Memorandum for the Record

Subj: CNA Integrated Ship Database, 1st Quarter 2006 Update

Encl: (1) CNA Interactive Software CIS D0014118.A1/Final


In December 2005, we produced and distributed the initial version of the Integrated Ship Database [Ref (a)]. The database is a new CNA product, intended to help users quickly find information on the internet about ships of the Navy, the Military Sealift Command, and the Maritime Administration. Our intent is to publish updates quarterly. This CNA Interactive Software (CIS) contains the first update to the database.

The compact disk has three files on it:
1. This memorandum
2. The updated Integrated Ship Database
3. The user’s manual for the database distributed initially in ref (a).

The updated database includes the following changes:

• The data from the Naval Vessel Register (NVR) reflects changes as of 23 March 2006.
  — NVR status categories added to the update include variants of the following types:
    – Lost at sea
    – Reclassed to another type of ship or to a combatant craft or boat
    – Hull number assigned, construction begun but cancelled
— Sunk for experimental purposes, but not disposed of

— We added NVR records with no status designation as “No NVR status.”

• References to the Dictionary of American Naval Fighting Ships are consistent with the list of corrections in Ref (b).

— We have modified the DANFS links for historical aircraft carriers to those in the Navy Office of Information’s list of carriers in Ref (c). These histories derive from Historical Center’s Dictionary of American Naval Fighting Ships and United States Naval Aviation, 1910-1995.

• National Defense Reserve Fleet inventory data is current as of 28 February 2006 [Ref (d)].

— Ships with records in the NVR that have been withdrawn from the NDRF remain in the database under the same NVR status. The text entries in the MARAD Property Management and Archive System (PMARS) have been changed from the respective NDRF types to the appropriate PMARS Ship Record Detail title.

— Records for withdrawn NDRF ships, not recorded in the NVR, have been retained in our database under the NVR Status field entry “Former MARAD/NDRF.” The status field further indicates the corresponding means of disposal.

We welcome and encourage comments and suggestions for improvement. Please contact Greg Suess at suessg@cna.org or 703-824-2231 or Lynette McClain at mcclainl@cna.org or 703-824-2855.

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   (2) Distribution list for CIS D0014118.A2/1Rev

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Last month, we distributed an update of the Integrated Ship Database for the first quarter of CY06 [Ref (a)]. Consistent with our intention to periodically revise and update the database, we forward enclosure (1) for your use.

The compact disk for this Interactive Software contains four files:

1. This memorandum
2. The revised Integrated Ship Database [Encl (1)]
3. The distribution list [Encl (2)]
4. The user’s manual for the database [Encl (3)]

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