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From: Commanding Officer, USS ANNAPOLIS (SSN 760)

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Subj: USS ANNAPOLIS (SSN 760) COMMAND HISTORY

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Encl: (1) USS ANNAPOLIS (SSN 760) Command History for January  
to December 1996

1. Enclosure (1) is submitted in accordance with reference (a).

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## I. Command Composition and Organization.

A. Mission: USS ANNAPOLIS (SSN 760) is the latest in fast attack nuclear submarine technology, capable of deploying immediately anywhere in the world. Her endurance allows her to remain on station for long periods of time providing the joint task force commander with:

- \* Early, accurate knowledge of the battlefield on which power may be projected from sea.
- \* Covert striking power against critical targets ashore.
- \* The capability to establish an expeditionary force on land.
- \* The maritime strength to destroy an enemy's naval forces and to interdict his seaborne commerce.

USS ANNAPOLIS (SSN 760) combines the traditional submarine force characteristics of stealth, endurance, mobility, and high readiness for operational tasking. Specific tasking capabilities include the following:

- \* Anti-submarine warfare
- \* Battle Group Operations
- \* Strike Warfare
- \* Anti-surface warfare
- \* Mining
- \* Indication and warning
- \* Surveillance
- \* Sea control
- \* Search and Rescue
- \* Special Forces Operations
- \* Allied Operations

B. ISIC: Commander, Submarine Squadron TWO

C. Commanding Officer: CDR Daniel Farson

D. Homeport: Groton, CT.

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### II. Chronology.

JAN 1996-	Began SRA (throughout quarter)
APR 1996	Ship given EHF capability
05 APR 1996	Change of Command (CDR Farson relieved CDR Chapman)
01 MAY 1996-	FLEET EX (CJFLTEX-96)
12 MAY 1996	
13 MAY 1996-	Unscheduled Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination
15 MAY 1996	
16 MAY 1996-	UPKEEP
14 JUN 1996	(22 MAY - 28 MAY) Fleet Week, New York City
17 JUN 1996-	MIDSHIPMAN Operations (Norfolk)
20 JUN 1996	
02 JUL 1996-	Port Visit to Roosevelt Roads, PR
05 JUL 1996	
05 JUL 1996-	ASW Exercise Support Index 96-2 (AFWTF)
08 JUL 1996	
13 JUL 1996-	NAVSEA SEOC Acoustic Trial (Exuma Sound)
15 JUL 1996	
17 JUL 1996-	Port Visit in Port Canaveral, FL
22 JUL 1996	
29 JUL 1996-	Upkeep in Groton, CT
27 SEP 1996	
27 SEP 1996	VIP Cruise
30 SEP 1996-	VIP Transit to Annapolis, MD
02 OCT 1996	
02 OCT 1996-	Port Visit in Annapolis, MD
07 OCT 1996	
10 OCT 1996-	Drydock in King's Bay, GA
09 NOV 1996	

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12 NOV 1996- Moored Groton, CT

18 NOV 1996- INSURV Inspection  
21 NOV 1996

19 NOV 1996- Underway for Material Inspection conducted by the  
20 NOV 1996 Board of Inspection and Survey

06 DEC 1996- Underway for operational evaluation of Baseband  
19 DEC 1996 Switch System and Tactical Development Exercise  
for CSDS-12

21 DEC 1996- Christmas and New Year's Stand-Down  
05 JAN 1997

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### III. Narrative.

Starting in January of 1996, the crew of the ANNAPOLIS conducted an extensive Selected Restricted Availability (SRA). Several major weapon system improvements were installed and the entire ship was painted while in the SHIPPINGPORT (ARDM 4) Floating Drydock.

The Supply Department conducted its first Integrated Logistics Review (ILR) from January through March 1996. The ILR reduced the ship's Hull, Mechanical and Electrical (HM&E) stock inventory by approximately thirty percent.

At the end of April, ANNAPOLIS completed SRA and sea trials, and in May of 1996 ANNAPOLIS participated in CJFLTEX-96 in support of the deploying Enterprise Battle Group. Upon return from this exercise, ANNAPOLIS completed an unscheduled Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE).

In May and June of 1996 ANNAPOLIS went through an upkeep period while also sending crew members to New York City to participate in the city's Fleet Week festivities. In June, ANNAPOLIS conducted midshipmen operations out of Norfolk, Virginia. During these operations, ANNAPOLIS (including crew members) was noted as an outstanding representative of the Submarine Force.

During July, ANNAPOLIS got underway for Index 96-2 followed by acoustic trials in Exuma Sound. After a port visit in Port Canaveral, Florida, ANNAPOLIS returned to Groton at the end of July for an extensive upkeep. This upkeep, lasting the months of August and September, included the installation of the communications baseband switch system, the first one of its type installed on a submarine.

At the end of September, ANNAPOLIS got underway for a VIP Cruise and, after a small boat transfer, conducted independent steaming exercises. After picking up more VIPs at the end of September, ANNAPOLIS made a transit to Annapolis, Maryland to visit the United States Naval Academy for Homecoming weekend.

ANNAPOLIS left Maryland in early October to transit to King's Bay, Georgia for a maintenance drydocking to support the scheduled Mediterranean deployment in the Fall of 1997. After a

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month in Georgia, ANNAPOLIS returned to Groton to undergo an Underway Material Inspection conducted by the Board of Inspection and Survey.

In December, ANNAPOLIS conducted two weeks of local at sea operations in support of another submarine's training exercise as well as to conduct vital at sea crew training. Following the December underway, ANNAPOLIS returned to Groton, CT for a two week holiday standdown period.