

June 14, 1979

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

> Commander Thomas A. Meinicke USS FLYING FISH (SSN 673) Fleet Post Office New York, New York 09501

Dear Commander Meinicke:

Commissioner Bradford, Harold Denton, and the rest of our party appreciated the opportunity to tour the FLYING FISH last March 25. I am somewhat late in expressing our appreciation, but we have been very preoccupied with the Three Mile Island accident the last two months. Although we have reviewed many SSN designs over the past several years, many of us had not had the benefit of a tour of a nuclear submarine. The visit increased our appreciation and understanding of submarine propulsion systems and their military applications.

I realize that the tour, coming perhaps at an inconvenient time, placed an additional burden on your very tight schedule. I do want to thank you personally for your accommodations on our visit.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Hendrie Chairman

cc: ADM H. G. Rickover

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