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SUBJECT: 2010 National Organization for Mexican American Rights (NOMAR) Award Recipients

The NOMAR approved nine Department of Defense (DoD) nominees (military and civilian personnel) to receive its annual Meritorious Service Award. This year's recipients demonstrated role model qualities and core values in executing their respective department's mission; and they made noteworthy efforts in advancing opportunities for a diverse American populace.

Attached are the names of the award winners and their respective Military Department or Defense Agency. The awards will be presented at the DoD Awards Banquet during the 2010 Annual NOMAR Training Conference and Business Meeting. The Banquet is scheduled for Wednesday, September 1, 2010, 7:00 – 9:30 P.M., at the Hilton Miami Downtown, Miami, Florida. A pre-reception will be held at 6:00 P.M.

Each awardee's unit of assignment is responsible for travel and per diem costs related to attendance at the banquet. Please pass on our congratulations to the awardees and your nominees.

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Clarence A. Johnson  
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**Department of Defense  
National Organization for Mexican American Rights  
2010 Meritorious Service Award Winners**

**UNITED STATES ARMY**

Specialist Jose A. Ramon  
United States Army Medical Research  
Institute of Infectious Diseases  
Fort Detrick, MD

Mr. Alfredo Hinojosa Jr.  
Corpus Christi Army Depot  
Corpus Christi, TX

**UNITED STATES NAVY**

Petty Officer Estella M. Garcia  
Naval Air Technical Training Center  
Pensacola, FL

Mr. John J. Evans  
Naval Sea Systems Command  
Washington Navy Yard, DC

**UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS**

Mr. Dionisio Flores  
Headquarters and Support Battalion,  
Marine Corps Base  
Camp Pendleton, CA

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

Senior Airman Vincente Valdovinos  
381<sup>st</sup> Training Support Squadron  
Vandenberg AFB, CA

**NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU**

Specialist Joaquin M. Brambila  
California National Guard  
Chula, Vista, CA

**UNITED STATES COAST GUARD**

Mr. Esteban Morales  
United States Coast Guard Headquarters  
Washington, DC

Captain Richard M. Kenin  
United States Coast Guard Air Station  
Miami, FL