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- To: Ervin Lawson CGD FOURTEEN
- Subj: OFFICIAL LETTER OF COMMENDATION FOR 2011 ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION (APEC) SUMMIT
- Ref: (a) Medals and Awards Manual, COMDTINST M1650.25D
 (b) Coast Guard Civilian Awards Manual, COMDTINST M12451.1B

1. I am pleased to commend you for your outstanding performance of duty during the APEC Summit held from 11 to 15 November 2011 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

2. This was the first National Special Security Event (NSSE) held outside the Continental United States, the largest international gathering in Hawaii's history requiring cooperation among 15 federal, state and local maritime and law enforcement partners. The Maritime IC provided protection for the President and First Lady of the United States, the Secretary of State, 20 Heads of Economy from the Asian-Pacific Region, and over 20,000 visiting dignitaries and delegates.

3. Personnel at all levels showed exemplary professionalism, expertise and dedication in achieving the mission objectives. The successful execution of this operation highlighted the Coast Guard's continuing contribution to national security and law enforcement missions.

4. In accordance with reference (a), military members participating in the 2011 APEC Summit were awarded the Coast Guard Special Operations Service (SOS) Ribbon.

5. In accordance with reference (b), this Official Letter of Commendation should be entered into your civilian employee official personnel folder.

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