



UDT-SEAL MUSEUM
BIRTHPLACE OF THE NAVY FROGMEN

August 21, 1985

MG Fred Hissong, USA
Commander
U.S. Army Armament, Munitions and Chemical Command
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Dear General Hissong:

Approximately one (1) year ago, St. Lucie County, Florida acquired from the State a former treasure museum located on several acres of beachfront property. Their purpose is to establish a Museum to honor the Navy's Underwater Demolition Teams (UDTs) and Sea, Air, Land Teams (SEALs). On February 1st of this year, I commenced employment as the Director.

The significance of the location is that this is where the UDTs did all their basic training in World War II. In fact, the Museum is located on the exact training site that was used. Additionally, this will be the first and only Museum of its kind in the country, and perhaps the world. We are scheduled to open on November 10, 1985.

Since the inception of the UDT and SEAL Teams, there have been a wide variety of weapons in the inventory, but like everything else, many became obsolete and were turned in. My purpose in writing is to request the donation of certain weapons for public display in our Museum. The list is contained in the enclosure.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Norman H. Olson
Captain, U.S. Navy (Retired)
Director

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Enclosure