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From: Program Executive Officer for Surface Combatants/AEGIS
Program (PEO SC/AP)
To: Mr. William Robinson
Subj: LETTER OF COMMENDATION

1. It is my distinct pleasure to commend you for your years of dedicated service to the PEO SC/AP Foreign Military Sales Program. Your outstanding skill, knowledge, and professionalism as a member of the Integrated Test Team are well recognized. In particular, our Japanese Self Defense Force AEGIS program has achieved great success in part because of your expert contributions, attention to detail, and engineering expertise during the installation and test phases for all four Japanese KONGO Class destroyers.
2. You were instrumental in the planning and coordinating the design of the System Test and Analysis Equipment (STAE) facility in Sasebo, Japan. Your interface with Japanese and U. S. authorities during the construction phase ensured the facility was fully capable of supporting the JDS KONGO (DDG 173) ship test program. The STAE provided for the rapid analysis of test data which led to the early resolution of test issues. Your success in establishing a second STAE at Yokosuka in time for the JDS KIRISHIMA (DDG 174) ship test program was equally impressive. The critical support you provided during the early phases of JDS CHOKAI (DDG 2316) ship construction proved invaluable. In between these efforts, you continued to provide outstanding engineering support during the JDS KONGO, JDS KIRISHIMA and JDS MYOKO Combat System Ship Qualification Trials in Hawaii. The success of each of these trials reflects your contributions in your role as an on-board combat system analyst, computer program expert and all-around troubleshooter.
3. Please accept my sincere appreciation for your outstanding support of the PEO SC/AP FMS Program. Your contributions are well recognized and highly respected. I wish you great success in the future with "fair winds and following seas".

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G. A. Huchting", is positioned above the printed name.

G. A. HUCHTING
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy