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From: Commanding Officer, USS ALEXANDRIA (SSN 757)  
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Subj: USS ALEXANDRIA (SSN 757) 1996 COMMAND HISTORY

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12F

Encl: (1) Supporting Documents

1. The following command history of USS ALEXANDRIA (SSN 757) is submitted in accordance with reference (a). The period covered is from January 1996 through December 1996.

2. Command composition and organization:

Mission: To support national defense policy as a unit of the U. S. Atlantic Fleet by all possible means, including locating and destroying submarines and surface ships, conducting reconnaissance, strike warfare, mine placement, and operations with special warfare units.

Organizational Structure: An element of Submarine Development Squadron TWELVE. Main operational departments are Engineering, Navigation/Operations, Combat Systems, and Supply.

Commanding Officer: Commander Raymond M. Klein

Homeport: Groton, CT

3. Chronology:

1 - 9 Jan 96	Underway for Deployment in the Western Atlantic.
9 - 12 Jan 96	Port visit to Gibraltar.
13 - 20 Jan 96	Transit to homeport.
21 - 22 Jan 96	Underway for Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination .
23 Jan 96	Arrive Submarine Base, New London.
24 Jan - 17 Mar 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London
18 - 22 Mar 96	Underway. Conducted Logistics Readiness Evaluation.

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23 - 24 Mar 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London
25 - 28 Mar 96	Navy Board of Inspection and Survey conducted Underway Material Inspection.
26 - 27 Mar 96	At sea for Underway Material Inspection.
28 Mar - 19 May 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London for Pre-overseas Movement Upkeep.
20 May 96	Underway for VIP Day Cruise in Long Island Sound, hosting members of the 1996 CNO's Strategic Study Group.
20 - 24 May 96	Underway. Pre-Overseas Movement Work-up.
24 May 96	Underway for VIP Cruise in Long Island Sound hosting members of the CNO Executive Panel and guests of the USS NAUTILUS. Distinguished guests included:
Horace Z. Feldman	President of Horace Feldman Associates and former Chief of four major CIA installations abroad.
Thomas C. McGill	Fletcher Jones Professor of Applied Physics, California Institute of Technology.
William H. Press	Professor of Astronomy and of Physics, Harvard University.
Stephen J. Trachtenberg	President, George Washington University.
25 - 27 May 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London.
28 - 31 May 96	Underway. Pre-Overseas Movement Workup.
1 - 9 Jun 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London.
10 - 14 Jun 96	Underway for Pre-Overseas Movement Certification.
14 - 19 Jun 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London.

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20 Jun - 28 Jul 96	Deployed operations in the Western Atlantic.
28 - 31 Jul 96	Port visit, Port Canaveral, FL.
31 Jul - 1 Aug 96	Underway enroute to Port Everglades, FL.
1 - 4 Aug 96	Port visit, Port Everglades, FL.
5 - 9 Aug 96	Underway for a Tiger Cruise enroute to Homeport. Guests included:  Christian Klein           Evan Siegrist Shaun Sullivan           Harry J. Lister, SR George Bearden           Arthur Kilian Eric Boyle                Michael Battaglio Floy Adams               Ed Cullen Roger Drechsel           Michael Hornak Joseph Taliaferro        Shawn Blanc Charlie Tompkins         Herbert Stuhlman Charles Durbin           DR. John Henderson Bernard Connors         Antoine Busier Kyle Fuqua
9 - 26 Aug 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London for upkeep and installation of the CCS MK2 Block 1A/B Fire Control System.
27 Aug - 15 Sep 96	Scheduled Preservation Upkeep Effort (SPRUCE).
15 Sep -25 Oct 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London.
26 Oct - 1 Nov 96	Underway for Sea Trials and Type Training in local operating areas.
2 - 11 Nov 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London.
12 - 15 Nov 96	Underway for Type Training in local operating areas.
16 Nov - 1 Dec 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London.
22 Nov 96	Hosted VIP luncheon for the Honorable Strom Thurmond, U.S. Senator, South Carolina. Other distinguished guests included:

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Steve Saulnier	Staff, Senate Armed Services Committee
George Lauffer	Staff, Senate Armed Services Committee
RADM Norbert Ryan	Navy Chief of Legislative Affairs
RADM Edmund Giambastiani	Director, Submarine Warfare Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations.
CAPT Randy Zeller	Navy Office of Legislative Affairs.
2 - 11 Dec 96	Underway for Type Training in local operating areas.
12 - 17 Dec 96	In Port Submarine Base, New London.
18 - 31 Dec 96	In drydock (USS SHIPPINGPORT (ARDM-4)) for VLS tube penetrator cable and bow planes repairs.
20 - 31 Dec 96	Holiday standdown period.

4. Narrative. Upon completion of a deployment to the Western Atlantic in January, ALEXANDRIA received the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon and Arctic Service Ribbon. Several upkeep periods were accomplished in 1996, including a Pre-Overseas Movement (POM) upkeep preparing for an emergent deployment to the Western Atlantic. Those receiving the post-deployment debrief of the summer deployment by the Commanding Officer were: Deputy Director, National Security Agency; Director and Deputy Director, Office of Naval Intelligence; Chief of Naval Operations (N21 and N87); Deputy, CINCLANTFLT; and COMSUBLANT.

ALEXANDRIA received the following awards from Submarine Development Squadron TWELVE for the period 1996: The Tactical "T" for tactical warfare excellence, the Navigation "N" for excellence in Navigation, and the Engineering "E" for engineering excellence.

5. Supporting Documentation:

Supporting documentation is included as enclosure (1).

  
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