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COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

MISSION: To operate with aircraft carrier battle groups in extreme threat environments, providing primary anti-air protection for the Fleet. To detect, classify, and track hundreds of potential targets simultaneously in the air, on the surface, and under the sea. To destroy hostile targets using a variety of weapons: surface-to-air and surface-to-surface missiles, ship and air-launched torpedoes and deck guns, rapid fire close-in-weapons, and electronic jammers and decoys.

ISIC: Commander, Carrier Group Eight

COMMANDING OFFICER:

23 APR 93 - 10 MAR 95: CAPT Paul X. Rinn, USN,
10 MAR 95 - 31 DEC 95: CAPT Coleman A. Landers,

**USS LEYTE GULF (CG 55)
CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS
FOR 1995**

LEYTE GULF started 1995 enroute to Mayport, FL from six month deployment to the Persian Gulf.

- 1 JAN 1995 - Translant crossing enroute Mayport from deployment.
- 9 JAN 1995 - Arrive Mayport. Begin stand down/IMAV/UPK.
- 5 FEB 1995 - UE 95 Phase II.
- 6 FEB 1995 - LMA assist.
- 10 FEB 1995 - End stand down/LMA assist.
- 11 FEB 1995 - End UE Phase II.
- 13 FEB 1995 - COMCRUDESGRU 12 Change of Command onboard LEYTE GULF.
- 20 FEB 1995 - End IMAV/UPK.
- 21 FEB 1995 - Departed Mayport enroute Port Everglades. Commence ETG assist, gunnery svcs with lear.
- 23 FEB 1995 - End ETG assist.
- 24 FEB 1995 - Arrived Port Everglades.
- 27 FEB 1995 - Embark Tigers. Depart Port Everglades enroute Mayport. Tiger Cruise.
- 28 FEB 1995 - Arrived Mayport.
- 6 MAR 1995 - Commence Sonobouy Plot Team Trainer.
- 10 MAR 1995 - Change of Command: CAPT Rinn relieved by CAPT Landers. End Sonobuoy Plot Team Trainer.
- 13 MAR 1995 - Commence IMAV/UPKEEP.
- 27 MAR 1995 - Commence 14A12 Team Trainer.
- 31 MAR 1995 - End 14A12 Team Trainer.
- 3 APR 1995 - Commence LMA Inspection/NAVSEA Incline Experiment.

7 APR 1995 - End LMA Inspection/NAVSEA Incline Experiment.
 10 APR 1995 - Departed Mayport enroute Miami. Commence ETG Visit and UE 95 Phase II.
 13 APR 1995 - End ETG Visit.
 14 APR 1995 - Arrived Miami. Host ship's reception.
 15 APR 1995 - Ship's picnic.
 18 APR 1995 - USACOM reception.
 19 APR 1995 - Departed Miami enroute Charleston Weapon Station.
 21 APR 1995 - Arrived Charleston, SC.
 23 APR 1995 - End UE 95 Phase II.
 24 APR 1995 - Commence offload.
 25 APR 1995 - End offload.
 26 APR 1995 - Departed Charleston enroute Mayport.
 27 APR 1995 - Arrived Mayport.
 1 MAY 1995 - Commence Safety Stand Down. CMS ASSIST.
 2 MAY 1995 - Safety Survey. End Safety Stand Down.
 8 MAY 1995 - Commence IMAV.
 15 MAY 1995 - Commence Preavailability Flight Deck Assist.
 19 MAY 1995 - End Preavailability Flight Deck Assist.
 29 MAY 1995 - End IMAV.
 30 MAY 1995 - Departed Mayport enroute JAX OPAREA. Commence engineering evolutions and NAVCERT Rehearsal.
 31 MAY 1995 - End NAVCERT Rehearsal.
 2 JUN 1995 - End engineering evolutions. Arrived Mayport.
 5 JUN 1995 - Commence hull cleaning, IMAV and Surface Warfare Training Week.
 9 JUN 1995 - End hull cleaning and Surface Warfare Training Week.

- 15 JUN 1995 - Departed Mayport enroute JAX OPAREA for OPPE rehearsal. Arrived Mayport.
- 16 JUN 1995 - End IMAV.
- 19 JUN 1995 - Embark Guests of the Navy and Boy Scouts.
- 20 JUN 1995 - Departed Mayport enroute JAX OPAREA for DLQ, OPPE rehearsal and WASEX.
- 21 JUN 1995 - Night Illum, Tail and Nixie Ops.
- 22 JUN 1995 - Arrived Mayport.
- 23 JUN 1995 - USS LETYE GULF Surface Warfare Training Week Holiday.
- 26 JUN 1995 - Engineering Material/Admin Review.
- 29 JUN 1995 - IMAV tape turned in.
- 30 JUN 1995 - Departed Mayport enroute CDOPS. Conducted NAVCERT.
- 1 JUL 1995 - Commence week one work ups.
- 3 JUL 1995 - Arrived/Departed Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico (BSF). End week one work ups.
- 5 JUL 1995 - Commence CDOPS. Relieve USS KIDD on station.
- 11 JUL 1995 - Arrived/Departed Cartagena, Columbia (BSF).
- 18 JUL 1995 - Relieved by USS CAPE ST. GEORGE. End CDOPS.
- 19 JUL 1995 - Enroute Tampa.
- 21 JUL 1995 - Arrived Tampa.
- 22 JUL 1995 - Commence CENTCOM Staff training.
- 25 JUL 1995 - End CENTCOM Staff training.
- 26 JUL 1995 - Departed Tampa enroute Mayport.
- 31 JUL 1995 - Arrived Mayport.
- 1 AUG 1995 - Commence IMAV for OPPE. Departed Mayport for Hurricane Erin evasion.
- 3 AUG 1995 - Arrived Mayport.

8 AUG 1995 - Underway: JAX OPAREA for OPPE preps. Inport
 Mayport.

9 AUG 1995 - End IMAV for OPPE.

10 AUG 1995 - Departed Mayport enroute JAX OPAREA. Commence
 OPPE.

12 AUG 1995 - End OPPE.

13 AUG 1995 - Arrived/Departed Mayport enroute Charleston, SC.

14 AUG 1995 - Arrived Charleston, SC. Commence offload.

17 AUG 1995 - End offload. Departed Charleston enroute
 Mayport.

18 AUG 1995 - Arrived Mayport.

21 AUG 1995 - Commence ASRR and IMAV.

25 AUG 1995 - End ASRR.

28 AUG 1995 - Commence repair locker upgrade.

1 SEP 1995 - Assigned to TRBATGRU.

15 SEP 1995 - End repair locker upgrade.

19 SEP 1995 - End IMAV.

20 SEP 1995 - Departed Mayport enroute Norfolk, VA.

22 SEP 1995 - Arrived Norfolk, Va.

23 SEP 1995 - Commence DRAV.

28 SEP 1995 - Dock in USS SUSTAIN.

11 OCT 1995 - Commence Surface EW Symposium.

13 OCT 1995 - End Surface EW Symposium.

16 OCT 1995 - Commence SNAP III Tech Assist.

18 OCT 1995 - End SNAP III Tech Assist.

24 OCT 1995 - Commence small arms qualification.

26 OCT 1995 - End small arms qualification.

13 NOV 1995 - Undock from USS SUSTAIN. Moor pier 03. End
 DRAV.

- 17 NOV 1995 - Embark Guest of the Navy and NJROTC. Departed Norfolk enroute Mayport.
- 19 NOV 1995 - Arrived Mayport. Disembark Guest of the Navy and NJROTC.
- 22 NOV 1995 - Commence SRA.
- 28 NOV 1995 - Engineering Readiness Process Brief.
- 29 NOV 1995 - Commence SRA Safety Briefs.
- 30 NOV 1995 - End SRA Safety Briefs.
- 4 DEC 1995 - Commence CSTT Informal and ETG Industrial assist.
- 8 DEC 1995 - End CSTT Informal/ETG Industrial assist.
- 10 DEC 1995 - Commence Over the Counter Instass.
- 15 DEC 1995 - Commence Holiday Leave and Upkeep.
- 16 DEC 1995 - End Over the Counter Instass.
- 20 DEC 1995 - SRA progress meeting.
- 21 DEC 1995 - Engineering progress meeting.