

July 29, 1985

Mr. Fred Miller

Dear Fred:

I enjoyed meeting you last weekend and particularly appreciated your offer to help. You can't imagine how important it is at this point in time, particularly when very few are stepping forward with either financial or material assistance.

I don't have high hopes that the F.O. will come through and our booth at the picnic only picked up three (3) memberships. On top of that, I had asked the NAVSPECWARCRU some time ago for many items, e.g., wet suit, parachute(s), jungle fatigues, web gear, etc., to outfit mannequins, but to no avail. At any rate, I am now optimistic that we will have a professional weapons display.

About all I can say in that regard is that I'd like you to formulate a plan to put together a representative family of weapons that accurately depicts the UDT/SEAL from World War II through Vietnam. As I said, I should be able to provide the entire Stoner System, but as of now, that's about it. I did receive alot of promises from many over alot of beers, but I obviously can't count on that.

I 've included Jack on this letter so that as this evolves, the cabinets will not only match in size but in number as well. Therefore, the sooner you can put your thoughts together, the better for all concerned. I'm not a weapons man, thus $I\mbox{'d}$ like to stay out of the details. Based on your reputation in this field and Jack's in the area of design, I totally trust your collective judgement.

Again, I thank you for your offer of assistance and your genuine concern toward making this a professional naval museum.

Sincerely,

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