



2002 Neuvic (Dordogne France)

**Mission “Infiltrate and Irritate”**

Dear crew members,

Now our feet are firmly back on dry land it's time for debrief:

Whilst we have all returned safely, including young Mst Hodgson, who, over the past week end has done his utmost to escape, we have not been totally successful in our mission. The mission objective was to “Infiltrate and irritate”.

The first part we have done extremely well, including the storming and taking of the “Fireplace” by our smaller members. Infiltration into Le Pompier Corp (The fire brigade) by most ratings, most times, under the cover of darkness, from the bridge, they successfully raised the level of the river by several inches. One crewmember was brave enough to carry out this manoeuvre during daylight, under the gaze of a picnicking couple on the bank. The more mature members of the crew have done their dandiest to remove all the alcohol from the bar by means of consumption, several of the team also attempted Eau de Vie, brave soles indeed.

As far as the “Irritate” objective goes, we have failed, achieving only a count of two, those being the coach drivers who we believe had had their sense of humour and customer service glands removed. Both the French and British have been extremely positive and complimentary about the corp. As you witnessed Keith Coomber, a well respected tourist and member of the camel Corp, said the Submarine Flotilla are a credit to the Corp. We understand that he had been on manoeuvres all day, however, having maintained the power of speech we have to believe this was a compliment. The French have also been impressed at the discipline, friendliness and behaviour, both on and of the pitch. I don't need to recount the conversations as if you haven't already been complimented by them...you are in dereliction of duty for not being in the bar whilst on tour.

Until next time, you are dismissed  
Gary Millar  
Captain OMSC



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