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Welcome Aboard from the Commanding Officer

On behalf of the Marines and Sailors of First Recruit Training Battalion, allow me the opportunity to extend you a warm and sincere welcome. We are a battalion with a long and distinguished history and are very much looking forward to having you join our ranks.

Whether you are coming to MCRD San Diego for the first time or are returning for a subsequent tour of duty, I encourage you to contact your sponsor at the earliest opportunity to discuss your transfer to First Recruit Training Battalion and to raise any questions that you may have. We have assigned _____ as your sponsor. He can be reached at commercial: (XXX) XXX-XXXX.

If you need, it would be our pleasure to assist with getting you settled into base housing or helping you find a home out in town or any other issue that may arise during your transition. It is important to note that San Diego is a high cost of living area, so I strongly encourage you to plan accordingly to cover the permanent change of station costs.

It is my intent to provide you and your family with the tools that you need to succeed while aboard the Depot. It is my responsibility to ensure that you and your family are well-informed and prepared for the challenges that come with this tour of duty. Make no mistake, there will be many long days and nights ahead, but as a team, we can work together to help shoulder the burden that you and your family may have to bear.

We firmly believe that your tour here at First Recruit Training Battalion will be professionally challenging, personally gratifying, and an enjoyable experience for both you and your family. Have a safe trip and I look forward to meeting you soon. Welcome aboard.


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