

## Public Service Announcement



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

<u>August 10, 2006</u>	SCAM PREYING ON AMERICANS' EMOTIONS FOR U.S. DEPLOYED SOLDIERS
	The IC3 has received reports concerning multiple e-mail hoaxes claiming to be from a soldier deployed to Iraq. The individual claims to be in possession of millions of dollars and requests assistance in moving the funds. The funds allegedly came from a soldier who was an orphan and recently died while on a mission in Iraq. The individual claims he wants assistance with donating the funds to an American orphanage.
	THIS E-MAIL IS A HOAX. DO NOT RESPOND.
	Be cautious when responding to requests delivered through unsolicited e-mail:
	<ul> <li>Be skeptical of individuals representing themselves as officials asking for donations through unsolicited e-mails or requesting the movement of funds to a charity or other program.</li> <li>If you donate to a charity, ensure the contributions are received and used for the intended purposes. Go directly to recognized organizations, as opposed to relying on others to make the donation on your behalf.</li> </ul>
	If you have received this, or a similar hoax, please file a complaint at <u>www.IC3.gov</u> .