

Medics Recognized For Medical Service
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On 11 September 2004, SGM Cunningham, the 5th Special Forces Group OPS Sergeant Major, presented SSG Richard Reese and SPC Alexis Weiler with Certificates of Appreciation and coins for the lifesaving medical aid they rendered to a wounded soldier in his unit.

On 8 July 2004, SSG Reese and SPC Weiler were providing medical coverage for a TF Lifeline combat logistics patrol (CLP) to FOB Dagger. While traveling just south of Samarra their CLP was attacked by an IED. SSG Reese and SPC Weiler immediately went into action. After treating one slightly wounded soldier, the CLP continued with its mission. After moving a little further north on the bypass, the TF Lifeline CLP came upon a convoy by the 5th Special Forces Group that had also been attacked by an IED.

One soldier sustained massive and life-threatening shrapnel wounds to both legs. The TF Lifeline CLP stopped to render aid. SSG Reese and SPC Weiler immediately assessed the situation and provided medical assistance controlling the bleeding and treating for shock, starting an intravenous infusion of fluids to replace the lost blood. They carefully monitored the soldier's vitals until he was evacuated to the 67th CSH at Speicher. As luck would have it, these two medics were in the right place at the right time that day. These professional and dedicated medics contributed to the survival of a fellow soldier.



SGM Cunningham presents SSG Reese and SPC Weiler with Certificates of Appreciation and a coin for outstanding medical care of a 5th Special Forces Group soldier.
(Picture taken 1LT Klein)



SGM Cunningham hands SPC Weiler a coin for her outstanding medical care of a 5th Special Forces Group soldier.
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