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SUBJECT: 2005 Secretary of Defense Field-level Maintenance Awards Selection

Annually, the Secretary of Defense Maintenance Awards recognize the Department of Defense's outstanding field-level military maintenance units. I am pleased to advise you of the 2005 Secretary of Defense Maintenance Award Winners.

SMALL CATEGORY

Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department (AIMD)
Naval Air Station/Joint Reserve Base New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana
United States Navy

31st Maintenance Operations Squadron (31 MOS), 31st Fighter Wing
Aviano Air Base, Italy
United States Air Force

MEDIUM CATEGORY

428th Transportation Company
Jefferson City, Missouri
United States Army

Combat Service Support Battalion 12 (1st Maint Bn)
Camp Pendleton, California
United States Marine Corps



LARGE CATEGORY

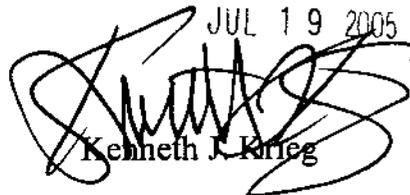
3d Battalion, 7th Field Artillery Regiment
Schofield Barracks, Hawaii
United States Army

USS GEORGE WASHINGTON (CVN 73)
Naval Station Norfolk, Virginia
United States Navy

The Secretary of Defense Maintenance Awards Ceremony and Banquet is scheduled for Wednesday, October 26, 2005 at the Sheraton Birmingham Hotel, Birmingham, Alabama as part of the 2005 DoD Maintenance Symposium & Exhibition. One of the highlights of the awards ceremony will be the presentation of the Secretary of Defense's Phoenix Trophy. The recipient of the Phoenix Award is selected from the six Secretary of Defense Field-level Maintenance Award winners and is recognized as the "Best of the Best" maintenance unit within DoD. The Phoenix trophy is the highest award for field-level maintenance within the Department of Defense.

Please extend the sincerest congratulations of the Secretary of Defense to each of your Secretary of Defense Maintenance Award winners.

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