

# CPC CyberFlash

#### From the Director's Desk

CPC has received several inquiries regarding the status of the various nomination lists. The following is an update of those lists:

15 nominations (appointments) beginning with Paul A. Kunicki, and ending with Lindsey M. Vandenberg - journey complete, commissions to be forwarded to Secretary next week.

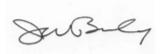
O-2 and O-3 nominations beginning with Daniel J. Price, and ending with Stephen P. Barry, which 43 nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on April 25, 2005. - pending in committee (CS&T)

O-4 and O-5 nominations - Secretary approved OPB recommendations today, CPC has sent e-mail notification to all affected officers; nomination list shall be forwarded to the White House and Senate. Secretary's nominations will be published in the next CPC CyberFlash.

O-6 nominations - OPB completed selections and will forward recommendations to the Secretary.

We realize some officers have been waiting awhile for OPB recommendation results but we are not authorized to release the results of any board until the Secretary accepts those recommendations. Once notified by DOC that the Secretary has approved the OPB nominations, CPC sends an e-mail to individual officers and then we publish results in the next CyberFlash.

The Director, NOAA Corps has approved the discontinuance of the Fitness Report for Commissioned Officers (NOAA Form 56-6). It will be replaced by the new NOAA Commissioned Officer Evaluation Report (OER). CPC is in the process of transitioning to this new evaluation form. Originally we had planned to make the OER available in June 2005. Based on officer comments and the need to provide adequate training to all officers and civilian supervisors, we believe it prudent to delay the institution of this new system until December 2005. An example of the OER, a presentation about the new OER and the manual describing how to complete the OER can be found at the CPC web site. CPC will notify all officers and civilian supervisors, this fall, where and when training will be made available.



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### NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVELERS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE

Travelers to and from the Caribbean, Bermuda, Panama, Mexico and Canada will be required to have a passport or other secure, accepted document to enter or re-enter the United States. This is a change from prior travel requirements and will affect all United States citizens entering the United States from countries within the Western Hemisphere who do not currently possess valid passports. This new requirement will also affect certain foreign nationals who currently are not required to present a passport to travel to the United States. Most Canadian citizens, citizens of the British Overseas Territory of Bermuda, and to a lesser degree, Mexican citizens will be affected by the implementation of this requirement.

## Proposed Timeline for Implementation for Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative Requirements:

The travel initiative requirements will be rolled out in phases, providing as much advance notice as possible to the affected public to enable them to meet the terms of the new guidelines. The proposed implementation timeline is as follows:

- **December 31, 2005** Passport or other accepted document required for all travel (air/sea) to or from the Caribbean, Bermuda, Central and South America.
- December 31, 2006 Passport or other accepted document required for all air and sea travel to or from Mexico and Canada.
- December 31, 2007 Passport or other accepted document required for all air, sea and land border crossings.

#### MARKETING YOURSELF FOR A SECOND CAREER

Attention officers in the Washington, DC area: The Military Officers Association of America is providing a free two and one half hour professional lecture for officers who plan to leave the Service in the next one to five years. Colonel Jerry Crews, USA (Ret.) is the presenter and spouses are cordially invited. The lecture is scheduled for Tuesday, May 24, 2005 from 0830 - 1100 at the Pentagon, Room BH 650. For more information, please visit the website at <a href="https://www.moaa.org/tops">www.moaa.org/tops</a>.