THE WHITE HOUSE

August 6, 1953

Dear Mr. Secretary,

Thank you very much for your nice letter.

It was very kind of you to invite me to christen and act as sponsor for the USS NAUTILUS when she is launched on January twenty-first and I am most happy to accept.

With kindest regard,

(sgd) Mamie Doud Eisenhower

The Honorable
Robert B. Anderson
Secretary of the Navy
Washington 25, D. C.

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
Washington

My dear Mrs. Eisenhower:

It gives me great pleasure to extend to you an invitation to christen the first nuclear powered submarine, the USS NAUTILUS (SSN-571). This vessel is scheduled to be launched at 11:00 AM on 21 January 1954 at the General Dynamics Corporation (Electric Boat Company Division), Groton, Connecticut.

Will you please advise this Department if you will be able to act as sponsor for this vessel when she is launched?

Sincerely yours,

(sgd) R. B. Anderson

Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower
The White House
Washington, D. C.