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From: LTJG Kenneth G. CODER 7850, USCG

To: Commander, Coast Guard District Seventeen (dcs)
Via: Commanding Officer, Coast Guard Loran Station Adak

Subj: The Thunderbird October 1969, Vol. II, No. 21; comments on

1. In reference to the "Nice guy!" article on page six of subject publication I wish to state the following:

- a. I have not initiated a "Grip of the Day" box as outlined in subject publication. The storekeeper at this unit had an envelope with the caption "Bitch Box" attached to the window in the door of his office. This envelope is enclosed for better clarification.
- b. Perhaps I am lacking a sense of humor but I believe the article to be degrading and distasteful to myself as an individual, as a Coast Guard Officer, and to the Coast Guard. It is one thing for an SK3 to have a "joke" with his shipmates on a small isolated station and quite another for all of the personnel of the Seventeenth Coast Guard District thinking that I tend to the "gripes" of my men in this manner.
- c. I am not about to fight "The Power of the Press" but do wish to state that I do not like the article and believe that any commanding officer putting out such a "Grip of the Day" box should be more in line for a reprimand than a "Nice guy" article.

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