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Memorandum for the Record

Subj: CNA Integrated Ship Database: Distribution of 4th Quarter 2008 Update

- Ref: (a) *The Integrated Ship Database A Rapid-Access Database of Naval Ship Information 4th Quarter 2008 Update*, by Gregory N. Suess, Lynette A. McClain, and Rhea Stone, Mar 2009 (CNA Interactive Software D0020572.A1/Final)
 - (b) The Integrated Ship Database. Basic Layout and Instructions
 - (c) The Integrated Ship Database A Rapid-Access Database of Naval Ship Information A User's Manual, by Gregory N. Suess and Lynette A. McClain, Dec 2005 (CNA Interactive Software D0012061.A2/Final)
 - (d) Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, OPNAV INSTRUCTION 4770.5G, General Policy for the Inactivation, Retirement, and Disposition of U.S. Naval Vessels, 6 Feb 2009

We announce the update to CNA's Integrated Ship Database (ISDB) as of the end of the third quarter of CY08 [Ref (a)]. You can find the database (Dec 08 database.xls) at the web page addressed www.cna.org/nationalsecurity/ota/shipdatabase. On the web page, you will also see a link to a document titled "The Integrated Ship Database: Basic Instructions and Layout" that describes basic features of the database and steps to take when first opening it [Ref (b)]. We also refer you to a link identified as "User's Manual" to go to the original database user's manual from December 2005 for additional background information [Ref (c)].

For this quarter, we made the usual changes:

- We updated the Naval Vessel Register (NVR) data through 31 December 2008.
- The data from the MSC Ship Inventory reflects changes as of 31 December 2008.
- The Maritime Administration's Property Management and Archive Record System (PMARS) data is current as of 31 December 2008.

This quarter we added a new field to the database—the Inactivation Date—to align with the recent modification to the NVR. This change was prompted by the new version of the CNO's policy for ship inactivation, retirement, and disposition [Ref (d)].

We welcome and encourage your comments and suggestions for improvement of the database. Please contact Lynette McClain (<u>mcclainl@cna.org</u> or 703-824-2855) or Greg Suess (<u>suessg@cna.org</u> or 703-824-2231) if you have any questions or comments.

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