Dear Soldier,

We would like to welcome you and your family to JBLM, Washington and the 51st Expeditionary Signal Battalion. We know you will find the surrounding area beautiful and very peaceful. The 51st Expeditionary Signal Battalion is the Army’s oldest and finest Signal Battalion on continuous active duty service. Constituted on 1 July 1916, we have a long and distinguished history of participating in operations from World War I through the current Global War on Terrorism. You will be part of that history!

Recently reorganized as one of the Army’s new Expeditionary Signal Battalions, our mission is to rapidly deploy and provide secure and non-secure voice, data and visual communications (C4) support during joint and combined operations anywhere around the world. As a member of this fine expeditionary team, you will be challenged both physically and mentally throughout your tour. Our battalion’s motto, “Always Constant,” best sums up our attitude and focus in providing reliable communications to supported units. We are prepared to provide communications to the war fighter for any mission, anywhere.

A sponsor will contact you in the next 72 hours to ensure a smooth transition. Your sponsor will explain in greater detail, information concerning your assignment and offer assistance with your move. It is important that you respond to your sponsor as soon as possible regarding your expected arrival date to JBLM, Washington. From the command team, welcome to the battalion and the “Always Constant” family!

If you have any questions contact the Battalion S-1 staff @ (253) 967-6235/ 477-2851 (DSN): 357-6235/2851, or Battalion Staff Duty (253) 967-3650.

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