OIX GATEWAY NORFOLK VA SUCCESSFUL PROCESSING REPORT: FAREWELL

MESSAGE FROM VADM MUSTIN//

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SUBJ/FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM VADM MUSTIN//

RMKS/1. AS I REACH THE END OF MY RUNWAY AS YOUR CHIEF OF NAVY RESERVE, I EXTEND MY APPRECIATION TO EVERY MEMBER OF OUR ELITE NAVY RESERVE TEAM. I AM FILLED WITH GRATITUDE FOR THE PATRIOTIC SERVICE OF EACH OF OUR SAILORS AND CIVILIANS ACROSS THE NAVY RESERVE FORCE, AND EACH OF YOUR SUPPORTIVE FAMILY MEMBERS. COMMANDING, REPRESENTING, AND ADVOCATING FOR THE NAVY RESERVE HAS BEEN THE HONOR

OF MY LIFETIME.

2. FOUR YEARS AGO, WE EMBARKED ON A GENERATIONAL FORCE DESIGN TRANSFORMATION TO BUILD NEW CAPABILITIES AND SHIFT CAPACITY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF LONG-TERM STRATEGIC COMPETITION. WE CONTINUE TO MAKE URGENT, QUANTIFIABLE AND DEMONSTRABLE PROGRESS IN THE MODERNIZATION

OF OUR FORCE - ACHIEVING SUCCESS IN DESIGNING A LETHAL. FUTURE-READY INTEGRATED FORCE, TRAINING TO CERTIFY AND QUALIFY OUR SAILORS IN THEIR MOBILIZATION BILLETS, AND PREPARING TO MASS MOBILIZE ... ALL TO ACHIEVE AND DELIVER AGAINST OUR SINGULAR PRIORITY: WARFIGHTING READINESS. BY NEXT YEAR, THE MODERNIZED NAVY RESERVE FORCE DESIGN WILL BE FULLY INCORPORATED, ENSURING TWO YEARS OF RUN TIME TO GENERATE STABILITY AND READINESS FOR A HIGH-END CONFLICT BY 2027, AN IMPORTANT DEADLINE FOR OUR NATION. THAT'S 861 DAYS ... AND COUNTING. 3. I AM IMMENSELY PROUD OF OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS TOGETHER. ON ANY GIVEN DAY, OUR NAVY RESERVE PROVIDES 100,000 SAILORS, THREE DOZEN SHIP, WING, AND SQUADRON COMMANDING OFFICERS, NEARLY 150 AIRCRAFT, TWO SEAL TEAMS, THREE EXPEDITIONARY MEDICAL FACILITIES, 2,200 STRATEGIC SEALIFT OFFICERS, 450 CIVILIANS AND NEARLY HALF OF THE NAVY'S EXPEDITIONARY COMBAT COMMAND AND INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITY. WE ARE READY, CREDIBLE AND PRESENT 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, 365 DAYS A YEAR ... WITH NEARLY 15,000 SAILORS SERVING ON ACTIVE-DUTY ORDERS AROUND THE WORLD, MAKING AN IMPACT IN EVERY THEATER ON THE GLOBE. AS MEMBERS OF THE LONG BLUE LINE, YOU REPRESENT MORE THAN A CENTURY OF MEANINGFUL CONTRIBUTION TO THE NAVY AND OUR NATION, AND THE REASON I AM OPTIMISTIC ABOUT OUR FUTURE.

- 4. I HAVE VALUED EVERY DAY AS YOUR CHIEF OF NAVY RESERVE, WORKING AGGRESSIVELY TO DELIVER WARFIGHTING READINESS ACROSS THE FORCE. WHILE WE CERTAINLY HAVE MUCH TO BE PROUD OF, THERE IS STILL MUCH TO DO. MAKE NO MISTAKE, OUR JOB THE REASON WE EXIST IS TO FIGHT AND WIN IN COMBAT. AMERICA EXPECTS AND DESERVES WINNERS, AND I KNOW YOU WILL BE QUALIFIED AND READY TO MOBILIZE WHEN OUR NATION CALLS.
- 5. IT'S BEEN A HIGH HONOR SERVING WITH EACH OF YOU. THE CLOCK IS TICKING ... AND I'M COUNTING ON YOU. THE NAVY IS COUNTING ON YOU. AMERICA IS COUNTING ON YOU. OVER TO YOU TO GET BUSY.
- 6. LESS TALK, MORE ACTION. MUSTIN SENDS.//

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