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NAVY RECRUITING DISTRICT HOUSTON
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HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002

28 April 80

Dear Dr. Garcia:

On behalf of the Secretary of the Navy, the honorable Edward Hidalgo, you are cordially invited to join a select group on a ride up the Houston Ship Channel aboard the USS VALDEZ, named after Philip I. Valdez, a Vietnam hero. The VALDEZ will be visiting Houston as part of a Cinco de Mayo Festival. It is scheduled to arrive in Houston on May 2, 1980.

Transportation from the Port of Houston (75th Street Pier) to Galveston will be provided. From Galveston you will be taken by boat to meet the VALDEZ for its trip up the ship channel.

Our bus will depart from the 75th Street Pier at 7:30 a.m. and you can expect to arrive back about 5:00 p.m. There will be no cost to you. It is recommended that ladies wear low heel shoes and pants.

Please return this entire letter indicating whether or not you are able to accept this invitation. Call Mrs. Bennett (713 224-9360) for further details or concerning any questions you may have.


S. L. FRANCIS
Commander, U. S. Navy
Commanding Officer

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Yes, I will be able to accept.

No, I am unable to accept.