

Families say letters not enough

United Press International
Some families of the 50 Americans held hostage in the U.S. Embassy in Iran say they are grateful for messages delivered by the Red Cross, but "no amount of mail or messages" can erase the anger that their loved ones are captives.

Representatives of the International Red Cross visited the hostages Monday and began contacting the hostages' families Tuesday. The State Department said evidence collected by the Red Cross convinced them all 50 hostages in Tehran are alive.

The news, however, was not enough for some.
"I just hope that the people don't think, 'This is really great. They're not so bad off after all.' Nothing changes the fact they're still imprisoned," said Pat Lee of Falls Church, Va., wife of hostage Gary Lee, 36. She said the Red Cross called her

Tuesday with a "personal message" from her husband.

Although he sounded "fine" and still sounded like "the man I love, no amount of mail or messages can take away the fact that he and the others are still prisoners," she said.

The mother and stepfather of Marine Sgt. Kevin Hermening, Barbara and Kenneth Timm, said they were "frustrated by the ineffectiveness" of Washington's efforts to free the hostages.

The Timms arrived in Paris Tuesday in an effort to win visas to Iran so they can visit Hermening. The

Timms said they have not heard from Hermening since a letter in January, in which, they said, he sounded troubled and brainwashed.

But some of the hostages' families said they were just happy to receive any word at all.

Harry Metrinko of Olyphant, Pa., father of Michael Metrinko, said Red Cross officials phoned him Tuesday and said his son was "in good shape" and "good spirits."

"We feel very happy," Metrinko said. "We hadn't heard at all from him. This is the first information we've had at all."

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