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**CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE TOY DONATIONS TO
GOVERNOR RELL'S OPERATION E.L.F. FOR NATIONAL
GUARD**

On Thursday, December 9th, 2004 at 10 A.M. toys collected by Connecticut State Troopers will be donated Operation E.L.F. at the Connecticut National Guard Armory in Hartford.

The toys were donated by citizens of Connecticut to Troopers at Troop E in Montville last Saturday during the State Police Operation Team Spirit- a statewide effort between the Connecticut State Police Department and the citizens of the State to "team up" to assist families in need during this holiday season.

The toys (2 cruisers full) and 4 State Troopers from Troop E will be at the Armory on Thursday in support of Operation E.L.F. which stands for Embracing Lonely Families. Operation E.L.F. was established by Governor Rell in support of the National Guard military families who have been separated during the holiday season due to deployments. Currently approximately 500 deployed troops have left behind 650 dependants to include approximately 248 minor aged children.

For more information on Operation ELF go to www.CTNGFOUNDATION.org

Place: Hartford Armory
360 Broad Street, Hartford

Time:10 A.M.

Connecticut State Troopers and members of the Connecticut National Guard will be on hand for photo opportunities.

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