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Mr Rob Talbot
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Dear Mr Talbot,

Thank you very much for your letter of 18 September 2006 and the parcels of gifts that were received this morning at our base here at Bamyan in the Central Highlands of Afghanistan. The letter and the gifts are very much appreciated by the contingent and please pass on my thanks to the members of the New Zealand – American Association.

As I write we are rapidly approaching the end of our tour having been here in Afghanistan since mid-April. As a group we have achieved a great deal in the areas of security and also reconstruction and development, and have enjoyed being in this unique part of the world. Notwithstanding, we are all looking forward to getting home at the end of the month.

Once again, thank you very much for your generosity.

Kind regards,

Ross Smith
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