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Dear Jonathan,

On behalf of the Marines (and one Sailor) stationed here with me in the Al Anbar Province, thank you for the box of food, toiletries, and CD's that we received from you. I apologize for this being late but I just came back off leave. My men appreciate more than you know the support that individuals as yourselves give to those who are over here serving. Just a note, a card, or anything showing the support of what we have been tasked to do helps. I am the Senior Enlisted Advisor for the Military Transition Team and as many here with me this is not our first tour here and more than likely will not be the last and the support that everyone like yourself gives is very much appreciated! Again the support that you have shown is greatly appreciated.

Our Brigade level Military Transition Team (MiTT) covers the area along the Euphrates River from Al Qaim at the Syrian border, east to the cities of Anah/Rawah. Half my team is from Camp Pendleton, and the other half from 29 Palms. I have been in the Marines since 1985, and this is my 2nd tour in Iraq.

Attached is a picture of my team before we deployed in September of '07 (I am in the front row second from the right in the picture). We are expected to be here for about a year. Right now we are under 60 days left till we are back home with family.

Warmest regards,

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