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From: Commanding Officer, USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980)  
To: Director of Naval History (OP-0989)  
Subj: SUBMISSION OF COMMAND HISTORY FOR THE USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980)  
Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5720.12C  
(b) USS MOOSBRUGGER ltr 1707 Ser DD980/00204 of 27 APR 90  
Encl: (1) Command Composition and Organization  
(2) Chronology of USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980) for Calendar Year 1989  
(3) Narrative of significant events  
(4) Picture of the Commanding Officer  
(5) USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980) Welcome Aboard Pamphlet  
(6) USS MOOSBRUGGER Notice 5300 Directory of Officers onboard  
(7) USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980) Antler Award Certificate  
(8) USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980) Damage Control Handbook  
(9) USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980) Bumper Sticker (light blue)  
(10) USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980) Bumper Sticker (dark blue)  
(11) Sub-Buster Sticker  
(12) USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980) Sample Plans of the Day

1. Per reference (a), enclosures (1) through (12) are submitted. By reference (b) a copy of recent cruise books was forwarded to the Director of Naval History.

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Commander, Destroyer Squadron SIX

## COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

**Mission** - Anti-Submarine Warfare, Anti-Surface Warfare, Naval Gunfire Support, Anti-Air Warfare.

### **Organizational Structure -**

Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Group TWO  
RADM Milligan/RADM Paulsen

Commander Destroyer Squadron SIX  
CAPT J. Lewis

### **Composition of Destroyer Squadron SIX -**

USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980)  
USS NICHOLSON (DD-982)  
USS JOHN RODGERS (DD-983)  
USS OBANNON (DD-987)  
USS THORN (DD-988)  
USS DEYO (DD-989)  
USS SAMUEL E. MORISON (FFG-13)  
USS FAHRION (FFG-22)  
USS HALYBURTON (FFG-40)  
USS KLAKRING (FFG-42)  
USS DEWERT (FFG-45)  
USS NICHOLAS (FFG-47)  
USS ROBERT G. BRADLEY (FFG-49)  
USS TAYLOR (FFG-50)  
USS CARR (FFG-52)  
USS HAWES (FFG-53)  
USS ELROD (FFG-55)

**CHRONOLOGY OF USS MOOSBRUGGER (DD-980) FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1989**

- 01 JAN - UNDERWAY TO MED 1-89, HSL-42 DET 6 EMBARKED IN COMPANY WITH USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT, USS SOUTH CAROLINA, USS LEYTE GULF, USS CHARLES F. ADAMS, USS WILLIAM V. PRATT, USS CONYNGHAM, USS FARRAGUT, USS SELLERS, USS MOINESTER, USS KALAMAZOO, USS NITRO, AND USS VULCAN.
- 02 JAN - RAS W/USS KALAMAZOO
- 09 JAN - FAS W/USS KALAMAZOO
- 10 JAN - MONTHLY LOGREQ W/USNS SIRIUS
- 11 JAN - CHOP TO CINCUSNAVEUR TRANSIT STRAITS OF GIBRALTAR
- 13 JAN - FAS W/USNS H. J. KAISER - COMMENCE EXERCISE NATIONAL WEEK 89A
- 14 JAN - VISIT BY VADM J. D. WILLIAMS - COMMANDER SIXTH FLEET
- 15 JAN - TURNOVER W/USS JOHN RODGERS - COMMENCED AREA ASW OPS
- 23 JAN - FAS W/USNS HENRY J. KAISER
- 02 FEB - FAS W/USNS JOSHUA HUMPHREYS
- 03 FEB - INPORT PALMA - COMMENCE IMAV W/USS VULCAN. SHIPS INPORT INCLUDE USS VULCAN, USS SELLERS AND USS CHARLES F. ADAMS
- 08 FEB - USO SPONSORED JIMMY DEE SHOW ONBOARD
- 11 FEB - WARDROOM DINING IN, HATI TO LCDR [REDACTED] AND FAREWELL FOR LCDR [REDACTED] LT [REDACTED]
- 15 FEB - LT [REDACTED] DEPARTS
- 16 FEB - UNDERWAY  
- FAS W/USS KALAMAZOO  
- LOGREQ W/USNS RIGEL
- 21 FEB - FAS W/USNS JOSHUA HUMPHREYS
- 23 FEB - ANCHOR AUGUSTA BAY, LCDR MANCO REPORTS  
- EXERCISE ARETHUSA BRIEFING IN ITS GARIBALDI
- 24 FEB - UNDERWAY FOR EXERCISE ARETHUSA  
- FAS W/ITS STRUMBOLI

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- 01 MAR - ANCHORED AUGUSTA BAY, ITALY
  - ARETHUSA DEBRIEF
  - VISIT ASWOC SIGONELLA
- 03 MAR - UNDERWAY
  - FAS W/USNS JOSHUA HUMPHREYS
- 06 MAR - INPORT TOULON, FRANCE
- 10 MAR - UNDERWAY
  - CONREP W/USNS SATURN
- 11 MAR - FAS W/USNS HENRY J. KAISER
- 13 MAR - INPORT MALAGA, SPAIN
- 17 MAR - UNDERWAY - AREA ASW OPS
- 23 MAR - FAS W/USNS JOSHUA HUMPHREYS
- 27 MAR - FAS W/USNS JOSHUA HUMPHREYS, ENS [REDACTED] LT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ENS [REDACTED] REPORT., LCDR [REDACTED]  
DEPARTS
- 28 MAR - DIESEL HUNT EXERCISE
- 31 MAR - FAS W/USNS KALAMAZOO
- 01 APR - INPORT BIZERTE, TUNISIA - SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDED USS  
WILLIAM V. PRATT
  - LTJG [REDACTED] EXCHANGE OFFICER TO TUNISIA NAVY
  - TUNISIAN PASEX
- 03 APR - LT [REDACTED] DEPARTS
- 04 APR - FAS W/USNS HENRY J. KAISER - RESUME AREA ASW OPS
- 11 APR - FAS W/USNS JOSHUA HUMPHREYS
- 12 APR - ANCHOR MONACO
- 13 APR - JOWST NAVY LEAGUE/USO RECEPTION - 40 MOOSEMEN ATTEND
- 14 APR - USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT ARRIVES MONACO (MOOSE IS STBY  
TOW SHIP)
  - CTF 60 RADM ROBINSON VISITS MOOSBRUGGER

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- 17 APR - UNDERWAY
  - LOGREP USS CONCORD
  - RAS W/USS KALAMAZOO
- 18 APR - TRANSIT STRAIT OF BONIFACIO
- 19 APR - MED MOOR INPORT NAPLES
- 21 APR - LUNCHEON ON BOARD FOR RADM CHILES (CTF 69), COMO HOLLY (CTF 63), CO VULCAN, CO RICKOVER, CO CONCORD
- 24 APR - UNDERWAY
- 26 APR - INPORT TRIESTE, ITALY
  - OUTBOARD USS FARRAGUT
- 01 MAY - UNDERWAY
- 02 MAY - STOP BRINDISI TO EMBARK CTF 69 (COMSUBGRU 8)  
RADM CHILES AND STAFF - SORTIE AND COMMENCE AREA ASW OPS
- 06 MAY - STOP AUGUSTA BAY DISEMBARK CTF 69
- 09 MAY - FAS W/USNS JOHN LENTHAL
- 10 MAY - RDVU W/HMS SIRIUS - CONDUCT DUAL SHIP ASW OPS
- 12 MAY - FAS W/USNS JOHN LENTHAL
- 15 MAY - INPORT PALMA DE MALLORCA
- 24 MAY - EMBARK COMDESRON 24 (CAPT BARRY)
  - FAS W/USNS JOHN LENTHAL
  - CONDUCT SHAREM
- 29 MAY - FAS W/USNS LENTHAL
  - LOGREP USNS CONCORD
- 31 MAY - INPORT TOULON, FRANCE - MOORED OUTBOARD USS LEYTE GULF
- 04 JUN - LTJG [REDACTED] LTJG [REDACTED] LTJG [REDACTED] WETTING DOWN
- 06 JUN - PHYSICAL READINESS TEST
- 12 JUN - UNDERWAY FOR EXERCISE NATIONAL WEEK 89B
- 15 JUN - TURNOVER WITH USS KAUFFMAN (FFG-59)
  - FAS W/USS KALAMAZOO

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19 JUN - OUTCHOP PHOTO-EX  
20 JUN - CHOP CINCLANTFLT  
- XSIT GIBRALTAR  
28 JUN - FAS W/USS KALAMAZOO  
30 JUN - INPORT CHARLESTON, SC/STANDDOWN  
- LT [REDACTED] DEPARTS  
01-30 JUL - STANDDOWN  
07 JUL - LT [REDACTED] REPORTS  
21 JUL - LT [REDACTED] DEPARTS  
23 JUL - JUNIOR OFFICERS ATTEND CHARLESTON RAINBOWS BASEBALL GAME  
- ENS DUGGAN WINS WORLD SERIES TICKETS  
31 JUL - UNDERWAY  
- TIGER CRUISE TO NEW YORK CITY  
- MISSILEX  
03 AUG - FAS W/USS KALAMAZOO  
- INPORT NEW YORK CITY  
10 AUG - UNDERWAY  
11 AUG - FAS W/USNS PAWCATUCK  
19 AUG - LTJG [REDACTED] MARRIES [REDACTED] IN ORLANDO, FL  
20-21 AUG - MAJOR FUEL OIL LEAK MER 1 AND MER 2/GENERAL QUARTERS  
22 AUG - INPORT CHARLESTON  
23 AUG - LCDR MASSEY (EXEC OFF) DEPARTS, LCDR [REDACTED] ARRIVES  
29 AUG - UNDERWAY/ASWEX (POM CERT) USS GREENLING  
01 SEP - INPORT CHARLESTON  
06 SEP - UNDERWAY  
11 SEP - INPORT NEWPORT, RI  
- ENG SCHOOL SHIP  
16 SEP - UNDERWAY

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- 17 SEP - INPORT EARLE, NJ
  - WEAPONS OFF LOAD
- 19 SEP - UNDERWAY ENROUTE CHARLESTON, SC
- 21 SEP - RDV W/HURRICANE HUGO SORTIE GROUP - CDS 20 IN TACTICAL COMMAND
- 22 SEP - HURRICANE HUGO HITS CHARLESTON W/135 MPH WINDS IN EARLY AM
  - UNABLE TO ENTER CHARLESTON HARBOR DUE TO HURRICANE DAMAGE
  - FIRST CONTACT WITH DEPENDENTS ASHORE VIA HAM RADIO TO COMMAND OMBUDSMAN AT 1400 LOCAL.
- 23 SEP - INPORT MAYPORT, FL
- 24-26 SEP - BUS RUNS TO CHARLESTON, SC, TO VISIT FAMILIES AND PROVIDE AID AND ASSISTANCE.
- 27 SEP - UNDERWAY ENROUTE CHARLESTON, SC
- 28 SEP - INPORT CHARLESTON, SC
- 28 SEP - SELECTED RESTRICTED AVAILABILITY (SRA)
- 29-30 SEP - SUPPLY MANAGEMENT INSPECTION (SMI)
- 03 OCT - NSSMS BLOCK 1R ALTERATION
- 05 OCT - SWG-1A INSTALLATION
- 10 OCT - TAS BLOCK 1A ORDALT
- 12 OCT - START IMAV
- 12 OCT-10NOV - CCDG-2 FLAGSHIP
- 21 OCT - HALLOWEEN PARTY
- 26 OCT - ENS [REDACTED] DEPARTS FOR FLIGHT SCHOOL
- 01-21 NOV - AN/SQS-53 MINI RAC
- 02 NOV - ASROC LAUNCHER REPLACED
- 13 NOV - LT [REDACTED] REPORTS
- 14 NOV - ENS [REDACTED] REPORTS

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- 04 DEC - CHRISTMAS PARTY, OAKS COUNTRY CLUB, GOOSE CREEK, SC
- 16 DEC - CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY - ONBOARD - SH2 [REDACTED] PLAYS  
SANTA CLAUS
- 18 DEC - COMNAVSURFLANT CHRISTMAS BALL, LTJG [REDACTED] AND LTJG  
[REDACTED] ESCORT RADM PAULSEN'S DAUGHTERS
- 20 DEC - FAST CRUISE
- 21 DEC - COMPLETE SRA
- 21 DEC - U/W SEA TRIALS
- 26-31 DEC - SQQ-89 MINI-RAC
- 28 DEC - RADM PAULSEN PRESENTS CCDG-2 WARRIOR AWARD



## NARRATIVE OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

The highlight of USS MOOSBRUGGER'S 1989 was the MED 1-89 deployment. The MOOSBRUGGER had a 70% operational tempo composed primarily of Anti-Submarine Warfare Line Operations. USS MOOSBRUGGER'S excellence in ASW resulted in winning the Sixth Fleet ASW Hook'em Award.

The lowlight of MOOSBRUGGER'S 1989 was the devastation of Hurricane Hugo. During the return from Earle, NJ, the ship was prevented from returning to Charleston by Hugo. Charleston Harbor remained closed for 6 days during which MOOSBRUGGER stopped in Mayport, FL to allow sailors to contact relations.

The competitive cycle from April 1, 1988 to September 30, 1989 resulted in USS MOOSBRUGGER winning the following awards: DAMAGE CONTROL, ENGINEERING, SEAMANSHIP, ANTI-SUBMARINE WARFARE, ANTI-AIR WARFARE, ANTI-SURFACE WARFARE, AND ELECTRONIC WARFARE.