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The following has been received by the Minister of National

Defence for Naval Services, begins:

On the occasion of today's grand news of the surrender of the
German Nation^{al} to the victorious arms of the Allies I send

you and through you the splendid officers, petty officers

and men who form the Royal Canadian Navy my warmest

congratulations on the valuable contribution they have made

towards the satisfactory conclusion of the war in Europe.

Their courage and endurance has been beyond all praise.

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Tuesday 8th May REPETITION 8th May is VE DAY

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS ON NAVAL CELEBRATIONS REQUIREMENTS OF OP-

ESSENTIAL MAINTENANCE AND ESSENTIAL TRAINING COME

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FULL My 071818. Part two final. 071809

(2) Operation must continue as usual but all trial test practice and exercises included can be cancelled without interference with operations may be dispersed with for this day's celebrations.

(3) I count on the common sense of all naval personnel and on their consideration for the feeling of those immediate relatives who will not return from this conflict to ensure that the celebration will be joyful without being destructive or detestful to the general public

(4) This is to be read to all ships before liberty-men proceed ashore.

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My 071818. Part one. In wishing the personnel of this command a most joyful celebration of Y-Day, I must draw attention to the fact that there is probably a number of submarines manned by fanatical Nazis still at sea and that our responsibilities for the safety of life and property at sea remaining upon our shoulders until; all have been accounted for

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Full On the occasion of the ending of hostilities with Germany, I am sending this special message of congratulations to everyone in the CANADIAN NORTHWEST ATLANTIC COMMAND.

(2) Every officer and man who has served at sea, or on shore at CANADIAN East Coast Bases or in NEWFOUNDLAND, servicing and training the ships at sea, can think with pride of his personal share in the hard and successful teamwork that will place the CANADIAN NAVY amongst the headlines in the history of the war.

(3) I wish those who presently will return to civil occupation all good luck in the future. To those who will continue in the Navy, and especially to those who will fight at sea against Japan, I wish a very happy interval until they sail, and desire nothing better than that I may have the privilege of commanding them and of continuing to serve them as they have served me.

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ALL The week day following the day of the official declaration
of the end of hostilities in Europe is to be observed as a
holiday as the announced policy of the government is that there
be no cessation of work upon the day on which the declaration
of the end of hostilities is made. This should be a guide to
local management. Civilian workmen are to understand that any time
taken off on that day will not be paid for. (2) Employees required
to work on the holiday are to be paid as for legal holidays but
only personnel for essential service are required to work
(3) Employees not required to work are to be paid normal rates for
a standard day.

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Originator's Instructions:
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Tuesday 8th May 1945 has been officially proclaimed
a national holiday. All ships are to splice the
main brace on that day vide Naval Order 3315,
paragraph 4.

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NSHQ.

FOLLOWING FROM THE MINISTER.

ON THIS GREAT DAY, I SEND TO EVERY OFFICER AND RATING IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY AND ITS RESERVES MY PERSONAL CONGRATULATIONS. THE PART YOU HAVE ALL PLAYED TO HELP ACCOMPLISH THIS RESULT HAS BEEN VALIANT. NOW WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO AN END TO THE TEDIOUS WORK IN THE CONVOYS, TO THE HAZARDOUS HUNTING IN THE SUPPORT GROUPS, TO THE FIGHTS BY NIGHT IN THE DESTROYER FLOTILLAS, TO THE STRIKES FROM THE CARRIERS, TO THE ASSUALTS IN THE M.T.B.'S, AND TO THE PATROLS IN THE MINESWEEPING GROUPS. ALL HAVE HELPED TO ACCOMPLISH THE COMMON AIM. GERMANY IS BEATEN AGAIN. IN THIS MOMENT OF VICTORY, I KNOW YOU WILL BE SADDENED WHEN YOU THINK OF THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES THAT WE MIGHT LIVE ONCE MORE IN PEACEFUL HOMES. THIS IS THEIR GREAT DAY TOO, AND WHILE THEY ARE NOT WITH US TO REJOICE, WE MUST SEE TO IT, AND WE WILL SEE TO IT THAT THEIR MEMORY IS KEPT FOREVER GREEN, THAT THEY HAVE NOT DIED IN VAIN. YOUR PART IN THE VICTORY HAS BEEN GRAT. YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO CANADA'S CAUSE HAS BEEN HISTORIC. YOUR SHARE IN THE ACHIEVEMENT HAS EARNED YOU THE GRATITUDE OF THE FREE PEOPLES EVERYWHERE. THERE STILL REMAINS ANOTHER ENEMY TO SUBDUE AND WHILE WE ALL REALIZE THAT THE TASK WILL BE BITTER, WE MUST STILL REJOICE TODAY AND THANK GOD FOR THE STRENGTH AND THE VICTORY WHICH HE HAS GIVEN TO OUR ARMS.

Capt.

Cdr.

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FOLLOWING FROM THE PRIME MINISTER TO THE CHIEF OF THE NAVAL STAFF,
 ON THIS DAY OF FINAL VICTORY OVER NAZI GERMANY, TO WHICH THE ROYAL
 CANADIAN NAVY HAS MADE SO MAGNIFICENT A CONTRIBUTION, WILL YOU PLEASE
 CONVEY TO ALL OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE CANADIAN NAVY THE FOLLOWING.
 IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNMENT, I DESIRE AT THIS HOUR TO SEND TO YOU
 THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY, WHEREVER YOU ARE SERVING,
 HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS UPON THE VICTORY OVER THE ARMED FORCES
 OF NAZI GERMANY TO WHICH YOU ALL HAVE SO GREATLY CONTRIBUTED. I WISH
 TO JOIN TO THE THANKS OF THE GOVERNMENT, THE HEARTFELT THANKS OF ALL THE
 PEOPLE OF CANADA FOR THE LONG, PATIENT AND EFFICIENT SERVICE RENDERED IN
 THE ORGANIZATION, TRAINING, MAINTENANCE AND DIRECTION OF CANADA'S
 FIGHTING SHIPS AND THEIR GALLANT CREWS. OUR COUNTRY HONOURS ESPECIALLY
 TODAY THOSE WHO HAVE MANNED THE SHIPS AT SEA. BY YOUR VIGILANCE, YOUR
 SKILL, YOUR DARING AND YOUR ENDURANCE, YOU HAVE HAD A LARGE PART IN THE
 DESTRUCTION OF THE SEA POWER OF NAZI GERMANY. IN TRIBUTE TO THOSE OF
 YOUR COMRADES WHO HAVE MADE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE, THE WHOLE NATION
 REVERENTLY BOWS ITS HEAD. THE RECORD OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF CANADA'S
 FIGHTING FORCES IN THE DEFEAT AND DESTRUCTION OF NAZI TYRANNY WILL
 CONSTITUTE AN IMMORTAL CHAPTER IN THE HISTORY OF OUR COUNTRY.
 W.L. MACKENZIE KING, PRIME MINISTER. LMS.

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 ROYAL INDIAN NAVY

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are dressed with masthead flags. subsequent to VE-Day

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FROM ADMIRALTY.

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SBNO W AT FONAS COM NAS (N) VA (Q) BPF FO CEYLON
FO (AIR) EI FONAS (A) FOIC N IRELAND ACIC
(R) NSHQ OTTAWA ACBB BAD NAMY BOARD WELLINGTON FOC RIN

FILE

1. FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS RELATE TO NAVAL CELEBRATION OF END OF HOSTILITIES IN EUROPE.
2. DEFINITION OF TERMS USE (A) VE-DAY HOME WATERS.
DAY ON WHICH PRIME MINISTER ANNOUNCES END OF HOSTILITIES ABROAD.
DAY SELECTED BY LOCAL CIVIL GOVERNMENT FOR SIMILAR ANNOUNCEMENT.
(B) THANKSGIVING SUNDAY. IN UK FIRST SUNDAY AFTER VE DAY OR IF LATTER FALLS LATER THAN THURSDAY SECOND SUNDAY.
(SEE ADMIRALTY MESSAGE 012103B NOT REPEAT NOT TO NSHQ ACNB NAVY BOARD WELLINGTON FOC RIN BAD.
3. LOCAL CELEBRATIONS. HOME OFFICE HAVE SENT TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES CIRCULAR NO. 97 DATED 30 APRIL ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR CELEBRATION OF TERMINATION OF HOSTILITIES IN EUROPE AND ARE SUPPLYING COPIES TO THE PRESS AND BBC. ADMIRALTY HOPE TO SEND COPIES TO ADDRESSEES AT HOME.
4. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS ON NAVAL CELEBRATIONS REQUIREMENTS OF OPERATIONS. ESSENTIAL MAINTENANCE AND ESSENTIAL TRAINING COME FIRST THEIR LORDSHIPS ARE ANXIOUS THAT OFFICIAL NAVAL CELEBRATIONS HEREAS SHOULD BE MODEST AND COUPLED WITH FULL RECOGNITION OF TASKS STILL TO BE COMPLETED IN THE FAR EAST. COMMANDERS IN CHIEF SHOULD EXERCISE THEIR DISCRETION IN APPLYING DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.
5. ROUTINE ON VE-DAY SHIP COMPANIES SHOULD BE PIPED DOWN AFTER DIVISIONS SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS ARE BEING ISSUED ABOUT LEAVE.
6. DRESSING SHIP/ HM SHIPS IN PORT SHOULD DRESS SHIP WITH MAST-HEAD FLAGS ON VE-DAY AND VE PLUS ONE FROM TIME OF ANNOUNCEMENT REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 2 (A).
7. ILLUMINATIONS. THE COASTAL LIGHTING RESTRICTIONS HAVE BEEN RELAXED HM SHIPS IN HARBOUR MAY ASSIST IN LOCAL ILLUMINATIONS ON VE-DAY OR VE PLUS ONE.
8. SPECIAL MEALS. NO REPEAT NO SPECIAL MEALS TO BE PROVIDED.

9. SPECIAL PARADES. BETWEEN VE-DAY AND THANKSGIVING SUNDAY BOTH DATES INCLUSIVE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF MAY ARRANGE SPECIAL PARADES BOTH PURELY NAVAL AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER SERVICES AS THEY CONSIDER APPROPRIATE NAVAL UNITS MAY ALSO PARTICIPATE IN CEREMONIES ARRANGED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES. IN DECIDING BETWEEN COMPLETING CLAIMS COMMANDERS IN CHIEF SHOULD GENERALLY GIVE PREFERENCE TO THOSE LOCALITIES WITH NAVAL ASSOCIATIONS. ADMIRALTY WILL ISSUE SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING NAVAL PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL CEREMONIES ON THANKSGIVING SUNDAY.
10. FOREIGN PORTS. ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE AT DISCRETION OF COMMANDER IN CHIEF OR SENIOR NAVAL OFFICER PRESENT IN CONSULTATION WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

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