

## First pallet of UGR-Es built at DDJC

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Members of the Unitized Group Ration mission in Warehouse 4 of the Operations Group, assembled and built the first pallet of Unitized Group Ration-Express, or UGR-E, Type 1 meals at Defense Distribution Depot San Joaquin, Calif., May 31.

UGR-Es are the latest development in heat and serve meals developed by U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center-Natick and will feed 18 personnel in the field, and are especially useful when there is no field support, power, or kitchen equipment available.

The UGR-Es heat mechanism is activated by the pull of a tab and they heat in 30 to 45 minutes.

The UGR-E module is a complete meal. It contains four tray packs which



*DDJC team members with the first pallet of UGR-Es that they assembled.*

include a main dish, vegetable, starch, dessert, snacks, beverages, and the dining trays as well as utensils.

DDJC is currently building dinner menus that are being shipped to Iraq and Afghanistan. To date, the team has

completed nearly 200 pallets consisting of more than 3,000 modules.

The DDJC team was excited to build their first pallet of UGR-Es. DDJC is currently the sole provider of this type of meal.

## Inventory accuracy key to readiness

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If you've ever tried to keep track of your CD or DVD collection, you can understand the frustration involved to make sure all your treasured possessions are accounted for.

Now try keeping track of over 58,000 line items in 32 storage sites at three major locations with supplies ranging from high dollar electronic parts to pharmaceuticals and hardware to consumables. It's a feat not easily accomplished, but not an impossible task for Defense Distribution Depot Yokosuka, Japan's, inventory count team and storage personnel.

DDYJ has achieved a 100 percent inventory accuracy rate for two major inventories over the past two months—TPIC-N Statistical Sample Inventory and



*Members of DDYJ's Inventory Division count team inventories SUBSAFE Level 1 material. Left to right, Morimichi Omata, Morihiro Tatara, and Yuuichi Hashimoto.*