DRAFTER EXTENSION NUMBER	ER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
COM THIRD FLEET RELEASED BY DATE 29 OCTOBER 1943	FOR ACTION	DESRON 21	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
DECODED BY	INFORMATION	DECLASSIFIED	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
UHLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH D		PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE. NCR 1955Ø	IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
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(ADMIRAL HALSEY SENDS TO DESRON 21)

ON OUTGOING DISPATCHES PLEASE LEAVE ABOUT ONE INCH CLEAR SPACE BEFORE BEGINNING TEXT

DESRON 21 WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED WHEN GUADACANAL, MUNDA, KULA GULF, VELLA LAVELLA, AND THE SLOT ARE MENTIONED. YOUR HABIT OF GETTING INTO WINNING SCRAPS WITH THE JAPS HAS MADE HISTORY. ON YOUR DETACHMENT FROM THE SOUTH PACIFIC FIGHTING FORCES I WISH YOU GODSPEED. AND YOU MAY BE SURE THAT I WILL WELCOME YOU BACK WITH OPEN ARMS AT ANYTIME IN ANY OCEAN.

(REFERENCE (L) OF CONFIDENTIAL LETTER OF COMMANDER BENJAMIN KATZ U.S.N. TO BUPERS.DATED 1 AUGUST 1944.)

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