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From: Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command

Subj: MISSION, FUNCTIONS AND TASKS OF THE NAVAL UNDERSEA WARFARE
CENTER DETACHMENT ATLANTIC UNDERSEA TEST AND EVALUATION
CENTER, WEST PALM BEACH, FL

Ref: (a) OPNAVNOTE 5450 Ser 09B22/1U510577 of 23 Dec 91
(b) NAVSEAINST 5450.28F
(c) DoD 3200.11-D

Encl: (1) Functions and Tasks of the Naval Undersea Warfare
Center Detachment Atlantic Undersea Test and Evaluation
Center, West Palm Beach, FL
(2) Administrative and Management Information

1. Purpose. To announce and document the mission, functions and tasks of the Naval Undersea Warfare Center Detachment Atlantic Undersea Test and Evaluation Center (AUTECE), West Palm Beach, FL (NAVUNSEAWARCEN DET AUTECE WEST PALM BEACH FL) as required by references (a) and (b).

2. Mission. Support the mission of the Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division, Newport, RI by providing a deep-water test and evaluation facility for making underwater acoustic measurements, testing and calibrating sonars, and providing accurate underwater, surface, and in-air tracking data on surface ships, submarines, aircraft, and weapon systems. NAVUNSEAWARCEN DET AUTECE WEST PALM BEACH FL supports similar Department of Defense requirements as described in reference (c). Perform such other functions & tasks as may be directed by higher authority.

3. Background

a. During the late 1950s, the Secretary of the Navy requested the Bureau of Ships and the Chief of Naval Operations to establish the Atlantic Undersea Test and Evaluation Center. The Naval Underwater Ordnance Station, Newport, RI was designated the lead activity and was assigned technical responsibility for establishing the deep-water range. Construction began on the main base and downrange tracking sites in 1964, and AUTECE was formally dedicated in 1966. In 1967 AUTECE was re-established under the Naval Ships Systems Command. In 1971, AUTECE was disestablished as a separate shore activity and re-established as a detachment under the Naval Underwater Systems Center, Newport, RI.



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b. Congressional approval of Base Realignment and Closure Commission 1991 recommendations and the Secretary of the Navy consolidation plan of 1991 resulted in the establishment of the Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NAVUNSEAWARCEN). This action included the realignment of the Naval Underwater Systems Center (NUSC), Newport, RI and New London, CT to Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division, Newport (NAVUNSEAWARCENDIV NEWPORT RI). As part of that realignment, the Naval Underwater Systems Center Detachment AUTEC, West Palm Beach was re-titled to Naval Undersea Warfare Center Detachment AUTEC, West Palm Beach, FL.

4. Status and Command Relationships. NAVUNSEAWARCEN DET AUTEC WEST PALM BEACH FL is a category 1 detachment in an active, fully operational status under an Officer in Charge. The Detachment's chain of command and other organizational relationships are as follows:

a. Chain of Command:

Echelon

- 1 Chief of Naval Operations
- 2 Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command
- 3 Commander, Naval Undersea Warfare Center
- 4 Commander, Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division, Newport
Officer in Charge, Naval Undersea Warfare Center Detachment AUTEC, West Palm Beach (per Officer Distribution Control Report, this is additional duty from Naval Undersea Warfare Center Detachment AUTEC Andros Island, Bahamas)

b. Area Coordination: CINCLANTFLT NORFOLK VA

c. Regional Area Coordination: COMNAVBASE JACKSONVILLE FL

5. Functions and Tasks. The functions and tasks of NAVUNSEAWARCEN DET AUTEC WEST PALM BEACH FL are contained in enclosure (1).

6. Action. In accomplishing the assigned mission, the Officer in Charge, Naval Undersea Warfare Center Detachment AUTEC, West Palm Beach, FL will ensure performance of the functions and tasks listed in enclosure (1), except that responsibility for the technical functions resides directly with the Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division, Newport Commander and Executive Director. The administrative and management information shown in

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enclosure (2) will be in effect until changed by a NAVSEA instruction or other appropriate documentation. Send recommended changes via the chain of command to Commander, Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division, Newport.



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Functions and Tasks of the
Naval Undersea Warfare Center Detachment
Atlantic Undersea Test and Evaluation Center,
West Palm Beach, FL

1. Responsible for overall technical direction, management, operation, scheduling and related logistic support of the AUTEK Ranges and associated facilities and assets.
2. Provide technical liaison with AUTEK Range Users in order to optimize range usage and to ensure efficient employment of AUTEK test facilities and assets.
3. Provide requisite guidance and direction to the AUTEK Maintenance and Operations contractor.
4. Monitor and evaluate the AUTEK Maintenance and Operations contractor's performance on matters related to Technical Operations Support.
5. Coordinate range scheduling and provide test planning.
6. Provide logistics support and administrative functions.
7. Coordinate shipping and receiving between continental United States and NAVUNSEAWARCEN DET AUTEK ANDROS ISLAND BAHAMAS.
8. Serve as East Coast Intermediate Maintenance Activity (IMA) for tracking pingers.

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ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

1. Plain Language Address (PLA)/Abbreviated Name of Activity:

NAVUNSEAWARCEN DET AUTEK WEST PALM BEACH FL

2. Mailing Address:

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4. Title of (Military or Civilian) Head:

Officer in Charge

5. Chain of Command:

a. Echelon

- 1 Chief of Naval Operations
- 2 Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command
- 3 Commander, Naval Undersea Warfare Center
- 4 Commander, Naval Undersea Warfare Center
Division, Newport
- 5 Officer in Charge, Naval Undersea Warfare
Center Detachment AUTEK, West Palm
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Detachment AUTEK Andros Island,
Bahamas)

b. Area Coordination: CINCLANTFLT NORFOLK VA

Enclosure (2)

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- c. Regional Area Coordination: COMNAVBASE JACKSONVILLE FL
- 6. Unit Identification Code: 65926
- 7. Standard Navy Distribution List (SNDL): C84D
- 8. Telephone Numbers: Commercial 407-832-8566
DSN 483-7313 ext. 7458
- 9. Comments: None.

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