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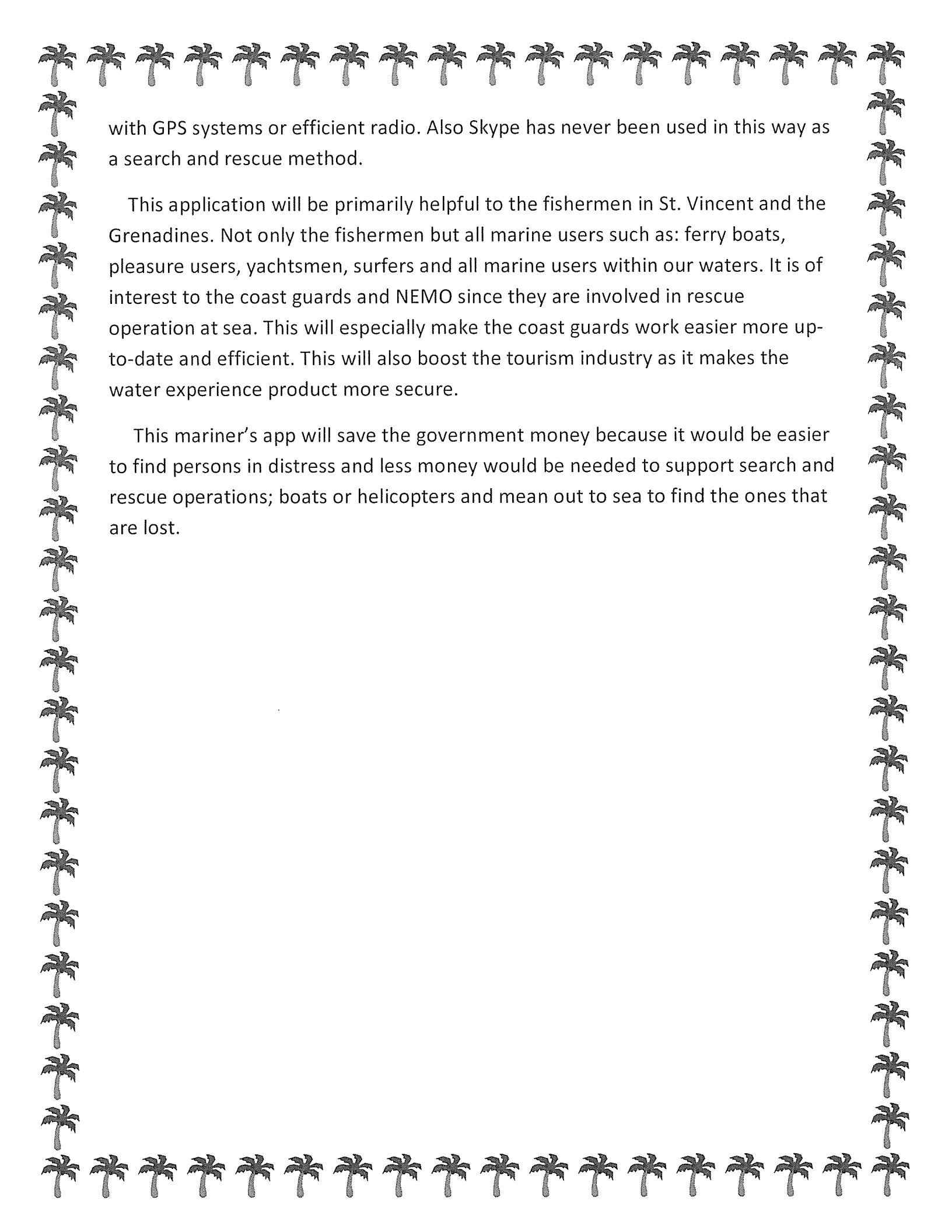
Phase One Of The NTRC's 1² Competition 2013: Summarized Report The
Wanted's Idea /mobile Application

TAGLINE: AN APP THAT WILL BE AT YOUR SERVICE AT ANY POINT IN TIME TO FIND LOST
MARINE USERS

This is an idea that can help to find lost marine users at sea. It combines with the existing GPS system used by the government and also with skype and google earth. Each marine user gets the app on their phone and with the app it comes with a code, they register the code at the fisheries, who then puts the codes into the system and activates them. The coast guard and fisheries will be alerted and will be told the mariners health and exact location when in distress.

Within recent times and traditionally many mariners have gone missing and not all have been found. Currently fishermen have gone out and been missing and are not reported until days later. When the coast guards are alerted it takes a lot of time for them to look for the mariners when they have to go all the way north to Martinique or south to Venezuela. This app helps to locate the missing ones in their exact locations, faster, before any damage or lost can occur. In addition with the use of skype their loved ones can check in with them to verify their well-being and report any concerns where they are unable to do it themselves.

This is unique at least to Bequia because nothing like this has ever been invented. Even though some boats or mariners take with them cellphones they don't have a strong enough signal or they don't find any signal at all to communicate with their loved ones at home. These small boats are not equipped

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with GPS systems or efficient radio. Also Skype has never been used in this way as a search and rescue method.

This application will be primarily helpful to the fishermen in St. Vincent and the Grenadines. Not only the fishermen but all marine users such as: ferry boats, pleasure users, yachtsmen, surfers and all marine users within our waters. It is of interest to the coast guards and NEMO since they are involved in rescue operation at sea. This will especially make the coast guards work easier more up-to-date and efficient. This will also boost the tourism industry as it makes the water experience product more secure.

This mariner's app will save the government money because it would be easier to find persons in distress and less money would be needed to support search and rescue operations; boats or helicopters and mean out to sea to find the ones that are lost.