Greetings from Demonland.

I am proud to report CPT Wallace is busy with transitioning property and equipment to the new unit from Hawaii, so I will write this final installment of the Demon FRG Letter.

It has been a long tour. We could not have been successful here (and we truly have been successful) without the support of the families, the FRG, the friends, the Angry Skippers, the Rear D Cadre, and everyone else that helped make this tour manageable and tolerable. We are forever in your collective debt, and we will never be able to say thank you enough to repay you for all your thoughts, prayers, care packages, and good wishes.

When we return to Texas, we may each be a little different. It is to be expected after such a long tour. But normalcy will return with some time.

I will ask all of our great supporters, families, and friends to remember that just because we are in the States doesn't mean we are free from danger. Drunk driving and alcohol and drug use consistently cause major problems for units that have recently redeployed from Iraq. Please help us help each other. The cell phone numbers of everyone in each Soldier's chain of command, including my own, will be given to every Soldier prior to their flight back to Texas. Also, Killeen local taxi phone numbers, the Battalion Staff Duty NCO, and the Company CQ phone will all be listed on that card to be carried everywhere by all Demons. Finally, every Demon Soldier will be counseled by his chain of command regarding his behavior when we are back in Texas, specifically addressing that we are not above any laws, still subject to UCMJ, and are at a much higher risk for alcohol and drug related problems than a Soldier that has not been in Iraq for 15 months. The Demons will work as a team, like we have in Iraq, to make sure we are responsible and safe during our well deserved rest.

The support we have received during this tour has been extraordinary. Thank you and we will see in a few days.

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