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Dear **ROD HIRSCH,**

Thank you for the care packages. You have touched my heart and the hearts of many Soldiers. I can tell that it truly makes their days much more pleasant. The support we have from you is invaluable and we thank you for sending them. Your thoughtfulness has been shared with many of the Soldiers. Keeping up the morale is extremely important to mission success.

Personally, this is my first deployment, as well as, my first unit. I love being a Chaplain Assistant and I work with a wonderful Chaplain. Fortunately, the Soldiers are already familiar with and know me and the Chaplain. They've come to recognize our faces through various bible studies, chapel services, classes and briefs, trainings, and walking around to their work areas.

A little about our unit, we are from Washington State, a place where the weather is completely opposite of Kuwait. We are currently experiencing temperatures in the 110-125's degrees. Not only is it a little toasty out, we also experience high winds and sandstorms. To get us through these long hot days and nights, we rely on your organization to lift our spirits. We have a hundreds of Soldiers that always smile when I and the Chaplain walk around and hand out these goodies. This is many of our Soldier's first deployment and other's second and even third. We all miss our families, friends, and homes very much. Our return home cannot come soon enough. The moment we return and have boots on American soil, will definitely be a good day! With your assistance though, our days are much more enjoyable.

Again, we are very appreciative of the service you have done for us.

Warmly,

Specialist Kerry Lynch