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October 12th Letter from Don Yeager to Yeager Family

Don Yeager

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12 OCT.

DEAR FAMILY

GOT THE PACKAGE YESTERDAY -

ALL ARRIVED IN A-OK CONDITION.

I ALSO RECEIVED A CAN OF COOKIES
FROM GRANDMA + GRANDPA D.

THEY WERE DELICIOUS. GOOD NEWS -

I MADE SPECIALIST 4 A FEW DAYS
AGO, WHICH MEAN'S I GET ABOUT \$326

A MONTH NOW - I'M GOING TO AN

KHE NEXT TIME WE'RE IN THE REAR

TO SET MY ALLOTMENT RIGHT -

I'LL SEND \$300 TO THE BANK, + DRAW
THE REMAINDER IN THE FIELD. ~~FOR~~ WE

+ ONE OTHER GUY ARE THE FIRST IN

OUR GROUP WHO MADE SP4, SO I

THINK I CAN MAKE SST. BEFORE I

LEAVE. I STILL HAVE FIGURED OUT

WHAT I'M A SPECIALIST AT, ALTHOUGH

I HAVE A GOOD IDEA. I GOT A

NICE LETTER FROM DEL, + HE

SAID HE WAS HAVING A "HARD
TIME GETTING USED TO THE
INACTIVITY." MAN, HE + DAD CAN
REALLY THROW THE BULL AROUND.
MY BUDDY FRANK SNYDER, WHO
I WENT THROUGH BASIC, A.I.T., +
JUMP SCHOOL WITH, DIDN'T GET
HIS COMPASSIONATE RE-ASSIGNMENT,
BUT THE "WHEELS" DID MANAGE
TO GET HIM SENT TO GERMANY,
THE LUCKY BUM. I HOPE YOUR
VACATION IS OK. SUSIE SHOULD
BE ABOUT 18 NOW - GIVE HER THE
CHOICE - SHAPE UP - SHIP OUT. I
KNOW WHAT SHE'LL DO, BUT SHE'LL
BE BACK, JUST LIKE THE REST OF
US. SHARON SHOULD BE IN SOON,
RIGHT? I HAVEN'T SEEN HER IN OVER
2 YEARS - TELL HER TO SEND ME
A PICTURE SO I CAN SEE WHAT
SHE LOOKS LIKE. HI, MICK.
I'M FINE - LOVE, Don