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From: Commanding Officer, USS HAMPTON (SSN 767)
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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY (OPNAV 5750-1)

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12H

Encl: (1) Chronological history
(2) Commanding Officer's Biography
(3) Welcome Aboard Pamphlet

1. Per reference (a), enclosures (1) through (3) are submitted.
The following information is provided:

a. Command short title: USS HAMPTON

b. Unit Identification Code: 21764

c. HAMPTON is capable of launching torpedoes, cruise missiles and mines. HAMPTON is capable of defeating enemy naval forces alone or in battle group operations, laying mines off enemy ports, providing covert intelligence, supporting special operations and conducting cruise missile strikes on targets ashore. Surpassing the underwater capability of any class ship before her, HAMPTON's communications, navigation, propulsion and computerized weapons systems are of the most advanced design. When coupled with the talents of a well-trained crew, HAMPTON provides a capability of significant proportions to our national defense.

d. Immediate Senior Command: Commander, Submarine Squadron EIGHT

e. Name of Commander: Commander Robert P. Burke, United States Navy

f. Permanent Duty Station: USS HAMPTON (SSN 767), Norfolk, Virginia

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2. Narrative

USS HAMPTON (SSN 767) conducted voyage repairs during the first part of January following deployment to the Mediterranean Sea during the previous year. HAMPTON was underway during the last week of the month in support of a Chief of Naval Operations special project in the local operating areas.

During February HAMPTON conducted preparations for an emergent surge deployment to the Arctic Ocean, to include a surfacing at the North Pole. The Pre-overseas Movement Certification was completed by the first week of March and final voyage repairs were completed to support underway on the 31st.

The HAMPTON completed the transit to the North Pole by mid-April and conducted a rendezvous with HMS TIRELESS to support a Commander, Submarine Development Squadron TWELVE tactical exercise. This exercise culminated in a joint surfacing and afforded the crew an opportunity to explore the North Pole area.

Following a short transit to Plymouth, UK, the crew was given the opportunity to enjoy a brief port visit before transiting back to Norfolk, VA.

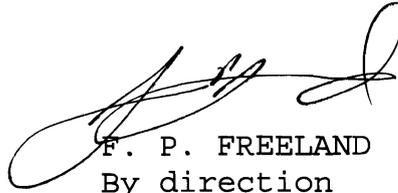
A short upkeep period commenced upon return to homeport, until HAMPTON was called upon to support the USS HARRY S. TRUMAN Carrier Battle Group deployment certification. Following completion of this operation, HAMPTON returned to homeport for a scheduled training and maintenance period, and hosted the Change of Command for Commander, Submarine Squadron EIGHT.

HAMPTON's final underway period for 2004 was conducted to support a Basic Submarine Assessment in the local operating areas along with a Tactical Weapons Proficiency exercise on the AUTEAC acoustic range, and support of NATO anti-submarine warfare exercises.

During the remainder of the year, HAMPTON conducted operations in support of the ship's upcoming Depot Modernization Period, including a FAST START upkeep period for most of October through December. During that time frame, HAMPTON was honored to host the Change of Command Ceremony for Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, and the retirement ceremony for the Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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In recognition of the ship's exceptional performance, HAMPTON was awarded the Submarine Squadron EIGHT Battle Efficiency "E", Tactical "T", Medical "M" and Engineering "E" for 2004.



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Chronological History

January

- 1 - 19 January In Port (Norfolk, VA)
- 20 - 26 January Underway - local operations
- 26 - 31 January In Port (Norfolk, VA)

February

- 1 - 25 February In Port (Norfolk, VA)
- 26 - 29 February Underway - Pre-overseas Movement Cert

March

- 1 - 6 March Underway - Pre-overseas Movement Cert
- 7 - 12 March In Port (Yorktown, VA)
- 12 March Underway - berth shift to Norfolk, VA
- 12 - 30 March In Port (Norfolk, VA)

April

- 1 - 19 April Underway - Arctic Deployment
- 19 April In Port (North Pole)
- 20 - 27 April Underway - transit to UK
- 28 - 30 April In Port (Plymouth, UK)

May

- 1 - 6 May In Port (Plymouth, UK)
- 7 - 18 May Underway - transit to Norfolk, VA
- 19 - 31 May In port (Norfolk, VA)

June

- 1 - 9 June In port (Norfolk, VA)
- 10 - 21 June Underway - USS HARRY S. TRUMAN deployment Cert
- 22 - 30 June In Port (Norfolk, VA)

July

- 1 - 31 July In Port (Norfolk, VA)

August

- 1 - 3 August In Port (Norfolk, VA)
- 4 - 16 August Underway - pre-availability testing
- 17 - 31 August In Port (Norfolk, VA)

September

- 1 - 30 September Underway - Basic Submarine Assessment

October

- 1 - 8 October Underway - Tactical Weapons Proficiency
- 9 - 31 October In Port (Norfolk, VA)

November

- 1 - 31 November In Port (Norfolk, VA)

December

- 1 - 31 December In Port (Norfolk, VA)