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IN REPLY REFER TO

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Ser N00L/1854
30 Apr 09

From: Commander, Navy Region Northwest
To: Commanding Officer, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile
Unit ELEVEN

Subj: USE OF NAVY REGION NORTHWEST'S UNDERWATER DEMOLITION
TRAINING RANGES

Ref: (a) OPNAVNOTE 5400 Ser DNS-33/8U107749 dtd 21 Apr 2008

1. Reference (a) directed the relocation of Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit (EODMU) ELEVEN to Imperial Beach, California, effective March 1, 2009 and on April 8, 2009 your command conducted its last underwater demolition training event in Puget Sound. Therefore, I have determined that, because EODMU ELEVEN's training requirements on the Region's underwater demolition training ranges are completed, no future training will be conducted on such ranges until the Record of Decision for the Northwest Training Range Environmental Impact Statement is issued, or the Navy is able to demonstrate compliance with NEPA and the ESA through other means.

2. I wish you and your Sailors all the best as you transition to your new home.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Symonds".

JAMES A. SYMONDS

Copy to:
Commander, Navy Expeditionary Combat Command
Commander, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Group ONE
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