



THE COMMANDANT OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD  
WASHINGTON 20590

The Commandant of the Coast Guard takes pleasure in presenting the COAST GUARD MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION to

U.S. COAST GUARD LORAN TRANSMITTING STATION  
Estartit, Spain

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For meritorious service from 15 December 1976 to 17 September 1977 while engaged in providing continuous Loran navigational service in the Mediterranean Sea area. Demonstrating exceptional professional ability, personnel of Loran Station Estartit maintained an unprecedented 100-percent availability of their Loran-C signal transmissions throughout the entire period. This achievement was accomplished despite the fact that the Loran-C transmitter was the oldest type in the Coast Guard's inventory and operated in the "watchdog mode" without a live watchstander present in the critical equipment spaces. Additionally, through extra attention to routine tasks, a thorough understanding of equipment operation, and innovative temporary repairs, signal availability was maintained despite several failures of major backup and support equipment. The outstanding skill, diligence and devotion to duty displayed by personnel of Loran Station Estartit reflect great credit upon themselves, their unit and the United States Coast Guard."

All personnel attached to and serving with U.S. Coast Guard Loran Transmitting Station, Estartit, Spain during the above designated period are hereby authorized to wear the Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon.

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