



In this photograph, Admiral Elmo Zumwalt speaks with the Human Relations Council at Fleet Activities, Yokosuka, Japan, in July 1971. Admiral Zumwalt worked to expand opportunities for women and African Americans during his time as Chief of Naval Operations. Among other changes, Zumwalt established the Advisory Committee on Race Relations and Minority Affairs in 1971 which worked to establish affirmative action protocols and make equal opportunity a reality in the Navy. In 2013, the U.S. Navy launched a new class of guided missile destroyers named for Zumwalt.

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