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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
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CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS, UNITED STATES NAVY
CHIEF OF STAFF, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS

SUBJECT: 2008 Secretary of Defense Depot-level Maintenance Award Selection

This year we had 12 nomination packages forwarded by the Services. Each nominee should be proud of their exceptional performance and contribution to our Nation's defense.

I am pleased to inform you that the recipient of the 2008 Secretary of Defense Depot-level Maintenance Award, known as the *Robert T. Mason Award for Depot Maintenance Excellence*, is the Navy's H-1 Aircraft Production Program at Fleet Readiness Center East, Cherry Point, North Carolina.

The Secretary of Defense Maintenance Awards Ceremony and Banquet are scheduled for Wednesday, October 29, 2008 at the Hyatt Regency at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver, Colorado as part of the 2008 DoD Maintenance Symposium & Exhibition. One of the highlights of the awards ceremony will be the presentation of the Robert T. Mason Award for Depot Maintenance Excellence.

For further information, my point of contact is Mr. Chuck Field, (703) 697-9067, chuck.field@osd.mil, OADUSD(L&MR)/MPP.

Please extend my sincerest congratulations on behalf of the Secretary of Defense to Fleet Readiness Center East and to all of the nominees for their outstanding efforts.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John J. Young, Jr." in a cursive style.

John J. Young, Jr.

