**MEDIA ADVISORY**

**Commemoration of the Battle of the Atlantic 2019**

Town, Province – 05 May 2019

Media are invited to attend Her Majesty`s Canadian Ship (HMCS) XXXX Battle of the Atlantic parade on Sunday, May 5, 2019 at XXX.

When: XX:XX a.m. on Sunday, May 5, 2019.

Where: XXX

Each year on the first Sunday of May, Canada and its naval community commemorate those lost at sea in the longest single campaign of the Second World War. Today, the legacy of the Battle of the Atlantic is upheld by those currently serving, pledging themselves “Ready, Aye, Ready” to face today’s security challenges with pride and professionalism.

The Battle of the Atlantic was a pivotal struggle during the Second World War, lasting from September 1939 to May 1945, which was courageously fought by the men and women of the Royal Canadian Navy, the Canadian Merchant Navy, and the Royal Canadian Air Force. This success came a high cost. The RCN lost 27 vessels and suffered over 2,000 fatalities; the merchant navy lost over 70 ships and had over 1,700 fatalities; and the Royal Canadian Air Force lost more than 900 aircrew.

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Notes to editor / news director:

For more information, and to confirm attendance, please contact XXX XXX, at xxx.xxx@forces.gc.ca or xxx-xxx-xxxx ext. xxx.

Media interested in covering this event must arrive at XXXX no later than xx:xx a.m.