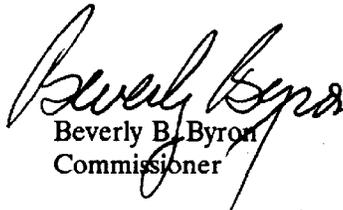
The Commission scrutinized thousands of pages of testimony and written documentation. We held 17 hearings across the United States, visited over 125 military activities, and met with hundreds of community representatives. The Commission heard from many expert witnesses, including Members of Congress and officials representing the Department of Defense, the General Accounting Office, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Congressional Budget Office. Our hearings, deliberations, and records were open to the public.

Every installation recommended for closure or realignment enjoys a proud history of service to the nation. We recognize that closing a base creates economic hardship for communities that have offered our nation a priceless service by hosting a military facility. Nevertheless, continuing budget constraints mandated by Congress along with changing national security requirements compel the United States to reduce and realign its military forces. This report reflects the fiercely independent judgment of the Commission's seven members. While not one of our decisions was easy, we are convinced our recommendations were not only fair but will strengthen this country's ability to meet its domestic and international responsibilities with more limited resources.

Respectfully yours,

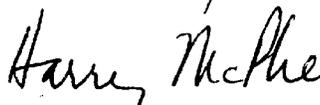

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