To Our Comrades in Active Service

Across the wide span of this great Nation; on an air base somewhere in Europe or in a bustling "Stateside" camp, you again are dreaming, as another holiday season approaches, of loved ones far away.

Streaking through the air near the Iron Curtain, or bolstering the defenses of our own homeland, you are fulfilling—anb well your mission as National Guardmen and as citizens, in keeping the flame of Liberty bright in a darkening world.

To you, on behalf of the National Guard Association of the United States and your comrades of the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard, we extend our sincere wishes for the brightest possible Christmas, and a New Year that may see your safe return to the pursuits of peace that are the object of all of our prayers.

With our warmest wishes for your continued good health and happiness, this issue of the Guardsman is dedicated to our comrades who are serving in Europe this Christmas. May your efforts in the defense of our country be rewarded with safe return to your families when it shall please Almighty God. May no harm befall you while you serve as our representatives and defenders.

—from the Editor

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