

IN REPLY
REFER TO NO.

NAVAL AIRSHIP TRAINING AND EXPERIMENTAL COMMAND

U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
LAKEHURST, N. J.

WAC:by

20 November 1947.

Dear Newsom:

We are trying to set up a tentative slate for the coming fiscal year and would appreciate an expression of your desires concerning returning to duty in the airship organization at that time (June - July 1948).

We will require replacements for the following DUFLY billets at that time.

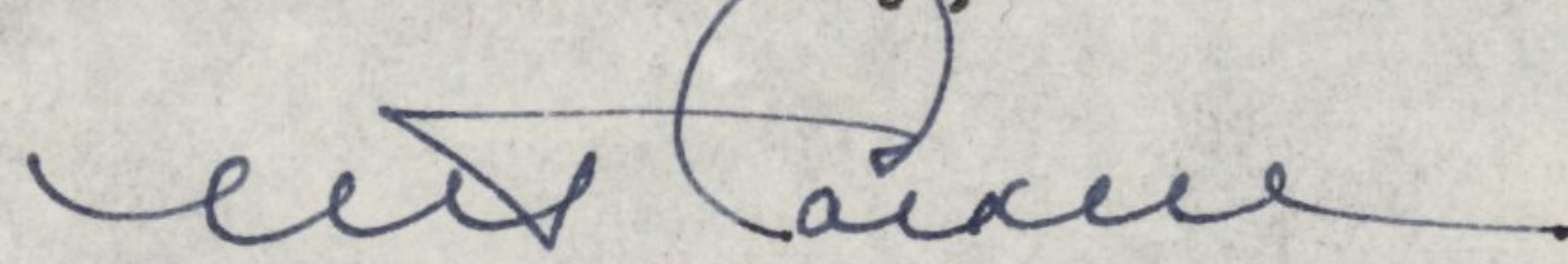
1. Executive Officer, ZP-1 - Headquarters Weeksville, N.C.
2. Executive Officer, ZP-2 - Headquarters Lakehurst, N.J.
3. O in C, Det. 6, ZP-2 - Key West, Florida.
4. Training Officer - NAS Lakehurst, N.J.

In order to facilitate reply, I have enclosed a form in which you may indicate your desires in the premises. It will be appreciated if you will complete this form and return it to me at your early convenience.

If you indicate a desire to return to airship duty we will make every effort to have you ordered back next summer. Of course we can not make any definite commitments at this time, but an attempt will be made to order you to the duty desired, if in the interests of the service.

Regards.

Sincerely,



W. A. COCKELL.

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2 December 1947

From: Lieut. Cdr. John W. Newsom, USN.

To: Captain W.A. COCKELL, USN,
Chief Staff Officer,
Naval Airship Training and Experimental Command,
Naval Air Station, Lakehurst, N.J.

1. I DO desire to return to duty in the airship
XXXXX
organization in the summer of 1948.

2. My first and second choices for duty indicated
in your letter of 20 November 1947 are:

1. Training Officer NAS Lakehurst, N.J.
2. Executive Officer ZP-2-Headquarters Weeksville NC

I have a request in for assignment to a PG course
at Stanford in "Personnel Training and Administration" and de-
sire to complete this course if selected. Otherwise, I would
like to return to the airship organization.

Since my main interests lie along personnel lines
and since my naval training to date have been mostly along the
same line, including wartime duty in the LTA organization as
Flight and Training officer, my number one choice for duty is
as indicated.

J.W. NEWSOM

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4 February 1948.

LCDR J. W. NEWSOM, USN,
U. S. Navy Recruiting Station,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Newsom:

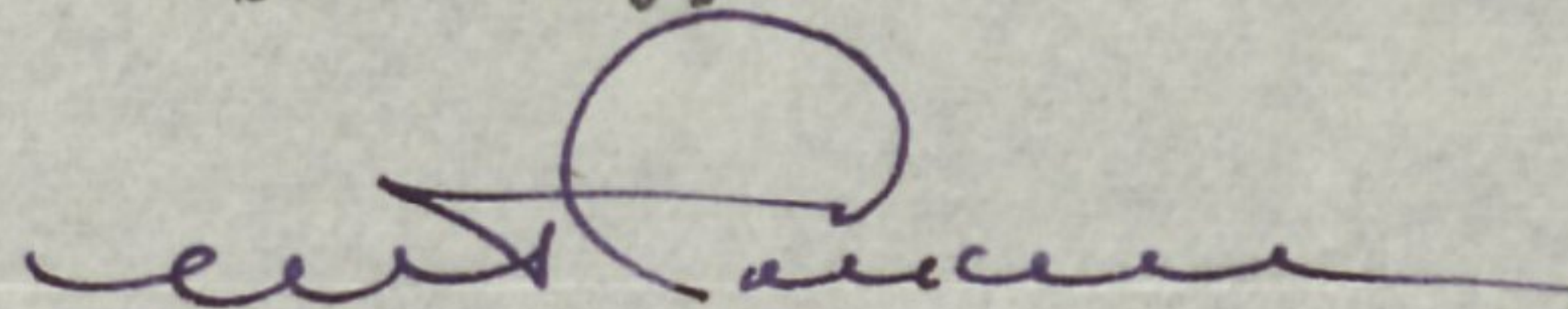
Thank you for your prompt reply to our questionnaire last November. I have delayed answering pending definite information on availability of officers from the Navy Department.

While in Washington last week the Lieutenant Commander detail officer informed me that although you have only been at Seattle since last summer he would make you available for airship duty. Consequently orders have been requested detaching you from your present duty in time to reach Lakehurst for duty as Executive Officer of ZP2 by 1 June 1948.

Whether you will be relieved in time to make the 1 June dead line is not certain, but you can plan on being at Lakehurst either by that time or shortly thereafter.

For your information the Training officer billet at Lakehurst is not being vacated therefore no relief for that billet will be required.

Sincerely,



W. A. COCKELL.