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The ROYAL COURT of the ROYAL DOMAIN of NEPTUNUS REX
In and for the District of Equatorius

* INHABITANTS OF THE REALM OF THE DEEP
* AGAINST
* ALL UN-INITIATED MEMBERS OF THE CREW OF
* THE U.S.S. FOOTE

To: RAMSAY, Alston Lieutenant Commander U.S.Navy,
(Name) (Rate or Rank)

* YOU are hereby ordered and commanded to appear before the ROYAL COURT of the
* REALM OF NEPTUNE, in the District of EQUATORIUS, because it has been brought
* to the attention of HIS AUGUST HIGHNESS NEPTUNUS REX, through his trusty shell-
* backs, that the good Ship FOOTE is about to enter these waters and manned by
* a crew who has not acknowledged the sovereignty of the RULER of the DEEP, has
* transgressed his domain, and thereby incurred his Royal displeasure.

* THEREFORE be it KNOWN to ALL Ye would-be Sailors and Landlubbers that His
* Royal Highness NEPTUNUS REX, Supreme Ruler of all mermaids, sharks, squibs,
* crabs, polly-wogs, eels, and other denizens of the deep, will, with his Secre-
* tary and Royal Court, meet in full session on board the U.S.S. FOOTE at 0730
* on the 6th day of June, A.D., 1943.

* YOU will accept most heartily and with good grace the pains and penalties
* of the awful tortures that will be inflicted upon you to determine your fitness
* to be a Trusty Shellback, and answer to the following charges:-

* Charge I: In that you have hitherto willfully and maliciously failed to show
* reverence and allegiance to the Royal Person of Neptunus Rex, and are thereby,
* a vile landlubber and polly-wog.

* Charge II: In that you did fail to make your appearance in the Royal Domain
* prior to now. Actually in command of a fighting ship in waters entirely
* strange to him. Should be charged with the heinous crime of bringing a
* shipload of pollywogs across the equator.

* It is therefore ordered and decreed that you present yourself before the
* above mentioned Court at the time and place above mentioned, or be condemned to
* be given as food for sharks, whales, polly-wogs, etc., who will devour you,
* head, body, and soul, as a warning to any landlubbers entering my Domain. HEAR
* and OBEY or SUFFER the PENALTY.

By order of the Court:
Given under my hand and seal this 5th Day of
June, A.D., 1943.

J. J. Stawling Jr.
DAVY JONES, Royal Scribe.
Hon. Peg Leg, Deputy.

* Registered:
* Neptunus Rex.

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REALM of NEPTUNE)
District Equatorius)-----

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have duly and properly served the within subpoena on the herein named person on board the U.S.S. FOOTE in sufficient time previous to the crossing of the Equator by said vessel to permit the defendant to prepare an ample defense, if any, to such charges as appear herein.

Davy Jones,
Royal Scribe.

Hon. Peg Leg,
Deputy.

