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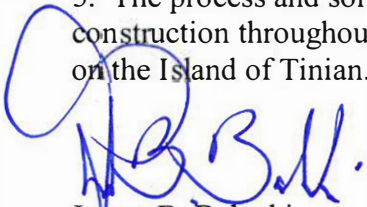
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: MUNITIONS RESPONSE EXPLOSIVE SAFETY ON THE U.S. TERRITORY OF
GUAM AND COMMONWEALTH OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

1. This memorandum documents the commitment of Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations, Energy and Facilities) (DASN (IE&F)) and Executive Director, Naval Ordnance Safety and Security Activity (NOSSA) to codify a disciplined process for the Commander, Joint Region Marianas (CJRM) to exercise explosive safety principles and accept prudent risk in accordance with established Department of Defense explosive safety criteria.
2. This commitment reinforces the partnership comprised of: CJRM, NOSSA, Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC), Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) N41, Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board (DDESB), Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations, Environment, and Energy) and Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Energy, Installations and Environment).
3. Culminating in a five-year effort by this partnership, a revised approach has been established to support the safe, timely, and cost-effective construction on the World War II battlefields of the U.S. Territory of Guam and the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI).
4. Concurrent with this document, the Guam Munitions Response Explosive Safety Submission (MRESS) Amendment 7 will be submitted by the Department of the Navy to DDESB for approval.
5. The process and solutions established in the Guam MRESS will be the template for future construction throughout the Indo-Pacific Command (INDOPACOM), to include upcoming work on the Island of Tinian.



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