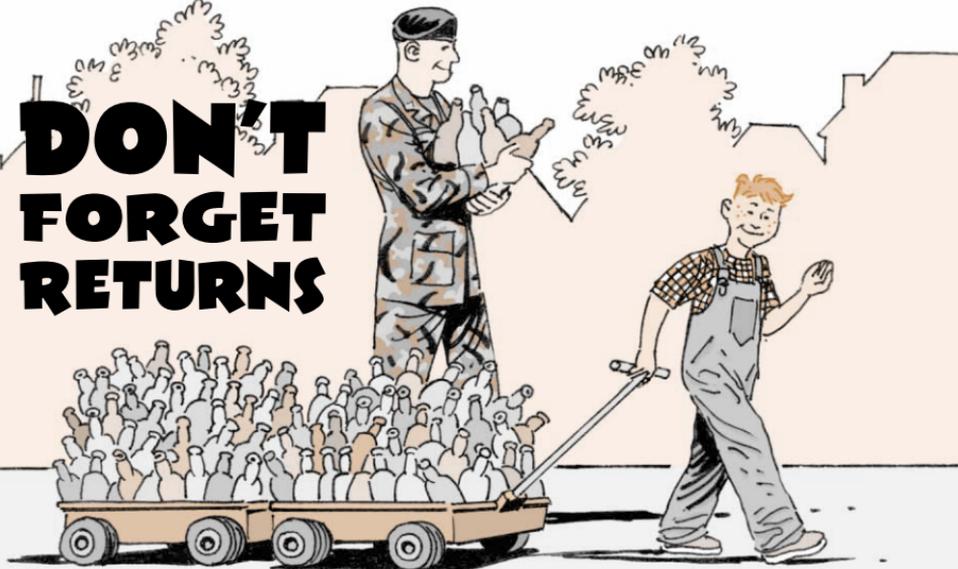


DON'T FORGET RETURNS



Some of you older soldiers may remember scrounging around bushes and roadsides looking for returnable soda bottles when you were a kid. Not only could you make lots of pocket change by loading 'em in your old wagon and turning 'em in, but the soda companies saved money by cleaning and reusing the bottles.

The same principles hold true for the turn-in of line replaceable units (LRUs) and shop replaceable units (SRUs) for your M1-series tanks and M2/M3-series Bradleys.

Your unit gets credit for every unserviceable LRU and SRU it turns in. The Army saves money by repairing and reissuing the units that are turned in.

The key to the whole process is turn-in. When units order LRUs or SRUs without turning in their unserviceable ones, it puts a strain on the system. With no turn-ins, there are no units available for repair. Pretty soon, there are no units available for issue, either. Your vehicle is NMC and the Army's out a lot of money. Everybody loses.



When you see this palm tree, pay close attention. The stories headed by this symbol contain preventive maintenance and safety information direct from units deployed for Operation: Iraqi Freedom.

