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ARMED FORCES INTEREST GROUP GREETS THE TROOPS AT THE USO

Almost every week, a plane or planes arrive at the USO – Neil Ash Airport Center at Lindbergh Field in San Diego carrying American troops. These sailors and Marines are either returning to San Diego from the Middle East or are on their way to other assignments.

Representatives from our group AFIG were at the airport to greet two planes carrying 80 men and women whose families have already re-located to their new home in San Diego. After being met by their families, many of whom had new babies in their arms who were meeting Daddy for the first time, they were greeted by volunteers from the USO, Airport Ambassadors and people from various churches and community organizations.

The mission of AFIG is two-fold. We are committed to raising the awareness of the needs of the military, primarily E-1 through E-5 pay grades, and to providing on –going financial support to the service providers working in our region to assist these men and women and their families who serve our country with pride and honor. The USO- San Diego receives no federal funding and is one of the service providers supported by donations to AFIG. Tens of thousands of military pass through the USO San Diego every year, each and every one finding a welcoming face, a hearty hand shake and a place to rest and relax between flights. We salute the work that they do, and have done for nearly 70 years.

For additional information about AFIG, please go to www.rsffoundation.org.

Planes generally arrive every Tuesday and those wishing to be part of welcoming our troops to San Diego can arrive at the airport USO location. Should you wish to confirm that there will be a flight, please call Bobby Woods at 619-296-3192.