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TRANSLATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

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Translation

My dear Admiral:

As the date approaches when you will relinquish your post as Chief of Naval Operations of the U.S. Navy, I feel bound by friendship to express appreciation personally, as well as generally on behalf of the Spanish Navy, for your clear understanding of our problems and your effective support in solving them.

Your work while in command of the U.S. Navy has vigorously shaped the course of that naval evolution which the challenge of the future imposes on all of us.

I have fond memories of the contacts that we have had these past few years, especially during my previous duties as Chief of Staff of the Navy. Your visit to Madrid remains as an important date in my memory and as a singularly fruitful one for the sense of direction given to our programs for new construction.

As you relinquish your high naval responsibilities, I wish you, dear Admiral, all personal happiness.

Cordially yours,

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