



eMail Our Military States "Troops Security Is Our Priority !"

MIAMI: (June 21, 2002) - eMailOurMilitary.com an internet based military support organization, providing encouragement, motivation & morale support to military service Members who request it considers troop security a number one priority. "People need to know that we take the security of our military members very seriously. We want to show our support so their security is our priority." states their Public Affairs Officer, BiBi Melguizo.

Melguizo said that "the majority" of the feedback she's received has been "phenomenally positive." "There were individuals who were concerned that the online campaign would send out numerous unsolicited email messages that could potentially jam networks, crash servers, or send viruses that could damage military systems. Others worried that sensitive information might be passed around the net, such as troop movements, locations and exercises."

In response to those comments, eMail Our Military's Public Affairs Officer mentioned she didn't think the people making the comments understood how the program works. "We work with Military Public Affairs Officials to find the best options for their units. Every Public Affairs Officer knows what will work best for their command so we are extremely flexible, after all we are here to provide encouragement, motivation and support – not to impede their work. We realize they have a serious job to do."

eMail Our Military has a Code of Ethics which includes Operations Security (OPSEC) and is in accordance with Joint Publication 1-02. "Observing the Code is a condition of membership." Melguizo states strongly, "Violations of our Code will not be tolerated and will be dealt with immediately and appropriately."

Military service member, Tanya Rowe, USN, who receives support from the campaign said, "I first heard about eMail Our Military through our Command Master Chief. He had joined to get postcards for the sailors aboard the USS Harry S Truman. I had some extra time on my hands, so I replied to approximately 200 people within the first month. Then I joined. I have about 15 pen pals who have my email address, 3 elementary school classes that write me, and a handful of postcards every day. Now, this might seem like I have nothing else to do, but that is not the case. My family doesn't write much if ever, and when you are out to sea, you need support. I don't get to write as much as I would like, but my eMOM family understands that. I really don't think I could make it through all of these workups and then, cruise without this kind of support."

Melguizo commented on Rowe's statement saying, "That's exactly why we do this. They need, want and most importantly, deserve our support." eMail our Military is a safe way for civilians to let America's military know how much they are appreciated.

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eMail Our Military (eMOM) was created as a response to the DoD's cancellation of the "Any Service Member" and "Operation Dear Abby" mail programs in 2001, with the mission to provide encouragement, motivation and morale support to the men and women serving in our military by sending eMail, correspondence and care packages. Website visitors can join, participation is free, and take part in a number of support projects ranging from sending eMail on a one-on-one basis with a service member to year round support projects.