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TO THE SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AIRMEN, MARINES, AND CIVILIANS
OF THE "LOG NATION"

From Afghanistan to Iraq and in many other places around the world, the U.S. Armed Forces embody and represent our Nation's courage, commitment, and resolve. While visiting bases at home and abroad, seeing our Service members' successes first hand reminds me that our strength is inexorably linked to the unwavering and determined work of our talented logisticians.

As with past conflicts, you are among the unsung heroes of this generation -- the selfless servants who are converting national resources into combat power, delivering every day, and sustaining our military at war. Your seamless execution of the responsible drawdown of U.S. forces from Iraq and the simultaneous increase in combat forces in Afghanistan are a testament to your skill. While concurrently supporting full-spectrum combat operations, this unprecedented transition was an absolute success and by any measure due to the efforts of our entire logistics enterprise.

While the mission in the Middle East and around the world is far from finished, I thank you for your continued support and dedication to duty. You are the muscle that moves, sustains, builds, and heals our Nation's most precious resource -- the men and women of our Armed Forces.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff and I join all Americans in paying tribute to you. May God bless our country and all of you who serve.

Sincerely,

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