on post, or at other times prescribed by
the senior patrol officer. The senior pa-
trol officer shall ensure that the provi-
sions of this paragraph are strictly ob-
served and shall report promptly in
writing to the senior officer present all
violations of these provisions that may
come to his or her notice. All officers
and enlisted personnel of the patrol
shall report to the senior patrol officer
all violations of the provisions of this
paragraph on the part of those under
them.

§ 700.923 Precautions for health.
The senior officer present shall take
precautions to preserve the health of
the persons under his or her authority.
He or she shall obtain information re-
garding the healthfulness of the area
and medical facilities available therein
and shall adopt such measures as are
required by the situation.

§ 700.924 Medical or dental aid to per-
sons not in the naval service.
The senior officer present may re-
quire the officers of the Medical Corps
and Dental Corps under his or her au-
thority to render emergency profes-
sional aid to persons not in the naval
service when such aid is necessary and
demanded by the laws of humanity or
the principles of international cour-
tesy.

§ 700.934 Exercise of power of consul.
When upon the high seas or in any
foreign port where there is no resident
consul of the United States, the senior
officer present afloat has the authority
to exercise all powers of a consul in re-
lation to mariners of the United
States.

§ 700.939 Granting of asylum and tem-
porary refuge.
(a) If an official of the Department of the Navy is requested to provide asy-
luum or temporary refuge, the following procedures shall apply:
(i) On the high seas or in territories under exclusive United States jurisdic-
tion (including territorial seas, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, terri-
tories under United States administra-
tion, and possessions):
(ii) At his or her request, an applicant
for asylum will be received on board
any naval aircraft or waterborne craft,
Navy or Marine Corps activity or sta-
tion.
(iii) Under no circumstances shall the
person seeking asylum be surrendered
to foreign jurisdiction or control, un-
less at the personal direction of the
Secretary of the Navy or higher au-
thority. Persons seeking political asy-
luum should be afforded every reason-
able care and protection permitted by
the circumstances.

(2) In territories under foreign juris-
diction (including foreign territorial
seas, territories, and possessions):
(i) Temporary refuge shall be granted
for humanitarian reasons on board a
naval aircraft or waterborne craft,
Navy or Marine Corps activity or sta-
tion, only in extreme or exceptional
circumstances wherein life or safety of
a person is put in imminent danger,
such as pursuit by a mob. When tem-
porary refuge is granted, such protec-
tion shall be terminated only when di-
rected by the Secretary of the Navy or
higher authority.
(ii) A request by foreign authorities
for return of custody of a person under
the protection of temporary refuge will
be reported to the CNO or Commandant
of the Marine Corps. The requesting
foreign authorities will be informed
that the case has been referred to high-
er authorities for instructions.
(iii) Persons whose temporary refuge
is terminated will be released to the
protection of the authorities des-
ignated in the message authorizing re-
lease.
(iv) While temporary refuge can be
granted in the circumstances set forth
above, permanent asylum will not be
granted.
(v) Foreign nationals who request as-
sistance in forwarding requests for po-
litical asylum in the United States will
not be received on board, but will be
advised to apply in person at the near-
est American Embassy or Consulate. If
a foreign national is already on board,
however, such person will not be sur-
rendered to foreign jurisdiction or con-
trol unless at the personal direction of
the Secretary of the Navy.
(3) The Chief of Naval Operations or
Commandant of the Marine Corps, as
appropriate, will be informed by the
most expeditious means of all action