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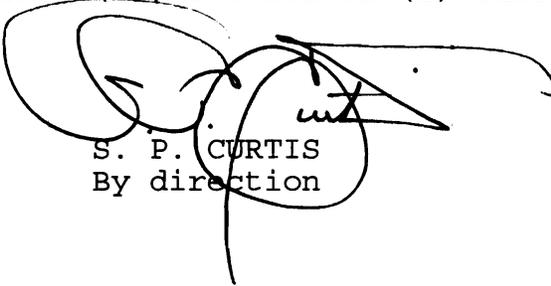
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Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12E

Encl: (1) Command Organization  
(2) Chronology  
(3) Narrative of Significant Events  
(4) Supporting Documents

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1) through (4) are submitted.



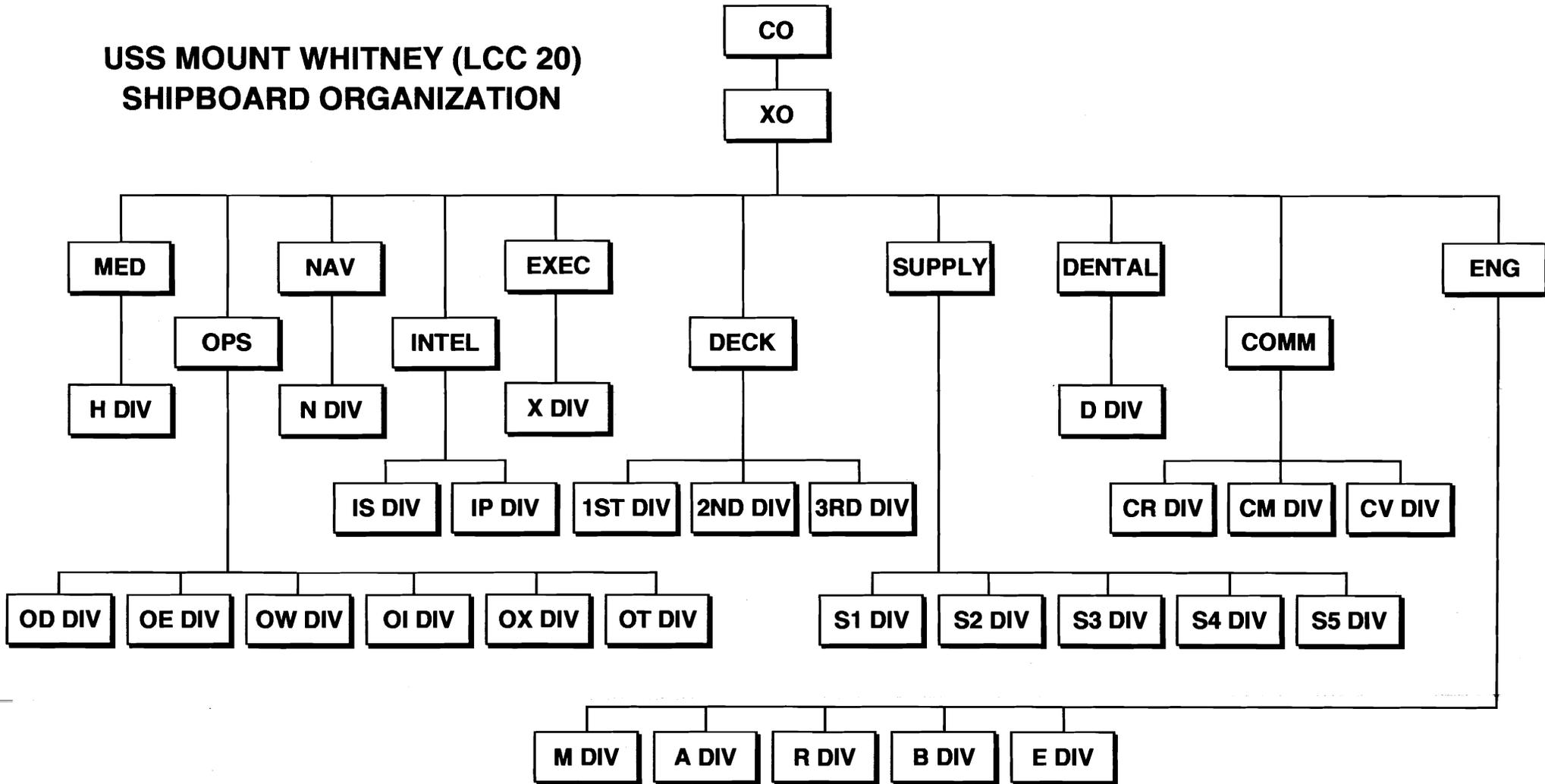
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I. COMMAND COMPOSITION/ORGANIZATION

- A. MISSION: ASSIGNED MISSION OF MOUNT WHITNEY IS TO SERVE AS AN INTEGRATED COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATIONS, COMPUTERS, AND INTELLIGENCE (C4I) JOINT TASK FORCE (CJTF) COMMAND SHIP CAPABLE OF SUPPORTING CJTF STAFF INCLUDING:
- JOINT OPERATIONS CENTER
  - JOINT INTELLIGENCE CENTER
  - NATIONAL AGENCY SUPPORT TEAMS
  - JOINT TARGETING CONTROL BOARD (JTCB)
  - JOINT FORCES FIRE COORDINATOR (JFFC)
  - JOINT FORCES AIR COMPONENT COMMANDER (JFACC)
  - JOINT RESCUE CONTROL CENTER (JRCC)
  - TAILORED SERVICE COMPONENT COMMANDER STAFFS
- B. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE: SEE ATTACHED
- C. COMMANDING OFFICER: CAPTAIN MALCOLM P. BRANCH
- D. PERMANENT DUTY STATION: NORFOLK, VA.
- E. TYPE AND NUMBER OF ACFT ASSIGNED: SH-3 "SEA KING," ONE
- F. LIST OF SHIP'S OFFICERS: SEE ATTACHED

# USS MOUNT WHITNEY (LCC 20) SHIPBOARD ORGANIZATION



**LIST OF SHIP'S COMPANY OFFICERS**

CAPT	MALCOLM	BRANCH	COMMANDING OFFICER
CDR	PAT	CURTIS	EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CDR	WILLIAM	MIDGETTE	OPERATIONS OFFICER
CDR	DANIEL	OTTAVIANO	CHAPLAIN
LCDR	MELVIN	BARBEE	STRIKE OPS
LCDR	EDWARD	BREWSTER	ELECTRONIC MATERIAL OFFICER
LCDR	ROGER	DOWE	ENGINEER OFFICER
LCDR	MILTON	O'BRYANT	STRIKE WARFARE
LCDR	PHILIP	RINAUDO	DENTAL OFFICER
LCDR	DONALD	WARE	COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER
LCDR	KEVIN	WHEELLOCK	SUPPLY OFFICER
LCDR	CHRIS	WOODRUFF	INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
LT	BRUCE	APGAR	NAVIGATION OFFICER
LT	CLIFFORD	BRUINSMA	SUPPLY
LT	CRAIG	CREIGHTON	1ST LIEUTENANT
LT	GARY	DUSSEAULT	DECK
LT	ROBERT	FOOR	OPERATIONS
LT	MILTON	FRAZIER	ASSISTANT SUPPLY OFFICER
LT	RICHARD	GURDAK	OPERATIONS
LT	WILLIAM	HAIGES	COMMUNICATIONS
LT	GLENN	HUNSBERGER	OPERATIONS
LT	WON	KIM	INTEL
LT	RANDY	SHOCKEY	ADMIN OFFICER
LT	MITCH	STASHOWER	MEDICAL OFFICER
LT	BYRON	TRACY	OPERATIONS
LT	KATHLEEN	WARD	ASSISTANT INTEL OFFICER
LTJG	DAVID	ELLISON	DECK
LTJG	CHRIS	EVANS	ENGINEERING
LTJG	DAVID	GARD	ENGINEERING
LTJG	MARK	GOODRICH	SUPPLY
LTJG	ARTHUR	REQUINA	COMMUNICATIONS
LTJG	THAD	SHERCK	INTEL
LTJG	MICHAEL	ZUNA	ENGINEERING
ENS	CREIGHTON	ARMSTRONG	SUPPLY
ENS	DANIEL	EVANS	OPERATIONS
ENS	DARRYL	HOWELL	COMMUNICATIONS
ENS	GREGORY	JEFFERY	DECK
ENS	GARDNER	SMITH	OPERATIONS
ENS	DARYL	WHEELER	OPERATIONS
CWO4	KURT	KRUMREICH	ENGINEERING
CWO4	RICHARD	THOMAS	COMMUNICATIONS
CWO3	CUYLER	HEATH	ENGINEERING
CWO3	THOMAS	WELLS	OPERATIONS
CWO2	GORDON	CHRISTENSEN	PHOTO OFFICER
CWO2	TIMOTHY	SLAGLE	SECURITY OFFICER

## II. CHRONOLOGY JAN 93-JAN 94

### JAN 93

1-4 DEPOT MAINTENANCE AVAILABILITY (DPMA)  
10 AVIATION CERTIFICATION (AVCERT)  
AVIATION READINESS EVALUATION (ARE)  
12-14 FAST CRUISE/TYPE TRAINING (TYT) VCOA  
15 MARITIME WARFARE AWARD  
TYPE COMMANDER'S COMMAND AND CONTROL AWARD  
15-26 **SPECIAL PURPOSE MARINE AIR-GROUND TASK FORCE**  
**(SPMAGTF): T. ROOSEVELT CVBG**

### FEB 93

2-10 **FLEET EXERCISE 2-93: T. ROOSEVELT CVBG**  
OFFICIAL VISIT: NORWEGIAN ADM KJELDSSEN  
12-15 TRANSIT TO GTMO  
13 FEB-3 MAY **TIMEPLEX INSTALLATION AND OTHER MAJOR**  
**COMMUNICATIONS UPGRADES**  
16-25 LIMITED TEAM TRAINING (LTT)  
28 FEB-3 MAR PVST NASSAU, BAHAMAS

### MAR 93

4-8 ENGINEERING TRAINING GROUP (ETG) VISIT/ TRANSIT TO  
NORFOLK  
5 PPD IMMUNIZATION  
15-19 COMBAT SYSTEMS TRAINING TEAM (CSST) ASST VISIT  
SHIPBOARD ELEVATOR IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ASST  
VISIT  
23-24 MEDICAL READINESS INSPECTION (MRI) ASST VISIT  
29 MAR-2 APR LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT ASSESSMENT (LMA)  
30 PNH BLOOD DRIVE

### APR 93

5 OFFICIAL VISIT: ARGENTINE CNO, ALLIED COMMAND  
CHANNEL  
12 OFFICIAL VISIT: BRAZILIAN CHIEF OF THE NAVAL  
STAFF, ADM MAUZ (CINCLANTFLT)  
13 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM CEBROWSKI (CCG-6), RADM  
WRIGHT (P-CCDG-12), RADM ALLEN (CCG-4), RADM  
GEHMAN JR. (CCDG-8), AND RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2)  
15 OFFICIAL VISIT: NAVAL & MARINE CORPS RESERVE  
READINESS CTR  
20 OFFICIAL VISIT: CAPT GOSS (NAVY MATERIAL  
MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS OFFICE)

29 OFFICIAL VISIT: VICE COMMANDER, AIR COMBAT  
COMMAND AND STAFF  
30 OFFICIAL VISIT: MGEN RECORD  
VIDEO TRAINING EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION IN CREW  
TRAINING ROOM COMPLETED

MAY 93

4-21 **OCEAN VENTURE '93**  
OFFICIAL VISIT: U.S. AMBASSADOR TO EL SALVADOR,  
ADM MAUZ (CINCLANTFLT), AIR COMMODORE ROYAL AIR  
FORCE, RADM ALLEN (CCG-4), RADM PICOTTE (CPG-  
2), TWO MARINE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, 18TH  
AIRBORNE CORPS SURGEON, 18TH AIRBORNE CORPS  
ARTILLERY, LGEN FRENCH ARMY, MGEN US ARMY.  
24-28 AUXILIARY SYSTEMS READINESS REVIEW (ASRR) ASST  
VISIT  
COMBAT SYSTEMS READINESS REVIEW (CSRR), PHASE I/II  
ASST VISIT  
26 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM NELSON (FLEET SURGEON),  
NAVAL FORCES NORTH NORWAY, COMTRALANT  
28 EXPLOSIVE SAFETY REVIEW ASST VISIT  
MAGAZINE SPRINKLER INSP ASST VISIT  
ANTENNA INSP ASST VISIT  
30 MESSAGE DISSEMINATION UTILITY (MDU) INSTALLATION

JUN 93

2 OFFICIAL VISIT: FRENCH NAVY DEPUTY VICE CNO  
7 OFFICIAL VISIT: NAVAL COMPUTER AND  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS AREA MASTER STATION ATLANTIC  
CANFLTOPS 2-93  
8-10 PVST HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA  
10-13 OFFICIAL VISIT: MARITIME FORCE ATLANTIC, CITY OF  
DARTMOUTH, U.S. CONSUL GENERAL NOVA SCOTIA  
25 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2), RADM MAZACH  
(CCG-2)

JUL 93

7-21 **FLEET EXERCISE 3-93: AMERICA CVBG**  
14 WHITE PINNACLE EXERCISE  
23 DEPENDENTS' CRUISE  
30 DERAT CERTIFICATION

AUG 93

9 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM CEBROWSKI (CCG-6)  
17 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2)  
20 UNDERWATER HULL INSP  
JOINT OPERATIONAL TACTICAL SYSTEM (JOTS) TECH ASST  
VISIT  
24 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM NETHERLANDS  
27 TACAN CERT INSP  
27 AUG-15 OCT **SOLID STANCE '93**  
31 ANNUAL POSTAL INSP

SEP 93

6 BRIEF STOP FOR PERSONNEL (BSP) PLYMOUTH, ENGLAND  
13 MASS CASUALTY EX  
17-20 PVST STAVANGER, NORWAY  
20-24 PVST KIEL, GERMANY  
OFFICIAL VISIT: FLOTILLEN ADM ENGELMANN  
(COMMANDER NAVAL AIR DIVISION), FLOTILLEN ADM  
LUESCOW, COMMANDER TERRITORIAL COMMAND  
SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN, CITY OF KIEL, STATE OF  
SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN  
27 SEP-5 OCT PVST COBH, IRELAND  
OFFICIAL VISIT: JEAN K. SMITH (U.S. AMBASSADOR),  
COMMODORE KAVANAUGH (FLAG OFFICER COMMANDING,  
IRISH NAVAL SERVICE), LGEN BERGIN (CHIEF OF  
STAFF, IRISH DEFENSE FORCE)

OCT 93

15-22 HAITI CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS 24-HR STANDBY  
16 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2), RADM GEHMAN  
JR. (CCDG-8)

NOV 93

2-5 TYPE TRAINING (TYT) VCOA  
4 INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATION  
10 SAFETY CENTER ASST VISIT  
12 OFFICIAL VISIT: ADM MAUZ (CINCLANTFLT), ADM VILA  
(SPANISH NAVY), RADM ALLEN (CCG-4)  
15 OFFICIAL VISIT: DEPUTY SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER  
ATLANTIC, RADM WRIGHT (CCDG-12), RADM PICOTTE  
(CPG-2)  
17 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM BOYCE (COMASWSTRIKFOR), RADM  
COADY (P-COMASWSTRIKFOR)  
18 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM DELANEY  
30 TV/VCR INSTALLATION ON ENLISTED DINING FACILITY

DEC 93

7-15

**JTG 1-94: SARATOGA JTG**

OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM BOWMAN, PETER JENNINGS (ABC  
NEWS ANCHOR), RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2)

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OFFICIAL VISIT: NATIONAL DEFENSE COLLEGE  
PRESIDENT, ARMED FORCES STAFF COLLEGE  
COMMANDANT

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PNH BLOOD DRIVE

### III. NARRATIVE

#### **SPMAGTF, VACAPES OPAREA, 15-26 JANUARY 1993**

AS A PRELUDE TO FLEET EXERCISE 2-93, SPMAGTF WAS ORGANIZED TO EXPLOIT COMBAT POWER OF CLOSELY INTEGRATED AIR-GROUND OPERATIONS AT A TACTICAL LEVEL, UNDER THE DIRECTION AND CONTROL OF A SINGLE COMMANDER.

#### **FLEET EXERCISE 2-93, VACAPES OPAREA, 2-10 FEBRUARY 1993**

FLEET EXERCISE 2-93 WAS A JOINT EFFORT INVOLVING APPROX 50 NAVAL, AIR FORCE, ARMY, AND MARINE UNITS. THE EXERCISE CONSISTED OF A STRIKE AND AIR SUPERIORITY PHASE, AN AMPHIBIOUS REHEARSAL PHASE, AND AN AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT PHASE. THIS EXERCISE FEATURED THE FIRST TRULY INTERACTIVE JFACC AFLOAT, FIRST USE OF CONTINGENCY TACTICAL AIR CONTROL AUTOMATED PLANNING SYSTEM (CTAPS) AFLOAT, AND FIRST USE OF PLAIN OLD TELEPHONE SYSTEM (POTS) PHONES. RADM PILLING (CCDG-12) EMBARKED AS DEPUTY CJTF.

#### **TIMEPLEX INSTALLATION AND OTHER MAJOR COMMUNICATIONS UPGRADES, 13 FEBRUARY-3 MAY 1993**

THE SHIP'S COMMUNICATION SUITE WAS UPGRADED TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING MODIFICATIONS: TIMEPLEX, A COMPUTER MANAGED COMMUNICATION NETWORK MAINTAINING MULTIPLE DATA LINKS AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM; GTE COMMERCIAL SATCOMM (756 Kbps) SYSTEM TO SUPPORT TIMEPLEX CONNECTIVITY TO SHORE-BASED NODES; NEWBRIDGE MODEM TO PROVIDE A 1.28 MBPS LANDLINE DATA LINK PATH FOR TIMEPLEX WHILE INPORT; WSC-6 SHF SATCOMM SYSTEM UPGRADE TO INCLUDE A FREQUENCY DIVISION MULTIPLE ACCESS (FDMA) 256 Kbps DATA LINK; AND BULK ENCRYPTION DEVICES TO PROVIDE SECURE COMMUNICATIONS FOR TIMEPLEX DATA LINKS AND VIDEO TELE-CONFERENCING (VTC).

WITH THE ADDITION OF TIMEPLEX, THE FOLLOWING, UNIQUE COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS BECAME POSSIBLE: CNO VTC, JOINT WORLDWIDE INFORMATION COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (JWICS), JOINT DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT SERVICE (JDISS), TACTICAL ENVIRONMENTAL SUPPORT SYSTEM (TESS), VARIOUS SECURE TELEPHONE (STEL) AND GROUND MOBILE FORCES (GMF) PHONE LINES.

HIGH SPEED FLEET BROADCAST AND VERSA MODULE EUROCARD (VME) INTEGRATED COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (VICS) UHF SATCOMM WAS INSTALLED FOR TEST AND OPERATIONAL EVALUATION.

**OCEAN VENTURE '93, PUERTO RICAN OPAREA, 4 - 21 MAY, 1993**

MOUNT WHITNEY SERVED AS THE FLAGSHIP FOR FOUR EMBARKED COMMANDERS DURING THIS EXERCISE. VADM FLANAGAN (C2F) SERVED AS CJTF 140, WITH MGEN SCHOLES, (DEPUTY COMMANDER 18TH AIRBORNE CORPS) AS DEPUTY CJTF 140. RADM CEBROWSKI (CCG-6) SERVED AS JFACC WHILE RADM PILLING (CCDG-12) PERFORMED AS NAVAL COMPONENT COMMANDER, CTF 145. JFACC, JTCB, JFFC, AND JRCC ORGANIZATIONS WERE STOOD UP WHILE TESTING A COMBINED C4I CONCEPT. ALL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM UPGRADES WERE EXERCISED WITH GREAT SUCCESS. TWO-WAY DIALOGUE WITH ADM MILLER (CINCLANT) VIA VIDEO TELE-CONFERENCE WAS SUCCESSFUL.

**FLEET EXERCISE 3-93, VACAPES OPAREA, 7 - 21 JULY 1993**

FLEET EXERCISE 3-93 WAS A MULTI-NATIONAL EFFORT INVOLVING APPROXIMATELY 40 JOINT AND COMBINED UNITS FROM THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA. THE EXERCISE WAS COMPOSED OF A STRIKE PHASE, AN AMPHIBIOUS REHEARSAL PHASE, AND AN AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT PHASE. JFACC AND JOINT COMMAND ORGANIZATIONS UNDERWENT EXTENSIVE MODIFICATION DUE TO LESSONS LEARNED FROM EXERCISE OCEAN VENTURE '93.

**SOLID STANCE '93, NORTH ATLANTIC, 27 AUGUST - 15 OCTOBER 1994**

EXERCISE SOLID STANCE '93 WAS CONDUCTED TO IMPROVE READINESS AND EFFECTIVENESS OF NATO FORCES AT CONDUCTING SEA AND AIR OPERATIONS IN THE NORWEGIAN SEA IN SUPPORT OF ALLIED OPERATIONS. COMSTRKFLTLANT CONDUCTED ITS FIRST TRULY COMBINED EXERCISE WITH AN INTERNATIONAL STAFF CONSISTING OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE UNITED STATES, UNITED KINGDOM, CANADA, NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, GERMANY, SPAIN, FRANCE AND DENMARK. RADM BOYCE (COMASWSTRIKFOR), ROYAL NAVY, EMBARKED AS DEPUTY CJTF. THE EXERCISE WAS COMPOSED OF A TRANSIT AND COMBAT ENHANCEMENT TRAINING PHASE AND A FREEPLAY PHASE WHICH INCLUDED SEVERAL ANTI-SUBMARINE WARFARE (ASW) AND WAR-AT-SEA (WAS) EXERCISES. PORT VISITS INCLUDED STAVANGER (NORWAY), KIEL (GERMANY) AND COBH (IRELAND).

**JTG EXERCISE 1-94, VACAPES OPAREA, 7 - 15 DECEMBER 1994**

JTG EXERCISE 1-94 WAS A JOINT EFFORT WHICH INVOLVED APPROXIMATELY 50 NAVAL, AIR FORCE, ARMY, AND MARINE UNITS. THE EXERCISE WAS COMPOSED OF A STRIKE PHASE, AN AMPHIBIOUS REHEARSAL PHASE, AND AN AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT PHASE. FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "SCHOOL OF THE SEA" CONCEPT WAS CONDUCTED WITH SUCCESS.