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Sailor charged in NAS Oceana jet fuel spill incident

NORFOLK, VA (**NRMA**) – A Sailor has been charged with violations of Article(s) 92, 107, and 108 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) stemming from the May 10 incident at Naval Air Station (NAS) Oceana that caused 94,000 gallons of jet fuel to escape containment.

The Sailor, who is assigned to Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) Fleet Logistics Center Norfolk, is charged with alleged willful dereliction of duties, alleged false official statement, and alleged loss of military property. A trial date has not been set at this time, but the Navy is expected to convene a special court-martial later this year.

Like the civilian justice system, the military justice system is based on the principle of innocent until proven guilty.

The administrative investigation (JAGMAN) regarding the incident has been completed, but because of the ongoing military justice proceedings, its release will be delayed until the court-martial has concluded.

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Note to media: The redacted charge sheet is available at www.cnic.navy.mil/OceanaFuelSpill.