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MEMORANDUM


From: P. F. Thomas, RADM
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To: S. W. Muller, CDR
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Subject: MARINE BOARD OF INVESTIGATION CONCERNING THE SINKING OF THE
CFV DESTINATION (O.N. 632374) APPROXIMATELY 3NM NORTH OF ST.
GEORGE ISLAND, ALASKA WITH MULTIPLE LOSS OF LIFE

1. Pursuant to the authority contained in Title 46, United States Code (U.S.C.), 6301 and the regulations promulgated thereunder, you are to convene a Formal Marine Board of Investigation (MBI) consisting of the following members.

- CDR Scott Muller, USCG, Chairman
- LCDR Pedro Mendoza, USCG, Recorder
- Mr. James Gillette, USCG, Member

2. The Marine Board will thoroughly investigate the sinking and loss of life of the CFV DESTINATION (O.N. 632374) in accordance with the all applicable statutory and regulatory mandates. Upon completion of the investigation, the Board will issue a report to the Commandant with the evidence collected, the facts established, and its conclusions and recommendations. Conclusions or recommendations concerning commendatory actions or misconduct that would warrant further inquiry shall be referred by separate correspondence to the cognizant District Commander for consideration and action as appropriate. A daily summary of significant events shall be transmitted to Commandant (CG-INV) while the Board is in formal session.

3. Complete and submit your investigative report to Commandant (CG-INV) within 12 months of the convening date. If this deadline cannot be met, a written explanation for the delay and the expected completion date shall be submitted. You are highly encouraged to submit any interim recommendations intended to prevent similar casualties, if appropriate, at any point during your investigation.

4. The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) is also charged with the responsibility of determining the cause or probable cause of this casualty by the Independent Safety Board Act of 1974 (49 U.S.C. 1901, et. seq.) and may designate a representative to participate in this investigation. The NTSB representative may make recommendations regarding the scope of the inquiry, may identify and examine witnesses, and/or submit or request additional evidence.

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5. The Commandant (CG-INV) will furnish such funding and/or technical assistance as may be required by the Marine Board when deemed appropriate and within the requirements for the scope of this investigation. Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District and Commander, Thirteenth Coast Guard District will provide such administrative, logistical, and/or legal support as may be required.

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