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## **USFF to Hold Media Roundtable to Discuss Sexual Assault Awareness Month**

NORFOLK, Va. – Adm. John C. Harvey Jr., commander, United States Fleet Forces (USFF), and Fleet Master Chief (AW/NAC) Mike Stevens will host a media roundtable event on Tuesday, April 10, at the USFF headquarters to discuss the fleet-wide awareness and training efforts to combat sexual assault in the Navy as part of the Department of Defense Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) for April.

The entire Navy will devote time and leadership to focus its efforts on awareness and prevention of sexual violence through the use of special events and command-level education.

The Department of Defense's SAAM theme this year is, "Hurts One, Affects All. Prevention of Sexual Assault is Everyone's Duty." In addition to this overarching theme, the Navy will highlight complementary weekly themes throughout the month. The four weekly themes are: "Hurts One," "Affects All," "Prevention is Everyone's Duty," and "We Will Not Tolerate Sexual Assault."

Commands will host mandatory education sessions to raise sexual assault awareness among Sailors. Commanding officers can either hold a single two-hour stand down or break the discussions into four 30-minute weekly sessions, according to the NAVADMIN.

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**\*\* Media wishing to attend must contact U.S. Fleet Forces Command Public Affairs (757-836-4421) by 3 p.m. Monday, April 9. Immediately following the roundtable, media will be invited to conduct stand-up interviews with Adm. Harvey and Fleet Stevens. Cameras will not be permitted during the roundtable event.**