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Dear Colonel Robert Murfin,

I hope you don't mind me contacting you. My name is Alicia and I'm the Corporate Partnerships and Events Manager at the Royal Navy and Royal Marines Charity. I'm writing to you as we have an exciting upcoming event that your members may be interested in attending. I am delighted to invite you to a spectacular James Bond themed ball on board the pride of the Royal Navy, HMS Queen Elizabeth. The *Her Majesty's Wave Ball* will take place in Portsmouth on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

500 guests will be immersed in our own 007 story in a world where black is white, down is up and you can't tell the good guys from the bad. Your mission, if you choose to accept it, is to become part of this evening of intrigue and glamour upon the high seas, to assume nothing and suspect everyone as you celebrate in style with *Her Majesty's Wave*.

The evening will begin with a 'golden' grand entrance. Guests will approach the HMS Queen Elizabeth on a red carpet with sponsor showcases and special lighting enhancing the experience. There will be a drinks reception accompanied by music from His Majesty's Band of the Royal Marines, followed by a three-course meal with other James Bond surprises throughout. The evening will conclude with an after-party with live music, a jazz bar and professional casino.

The provisional programme is as follows:

- 18:00 Arrival and Coach pick-up from Victory Gate, Portsmouth
- 18:15 Registration – Welcome drinks reception
- 19:30 Dinner served
- 22:00 Live auction
- 22:15 Live Band/dancing/Casino /Jazz bar in the Wardroom
- 00:00 Carriages

A table for ten for the evening is £5,000, and individual tickets are also available at £500. There are also several sponsorship opportunities available, ranging from £3,000 to £25,000 with various associated benefits.

Every penny raised will help us to realise our vision to create a world in which our sailors, marines, and their families are valued and supported, for life. We exist to help reduce or ameliorate some of the consequences and disadvantages that come from service in the Royal Navy, as well as honour that service to the nation. The nature of operational tempo, the long periods of separation and people's experience ashore and afloat can have huge repercussions, sometimes quite quickly and often many years later. No matter what, the Charity is primed and ready, with others, to help.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like any more information. Places are selling out quickly, so if you're interested, I would encourage you to enquire as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Kind regards,

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