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## **SECURING MIDWAY'S BEACHHEAD**

As a follow-up to the spring newsletter, the International Midway Memorial Foundation (IMMF) has a meeting scheduled with the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service Aurelia Skipwith on Monday September28. The purpose of the meeting is bring to the attention of the director the issues presently plaguing Midway and to determine whether the agency (USFWS) will oppose our proposed bill (she will receive a copy) in Congress that turns the jurisdiction of Midway over to the IMMF and permits the private sector to care for the infrastructure of the atoll, as well as operate the public visitation program to and from Midway.

It appears that an opportunity exists at this time to ask this question of the USWFS. Private sector interest in Midway is beginning to peak. The expectation is that if the bill passes Congress and the private sector returns, Midway will be restored to the historical status it deserves under the leadership of the IMMF. Stay tuned and do not touch that dial for the next issue of the *Midway Sentinel*.

## **PEARL HARBOR DECLASSIIED:**

The new title for the book is *Pearl Harbor Declassified: Evidence of Foreknowledge of the Attack on Pearl Harbor at the Highest Levels in the U.S. Government*. The book will be published at the end of the year or early January. After the book is published, Dr. Bill Dudley recommended and

the publisher agreed to send the book to: American Historical Review, Journal of American History, Naval War College Review, Naval History, The Northern Mariner, The Mariner's Mirror, Canadian Historical Review, Journal of Military History and American Intelligence for review. To be continued.... The manuscript is presently being edited by McFarland and prepared for publication.

## THE GLENN MILLER PROJECT:

I am pleased to report that Dennis Spragg, author of *Glenn Miller: Declassified* and member of the Glenn Miller Archives in Colorado has sent his letter of support of the IMMF's letter to President Donald Trump recommending that Glenn Miller be awarded the Medal of Freedom. In the letter, Dennis acknowledges the IMMF's previous letter to the President. Dennis Spragg and the Foundation await the President's response. If the President awards Glenn Miller the Medal of Freedom at the White House, the IMMF plans to invite the Airmen of Note to host a Glenn Miller concert at the Kennedy Center on the night of the presentation.

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