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MEMORANDUM

Subj: 6 FEB 04 MEETING WITH EVERETT, WASHINGTON TASK FORCE

Ref: (a) Priorities of ASN (I&E)

Encl: (1) Videotape of USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN May 03 Homecoming
(2) Profile of Snohomish County, Washington

1. Mr. H.T. Johnson, ASN (I&E) met with five members of the Everett, Washington Task Force (EWST) in Room 4C549 at 1030 on 6 Feb 04. The five members were: Aaron G. Reardon, Snohomish County Executive; Patrick J. McClain, Director of Governmental Affairs for Everett; Paul A. Roberts, Board Member, Everett School District; Douglas R. Roulstone, Capt, USN (Ret.), Vice President, Everett Council Navy League; and, James M. Seely, RADM, USN (Ret.). Commander Robert. E. Vincent II. JAGC, USN, IAT Recorder, was also present.

2. Mr. Johnson provided a copy of reference (a) to the five EWST members. He discussed environmental issues affecting the Navy in the state of Washington. Specifically, he discussed Senate Bill 2710, which navy sonar issues. He expressed surprise that a Washington senator sponsored the bill. The EWST responded that the state is attempting to support the naval community in Washington.

3. Mr. Johnson stated that Everett was a model situation and asked the EWST if they had any issues to discuss with him. The next topic addressed public-private housing units and the EWST offered to help with legislation. At this time, the EWST provided enclosures (1) and (2) to Mr. Johnson. They also initiated a BRAC discussion by identifying the fact that the draft selection criteria was published and asking what communities could do in the BRAC process. Mr. Johnson stated that BRAC was a precise process and that the navy would carefully follow the law. He stated the capacity data call was forwarded to naval activities and asked the EWST not to request a copy of the data call since naval activities should not distribute it. Mr. Johnson emphasized that final decisions will be based upon the data calls. He also identified the seven

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JCSGs, outlined the overall BRAC process, and noted that he will not consider which bases to close until 3 Nov 04.

4. Addressing community efforts with the BRAC process, Mr. Johnson noted that community support and schools are important. He mentioned that Everett schools were good.

5. For the record, I note that the EWST met with an array of senior naval personnel on 6 Feb 03. Vera Watkins, Navy OLA office, coordinated the meetings.

6. The meeting concluded at 1100.



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