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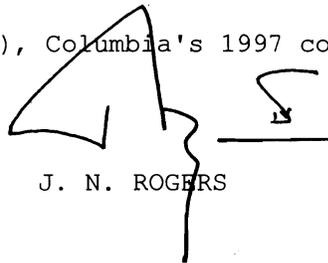
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From: Commanding Officer, USS COLUMBIA (SSN 771)
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Subj: USS COLUMBIA (SSN 771) COMMAND HISTORY - 1997 (U)
Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12E
Encl: (1) Command History
(2) Biography of Commanding Officer
(3) Picture of Commanding Officer

1. In accordance with reference (a), Columbia's 1997 command history is submitted.


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USS COLUMBIA Command History - 1997 (U)

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I. COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION (U)

(U) USS COLUMBIA (SSN 771) is an improved Los Angeles (SSN 688) class fast attack nuclear submarine. USS COLUMBIA was assigned to the Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet (CTF 14) with Commander, Submarine Squadron ONE as ISIC. On July 16, 1997, USS COLUMBIA transferred to the newly reactivated Submarine Squadron THREE.

(U) CDR D. R. Govan, USN, was the Commanding Officer from 1 Jan 97 to 4 Mar 97.

(U) CDR J. N. Rogers, USN, was the Commanding Officer from 4 Mar 97 to 31 Dec 97.

II. CHRONOLOGY FOR 1997 (U)

- (U) 1-8 Jan Holiday standdown Pearl Harbor HI.
- (C) 8 Jan Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs. Returned to port due to a seawater leak from depth gauges in the ship's control panel.
- (U) 8-13 Jan Inport Pearl Harbor for repairs to the ship's control panel.
- (C) 13-16 Jan Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs. Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet was embarked.
- (U) 17-21 Jan Anchored off Lahaina, Maui, HI.
- (C) 21 Jan Dependent's Cruise back to Pearl Harbor.
- (U) 21 Jan-24 Feb Conducted IMA upkeep Pearl Harbor.
- (C) 24-26 Feb Underway for sea trials in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.
- (U) 26 Feb-18 Mar Inport for ship's force upkeep. Made preparations for change of command.
- (U) 4 Mar CDR J. N. Rogers, relieved CDR D. R. Govan, as Commanding Officer USS COLUMBIA.
- (C) 18-24 Mar Underway for Tactical Weapons Certification workup in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.
- (C) 24-31 Mar Conducted Phase III training for Tactical Warfare Certification.
- (C) 31 Mar-5 Apr Commander, Submarine Squadron ONE conducted a Tactical Warfare Certification at Barking Sands Underwater Acoustic Range.
- (U) 5-7 Apr Inport Pearl Harbor.
- (C) 7-11 Apr Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.
- (U) 11-14 Apr Inport Pearl Harbor.
- (C) 14-25 Apr Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.
- (U) 25-28 Apr Inport Pearl Harbor.

(C) 28 Apr-14 Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs,
May conducting engineering evolutions to prepare for
Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination.

(C) 13-14 May Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE) conducted
by the Pacific Fleet Nuclear Propulsion Examining Board
(NPEB) resulted in a grade of Below Average.

(U) 14 May-23 Inport Pearl Harbor to conduct IMA Upkeep.
Jun

(C) 23-27 Jun Underway for sea trials in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.

(U) 27-29 Jun Inport Pearl Harbor.

(U) 29 Jun-1 Jul Inport Pearl Harbor to conduct deperming operations.

(U) 1-7 Jul Inport Pearl Harbor for ship's force upkeep.

(C) 7-9 Jul Underway for type training in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.

(U) 9-11 Jul Inport Pearl Harbor.

(U) 11-28 Jul Drydocked in the COMPETENT to repair sonar dome.

(C) 29 Jul- 7 Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.
Aug

(U) 7-11 Aug Inport Pearl Harbor.

(C) 11-20 Aug Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.

(U) 20-25 Aug Inport Pearl Harbor.

(C) 25 Aug- 5 Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs for
Sep Tactical Readiness Evaluation workup.

(C) 2-5 Sep Tactical Readiness Evaluation (TRE) conducted by Commander,
Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet (TRE) team resulted in a
grade of Average.

(U) 5-7 Sep Inport Pearl Harbor.

(C) 8-12 Sep Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.

(U) 12 Sep-12 Inport Pearl Harbor to conduct EHF install and IMA upkeep.
Nov

(C) 13 Nov-14 Underway Local Hawaiian OPAREAS, conducting sea trials.
Nov

(U) 14 Nov- 16 Inport Pearl Harbor.
Nov

(C) 17 Nov- 21 Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.
Nov

(U) 21 Nov-24 Inport Pearl Harbor.
Nov

24 Nov- 26 Nov Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAs.

(U) 27 Nov- 01 Inport Pearl Harbor.
Dec

- (C) 01 Dec- 17
Dec Underway for operations in the Local Hawaiian OPAREAS, conducting engineering evolutions to prepare for Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination.
- (C) 18 Dec- 19
Dec Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE) conducted by the Pacific Fleet Nuclear Propulsion Examining Board (NPEB) resulted in a grade of Above Average.
- (C) 19 Dec- 31
Dec Holiday standdown Pearl Harbor.

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