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NSCC INFORMATION LETTER 4-00 (CHANGE ONE)

From: Deputy Director, U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC)

To: Distribution

Subj: **2000 NSCC FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROGRAMS**

Ref: (a) NSCC Information Letter 4-00 dated 9 February 2000

Encl: (1) Revised encl (12) to ref (a) **Hong Kong**

(2) Revised encl (13) to ref (a) **Belgium**

1. This is **change one** to the 2000 NSCC Foreign Exchange Program training plan promulgated ref (a). It is in **three parts**:

- an update of the *Hong Kong* Exchange opportunity,
- an update of the *Belgium* Exchange opportunity
- pen and ink corrections with additional notes as immediately follow in para 2.

2. The Hong Kong exchange update at encl (1) to this letter is a complete update of encl (12) to ref (a). ***Remove and discard encl (12) to ref (a) and replace it with encl (1) to this letter.*** The Belgium exchange update at encl (2) to this letter is a complete update of encl (13) to ref (a). ***Remove and discard encl (13) to ref (a) and replace it with encl (2) to this letter.*** Pen and ink changes are as follow.

- Delete encl (14) from ref (a). This year there is no Navy Memorial Sponsored Japan Foreign Exchange opportunity.
- Adjust entries in para 1 to ref (a) for Hong Kong, and Belgium to reflect dates and quotas as per encls (1) and (2).

3. Additional general notes are as follow:

- For *Canada West to Quadra*, the plan is for cadets to fly to or otherwise arrive at Vancouver Airport Saturday morning 15 July and join up at the airport with the COTC at a point specified by the COTC. From this point US Sea Cadets will be transported by Canadian Sea Cadet Corps bus to Quadra. Return will be 30 July to Vancouver Airport. Flights home should be late afternoon, so as to allow plenty of time for busing back to Vancouver Airport. Applications are being accepted at this time, understanding that you must call COTC first and advise of your interest. When final details are confirmed, they will be published and cadets who have

already applied will be advised of final details. We expect to finalize details not later than mid May.

- Quotas:
- A full complement of cadets with escorts visited Australia and Bermuda, and both exchanges are complete for 2000.
- Quotas for UK Bristol, Netherlands, and Sweden have been filled.
- For Canada East to Acadia 7 quotas filled and 8 left. For Canada West to Quadra 5 quotas filled and 7 left.
- Still have quotas for Korea, UK with LCDR Farrow (FX-U2), and newly advertised Hong Kong and Belgium.
- Quotas to join International and Canada East hosting in Norfolk, and Canada West hosting in Fort Lewis/Seattle are still available.

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H.J. Nyland

Distribution:
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2000 HONG KONG SEA CADET EXCHANGE, FX-HK

1. **Dates.** 20-28 August 2000
2. **General.** This exchange is sponsored by the Hong Kong Sea Cadet Corps. This is the third year that this exchange is being offered. Details for this exchange are as listed under Training/Activities.
3. **Training/Activities.** Land and sea excursions, cultural exchange exercises, 2 days leadership training (a field campout exercise), and social activities. Exploration into the heart of the exotic city of Hong Kong will also be a part of the program. Tentative itinerary is:

20 Aug	Arrival, greetings at HKG International Airport, evening Welcome party
21 Aug	City Tour, and Harbour Cruise, evening replenishment
22 Aug	Depart for High Island Camp, Sai Kung, adventure activities and team building, night expedition
23 Aug	Adventure activities, team building and evening social
24 Aug	Sea activities, canoeing, Hong Kong at night
25 Aug	Sea activities, colour boat and Dragon boat racing, depart for YMCA Wu Kai Sha Youth Village to attend HKSCC Annual Camp 2000, evening cultural performance and disco night
26 Aug	Islands tour, Double Heaven Sea Marine Park, night market tour
27 Aug	return to hotel in Hong Kong, city orienteering/sightseeing, evening farewell party
28 Aug	Depart Hong Kong

4. **Qualifications.**

- 16 years or older
- E-3 or above
- Awarded the NSCC Cadet Citation Ribbon
- Recommended by Unit Commanding Officer
- Be in good physical condition and able to swim 50 yards
- Some knowledge of the Chinese language desirable but not required

5. **Logistics/Costs.** Cadets are responsible for their own air fare costs to and from Hong Kong, as well as camp fee expenses, about 400 Hong Kong dollars (\$50.00 U.S.) expected. Lodging, meals and other program fees will be paid for by the HKSCC. Cadets should bring personal spending money.

- **All travel arrangements must be coordinated with the COTC/SEO**

6. **Application Procedures.** Call COTC first and advise of interest. Get his approval. Then submit your request for training authority directly to NHQ, copy to COTC/SEO. Requests must be submitted not later than 26 June. First come first served.

7. **COTC/Senior Escort Officer.** LCDR Al Scott, 841 Parkside Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14216 tel: 716-832-4501

8. **Other. PASSPORTS REQUIRED.**

2000 BELGIUM, FX-BG

1. **Dates.** Arrive Brussels 12 August, and depart Brussels 26 August
2. **General.** This is a Belgium exchange with SHAPE/NATO training and is hosted by NSCC LCDR's Hans and Ann Greene, who are active duty Navy personnel stationed at SHAPE Belgium.
3. **Training/Activities.** Cadets may expect to interact with the German Sea Cadets in addition to Belgium Sea Cadets during this training. Time will also be spent with host Belgium families. Adventure training, site visits, and possible underway time onboard a Belgium Sea Cadet training ship is in planning. The plan at present is:

12 August - Arrive Brussels
12/13 August - with host family (recover from jet lag)
14/15 August - SHAPE briefs
16-18 August - visit various sites
19/20 August - Waterloo/Brussels trip
21/22 August - NATO briefs
23-25 August - visit various sites
25 August - Training complete, cadets to receive a SHAPE plaque/SHAPE Navy Ball Cap.
26 August - return to CONUS

*Sites to be visited include:

- day trip to MONS (war museum, St. Wardu Collegial, Grand Place)
- The Bastille in Dinant
- Cells Castle
- Shopping trip to Brussels (Grand Place, Kings Palace (if open))
- Bastagone (Battle of the Bulge)

** Trips still in planning:

- AFNORTH (Headquarters Allied Forces North, The Netherlands)
- NATO AWACS Base Gielenkirchen, GE

The Waterloo trip will be conducted by Dr. Nolan, University of Maryland History Instructor. Tentative planning also includes possible volksmarch type training with the Belgium cadets with a stop at a castle. They will also hopefully be going on a cruise.

4. **Qualifications.**

- 16 years of age or older
- E-3 or above
- Awarded the NSCC Cadet Citation Ribbon
- Recommended by Unit Commanding Officer
- Preference to cadets having knowledge of French or German (but not required)

5. **Logistics/Costs.** Cadets will be responsible for air travel to Belgium. Arrival/departure airport is Brussels. Cost for the exchange is \$300 exclusive of airfare and personal spending money. **Flight arrangements are the responsibility of the cadet and parent. Flight arrangements should be made so that cadets arrive Brussels during daytime on 12 August, Brussels time.** Cadets will be met as they exit from customs. Cadets are to proceed from their flight to the baggage claim, then through customs. Exit the customs area into the airport arrivals section. Upon entering the arrival section, look for the U.S. flag on a sign that directs you towards the right to a military counter (not a USO, but much the same). You will be greeted there by your escorts. If not immediately greeted, wait at this counter until you are. Have LCDR Greene's phone numbers immediately available in case you need to place a call.

- **Make your flight arrangements only after receiving orders.**
- **COORDINATE ALL YOUR TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS WITH LCDR GREENE. Call or use e-mail but make sure they know your arrival flight arrangements.**

6. **Application Procedures.** Contact COTC first. Let them know of your interest, get their tentative approval. Get your questions answered. Then submit request for training authority to NHQ. Submit your request for training authority directly to NHQ, not to COTC. Be prepared to pay COTC/SEO amounts due (the \$300) for expenses and host family reimbursement upon reporting. First come first served.

7. **COTC/Senior Escort Officer.** NSCC LCDR's Ann and Hans Greene (Navy personnel stationed at SHAPE and living in Belgium) E-mail: GreeneH@HQ80ASG.CHEIVRES.ARMY.MIL Work tel: 011-32-65-44-4099 in Belgium. **Ask for Chief Greene.** Home tel: 011-32-65-84-6482 in Belgium

8. **Other.** PASSPORTS REQUIRED.