



**(U) Latest Keystone Award Recipients**

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(U//FOUO) There were two main themes in all of the winning nominations for the Fall 2003 Keystone Award: collaboration and mentoring. It seems these traits are as valued as unique linguistic achievements, exceptional target contributions, and high productivity, the primary categories for nomination. What follows are the names of the honorees and excerpts from those nominations:

██████████ cross-trained as a Pashto linguist and in 8 month's time achieved a level III. He also showed dedication to developing language skills in others by providing follow-on training and mentoring to junior language analysts.

██████████ maintains high standards in language analysis, which is evident in his molding of junior operators, cryptanalysts and language analysts into intelligence professionals.

**Sergeant First Class ██████████, USA** is recognized for his rapport and professional exchanges with analysts across the community, which have helped build coalitions, greatly enhanced inter-office relations, and enabled the best possible use of all available resources on the target.

██████████ is a magnificent teacher who has trained countless language analysts with a unique, whole-student approach and innovative, tailored techniques that are renown throughout the Community.

██████████ makes use of three languages working on a high-priority target. She is a member of the Standing Committee on Language Testing, ensuring the tests are reliable, appropriate and timely. ██████████ is a sterling example of a high-end, 21st Century cryptologic language analyst.

██████████ is a daily inspiration to his peers, who value his opinions and seek his assistance on the thorniest of language issues, research techniques and computer-related problems. He is a mentor in every sense of the word.

(U) Each recipient is deserving of this recognition as well as our gratitude for being remarkable examples of the depth and breadth of talent in the language analysis career field.

**Congratulations to all!**

(U//FOUO) The Keystone Honorary Award recognizes individual NSA/CSS cryptologic language analysts for extraordinary linguistic accomplishments on the job during the previous 12-18 months. Calls for nominations go out in June and December of each year. For more information, visit the [Keystone Award website](#).

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