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1. THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE FROM UNDER SEAS TECHNOLOGY, PAGE 15, JULY 72, IS QUOTED BELOW FOR YOUR INTEREST.

2. "TRIESTE RECOVERS ELECTRONICS PACKAGE FROM 16,400 FT DEPTH. SINCE OCTOBER 1971, THE BATHYSCAPH TRIESTE AND TWO SUPPORT VESSELS HAVE BEEN WORKING AS AN INTEGRATED OPERATING UNIT IN A MANNED UNDERWATER SEARCH AND RECOVERY OPERATION TO LOCATE AND RECOVER A SMALL ELECTRONICS PACKAGE AT A DEPTH OF 16,400 FT. 400 MILES NORTH OF HAWAII. THE SUPPORT VESSELS ARE THE USS APACHE AND WHITE SANDS.

IN APRIL, ON THE THIRD DIVE, THE TEAM RECOVERED THE PACKAGE. THIS IS THE DEEPEST RECOVERY ATTEMPT BY THE U.S. AND THOUGHT TO BE THE DEEPEST OPERATION OF ITS KIND EVER SUCCESSFULLY ACCOMPLISHED IN THE WORLD. BAD WEATHER FORCED RETURN TO PEARL

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HARBOR ON THREE OCCASIONS IN THE COURSE OF THE EIGHT-MONTH OPERATION.

ON THE SUCCESSFUL DIVE, TRIESTE WAS MANNED BY NAVY HYDRONAUTS LCDR. MAL BARTELS, LCDR. PHILLIP STRYKER, AND LT. DICK TAYLOR, WITH LCDR. BARTELS COMMANDING. LCDR. C.W. HUDIBURGH COMMANDS THE WHITE SANDS, AND LT. M.D. BAKER COMMANDS THE USS APACHE. THE GROUP WORKS DIRECTLY FOR COMMANDER SUBMARINE DEVELOPMENT GROUP ONE IN SAN DIEGO."

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