



FINAL REPORT

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From: Commanding Officer, Helicopter Combat Support Squadron
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To: All SAR Units and Related Activities

Subj: FINAL REPORT OF NAVAL SEARCH AND RESCUE CONFERENCE
HELD IN SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 15-18 JUNE 2004

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 3130.6C

Encl: (1) SAR Model Manager Points of Contact
(2) List of Executive Committee and Work Group
Voting Representatives
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1. Per reference (a), the following after conference final report is forwarded for review. Enclosure (1) provides contact information for SAR Model Manager personnel. Enclosure (2) provides a record of voting members for conference work groups and the Executive Committee. Enclosures (3) through (6) provide a record of Action Items and change proposals reviewed along with a recommended plan of action. Enclosure (7) provides a summary of 2003 SAR Excellence Awardees. Enclosure (8) is provided as a directory of pertinent agencies.

2. The CNO Search and Rescue Model Manager office will continue to track and act upon all items until closure.

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Enclosure (1)

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND WORK GROUP
VOTING REPRESENTATIVES**

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (CHAIRMAN LCDR VOLDEN)

CNO N780E	CDR DEARDURFF
CMC	MAJ MILLER
CINCPACFLT	N/R
CINCLANTFLT	N/R
CNATRA	N/R
COMNAVAIRFORCES	LCDR KENNEDY
COMNAVSURFLANT	BMCM SMITH
COMNAVSURFPAC	OSC FULLER
CNAVRES	LCDR RODRIGUEZ
CNET	N/R
COMNAVAIRSYSCOM	GYSGT PROVENCAL

AVIATION WORK GROUP (CHAIRMAN - ADCS BARGER)

COMNAVIAIRPAC	LT KOERBER/AMCS ZABELLE
COMNAVAIRLANT	LT IVERSON/AWC BRITTON
COMNAVAIRRES	AD1 PORTER
HELTACWINPAC	N/R
HELTACWINGLANT	LT SMITH
HSWINGLANT	AWCS BARRETT
HSWINGPAC	AWCS CASH
HSLWINGPAC	LT DOLBY
HSLWINGLANT	AWCS QUALLIO
MCAS BEAUFORT	N/R
MCAS CHERRY POINT	N/R
NAMRL	N/R
NAS KEY WEST	LT SMITH
NAS WHIDBEY IS	AMCS MEYERS
NAS PAX RIVER SAR	AT2 AKERY
RSS PENSACOLA	AWCS GREGORY
RSS JACKSONVILLE	AW1 TALLON
RSS HC-3	AM1 GRULLON
VMR-1	HM1 FORD
VX-1	AW1 SPENCER

SURFACE WORK GROUP (CHAIRMAN - LT EICH)

COMNAVSURFPAC	N/R
COMNAVSURFLANT	BMCM SMITH
COMNAVPACNORWEST	N/R
ATG WESTPAC	N/R
ATG MIDPAC	ET2 LAWSON
FTC SAN DIEGO	AWC MARKEWICZ
ATG INGLESIDE	AMC ZIMMERMAN
ATG MAYPORT	BMCS SIKES AND AECS UBBINK
FTG NORFOLK	ADC HILL
RSS JACKSONVILLE	LT BELL
SRSSMM PENSOLA	AWCS GREGORY
SRSS SAN DIEGO	ADC SMITH
USS SHILOH	ENS HAGERTY
USS CARL VINSON	ENS DEVITO

INLAND WORK GROUP (CHAIRMAN - ADC SCHATZLEIN)

COMNAVAIRPAC	AEC MAUTNER
COMNAVAIRLANT	LT Ward
NAS BRUNSWICK	N/R
NAS FALLON	LT MEER
NAS WHIDBEY	AMCS PHILIP
MCAS YUMA	SSGT BOND
HMT-303	AM2 BELTRAMO
VMR-1	MAJ MILLER
NAS PAX RIVER	AT2 AKERY

SAR HM GROUP (CHAIRMAN - HMC D'Ercole)

BUMED	N/R
COMNAVAIRPAC	HMC SPRADLIN
COMNAVAIRLANT	HMC ADAMS
HCS-5	HM2 EVANS
HC-5	HM1 KUFALK
NAF KEY WEST	HM1 MARINEZ
NAS PAX RIVER	HMC BOWERSOX
NAS FALLON	HM2 KRUEGER
VMR-1	HM1 FORD

SAR CONFERENCE 2004

TOP 10 ACTION ITEMS

02-16 FUNDING FOR INITIAL ISSUE OF TRI-SAR HARNESS
02-10 FUNDED TRAINING GEAR FOR THE FLEET
03-04 SRS EQUIPMENT FUNDING AND SCHOOL ISSUE
STANDARDIZATION
02-15 NVD'S FOR INLAND COMMANDS
03-01 BELAY SYSTEM
04-38 MOVE HADB HOLSTER POSITION ON LPU-28
04-37 SARMM DEVELOP LR-1 DEPLOYMENT PROCEDURES
96-34 DACOR KNIFE PLACEMENT
03-05 HSV SAR PROCEDURES DEVELOPMENT
87-03 INLAND SMOKE

SAR CONFERENCE 2004

LIST OF CLOSED ACTION ITEMS

79-02 SAR RADIO 125/149
94-16 AVIATION DRY SUIT
94-27 SAR FITNESS PROGRAM
95-33 TRI-SAR QUICK STROP (DIRECT DEPLOY)
98-05 SURFACE SWIMMER HARNESS #204
98-07 SURFACE LITTER/SLING WEIGHT TEST
99-01 SDU-39/N SAR STROBE
99-06 HABD HOLSTER
00-04 HANDS FREE SAFETY BELAY
00-05 CERVICAL COLLARS
00-06 BIO PROTECTIVE GLOVES
00-07 INLAND O2 (CAGED) CADDY
00-09 H-3 RAPPEL/BELAY RIGGING
00-11 FORMAL MOUNTAIN FLYING SCHOOL
01-05 RESCUE SWIMMER REFRESHER PT IN TEST
01-07 INCORP FORECASTLE & BOAT CREWS INTO SAR
EVALUATION
01-08 STANDARDIZE SURFACE SAR EVAL CHECKLIST
01-09 ELIMINATE REAR SURFACE APPROACH
01-10 ELIMINATE TIRED SWIMMER CARRY
01-12 12-WEEK PREPATORY PROGRAM FOR RESCUE SWIMMER
SCHOOL
01-13 SNORKEL MOUTHPIECE
01-15 RESCUE BOAT LIFE RING
01-16 TEMPORARY LIFELINE FORECASTLE RECOVERY
01-17 PRESCREEN ICO CAT II
01-19 J-BAR DAVITS
01-20 SWIMMER RESCUE TRAINING FORM IN 3130.6C ENCL 24
01-21 HOLDING LITTER AGAINST BOAT
01-22 SURFACE RESCUE SWIMMER USED IN FP/AT
01-25 IMPLEMENT 12-WEEK SAR PREPATORY PT PROGRAM IN RTC
02-01 CRAWL STROKE 400M GEAR SWIM
02-02 SURFACE RESCUE SWIMMER DRY SUIT
02-04 RESCUE PROCEDURES FOR ACTIVELY RESISTING SURVIVOR
02-06 IMPROVED PRE-SCREENING PROCESS FOR RESCUE SWIMMER
CANDIDATES
02-09 RETURN SAR STANDARDIZATION PETTY OFFICER COURSE
TO 10 TRAINING DAYS
02-11 CHEM-LITE PLACEMENT FOR QUICK STROP
02-12 KNIFE PLACEMENT FOR TRI-SAR HARNESS
02-20 RESCUE PROCEDURES FOR MULTIPLE SURVIVORS
02-21 SURFACE RESCUE SWIMMER RADIO

SAR CONFERENCE 2004
LIST OF CURRENT ACTION ITEMS

87-03 INLAND SMOKE
96-34 DACOR KNIFE (REPLACE/REPOSITION)
99-03 SAR BASKET/DEVICE
00-01 SAR EQUIPMENT FUNDING
01-02 SHORTEN TRAIL LINE
01-04 RESCUE SWIMMER BREAST INSIGNIA
02-10 FUNDED TRAINING GEAR FOR FLEET
02-13 OPTIONAL EQUIP. FOR ILLUMINATION OF NIGHT HAND
SIGNALS FOR OVERLAND USE
02-15 NVD'S FOR INLAND COMMAND
02-16 RESEARCH PROCUREMENT OF FUNDING FOR INITIAL ISSUE
OF TRI-SAR HARNESS FROM CNATRA
02-22 COMPOSITION OF CNO SAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
02-23 NEW MASTER PLAN & HELO REORG ON NAVY SAR & CSAR
MODEL MANAGER
03-01 BELAY SYSTEM
03-02 NEW MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES (MIP & MRC) FOR
SURFACE FLEET
03-03 SURFACE SAR OFFICER COI REVIEW/REWRITE
03-04 SRS EQUIPMENT FUNDING AND SCHOOL ISSUE
STANDARDIZATION
03-05 HSV SAR PROCEDURES DEVELOPMENT

87-03 ORIGINATOR: SARMM

TOPIC: INLAND SMOKE (SD-600)

HISTORY: ITEM DID NOT EXIST IN THE NAVAL INVENTORY. THE SD-600 SMOKE SIGNAL, FROM SUPERIOR SIGNAL COMPANY, HAS BEEN PROPOSED AS THE REPLACEMENT FOR THE MK-18 SMOKE GRENADE FOR INLAND SAR USE.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: RESEARCH AND DEVELOP WITH MILITARY EXPLOSIVE ENGINEERS AND CIVILIAN COMPANIES TO DEVELOP SUITABLE ITEM FOR INLAND SAR USE.

CURRENT STATUS: IT WAS DECIDED AFTER THE SD-600 FAILED THE LAST SET OF TESTS, TO SUBMIT A SOURCE SOUGHT ANNOUNCEMENT TO SEEK OUT OTHER VENDORS. THE TESTING OF THE SD600 CONCLUDED WITH FLAMERS IN ALL CATEGORIES OF THE SIGNALS. THE SOURCES SOUGHT ANNOUNCEMENT IS OPEN UNTIL 30 JUNE 2004.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: REMAIN OPEN, CONTINUE WORK EFFORTS.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: CONCUR.

96-34 ORIGINATOR: NAVAL AVIATION SCHOOLS COMMAND

TOPIC: DACOR" KNIFE REPLACEMENT

HISTORY: DUE TO LOCATION ON THE SWIMMER'S HARNESS IT'S DIFFICULT TO SHEATH/UNSHEATH THE KNIFE. SWIMMERS HAVE LOST THEIR KNIVES, CUT THEMSELVES OR THEIR WETSUITS WHEN TRYING TO UNSHEATH/SHEATH THE KNIFE.

BACKGROUND: THE KNIFE IS USED FOR PUNCTURING RAFTS AND CUTTING WEBBING DURING RESCUES AND MUST BE ABLE TO BE OPENED AND CLOSED WITH EITHER HAND. IN 1997, IRAC 46 TO THE NA 13-1-6.5 REQUIRED THE KNIFE TO BE BLUNT TIPPED TO ELIVIAE THE PUNCTURE CONCERNS.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: THE SHEATH AND KNIFE NEEDS TO BE REPLACED/RELOCATED FOR EASE OF USE. INVESTIGATE AN ALTERNATIVE LOCATION or REPLACEMENT FOR THE KNIFE.

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION:

1. THE SARMM STAFF WILL MODIFY ONE HBU-23P AND A TRI-SAR HARNESS TO ACCOMMODATE A NEW FOLDING KNIFE.

2. SUBMIT A FLIGHT CLEARANCE TO AIRPAC/AIRLANT TYCOMS FOR FLEET TEST AND EVALUATION OF NEW PROPOSED REPLACEMENT KNIFES.

APR 2004:

EVALUATED A FOLDING KNIFE WITH A LINE CUTTER ON THE BACK OF THE BLADE FROM EMERSON KNIVES. WE FOUND IT WAS HARD TO UNLOCK TO REFOLD THE KNIFE WITH OR WITHOUT GLOVES ON. SENT THE KNIFE BACK TO EMERSON TO HAVE THE KNIFE LOCK MODIFIED.

26 MAY 2004:

RECEIVED KNIFE, MODIFIED TO EASE THE OPEN/CLOSE FUNCTION. INITIAL PRICE IS \$111.43. PRELIMINARY EVALUATION PROVED SATISFACTORY.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: SARMM MODIFY TRI-SAR HARNESS AND HBU-23 AND SUBMIT FLIGHT CLEARANCE REQUEST FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES. DETERMINE IF KNIFE CAN BE PURCHASED AT A DISCOUNT RATE IN BULK LOTS.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

99-03 ORIGINATOR: SARMM

TOPIC: DEVELOP AND AUTHORIZED NAVY SAR RESCUE BASKET

HISTORY: THE EXISTING BILLY PUGH RESCUE NET, P/N X872SF, IS TOO LARGE TO FIT INTO THE H-60 HELICOPTER. DEVELOP A RESCUE BASKET; SIMILAR TO COAST GUARD RESCUE BASKET, THAT MEETS THE NEEDS OF ALL US NAVY SAR CAPABLE HELICOPTERS.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: R&D RESCUE BASKET WITH CONTRACTORS THAT IS NOT PLATFORM SPECIFIC, AND MEETS THE NEEDS OF ALL US NAVY SAR CAPABLE HELICOPTERS.

RECOMMENDATION: SARMM CONTINUE R&D ON RESCUE DEVICE. WHEN IDEAL DEVICE IS DEVELOPED AND INCORPORATED AS U.S. NAVY SAR RESCUE OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT, OPEN PURCHASE PROCUREMENT RECOMMENDED. RESCUE NET FOR SMALLER AIRCRAFT IS CURRENTLY AN IMP LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEMS ACTION CHIT NUMBER 99-033 THAT IS FUNDED.

2002 CNO SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: CONTINUE WITH TEST AND EVALUATION.

18 MAR 03

JAN 03 EVALUATION WAS COMPLETED. PROTOTYPE RESCUE BASKET WAS RETURNED TO MFG. FEB 03 SARMM SENT A DETAILED EMAIL TO ALL H-60 COMMUNITIES SOLICITING FEEDBACK ON THE RESCUE BASKET. TO DATE NO FEEDBACK HAS BEEN RECEIVED. A DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH NAWC/AD & SARMM IN EARLY MARCH AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT UNLESS SAR COMMUNITY DEMONSTRATES INTEREST IN THE BASKET THE PROGRAM COULD DIE. NAWC/AD REQUESTED SARMM SEND A SECOND MESSAGE TO THE HS COMMUNITY TO GET THE FEEDBACK NEEDED TO CONTINUE THIS PROGRAM OR END IT. THE MFG IS WAITING ON WORD TO BEGIN PRODUCTION BUT WILL NOT TOOL UP FOR SINGLE ORDERS.

JUNE 2004

ACTION ITEM WAS DROPPED BELOW FUNDING LINE AT ALSS/IMP

2004 SAR CONFERENCE IATION WORKGROUP RECOMMENDATION:
REMAIN OPEN - MONITOR.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

00-01 ORIGINATOR NAVAIR PMA 202H

TOPIC: ESTABLISH FUNDING FOR SAR SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

HISTORY: HELSUPPRON THREE (CNO SARMM) AND NAVAVNSCOLCOM PENSACOLA (RSS) IS NOT ON THE DISTRIBUTION LIST FOR NEW ALSS EQUIPMENT ENTERING THE FLEET. CURRENTLY, WHEN NEW EQUIPMENT IS DESIGNED, CNO SARMM MUST LOCATE AND BORROW EQUIPMENT FROM FLEET ACTIVITIES TO DEVELOP RESCUE PROCEDURES FOR TRAINING OF NEW STUDENTS ENTERING RSS PENSACOLA, AND FLEET RESCUE SWIMMERS STATIONED AROUND THE WORLD. SUFFICIENT EQUIPMENT WOULD BE NEEDED TO BE AVAILABLE AT MAJOR FLEET LOCATIONS; NAS NORTH ISLAND, NAS JACKSONVILLE; NAS NORFOLK, NAF ATSUGI, MCAS KANEOHE BAY, ANDERSON AFB GUAM.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: ADD HELSUPPRON THREE (CNO SARMM) AND RSS PENSACOLA TO DISTRIBUTION LIST FOR NEW ALSS EQUIPMENT. CNO SARMM WILL DEVELOP NEW PROCEDURES AND USE EQUIPMENT TO TRAIN FLEET PERSONNEL MUCH LIKE FAILSAFE AND NAWSTP, RSS PENSACOLA WOULD TRAIN NEW RESCUE SWIMMERS USING NEW EQUIPMENT AND PROCEDURES DEVELOPED BY CNO SARMM.

CURRENT STATUS: CURRENT PROCESS USES GENERAL CREW SYSTEMS FUNDS FOR SAR SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS. SARMM OFFICE SUBMITTED AN ALSS/IMP ACTION CHIT INTRODUCTORY EQUIPMENT FOR SARMM NO. 01-018 PRIORITY II.27. THE EXECUTIVE BOARD ACCEPTED THIS CHIT AND SARMM WAS ADDED TO THE ENGINEERING CHANGE PROPOSAL PROCESS AS HC3 CODE 61 SEARCH AND RESCUE MODEL MANGER FOR ALL ALSS CHANGE CONTROL BOARD (CCB) ITEMS.

APRIL 02:

THIS ITEMS WAS DISCUSSED AT THE 02 MID YEAR ALSS/IMP HELD AT NASNI (08-12 APRIL) THE EXECUTIVE BOARD VOTED TO CLOSE THIS ITEM AND HAVE THE SARMM DEVELOP A MISSION NEED STATEMENT FOR FUNDING THE SAR PROGRAM.

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION:

1. SARMM ESTABLISH A MISSION NEED STATEMENT FOR SAR PROGRAM IN ORDER TO GET SPECIFIC FUNDING FOR THE CNO SAR REQUIREMENTS OFFICER IN OPNAV (N780E).

2. LOOK AT AN OPERATING BUDGET OF ABOUT 40-50 MILLION DOLLARS. SCHEDULE A MEETING WITH PMA 202 RESOURCE SPONSOR FOR CLOTHING TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING LISTED ITEMS.

MISSION STATEMENT (MNS)
OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS DOCUMENT (ORD)
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)
OUT OF YEAR SOURCE REQUIREMENTS
BUDGET OUT ALL SAR EQUIPMENT ITEMS WITH 10% SPARES FOR
INCORPORATION IN THE CONFIGURATION TABLES OF THE 35-QH-2.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: CONTINUE PRESENT
COURSE OF ACTION. NOT MUCH HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED ON THIS
ACTION ITEM OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS. RECOMMEND SARMM
SCHEDULE A TRIP TO NAWC/AD AND PMA 202 IN ORDER TO BRING
SOME OF THESE MOVING PARTS TOGETHER AND EXPEDITE THE
PROCESS.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

01-02 ORIGINATOR: VMR-1

TOPIC: SHORTEN TRAIL LINE

HISTORY: TRAIL LINE IS TOO LONG (120 FT) AND SAFETY HAZARD TO SWIMMER AND SURVIVOR WHEN OPERATING IN SHALLOW WATER AREA'S.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: AUTHORIZE A SHORT TRAIL LINE FOR USE IN SHALLOW WATER AREA'S OR TRAINING SITUATIONS WHERE HOVER WILL BE LESS THAN 100 FT.

CURRENT STATUS: SENT AFTER ACTION REPORT TO NAWC/AD TO SUPPORT INCORPORATION OF THE 70 FT. TRAIL LINE AS OPTIONAL GEAR INTO NAVAIR TECH PUBLICATION 13-1-6.5.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: RECEIVED THE REPORT FROM VMR-1 AND SENT TO NAWC/AD. REMAIN OPEN, CONTINUE WORKING TO INCORPORATE THE 70 FT. TRAIL LINE AS OPTIONAL GEAR INTO NAVAIR TECH PUBLICATION 13-1-6.5.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: CONCUR.

01-04 ORIGINATOR: CNAP SAR EVALUATOR/RSS PENSACOLA

TOPIC: RESCUE SWIMMER DESIGNATION DEVICE

HISTORY: THIS ACTION ITEM HAS BEEN INITIATED SEVERAL TIMES OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, HOWEVER, EACH TIME IT HAS BEEN SHUT DOWN AT SOME POINT OF THE PROCESS. USN/USMC RESCUE SWIMMERS PERFORM AN EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS AND UNIQUE MISSION. IN KEEPING WITH OTHER UNIQUE NAVAL/MARINE CORPS MISSIONS I.E. SWIC/FMF ETC... USN/MARINE CORPS RESCUE SWIMMERS ARE MOST DESERVING OF A SPECIALTY DEVICE/INSIGNIA.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: DESIGN, IMPLEMENT, ALLOCATE FUNDING FOR, AND A MEANS FOR DISTRIBUTION FOR A U.S. NAVY/MARINE CORPS RESCUE SWIMMER DEVICE/INSIGNIA (ONE INSIGNIA TO COVER SURFACE/ AVIATION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS).

STATUS: SARMM OFFICE IS HAVING SOME PROTOTYPE DEVICES MADE IN ORDER TO GET INPUT FROM FLEET/FORCE CMCS. MILPERSMAN ARTICLE NEEDS TO BE RESEARCHED AND DRAFTED OUTLINING CRITERIA FOR DEVICE, AWARDING AUTHORITY AND QUALIFICATIONS. OPNAVINST 3130.6 SHALL BE GOVERNING INSTRUCTION. UNIFORM REGS ARTICLE NEEDS TO BE DRAFTED.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: CONTINUE WORKING THIS ACTION ITEM.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMENDEATION:
CONCUR

02-10 ORIGINATOR: HSL-45 (AWCS MCCAULEY), ATG WESTPAC

TOPIC: FUNDED TRAINING GEAR FOR RSS AND FLEET SAR TRAINING

HISTORY: RSS CURRICULUM AND OPNAVINST 3130.6 REQUIRES STUDENTS AND FLEET RESCUE SWIMMERS TO USE ALL TYPES OF AIRCREW SURVIVAL EQUIPMENT TO INITIALLY TRAIN (RSS) AND REMAIN PROFICIENT (FLEET) ON RESCUE PROCEDURES ON ALL USN/USMC AIRCREW PERSONNEL. HISTORICALLY, RSS AND FLEET UNITS PROCURE THE TRAINING EQUIPMENT FROM DRMO'S, HAND ME DOWNS, OR PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN THE POOL. MOST NEW EQUIPMENT INTRODUCED TO FLEET AVIATORS IS NOT AVAILABLE TO DRMO'S AND IS TOO EXPENSIVE FOR ALL ACTIVITIES TO PURCHASE TO USE SOLELY AS TRAINING DEVICES. ROUTINELY, RESCUE PERSONNEL ARE SUBJECTED TO RESCUE SITUATIONS IN THE FLEET AND ARE REQUIRED TO RESCUE DEPT OF THE NAVY MISHAP AIRCREW WHO ARE WEARING ALSS THAT HAS NEVER BEEN SEEN, TRAINED ON, OR PROCEDURES WRITTEN BY CNO SARMM. AIRSAVE SURVIVAL VESTS AND TORSO HARNESSSES, LPU-34, NEW 02 MASK BAYONET FITTINGS, PARACHUTE ASSEMBLIES, MULTI PLACE LIFE RAFTS TO NAME A FEW. WATER SURVIVAL TRAINING TANKS AND FAILSAFE TEAMS RECEIVE NEW EQUIPMENT TO TRAIN ALL DON AIRCREWS ON NEW EQUIPMENT. HOWEVER, NO PROCESS EXISTS TO ENSURE SAR PERSONNEL RECEIVE EQUIPMENT.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: REQUEST ISSUE OF EGRESS AND SURVIVAL EQUIPMENT AT RSS'S AND FLEET LOCATIONS

CURRENT STATUS: CNO SARMM DRAFTING POINT PAPER WITH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO PMA-202 TO FUND ISSUE OF EQUIPMENT TO RSS'S AND FLEET CONCENTRATED AREAS

2004 SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: THIS ACTION ITEM TIES IN DIRECTLY WITH ACTION ITEM 00-01. SARMM CONTINUE WORKING BOTH ISSUES HOWEVER IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT SCHOOL HOUSES, ATG'S AND TYPE WINGS INCLUDE FUNDS FOR THIS TYPE OF EQUIPMENT IN THEIR BUDGET REQUESTS. THIS MAY PROVE MORE EFFECTIVE THAN ASKING FOR A LARGE SUM FROM A SINGLE SOURCE.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: CONCUR

02-13 ORIGINATOR: A03 Carey / PAX SAR

TOPIC: OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR ILLUMINATION OF NIGHT HAND SIGNALS FOR OVERLAND USE.

HISTORY: USCG CURRENTLY USES REFLECTIVE SLEEVES TO HELP ILLUMINATE HAND SIGNALS IN DAY OR NIGHT OVERLAND RESCUES. THESE SLEEVES REDUCE THE RISK OF MISINTERPRETATION BY THE CREWCHIEF ALLOWING BETTER CREW COORDINATION BETWEEN CREWCHIEF AND RESCUE CREWMAN.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: RECOMMEND US NAVY/USMC ADOPT THIS PIECE OF EQUIPMENT FOR OVERLAND SAR (DD/RAPPEL OPS).

CURRENT STATUS: SARMM T&E'D LIFESAVING SYSTEMS CORP. SIGNALING SLEEVES P/N: 465 (THE SAME USED BY USCG) AND FOUND THEM TO IMPROVE CREWCHIEFS ABILITY TO INTERPRET HAND SIGNALS. SARMM RECOMMENDS THE USE OF THESE SIGNALING SLEEVES DURING ALL OVERLAND DIRECT DEPLOYMENT OPERATIONS.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: INCORPORATE SIGNALING SLEEVES P/N: 465 INTO CHAPTER 5, ANNEX A AS OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR ALL INLAND SAR COMMANDS. ADD ITEM TO THE SAR PERSONAL EQUIPMENT MESSAGE

2004 SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

02-15 ORIGINATOR: LT MOXEY NAS FALLON

TOPIC: NVD'S FOR INLAND COMMANDS

HISTORY: INLAND COMMANDS DO NOT HAVE AUTHORIZATION TO USE NVD'S. MOST OF THE COMMANDS SUPPORT ACTIVITIES THAT USE NVD'S AND A MAJORITY OF THE JET TRAINING IS DONE AT NIGHT.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: RECOMMEND THAT NVD' BE STOOD UP ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS. NOT RECOMMENDED FOR NIGHT CIVILIAN SAR.

SAR LIAISON WITH CLASS DESK AND OPNAV TO ALLOW H-1 MOUNTAIN SAR TO USE NVD'S FOR NITE SAR.

CURRENT STATUS: NAS FALLON IS RESUBMITTING THEIR REQUEST THE WEEK OF THE SAR CONFERENCE. SARMM WILL MONITOR STATUS OF THIS ACTION ITEM.

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION:

NAS FALLON IS GOING TO RESUBMIT THEIR REQUEST TO COMNAVAIRPAC. SARMM WILL MONITOR STATUS OF THIS ACTION ITEM.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: COMNAVAIRPAC DID NOT RECEIVE NAS FALLON'S REQUEST DUE TO ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT. THIS ACTION ITEM IS A NATOPS ISSUE VICE SAR. SARMM WILL LIASON WITH NAS FALLON DURING THIS PROCESS. RECOMMEND KEEP OPEN AND MONITOR.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

02-16 ORIGINATOR: RSSCCM, PENSACOLA

TOPIC: RESEARCH PROCUREMENT FOR FUNDING FOR INITIAL ISSUE OF TRI-SAR HARNESS FROM CNTRA.

HISTORY: CURRENTLY INITIAL GEAR ISSUE IS FUNDED FOR THE LPU-28 AND THE HBU-23 ONLY. WITH THE SAR COMMUNITY'S DESIRE TO SWITCH TO THE TRI-SAR HARNESS AS THE PRIMARY SWIMMER'S EQUIPMENT FUNDING MUST BE OBTAINED TO ISSUE AT CAT I ARSS

PROPOSED SOLUTION: IN ORDER TO INCORPORATE THE TRI-SAR HARNESS FOR NEW ACCESSION AVIATION RESCUE SWIMMERS, IT MUST BE APPROVED FOR PROCURMENT VIA CNATRA FOR INITIAL GEAR ISSUE. RECOMMEND CNATRA AUTHORIZE THE TRI-SAR HARNESS FOR INITIAL ISSUE AND DISCONTINUE PROCUREMENT OF THE LPU-28 AND HBU-23 AS INITIAL ISSUE ITEMS.

CURRENT STATUS: CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED AS OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR AVIATION RESCUE SWIMMERS. APPROX 25% OF FLEET USN/USMC SAR COMMANDS (54) HAVE TRI-SAR HARNESSES FOR "SOME" SWIMMERS. JAN 2001 TO JULY 2003 HAS 10 RESCUE REPORTS DOCUMENTING USE OF THE TRI-SAR HARNESS IN TRADITIONAL SAR SWIMMER PROCEDURE AND 3 REPORTS OF RESCUES USING THE TRI-SAR HARNESS IN DIRECT DEPLOYMENT PROCEDURE. FLEET PROCUREMENT OF TRI-SAR HARNESS AND "COMMAND WIDE" TRAINING OF MORE COMMANDS IN DIRECT DEPLOYMENT IS SLOWER THAN ANTICIPATED WHICH IS ATTRIBUTED TO COST OF OVER \$300.00 EACH FOR EQUIPMENT IN ADDITION TO TRAINING TIME FOR DIRECT DEPLOYMENT.

RECOMMENDATION: NASC, RSSCCM AND SARMM PURSUE INITIAL ISSUE OF TRI-SAR HARNESS AT RSS VIA CNATRA

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION:

1) ARSS/RSSCCM SUBMIT QH-2 CHANGE TO NAVIAR VIA CNATRA TO DELETE INITIAL ISSUE OF LPU-28/P AND HBU-23/P AND REPLACE WITH TRI-SAR HARNESS.

2) UPON CNATRA AND NAVIAR APPROVAL OF CHANGE, RSSCCM UPDATE ARSS CAT 1 AND II CURRICULUM TO INSTRUCT TRI-SAR EQUIPMENT AND PROCEDURES. ***COMPLETE***

2004 SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: ARSS PENSACOLA HAS BEEN INSTRUCTING THE TRI-SAR HARNESS SINCE JAN 04. THROUGH THEIR EFFORTS FUNDING HAS BEEN OBTAINED THROUGH CNATRA FOR INITIAL ISSUE OF THE TRI-SAR TO ALL GRADUATES. THE TRI-SAR HAS BEEN LISTED IN THE QH-2 AS OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT BUT STILL NEEDS TO BE UPGRADED TO PRIMARY EQUIPMENT AFTER THE DELETION OF THE HBU-23 WHICH IS INWORK BETWEEN SARMM AND NAWC/AD. RECOMMEND CONTINUE MONITORING THIS PROCESS AND HIGHLY ENCOURAGE FLEET UNITS TO REPLACE THE HBU-23 WITH THE TRI-SAR AS THE OLDER GEAR EXCEEDS SERVICE LIFE.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

02-22 ORIGINATOR: CDR WEIDE (CPF N335) CINCPACFLT

TOPIC: COMPOSITION OF CNO SAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

HISTORY: REORGANIZATION OF THE NAVY (OPNAV N78 REORG AND CREATION OF (COMFLTFORCESCOM) HAS STREAMLINED NAVAL TRAINING AND WARFARE REQUIREMENTS PROCESS. UNIFIED COMMAND PLAN (VEP) CHANGES HAVE ALSO REORGANIZED ASSIGNMENT OF FORCES. THIS HAS LED TO UNBALANCED REPRESENTATION OF COMMANDS ON EXEC COMMITTEE (CPF REPRESENTED, BUT CUSNE, CUSNS, & CUSNC NOT REPRESENTED)

PROPOSED SOLUTION: CHANGE OPNAVINST 3130.6 TO INCLUDE CUSNE, CUSNS & CUSNC IN EXEC CMTE. INCLUSION OF NAVAL COMPONENT COMMANDERS TO UNIFIED COMMANDERS WILL ALLOW FOR ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION OF ECHELON II SAR CONCERNS & OVERSIGHT.

CURRENT STATUS: DRAFTED CHANGE LISTED ABOVE IN OPNAVINST 3130.6D, ENCLOSURE (1) AS FOLLOWS. Newly added Commanders are underlined. Additionally, spelled out applicable TYCOMs.

7. SAR Conference Executive Committee. Shall be composed of representatives from CNO, Commandant of the Marine Corps (CMC), Commander, Fleet Forces Command (COMFLTFORCOM), Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMPACFLT), Commander, U. S. Atlantic Fleet (COMLANTFLT), Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe (COMUSNAVEUR), Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command (COMUSNAVSO), Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command (COMUSNAVCENT), Chief of Naval Education and Training (CNET), Chief of Naval Reserve (CNAVRES), Commander Naval Air Systems Command (COMNAVAIRSYSCOM), Chief of Naval Air Training (CNATRA), Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMNAVIRPAC), Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (COMNAVAILANT), Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMNAVSURFPAC), Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (COMNAVSURFLANT), and the Commander, Naval Air Force Reserve (COMNAVAIRES),

RECOMMENDATION: 1. SEEK APPROVAL FOR SAR CONF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHANGE FROM CNO SAR SPONSOR.
2. ONCE APPROVED, ENSURE SAR GRAM AIG ADDRESS LIST IS UPDATED TO REFLECT NEWLY APPOINTED EXEC CMTE MEMBERS.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: SUBMITTED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMPOSITION AS LISTED ABOVE TO N780E VIA OPNAVINST 3130 SERIES REVISION. AWAITING SIGNATURE PRIOR TO CLOSURE. RECOMMEND REMAIN OPEN AND MONITOR.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

02-23 ORIGINATOR: CDR WEIDE (CPF N3350) CINCPACFLT

**TOPIC: EFFECT OF NEW HELO MASTER PLAN AND HELO
REORGANIZATION ON NAVY SAR AND CSAR MODEL MANAGER**

HISTORY: WITH CONSOLIDATION OF ACTIVE HELO FLEET T/M/S AND
REORGANIZATION OF HELO TYPE WINGS AND MISSIONS EFFECTS ON
THE ORGANIZATION OF SARMM AND CSARMM MAY NEED TO BE
INVESTIGATED.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: SARMM LIAISON WITH CSARMM AND REVIEW
HELO REORGANIZATION PLANS IN ORDER TO ASSES POSSIBLE IMPACT
TO CURRENT SARMM/CSARMM ORGANIZATION. SARMM AND CSARMM
PROVIDE VARIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS WITH REGARDS TO
REORGANIZATION OF SARMM/CSARMM DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES,
IF REQUIRED, IN ORDER TO BETTER SUPPORT MODEL MANAGER,
SUPPORT OF CNO RESPONSIBILITY TO ORGANIZE, TRAIN AND EQUIP
SAR FORCES. EARLY ASSESSMENT NOW WILL ALLOW FOR BETTER
TRANSITION TO A NEW STRUCTURE IF REQUIRED IN THE FUTURE.

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION: SARMM LIAISON WITH NAVAL HELICOPTER
TRANSITION TEAM (NHTT), CHTWP AND NSWC FALLON TO RESEARCH
REORGANIZATION STRUCTURE AND ASSIGNMENT OF CSARMM
RESPONSIBILITIES WITHIN COMBINED HS/HC COMMUNITY AND WING.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: TO DATE NO ACTION HAS
BEEN TAKEN ON THIS CHIT. RECOMMEND SARMM MEET WITH CSARMM
AND DETERMINE IF ANY AND REORGANIZATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES
IS REQUIRED.

2004 SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

03-01 ORIGINATOR SAR MODEL MANAGER

TOPIC: RESCUE BELAY STICH BELAY PLATE REPLACEMENT

HISTORY: DURING RESCUE ATTEMPT JUNE 2002(INFLIGHT HOIST RECOVERY) IN YOSEMITE VALLEY, AS THE SAR HELICOPTER SETTLED BREAKING THE RESCUE HOIST CABLE. THE BELAY ROPE HANDLER LOST POSITIVE CONTROL OF THE BELAY LINE AND COULD NOT REGAIN CONTROL OF THE ROPE CAUSING THE VICTIM AND CORPSMAN TO FREE-FALL, DRAGGING VICTIM AND CORPSMAN THROUGH TREES.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: TEST AND EVALUATE POSSIBLE REPLACEMENTS FOR THE SPRING LOADED BELAY PLATE INCORPORATING AN AUTOMATIC BELAY SYSTEM.

FALL 2002: LOOKED INTO NEW FULL AUTOMATIC BELAY DEVICES. THE ONLY ONE AVAILABLE THAT WILL SUPPORT A RESCUE SIZE LOAD OF 600 POUNDS IS THE RIGGING FOR RESCUE 540.

NOV 03: GOT FEED BACK FROM NAS FALLON THAT WE NEEDED TO DO SOME MODIFICATIONS TO THE 540. SENT TWO OF THE 540'S BACK TO A STOP TO THE FRONT PLATE TO STOP THE HANDLE FROM BEING ROTATED IN THE WRONG DIRECTION.

APR 04: NAS FALLON CALLED ABOUT SIDE PLATE WEAR ON THE 540. MANUFACTURER RECOMMENDED SWITCHING SIDE PLATES FROM ONE SIDE TO THE OTHER.

APR 04: FOUND THAT THE REASON WE ARE HAVING A PROBLEM WITH WEAR IS THE FACT THAT WE ARE BACKING UP A HOIST THAT IS GOING OUT AT A RATE FROM 0 TO 250 FEET PER MIN. THE FRICTION CREATED WITH THE 540 IS DESIGNED TO BELAY A ROCK CLIMBER THAT MOVE A LOT SLOWER. I TALKED TO THE ENGINEER THAT DESIGNED THE 540 AND HE IS WORKING ON A NEW BELAY DEVICE THE HE THINKS WILL WORK BETTER FOR OUR APPLICATION.

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION: KEEP TESTING THE 540 WITH THE NEW MODIFICATIONS. LOOK INTO ANOTHER BELAY DEVICE THAT CAN BELAY A RESCUE SIZE LOAD.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: KEEP TESTING THE 540 WITH MODIFICATIONS. SARMM IS STILL AWAITING NEW MODEL OF TRANSVERSE RESCUE BELAY DEVICE. TRANSVERSE RESCUE WON'T REVEAL NEW DEVICE UNTIL PATENT HAS BEEN APPROVED.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: CONCUR

03-02 ORIGINATOR: INSURV

TOPIC: NEW MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES (MIP&MRC) FOR SURFACE FLEET

HISTORY: CURRENT SURFACE MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES ARE INCORRECT AND NEED TO BE REVISED. 3M SYSTEM DOES NOT REFLECT MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS LISTED IN NWP 3-50 AND OPNAVINST 3130. SEVERAL ACTION ITEMS HAVE BEEN OPENED FOR INDIVIDUAL PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: SARMM WILL DEVELOP, WRITE AND SUBMIT PROCEDURES TO NAVSEA REP JANET EDWARDS.

CURRENT STATUS: CARDS BEING DEVELOPED BY SARMM STAFF FROM EXISTING NAVAIR PROCEDURES. SARMM DIRECTED SURFACE FLEET TO IGNORE MIP 5832/003 SCHEDULE AID #2 SARGRAM 03-02. IT STATED THAT MAINTENANCE WAS ONLY TO BE COMPLETED IF AIR DET EMBARKED. CARDS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO NAVSEA NLT 30 NOV 03 MRC for the LPU-28 has been approved by NAVSEA, the other 7 cards will follow on.

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION: AFTER CARDS SUBMITTED, SARMM MONITOR STATUS UNTIL NAVSEA RELEASES TO THE FLEET. SARMM WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW UP AGGRESSIVELY W/NAVSEA.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: NAVSEA HAS SCHEDULED A MEETING WITH NAVAIR TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE. RECOMMEND SARMM MONITOR AND PROVIDE INPUT AS REQUIRED UNTILL NEW MIPS ARE PUBLISHED.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

03-03 ORIGINATOR: ATG NORFOLK/ATG INGLESIDE

TOPIC: SURFACE SAR OFFICER COI REVIEW/REWRITE

HISTORY: SURFACE SAR OFFICER COI NEEDS TO BE
UPDATED/REVISED

PROPOSED SOLUTION: SARMM WILL REVISE CLASS

CURRENT STATUS: NO ACTION TAKEN

RECOMMENDATION: SARMM IS GOING TO ADD VIDEO CLIPS OF J-BAR
DAVIT RECOVERY, LITTER PROCEDURES, RESCUE BOAT DEPLOYMENT
AND RECOVERY PROCEDURES. COURSE CRITIQUES ALSO MENTIONED
PROBLEMS WITH STRESS AND LEGAL LECTURES. SARMM WILL REVISE
ALL LECTURES FOR CONTENT.

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION: SARMM REVIEW AND SUBMIT CHANGES FOR
APPROVAL. VIDEO WILL BE DONE ON USS DUBUQUE IN OCTOBER
2004

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

03-04 ORIGINATOR: FTC SAN DIEGO/ATG MAYPORT/ATG SAN DIEGO

TOPIC: SRS EQUIPMENT FUNDING AND SCHOOL ISSUE STANDARDIZATION

HISTORY: SRS JAX RECEIVES FUNDING TO PURCHASE AND ISSUE SAR EQUIPMENT TO GRADUATES. ARSS ALSO ISSUES SAR EQUIPMENT TO GRADUATES. FTC SAN DIEGO DOES NOT HAVE FUNDING TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT. AS A RESULT PACFLT SHIPS USE OPTAR TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT AND THERE IS A DELAY BEFORE SWIMMERS ARE ABLE TO BECOME QUALIFIED SWIMMERS

PROPOSED SOLUTION: STANDARDIZE PROCESS AND FUND FTC SAN DIEGO TO ISSUE EQUIPMENT AT GRADUATION

CURRENT STATUS: NO ACTION TAKEN

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION: SARMM WILL RESEARCH ISSUE AND SUBMIT RECOMMENDATION AT 2004 SAR CONFERENCE.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION: RECOMMENDED FTC PERSUE FUNDING TO MEET MISSION REQUIREMENTS THROUGH TYCOM. THE AVIATION COMMUNITY HAS PROVISIONS FOR IDENTIFYING ISSUE RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR ALL GEAR ISSUED TO SWIMMERS. COMMANDS BEARING THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ISSUEING GEAR ARE BUDGETED TO SUPPORT THIS. RSS JAX WAS INITIALLY A CAT I ARSS SITE AND THE BUDGET REQUIRED TO OPERATE THAT SHOOOL REMAINED IN PLACE WHEN ARSS PENSACOLA BECAME THE SINGLE SITE ARSS CAT I SCHOOLHOUSE.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: CONCUR

03-05 ORIGINATOR: ATG INGLESIDE

TOPIC: HSV SAR PROCEDURE DEVELOPMENT

HISTORY: HSV IS A NEW CLASS OF SHIP AND NO SAR PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED AS OF OCT 2003.

PROPOSED SOLUTION: ATG INGLESIDE WILL DEVELOP PROPOSED PROCEDURES AND SUBMIT THEM TO SARMM AFTER COMPLETING TESTING.

CURRENT STATUS: T&E IN PROGRESS

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION: SARMM WILL TRAVEL TO ATG INGLESIDE OCTOBER 2004 TO WORK WITH SHIP AND ATG TO DEVELOP PROCEDURES. UPON COMPLETION AND REVIEW, SARMM WILL UPDATE NWP 3-50.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:
CONCUR

SAR CONFERENCE 2004
LIST OF PROPOSED ACTION ITEMS

04-01 PROCEDURES FOR MANUFACTURING AND USING MPLR WEAK
LINK

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SURVIVORS

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04-44 SDAP FOR SURFACE RESCUE SWIMMER

04-46 SAR GEAR BAG

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 01

ORIGINATOR: SARMM

TOPIC: PROCEDURES FOR MANUFACTURING AND USING MPLR WEAK LINK

CURRENT STATUS:

IMPLEMENT PROCEDURES FOR MANUFACTURING THE WEAK LINK USED FOR DIRECT DEPLOYMENT OF MPLR INTO THE NA 13 (SERIES) MANUALS, AND USAGE PROCEDURES INTO THE NITP 3-50.1 REV. B.

SARMM: HAS SUBMITTED PROCEDURES TO NAVAIR FOR VALIDATION. WHEN APPROVED INCORPORATE INTO 3-50 AN NA 13 SERIES MANUALS.

RECOMMENDATION:

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 03

ORIGINATOR: HC-2

TOPIC: AIRSAVE VEST FLOTATION CLIP

CURRENT STATUS:

THE LP FLOTATION USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE AIRSAVE VEST HAS A PLASTIC CLIP THAT ATTACHES BOTH LOBES OF THE FLOTATION TOGETHER. THE REMOVAL OF THE FRONT HARD ARMOR PLATE IS VERY DIFFICULT IF THIS CLIP IS NOT DISCONNECTED FIRST.

RECOMMEND ADDING THE DISCONNECTING OF THIS CLIP AS A STEP TO THE AIRSAVE DISENTANGLEMENT PROCEDURES. SARMM ESTABLISH PROCEDURES AND INCORPORATE INTO 3-50.

RECOMMENDATION:

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 10

ORIGINATOR: HC-2

TOPIC: SFT FOR RESCUE CREW CHIEFS

CURRENT STATUS:

RESCUE CREW CHIEFS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PERFORM THE SFT.

RECOMMEND THE RESCUE CREW CHIEF BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE LAND PORTION OF THE SFT.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. ADEQUATELY DEFINE THE TERM "RESCUE CREW CHIEF" IN OPNAVINST 3130.6 (SERIES) AND MIRROR RCC SFT TO CURRENT SMT SFT. GIVE THE FLEET 6 MOS TO PREPARE FOR NEW RCC SFT UPON INCORPORATION INTO 3130.6 (SERIES).

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 12

ORIGINATOR: CHWRES

TOPIC: SAR EVALUATION EXPIRATION

CURRENT STATUS:

ALLOW SAR EVALUATIONS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED WITHIN 60 DAYS PRECEDING EXPIRATION OF A CURRENT EVALUATION, AND REMAIN VALID FOR 12 MONTHS FROM THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH IN WHICH THE CURRENT EVALUATION EXPIRES. IAW OPNAVINST 3710.7S CHAPTER 2, PAGE 2-27, PARAGRAPH 2.7.3.D FOR THE NATOPS AND CHAPTER 13, PAGE 13-1, PARAGRAPH 13.1.2.1 FOR THE INSTRUMENT RATINGS, ALL PILOTS, NFO'S, AND NAVAL AIRCREWMEN HOLDING A CURRENT EVALUATION IN MODEL CAN ABIDE BY THIS RULE.

INCOPR. IN 3130-6(SERIES).

RECOMMENDATION:

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 15

ORIGINATOR: HSL-44

TOPIC: ASSISTANT SAR STANDARDIZATION PETTY OFFICER EVALS

CURRENT STATUS:

HISTORY: CURRENTLY OPNAVIST 3130.6C STATES THAT AN ASSISTANT SAR STANDARDIZATION PETTY OFFICER SHALL EVALUATE THE SAR STANDARDIZATION PETTY OFFICER FOR CURRENCY REQUIREMENTS. IT DOES NOT STATE THAT AN ASSISTANT SAR STANDARDIZATION PETTY OFFICER HAS THE AUTHORITY TO EVALUATE ANOTHER ASSISTANT. IT IS COMMON FOR HSL COMMANDS TO TRANSFER THEIR SAR STANDARDIZATION PETTY OFFICER BETWEEN TYCOM SAR EVALUATIONS.

CURRENT STATUS: SQUADRON REQUALIFIED ASSISTANT SAR STANDARDIZATION PETTY OFFICER WITH OTHER COMMAND ASSISTANT'S WITH VERBAL APPROVAL BY SARMM..

CURRENT PROCEDURES AND INFO IS ADEQUATE.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. CURRENTLY AN ASSISTANT SAR P.O. CAN ADMINISTER AN ANNUAL EVALUATION TO THE SQUADRON SAR PETTY OFFICER FOR CURRNCY PURPOSES WHEN THE TYCOM EVALUATION EXCEEDS ONE YEAR. IF FOR SOME REASON THE SAR P.O. TRANSFERS OR IS UNABLE TO PERFORM HIS DUTIES THEN AN ASSISTANT SAR P.O. ASSUMES HIS DUTIES AND CAN GIVE CURRENCY EVALUATIONS TO ALL SWIMMERS IN THE SQUADRON INCLUDING OTHER ASSISTANTS. HE CANNOT MAKE NEW ASSISTANTS AND MUST BE EVALUATED BY THE TYCOM TEAM DURING THE NEXT UNIT EVAL. SARMM WILL CLARFY THIS IN OPNAVIST 3130.6C TO ELIMINATE CONFISION.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 18

ORIGINATOR: HSL-44

TOPIC: INADEQUATE PRC-149 EARPIECE

CURRENT STATUS:

HISTORY: CURRENTLY THE EARPIECE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PRC-149 RADIO DOES NOT PROVIDE CLEAR RECEPTION. THE INABILITY TO HEAR HAS HINDERED COMMUNICATIONS DURING COLD WEATHER OPERATIONS WHILE WEARING A HOOD. THE HOOD COMPRESSES THE EARPIECE TO THE POINT WHERE COMMUNICATIONS ARE NOT UNDERSTANDABLE.

CURRENT STATUS: NOT USING THE EARPIECE DURING SAR OPERATIONS.

RECOMMENDATION:

DEVELOP AND TEST A NEW EARPIECE MORE COMPATIBLE WITH SAR OPERATIONS. Sarmm SUBMITTED AN ACTION ITEM TO THE 2004 ALSS/IMP TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. CHIT 3 04-005 PRI II.17. SARMM WILL MONITOR STATUS OF EARPIECE W/ NAVAIR.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 19

ORIGINATOR: HSL-44

TOPIC: ATTACHING CHEM LIGHT TO QUICKSTROP SAFETY STRAP

CURRENT STATUS:

HISTORY: CURRENTLY THE SAFETY STRAP ON THE QUICK STROP IS DIFFICULT TO BE SEE IN NORMAL WATER CONDITIONS AND EVEN MORE SO AT NIGHT.

AUTHORIZE THE ATTACHMENT OF A CHEM LIGHT STRAP TO THE EYELET OF THE SAFETY STRAP CLIP. THIS DOES NOT HINDER OPERATION OF THE CLIP.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. T&E BY CNO SARMM AV. COORDINATOR.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 21

ORIGINATOR: HSL-44

TOPIC: TRI-SAR CHEMICAL LIGHT POCKETS

CURRENT STATUS:

HISTORY: THE POCKETS ON THE TRI-SAR HARNESS ARE TOO LARGE FOR THE CHEMICAL ILLUMINATION LIGHTS. DURING REGULAR SAR SWIMMER DEPLOYMENTS FROM THE HELICOPTER AND POOL TRAINING THE CHEMICAL LIGHTS HAVE BEEN DISLODGED FROM THEIR POCKETS.

1. INSERT A SEPERATE POCKET FLAP TO EACH CHEM LIGHT POCKET ON THE TRI-SAR HARNESS.
2. MODIFY THE EXISTING POCKET BY CUTTING FLAPS INTO TWO PIECES, HEM AND ATTACH ADDITIONAL PILE.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. CNO SARMM WILL EVALUATE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RELOCATION OF THE SAR KNIFE

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted Research Required Rejected Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 22

ORIGINATOR: HSL-44

TOPIC: RESCUE SWIMMER WET SUIT COLLAR MODIFICATION

CURRENT STATUS:

HISTORY: THE RESCUE SWIMMERS SHORTY WET SUIT DOES NOT HAVE A COLLAR TO PROTECT THE RESCUE SWIMMER'S NECK FROM CHAFFING WHEN USING A TRI-SAR'S HARNESS. RESCUE SWIMMERS HAVE COMPLAINED DURING SWIMMING EVOLUTIONS OF EXCESSIVE RUBBING AND CHAFFING OF THE NECK.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. RE-ENGINEER SHORTY WETSUIT TO INCORPORATE FULL NECK.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 27

ORIGINATOR: ATG INGLESIDE

TOPIC: TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF BAHRAIN BASED SHIPS

CURRENT STATUS:

CURRENTLY USN SHIPS ARE REQUIRED TO REQUAL IN SAR EVERY 2 YEARS. SHIPS BASED IN BAHRAIN HAVE A HIGH CREW TURN-OVER RATE (12-18 MOS) - MORE FREQUENT THAN EVERY 2 YEARS. THIS MEANS THAT A MOJORITY OF THE TIME THE BAHRAIN BASED SHIPS ARE TECHNICALLY CERTIFIED FOR SAR, BUT THE CREWS ARE NOT. CURRENTLY, ATG INGLESIDE LACKS THE FUNDS TO KEEP BAHRAIN BASED SHIPS AND THE CREWS CURRENT.

RECOMMENDATION:

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT - THE COMMAND MUST MONITOR. IF SHIPS ARE NOT UP TO SPEED DURING UNIT EVALUATIONS THEN THIS MUST BE REFLECTED IN THE EVALUATION REPORT BEFORE ADDITIONAL FUNDS CAN BE JUSTIFIED. KEEP OPEN. SARMM WILL LIASON WITH ATG INGLESIDE TO RESOLVE THE ISSUE.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 32

ORIGINATOR: HSL-44

TOPIC: ALTERNATE RESCUE SWIMMER FINS

CURRENT STATUS:

HISTORY: THE SUPER ROCKET AND ROCKET FINS HAVE BEEN THE MAIN FINS USED BY AVIATION RESCUE SWIMMERS. THE FINS ARE RIDGID, INDUCE ANKLE STRAIN AND ARE LESS EFFICIENT THEN THE SCUBA PRO FINS.

CURRENT STATUS: IN ACCORDANCE WITH SARGRAM 02-04 ONLY RESCUE SWIMMERS WITH A SIZE 13 AND LARGER ARE ALLOWED TO ORDER SCUBA PRO FINS TROUGH THE SUPPLY SYSTEM. THE SCUBA PRO FINS HAVE BEEN PURCHASED BY SQUADRON RESCUE SWIMMERS AND IN THEIR JUDGEMENT THE SCUBA PRO'S ARE MORE EFFICIENT AND TAKE LESS ENERGY TO MOVE THEM TROUGH THE WATER DURING TOWING OPERATIONS RESULTING IN LOWER SWIM TIMES.

LIST THE SCUBA PRO FIN AS AN ALTERNATE REPLACEMENT FIN FOR ALL RESCUE SWIMMERS.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. SARMM MAKE CHANGE TO 3-50 REV B AND THE SAR PERSONAL EQUIPMENT MESSAGE.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 33

ORIGINATOR: NASC

TOPIC: MARITIME DD HAND SIGNALS

CURRENT STATUS:

CHANGE 2.6.1.1, FOR MARITIME DIRECT DEPLOYMENT HAND SIGNALS, INCLUDES OVERLAND DIRECT DEPLOYMENT HAND SIGNALS, LEFT/RIGHT. LEFT AND RIGHT ARE SPECIFICALLY USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH OVERLAND RESCUE'S, PARTICULARLY CLIFF RESCUES, ARE NOT MEANT FOR MARITIME DD.RECOMMENDATION: THERE IS NO PURPOSE FOR LEFT AND RIGHT MARITIME DIRECT DEPLOYMENT SIGNALS, AFTER THE LEVEL OFF SIGNAL GIVEN, SWIMMER SHOULD POINT TO SURVIVOR UNTIL HE/SHE IS IN REACH OF SURVIVOR. THE UP SIGNAL IS GIVEN FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENSURING SWIMMER IS CLEAR OF THE SWELLS OUT OF THE CREW CHIEFS VIEW, THERE IS NO REASON FOR A UP SIGNAL AFTER THE PICK UP SIGNAL IS GIVEN. (PARTICULARLY THE 6.0 INDOCTRINATION VIDEO DEMONSTRATION, INSTEAD OF USING THE UP SIGNAL, ONE HAND SHALL SECURE THE FRICTION LOCK, WHILE THE OTHER CLEARS SURVIVORS' BODY/HEAD FROM CARGO DOOR). RECOMMENDATION: WHEN POSITIONING YOURSELF FOR HOOK-UP, ENSURE SWIMMER IS FACING AIRCRAFT, KEEPING CABLE IN FRONT OF HIM AND SURVIVOR WHILE HOOKING UP. THIS WILL ENSURE SURVIVOR/SWIMMER FROM GETTING FOULED IN CABLE IN HEAVY SEAS. THE LEFT/RIGHT SIGNALS SHOULD NOT BE DEMONSTRATED IN THE POWER POINT LECTURE FOR MARITIME DD.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. CNO SARMM WILL FIX DISCREPANCIES

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 35

ORIGINATOR: NASC

TOPIC: FIRST AID LECTURE / VIDEO

CURRENT STATUS:

SAR PERSONNEL LESSONS, FIRST AID 1/MOVIE 1 DEMONSTRATION VIDEO, CD-ROM 6.0. (PART 1): THE VIDEO PLACES NO EMPHASIS ON EFFICIENCY WHEN DONNING BSI. IT TOOK A TOTAL OF 1 MINUTE AND 23 SECONDS TO PLACE ALL BSI PRECAUTIONS ON. THIS DID NOT INCLUDE ENROUTE TIME OF AIRCRAFT/WALK TO SURVIVOR. IF SURVIVOR WASN'T BREATHING THIS EXAMPLE COULD HAVE BEEN A DETERMINING FACTOR OF LOSS OF SURVIVORS' LIFE.

RECOMMENDATION: PLACE SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON VIDEO THAT PREPARATION PRIOR TO AIRCRAFT EXIT SHOULD INCLUDE NOMEK GLOVES ALL READY ON UNDER THE FLIGHT GLOVES. RADIO EARPIECE ALL READY PLACED IN EAR, LITTER ASSEMBLED, AND LEVEL "A" MEDICAL PACK READY. NOTE THAT HELMET ON WITH VISOR DOWN IS SUFFICIENT EYE PROTECTION.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. CNO SARMM WILL FIX AS NOTED.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 37

ORIGINATOR: HSL-44 LR-1 DEPLOYMENT EVAL

TOPIC: DEVELOP PROCEDURES FOR DEPLOYING THE LR-1 RAFT TO SURVIVORS.

CURRENT STATUS:

RQST RECOMMENDED FLT PARMETERS FOR DEPLOYMENT. RAFT TO BE DEPLOYED DURING PLANNED DITCH OR BY SINGLE AIRCREWMAN TO FREE FLOATERS

INCLUDE TRAINING VIDEO/DATA ON SAR CD'S

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. SARMM WILL T&E PROCEDURES DEPLOYING LR-11 TO SURVIVORS ONLY. DEPLOYMENT DURING PLANNED DITCHING IS UNDER THE COGNIZANCE OF THE NATOPS MODEL MANAGER.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 38

ORIGINATOR: AWCS WEBSTER HS-8

TOPIC: MOVE HADB HOLSTER POSITION ON LPU-28

CURRENT STATUS:

NAVAIR 13-1-6-5, PG 14-6G, PAR 14-300/3 LPU-28 LIFE PRESERVER ATTACHMENT - CALLS FOR THE HADB TO BE POSITIONED "ON THE LEFT SIDE OF WEARER." THIS PLACES THE HADB MOUTH PIECE NEXT TO THE CO2 ACTIVATION BEADED HANDLE. IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION, A CREWMAN COULD INADVERTANTLY INFLATE INSIDE THE AIRCRAFT. SWITCH POSITION OF HADB HOLSTER TO RIGHT SIDE OF WEARER.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. SARMM LIASON WITH NAVAIR TO GET WORDING CHANGED IN 13-1-6.5 TO READ "SIDE OPPOSITE CO2 ACTIVATION BEADED HANDLE" VICE "ON THE LEFT SIDE OF WEARER". THIS WILL COVER BOTH VERSIONS OF LPU-28 CURRENTLY IN USE.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 39

ORIGINATOR: ATG SAN DIEGO

TOPIC: SURFACE RS USE AND TRI SAR HARNESS

CURRENT STATUS:

TRI SAR HARNESS HAS BEEN APPROVED AND USED BY AVIATION RESCUE SWIMMERS FOR TWO YEARS. ADDITIONAL V RING WAS ADDED TO HARNESS BY LSC TO ALLOW SRS TO ATTACH TENDING LINE FOR J-BAR DAVIT RECOVERY. THEY WILL PRODUCE AS OPTION TO EXISTING HARNESS. TESTED, EVALUATED APPROVED BY SARMM. ATG's AND SCHOOLHOUSES MUST TRAIN FLEET.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. SURFACE VERSION OF THE TRI-SAR HARNESS WAS SUCESSFULLY EVALUATED BY SARMM. EQUIPMENT CANNOT BE APPROVED FOR USE UNTIL IT IS ADDED TO THE SURFACE RSS CURRICULUM. REMAIN OPEN UNTIL COURSE CURRICULIM HAS BEEN CHANGED.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted Research Required Rejected Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 40

ORIGINATOR: HMI FORD VMR-1

TOPIC: SMT PQS STANDARDIZATION

CURRENT STATUS:

CURRENTLY THERE IS NO STANDARDIZATION FOR THE MAKE-UP/CONTENT OF PQS'S USED TO QUALIFY SMT'S.

RECOMMENDATION:

STANDARDIZE SMT FLIGHT TRAINING SYLLABUS/PQS FOR ALL ROTARY WING PLATFORMS (IE. H-1, H-3, H-46, H-60).

HMC SPRADLIN (SARMM) WILL DEVELOPE AND IMPLEMENT THE STANDARDIZED PQS'S FOR ALL PLATFORMS.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 41

ORIGINATOR: CHWRES AD1 PORTER

TOPIC: QUARTER SFT PRACTICAL

CURRENT STATUS:

CHANGE NEW OPNAV 3130 QUARTERLY SFT REQUIREMENTS TO SEMI ANNUAL. THIS WOULD BE A SCHEDULING CONFLICT WITH THE RESERVES. THEY ATTEND 3 WEEKENDS IN EACH QUARTER. TO ADD THIS WITH FLYING, GMT, SAFETY STAND-DOWNS, AIRCREW LECTURES, GUN TRAINING, ETC. THIS WOULD ONLY CREATE A BURDEN ON THE COMMANDS AND MEMBERS.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. SFT SHOULD BE SEMI-ANNUAL TRAINING. MAKE APPROPRIATE CHANGES TO 3130.6 (SERIES).

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 43

ORIGINATOR: HMC BOWERSOX

TOPIC: MODERNIZE LEVEL "B" BAG INVENTORY AND BAG

CURRENT STATUS:

THE LEVEL "B" BAG INVENTORY NEEDS TO BE MODERNIZED TO FIT CURRENT NEEDS AND STANDARDS. A NEW BAG SHOULD BE DESIGNED TO FIT THE NEW INVENTORY.

RECOMMENDATION:

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 44

ORIGINATOR: SURFACE SARMM

TOPIC: SDAP FOR SURFACE RESCUE SWIMMER

CURRENT STATUS:

RECOMMEND AVIATION AND SURFACE SWIMMERS TO BE PAID SAME AMOUNT OF SDAPSARMM AND SURFACE GROUP BELIEVE THAT INCREASED SDAP FUNDING FOR SURFACE RS WILL HELP SHIPS FIND POTENTIAL CANDIDATES AND REMOVE PERCEIVED BIAS BETWEEN AIR AND SURFACE SWIMMERS.

RECOMMENDATION:

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED
REMAIN OPEN - MORE RESEARCH (FUNDING SOURCE) REQUIRED.

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

UNCLASSIFIED

ACTION ITEM CHIT

ACTION ITEM #: 04- 46

ORIGINATOR: SARMM

TOPIC: SAR GEAR BAG

CURRENT STATUS:

REMOVE OLD STYLE PARACHUTE BAG FROM OFFICIAL DOCUMENTATION AND
REPLACE WITH RESCUE SWIMMERS GEAR BAG. PART# 304.

RECOMMENDATION:

ACCEPT. GET ITEM APPROVED THROUGH NAVAIR. CHANGE QH2 FOR INITIAL
ISSUE.

2004 CNO SAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: ACCEPTED
SARMM: TAKE FOR ACTION INCLUDE IN APPENDIX OF 3-50.

WORKGROUP ACTION:

Accepted

Research Required

Rejected

Other (specify)

2003 SAR EXCELLENCE AWARDS



SURFACE SAR UNIT OF THE YEAR

USS BOONE (FFG 28)

"On 5 January 2003, while operating in the Eastern Pacific Ocean, USS BOONE (FFG 28) came across a vessel at approximately 0300 that was displaying no navigation lights nor making way through the water. BOONE launched her Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat (RHIB), placing the boat crew in harm's way, to close in for further investigation. As the RHIB closed in on the fishing vessel, the crew reported that there were approximately 50 to 100 people on the deck of the mysterious fishing vessel. Upon boarding the fishing vessel, named CHALLENGER, the boarding team discovered 160 migrants from Ecuador without food or water, and the fishing vessel dangerously close to sinking. The refugees had boarded CHALLENGER eight days earlier in order to travel to Guatemala and eventually to the United States, but the boat had started taking on water when the engine failed. The vessel had been adrift for two days. Recognizing that CHALLENGER would be afloat for only a few more hours, BOONE's crew acted quickly to evacuate the migrants to safe haven on board BOONE. Once onboard, the migrants were fed, given shelter and medical exams, and quickly returned to their home country. As a result of BOONE's, heroic actions, 160 Ecuadorians owe their lives to the professionalism and dedication of every crewmember onboard that day."



SURFACE SAR CREW OF THE YEAR

USS ANZIO (CG 68)

"USS ANZIO (CG 68) is commended for excellence in Search and Rescue as she displayed superior acumen, alertness and seamanship throughout 2003. Diligently and expediently answering the call on three separate occasions, ANZIO ensured shipmates were not lost at sea. On 26 January, ANZIO rescue swimmers and RHIB crew were instrumental in the recovery of a downed F-14 during USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT's Strike Group COMPTUEX. That same month, her SAR team boarded a distressed vessel dead in the water near St. Thomas Island, evaluated her sea worthiness and took both the vessel and her four passengers under tow to the nearest Caribbean port. Most recently, in adverse weather and dense traffic in the Thimble Shoals channel, ANZIO directed the rescue of two boaters in distress when an ANZIO lookout spotted their capsized vessel. Her efforts were the crucial factor in saving their lives."



SURFACE RESCUE SWIMMER OF THE YEAR

CTT1(SW) TIMOTHY E. HERBIN USS TYPHOON (PC 5) UNITED STATES NAVY

"For extraordinary heroism undertaking a high-risk rescue of a fellow Sailor's life. For more than an hour in 61 degree water and in a sea state where the swells regularly reached above ten feet, CTT1 Herbin aggressively searched for two missing shipmates who fell overboard when their RHIB capsized. Nearing his physical limits, Petty Officer Herbin refused to give up the search. He was ordered below only when his physical exhaustion threatened his own life. His remarkable effort is a glowing example of the Navy's core values of honor, courage, and commitment. CTT1 Herbin displayed qualities which all men and women in uniform aspire to possess but few people have the opportunity to display."



AVIATION SAR UNIT OF THE YEAR MARINE TRANSPORT SQUADRON ONE (VMR-1)

"For sustained heroism and commitment to duty, PEDRO crews distinguished themselves by responding to over 150 calls for assistance in 2003, with 99 SAR reports being filed. Often missions were flown at night, on night vision goggles, and in deteriorating weather conditions. On four separate occasions, long distance over-water missions, one exceeding 200 miles, were performed to MEDEVAC seriously injured personnel to critical care facilities ashore. The missions undertaken by PEDRO crews affected the lives of 66 survivors and patients. Fifty lives were saved due to the brave actions of PEDRO aircrewmembers. PEDRO crews responding to over fifty emergency calls from military aircraft while standing plane guard duty. Extraordinarily valiant efforts were often required of aircrew to effect difficult rescues. PEDRO crews' selfless and heroic actions and the sustained efforts of PEDRO Maintenance Marines during 2003 exemplify the true spirit of honor, courage, and commitment and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service Search and Rescue: "So others may live."



**AVIATION RESCUE CREW OF THE YEAR
HELICOPTER COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON FIVE
DET FIVE "KNIGHTRIDER 62"**

**LT HARRISON SCHRAMM LTJG ISAIAH BLAKE
AMC MIKEL CARR AO2 RUSTY JACK
PR2 JOSEPH McCOLLUM
UNITED STATES NAVY**

"For heroism while serving as the Search and Rescue Flight Crew of Knightrider 62 Helicopter Combat Support Squadron FIVE Detachment FIVE, aboard USNS CONCORD (T-AFS 5) on 24 June 2003. In the face of great danger, you risked your lives during the rescue of 27 survivors from the sinking Egyptian Motor Vessel GREEN GLORY. You displayed exceptional skill and fortitude while affecting this successful rescue, despite 30-foot seas and the 45-degree rolls of the sinking motor vessel GREEN GLORY. Your crew's quick thinking and innovative solutions to the unique problems associated with recovering 27 people in such conditions were exemplary and your seven-hour effort in such demanding environmental conditions speaks highly of your expertise and selfless commitment to excellence. Your flight crew's exceptional display of airmanship and devotion to duty reflected great credit upon yourselves and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."



AVIATION RESCUE AIRCREWMAN OF THE YEAR

AO2 RUSTY S. JACK HELICOPTER COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON FIVE DET FIVE UNITED STATES NAVY

"For heroism while serving as a Search and Rescue Swimmer for Helicopter Combat Support Squadron FIVE Detachment FIVE, aboard USNS CONCORD (T-AFS 5) on 24 June 2003. Accepting tremendous personal risk, AO2 Jack risked his life during the rescue of 27 survivors from the sinking Egyptian Motor Vessel GREEN GLORY. After being lowered from the rescue helicopter into 30-foot seas with the foundering ship rolling up to 45 degrees, he transferred survivors from the sinking ship to deployed life rafts. Three times in the day, AO2 Jack found himself alone in a wave-swept life raft with huddled sailors relying on his expertise for their survival, and each time he came through, hoisting all 27 to safety. In the water for nearly 5 hours, under grueling weather conditions, his efforts were nothing less than heroic. Petty Officer Jack's courage, bravery and selfless devotion to duty reflected great credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."



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