Northrop Grumman to Present Vintage Gyrocompass for Restored HMCS Sackville

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Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE:NOC) is donating a vintage gyrocompass to the HMCS Sackville Canadian Naval Memorial Trust to be fitted on the HMCS Sackville, a World War II-era corvette based in Halifax harbor that is being restored to its 1944 operating condition. Northrop Grumman's Sperry Marine business unit will present the Mk 14 Gyrocompass, similar to the one that Sperry Marine refitted on the Sackville in 1944, on Thursday, Sept. 6, at 3 p.m.

What: Donation of vintage Sperry Marine Mk 14 Gyrocompass and leather-bound operator's manual

When: Thursday, Sept. 6, 2012
3 p.m. Atlantic time
*Media requested to arrive by 2:50 p.m.

Where: Cunard Centre, site of DEFSEC Atlantic 2012
Main presentation stage in the exhibition hall
961 Marginal Road, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada B3H 4P6

Special Note: Only accredited media will be admitted to DEFSEC. If your organization did not pre-register through the DEFSEC website, then you will need to register upon arrival

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Northrop Grumman's Sperry Marine business unit produced the Sperry Mk 14 from 1934 until the mid-1950s, and it was the most widely manufactured gyrocompass of World War II, used by several allied navies. An Mk 14 was installed aboard the Sackville during its retrofit in Galveston, Texas, in 1944, and played a vital role in greatly increasing the anti-submarine capability of the Sackville and other Canadian naval vessels. Sperry Marine has been providing marine and navigation systems in Canada since the 1930s.

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