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City of Alexandria, Virginia – City Council Meeting of February 12, 2011

Public Discussion Period

Comments of Donald N. Buch (389 Livermore Lane)

I appeared before you on Saturday, December 18, 2010 to request that the public be provided a “cost/benefit” analysis of the BRAC-133 project which our City Government encouraged to locate at Mark Center. I understood that such a cost/benefit analysis would be forthcoming. As costs to our community appear to continue to escalate, I am here today to ask how the cost/benefit analysis is progressing.

I would also mention that I asked that this matter be placed on the agenda for next week’s BRAC Advisory Group meeting. While it did make the draft agenda it was removed prior to the final agenda being published by the City. I was subsequently advised that “the City” had determined it is not an appropriate topic to be pursued by the Advisory Group. I find it rather odd that the BRAC Advisory Group should not inquire as to the impact costs of BRAC. In turn, as a member of the Advisory Group, I would appreciate Council’s guidance as to what BRAC-related matters you believe are and are not appropriate for the Advisory Group to pursue.

Thank you.