

**MILITARY MEMBERS IN AFGHANISTAN**

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Scott,

Happy New Year! I am Lieutenant Commander Greg St. Andre with the US Navy. I am stationed overseas in Kabul, Afghanistan. I have been here since mid July and will be leaving in early April. I want to Thank you for the care package that was sent to us. We all really enjoyed them. It is definitely some comfort from home, especially since the food over here sometimes isn't really good. Thank You for appreciating those who make the sacrifices we make and risk our lives to defend freedom. Many people throughout the world will never know what true freedom feels like, a freedom that many US citizens take for granted.

I apologize for not writing earlier, but sometimes the time slips away from us here. I am sure you understand we are really busy and get caught up with everything that occurs over here.

I work for Regional Command East as a liaison officer to Regional Command Capital. Both are very important commands in Afghanistan . Regional Command East surrounds the capital city of Kabul , which is Regional Command Capital, and is on the border with Pakistan . Regional Command Capital, which is run by the Turkish military, coordinates security and helps train and mentor the Afghan National Security Forces in Kabul . My base, Camp Warehouse , is a multinational base that is run by the French military. This base houses many NATO military personnel from Belgium , Bulgaria , Croatia , Italy , Germany , Luxembourg , Portugal , Romania , Spain , Sweden , Turkey and the US . I have made many friends from all of over Europe due to being here.

Please Thank everyone in Midland, Texas who helped out with this, taking time out of their day to send us care packages. Please encourage your friends to continue sending letters and such to the troops overseas. It is much appreciated by all.

Thank you once again! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! God Bless!

Sincerely,

Greg St. Andre  
Lieutenant Commander  
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