

Dear Child Care Provider,

Soon my young child will be experiencing a very big change. A member of our family will be deployed in support of the Armed Forces. We will do all we can to keep you informed as we transition through this process, including departure and return dates. We ask that you help keep our deployed family member in the mind of our child and our child in their heart, by providing information that we can share through mail or by posting pictures of the family member in your classroom for our child to see.

We want to offer a few resources available on the internet that may provide you with information on behavioral changes our child may experience, as well as ideas to keep the family connected. You can access information on the social, emotional, and intellectual development of children from birth to three at ZERO TO THREE, a national non-profit organization's website at www.zerotothree.org. In addition to general issues related to children from birth to three, you can access specific information for supporting military families. Once on the ZERO TO THREE website you can also access links to other websites including the National Military Family Association, Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC), National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NACCRRA) and MilitaryOneSource.

Please help by keeping us informed, including information about any changes in our child that concern you, so that we can do all we can to support her/him through this period of change. We hope to work together to provide a positive and supportive environment for our young child at this time. Thank you in advance for supporting our family.

Sincerely,

Parent's Name: _____ Child's Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Email: _____