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From: Chief of Naval Operations
To: All Ships, Stations and Units Concerned with Naval Aircraft

Subject: F7U-1 Aircraft Model Designation; Establishment of.

1. The model designation F7U-1 is hereby established for the production airplane developed from the experimental XP7U-1 airplane. The airplane will be built by the Chance Vought Aircraft Corporation and will incorporate the following noteworthy design features:

(a) Use of low aspect ratio, swept-back wings.
(b) Elimination of the horizontal tail surfaces.
(c) Location of rudders on the wings.

The F7U-1 will be powered by two J34-GE-32 turbo-jet engines. Afterburning equipment will be included in the engine installation.

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