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FM CMC WASHINGTON DC//POE//
TO RUEACMC/CMC WASHINGTON DC//MRA/MMEA12/MMEA83/PP&O/POE//
RHMFIUU/CMC WASHINGTON DC//MRA/MMEA12/MMEA83/PP&O/POE//
RUCBLFB/COMMARFORLANT//COS/G-3//
RHMFIUU/COMMARFORLANT//COS/G-3//
RUHEHMS/COMMARFORPAC//COS/G-3//
RUCCFVY/COMMARFORRES//COS/G-3/G-4//
RULSMCC/CG MCCDC QUANTICO VA//REQ/DOC/TFS/C-46/C-462/C-443//
RHMFIUU/CG MCCDC QUANTICO VA//REQ/DOC/TFS/C-46/C-462/C-443//
RULSMCF/COMMARCORSSYSCOM QUANTICO VA//PGD-IWS//
RHMFIUU/COMMARCORSSYSCOM QUANTICO VA//PGD-IWS//
RULSMCE/CG MCWL QUANTICO VA
INFO RUWICBA/CG I MEF//COS/G-3/G-4/SOTG//
RHMFIUU/CG I MEF//COS/G-3/G-4/SOTG//
RUCKMEA/CG II MEF//COS/G-3/G-4/SOTG//
RHMFIUU/CG II MEF//COS/G-3/G-4/SOTG//
RHOFUJW/CG III MEF//COS/G-3/G-4/SOTG//
RUWICBC/CG FIRST MARDIV//COS/G-2/G-3/G-4//
RHMFIUU/CG FIRST MARDIV//COS/G-2/G-3/G-4//
PAGE 02 RUEACMC2587 UNCLAS
RUCKSAC/CG SECOND MARDIV//COS/G-2/G-3/G-4//
RHMFIUU/CG SECOND MARDIV//COS/G-2/G-3/G-4//
RUHBABA/CG THIRD MARDIV//COS/G-2/G-3/G-4//
RHMFIUU/CG THIRD MARDIV//COS/G-2/G-3/G-4//
RUCCNOP/CG FOURTH MARDIV//COS/G-3/G-4//
RHMFIUU/CG FOURTH MARDIV//COS/G-3/G-4//
RUWICBD/CG FIRST FSSG//G-3/G-4//
RHMFIUU/CG FIRST FSSG//G-3/G-4//
RUCKMOB/CG SECOND FSSG//G-3/G-4//
RHMFIUU/CG SECOND FSSG//G-3/G-4//
RUHBANA/CG THIRD FSSG//G-3/G-4//
RHMFIUU/CG THIRD FSSG//G-3/G-4//
RUCCNOO/CG FOURTH FSSG//G-3/G-4//
RHMFIUU/CG FOURTH FSSG//G-3/G-4//
RULSMCG/CG TECOM QUANTICO VA//G-3/CSW/C472M//
RHMFIUU/CG TECOM QUANTICO VA//G-3/CSW/C472M//
RULSMCC/CG EDCOM PRES MCU QUANTICO VA//G3//
RHMFIUU/CG EDCOM PRES MCU QUANTICO VA//G3//
RHRVEPB/TWO TWO MEU//S-3/S-4//
RUCKMEO/TWO FOUR MEU//S-3/S-4//
RHMFIUU/TWO FOUR MEU//S-3/S-4//
PAGE 03 RUEACMC2587 UNCLAS
RUCKMEP/TWO SIX MEU//S-3/S-4//
RUHBABA/THREE ONE MEU//S-3/S-4//
RHMFIUU/THREE ONE MEU//S-3/S-4//
RUWICBA/ELEVENTH MEU SOC//S-3/S-4//
RUFBRHR/THIRTEENTH MEU//S-3/S-4//
RUWICAC/FIFTEENTH MEU//S-3/S-4//
RHMFIUU/FIFTEENTH MEU//S-3/S-4//
RUCKDDF/HQBN SECOND MARDIV//S-3/S-4/SCCO//
RHMFIUU/HQBN SECOND MARDIV//S-3/S-4/SCCO//
RUWICBE/FIRST FORECONCO//S-3//
RHMFIUU/FIRST FORECONCO//S-3//
RUWICBI/FIRST RECONBN//S-3/S-4//
RHMFIUU/FIRST RECONBN//S-3/S-4//
RUCKMEE/SECOND FORECONCO//S-3//

RHMFIIU/SECOND FORECONCO//S-3//
RUCKDDR/SECOND RECONBN//S-3/S-4//
RHMFIIU/SECOND RECONBN//S-3/S-4//
RUHBABA/THIRD RECONBN//S-3/S-4//
RHMFIIU/THIRD RECONBN//S-3/S-4//
RUCCMER/FOURTH RECONBN//S-3/S-4//
RHMFIIU/FOURTH RECONBN//S-3/S-4//
PAGE 04 RUEACMC2587 UNCLAS
RUCCMGT/FOURTH FORECONCO DET
RHMFIIU/FOURTH FORECONCO DET
RUCKMOC/EIGHTH ENGRSPTBN//S-3/S-4//
RHMFIIU/EIGHTH ENGRSPTBN//S-3/S-4//
RUCCMGN/THIRD FORECONCO//CO/S-3/S-4//
RHMFIIU/THIRD FORECONCO//CO/S-3/S-4//
RUCCMER/INSP INSTR STF SAN ANTONIO TX//S-3/S-4//
RUCCMGT/INSP INSTR STF RENO NV
RHMFIIU/INSP INSTR STF RENO NV
RUCCMHI/INSP INSTR STF KANEOHE BAY HI
RHMFIIU/INSP INSTR STF KANEOHE BAY HI
RUCCMGN/INSP INSTR STF MOBILE AL
RHMFIIU/INSP INSTR STF MOBILE AL
RUCOWCV/INSP INSTR STF WEST PALM BEACH FL
RHMFIIU/INSP INSTR STF WEST PALM BEACH FL
RUCKSAI/MARCORENGSCOL CAMP LEJEUNE NC
RHMFIIU/MARCORENGSCOL CAMP LEJEUNE NC
RUCKALD/COMMARCORLOGBASES ALBANY GA//833-2//
RHMFIIU/COMMARCORLOGBASES ALBANY GA//833-2//
RUWFAFI/EWTGPAC SAN DIEGO CA//N-8//
PAGE 05 RUEACMC2587 UNCLAS
RUCBFAG/EWTGLANT NORFOLK VA//N-3//
RHEFQAN/MARCORINTACT QUANTICO VA//10B//

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SUBJ/SUMMARY OF MARINE CORPS SMALL CRAFT CONFERENCE 21-23 MAY 02//
REF/A/RMG/MARCORSYSCOM/021200Z MAY 02//
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RMKS/1. THIS IS A COORDINATED MESSAGE WITH MARCORSYSCOM PGD-INF
WEAPONS. REF A ANNOUNCED THE USMC SMALL CRAFT CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS
THE MISSION AREA, COMMUNITY CHALLENGES, AND IMPROVEMENTS IN
EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING OF THE USMC SMALL CRAFT COMMUNITY.
CONFERENCE TOOK PLACE DURING 21-23 MAY 02 IN STAFFORD, VA.

2. ATTENDEES IDENTIFIED THE FOLLOWING SIX (6) ISSUES:

A. ISSUE. SMALL CRAFT EMBARKATION LIMITATIONS DISCUSSION.

A CURRENT MCCDC REQUIREMENT EXISTS FOR A LIGHT STRIKE CRAFT (LSC).
DURING POM 04, THIS PROGRAM WAS NOT FUNDED DUE TO CONFLICTS WITHIN
THE REQUIREMENT DOCUMENT. PRIMARILY, OBTAINING AN IMPROVED OVER
-THE-HORIZON (OTH) RAID CRAFT WITHOUT EXCEEDING EMBARKATION SPACE
OF THE CURRENT COMBAT RUBBER RECONNAISSANCE CRAFT (CRRC) IS

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EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. ATTENDEES AGREED AN IMPROVED OTH BOAT
CAPABILITY SHOULD INCLUDE COMMUNICATIONS, NAVIGATION PROVISIONS,
AND INCREASED RANGE IN ORDER TO OPERATE WITH USMC TRANSFORMATIONAL
SYSTEMS AND PROVIDE OPERATIONAL CONFIDENCE FOR COMMANDERS. THIS IS
OBVIOUSLY HARD TO ACHIEVE WITHIN THE CURRENT EMBARKATION
REQUIREMENT. SEVERAL COURSES OF ACTION WERE IDENTIFIED FOR
EVALUATION. ACTION. PP&O, POE EVALUATE EMBARKATION SPACE OPTIONS

WITH THE U.S. NAVY FOR CRADLE SPACE. EVALUATE FEASIBILITY OF MOTHER CRAFT CONCEPT WITH OPERATING FORCES. MOTHER CRAFT CONCEPT INVOLVES UP TO 4 LARGE RIGID HULL CRAFT WITH COMMUNICATION/AVIGATION CAPABILITY ESCORTING A SMALLER GROUP OF RIGID HULL INFLATABLE CRAFT (RHIB). MARCORSSYSCOM PURSUE FURTHER OPERATIONAL EVALUATION OF THE RHIBSTER CRAFT (R530). DEVELOP A PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR THE CRRC. DEVELOP BASELINE EMBARKATION REQUIREMENTS FOR A MEU (SOC) BOAT RAID COMPANY EQUIPPED WITH RHIBSTER CRAFT. PURSUE FUNDING TO CONTINUE SUPPORT OF THE LSC PROGRAM.

B. ISSUE. MOS 1342 SMALL CRAFT MECHANICS DISCUSSION. THE 1342 MONITOR PROVIDED A BRIEF ON THE DYNAMICS OF TRACKING AND TRAINING A 1342. MCES RUNS THREE COURSES A YEAR. DISCUSSION CENTERED AROUND PAGE 07 RUEACMC2587 UNCLAS

THE MONITOR SENDING 1341'S TO THE 1342 SCHOOL ENROUTE TO THEIR NEXT DUTY STATION IN ORDER TO REDUCE THE MECHANIC'S TIME AWAY FROM THE BOAT UNIT. DISCUSSIONS ON CURRENT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS OF TRAINED 1342 PROVED BENEFICIAL TO ATTENDEES. 1ST MARINES BOATHOUSE DOES NOT RATE OR HAVE ANY 1342'S. ACTION. UNITS WITH 1342'S SHOULD COMMUNICATE WITH THE MONITOR AND CONVEY DESIRES TO SEND 1341'S TO SCHOOL PRIOR TO OR AFTER CHECKING-IN.

C. ISSUE. SMALL CRAFT TRAINING DISCUSSION. EWTGPAC PRESENTED A BRIEF ON THEIR COXSWAIN TRAINING AND OTHER SMALL CRAFT COURSES. CONFERENCE DISCUSSION CENTERED ON DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE COXSWAIN TRAINING SCHOOLS. RECOMMENDATIONS WERE MADE FOR COURSE CONTENT REVIEW BOARDS (CCRBS) TO INCLUDE ALL COXSWAIN SCHOOLHOUSES (E.G., SOTG II MEF, EWTGPAC, AND MCES 1342 SCHOOL). ATTENDEES ASKED FOR AN O3XX BASIC MECH COURSE AND WERE INFORMED THAT MCES RUNS FIVE FUNDED COURSES A YEAR. COURSE ID NUMBER IS M03H4M2. TWO COURSES REMAIN THIS FY: 12 JUL 02 AND 16 AUG 02. POC IS MR. KEVIN SCOTT, (703) 784-4726, DSN 278-4726. ACTION. TECOM - DURING SMALL CRAFT CCRBS, INVOLVE ALL SCHOOL HOUSES (E.G., SOTG II MEF, EWTGPAC, AND MCES 1342 SCHOOL).

D. ISSUE. DRY SUIT REQUIREMENT DISCUSSION. REPRESENTATIVES PAGE 08 RUEACMC2587 UNCLAS FROM ALL COMMANDS ASSOCIATED WITH SMALL CRAFT OPERATIONS IDENTIFIED THE REQUIREMENT FOR ENHANCING THE INDIVIDUAL MARINES RESISTANCE TO EXPOSURE ASSOCIATED WITH EXTENDED OTH MISSION PROFILES. ALL MSE'S RECOGNIZED THE IMPACT THAT TRANSFORMATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES (SURC/LSC) WOULD FURTHER HAVE ON THE INDIVIDUAL MARINE AND CONCURRED ON THE SUBSTANCE FOR A UNIVERSAL NEED STATEMENT (UNS). ACTION. I SOTG HAS TAKEN LEAD ON THE SUBMISSION OF THE DRY SUIT UNS.

E. ISSUE. MCIA RIVERINE INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT DISCUSSION. MCIA PRESENTED TWO BRIEFS PROVIDING INFORMATION ON RIVERINE THREATS/CONSIDERATIONS AND RIVERINE INTEL SUPPORT PRODS. THESE INCLUDED INTEGRATED IMAGERY, GEO-SPATIAL, AND GENERAL MILITARY INTEL PRODS THAT PROVIDED THREAT, WATERWAYS, VEGETATION, TERRAIN, AND OTHER TYPES OF INFO INVALUABLE TO RIVERINE OPS PLANNERS. BASED ON THESE BRIEFS AND SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSIONS, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THERE WAS NO CENTRAL SOURCE FOR RIVERINE INTEL SPT AND THERE WAS NOT A COMMON UNDERSTANDING OF RIVERINE DOCTRINE, DEFINITIONS, AND INTEL SPT REQTS. ACTION. HQMC (PPO, I), MCCDC, MCIA. ESTABLISH A MARINE CORPS POSITION ON RIVERINE INTEL SPT TO INCLUDE RESPONSIBILITIES AND MANAGEMENT PAGE 09 RUEACMC2587 UNCLAS OF REQTS, PRODUCTION AND DISSEMINATION OF AND ACCESS TO RIVERINE

PRODUCTS AND INFORMATION. IN ADDITION, A FORMAL PROCESS SHOULD BE DEFINED TO ENSURE THAT MCIA IS INCLUDED IN THE DISSEMINATION OF RTT AFTER-ACTION REPORTS, TRIP REPORTS, AND ANY RIVERINE FORCES STUDIES CONDUCTED BY THE OPERATING FORCES. FOR MCIA, TECOM (CSW), OP FORCES. CONTINUE DIALOG AND ESTABLISH FORMAL WORKING RELATIONSHIPS TO BETTER DEFINE INTEL SPT RQMTS FOR RIVERINE OPS.

F. ISSUE. SMALL CRAFT COMMUNITY DISCUSSION. MOST OPERATIONAL BOAT UNITS AND SMALL CRAFT MECHANICS ARE TRANSIENT OR AD HOC ORGANIZATIONS TO LARGER UNITS. TRAINED OPERATORS ARE NOT TRACKED OR ASSIGNED WITHIN THE MANPOWER SYSTEM. THE SMALL CRAFT COMMUNITY IS SPLIT BETWEEN THE GCE AND COMMAND ELEMENT ADVOCATES. ALL THESE ISSUES HINDER THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONCEPTS, IMPROVEMENTS IN CAPABILITY, AND RESOURCING OF EQUIPMENT. ACTION. PP&O TO HOST FOLLOW-UP CONFERENCE NLT 12 MONTHS FROM THE 2002 CONFERENCE IN ORDER TO DETERMINE NEED FOR SMALL CRAFT CONCEPT/DOCTRINE IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONAL MANEUVER FROM THE SEA (OMFTS) AND BUILD ON RESULTS OF 2002 CONFERENCE.

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