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TO: SUBPAC Commanding Officers

FROM: COMSUBPAC

DATE: December 1, 1943

SUBJECT: Cycle 8 Awards and Decorations

During Cycle 8, our submarines sank 593,868 tons of enemy shipping, in 111 merchant vessels and 19 warships. The average tonnage per boat was 53,988, with an average realism setting of 81 percent. The average number of merchant and warship vessels sunk per boat was 10 and two.

Three skippers participated in Operation Galvanic, our first stepping stone in the march through Micronesia. Their combined tonnage of 301,597 accounted for 51 percent of the total sunk by our submarines during Cycle 8. More importantly, they are responsible for the rescue of numerous downed friendly aviators during offensive operations in the Gilbert Islands.

No other special missions were conducted during this period. We lost two boats in action.

Please convey my appreciation to your crews.


Job well done! Congratulations.

Vice Admiral Charles A. Lockwood

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Commander Submarines Pacific Fleet

Attachment - 1

Commander Submarines Pacific Fleet Cycle 8 Awards and Decorations

 <p>Submarine Combat Pin & Combat Action Ribbon</p>	<p>Awarded to:</p> <p>Lt. Cdr. Pinky Andersen Lt. Cdr. Lawson P. "RED" Ramage Lt. Cdr. Woody Whitmore Lt. Cdr. Leslie Allen Lt. Cdr. Ed Low Lt. Cdr. Rusty Carson Lt. Cdr. Michael Mihalyi Lt. Cdr. Chris Mills Lt. P. Stanton Lt. Cdr. D.L. Van Wormer Lt. Cdr. R. D. Cleghorn</p>
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 <p>Bronze Star</p>	<p>Awarded to:</p> <p>Lt. Cdr. R. D. Cleghorn</p> <p>Lt. P. Stanton</p>
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Bronze Star With Combat V Device

Awarded to:

Lt. Cdr. Lawson P. "RED" Ramage



Silver Star

Awarded to:

Lt. Cdr. Woody Whitmore

Lt. Cdr. Leslie Allen

Lt. Cdr. Pinky Andersen



Navy Cross

Awarded to:

Lt. Cdr. Chris Mills

Lt. Cdr. Michael Mihalyi

Lt. Cdr. D.L. Van Wormer

Lt. Cdr. Rusty Carson



Navy Commendation Medal

Awarded to:

Cdr. Kim Rønhof

**For sustained meritorious service to
the Pacific Thunder Campaign
community.**



Gold Life Saving Medal

Awarded to:

Lt. Cdr. Chris Mills

Lt. Cdr. Michael Mihalyi

Lt. Cdr. D.L. Van Wormer

For rescuing numerous downed friendly aviators during offensive operations in Operation Galvanic.