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

SUBJECT: 2006 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 2006 Secretary of Defense Field-level Maintenance Award Winners.

SMALL CATEGORY

Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Light Four Seven - USN
Naval Air Station North Island, California
United States Navy

303d Intelligence Squadron - USAF
Osan Air Force Base, Republic of Korea
United States Air Force

MEDIUM CATEGORY

297th Transportation Company - USA
Fort Hood, Texas
United States Army

437th Maintenance Squadron/315th Maintenance Squadron - USAF
Charleston Air Force Base, South Carolina
United States Air Force



LARGE CATEGORY

3rd Wing - USAF
Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska
United States Air Force

3rd Materiel Readiness Battalion - USMC
Okinawa, Japan
United States Marine Corps

The Secretary of Defense Maintenance Awards Ceremony and Banquet is scheduled for Wednesday, October 25, 2006 at the Grand Sierra Resort (formerly Reno Hilton) Reno, Nevada as part of the 2006 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 the Department of Defense. The Phoenix trophy is the highest award for field-level maintenance within the Department.

Please extend my sincerest congratulations on behalf of the Secretary of Defense to each of your Secretary of Defense Field-level Maintenance Award winners.

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