Subject: OT: Political IQ Test

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Facts: Clinton cut the active military in half:

Total counts of Active Duty Military Personnel (Army + Navy + Marine Corps + Air Force)

1987: 2,174,217

(Bush, Sr. takes office)

1988: 2,138,213

1989: 2,130,229

1990: 2,043,705

1991: 1,985,555

(Clinton takes office)

1992: 1,807,180

1993: 1,705,103

1994: 1,610,490

1995: 1,518,224

1996: 1,471,722

1997: 1,438,562

1998: 1,406,830

1999: 1,385,703

(Clinton leaves office)

These figures show a net loss of 788,514 active military personnel, which is 36% of the military that Reagan had at the end of his term in 1988. You can see a graphical representation of this:

http://web1.whs.osd.mil/mmid/military/ms8.pdf

or the actual numbers at:

http://web1.whs.osd.mil/mmid/military/ms9.pdf

Note that these numbers do not include the FBI or CIA, which I think I need to dig up, because I know that their funding was cut along with the DoD funding.