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Subj: Formal Commissioning Ceremony, Details concerning. _ _ _ _ 28 March 1944

B. Colors (Color Guard)

(1) POOD, under the supervision of the OOD, will (with an assistant) stand by to hoist the colors. Immediately following the command "Set the Watch" the POOD will make ready to hoist. At the first note of the National Anthem he will slowly raise the colors. After the assistant has let loose the colors he will immediately salute and hold until last note of Anthem. They will then secure the halyard, about face and march back to OOD tent. The OOD will standby and salute as the Anthem is being played. A messenger will be maintained to standby telephone.

C. Enlisted Men (Area)

(1) All enlisted men will be assigned definite companies and platoons and will fall in at 1015, Tuesday, 28 March 1944, on the Athletic Field. Rehearsals will be held Monday afternoon at 1400 on the field and men will set assigned positions at that time. All men must be present for rehearsals.

D. Chief Petty Officers

(1) C.P.O.'s will be assigned as Platoon Commanders. They will take commands from company commanders as outlined in landing force manual. All C.P.O.'s will be present at rehearsals.

E. General Information

(1) All hands are urged to take great pride in the appearance of the unit as a whole and utmost efforts should be exerted to make the ceremony the best that has ever been given at this base. Your Commanding Officer is certain that you men are of the caliber to make it such.

(2) Offices, tents, huts, galley, and all 44 areas will be subject to inspection by Lieutenant Commander Purnell, and reviewing officers, namely Captain Gurney.

J. S. PURNELL.