## How a stuffed toy changed the World

## **Description**

Back in Dec, the story emerged from Iraq about a little Iraqi girl, who sat in an intersection, clutching a stuffed toy (a present from the US, distributed by our Marines in the area). When the convoy stopped and the Gunny Sargent got out to talk to her, she pointed to a mine. Matt at <u>Black Five</u> was the <u>one</u> who posted the story.

As a result of this unusual occurance being promulgated about the blogosphere, many reporters contact Matt for more info. He indicated he had to delay passing on any specifics, unitl the permission came from the unit where the story began. Only one editorialist had enough respect to respect the word of a retired Army Officer, and waited patiently to get the story, and to get it right.

<u>Tim Chavez wrote and editorial</u> on the time when a little girl had the courage to save lives of the Marines, all because some people had a heart to help a new nation in the midst of their suffering how ever they could. In this case, it was all some people could do, and they did it. They sent stuffed toys to the Marines to hand out.

Tim gets it right: Love wins over hate. Take the time to read his editorial yourself, you won't be disappointed.

Do you think you can't help? Can you find a Wal-Mart or Toys-R-Us nearby and part with maybe \$15 or \$20 of your wages to make a differnet world? If you can do that, you can help in the commission of random acts of kindness.

Got to this link at Black Five and Matt has posted an address of the Marine responsible for receiving the toys. In the meantime, understand that Staff Sgt Tranchitella has plenty of warrior "stuff" to keep up with in his life, just to make sure he comes home in one piece. This type of activity falls under the "collateral duties" arena, which is code for "there's more to do than people to do it, so here's more for you." In this case, I'm sure the Marines glady trade some of their personal time to handle the flow of toys. Make a difference in history and part with a few \$\$\$!

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