



Dear Stephen,

You not only have my permission to use our starship on your squadron patch, but also my very best wishes to the entire group and its officers. May it convey good luck in carrying you all to places in both inner and outer space "where no man has gone before."

It is a particular pleasure for me to grant this permission, since I once flew for our country in what was then known as the Army Air Corps, graduating in Class 42G from Kelly Field, and serving

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through the war in both combat and Stateside assignments. I still get a sentimental and warm feeling when I hear the music and words "Off We Go . . ." and I'm sure that background had much to do with the creation of Star Trek.

Fraternally yours,
Gene Roddenberry