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- From: Commanding Officer, Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light 45 To: Director of Naval History (OP-09BH) Washington Navy Yard, Washington, D.C. 20374-0571
- Subj: 1993 COMMAND HISTORY
- Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12D
- Encl: (1) CO Biography
 - (2) Safety Rundown
 - (3) Flight Hours
 - (4) HSL-45 Organization and Structure
 - (5) Meritorious Unit Commendation

1. Per reference (a), enclosures (1) through (5) are provided.

a. <u>Command Mission</u>. Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light Forty Five's primary mission is to provide fully mission capable LAMPS MK III detachments for deployment aboard cruisers, destroyers, and frigates assigned to the U.S. Pacific Fleet. The helicopters assigned to these detachments are an integral part of the ship's weapon systems, extending the ship's anti-surface and anti-submarine warfare capabilities beyond the horizon. Secondary missions include search and rescue, medical evacuation, vertical replenishment, and communications relay.

- b. Organizational Structure
 - Immediate Senior in Command: Commander, Helicopter Anti-Submarine Light Wing, U.S. Pacific Fleet.
 - Commanding Officer: Gary D. Klink, CDR, USN,
 - Executive Officer: William B. Watkins, CDR, USN

Homeport

Naval Air Station North Island, San Diego, CA

Aircraft Assigned

Type: Sh-60B Seahawk

Number: End Strength 08

Tailcode: TZ (Tango Zulu)

2. HSL-45 Chronology for 1993

January

- 12 ABE2 awarded Navy Achievement Medal.
- 15 AZ2 awarded NAM.
- 15 AT1 awarded NAM.
- 19 AD3 awarded NAM.
- 19 Detachment 5 embarked USS CHANCELORSVILLE departed.
- 20 AD1 awarded NAM.
- 27 Lt awarded NAM.
- 28 LCDR awarded Navy Commendation Medal.
- 28 AK3 selected Junior Sailor of the Month.
- 28 ABH1 selected Senior Sailor of the Month.

February

- 05 LT awarded NAM.
- 05 LT awarded NAM.
- 17 LT awarded NAM.
- 17 AW2 awarded NAM.
- 25 LT awarded Navy Commendation Medal.
- 25 AMS3 selected Junior Sailor of the Month.
- 25 AK2 selected Senior Sailor of the Month.

March

- 12 YN1 awarded Shore Sailor of the Year, 1992
- 12 AD1 awarded Sea Sailor of the Year,1992
- 19 LT awarded NAM.
- 30 AE2 awarded NAM.
- 30 AE3 selected Junior Sailor of the Month.
- 30 AW2 selected Senior Sailor of the Month.
- 30 AK3 selected Junior Sailor of the Quarter.
- 30 ABH1 selected Senior Sailor of the Quarter.

April

- 07 AE1 awarded NAM.
- 30 AZ1 awarded NAM.
- 30 AW2 awarded NAM.
- 30 AE3 selected Junior Sailor of the Month.
- 30 AD2 selcted Senior Sailor of the Month.

May

- 03 Detachment 4 embarked USS COWPENS returned.
- 03 Detachment 1 embarked USS JARRETT returned.
- 04 AMH2 awarded NAM.
- 07 AMSC awarded NAM.
- 10 AE2 awarded NAM.
- 12 AT2 awarded NAM.
- 14 ADC awarded NAM.
- 21 LT awarded NAM.
- 25 AD2 awarded NAM.
- 25 AMSAN selected Junior Sailor of the Month.
- 25 AMH2 selected Senior Sailor of the Month.

June

04	AT2	awarded NAM.
14	AFCM	awarded Navy Commendation Medal.
15	AZ1	awarded NAM.
15	LT	awarded NAM.
15	AMS2	awarded NAM.
15	LT	awarded NAM.
15	LT	awarded NAM.
24	Lt	awarded NAM.
30	AW3	selected Junior Sailor of the Month.
30	AW2	selected Senior Sailor of the Month.
30	AE3	selected Junior Sailor of the Quarter.
30	AD2	selected Senior Sailor of the Quarter.

July

- 09 AMH2 awarded NAM.
- 09 YNSN awarded NAM.
- 09 AK2 awarded NAM.
- 18 Detachment 5 embarked USS CHANCELORSVILLE returned.
- 23 AECS awarded NAM.
- 23 AEAN selected Junior Sailor of the Quarter.
- 23 ABF2 selected Senior Sailor of the Quarter.

August

- 19 LT awarded NAM.
- 20 AMH1 awarded NAM.
- 23 AE1 awarded NAM.
- 30 AMS3 selected Junior Sallor of the Month.
- 30 YN1 selected Senior Sailor of the Month.

September

- 08 CDR Vecchiolla awarded Meritorious Service Medal.
- 09 Change of Command Ceremony held. CDR Vecchiolla relieved by CDR Klink.
- 14 LT awarded NAM.
- 14 ABH1 awarded NAM.
- 14 AK2 awarded NAM.
- 20 AMH1 awarded NAM.
- 20 AMSC awarded Navy Commendation Medal.
- 29 AK2 awarded NAM.
- 29 AD1 awarded NAM.
- 29 AE3 selcted Junior Sailor of the Month.
- 29 AE2 selcted Senior Sailor of the Month.
- 29 AMS3 selected Junior Sailor of the Quarter.

October

- 19 LT awarded NAM.
- 30 AT3 selcted Junior Sailor of the Month.
- 30 AMS1 selected Senior Sailor of the Month.

November

05	ATC	awarded NAM.
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- 24 LCDR awarded Navy Commendation Medal.
- 30 AMS3 selected Junior Sailor of the Month.
- 30 AD1 selected Senior Sailor of the Month.

December

- 06 AMSC awarded NAM.
- 20 AZ2 awarded NAM.
- 27 AMS3 selected Junior Sailor of the Month.
- 27 AMH1 selected Senior Sailor of the Month.
- 27 AT3 selected Junior Sailor of the Quarter.
- 27 AMH1 selected Senior Sallor of the Quarter.

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THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20350-1000



The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION to

HELICOPTER ANTI-SUBMARINE SQUADRON LIGHT FORTY-FIVE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

Naval Service.

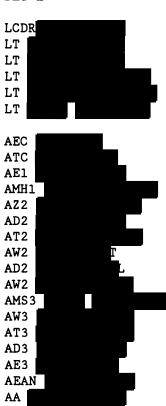
For meritorious service while providing sustained superior leadership in the Light Airborne Multipurpose System (LAMPS) MK III community from 1 January 1992 to 1 June 1993. Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light FORTY-FIVE has sustained exceptional levels of combat readiness and demonstrated exceptional management of material assets. The command led the LAMPS community in operational 'excellence, meeting all commitments and employing innovative tactics to promote present and future capabilities of this valuable weapon system. The outstanding mission completion rate which has been achieved is evidence of the command's uncommon ability to meet Fleet demands for combat ready aircraft and aircrews. Establishing an attitude of uncompromising professionalism and fostering an environment of excellence, the "Wolfpack" has taken the lessons learned from "Operation DESERT STORM" and aggressively advanced the issues leading the community into the next century. By their remarkable team spirit, resourcefulness, and selfless devotion to duty, the officers and enlisted personnel of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light FORTY-FIVE reflected credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the United States

/Secretary of the Navy

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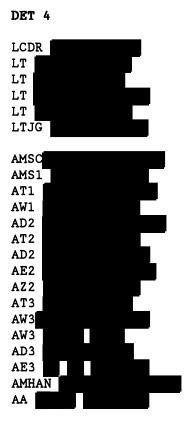
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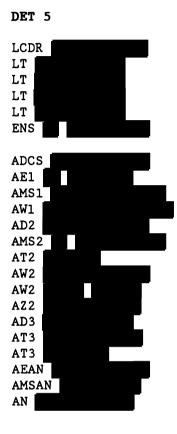


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