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Interoperability Test Panel, Chairman

22 March 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR US NAVY, NAVAL AIR SYSTEMS COMMAND, PMA-213,
ATTN: MR. THOMAS A. CARPENTER

SUBJECT: Interim Certificate to Operate (ICTO) for the AN/APX-118 IFF
Common Digital Transponder system (AN/APX-118)

Reference: CJCSI 6212.01C, Interoperability and Supportability of National
Security Systems and Information Technology Systems

1. In accordance with the authority provided by the reference, the Interoperability Test Panel (ITP) concurs with your request for an Interim Certificate to Operate (ICTO) for the AN/APX-118 IFF Common Digital Transponder system (AN/APX-118). The ITP bases this concurrence on your identified urgent operational requirement to field this system.
2. The ITP Chairman concurs with the recommendations of the Joint Interoperability Test Command (JITC) and the ITP members to grant an ICTO for use of the AN/APX-118 while the JITC completes interoperability certification testing. This ICTO is effective beginning 12 March 2004 and expires on 30 September 2004. To further extend this ICTO, the Navy must provide a systems status update to the ITP in September 2004.
3. If, at the end of this ICTO, the AN/APX-118 has not been interoperability certified or the ITP has not granted an ICTO extension, the ITP will consider it as a candidate for removal from operational use.
4. The JITC point of contact is Mr. Joe Peeples, DSN 354-2802, Commercial (301) 744-2802, fax (301) 744-2688, or email: peeplesj@ncr.disa.mil.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. J. Morrow, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

WILLIAM J. MORROW, JR.
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Acting Chairman, ITP