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**You Can Make a World of a Difference
Through the Combined Federal Campaign-Overseas**

(Date) – Place, Installation Name -- The Combined Federal Campaign-Overseas (CFC-O), which runs from 4 October to 3 December, offers an opportunity for uniformed and civilian Department of Defense personnel to help people and communities in need through its annual workplace giving program. The campaign features more than 2,300 organizations working to address the many critical needs throughout the world. Many of these charities support reintegration programs for service members overseas.

Corporal Matthew Bradford, a 23-year old Marine, was injured in Iraq and lost both of his legs and his vision. When he returned to the United States, he became familiar with a CFC-O-supported charity that helped Corporal Bradford in many ways including providing financial assistance for his immediate needs, helping him to participate in hope and morale trips and supporting him to complete several road races on a hand cycle. The group also helped to take care of his mother who had moved to be by his side, during his multiple surgeries.

“These are great people, they keep in touch with me and they are always just a phone call away,” says Corporal Bradford.

Despite his injuries, Corporal Bradford’s fighting spirit and determination remain strong. In 2009, he competed in and finished the Marine Corps Marathon on a hand cycle. He also made history on April 7, 2010 when he became the first blind, double amputee to reenlist in the Marine Corps; he has enlisted for a three-year tour. The ceremony, held at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, also marked the end of Bradford’s treatment.

Contributors can make a difference by participating in this year’s campaign, which began on 4 October and will run through December 3. For more information, visit www.cfcoverseas.org or contact your CFC-O representative.

About the CFC and CFC-O

The Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is the only authorized solicitation of Federal employees in their workplaces on behalf of approved charitable organizations. The mission of the CFC is to support and to promote philanthropy through a voluntary program that is employee-focused, cost-efficient and effective in providing all Federal employees the opportunity to improve the quality of life for all.

Dedicated uniformed and civilian personnel demonstrate their generosity each and every day with service to our country and by joining together to help people and communities in need through the Department of Defense Combined Federal Campaign-Overseas (CFC-O). The CFC-O, managed by Global Impact, is one of the most successful charitable workplace giving campaigns in the world. The five combatant commands raised more than \$15.6 million in 2009 to reach out with life-saving and life-enriching services benefiting millions of people. For more information, visit www.cfcoverseas.org.

About Global Impact

Global Impact raises funds to address critical needs throughout the world. Since 1956, Global Impact has generated more than \$1.2 billion for thousands of charitable organizations to assure help for people and communities in need. In addition to supporting international relief and development programs, Global Impact strategically manages two of the world's largest workplace giving programs: the Combined Federal Campaign of the National Capital Area and the Combined Federal Campaign-Overseas. Global Impact is proud to hold the Charity Navigator Four-Star Rating and the Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance Charity Seal. For more information, visit www.charity.org.
