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From: Commanding Officer, USS MANCHESTER (LCS 14) BLUE

Subj: Welcome Aboard

Congratulations on your orders to LCS Crew 214! We are the Blue Crew for USS MANCHESTER (LCS-14), homeported in America's Finest City – San Diego, CA. We rotate on and off hull with our sister crew (Gold), and while off hull work out of Building 57 at Naval Base San Diego.

You are joining the crew at an exciting time. Blue Crew departed on our maiden deployment on October 1, 2023, and we expect to return to San Diego in Spring 2024. You're coming to a high performing crew that has embodied our command philosophy of "Work Hard – Stay Ready – Make a Difference." Your tour will be demanding, but one you will be able to look back on with pride, knowing that your hard work left a lasting, meaningful, and positive impact.

Below are some useful points of contact to help you throughout the reporting process. Please don't hesitate to contact us and let us know if there is anything at all we can do to assist you in your transition. We are eager to welcome you and your family to the team!

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Again, congratulations on your orders. I look forward to an exciting and rewarding tour with you. Welcome aboard!

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