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To: Commander Bryan R. COLBERT, SC, USN, 472248
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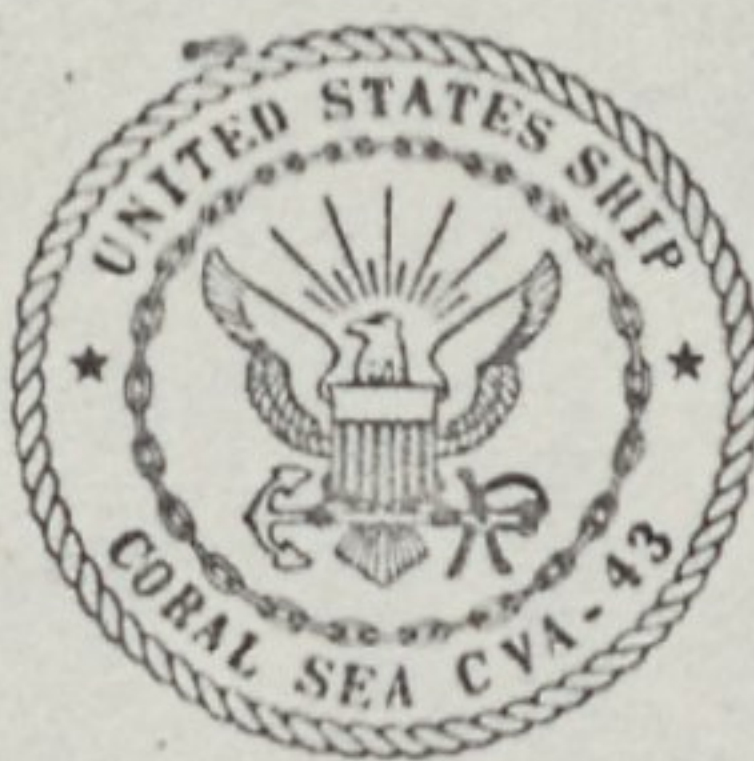
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1. Enclosure (1) is delivered with pleasure. You are most deserving of this "Well Done".

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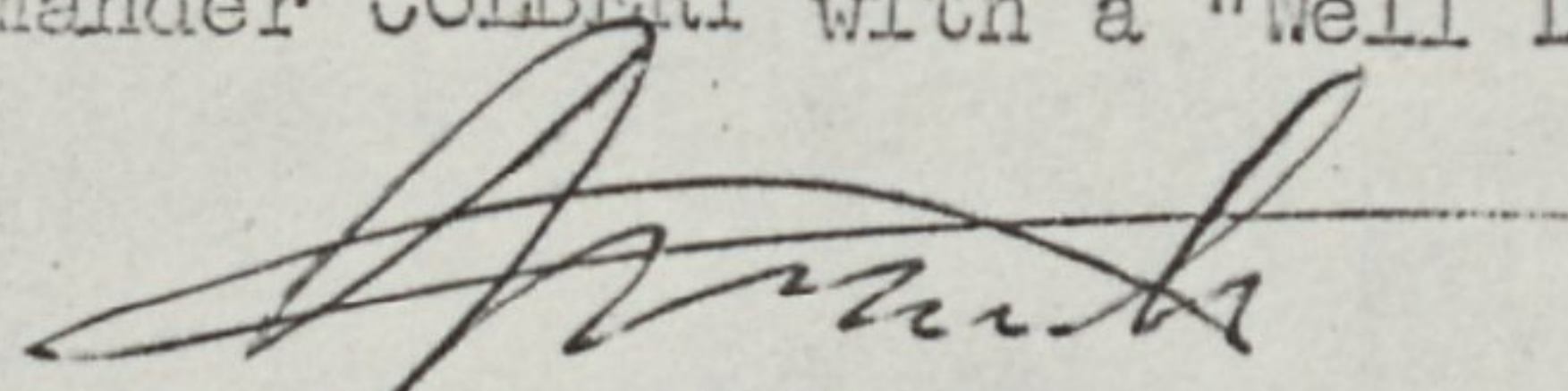
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From: Commanding Officer, USS CORAL SEA (CVA-43)
To: Commander Fleet Air Western Pacific, FPO San Francisco 96667
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1. During the period 12 August 1966 through 14 December 1966 when USS CORAL SEA (CVA-43) and embarked Air Wing TWO were participating in sustained retaliatory air strikes against North Viet Nam, it was discovered that this ship had received an inadequate AVIATION COORDINATED ALLOWANCE LIST outfitting for support of the RF8G CRUSADER Photographic Reconnaissance aircraft. This deficiency of repair parts was caused by a high usage rate of parts, mechanical failures, and increased tempo of operations. Commander Fleet Air Western Pacific was requested to assist in processing a new AVIATION COORDINATED ALLOWANCE LIST for reoutfitting the RF8G aircraft based aboard USS CORAL SEA.

2. Commander Bryan R. COLBERT, Supply Corps, United States Navy, Staff Supply Officer, Commander Fleet Air Western Pacific, began the arduous task of screening all naval aviation units in Western Pacific to procure the necessary material. Within a period of two weeks Commander COLBERT had located a total of 160 line items necessary to place all aircraft Not Operationally Ready Supply in an operational status. His personal perseverance and sustained professional performance of duties contributed materially to the success of the assigned squadron missions. His meticulous attention to detail, strong desire to be of greater service to this ship and embarked Air Wing TWO, and his "Can Do" spirit, was most commendable. Commander COLBERT has responded to this and all other requests of CORAL SEA, during her current deployment, with dispatch and efficiency. I, therefore, take great pride in commending Commander COLBERT with a "Well Done."


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