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Dear Admiral Soman,

1. As you are aware, a number of retired Naval Officers' Organisations are functioning for espousing the cause of retired Naval personnel and also to promote general awareness about the Indian Navy in the country. However, while exchanging views with retired Naval personnel at various forums, a necessity has been expressed by a majority to have an apex body of retired Naval Officers to:-

- (a) Centrally promote fraternal relationship;
- (b) Provide assistance to the needy and help them in their ventures for charitable, social and philanthropic causes; and
- (c) To promote interest in Defence Studies particularly on maritime matters and to create, amongst the public, interest in the Indian Navy.

2. With the above objects in view and to give the proposed body a distinct identity, it has been decided at the Naval Headquarters to form an organisation called **The Navy Foundation**".

3. **The Navy Foundation** will be an All-India body with its Headquarters at New Delhi and regional branches at various selected places where there is concentration of retired Naval Officers. Each Branch of the **Navy Foundation** would be totally autonomous as regards membership, finances and its day-to-day affairs. Naval Headquarters would provide the necessary administrative support.

4. It is proposed to invite the President of India to be its Chief Patron and the retired Chiefs of Naval Staff to be the Patrons. The Chief of the Naval Staff would be the ex-officio President of the All-India body.

5. May I therefore request you for your concurrence to be one of the Patrons of the **Navy Foundation**, to enable the organisation to benefit from the vast reservoir of your valuable experience.

6. I am enclosing a copy of the aims and objects of the **Navy Foundation** for your information.

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*With warm regards,
Yours sincerely,
Raman*