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Follow-Up Bulletin

EXERCISE BULLETIN 2
Exercise Mercury Medic 2018
Exercise Citadel Rumble 2018
-In support of the U.S. Navy Medical System-

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EXERCISE SUMMARY

See bulletin one for a complete exercise overview.

Day one has concluded with approximately 100 “test welfare” precedence messages distributed nationwide along with several originated to overseas locations.

The initial results look quite positive. While traffic was originated using the Winlink radiogram template and routed to RRI liaison stations at the region level, considerable traffic was refiled to both regularly scheduled nets or transferred via the RRI Digital Traffic Network to various locations in the three RRI Areas.

No misrouting of traffic was present. Therefore, IATN resources were not utilized. However, these dedicated specialists were on duty and ready to assist.

NETWORK ACTIVATION DAY TWO

Traffic volumes are not expected to be significant during the second day of the exercise. However, we should remain available on a limited basis to clear any traffic originated. Therefore, operators should take the following steps

1. Winlink/RRI liaison stations should continue to connect and download any incoming traffic on an hourly basis when available to do so. As volumes are not critical, some flexibility is acceptable to facilitate personal schedules.
2. The RRI Digital Traffic Network plays a significant role in this exercise. Therefore, Digital Traffic Stations (DTS) should also attempt to connect and download traffic periodically throughout the exercise period. Ideally, this would be once every hour during the exercise period.
3. The IATN circuits proved unnecessary during the first day. Therefore, all IATN CW operators are released from any special duty on day two.

EXERCISE TIME PERIODS

The exercise time period remains the same for September 6 during the following time period:

1000 PST to 1400 PDT or 061701Z to 062100Z Sep 2018

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