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TO USCGC BOUTWELL
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SUBJ: BRAVO ZULU

1. CONGRATULATIONS TO CGC BOUTWELL UPON COMPLETION OF A SIX MONTH OUT OF HEMISPHERE DEPLOYMENT THAT RESULTED IN THE SUCCESSFUL CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF THE GLOBE.
2. YOUR SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF DUTY AND EXECUTION OF JOINT OPERATIONS WITH THE US NAVY HIGHLIGHTED THE COAST GUARD'S ROLE AS A VALUED PARTNER AND FORCE MULTIPLIER IN ALL OPERATIONAL THEATERS. YOU SIGNIFICANTLY CONTRIBUTED TO THE THEATER CAMPAIGN PLANS OF THREE GEOGRAPHIC COMBATANT COMMANDERS WHILE PARTICIPATING IN NUMEROUS INTERNATIONAL TRAINING ENGAGEMENTS AND COUNTER PIRACY OPERATIONS OFF THE HORN OF AFRICA.
3. WHEN I VISITED YOU IN APRIL, YOUR UNWAVERING DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO THE GOALS OF THIS DEPLOYMENT WERE EVIDENT. WHEN I VISITED DJIBOUTI I WAS IMPRESSED WITH YOUR FLEXIBILITY TO MAKE CRUISE REPAIRS.
4. BRAVO ZULU TO THE CREW OF USCGC BOUTWELL AND WELCOME BACK! PLEASE BE SURE TO CONVEY MY APPRECIATION TO YOUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS WHO PROVIDED SUPPORT FROM HOME DURING THIS EXTENDED ABSENCE. THEIR PATIENCE AND PRIDE IN YOUR MISSION CONTRIBUTED TO YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS.
5. ADMIRAL THAD ALLEN, COMMANDANT, SENDS.
6. INTERNET RELEASE AUTHORIZED.

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