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## A Merry Christmas

On the occasion of the 149th Christmas in the history of our Corps, I wish to every Marine officer and enlisted man a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. As the annals of the Marine Corps have formed an illustrious page in the history of our Country in the past, so may the high repute of our Corps be ever maintained by the lives and deeds of those who are now its members and of all those who may wear the Marine uniform in years to come.

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