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Subj: NOMINATION FOR COPERNICUS AWARD IN THE CASE OF (FULL NAME OF NOMINEE)

1. NAME: First, Middle Initial, and Last name

2. GRADE: (Ex LCDR, CTOCM)

3. JOB TITLE / DESCRIPTION: Assistant OIC /  
LCDR XXXXXXXXXX is assigned as the Assistant Officer in Charge for the Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Information, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Detachment (C4ISR) within XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX. He is also the Director of Operations for the Detachment, overseeing all production tasking, while serving as the unit's inherent expert for all Information Operations requirements.

4. SUMMARY OF ACTION:

LCDR XXXXXXXXXX is a natural leader who quickly synthesizes vast amounts of data, creates a challenging vision, and effectively leverages resources to achieve the defined ends. In response to a change in XXX priorities, LCDR XXXXXXXXXX information processing tools such as XXXXXXXX and XXXXXX resulted in completion of this project 25% earlier than anticipated. Furthermore, his efforts positioned the Detachment to continue to function as the country expert within XXXXXX for this country's C4ISR capabilities for the foreseeable future.

In addition, LCDR XXXXXXXXXX utilized his training in terrorism and counter terrorism and his unparalleled expertise in Computer Network Attack (CNA) and Computer Network Defense (CND) to quickly identify a gap in the intelligence community "tool sets" shortly after the events of 11 September 2001. In response, LCDR XXXXXXXXXX developed a web-based computer network attack threat matrix that was then adopted by XXXXXXXX and the XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXX XXXX for Computer Network Operations in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

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LCDR XXXXXXXXXX was also individually selected by the gaining command, to author the XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX Assessment. His representation of XXXXXXXX in coordination with Naval XXXXXXXXXXXXX and other commands has been instrumental to developing appropriate guidelines for the completion of this analysis. The results of this assessment are expected to have far-reaching impact on the design and development of future naval system platforms and their ability to maintain a superior posture in a hostile environment.

A staunch advocate for individual professional development, LCDR XXXXXXXXXXXXX has also dedicated time and leadership to the design and delivery of unit-wide training initiatives. His knowledge and experience in the area of fleet intelligence support requirements has been shared through both formal and informal training evolutions; internal training surveys determined that he is the most frequently requested instructor in the unit

LCDR XXXXXXXXXXXXX clearly demonstrates the value of the reserve intelligence community as a force multiplier in support of active duty and civilian intelligence components. His work with the computer network attack matrix clearly shows that the reserve force can provide critical contributions even during the most severe crisis while still performing as drilling reservists. Similarly, the other production requirements he has overseen represent vital interests within the gaining command and represents savings to the gaining command of at least two senior intelligence analysts.

6. POC: Name of POC, RANK, Commercial phone number, DSN phone number, email address of POC.

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