

E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.
ADMIRAL, U. S. NAVY (RET.)

10 April 1975

MEMO FOR OFFICE OF CNO

Subj: Correspondence for action

Encl: (1) Personal letter from Mr. Joseph S.
Ardito of 21 March 1975
(2) Personal letter from Mrs. D. L. Byrd
of 31 March 1975

1. Enclosures (1) and (2) are forwarded for
appropriate action.

2. It is requested that a copy of the reply
be forwarded to my office.

J. M. ...
for
E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.

Joseph E. Ardito

Brooklyn 18, N.Y.

March 21, 1975

Dear Admiral Zoomwald,

I don't like to beat around the bush so I'll get straight to the point. I'm selling lives. Yes, that's what I said, lives.

Sir, as you know when a ship has to be left in a hurry sometimes for days until a rescue unit can reach the area of distress. You also know that the more motion projected from a swimmer the faster a shark will attack the swimmer.

Well I have just invented a product that can easily be attached to the standard U.S.N. life presserver. I call it the Aqua-Pell.

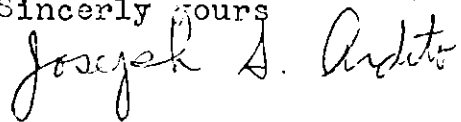
I can gaurentee that if your men were to use my

device they would be able to move in the water with the greatest of ease which would increase the swimmers ability to swim a much greater distance. With a life jacket on and the wearing of the Aqua-Pell device it would be like the swimmer being in an emergency raft. Every stroke counts. You get the most drive for your stroke and more.

If ever one small piece of gear meant so much this is it.

A good way to make this clear to you is to compare the rifle and side arm of the land soldier to the Aqua-Pell. When the rifle of the land soldier jams in a tight spot he can always fall back on his side arm. I know that you would like something for the Navy man to fall back on in a tight spot. If you are interested I will discuss further. I am receiving my pattend number in a week.

Sincerly yours



Joseph C. Ardito

Inventor