

This Part informs the reader of the Historian's search to confirm the official date that the present day Clearance Diving Trade for Men was authorized to be a separate Branch within the Royal Canadian Navy. Chuck Rolfe had been searching for this date for a number of years, expecting to finally locate the document showing the date during his research work into various other stories he was involved with, It came to a head when RCN CPO 1 Andrew Tiffin, JDF Sergeant Major(Cox'n to us in the Navy!) Iraq wanted to fly the Clearance Diver flag at the Camp in Iraq, to denote the Clearance Diver involvement in that conflict on the date of the Diving Branch's 26th anniversary of 25 February 2016. Following is the sequence of events to find the date:

CPO 1 Andrew Tiffin, (he was the FDU{A} Cox'n before being posted as the Joint Task Force Sergeant Major – that's a Cox'n to us in the Navy!) of OP IMPACT/JTF-Iraq/HQ had contacted P2CD Sean O'Brien of FDU(A), MWD Diving Supervisor on 2 December 2015 to ask Sean if he could inform Andrew of the actual date that the Clearance Diving Trade's birthday was, as he wanted to fly the Clearance Divers Flag over the Camp in Iraq on that date. Sean O'Brien emailed back on 2 December 2015 that although he didn't know the exact day, the founding date was in February 1954, but I can facebook the Canadian Naval Divers Association(CNDA)to try to find the day if you want. Andrew emailed Sean, that would be awesome. On 21 December 2015, Sean O'Brien emailed Andre Tiffin that he was unable to find the official date of founding, with Andrew then stating, roger that Sean and emailed Mark Simonsen to ask if Chuck Rolfe, CNDA Sec/Treas. and Historian might have this official date of founding. Mark forwarded this request to Chuck and, if so, would he forward same to Andrew Tiffin and Sean O'Brien. Chuck Rolfe emailed on 22 December 2015 to RCN Lt. Jason Delaney(DND Directorate of History and Heritage), Wally Green CNDA President, Red Larsen, Roy Busby, Tim Flath and Mark Simonsen that I will contact you all after a bit of research for the information requested. Gary Reddy emailed on 22 December 2015 that Chuck Rolfe should have this information, and that I sent a request to Alan Sagar to ask him if he knew the official date.

Chuck Rolfe, CNDA National Sec/Treas. & Historian emailed on 22 December 2015 to Lt. Jason Delaney, as you can see by following all the email traffic(all cc'ed to you) from various sources, we ae still looking for written proof of when the RCN Diving Branch was officially declared as coming into being. When Wally Green and I came over to your office to check out other data from the Archives that you provided us, we did not locate any actual proof at that time. However, Wally did find a memo from Commodore E.P Tisdale, to Flag Officer Atlantic Coast(FOAC) dated 15 April 1955 concerning the planning to implement the policy in CANGEN 48/54. Would it be possible for myself to come over to your office on Holly Lane, Ottawa to conduct further research of the RCN Archives to attempt to locate CANGEN 48/54 – I would believe the number 54 is the year of this document. I do realize this research may be of a short duration(if I do locate it right away, or go on for some period of time. It seems that I have been looking for this official date for eons now!!!!

Wally Green, CNDA President emailed all concerned on 22 December 2015, I believe that the document that we are looking for concerning the forming of the Branch is CANGEN 48/54. I have a copy of the memo from E.P. Tisdale Commodore to FAOC dated 15 April 1955 concerning the planning to implement the policy in CANGEN 48/54. This message goes on to point out all the difficulties in implementing the policy, such as the lack of qualified Instructors and equipment. I have been to the Archives on a number of occasions, but so far have not been able to obtain a copy of CANGEN 48/54.

Chuck Rolfe emailed Gary Reddy and all concerned, thanks Gary, and I will be contacting everybody from that era to see if we can come up with either a day, month and year that the Clearance Diving Branch was officially formed. I have been attempting to find this exact date for many years, and could not come up with a definitive time at which it occurred, although the “commonly accepted” year was in 1954 – but this has been challenged as well by Red Larsen and Jim Balmforth. Wally Green and I checked out some documents provided to us by Lt.(N) Jason Delaney in DND who is involved in the RCN Diving Branch history, however we did not come up with an exact date. I did note in one of the emails from FDU(A) P2CD Sean O’Brien, he stated **“the Clearance Diver trade’s birthday is February 1954, I don’t have the exact day”** however I have no information that February 1954 is the right date. What leads me to believe that 1954 is the year the Clearance Diving Branch came into being, was that we located a conversion chart when all the **DV’s**(WW II Divers up to the year 1954) were allocated to change over to Clearance Divers in the year 1954. I also found many references to the Branch forming in 1954 from some now deceased Diving Officers of the 1940’s and 1950’s when they provided me with stories of their time as Diving Officers in the RCN. I have written up most of this data when I was the Editor of the DIPPPERS DIGEST some time ago, and also in my RCN DIVING BRANCH HISTORY – in various Parts, all of which I retain on files on my computer, or actual hard copies. I shall do a little more research work, and also request the aforementioned diving researchers to see if they can come up with a more precise date of the founding of the RCN’s Clearance Diving Branch for Men, and will let all concerned know what we have come up with. As this request came from CPO1 Andrew Tiffin, Cox’n (JTF Sergeant Major) overseas, and P2CD Sean O’Brien at FDU(A), they will be included in the loop. I think we can get Andy Tiffin the information in order for him to fly our flag overseas on the right date!

James Balmforth emailed us on 22 December 2015 that I wonder where it was arrived at that the Clearance Diving Branch officially came into being on February 1954? Red Larsen and I were in what was to be the first CD course in January 1954 on the West Coast, and completed it around May/June. Unfortunately, because CDBA (Clearance Diver Breathing Apparatus)equipment had not arrived for us to train with, and it had not been decided about the forming of a new Branch, we kept our former DV trade and wore the DV patch on the left cuff of our uniforms. We didn’t convert to CD with the new equipment for another couple of years, as I recall. So the Branch had to be officially opened between May of 1954 and 1956?? Really, I don’t think it matters much anyway.

Robert “Red” Larsen emailed on 22 December 2015, I would suggest that somewhere in Ottawa’s records there must be an official notice/publication. All I know is that when Jim Balmforth and myself finished our first course(which we had been informed at the start of the course by LCdr Ben Ackerman that we were embarking on a Clearance Diving course) in May or June 1954, that because no official word had come down, that they then rated us as DV’s. We carried on as DV’s and, although Keith Powers was drafted to the West Coast Unit to instruct us in CDBA, there was no change to my status up until I took my Release from the Service in February 1956 because the Diving Trade was still a Non-Substantive Trade, ie I would be required to go to sea in my Basic Primary Trade as an LR(Layer)Gunnery Rating. I re-entered the Navy via the Recruiting Office in Victoria BC in September 1956 because by that time the Diving Trade had become a primary Trade by itself, which I presume occurred while I was out. I commenced an official CD conversion course about one week after I re-joined the West Coast Unit, along with about a dozen other CD’s named Russ Connelly, Charlie Greengrass, Fred Olkovick, Ike Shaw, Rocky Verscheure, Jim Balmforth and probably one or two others whose names I’ve forgotten. So I suggest, from my dates and events that occurred to me, is that the official start of the Diving Trade is somewhere between February and September 1956. Surely someone in Headquarters would know where to look for the official date – whatever it is. I see by the addresses

of the various personnel involved in this search, that we have people in very important positions throughout the Service. It is refreshing to have been a part of this organization, albeit several years ago. Good diving to all, Red Larsen – a Chief Petty Officer 1st Class at one time!

Chuck Rolfe emailed CPO 1 Andrew Tiffin and others involved, on 26 December 2015 that I have located the place where P2CD O'Brien found the words from which he stated the Diving Branch was founded in February 1954!! It was in the late RCN LCdr George Douglas Cook's article he wrote, and that I had incorporated into Part 1 of the RCN DIVING BRANCH HISTORY, part of which follows as Paragraph 6: *"Finally, after two years in which countless proposals and counter-proposals were sifted and considered, the best solution appeared to be further amalgamation of the two functions of Standard Diving and Explosive Dispersal into one Branch for Men and, because it seemed desirable to integrate this with other aspects of mine countermeasures, the organization was transferred to the Executive Branch. And so, **in February 1954 the Clearance Diving Branch was born.** Following this new birth, will surely come the usual teething problems, the childhood and adolescent growing pains leading to maturity. However, the foundation has been laid for a workable organization and **the status of Diver has been raised from a secondary to a primary certification.**"* Therefore, with LCdr Cook stating the Clearance Diving Branch was formed, and that the Clearance Diver was now a primary qualification, I would think that most researchers would be led to consider that is the founding month and year. Additionally, in a write up when LCdr Cook was retiring is the following: *"LCdr Earl Douglas Thompson, Pioneer Diver Leaves Service. A pioneer of the Royal Canadian Navy's diving and demolition organization, retired on May 2, 1968 after 26 years service with the RCN. He is the last serving member of Canada's Underwater Bomb and Mine Disposal Team, the basis of the present Navy "frogmen" organization."* I then obtained a document number NSS-4951-2 dated 13 August 1954 from DND Directorate of History and Heritage with much information of interest to Naval Diving historians. To us, the following extract is very applicable:

CLEARANCE DIVING TRAINING FACILITIES – HALIFAX

Reference(a) NSS 1700-962/101 (Staff) dated 10 August 1954

Review: Consequent on **the new Clearance Diving Organization** details of which are being issued in Naval General Orders, and the policy outlined in reference (a), there will be a **continuing and expanding diving training commitment to be met commencing April, 1955.** It is therefore apparent that some interim arrangements must be made. (NOTE: this part about delayed training looks like part of what occurred to Red Larsen and Jim Balmforth).

Again, there is mention of the "new Clearance Diving Organization" which leads one to think that would be the "Clearance Diving Branch" had been authorized earlier in 1954(say, February 1954?)!! This would fit in with the earlier finding of the large **"EAST COAST Wall Chart"** showing conversion of the old DV's required to attain Swimmer Diver training in order to qualify as Clearance Divers in the year 1954. As shown in the previous paragraph, this training commitment could not be met, so they allocated it to the year 1955 or later.

I have been an historical researcher for many years(for WW I, WW II, Victoria Cross Recipients, Canadian Naval Aviation, Canadian Naval Diving, Canadian Army, Canadian RNAS Pilot Roy Brown amongst others), and have learned one important factor – never trust heresay as fact until you have actual proof of what you are searching for. But I also learned to respect a gut feeling that can lead me to the solution – it has landed me in good stead so far. In the new year of 2016, I shall have to get into the boxes of archives held in Government storage, and I believe we can locate the evidence of the true date that our Naval Divers actually became an official Branch of the RCN. That is, notwithstanding another

project that I have to write up, concerning a “recent” time in which the Diving Branch became defunct for a day or two – more of that when I can get to it!!

CPO 1 Andrew Tiffin Emailed Chuck Rolfe on 27 December 2015 to say Happy Holidays and hope you had a Merry Christmas enjoying your loved ones with a great meal and lots of wine. I personally had the same without the wine. Some might think we missed the opportunity to be with our family, but with today’s technology I was able to watch them opening stockings and presents, without the clean up! The meal here in Iraq was great with the BGen and I serving turkey, roasts and hams to the gunfighters. I personally would like to pass my appreciation for your efforts over the past couple of weeks as you drill down through the details to sort out a day for the birth of the Diving Trade(for the record, 14th February seems great, since every Diver I know is a romantic SOB). I know the date is fast approaching and, should you be able to identify a day before it occurs this year, I have a Clearance Diving flag here with me in theatre, and would fly it on behalf of the Branch as one of our small accomplishments in JTF-Iraq. I have included P1CD R.J. McDonald on this to list, who will be our team lead with OP UNIFIER in the Ukraine, who may have a similar opportunity to fly our CD flag.

Austin Baird emailed CNDA on 1 January 2016 that Lt(N) Jason Delaney had published an article “The Cold War Frogmen of the Far North” in Volume 1, Number 4 (Winter 2012) in the Canadian Naval Review. In Paragraph 3 is the following statement: “The Clearance Diving Branch was formed from an amalgamation of the explosive disposal/clearance and Standard deep-sea/salvage diving organizations in **FEBRUARY 1954.**” This statement thus corroborates the date of the Branch founding.

Chuck Rolfe emailed Austin Baird and all others on 1 January 2016, thank you for pointing out that Lt. Jason Delaney of DND Directorate of History and Heritage had published the Diving Branch founding date was February 1954 in his article **THE COLD WAR FROGMEN OF THE FAR NORTH.** Jason, Wally Green and myself are working on much data concerning Navy Divers and the RCN Diving Branch to bring forth more information concerning what happened in the Navy from the earliest days up to the present. I am more concerned right now with information of diving OPS from the 1940’s to the 1980’s, but will retain any other information from earlier times to the present days for future reference. So far I have not viewed any document which shows the actual date on paper which authorized the formation of the Diving Branch, but I expect to locate it whenever I can get at the archival material, which can take a very long time to locate the various files. The Divers were under the control of various other Branches(TAS, Armament, Seamanship or Executive Branches)prior to having their own Branch, so information is spread across them from earlier days. I do appreciate your emailing this article about “frogmen” to all members of the Eastern Chapter, as it is of great interest to our guys. I have had Lt. Delaney’s article in my possession for some time, but had not got around to communicating it to anyone yet, so that got me off my butt to send it out to the Western Chapter members. As well, CPO 1 Andy Tiffin, Joint Task Force Sergeant Major(that’s Cox’n to us – he was the FDU(P) Cox’n before his posting overseas) wishes to fly the Clearance Diver Flag over in Iraq on the date that our Diving Branch was formally authorized, so I shall attempt to find the actual date in February 1954 for him.

Austin Baird emailed Chuck Rolfe on 1 January 2016 that I was pleased to read the recent RCN DIVING BRANCH HISTORY – Parts 1 & 2, which as you say is of great interest to all of us. When I came across the article by Lt. Jason Delaney in the Canadian Naval Review, I was encouraged to know that a historian had come upon that date as well. Knowing that he was in the loop on the research effort, gives me confidence that along with Wally Green and yourself, you will locate the full date of founding. Thank you for what you are doing; I wish you good hunting in your efforts, and a successful search in 2016. I have been living on Guam since 2013, engaged in EOD work, and ordnance clean up from WW II

continues out here. There is quite a bit of diving history here on Guam, as well as the Marianas Trench just offshore. Let me know if I can be of assistance.

Some Feedback to Chuck Rolfe's statement he made on 1 January 2016 to Austin Baird re "As well, CPO 1 Andy Tiffin, Joint Task Force Sergeant Major(that's Cox'n to us - he was the **FDU(P)** Cox'n before his posting overseas)" ; this brought a spate of corrective emails down on my head, as I was incorrect in stating he was the West Coast FDU(P) Cox'n, whereas Andy Tiffin was the East Coast FDU(A) Cox'n."

Andre Desrochers responded that Andy Tiffin was Cox'n in FDU(A) not (P) – I met him here many times.

Andy Tiffin replied, Jeezus Chuck, I'm from the East Coast, not the West Coast Unit!!

Walter Dubeau stated I want to point out that CPO 1 Andy Tiffin was the Cox'n at FDU(A), not FDU(P).

Austin Baird Emailed from Guam to Andy Tiffin, Bahahaha....that friggin cracked me up Andy, almost as much as an "RSM" Clearance Diver. WTF is that???...Bazaar(*bizarre*) Andy, friggin Bazaar. Don't they know who the Senior Service is!!!! The RCN and the Clearance Diver Trade bailed those jokers out! Stay awesome Andy, stay safe, we all love ya Bro!

Gary Reddy emailed Chuck Rolfe, Awesome work – we are all one, so FDU(P) or (A), no worry.

Chuck Rolfe emailed on 3 January 2016 to Andy Tiffin, I immediately had a pile of your buddies castigate me(50 lashes with a wet noodle) about my faux pas and definitely deserve it !! I can only say on my behalf, that I have been extremely busy with taking over the Western Chapter Sec/Treas. and Membership Chairman position by contacting all those members out there(from the Province of Ontario out to BC), getting their membership renewals and informing them about all the new procedures now that Ottawa and Western Chapters have been amalgamated – so that when it came to FDU(P) and FDU(A), my mind was still so taken up with (P) that it just automatically went there – won't happen again. Man, a lot of the guys picked me up on that! Oh well, Austin Baird found some humour in it.

On another note, I am still trying to get in touch with Lt. Jason Delaney of Directorate of History and Heritage so that I can go there to do some more research work about the actual day in February 1954 that we became the Diving Branch, but he hasn't contacted me yet. Should we not find the actual day it was authorized before it comes up on 14 February, I am with you that we should arbitrarily state that it was on the 14 February 1954, so that you can fly the Clearance Divers flag that day over in JTF – Iraq. We must be aware that this may set a precedence, and should we never prove it was another day in February, this will eventually become accepted as the right date in the long run. Of course, I would want to find the authorized date in the archives though, if possible. I also located another article corroborating the date of February 1954 as being the right date of the Clearance Diving Branch being formed. It was in an article by Lt. Jason Delaney called **The Cold War Frogmen of the Far North**, published in Canadian Naval Review, Vol 7, No 4 (Winter 2012) and it states as follows: *The Clearance Diving Branch was formed from an amalgamation of the explosive disposal/clearance and standard deep-sea/salvage diving organizations in February 1954.* So it would be considered that we are at least getting the date of February 1954 correct. Would you let us know when you fly the flag over there, and also P1CD R.J. McDonald, Team Leader in OP UNIFIER in the Ukraine possibly flying it there. We would certainly like to publish it in the DIPPERS DIGEST to inform our members. Right now I am getting information together to write an article about RCN Divers(DV) operating out of HMCS FORT RAMSAY, a Stone Frigate during WW II, which was located at Gaspé, Quebec – very interesting story.

CPO 1 Andrew Tiffin emailed Chuck Rolfe on 4 January 2016, no worries Chuck, I laughed as I read the comments from the guys about me definitely being from the FDU(A) and not (P). As for the date, does anyone(Gary, Tim, Mark, Daryl or Walter) have an objection/idea of the day of authorization, perhaps Mark Simonsen could put a sounding board out to pick a date, and I will go with whatever he thinks. I

will be departing theate on or around the 20th February for my Leave, so I would hope the day before? Chuck, is there any way you could give me a quick paragraph on the Clearance Diver birthday which I can post on the network here to explain why the beautiful dolphins are flying high?

Gary Reddy emailed Andy Tiffin on 5 January 2016, recommend you fly the Clearance Divers flag on a convenient date prior to your departing on Leave. An alternative would be to have the Acting RSM fly it on the actual date. Your call mate. Many thanks for doing this. The Clearance Diving Branch will be extremely thankful and proud to see their flag fly in Iraq!

Mark Simonsen emailed to CNDA and Andy Tiffin, Outstanding job Jason Delaney, Wally Green & Chuck Rolfe for your relentless efforts. 25 February is better than 14 February(Valentines Day), or 2 Bebruary (Groundhog Day). When I was with JTF2, a lot of the guys were a bit miffed that it was formed on 1April, and we had to parade on April Fools Day, so it could be a lot worse.

Lt. Jason Delaney of DND Directorate of History and Heritage stated he would check his notes from when he wrote **The Cold War Frogmen of the Far North** to see if the actual day in February 1954 was stated there, and would advise all concerned with his findings. On 4 January 2016 Jason emailed CPO 1 Andrew Tiffin and all others concerned, **ACCORDING TO MY NOTES, THE DIVING BRANCH CAME INTO EFFECT ON 25 FEBRUARY 1954 under CANGEN 48/1954.** I'll see if our staff here at the Directorate can pull the actual *CANGEN 48/1954* and get a copy to you.

Chuck Rolfe emailed on 4 January 2016 to CPO 1 Andrew Collins and all others concerned that, with the email from Lt(N) Jason Delaney of DND Directorate of History and Heritage to yourself, cc many others, dated 9:53 AM 4 January 2016, Jason has proof that the RCN Diving Branch came into effect on 25 February 1954 under CANGEN 48/1954. Lt Delaney will be sending a copy of this CANGEN to verify the date, and it will be provided to all concerned when we receive a copy. I don't know how this will affect your decision, since you let us know you will be away on Leave on 25 February 2016. We would of course be interested in what your final decision is, and whether the flag would also be flown over in the Ukraine. It is our intent to also inform our CNDA members when it is hoisted!! I will draft up a short resume about the RCN Diving Branch and send it to you for whatever purposes you wish to make use of it. Please feel free to edit it towards how you present it to the troops over there. Finally, I am very pleased that our founding date search has come to fruition, with many thanks to the CNDA President, Wally Green and Lt. Jason Delaney. We now have a better knowledge of our Branch's formation.

Wally Green had been conducting very effective research in attempting to find our founding date, and had located a document mentioning a CNAGEN 48/1954, which he believed was the document we were searching for. He did locate it, and it was the proof we had been looking for all along. On 7 January 2016 Wally sent an email out to CNDA and other researchers that he has a copy of the NAVAL MESSAGE, CANGEN 48/1954. which is quite old and flimsy. Wally stated "I have obtained a copy of the message creating the Clearance Diver Branch, but the message is not in great shape after 62 years in a file folder, however I will return to the RCN Archives next week with my camera and try to get a better copy." Chuck Rolfe went along with Wally, and was able to find other data of interest for inclusion with his RCN DIVING BRANCH HISTORY he is writing.

Daryl Skaalrud on 7 January 2016 emailed, Wow, Bravo Zulu to you folks for your tenacity on this one. Now we know our roots!

Chuck Rolfe on 7 January 2016 emailed all CNDA members that we wish to inform everyone of our "EUREKA MOMENT". Thanks to Wally Green and Lt. Jason Delaney, the document CANGEN 48/1954 has been located in the Archives, after Wally spent many hours searching for it! It is not in the best of shape, however it is readable to everyone. You will see that this NAVAL MESSAGE authorized the coming into being of the **CLEARANCE DIVING BRANCH FOR MEN** effective immediately, as per CANGEN 48/1954. See a reproduction of the 3 pages at the end of this Part.

CPO 1 Robert DeProy emailed to CNDA on 7 January 2016, That's great news of our founding date being 25 February 1954 as our official date. Thanks to all the hard work and perseverance in the research of this herculean task by Wally Green, Chuck Rolfe and Lt. Jason Delaney. I will distribute it to the West Coast Unit so everyone knows. BZ to everyone!

NAVAL MESSAGE

TO CANGEN 48/1954

ROUTINE

FROM CANAVHED

NO 1700 – 952 (STAFF)

GENERAL
CARLETON
BYTOWN

CDR GUTTORMSON
CDR PATTERSON

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY ALL FUNCTIONS OF DIVING AND EXPLOSIVE DISPOSAL
WILL BE AMALGAMATED TO FORM A CLEARANCE DIVING BRANCH FOR MEN X

2. CANDIDATES FROM ANY BRANCH MAY APPLY TO TRANSFER AND
CONSIDERED SUBJECT TO FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS

(A) UNDER 25 YEARS OF AGE

(B) ABLE TO SWIM (PST)

(C) MEDICALLY FIT FOR DIVING IN ACCORDANCE WITH BRCN 2074 ARTICLE 105

(D) RECOMMENDED BY COMMANDING OFFICER X

3. THERE WILL BE FOUR CATEGORIES OF CLEARANCE DIVER AND DETAILS OF
TRADE SPECIFICATIONS WILL BE PROMULGATED SHORTLY X

4. VOLUNTEERS FOR THIS BRANCH ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED AND FOR LIMITED
PERIODS CHIEFS AND PETTY OFFICERS WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR TRANSFER TO
FORM NUCLEUS OF SENIOR RANKS X

5. QUALIFIED DIVERS AND EXPLOSIVE DISPOSAL PERSONNEL ARE ENCOURAGED
TO TRANSFER X

6. CLEARANCE DIVERS WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO DRAW DIVING ALLOWANCE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH QRCN ARTICLE 205.34 X

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7. ANTICIPATED THIS RATE STRUCTURE WILL BE EXTENDED TO RESERVE FORCE
WHEN QUALIFIED INSTRUCORS BECOME AVAILABLE X

8. PENDING PROMULGATION OF FURTHER DETAILS INFORMANTION MAY BE
OBTAINED FROM DIVING AND EXPLOSIVE SCHOOL OR TRAINING CENTRE X

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NDCS AT 260426Z

HAMILTON AT 261336Z

HUNTER, CARIBOU MG AT 261425Z

CHURHILL GANDER AKLAVICK GLOUCESTE COVERDALE VIA DSRA

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NAVAL MESSAGE

TO CNAGEN 257/55

DEFERRED

FROM CANAVHED
NSS 4951 - 2 (STAFF)

GENERAL
BYTOWN
D/POSTAL
GMC
CDR PALMER
CDR GUTTORMSON
FLAG LCDR
NAVAL ADC
CDR MESECK
ORD CDR COSGROVE
WING CDR ROBINSON

QRCN ARTICLE 205.34 DIVING ALLOWANCE X NEW RATES APPROVED AND
AMENDED ARTICLE BEING PROMULGATED X
2. NEW RATES PAYABLE TO OFFICERS AND MEN QUALIFIED CL D, CL D STAR
AND CD(S) FOR ALL TIME UNDER PRESSURE AND AT A RATE FOR GREATEST
PRESSURE ATTAINED X
3. RATES ARE FOR 0 - 10, 10 - 20, 20 - 30, 30 - 40 AND OVER 40 FATHOMS
AT 4, 5, 7, 9 AND 15 CENTS PER MINUTE FOR OFFICERS, INSTRUCTORS , AND
DIVERS FIRST CLASS, AND 3, 4, 5, 7 AND 12 CENTS PER MINUTE FOR DIVERS
2 AND 3 CLASS AND CD(S) X
4. DOUBLE RATES PAYABLE WHEN USING SELF CONTAINED APPARATUS
AND IN ADDITION DOUBLE 0 - 10 FATHOM RATE WHEN RENDERING SAFE
EXPLOSIVES EITHER ON THE SURFACE OR UNDERWATER X
5. NEW RATES EFFECTIVE 21 DECEMBER BUT NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN
UNTIL RECEIPT OF OFFICIAL AMENDMENT TO QRCN X

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MG AT 290410Z

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