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To: All DSO-HRs

Subj: Notice to Member - Dual Membership

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We are sending this Notice to you as both a member of the U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and the Coast Guard Auxiliary Association, Inc. because, as addressed by Commandant policy in the Auxiliary Manual, if you are an Auxiliary member, you are also an Association member. This Notice is provided to you because there has been some confusion about the purpose and role of the Association.

The purpose of the Auxiliary is to support the Coast Guard as directed by the Commandant. The purpose of the Association is to support the Auxiliary by providing financial services and support. Because the Coast Guard realized many years ago that it could not provide all of the funding necessary for the Auxiliary to meet its mission requirements, the Commandant authorized the Auxiliary National Board to create the Association as a non-profit corporation to provide financial services and support for the Auxiliary.

You pay no dues or fees to the Association. The annual dues you pay as an Auxiliary member are paid to your flotilla, division, district and to national so they can function and serve you. The Auxiliary National Board asks the Association to manage the annual dues received by the Auxiliary at the national level. This achieves two things. First, this relieves the Auxiliary of expense of maintaining a national Financial Department with staff; and, second, it allows the professional financial officers of the Association to invest and utilize those funds to the best advantage to support the Auxiliary. To put it bluntly, without the financial support provided by the Association, the Auxiliary would not be able to meet the majority of its missions.

To provide funds to support the Auxiliary, the Association enters into agreements with many organizations to provide discounted services for interested members. This provides you with the opportunity to obtain services and products that may benefit you and which also benefit the Auxiliary financially. Whether you participate in these offers is totally up to you.

Also, the Association keeps you informed of their activities by sending you updates by use of your email. If for any reason you do not want to receive information from the Association or do not want the Association to provide your name and contact information to the organizations that offer

discounts or benefits to Auxiliary members, you can opt-out of either or both by simply going to AUXOFFICER.CGAUX.ORG, search for your name, and uncheck the boxes regarding email, Association information, and the other opt-in or opt-out choices. These options are totally maintained by you and can be changed at any time. If you are not able to access AUXOFFICER.ORG, contact your Flotilla Commander who will be able to enter these choices for you.

Again, we thank you for your support of the Coast Guard missions to defending and serve our nation and for your continued membership and support of both the Auxiliary and your Association

For additional information and guidance, please contact the Branch Chief-Recruiting Division appointed for your Area. They are: **Atlantic-East**, Michael Center, mdcenter@verizon.net; **Atlantic-West**, Shirley Baker, dsbaker@netzero.net; and, **Pacific**, Commodore Burkhard Berger, dcoberger@gmail.com.