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Mr. Reid Nelson
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Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
401 F Street NW, Suite 308
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Nelson,

This letter transmits the enclosed "Program Comment for Army Warfighting Readiness and Associate Infrastructure" for your action. In accordance with 36 CFR 800.14(e)(5), the Army requests the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's comment within 60 days of receipt. Also enclosed is the record of public comments received in response to the Army's Federal Register notice for the program comment.

This program comment strikes a balance between our critical responsibility to maintain a trained and ready force and our commitment to historic preservation. It represents a re-evaluation of the intersection between national defense and historic preservation, offering a programmatic solution to address long-standing Army Section 106 compliance challenges, while reducing bureaucracy and subjectivity within the compliance process.

This program comment is a key component of the Army's Continuous Transformation Initiative. As the Army modernizes, we require a Section 106 compliance framework that can operate at the speed of our mission. The program comment provides that framework, enabling rapid mission transformation and infrastructure upgrades.

Thank you for your continued support of our Soldiers and their families. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures