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“Excellence in Language”

MLI: “In House” Language Training Experts

What is an MLI? Soldiers who learned their language skills at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey will readily recognize this acronym for Military Language Instructor. For those of us who acquired their language proficiency through other means, this term may not be so familiar. However, we would all do well to look at the MLI concept very closely. In fact, the 300th Military Intelligence Brigade (Linguist) needs to institute an “in house” Military Language Instructor Program. Such a program has the potential to fill significant gaps in the Command Language Program for our units.

The original MLI program began at DLI. Initially, MLIs were basically the equivalent of TAs, or teaching assistants at universities, for the full-time civilian language instructors at DLI. They made copies, graded papers, assisted and mentored basic language students, and shared knowledge of military terminology and operational experience. Over the years, their role has evolved and expanded. Today, “MLIs fully engage in the training mission of DLIFLC to produce military linguists.”¹ They are fully integrated as faculty at DLI. They teach regular platform language classes and provide input to curriculum development during their tour at DLI. Many continue those responsibilities in the units to which they are assigned after DLI. Wherever they serve, the three main duties of MLIs remain the same: teach, model, and mentor.²

Now, what applicability does the MLI program have to the 300th?

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“English is the most widely spoken language in the history of our planet, used in some ways by at least one out of seven human beings around the globe. Half of the world’s books are written in English, and the majority of international telephone calls are made in English. Sixty per cent of the world’s radio programs are beamed in English, and more than 70 per cent of international mail is written and addressed in English. Eighty per cent of all computer texts, including Web sites, are stored in English.”

(American Language Review, Jan/Feb 2001)

**But all these numbers are shrinking rapidly, so we are actually becoming more and more important.*

Developing an MLI program in the 300th M.I. Brigade (Linguist) can serve several critical purposes in our units. First, preparing a cadre of trained language instructors among the ranks of our own soldiers will fill a vital gap for providing quality language instruction during IDT language training sessions when delayed funding, a lack of funding, or other issues prevent us from using language contracts. This fiscal year is a prime example of this need. Continuing resolution situations in which the government has to continue running but without a budget approved by Congress and the President usually occur each year. Normally, they last just a few weeks or the first couple months of the year. In FY02, however, we didn't receive our Total Army Language Program (TALP) funds, the primary source of money specifically tagged for language training, until over 6 months into the fiscal year. That's a couple of months after we traditionally start our contract language instruction for IDT weekends (although this year the Olympics pushed this back a couple months, which actually lessened our problem somewhat). If we have our best soldier-linguists receive instructor training, so they know how to put together quality lessons and teach using effective techniques, they could provide our instruction during those down times. Moreover, they could augment the training provided by our contract language instructors when we are fortunate enough to have it. An MLI program would be good for our units for this reason alone.

In addition to fulfilling the needs of units for quality language instruction, both in fiscally-strained times and business-as-usual, an MLI program is a great incentive opportunity for individual linguists. What substantial incentives do we really have for our best linguists right now? There aren't many that come to mind. Offering the most proficient linguists the chance to get certified as an MLI, provides an opportunity to be recognized for their skills. It also gives them a chance to share those skills with other linguists and to develop additional competencies. It gives them a direction in which to channel their efforts. MLI certification would entail taking DLI's Instructor Certification Course, which would result in a certificate, be reflected in the soldier's records (201 file), and count towards promotion points and NCOERs/OERs. The brigade could also develop some kind of internal mechanism to recognize its MLIs, similar to the pins which DLI uses to identify its Instructors, Senior Instructors, and Master Instructors. A brigade MLI program could thus be a great tool to incentivize and reward its elite linguists.

AR 350-16 actually specifies a requirement for brigade, group, and brigade commanders to "use former DLIFLC Military Language Instructors (MLIs) to the greatest extent possible within their unit CLPs, to take advantage of these soldiers' instructor experience, superior language abilities, and training..." Although we don't see many MLIs coming into the brigade because traditionally been an exclusively active duty DLI assignment, we can grow our own MLIs through establishing a program in the brigade. A brigade MLI program would provide benefits both to the units as a whole and individual soldiers in the 300th.

1. DLIFLC Regulation 600-2, Management of the Military Language Instructor Program
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- MAJ Steve Stevens, Brigade Language Officer

REMINDER: THE INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION COURSE UPON US!

A mobile training team (MTT) from DLI will be here at Draper, Utah to teach the Instructor Certification Course (ICC) from 5 to 16 August 2002.

All contract language instructors will eventually be required to take this course or have equivalent training in order to receive full pay for language contracts. Battalion Language Officers should contact each instructor about taking this course. We have budgeted to pay them for their attendance.

Please note that this is also the course potential MLIs need to take to become qualified. If a commander has a soldier he/she wants to get certified as an MLI and has the means to pay P&A for these 2 weeks, contact CW2 Miles to request a slot in the course.

300th M.I Brigade Linguist Honor Roll – JUL 02

We would like to recognize our outstanding linguists who are currently maintaining a 3/3 level in their languages.

HHC 300th MI BDE

MAJ	Stevens, Steve G	LC
SSG	Goff Jason D	QB
SPC	Infante, Joseph	QB
LTC	McArthur, Wayne	QB
CPT	Summers, Scott	QB
LTC	Wixom, Raymond	QB
MAJ	Stevens, Steve G	TH

141st MIB (LING)

WO1	Chow David Yanchee	CC
WO1	Chow David Yanchee	CM
SSG	Grimley Nathan Takashi	CM
CPL	Griswold Timothy Aaron	CM
SGT	Tillmann Wesley Friedrich	CM
SGT	Tuley Brett Duane	CM
MSG	Waters Michael Lynn	DU
PFC	Brinton Chad Kay	FR
SGT	Jones Landon Richard	FR
SGT	Lambert Jonathan Curtis	FR
SGT	Lyons Jeffrey Eugene	JT
MAJ	Swatsenbarg John Andrew	LC
SGT	Jarvis Stephan K Jr	NR
CPT	Warr Russell J	NR
SSG	Black Lyle Burton	PQ
CW4	Broce Ronald Edward	PQ
SPC	Cazier Nathan Allen	PQ
SFC	Baggerly Lyron Otis	QB
SPC	Birchenough James R	QB
SSG	Boyd Shawn Michael	QB
SGT	Bybee Bradford Dean	QB
CPT	Calder Steven Richard	QB
CW2	Campbell Corby Glen	QB
SSG	Carlicci Hector Eloyd	QB
SFC	Chidester David A	QB
1LT	Cousins Matthew William	QB
SFC	Cowan Brian Robert	QB
CPT	Craner Tyler Christian	QB
SSG	Dedrickson Paul Alan	QB
SGT	Eves James Brandon	QB
1SG	Figuroa Isaac	QB
CW2	Fotheringham Craig Forrest	QB
SFC	Gilson Brian James	QB
SFC	Gonzalez Victor Hugo	QB
SSG	Grover Stewart Blaine	QB
SGT	Hardenbrook Jeffrey Lee	QB
SPC	Hinton Timothy Walker	QB
SPC	Huddleston Christopher R	QB
SSG	Huerta Jorge Enrique	QB

SFC	Jaramillo Gonzalo Rodas	QB
SFC	Jimenez Edwin Rene	QB
1LT	Jones Matthew Sterling	QB
CPT	Judd Kenneth Stephen	QB
1SG	Lee Leo Gene	QB
SSG	Lindbloom Edward Graham	QB
SFC	Lofland Michael Bradbury	QB
SPC	Mecham Blaine Iral	QB
CPT	Montoya Richard Anthony	QB
SSG	Morwood Dion Alexander	QB
SPC	Olsen Jason Val	QB
LTC	Olson, Scot Tyler	QB
SSG	Orellana Edward Andre	QB
SPC	Reyes William Orlando	QB
SFC	Sandberg Robert Dalton	QB
CW2	Searcy Brian Thomas	QB
SGT	Smemoe Loren David	QB
CW2	Smith Alan Wayne	QB
CPL	Smith Brandon Michael	QB
SSG	Sorensen Ryan Neil	QB
SSG	Ulloa Carlos Enrique	QB
SPC	Warner Paul Rex	QB
SGT	Watson Benjamin C	QB
SGT	Watson Steven Grant	QB
WO1	Wheeler Alan David	QB
1LT	Amendola Roland John	RU
SGT	Beck Russell Hall	RU
PFC	Bingham Kobin Lyman	RU
SGT	Nelson Kody Ryan	RU
SGT	Robinson James Blane	RU
SPC	Sibio Zachary Bennett	RU
PFC	Willardson Spencer L	RU
SFC	Roberts Steven Lee	SY
MAJ	Hepper Mark Arnold	TH
MAJ	Swatsenbarg John Andrew	TH

142nd MIB (LING)

2LT	Johnson Aaron Glenn	AD
SPC	Leahy James Alexander	AD
SGT	Mcpherson Jason Edward	AD
SGT	Weitzell Elizabeth Ann	AD
SGT	Harper Richard Fillmore Jr	BU
SSG	Kawai Russel Paul Hideo	BU
SGT	Schmolke Joseph Scott	BU
PFC	Dooley Keith Brian	CA
SGT	Bess Kevin James	CM
SFC	Larsen Richard Nicholas	CM
CW4	Emmer Paul	DA
CW4	Emmer Paul	DA
SGT	Harman Stewart Burke	DA

SGT	Peay Russell Brent	DA
SFC	Petersen Jim Lorenzo	DA
SFC	Steen Roy William	DA
SGT	Sweet Rodney Jackson	DA
SFC	Terry Evan Ray Jr	DA
SGT	Turville Samuel James	DA
CW3	Bell Douglas Josiah	DU
SGT	Brooks Nathan Robert	DU
PFC	Card Benjamin Gordon	DU
SFC	Helvy Ray Lee	DU
CW4	Nelson Merrill Lyle	DU
CW3	Servoss Kent Dee	DU
SPC	Wilson Brandon Clark	DU
SFC	Stephens James Leroy	FJ
SPC	Barlow James Verl	FR
SPC	Flanagan Patrick Edward	FR
SFC	Miasnik Christopher Stephen	FR
CPT	Thacker Brett David	FR
SPC	Tholen Thomas Sterling Jr	FR
SGT	Bates Erik Winter	GM
SSG	Cornell Joseph Doyle	GM
SPC	Davis Clifford Roger	GM
SGT	Hulet John Michael	GM
SFC	Johnson Jess Clay	GM
SFC	Jorgensen Dale S	GM
CW4	Liddiard Don Lee	GM
SGT	Miller Brett Micheal	GM
SFC	Mitchell Michael Danny	GM
SGT	Mueller Andrew Wilford	GM
PFC	Tripp Robert Edward	GM
SGT	Palmer Aaron James	HU
SSG	Plewe Tyler David	HU
SGT	Degiorgio Roberto	JT
CPT	Devenish Douglas Victor	JT
SGT	Gardner Vaughn Henrie	JT
SGT	Noffsinger Benjamin Eric	JT
PFC	Pease Jonathan Boyd	JT
PFC	Vongphakdy Sisalio Leo	LC
SGT	Harman Stewart Burke	NR
SGT	Peay Russell Brent	NR
SFC	Steen Roy William	NR
SGT	Sweet Rodney Jackson	NR
SFC	Terry Evan Ray Jr	NR
SGT	Turville Samuel James	NR
SGT	Harker Jeremy James	PL
SPC	Rolfson Kade Spencer	PL
SPC	Brown Jeffrey Steven	PQ
SPC	Goodro Robert Matthew	PQ
SPC	Jones Jonathon Andrew	PQ
PFC	Lalliss Scott Wesley	PQ
SGT	Oconnor Dale Patrick	PQ
CPT	Parsons Robert Meade	PQ

CPT	Patterson Chris L	PQ
PFC	Potter Kenneth Raymond	PQ
PFC	Sherer Jared Syeven	PQ
SPC	Smith Gordon Joseph	PQ
1LT	Reyescairo Dylan M	PT
SSG	Thomson Gregory Kim	PT
CPT	Amendola Roland John	QB
SGT	Anderson Marcus Todd	QB
1LT	Ashby Lars Nielsen	QB
SSG	Ashton Marvin Joshua	QB
SGT	Baird Lonnie Joseph	QB
CPT	Becker David Albert	QB
CPT	Black Everett Harrington Iv	QB
WO1	Bowden Paul Erich	QB
SGT	Brandaris Carlos Alonso	QB
SPC	Brown Jeffrey Steven	QB
CW2	Buckley Neil Edward	QB
SFC	Buckner Robert Elwood	QB
CW2	Callister Gary Lyndon	QB
CDT	Clayton Brad Harrison	QB
WO1	Colver Arthur Dean	QB
SFC	Fillmore David Wayne	QB
SSG	Fonseca Jose Eustacio	QB
PFC	Fredericks Richard Jason	QB
SGT	French Erin Thomas	QB
SPC	Fry Trent Allen	QB
SFC	Gallegos Patricia Bernadett	QB
SPC	Gilramirez Mario Alberto	QB
PFC	Goodrick Daniel Scott	QB
CPT	Green Joseph Walton	QB
SFC	Guile Daniel Lee	QB
CW2	Hales Kerry	QB
SFC	Healey Gary Lynn	QB
CW2	Hernandez Andres Tapia	QB
SPC	Hilton Christopher Raymond	QB
2LT	Holman Bryan Keith	QB
PFC	Hyde Stephen H	QB
SSG	Ibarra William Stanley	QB
SFC	Jepson Wendell Dee	QB
2LT	Keele Sterling Steven	QB
SSG	Kelley Timothy Hanson	QB
SFC	Leduc Christian Dale	QB
SSG	Lee Shane Dustin	QB
SFC	Livingston Theodore Lee	QB
PFC	Lyon Michael Adam	QB
SFC	Morgan Oliver Howard	QB
SFC	Owen Joseph Charles	QB
CPT	Parsons Robert Meade	QB
SGT	Peck Jared Garn	QB
SGT	Plumb Roy Hyrum	QB
SSG	Poll Charles Vine	QB
SGT	Powell Karl Sampson	QB
PFC	Rasheta Nikolas Thor	QB
1LT	Reyescairo Dylan M	QB
CPT	Rice Paul James	QB
SGT	Richards Adam Grant	QB
CW2	Sayer Phillip Kent	QB

2LT	Scoubes Keir Andrew	QB
SFC	Sessions Dean L	QB
MAJ	Sharp John Kelly	QB
PFC	Simmerman Robert Michael	QB
SSG	Thomson Gregory Kim	QB
SSG	Velez Francisco Javier	QB
CW2	Warner Reed Ched	QB
SFC	Wayment Lane B	QB
CPT	Wood Brian Reeve	QB
CPT	Amendola Roland John	RU
SPC	Bateman Joshua Samuel	RU
PFC	Bullock Gregory Smith	RU
SSG	Bybee Bryce Eugene	RU
WO1	Colver Arthur Dean	RU
SPC	Ellett Mathew Hayden	RU
SPC	Fessia Gregory Charles	RU
CW2	Jackson Richard Robert	RU
SSG	Kirkwood Jared	RU
SPC	Nelson Torin Steed	RU
SPC	Otanez Tatiyana A	RU
SGT	Pelca Kim Truman	RU
SGT	Price Thomas Daniel	RU
SGT	Whaley Scotten Hugh	SC
SSG	Erickson Michael Golden	SY
SSG	Gardner William Douglas	SY
CPT	Lofgren Anthony S D	SY
1LT	Ellington Elev	TU

SSG	Garcia, Fernando	QB
SPC	Gayle, Wanda	QB
SSG	Guerrero, Jose	QB
SPC	Guerrero, Skarley	QB
PFC	Gutierrez, Dario	QB
SPC	Gutierrez, Nilda	QB
SPC	Hernandez, Arthur	QB
SSG	Hernandez, Paul	QB
SPC	Hollinghead, Edith	QB
LTC	Janer, Pedro	QB
SGT	Lopez, Edwin	QB
SSG	Lopez, Sumaya	QB
SSG	Lopez-Reyes, Jose	QB
SSG	Lugo, Victor	QB
SGT	Mcmahon, James	QB
CPT	Mcmillan, Bridgett	QB
SPC	Morales, Beatriz	QB
SSG	Nadal, Jose	QB
1LT	Nardoni, Steven	QB
SPC	Pyatt, James	QB
PFC	Ramirez, Edward	QB
2LT	Rodriguez, Jose	QB
CW3	Sotolongo, Waldo	QB
SFC	Symonette, Marly	QB
SPC	Texidor, Janet	QB
SFC	Visney, Thomas	QB
SFC	Zevallos, Dario	QB

223rd MIB (LING)

not received

260th MIB (LING)

SSG	Baksh, Imtiaz	EZ
2LT	Pharaon, Jean	FR
SSG	Desir, Fresnel	HC
SFC	Park, Eunkyong	KP
SGT	Caraballo, Omar	PQ
SGT	Colls, Angel	PQ
SFC	Donis, Joaquin	PQ
SGT	Reigel, Randy	PQ
SFC	Zevallos, Dario	PQ
SGT	Aguiar, Ovidio	QB
CW2	Blanco, Gustavo	QB
SGT	Bolivar, Miguel	QB
CPL	Caballero, Luis	QB
2LT	Cabrera, Osvaldo	QB
2LT	Calsetta, Peter	QB
SPC	Castillo, Noel	QB
SGT	Colls, Angel	QB
SGT	Correa, Jesus	QB
PFC	Cruz, Luis	QB
1LT	Dominguez, Carlos	QB
SFC	Donis, Joaquin	QB

341st MIB (LING)

1LT	Nassieb, Sami	AD
SGT	Doxey, Matthew	BU
PFC	Iankova, Dima	BU
SPC	Emilien, Jean	FR
SGT	Aschenbach, Hans	GM
CPT	Smith, Karl	GM
SFC	Nixon, Richard	JA
SFC	Lee, Sooyong	KP
SGT	Adamczyk, Andrew	PL
SSG	Bulat, Dagmara	PL
SPC	Mikula, Maciej	PL
OC	Rokowski, Joana	PL
SPC	Stachowska, Olga	PL
SSG	Cerna, Robin	QB
SPC	Chaidez, Nora	QB
SGT	Estrada, Manuel	QB
SFC	Fernandez, Emilia	QB
1SG	Ligon-Chapman, Wendy	QB
SSG	Llerena, Elliot	QB
SPC	Medina, Francisco	QB
SGT	Olson, Thomas	QB
SPC	Pena, Konning	QB
SSG	Rodriguez, Loendri	QB
CDT	Schneegans, Oscar	QB
SGT	Skaggs, Erik	QB
CPT	Honea, William	RU

CPL	Kapustyan, Dimitry	RU
SGT	Vayl, Grigoriy	RU
MAJ	Larson, Scott	SY

415th MIB (LING)

not received

(If you are a 30/30 linguist and your name doesn't appear here, it may be because your test has expired. Otherwise check with your unit CLPM or FTM Staff to make sure that their database gets updated.)

260th MI Battalion brings home the gold, again!

Two Florida National Guard soldiers from the 260th Military Intelligence Battalion (Linguist) brought home the gold from the 2002 World Language Olympics. The soldiers, SSG Roy Strunk from A Company and SGT Jorge Lopez from B Company, won a gold medal in the "showdown" event. They were also awarded the Single Team Unit Award for most points accumulated for a single team entry. The contestants were one of two teams sent by the Battalion to the Olympics this year, one Spanish and one Russian. The winning participants were on the Spanish team.

The competition was nerve racking and intense according to the soldiers and their coach, SFC Marly Symonette. This was compounded by the fact that the Battalion has brought home medals for several years now and none of the participants wanted to break the streak. Their coach, a former medal winner herself, was particularly happy, especially after putting in the extra hours getting her teams ready. Practice for the Olympics was difficult this year due to the activations for air and seaport security but the teams managed to pull it off and gained some high speed training in the process.

CPT Keith Overton
Language Officer, 260th MIB



Web Spotlight:

www.languagemagazine.com

The July 2002 edition of Language Magazine contains a feature article on National Guard linguists and distance language learning. It was written by Mr. Steven Donahue, who promised that copies of the article will be made available to the brigade soon.

"Linguists will provide the information superiority required to achieve full-spectrum dominance on the battlefield of the future." (Joint Vision 2010)

A Changing of the Guard

July 4th marks my second month anniversary as the Brigade CLPM. I appreciate the support and assistance of those who continue to mentor me. It is very apparent to me that SFC Glover has shown a lot of concern for the members of the brigade. It is noted in the hours spent to provide the high quality of service over the many years. I thank him.

As a new CLPM, my hope is to continue the tradition of hard work inspired by SFC Glover.

There is a lot to do. There are preparations for mobile training teams to come to teach at Draper, there are numerous FLPP orders to prepare, library books to be cataloged, inspections to pass. My hope, however, is to arrive at the point that I can get out and work more with the units and soldiers on their language programs and plans. I believe that this is the fundamental task and goal of my position.

For years, we have been addressing the issues of how to improve each linguist's capabilities and abilities in their language(s). I personally believe that there is no one answer to solve all problems and that each soldier needs a tailored program to maintain and improve skill levels. Not everything must be done alone as in the case where multiple soldiers can participate in the same school classes and others in the same classes at drill. Some soldiers are weaker in reading, others writing, and others listening. True proficiency would dictate that all areas be addressed and strengthened.

I also believe the importance of language maintenance outside of drill weekends. There are



extremely few people who would consider waiting to eat meals one weekend per month. Most people realize that the body needs nutrition on a daily basis and to deprive it of such would surely mean death. Languages are just as perishable, though the results of linguistic mal-nourishment take longer to notice. I encourage CLPMs to consider programs allowing soldiers to work on linguistic enhancement in between drills. Movies in different languages are

available at video rental stores. Libraries, both local units as well as public, carry books in different languages. Restaurant proprietors may speak native languages of other lands. Neighborhoods are becoming increasingly diverse. With this diversity comes an opportunity to perhaps socialize with natives of other lands.

There are numerous ideas for integrating language study into everyday life. Please work with your soldiers to find those that might work for them.

Please note that in an time of employment uncertainty, the efforts our soldiers put into language maintenance may mean the difference between going and not going on short term missions while looking for a more full-time position elsewhere.

I summarize by expressing gratitude again to SFC Glover for his past efforts and continuing assistance as well as to encourage the idea of assisting and providing tools for soldiers to work on their languages in between drills.

***CW2 David B L Miles
CLPM, 300th MI Brigade***

DLIFLC Associate of Arts Degree Program Overview

See complete "AA Degree Requirements" and petition forms on the web at: www.dli.army.mil

Eligibility

- Resident DLI Basic Program students who enrolled after Oct. 1, 1991
- Resident DLI Intermediate Program students who enrolled after 1 February 1998

Summary of Degree Criteria

- The student must complete a minimum of 62 semester units of college-level work
- Units in the foreign language major must be earned in residence at DLI
- Units in the general education requirements may be earned at other accredited institutions
- A student may earn a degree in only one language

Major Requirements

- Students must fulfill the DLIFLC diploma requirements
- Basic program students must achieve a minimum DLPT score of L2/R2/S1+
- Intermediate program students must achieve a minimum DLPT score of L2+/R2+/S2
- A cumulative grade point average of a "C" (2.0) or higher is required
- Grades below a D are not acceptable

General Education Requirements

- 27 semester units must be completed in nine different subject areas
- Several DLI courses satisfy the general education requirements in areas B, D and G
- No transferred courses will be accepted with a grade below a C
- Credits towards the general education requirements may also be satisfied through proficiency examinations, military training and non-collegiate-based professional training (See Other Methods of Obtaining College Credit below.)

General Education Subject Areas

- AREA A: English Composition
- AREA B: Critical Thinking (Satisfied through DLI Basic program.)
- AREA C: Natural Science (Course must include a lab)
- AREA D: Humanities (Satisfied through DLI Basic or Intermediate Programs.)
- AREA E: Social Science (Must be an American History or Government course)
- AREA F: Technology

- AREA G: Area Studies (Satisfied through DLI Basic or Intermediate programs.)
- AREA H: Physical Education (Satisfied through Basic Military Training.)
- AREA I: Mathematics

Other Methods of Obtaining College Credit

- Advanced Placement (AP)
- College Level Examination Program (CLEP)
- Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education Support (DANTES)
- International Baccalaureate (IB)
- Some types of military training as recommended by the American Council on Education (ACE)
- Program of Non-collegiate Sponsored Instruction (PONSI)
- Excelsior College exams

How to Petition for the DLI AA Degree:

Students may petition for the AA degree while enrolled at the DLIFLC or anytime thereafter as long as they are still a member (or a dependent of a member) of the United States Armed Forces on active duty or a member of the Reserve or National Guard.

Step 1. Fill out the Petition.

Step 2. Have all the necessary transcripts forwarded to the DLI AA Degree Program Office.

Step 3. Ensure that all requirements are satisfied. You may consult your local Education office or the Presidio of Monterey Education Center, Rifle Range Road, Bldg. 630, CA 93940-5000; Tel.: 831-242 5325; FAX: 831-242-817; E-mail: JonesD@pom-emh1.army.mil
You may also contact the DLI AA Degree Program Office, Bldg. 274, Room 5, Tel.: 831-242-5825/5828; Fax: 831-242-5963; E-mail: wijbranr@pom-emh1.army.mil or pariserh@pom-emh1.army.mil

Step 4. Fill out Checklist Form B (for diploma graduates).

Step 5. Forward all documents to the address on the Petition.

All forms are available on the Web at www.dli.army.mil

UNDER CONSTRUCTION: DLI IS UPDATING/CREATING NEW DLPTS

Lower range DLPTs covering ILR Levels 0+ to 3:

Validation in progress - Korean, Portuguese
 Ready for validation - Chinese, Russian, Spanish
 Under development - Albanian, Serbian/Croatian, Iraqi Dialect



Upper range DLPTs covering ILR Levels 2 to 4 are as follows:

Under development - Arabic (MSA), Chinese, Korean, Persian, Russian, Spanish

KEY TO COMMUNICATION

“Querer es poder.” Desire is half the battle. Once you create the desire to communicate effectively with others in their native language, you actively pull together the resources and the developmental communicative experiences necessary to realize your goal. Simply said, You want something. You go after it. You collect the shells, you convince the gang, or whatever it takes to bargain effectively for what you want. You pay the price.

The desire for communication is created by our needs. If you want to improve your language skills, you must create a need so strong, that you go out and speak the lingo. You must light your own fire. So...

Imagine yourself, 5,500 miles away. You are dehydrated and hungry. You come upon a small boy carrying a container of water and a cheese sandwich.

Imagine yourself, 5,500 miles away. A small wood table separates you from a lean, mean, fighting machine from the “other side.” You are to convince this person to sell out his boss, and feel that it was the right choice.

Imagine yourself, 5,500 miles away. A small group of people in business attire are gathered around a table. The digital video camera is pointed at you. Interpreting the ideas, the plans, and intent of the Commanding Officer to this circle of foreign dignitaries.

Challenge and opportunity. Will you be prepared? Talk is NOT cheap. It comes with a price. Studies repeatedly advocate the need to continually speak, listen to, write, and read your language. The minimum goal for proficiency is 3/3 in all languages. Where are you?

- **SSG Carol Hopkins, 142nd MI Battalion (Linguist)
 Command Language Program Manager**

WASHINGTON WHISPERS

Web-based, military language training is now available for your use. Some of you are probably familiar with the BlueGlas lessons on CD created by the Fort Lewis language training center with support from many agencies and units. These lessons are a unique and greatly-needed military language training resource. You can find them at <http://networkcel.blueshoe.com/>, along with many other lessons. Compared to the global learning provided by DLI or commercial language vendors, these lessons are military task-based and provide extension vocabulary enrichment. The overall intent of these lessons is to provide the linguist soldier, a key component to a commander, the ability to professionally interact and interface with a target population in support of military objectives.

Currently available in AR, CM, IN, KP, RU, and TH, the topics which are now ready or being created are: Combat Life Saver, Directions, Force Protection, Health/Medical, Insurgency, KFOR JIC, Maneuvers, Natural Disasters, Rescue Operations, Site Recon, Suspicious Packages, Terrorism, Weather, Disaster Planning, Suicide Bombers and IED, Screening Operations, Route Clearance, Mine Warfare, Small Arms and SASO scenarios. The 341st is working with the Fort Lewis language training center to assist in the growth of this program, both in both the number of lessons and languages.

This program will assist the you, the linguist and your unit CLPMs in bridging the gap between global language, technical MOS language and mission language support requirements 24/7. Logon tonight and learn!

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