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Commanding Officer U.S.S. San Jose (AFS-7) 733 FPO San Francisco 96601

Dear Sir:

As part of our continuing review of the Navy's financial management system, we have examined selected travel and leave transactions in the accounts of the U.S.S San Jose) to test the quality of disbursing and related administrative procedures. We reviewed entitlements on 60 of 119 vouchers paid in the 6 months ended July 31, 1976.

- --on five vouchers we identified five over and underpayments for travel totaling \$84, and
- --on 14 of 36 vouchers, which showed periods of leave, we found erroneous delay enroute computations; 10 members were overcharged leave and 4 others received leave that was not charged to their leave accounts.

We have forwarded 15 informal inquiries to your disbursing officer describing the travel and leave deficiencies and have requested that adjustments be made to correct the errors Since three of the travel errors were in the \$10 to \$25 range, we have requested the Navy Finance Center to issue the necessary pay adjustment authorizations.

Our tests indicate that the disbursing officer was not reviewing and verifying the accuracy of leave, proceed and traveltime reported by the administrative office. Such verifications are required by Navy Travel Instructions, paragraph 4009-1, and Navy Pay and Personnel Procedures Manual, paragraph 10382.

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We would appreciate your comments and advice of any actions taken.

Sincerely yours,

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Walter C. Herrmann, Jr. Regional Manager

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