

HOCKEY CANADA

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To OUR Troops,

As we get ready to represent Canada at the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games in February and March, we wanted to take a minute to let each and every one of you know how much of an inspiration you will be in our quest for three gold medals in the coming months.

People throw out words like war and battle way too often when speaking about sports such as hockey. As athletes, we know that what we do for our country can never measure up to your contributions - the sacrifice and dedication that our armed forces show on a daily basis.

When we take to the ice, rest assured that we will have you in our thoughts and prayers. We are so proud to be Canadians, and owe so much of what we have here to you, the Canadian military. We will do our best to represent you well in competition, and look forward to a day in the very near future when you will return home safely in Canada, and all Canadians can thank you in person.

All the best,

Jean Labonté

Captain

Sledge hockey team

Scott Niedermayer

Captain

Men's hockey team

Hayley Wickenheiser

Captain

Women's hockey team