



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

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- * School supplies: pens, pencils, pencil sharpeners, erasers, crayons, markers, solar calculators, coloring books, notebooks, paper, scissors, small pads of paper
- * Non-liquid hygiene items: toothbrushes, combs, washcloths, wrapped bar soap (Ivory is best)
- * Accessories: t-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, watches, jewelry, hair clips, ponytail holders, flip-flops, fun/novelty socks, small purse or wallet

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- ◆ Candy, gum or any food item
- ◆ Toothpaste
- ◆ Used or damaged items
- ◆ War-related items (guns, military figures, etc.)
- ◆ Liquids or lotions
- ◆ Medicine or vitamins
- ◆ Fragile items such as snow globes or glass containers
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