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The Honorable Duncan Hunter
Chairman, Committee on Armed Services
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Under the authority contained in 10 USC 2811, the Department of the Navy plans to proceed with the work for the major repair project listed in the enclosure. This notification is in accordance with 10 USC 2811 and House Report 107-246.

Similar letters have been sent to the Senate Committee on Armed Services; the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense and the Subcommittee on Military Construction; and the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Military Construction and the Subcommittee on Defense.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

Copy to:
The Honorable Ike Skelton

PROJECT DATA SHEET

Title:

The Department of the Navy is required by House Report H107-246 to provide notice of its intention to proceed with repair projects having an estimated cost in excess of $7.5M.

Special Project R12-95, Repair VQ 438, Naval Air Station Key West, FL

Description:

Visiting Quarters 438 is a 29,283 square foot, three-story masonry building with reinforced concrete beams and columns. The existing bachelor housing facility does not meet current fire, safety, and local building codes, and does not comply with the Uniform Federal Accessibilities Standard (UFAS) and Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG). The building has no fire sprinkler system, and the fire alarm system and utility systems (electrical, HVAC, mechanical, plumbing) are 40 years old, deteriorated, and in need of replacement. The gang showers and head facilities are in poor condition and the pipe insulation and floor tiles contain asbestos. The facility does not meet the local building code, which requires that this type of structure be capable of withstanding 150 mph winds. The building exterior consists of large glass panels, or window walls, which cannot withstand the required wind load.

This project will install a fully automatic fire suppression system, replace the antiquated fire alarm system and deteriorated utilities systems, remove existing gang heads, remove asbestos insulation and vinyl asbestos floor tile, replace the area lighting system, replace the telephone and cable television system conduit, replace exterior window walls with concrete block and smaller energy-efficient windows equipped with hurricane shutters, and replace the built-up roof system. The project will provide and install handicap-accessible heads, wheelchair ramps, and handrails to meet UFAS and ADAAG requirements. Since the building will be undergoing major renovation, it will be reconfigured to the 2+0 design standard.

The total estimated cost of the project is $8.1M.