

DDYJ and FISC Yokosuka Team Up for Logistics Expo 2002



DDYJ representatives (Left to Right):
SKC Reynaldo Malig, Mr. Joe Umemura, Ms. Katy Onda, Ms. Yoshiko Yasuda, LT John Kochis, BMC Kelly Wilmoth, Mr. Bill Byers, Ms. Sherri Nolan, CDR Scott Thon, SKC Peter Rose.

More than 60 vendors recently participated in the Western Pacific (WestPac) Logistics and e-Business Expo 2002 hosted jointly by Defense Distribution Depot Yokosuka, Japan (DDYJ) and Fleet Industrial Supply Center (FISC) Yokosuka. The two-day Expo brought together customers, suppliers and logistics providers to improve mission readiness and quality of life for their Department of Defense (DoD) customers.

Expo-goers were able to obtain information on provisions, logistics services, vending machines, miscellaneous equipment, and the latest in information technology.

“This was an excellent opportunity to meet our customers face-to-face and talk about a variety of important issues,” said Commander Scott Thon, SC, USN, Commander DDYJ. “FISC and DDYJ have an excellent partnering relationship and conferences like this enable us to better serve our customers.”

Several Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) activities set up information booths. These activities included DLA-Pacific, the Defense Distribution Center (DDC), Defense Supply Center Philadelphia (DSCP), Defense Automated Printing Services (DAPS), Defense Reutilization and Marketing Organization (DRMO), and DLA-DoD E-mall office. The representatives were available to discuss regional logistics issues with customers from the various military bases in the Yokohama-Tokyo area. Equally important, customers obtained point of contact information for future logistics issues.

FISC Yokosuka representatives (Left to Right):
SH1 Tyrone Ingram, SKC Reynante Soriano and AKI Alain Buensuceso



DDYJ Receives “Bravo Zulu” from Customers

“Flawless, flexible and timely support”

Defense Distribution Depot Yokosuka, Japan (DDYJ) recently received “Bravo Zulus,” (the Navy phrase for “Good Job!”) from two customers, USS CHARLOTTE (SSN-766), a Los Angeles class submarine, and USS PATRIOT (MCM-7), a Mine Countermeasures Ship.

USS CHARLOTTE made port visits to Yokosuka and Sasebo in April and the support they received from DDYJ was so outstanding they wrote a thank you message.

“CHARLOTTE’s recent port visit to Yokosuka presented many logistical and material challenges that were responded to with vigor and efficiency,” the message said. “The focused effort of DDYJ Representatives in Sasebo and Yokosuka, provided CHARLOTTE with flawless, flexible, and timely support.”

“In response to an emergent material requirement, the following personnel proved invaluable in identifying, tracking, and delivering the assets needed for CHARLOTTE to

maintain outstanding readiness and get underway on time: Mr. Yamaguchi-San, Mr. Yoshinaga-San, Mr. Sakuda-San, SK2 Duncan, and Mr. Takano-San.

“Bravo Zulu and domo arigato gozaimasu (Japanese for thank you).”

USS PATRIOT had a similar experience at DDYJ. They reported, “The unmatched expertise and unfailing efforts of DDYJ [and other support units] proved invaluable to restoring PATRIOT’s engineering readiness. Their instant response, tireless efforts, and numerous long days enabled PATRIOT to sail on time for deployment.”

DDYJ provides joint logistic support throughout the Western Pacific, Indian Ocean and Persian Gulf areas of responsibility. It is centrally located and in close proximity to U.S. military and commercial lines of communication for ocean, surface and air cargo. DDYJ provides a full range of physical distribution support to all military U.S. services.