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CONGRESSMAN

Nick Rahall

WEST VIRGINIA-4th DISTRICT

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WASHINGTON D.C. --- PROMPT ACTION BY FOURTH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL, HAS GUARANTEED THAT A YOUNG WEST VIRGINIA SERVICEMAN WILL BE ABLE TO VISIT HIS FATHER, WHO WAS CRITICALLY INJURED LAST FRIDAY, JANUARY 16.

U.S. ARMY PRIVATE FIRST CLASS, JIMMY EARL WHITE, OF VAN, WEST VIRGINIA, IS ON HIS WAY FROM KOREA TO BECKLEY'S RALEIGH GENERAL HOSPITAL TO VISIT HIS FATHER, WILLIE WHITE, WHO SUFFERED A FRACTURED SKULL AND BROKEN SHOULDER IN A TRUCK MISHAP, FRIDAY, JANUARY 16.

P.F.C. WHITE, WAS RECENTLY TRANSFERRED TO AN ARMY INTELLIGENCE UNIT IN KOREA, FROM FORT BELVOIR, VIRGINIA.

HEARING OF THE ACCIDENT TO MRS WHITE, CONGRESSMAN RAHALL CONTACTED ARMY OFFICIALS AT THE PENTAGON LATE FRIDAY EVENING. IN TURN, PENTAGON OFFICIALS WERE ABLE TO LOCATE P.F.C. WHITE AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR HIM TO BE ON THE FIRST AVAILABLE PLANE BACK TO THE UNITED STATES.

MR. WHITE IS PRESENTLY LISTED IN CRITICAL CONDITION AT THE RALEIGH GENERAL HOSPITAL.

"I AM VERY PLEASED TO HAVE BEEN OF ASSISTANCE TO THE WHITE FAMILY," CONGRESSMAN RAHALL SAID. "TOO OFTEN, CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION CAN BECOME BOGGED DOWN, BUT IN THIS CASE, WE WERE ABLE TO EXPEDITE THE PROCESS AND SEE TO IT THAT THE WHITE FAMILY WAS ABLE TO BE TOGETHER AT THIS TIME," RAHALL ADDED.

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