



THE COMMANDANT OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
WASHINGTON 20593

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

COAST GUARD LORAN-C STATION MARCUS ISLAND
JAPAN

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For meritorious service from April 1992 to February 1993 in achieving superior operational performance and significantly improving the materiel condition of the station. The Station earned the Pacific Area 180-Day LORAN-C Award for outstanding performance on 17 December 1992. The unit maintained a 99.996 percent usable signal for the 90-day period ending 5 October 1992 and a 99.99 percent usable signal for the 90-day period ending 4 January 1993. The Station achieved this performance despite operating on generator power and having the oldest 45-type transmitters still in operation, a harsh marine environment, and the rigors of isolated duty. In the effort to improve operational readiness, the unit developed and implemented an annual training plan for LORAN stations and improved watch qualifications. Despite supply constraints, station personnel innovatively completed several Civil Engineering Projects which significantly improved the habitability and operation of the Station and saved the Coast Guard thousands of dollars. The unit worked cooperatively with Japanese counterparts and promoted excellent international relations and goodwill. The dedication and devotion of LORAN Station Marcus Island personnel reflect credit upon themselves, the unit, and the Coast Guard."

The Operational Distinguishing Device is authorized.

For the Commandant,


W. C. DONNELL

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