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Bond of Friendship between HMS Dreadnought and the Dreadnought Association

Dear Dreadnought Association

HMS Dreadnought (SSBN09) is currently under construction in Barrow and is due to enter service in the early 2030s as a replacement for the ageing Vanguard Class.

On 21 May 21, Cdr Titch Evans RN was appointed as the Senior Naval Officer and first member of Dreadnought Ship's Company. Keen to establish a strong affiliation with the established Dreadnought Association and the crew of the United Kingdom's first nuclear submarine HMS Dreadnought (SSN01), this Bond of Friendship symbolises the historical relationship between both crews.

This bond was reinforced with a visit to Rosyth Dockyard to witness Dreadnought (SSN01) in de-commissioning in 2022, with a reciprocal visit to the BAES Shipyard in Barrow to see Dreadnought (SSBN09) in construction in 2023, where a Secondary Telegraph Repeater was presented to the Senior Naval Officer, inscribed 'May submarine ethos live on in DREADNOUGHT' to mark the occasion.

As the SSBN09 crew has increased in numbers, the affiliation continues to strengthen, as the desire to share the experiences, morals and values increases. The invitation offered for the SSBN09 crew to join the Association has been accepted with genuine gratitude.

While it is noted there is a need and desire to maintain a unique identity, the crew of SSBN09 are proud of the affiliation with the crew of SSN01, and share both the identity of the HMS Dreadnought crest and the Motto 'Fear God Dread Nought'

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