General Dynamics Conducts Blog PR Campaign

Description

Regarding LCS-2.

Not that thereâ€™s anything wrong with thatâ€¦.

I received an email from a member of their Advanced Information Systems Department, letting me know he works with the LCS program and also provided a link to a video of the LCS-2 on the GD website.

Hereâ€™s the text of the communique (sent Tuesday, December 22, 2009 2:51 PM):

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> With an interest in Navy affairs, I have read posts from your blog and thought you might find this video interesting. The LCS or Littoral Combat Ship is a program the Navy is developing for relatively small surface vessels intended for operations in the littoral zone (close to shore). It is â€œenvisioned to be a networked, agile, stealthy surface combatant capable of defeating anti-access and asymmetric threats in the littorals.â€•. Two ship classes are the first examples of the LCS in the U.S. Navy: the Freedom-class and the Independence-class.
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> The company I work for is part of the team designing and building the Independence-class which took the unique course of using a trimaran design. When facing pirates, terrorists or other asymmetric threats, this unique and forward design makes the ship fast, highly maneuverable and geared to supporting mine detection/elimination, anti-submarine warfare and surface warfare, particularly against small surface craft. Wanted to share this video we produced in case you found it interesting.
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> http://www.gdlcs.com/media-center/videos/lcs2-independence

Iâ€™m sure he has a vested interest n naval affairs. I call it a paycheck in these lean times.

Anyhow, General Dynamics is putting their workforce in play to even let us little guys know, how special a ship almost as big as an FF(G), with a 57mm gun, is going to work great in the close in, shallow waters, chasing pirates.

Yeahâ€¦thatâ€™s the main threat of the future. I sure hope the Chinese wake up and smell the coffee and begin to employ small groups of men in small boats, armed with RPGs to take us on. It sure would save a lot of money for them.

I did respond with a polite â€œI donâ€™t think this ship fits the billâ€¦too big for close in, too little for real sea battles, and and that the 57mm gun was a joke, at bestâ€• message.

But who am I, but one blogger of many?

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