

BRAVO ZULU NAVAL MESSAGE:

FROM: **COMMANDER OF US NAVY'S SECOND FLEET**

TO: US NAVAL UNDERWAY REPLINISHMENT TANKER/ SUPPLY SHIP **USNS LARAMIE (T-AO 203)**

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SUBJ/USNS LARAMIE BRAVO ZULU//

GENTEXT/REMARKS/1. CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME HOME TO THE USNS

LARAMIE SAILORS. YOUR SAFE RETURN MARKS THE CONCLUSION OF A DEMANDING AND HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL DEPLOYMENT IN THE USCENCOM AND USEUCOM AOR.

2. YOUR DEDICATION TO EXCELLENCE, PROFESSIONALISM AND PERFORMANCE PERSONIFIED OUR MARITIME STRATEGY AND NAVAL OPERATIONS CONCEPT. YOU COMPLETED A CHALLENGING 230 DAY DEPLOYMENT, WITH 156 DAYS IN THE USCENCOM AOR SUPPORTING OIF, ANTI-PIRACY OPERATIONS, HARRY S TRUMAN STRIKE GROUP, PELELIU ARG AND THE KEARSARGE ARG. THIS SUPPORT WAS VITAL FOR OPERATIONAL SUCCESS AND WAS ACCOMPLISHED SAFELY WITH OUTSTANDING SEAMANSHIP.

3. THE PROFESSIONAL PROFICIENCY OF THE CREW WAS DEMONSTRATED THROUGH THE COMPLETION OF 109 UNREPS AND 16 VERTREPS. THIS RESULTED

IN THE DELIVERY OF MORE THAN 16 MILLION GALLONS OF DFM, 2 MILLION GALLONS OF JP5, 4600 PALLETS AND 136 MILITARY PAX TRANSFERS. YOUR 19 LOGISTIC PORT VISITS INCLUDED A VISIT IN DJIBOUTI THAT WAS CRITICAL IN IDENTIFYING C5F LOGISTIC PORT HAZARDS TO CLF SHIP OPERATIONS AND PROVIDED NECESSARY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CORRECTIONS.

YOUR EFFORTS HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED BY CTF 53 AS FORWARD LEANING IN IDENTIFYING FORCE PROTECTION ISSUES.

4. YOUR IMPECCABLE EXECUTION OF NUMEROUS INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS INCLUDING SERVICING COALITION SHIPS FROM FRANCE, GERMANY, GREECE, INDIA, TURKEY, ITALY, NETHERLANDS, SOUTH KOREA, SPAIN, PAKISTAN, UK AND AUSTRALIA SHOWED YOUR SUPERB OPERATIONAL COMMITMENT AND ILLUSTRATED THE NAVY CORE VALUES TO ALL THOSE YOU ENCOUNTERED. ADDITIONALLY, YOU WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND REQUIREMENTS BY PROVIDING OPPORTUNITY LIFT SERVICES BETWEEN CONUS AND C6F THAT SAVED THE GOVERNMENT MONEY.

5. ON BEHALF OF THE MORE THAN 90,000 SAILORS AND MARINES WHO OPERATE WITHIN SECOND FLEET, PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR A JOB WELL DONE. BEST WISHES. **VADM DANIEL P. HOLLOWAY SENDS.//**

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