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NAVY HELICOPTERS TRAIN OFF COAST OF CHARLESTON

What: Two Norfolk, Va., based MH-53E Sea Dragon helicopters from Helicopter Mine Countermeasures Squadron 14 will be conducting training off the coast of Charleston from August 26-31. The primary mission of the aircraft is airborne mine counter-measures, which they will exercise with the help of Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit 6 from Naval Weapons Station Charleston. Flying at 75 feet above the water, the helicopters and crews will search for inert mines that the EOD team will place in the water ahead of time.

Date and Time: Interviews with aircrews and EOD members and a static display of the aircraft are available at 4 p.m., August 27.

Location: Alert hangar across from Charleston AFB flightline. Interested media will meet at Aviation Avenue gate and travel over to hangar from there.

Contact: Capt Beth Szucs, 963-5537, or SSgt Pam Smith, 963-5589, by August 24 if interested.