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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON November 5, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

William E. Timmons

SUBJECT:

Rep. Robert E. Bauman (R-Md)

Congressman Robert Bauman has had a continuing request for a pledge from you, and previously from President Nixon, that there be no decision made concerning the future of the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School at Aberdeen, Maryland without first giving him an opportunity to discuss the matter with you.

There is presently an Army recommendation that this function be moved to Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, Alabama. Concurrently, the Army would bring in other activities to Aberdeen resulting in little impact on the local economy. Since this recommendation will probably be carried out in the national interest, it is obvious that you cannot comply with Bauman's request.

Although you have previously indicated a willingness to see Bauman on this matter, it is my belief that it is in your best interest not to see him since there is no way you or anyone else can make the inevitable decision acceptable to him.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you authorize me to continue to decline his requests for appointments to discuss this matter.

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Approve	Disapprove	

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 7, 1974

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

WILLIAM E. TIMMONS

FROM:

JERRY H. JON

SUBJECT:

Rep. Robert E. Bauman (R-Md)

Your memorandum to the President of November 5 on the above subject has been reviewed and the following notation was made:

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I can listen and make no commitment.
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Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Don Rumsfeld