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From: Commander, Military Sea Transportation Service, Pacific
To: Distribution List

Subj: Navy Relief Society annual call for funds

Ref: (a) OPNAV NOTICE 5340 of 28 March 1969
(b) COMTWELVE/COMNAVBASE SFRAN NOTICE 5340 of 23 April 1969
(c) SECNAVINST 5340.1C, Subj: Fund-raising and solicitation of personnel, military and civilian, within the Naval Establishment

1. Purpose. The purpose of this Notice is to announce the annual call for contributions to the Navy Relief Society.

2. Information. The period of 4 May through 6 June, commemorating the Navy-Marine sea-air battles of the Coral Sea and Midway, has been designated by the Navy Relief Society for its annual call for contributions from officers and men of the Navy and Marine Corps. During this period voluntary contributions to the Society are earnestly solicited and will be most gratefully received. Contributions from persons outside the Navy and Marine Corps will not be solicited but, if offered, will be gratefully accepted.

3. Accomplishments of the Society

a. The Society is the Navy's own organization for the relief of distress among its own people. It is supported entirely by private funds, chiefly the contributions of service personnel and civilian friends of the Navy and Marine Corps. The sole purpose is to assist financially and otherwise, in times of need, personnel of the Navy and Marine Corps and their dependents, including dependents of retired and deceased personnel. This assistance may be in the form of an outright grant, a loan without interest, or a combination of the two, depending upon the circumstances of the case and the degree of hardship involved in repayment of a loan. Thrift shops are operated at larger places to provide clothing and essentials at low prices. Thirty-six full time and ten part time Navy Relief nurses work among Navy and Marine Corps families in the larger centers. Professional social workers assist with personal, family, and financial problems. Overhead expense is kept at a minimum through the faithful service of some 7,000 volunteers.

b. During 1968 the Navy Relief Society provided financial assistance in making 34,265 loans in the amount of \$2,939,035.72 and 19,672 gratuities in the amount of \$1,373,677.78; supported 19 Navy Relief nurseries at cost of \$110,454.97.

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4. Responsibility. COMSTSPAC desires that all personnel be informed of the worthiness of this society and be encouraged to contribute liberally.

a. In USNS ships, transport, cargo and special project, masters shall publicize the drive among crew members and forward voluntary contributions. CO, Transport Unit Teams shall coordinate the drive among members of the Military Department.

5. Goal. No money goal is specified. The emphasis shall be placed on 100% participation by active duty military personnel.

6. Reports. Masters need not make progress reports, but a final report to reach COMSTSPAC not later than 15 June shall be made giving the amount of money contributed. A negative report shall be made.

7. Submission of funds. Funds collected shall be forwarded to COMSTSPAC via registered mail (ATTN: Charity Fund Treasurer - LTJG Lloyd E. FREAM, Code P. Checks and money orders shall be made out to the NAVY RELIEF SOCIETY. All contributions shall be submitted to reach COMSTSPAC by 15 June. Ships which cannot meet this deadline by virtue of being at sea, shall submit a status report of the Navy Relief Drive and indicate therein the earliest possible date by which the contributions will be submitted. When all contributions have been received by the treasurer, a notice will be published listing the amount received.

8. Cancellation. This Notice is canceled on 30 June 1969

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