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Subject: JANUARY DIVISION CAPTAIN'S BRIEFING

- 1. Our Team Coordinated Training (TCT) class has been rescheduled for Saturday, 31 January 2004. It will be held at the Mess Deck of Station Shinnecock @ 0830
- 2. Our next Division wide SAR Exercises is in its planning stage. CDR Felker, has showed an interest in attending out next SAREX. Topics will include Boat Crew / Coxswain Training, Execution of Search Patterns, PIW Search, Cruise Exercise, and preparation for ISAR
- 3. The topic of our second round table discussion with both Division and Flotilla staff will be for PA/PE will meet on a date TBA. This meeting will include everyone involved in PA and PE including FSO's. The SO's will run this meeting.
- 4. Our Communication Specialty Course is scheduled to start Tuesday, 13 January 2004. The instructor for the course will be Bill Tooker. The course will be held at Station Shinnecock and will run for about 8 weeks with the 9th week for the exam. Time TBA.
- 5. We are looking to train Auxiliary, Reserves, and regulars in the use of RDF equipment. This will take place sometime after the AUXCOMs course.
- 6. Cold Weather training took place on Saturday, 13 December at Station Shinnecock. 6 members were either certified or recertified. The certified include Jim Cornell, Vin Pica, Lou Chrisomalis, Phil Warner, Don Daniels and Kevin Osterbery.
- 7. With 3 Facilities in the year all year round, a training schedule has been created, rotating Facilities, Crews, AORs and days. This is in anticipation of an emergency call out. Regular training sessions will keep us prepared. The goal is to maximize the resources we have.
- 8. All our Division Staff Officers now has an assistant, in some cases 2.to help out. Emphasis is being placed on Public Education Vessel Examinations, and Personal Services.

9. Since PE has been put as top priority I put more resources in this area. Our SO-PE has 2 assistants, Bob Ettl and Vin Pica. With the additional instructors qualified in 2003, I am hoping it will increase the amount of class given to the public.

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- 10. 7 pilots have been recruited with aircraft, so far. 2 of the 7 pilots are close to completion. Another 3 pilots are looking to join us.
- 11. Division 18 has selected 4 people to become Fingerprint Technicians. They are Todd Chorney, Ralph George, Jim Edwardson, and Hal Adkins.
- 12. Division Change of Watch was postponed do to the inclement weather. We have selected a new date and are waiting for final approval.
- 13. Division 18 is actively looking for participants for the District Awards Conference. Last year we had a good attendance from our division. Last year those that went, took notes and made a report to division on that topic. We will do the same this year.

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