

Good Morning SN XXXX,

**ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICERS AND CREW OF USS HIGGINS, WELCOME ABOARD!** Your orders to this extraordinary ship represent both an outstanding opportunity and awesome responsibility. We have included your assigned sponsor on the email as well to help you on your transfer. You are first and foremost a member of ship's company. You will have the opportunity to do everything you can to help your shipmates and the ship succeed; I assure you, they will do the same for you. Together, as one team, HIGGINS will remain vigilant and ready to be the "First to Fight."

The happiness and well-being of family members is equally important. While nothing can compensate for the long hours, hard work and separation that lay ahead, the support of your family is essential and they too are an integral part of "Team HIGGINS." Your family's primary point of contact is our Command Ombudsman. The ombudsman may be contacted at:  
[USSHIGGINSOMBUDSMAN@GMAIL.COM](mailto:USSHIGGINSOMBUDSMAN@GMAIL.COM).

The crew which you will soon join has no equal; they realize the significance of the many responsibilities while serving our Navy and Nation aboard HIGGINS. Congratulations on your orders. We are looking forward to your arrival. Welcome aboard, Shipmate! If I can be of any assistance please feel free to contact me anytime at, commercial (619) 556-3589 or e-mail [sponsor@ddg76.navy.mil](mailto:sponsor@ddg76.navy.mil) Also, browse our web page <http://www.higgins.navy.mil/> for more information and useful links.

Your USS HIGGINS command address will be:

SN XXXX

USS HIGGINS DDG 76

UNIT 100188 BOX (YOUR INDIVIDUAL BOX NUMBER, ASSIGNED WHEN YOU REPORT ON BOARD)

FPO AP 96667

***ONCE AGAIN, WELCOME ABOARD TO THE USS HIGGINS.***

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