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FRANK W. SILK
CAPTAIN U.S.N. (RET.)

your
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1706 Linwood Dr
Bedford Ind.
47421
6/29/74,

Dear Bud:

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Ruth and I are visiting daughter Sandra whilst a grandchild was born and yesterday baptized. I had hoped to be able just once to visit you in your 'E' Ring office but time and tide wait not so we will be on our way home when the 1st comes by.

We congratulate you on an unparalleled contribution to our navy.

9 July 1974

Dear Joey,

Thank you for your wonderful letter and your heartwarming vote of confidence regarding my efforts as Chief of Naval Operations. I was so fortunate--and grateful--to have had the opportunity to serve in that office, but even more to have had superlative Navy men and women such as you who stood with me in making needed changes, in riding out the storms, and in getting our wonderful organization moving again. For all of this, I reciprocate your thanks in full measure!

It would please me greatly to learn that you had achieved your 1650 designator goal and I hope you will keep me informed regarding this matter. One of my regrets in leaving office was my inability to do more to ensure true equality of opportunity for Navy women, but I am hopeful that passage of the Equal Rights Amendment and the continuing interest of American society will facilitate even greater progress in this area.

Schaefer, J.

God bless you for your past support and for sharing your thoughts with me. I must now rely on you and those like you who have the idealism, ability and determination to carry the standard for our great Navy and Nation. You'll continue to hear me cheering you from the wings.

Sincerely,

Lieutenant (junior grade) Jolene Schaefer, USNR
7432 West Washington Street
Apartment 605
Forest Park, Illinois 60130



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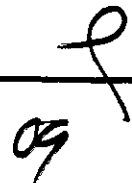
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1. The CNO made the following comment/notation on referenced material:

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UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON
June 25, 1974

Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr., USN,
Chief of Naval Operations,
The Pentagon,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Admiral:

I want to thank you once again for the wonderful lunch and hospitality and to express my appreciation for having included Admirals Holloway and Bagley, with whom I look forward to having a close and cooperative relationship in the future.

At the same time I want to say what a privilege it has been for me to have had the opportunity to work in tandem with you. You know that I have the deepest admiration and respect for you - your intelligence, your conviction and your integrity. We have shared many common objectives, have worked together towards those objectives, while, at the same time, respecting our respective points of view on those very limited occasions where there may have been any differences.

I wish you well in the future and I hope that we can stay in touch in the days ahead.

Again, many thanks to you. I very much look forward to continuing the close relationship with Admiral Holloway.

Sincerely,


Joseph J. Sisco
Acting Secretary of State

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Former

MARINE AIDE

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Admiral,

I OK'd Glenn passing
your WNY office phone number
to Sisco's secretary.

V.R.

Dick



CONFIDENTIAL EYES ONLY

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20350

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3 JUL 1974

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MEMORANDUM FOR ADMIRAL ZUMWALT

Subj: Proposed Replies to Sisco and Vest Letters

Ref: (a) CNO Comment Sheet 1948; 27 June 1974

1. As per reference (a), you will find attached at TAB A a proposed reply to Joe Sisco's 25 June letter (a copy of your letter to him of 20 June is at TAB B for ready reference). You may be assured that the Sisco panegyric, which I know he dictated himself, is a genuinely exceptional document -- he is not routinely given to expending his personal energies on the haphazard distribution of verbal or other sorts of bouquets.

2. At TAB C, I am attaching a suggested acknowledgment of a letter, also dated 25 June, from George Vest. It strikes me the signatory and author are one and the same in this case as well. Although the Vest epistle did not quite live up to expectations, I believe it does adequately preserve your personal entree to the PM Bureau at the top.

Very respectfully,

Glenn R. Cella

Glenn R. Cella

CONFIDENTIAL EYES ONLY

20 JUN 1974

Dear Joe,

One of the special pleasures of my 32 years of active duty with the United States Navy has been the opportunity to work professionally with and, in many cases, come to number as my personal friends a host of impressive people who have devoted their lives to the service of their country on the civilian side of government. On both counts, your place is in the front rank of that group. Therefore, as my tenure as Chief of Naval Operations draws to a close, I want you to have this further confirmation of the high value I have come to place not only on our professional relationship, but on our personal friendship as well.

I also want to take this occasion to express my confidence that the Navy's new leadership team of Jim Holloway and Worth Bagley can look forward to benefiting, as I have so often in the past, from your special brand of cooperation and wise counsel. For nearly a year now, Jim has served with great distinction as my deputy. My trust in his ability to meet the challenges of the office of Chief of Naval Operations is all the stronger because I know he can rely on receiving when need be a helping hand from men such as yourself upon whose support and vision the success of the Navy ultimately depends.

In closing, I simply would underline my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for your many efforts in behalf of the Navy. You have my very best wishes for a life and career that will always be marked by fair winds and following seas.

Warm regards,

E. R. ZUMWALT, Jr.
Admiral, U.S. Navy

Honorable Joseph J. Sisco
Under Secretary for Political Affairs
Department of State
2201 C Street, N. W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

8 JUL 1974

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Dear Joe,

To put it quite simply and honestly, I was deeply touched by your kind words of 25 June -- especially since people who know us both accuse us of a certain similarity of style. I would carry your hope that we stay in touch one step farther by saying that I am determined to see that will be the case. One of my first post-retirement acts was to ensure you had a new phone number for me. Please call whenever you believe I might be able to assist in some way. Meanwhile, your reiteration that the link between your present office and my old one will remain strong is much appreciated.

Warm regards,

E. R. ZUMWALT, Jr.

The Honorable Joseph J. Sisco
Under Secretary for Political Affairs
Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

SISCO, J. J.

June 21

Dear Sir:

Thank you for making
the changes you did over the
last four years.

Good luck. It was a
pleasure serving with you.


LT USN

5 JULY 74
YWCC

Dear Lieutenant Sabadie,

I sincerely appreciate the thoughtful letter and kind words with which you marked the end of my tour as CNO. It has been my pleasure and reward to work with our wonderful Navy men and women and it is my fond hope that fun, zest and the satisfaction of contributing to important causes will continue to be the hallmark of naval service.

All best wishes.

Warm regards,

Lieutenant Patrick Sabadie, USN
NROTC Unit
University of Mississippi
University, Mississippi 38677

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PMS ADMIRAL AND MRS E R ZUMALT JR, DLR

NAVAL ACADEMY

ANNAPOLIS MD

DEAR MOUZA AND BUD,

THE PAST FOUR YEARS WITH YOU HAVE BEEN THE BEST FOUR YEARS EVER
FOR US IN THE NAVY. YOU HAVE OUR ADMIRATION AND DEVOTION FOR
JUST BEING YOU WITH MUCH LOVE

MICKEY AND BURT

927A EDT.

5 July 74
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Dear Mickey and Burt,

Thank you for your typically thoughtful and kind telegram which helped us mark the closing of four wonderfully demanding and rewarding years. Your loyal support and unfailing friendship bolstered us in the doleful troughs as well as on the happy crests throughout that period.

Mouza and I send you our thanks and our very best wishes and assure you of our prayerful remembrance always. We look forward to seeing you both often in the days ahead.

Warm regards,

Rear Admiral and Mrs. Burton H. Shepherd

SHEPHERD, B.H.



COMMANDER IN CHIEF
UNITED STATES NAVAL FORCES, EUROPE

24 June 1974

Dear Bud,

I have just returned from a week-end symposium at the Ditchley Foundation, with which you are familiar, where I have been participating with a group of intellectuals on the subject of "Neutralization of the Mediterranean." I had no difficulty holding my own with this group and managed to sprinkle liberal amounts of salt water around where it should do some good. Incidentally, the organization remembers with great enthusiasm your visit at Ditchley several years ago.

This job as CINCUSNAVEUR is absolutely superb. It is interesting, challenging, and lively with a wide range of subjects boiling every minute. I am enjoying all aspects thoroughly and I thank you for sending me over here.

I regret that I will not be present Saturday for your change of command and retirement. There is a CINCEUR conference in Stuttgart with Goodpaster and Eade which I simply must attend. However, I shall be with you in spirit.

I take great pride and satisfaction in the fact that I was in OPNAV when you took over four years ago and remained as a member of your team throughout your term. You know, of course, that I wholeheartedly support everything which you have accomplished and all that you stand for. There will be enough of us around for awhile to keep the momentum of your efforts moving. For my money Bud Zumwalt is one hell of a guy and I am everlastingly proud to have worked for you.

Betty joins me in my warmest regards to you and
Mouza. We wish you much happiness and every success in
your next endeavors.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'H. E. Shear', written in a cursive style.

H. E. SHEAR
Admiral, United States Navy

Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr., USN
Chief of Naval Operations
Navy Department
Washington, D.C. 20350

5- July 74
JCC

Dear Hal,

Thank you for your thoughtful letter marking the end of my tour as CNO and your kind remarks. It has been a marvellous four years of real combat on many fronts, but in the rare moments of reflection which retirement has thus far allowed I have concluded that we won far more than we lost.

I am particularly grateful for superb team members and I number you among the very best. Your prodigious labors in OPNAV will continue to reap great benefit for the Navy for many years to come and I am confident that your performance as CINCUSNAVEUR will be comparably rewarding for all of us. I'm glad to know you're enjoying the job as well!

Mouza joins me in sending all best wishes to you and Betty. We look forward to seeing you often in the days ahead.

Warm regards,

Admiral Harold E. Shear, USN
Commander in Chief
U. S. Naval Forces Europe
FPO New York 09510

SHEAR, H. E.

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P.O. Box 2507
Sanford, Florida.
June 28, 1974

Honorable Admiral E.F. Zumwalt
Chief Of Naval Operations
Pentagon
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

I am listening to a television news report of disenchantment on the carrier Midway. It has been my intention to write and thank you for the accomplishments which have been achieved or attempted. Much ballyhoo has been made of excess liberalism and laxity of regulations by individuals who for personal or ideological reasons have no desire to see the programs work.

As a former enlisted man, I speak from experience. For verification purposes, my enlistment period was December 12, 1963 to December 21, 1967, service number 7719510 and I was privileged to visit the brig three times.

Speaking candidly, I have no regrets because my tour of enlistment was a rewarding experience for me. Benefits of that exposure are reaped every day. And although I recieved a General Discharge, I feel no stigma or inferiority although I was denied a job on a railroad because I gave the best four years of my life and my tour of duty was completed during a time when militarism was unpopular. I resisted subversives and served voluntarily when others burned draft cards and left the country. The letter is expressly not to be construed as an attempt to modify discharge. During my enlistment I passed the GED and was admitted to college soully on the scores of that examination. It was my intention to be a career person upon enlistment.

There are just a few observations that I would like to make:

1. Ignorance and incompetance cause problems.
Many officers and petty officers are ill equipped to cope with 'daily questions as opposed to problems' and do not attempt to alleviate the problem through the academic process or getting help from a more experienced person. HERE IS WHERE CONTEMPT, HATE AND DISCONTENT ARE BRED.
2. Any Captain or Commissioned Officer In Charge of 200 men or more cannot know all of the important variables which confront his command.
If a leader will allow his subordinates to verbally air grievances to him then employ his chain of command to make genuine adjustments to the problem, he will gain the respect and inspire the men to higher levels of performance and efficiency. Dissodence would be minumized because there would be little need.

Many critics prefer to avoid the realities which are distasteful, hoping that the problem will go away but like Watergate it doesn't. A lot of press articles portray some of the hostilities among servicemen as new, they're not. They were just previously masked by a veneer of subterfuge and public secrecy.

I believe that many programs initiated were designed to off-set the problems, but most were never allowed to succeed through sabotage by selfish men who feared the inspiration that it would give to men of initiative whose objectives transcend those of dormant personalities.

This note may not mean that much but thanks anyway for all the effort.

Thank You.

Ernest G. Scipio

5 July 74
YNCC

Dear Mr. Scipis,

Thank you for your thoughtful letter of 28 June and your observations regarding my efforts as CNO.

It pleases me very much to know that despite the fact that you encountered problems during your tour of duty you can conclude that you personally benefitted from the experience in many ways. Even though just a few days into retirement, I share your judgment and I am most grateful for having had the opportunity to learn and contribute.

I must also comment on the wisdom which I found in your observations. I find myself concurring in their truth but noting as well the additional fact that the ignorance, incompetence and insecurity manifestations which you describe are by no means exclusively within the military domain. I am sure that you will agree that it will take many more years of educational effort and moral revitalization to eliminate-or curtail-such manifestations in our society. My efforts--and I trust yours--reflect my belief that people can change, improve and contribute in whatever environment they find themselves.

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SCIPIS, E.

You have my personal best wishes for
happiness and success.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ernest Scipis
P.O. Box 2507
Sanford, Florida

VIA: 002 -

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVY

OPERATIONS

SOCIAL SECRETARY

6/27-1635

Admiral -

Mrs Sybil Stockdale called
to say her farewells prior
to your retirement. She will
call again, Friday, as there
is no phone presently at
which she may be
reached.

Shirley
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3 July 1974

Dear Sybil,

In the final frenetic activity which attended my last few days in office, I received word that you had called to say farewell. While regretting that I missed your call and had no contact point to reach you, the circumstances permit me to express to you and Jim my deep gratitude for your inspiration, support and friendship over the past years. We have come through some difficult days--yours far more so than mine--and your superb, courageous example in the daily art of living has been most moving and meaningful to me.

It really is true that one leaves the Navy with some ambivalence as well as nostalgia, but Mouza and I are looking forward to our future involvements--whatever they prove to be. We hope, however, to retain those things from the past which we treasure most--and we hold your friendship and Jim's high on that list. May God bless you both with His every grace and goodness.

Sincerely,

Mrs. James B. Stockdale
c/o Commander ASW Wing Pacific
Naval Air Station, North Island
San Diego, California 92135

STOCKDALE, J.B.

Margaret Chase Smith

25 June 1974

Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

I regret very much that I will not be able to attend your Retirement Ceremony as I am here in Skowhegan on work on the Margaret Chase Smith Library.

Selfishly I hate to see you retire because of the great leadership you have given the Navy and our National Defense. There is simply no one left in the Armed Services who has your initiative, innovation and follow through. You will be sorely missed.

But I look forward to your own brand of brilliant leadership in a new field of endeavor -- and I wish the very best of everything to you and Mrs. Zumwalt.

Sincerely,



Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr., USN
Quarters A
U. S. Naval Observatory
Washington, D. C. 20390

3 July 1974

Dear Senator Smith,

Your wonderful letter arrived in time to brighten my last few days in office and I am most grateful for your kind thoughts and generous good wishes.

One of my enduring recollections of the past four years will be of the magnificent support which I was fortunate to receive from some quarters in my efforts to ensure national security. Your unfailing interest, perspective and wisdom in all our dealings over these years continue to evoke my deepest admiration and gratitude.

Mouza and I plan to make the Washington area our headquarters, at least for a time. We look forward to seeing you in the future and send you our affectionate regards and best wishes for health and happiness.

Sincerely,

The Honorable
Margaret Chase Smith
c/o Margaret Chase Smith Library
Skowhegan, Maine 04976

SMITH, M.C.

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

June 29, 1974

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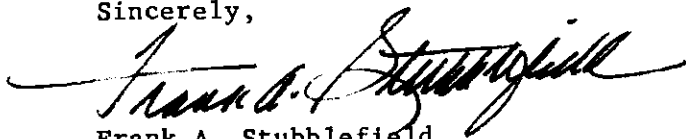
Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

As you leave your position as Chief of Naval Operations, I want you to know that I am deeply grateful for your valuable assistance during these past four years.

Your dedication to duty and your fine spirit of cooperation will be missed by countless friends on "The Hill." Be assured of my personal good wishes for continued success in all your future endeavors.

The best of everything to you!

Sincerely,



Frank A. Stubblefield
Member of Congress

Admiral E. R. Zumwalt, Jr.
Chief of Naval Operations
Department of the Navy
Washington, D. C. 20350

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United States Senate

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June 28, 1974

Admiral E. R. Zumwalt, Jr.
6509 Walters Woods Drive
Falls Church, Virginia 22044

Dear Bud:

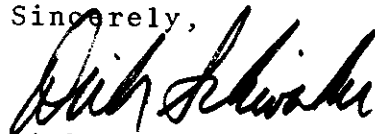
Thank you for your letter expressing your thanks and farewell as your tour of duty as Chief of Naval Operations comes to a close.

Your thoughtfulness in writing is deeply appreciated. I trust by the time you return from the month's vacation, which you so richly deserve, you will continue in the years ahead to have a healthy and rewarding life.

Again, thank you for writing me. I hope our paths will cross again.

Best regards.

Sincerely,



Richard S. Schweiker
United States Senator

RSS:fc

P.S. Your articulate advocacy of Navy strength has made a deep impact on the Hill!

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

June 27, 1974

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E. R. Zumwalt, Jr.
Admiral, U. S. Navy
Chief of Naval Operations
Navy Department
Washington, D.C. 20350

Dear Admiral Zumwalt,

Thank you very much for your very kind letter.
I would like to take this opportunity to return
those kind remarks you made to me in that letter,
for they are all most certainly true of your ser-
vice.

It is with great regret that we say farewell but
I know that our friendship will continue through-
out the coming years.

My very best wishes to you and with warm personal
regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Sam

SAM STEIGER, M.C.

SS:b1

ROBERT T. STAFFORD
VERMONT



United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

June 26, 1974

Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

This note in response to your gracious letter of June 25th, is to wish you well in whatever future activities you enter.

You certainly can look back upon your service in the Navy with a great deal of pride and satisfaction.

May I join your colleagues in the Navy in expressing the wish that whatever you may undertake, you will experience fair winds and a following sea.

Sincerely yours

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'R. T. Stafford', written over the typed name.

Robert T. Stafford
United States Senator

Admiral E. R. Zumwalt
Chief of Naval Operations
Washington, D. C.

RTS:jwl

STAFFORD, R. T.



CHIEF OF THE MARITIME STAFF
JAPAN DEFENSE AGENCY

24 June 1974

Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

We have been very sorry to learn that you are going to retire from the Navy on 29th of June. I would like to admire your long successful career as a distinguished navy man.

On the occasion of your retirement, I, on behalf of Japan Maritime Self Defense Force, wish to express our sincere appreciation for your all assistance and cooperation kindly extended to us.

It is my sincere hope that your kind consideration would be kindly rendered to us in the future.

Mrs. Samejima joins me in sending our best regards to you and Mrs. Zumwalt.

Sincerely yours,

Hiroichi Samejima
Hiroichi SAMEJIMA
Admiral, JMSDF

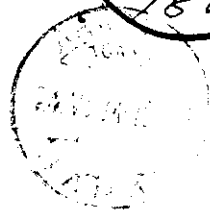
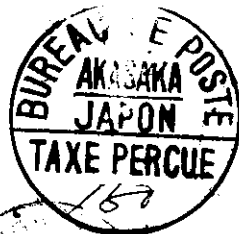
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SAMEJIMA, H.

Admiral Hiroichi SAMEJIMA
Chief of the Maritime Staff
Japan Defense Agency
7-45, 9-Chome, Akasaka, Minatoku,
Tokyo, Japan

Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr.
Chief of Naval Operations
Department of the Navy
Washington, D.C. 20350 U.S.A.

AIR MAIL



Vefika Sancar

21 / 6 /1974

MR

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Dear Mrs. Zimmwolt,

I was extremely pleased by the close concern you showed me during my visit to your country.

I shall always cherish the precious gift you gave me as a memento of our sincere friendship.

Let me thank you for all the efforts you spent during our visit, and wish you the best of health and happiness.

Sincerely,

V. Sancar

Vefika SANCAR

SANCAR, V.



COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
CHINESE NAVY

Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr. USN
Chief of Naval Operations
Navy Department
Washington D. C.
U. S. A.

20 June, 1974

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Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

I am very delighted to receive your letter dated 10, June. It is very nice of you to write me such a letter saying so many encouraging words. On the eve of your retirement, I would like to express to you my deep appreciation for the assistance you have provided to the Chinese Navy in promoting our combat strength during your tour of duty as CNO.

You and I both assumed our duties as chief of our respective navies at the same time, and I have been most grateful for the consistent encouragement and support you have given not only to my navy, but to me personally. While I am looking forward to continued cordial relations with Admiral Holloway, who is also my good friend, you will be greatly missed by all of us who have benefited from your interest in and concern for the development and modernization of the navy of the Republic of China.

I have monitored with interest the steady and positive progress you have made in adapting your own navy to the times--both from the standpoint of material and of personnel. Your accomplishments will be far-reaching, and the new navy you have moulded will be your monument. From my own experience, I realize the difficulty in doing so much in only four years.

Recently, I have been notified that my tour has been extended one year. I feel I am most fortunate as the additional year will give me time to bring fruition some of the programs I have initiated. I will miss the opportunity to consult with you on these and other matters, but I am confident that Admiral Holloway will continue to provide us needed guidance and support.

Mrs. Soong joins me in wishing you and Mrs. Zumwalt happiness and health, and continued success in your second career in the years to come.

With warmest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

C. C. Soong
Soong Chang-chih
Admiral, CN

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SOONG, C. C.

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I have lived every minute of your 4 years as C.N.O. - seemingly back on duty. If it were possible vicariously, it seems - that I have stayed with you and the Navy. So in effect your retirement is a sad day for me when I must put aside my fantasy of being a part of our Service.

It has been rumored you might go into politics in Calif, should you do so I only ask to be allowed to help your campaign.

What will be your future plans and where?

3.

I have managed to get into Real Estate Sales in Escondido. It gets me out of the house and gives me something to do albeit I have yet to close my 1st deal.

We thank you for all you have done for the Navy and the Nation - God Bless you and yours -

Good Luck and contentment in your retirement. you may find it hard to drop all Public Service; I pray you will enjoy your leisure.
D.W. Silb

12 JUL 1974

Dear Frank,

Many thanks for your thoughtful letter. I am already experiencing the withdrawal symptoms of not working, but that will pass. The most difficult part of retirement for me will be the absence of those wonderful people who have made Navy life the most exciting thing in the world for me.

Mouza is still busy with the myriad details of moving out and moving in. We will be settled at our new address within a few days, but it will take a bit of time before she has things just so.

Our plans are flexible. We'll headquarter here in the Washington area for a while and see what develops. I'll go through a four years accumulation of papers, take on some speaking engagements if anybody is interested in hearing me, and just "free lance" in general. After all these years of navigating charted waters, the prospect of setting my own course is exciting.

Mouza and I send our very best to you and Ruth, and send our congratulations to parents and grandparents.

Warm regards,

Captain Frank W. Silk, USN, Retired
2560 Royal Crest Drive
Escondido, California 92025

SILK, F. W.

Capt. Frank Silk, USN, Ret.)

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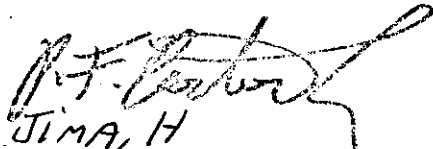
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ZUMWALT. QUOTE: DEAR ADMIRAL SAMEJIMA, I AM PROUD TO HAVE YOUR
THOUGHTFUL LETTER ON THE OCCASION OF MY RETIREMENT. THE FINE
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO NAVIES HAS BEEN AN EXAMPLE TO THE
FREE WORLD OF OUR SOLIDARITY AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT THIS
RELATIONSHIP WILL CONTINUE. PLEASE ACCEPT MY PERSONAL THANKS
FOR YOUR WARM AND REWARDING FRIENDSHIP. BEST WISHES TO YOU AND
MRS. SAMEJIMA. WARM REGARDS. ADM E. R. ZUMWALT, JR. UNQUOTE.

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July 2, 1974

Admiral E. R. Zumwalt, Jr.
Office of the Chief of Naval Operations
Room 4E660, The Pentagon
Washington, D. C. 20350

Dear Bud:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 25th. Your retirement from the Navy, in my judgment, is a severe loss to the country. You have always made a courageous appraisal of our strength around the world.

It has been an inspiration to work with you during my eight years of tenure in Congress. Needless to say, I wish you a very happy retirement. However, in addition to all of that, I sincerely hope you will stay close to the military problems of the nation.

I will appreciate receiving your views from time to time because I place great value in what you have to say.

With warmest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely,



Charles W. Sandman, Jr.
Member of Congress

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11 July 74

Dear Charlie,

Your thoughtful and flattering letter of 2 July has reached me. As you can see by the mast head, my station in life has changed, but my heart will always be with the active fleet. I am already experiencing the withdrawal symptoms of not working, but that will pass. The most difficult part of retirement for me will be the absence of those wonderful people who have made Navy life the most exciting thing in the world for me.

Our plans are flexible. We'll headquarter here in the Washington area for a while and see what develops. I'll go through a four years accumulation of papers, take on some speaking engagements if anybody is interested in hearing me, and just "free lance" in general. After all these years of navigating charted waters, the prospect of setting my own course is exciting.

I am pleased by your offer to stay in touch, and intend to take you up on it. Meantime you have my best wishes for continued success.

Warm regards,

The Honorable Charles W. Sandman, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

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Royal Norwegian Embassy

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June 25, 1974

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Dear Admiral and Mrs. Zumwalt,

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We are very sorry that we shall not have the pleasure of seeing you on June 27. As a matter of fact we have had to cancel the dinner, since I am just out of the hospital after an appendix operation. We are going to miss you as neighbors and both feel we have not seen enough of you during this time.

Frances and I hope that we shall be able to contact you in the autumn by letter or by word after the summer vacation. We would therefore very much appreciate it if you could inform us about your whereabouts at that time. We certainly hope that it will not be too far from Washington.

We send you both our best wishes for the future, which we are sure will be long and bright.

With our warmest regards, we are

Sincerely yours,

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S.Chr. Sommerfelt
Ambassador of Norway

Admiral and Mrs. E.R. Zumwalt, Jr.
U.S. Navy
Washington, D.C.

11 July 1974

Dear Ambassador Sommerfel^{a/}t,

Many thanks for your thoughtful letter. I am already experiencing the withdrawal symptoms of not working, but that will pass. The most difficult part of retirement for me will be the absence of those wonderful people who have made Navy life the most exciting thing in the world for me.

Mouza is still busy with the myriad details of moving out and moving in. We will be settled at our new address within a few days, but it will take a bit of time before she has things just so.

We are pleased to be staying in the Washington area and, while it's a way out to Falls Church, do hope that you and Frances will be able to come by. In the meantime, you have our best wishes for a speedy recovery. We shall indeed miss being your neighbors.

Warm regards,

E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.

His Excellency
Søren Christian Sommerfel~~t~~
Ambassador of Norway
Royal Norwegian Embassy
3401 Massachusetts Ave., N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20007

SOMMERFELT, S.C.



THE UNDER SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20310

28 June 1974

Admiral E. R. Zumwalt, Jr.
Chief of Naval Operations

Dear Bud:

Best wishes to you as you enter into a new and equally challenging and rewarding phase of your life together with your lovely wife.

Following up on our pre-luncheon conversation Thursday, I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to have a leisurely lunch and discussion with you at the Pentagon on a date convenient for you.

There are numerous areas in which I would find your thoughts and experiences most helpful to a greenhorn such as myself. However, should it not be possible because of your commitments, I will understand.

Sincerely,

Herman R. Staudt

11 July 1974

Dear Herm,

Many thanks for your thoughtful letter. I am already experiencing the withdrawal symptoms of not working, but that will pass. The most difficult part of retirement for me will be the absence of those wonderful people who have made Navy life the most exciting thing in the world for me.

I am looking forward to meeting with you in the near future and hope by the time you receive this that "Mr. Zumwalt" will be on your luncheon calendar. Meantime, please accept my appreciation for your timely note.

Warm regards,

E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.

The Honorable Herman R. Staudt
The Under Secretary of the Army
Washington, D. C. 20310

STAUDT, H.R.

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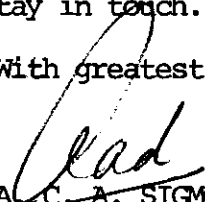
Dear Admiral Zumwalt,

Upon your departure as our CNO and on the occasion of your retirement may I add my many thanks to you for all that you have done.

I will long remember the special relationship I enjoyed in both Vietnam and my tour in the Pentagon. You will always be remembered as a true inspiration and one who was fun to work for.

Mary joins me in wishing you and your family the very best in years ahead and we sincerely hope that you will allow us to stay in touch.

With greatest respect,


A. C. A. SIGMOND
CAPT USN

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Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr., USN, (ret)
Office of the Chief of Naval Operations
Navy Department
Washington, D.C. 20350

10 July 1974

Dear Ott,

Many thanks for your thoughtful letter and kind reflections on our service together. I look back on the days in Vietnam in absolute amazement that they could be receding so rapidly into the amorphous categorization of "history." Yet, I recall as vividly as ever the singular contributions there of our fine officers such as you. The recently completed Washington tour must still be assessed but I shall always value the opportunity it offered me to serve in a very special way.

I will follow your career with great interest and confidence--for I anticipate that you will continue to contribute brilliantly to our Navy and country. Mouza joins me in sending you and Mary every good wish for success and happiness. We look forward to your remaining in close touch in the coming years.

Warm regards,

Captain A. C. A. Sigmond, USN
Executive Assistant
Commander in Chief
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SIGMOND, A.C.A.

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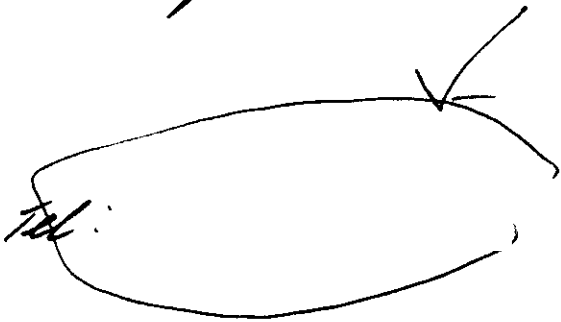
Dear Mouza and Admiral,

I am most grateful that you both finished the CNO tour in such great style and that I had the opportunity of sharing with you some of last weekend's most memorable moments. It was a time that I will treasure and for that, plus all the other countless occasions stretching back over the past five years, my deepest thanks for your patience, kindness and understanding.

Patty and I hope that you have a good "rest" and many happy and relaxed moments together. Please keep in touch with us and I will plan on bothering you as I come through town.

As ever,

Mike



9 July 1974

Dear Mike,

As so often happens, the Change of Command on the 29th brought us full circle in life and we were grateful that we could share this ending of the old and beginning of the new with you who more than any other ensured our survival through the old. We all felt and stated that the day was made complete by your presence at Admiral's House and at the ceremonies. Interestingly--we never doubted for a moment you would be there--so confidently have we all come to regard your friendship.

At times it seems too easy to say thank you for it is the least expression of a full heart that acknowledges support, dedication, loyalty and selfless friendship. We as a family see all that in you, Mike, and we do indeed express our thanks for everything you've done and been.

The hegira from Admiral's House to Falls Church has been chaotic but we are beginning to settle in and it should only require another six months to complete!

The new unlisted home phone number is Please call when you come through Washington and plan to visit. I'll race you in water-walking on the back yard pool!

SPIRO, M. E.

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God bless you, Patty and your beautiful family. All our best wishes are yours.

Warm regards,

E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.

Colonel M. E. Sprio, USMC
12827 W. 101st St.
Lenexa, Kansas 66215



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FORT McHENRY
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21230

2 July 1974

Admiral Elmo R. ZUMWALT Jr.
Chief of Naval Operations
Navy Department
Washington, D. C. 20350

Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

Your Change of Command ceremony was certainly very colorful and most interesting and we enjoyed every minute of it.

You have made such a wonderful contribution to our fine Navy and to this great country of ours. This nation has every cause to be grateful to you.

I wish you the very best in all of those wonderful years ahead and if ever I may be of service to you I hope that you will call on me.

With sincere best wishes,


J. L. SMITH
Rear Admiral
U. S. Naval Reserve