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Jerry Kaufman:

First of all I would just like to thank you all for your support, prayers, and letters. My soldiers and I really do appreciate all of your kindness and generosity. It is people like you that make doing this well worth the sacrifices that we endure. From the snacks, personal hygiene items, and reading materials to the more elaborate gifts such as flashlights and watches they all mean the same to us. They mean that someone back home cares about us and what we are doing. Nothing that has been sent to us has gone to waste. We go through the packages and take what we can use and then whatever is left over goes to our operations center for everyone else to go through. It is nice to know that we are not forgotten over here. For those of you that don't know where here is, we are in Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. My soldiers and I feel very strongly about what we are doing over here and we feel that we are making a difference. I wish I could respond back to each one of you individually but it is impossible with my workload and limited access to the mail and computers. I hope this isn't too impersonal. Thank you for the morale boost, you are helping soldiers realize their importance to the people back home.

Thanks again,

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