

April 1, 1953

Honorable Carl Hayden
United States Senate

Dear Senator Hayden:

You will recall, I am sure, during our recent conference, wherein the reasons necessitating the inactivation of Fort Huachuca, Arizona, were explained to you and other members of the Arizona Delegation, certain questions were asked and for which I agreed to obtain the answers. I have now received the information desired and am happy to furnish it to you at this time.

Since Fort Huachuca's reactivation, as a result of the Korean situation, approximately 10,000 troops have been trained at that installation, primarily members of engineer aviation battalions. There have been no major troop movements into this station for six months and no movement of units into the post during the past two months.

The recent cut of approximately \$89 million in the Army's maintenance and operation funds represented about ten percent of the appropriation originally requested.

Fort Huachuca would be reactivated only in the event of increased troop strength or the redeployment of our present strength which would result in a substantial increase in the number of personnel stationed in the continental United States.

Your very deep and continued interest and the interest of the citizens of Arizona in Fort Huachuca is sincerely appreciated, and I trust the above information and the information furnished you during our conference will enable you to fully understand the reasons necessitating the inactivation of Fort Huachuca. Should you desire additional information, however, please feel free to call upon me.

Sincerely yours,

MILES REBER
Major General, GS
Chief of Legislative
Liaison

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