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The Commanding Officer.

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Subject: Area Service Ribbons and Operation
and Engagement Stars; authorization to wear.

References: (a) Navy Bulletin 45-18 dated 15 January 1945.
(b) ALNAV 66-45.

1. This letter certifies that you served aboard this command during operations in theaters of war and invasion of enemy territory. For this participation, and in accordance with references (a) and (b), you are authorized to wear the following Area Service Ribbons and bronze stars as shown below:

Asiatic-Pacific Area Service Ribbon.
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Philippine Liberation Campaign Ribbon with one
bronze star on it.

2. One bronze star is authorized to be worn on the Asiatic-Pacific Area Service Ribbon for each operation lettered below:

- (a) Gilbert Islands, 7 to 8 December 1943.
- (b) Occupation of Eniwetok Island, Marshall Islands, 31 January to 8 February 1944.
- (c) Occupation of Saipan Island, Marianas Islands, 15 to 22 June 1944.
Occupation of Tinian Island, Marianas Islands, 24 to 28 July 1944.

3. You have also participated in the following operations since the issuance of reference (a).

- (a) Occupation of Peleliu Island, Palau Islands, 15 to 23 September 1944.
- (b) Occupation of Lamon Island (Lingayen Gulf), Philippine Islands, 3 January to 6 February 1945.
- (c) Occupation of Okinawa Island, Ryukyu Islands, 1 to 11 April 1945.

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