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Dear Dr. Glenn / Dr. Stiels-Glenn:

Thank you for your letter dated January 8, 2017, outlining your concerns regarding Tower Barracks, Dülmen.

As you may know, the United States Army Europe (USAREUR) has made a concerted effort in the past few months to inform, build trust, and be transparent with the greater population and government of Dülmen. You may have even read some of the press releases concerning our visits to the city, including coverage of my visit in December 2016.

Most recently, Colonel Rodney Honeycutt, the U.S. officer in charge of the equipment storage activities soon to come to Tower Barracks, participated in an interview with the *Dülmener Zeitung* on January 15. Coincidentally, many of your questions were similar to those asked by the interviewing journalist. I therefore refer you to that interview. I would also like to respond to your questions in the order they were posed:

- a. USAREUR will store only military vehicles and equipment at Tower Barracks. This material is part of a large set to be used in case of emergency and stems from the recent decisions of the NATO Alliance to reinforce deterrence capabilities.
- b. Only a very small number of soldiers will be based in Dülmen (less than a dozen). Like all employees working at Tower Barracks, they will find housing on the local economy. Further, the pre-positioning of military equipment is not related to the operations in Eastern Europe that are being conducted by the 3d Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, from Fort Carson, Colorado.
- c. The equipment sets that we will be bringing to Tower Barracks are anticipated to be in place for several years.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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d. No M1 Abrams main battle tanks will be within Tower Barracks. We do, however, intend to store artillery, including some modern howitzers, air-defense artillery, headquarters units, and engineer and field medical assets.

e. As mentioned by Colonel Honeycutt in his interview, we intend to deliver our equipment during times that will least affect the lives of the local citizens. Traffic is a concern of ours as well. Once the equipment is in place (most will arrive by rail), routine road traffic should not significantly increase because of our presence. Noise levels should not be much different than those experienced during the years when the British Army utilized the installation.

f. The equipment and material at Tower Barracks is intended for crisis situations. Positioning this equipment in Germany allows NATO to respond faster than it could if it had to wait for the equipment to arrive from the United States. The equipment will be maintained to a high level of readiness, but we do not intend to conduct sudden validation exercises.

g. During emergency situations, where the NATO Alliance has collectively determined these assets need be employed, we envision that units from the United States would fly to Germany, take control of the vehicles and equipment stored at Tower Barracks, and then move by rail and road as necessary.

I trust these answers are helpful to you in understanding our mission and intent. We look forward to being your good neighbors in Dülmen and thank you for your questions. I am confident that the return of the U.S. Army to Dülmen will prove to be beneficial both to the U.S. Army and to the citizens of the region.

Sincerely,



Kai R. Rohrschneider
Brigadier General, German Army
Chief of Staff

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