



THE COMMANDANT OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
WASHINGTON 20593

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From: Commandant
To: Lieutenant Walter C. Bolton, USCG

Subject: Letter of Commendation

1. You were the pilot of a Coast Guard helicopter which on 25 March 1947, was engaged in the rescue of nine survivors of an Army C-54 airplane which had crashed approximately 35 miles southwest of Stephenville, Newfoundland, on the preceding day. Despite adverse conditions, you skillfully landed the helicopter on the snow-covered terrain, making seven round trips between Harmon Field, Stephenville, and the scene of the crash to take out the survivors.

2. I wish at this time to commend you most highly for the outstanding manner in which you have performed your duties. By your meritorious service in this assignment, you brought great credit to the U. S. Coast Guard.

3. A copy of this letter will be made a part of your permanent record at Headquarters.

J. F. Farley
Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard