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Subj: WELCOME ABOARD

Welcome to the Staff of COMDESRON NINE, the premier squadron in Pacific Fleet! Destroyer Squadron NINE was formed in 1920 and conducted combat operations during WWII, the Korean Conflict, Desert Storm, and Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. The DESRON NINE sword and shield signify strength and honor, and our motto, "En garde," means "get ready to fight!" Our staff is responsible for eight ships in two homeports, and our mission is to ensure our ships are combat ready. I know you will find this assignment a challenging and rewarding experience.

(Assigned Sponsor's Name) has been assigned as your sponsor. If you have any questions concerning your new assignment, please contact him/her at the following address:

(Assigned Sponsor's Name)
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The Command OMBUDSMAN is Mrs. Hannah Medley. She can be reached via e-mail at: ombcds9@gmail.com. She is available to assist with any problems you may encounter concerning your move to the Everett area.

We realize that coming to an afloat unit may be challenging for Sailors and their support systems. We offer the My Navy Family application at <https://applocker.navy.mil> to assist you in your transition.

My staff and I are looking forward to your arrival and having you join the COMDESRON NINE team. If I can be of any assistance in making your transfer any easier, please let me know. Welcome Aboard!

Sincerely,

E. A. CATHEY
Deputy

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Sponsor