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CARRIER AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING SQUADRON 112  
FPO SAN FRANCISCO 96601

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From: Commanding Officer, Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWELVE  
To: Chief of Naval Operations (OP-05D2)  
Subj: Command History  
Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12B  
Encl: (1) VAW-112 Command History for Calendar Year 1978

1. Enclosure (1) is submitted in accordance with reference (a).

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CARRIER AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING SQUADRON  
ONE HUNDRED TWELVE (VAW-112)

Command History for Calendar Year 1978 (OPNAV Report 5750-1)

Part I Basic History

1. Command Organization

a. Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWELVE Commanding Officer during 1978:

CDR A.J. ROCHELLS (7 SEP 77 - 11 JAN 78)  
SSN/DESIG: [REDACTED]/1320  
Lineal Number: 005566-80

b. No changes in missions, functions, composition or homeport occurred during 1978.

2. Summary of Operations

a. 1978 Chronology

January

1-2 Squadron embarked with Carrier Air Wing EIGHT in USS NIMITZ (CVN-68). Inport Naples, Italy, under operational control of Commander Sixth Fleet.

5-11 ASW Week

11-13 PHIBLEX

12-13 NAMFI MISSILEX

18-31 Inport Naples, Italy.

February

1-2 Inport Naples, Italy.

5-12 National Week XXIV/Sardinia 78 (NATO)

18-28 Detachment of four officers, fourteen enlisted and one E2B to Lossiemouth, Scotland for Joint Maritime Course 781 (NATO)

22-28 Inport Naples, Italy.

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March

- 1-3 Inport Naples, Italy
- 6 Joint Maritime Course 781 aircraft and detachment returned to USS NIMITZ (CVN-68).
- 9 Anchored Souda Bay, Crete
- 10-11 AAW Week/Open Ocean MISSILEX
- 15-19 Inport Venice, Italy
- 25-31 Inport Naples, Italy

April

- 6-11 Inport Haifa, Israel
- 12-14 Exercise SHABAZ (Turkey, Iran, Pakistan)
- 13-14 NAMFI MISSILEX
- 18-30 Inport Rota, Spain for mid-cruise standdown
- 29 Dependents Cruise

May

- 1 Departed Rota, Spain
- 2-8 Exercise Open Gate 78 (NATO)
- 9-13 Inport Lisbon, Portugal. COMNAVAIRLANT/COMFAIRMED Mid-Cruise Maintenance Management and Corrosion Control Audit - Grade: Satisfactory.
- 16-29 Exercise Dawn Patrol 78 (NATO)
- 31 Inport Livorno, Italy

June

- 1-8 Inport Livorno, Italy
- 12-17 ASW Week

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- 15-16 Exercise POOPDECK (Spain)
- 23-26 Inport Portsmouth, England
- 27 Operations in the North Sea
- 28-30 Inport Wilhemshaven, West Germany

July

- 1-3 Inport Wilhemshaven, West Germany
- 7 Inport Rota, Spain
- 8 PASEX with USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV-67)
- 9 Inport Rota, Spain
- 10 Departed Rota, Spain for Norfolk, Virginia
- 18 Three E2B's departed CV-68 for NAS Miramar
- 19 One E2B departed CV-68 for NAS Miramar
- 20 Inport Norfolk, VA (Squadron and aircraft arrived at NAS Miramar) commenced 30 day post deployment standdown.

August

- 9-10 COMFITAEWINGPAC Post-Deployment Aircraft and Common GSE Material Condition Inspection - Grade: Satisfactory
- 21-31 USMC Weapons Training Instructor Course

September

- 1-12 USMC Weapons Training Instructor Course (con't)
- 10-15 Deployed one E2B to NATC Patuxent River for 0° flap approach speeds versus angle of attack tests.

October

- 1-6 Deployed one E2B to NATC Patuxent River for further tests
- 25-26 CV-61 READIEX Orange Air Opposition Control

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27-31 E2B/A7 Link 4A Flight Test Evaluation

November

1-9 E2B/A7 Link 4A Flight Test Evaluation (con't)

7-8 CV-61 Operational Readiness Exercise Opposition

December

5-16 Squadron embarked with Carrier Air Wing ELEVEN in USS ENTERPRISE (CV-65) for refresher training.

b. Command History Basic Narrative. Refer to Annex A for detailed narrative discussions of squadron operations. VAW-112 recorded 2009.2 accident free flight hours during Calendar Year 1978.

c. Summary of yearly data taken from the Monthly Operating Reports of VAW-112 for the period 1 January to 31 December, 1978.

Average numbers of;	<u>CAT I</u>	<u>CAT II</u>	<u>CAT III</u>
Pilot/NFO's on board	<u>.75/3.41</u>	<u>1.0/1.25</u>	<u>9.41/6.08</u>
Flight Technicians on board	First tour <u>5.75</u> , Second Tour <u>1</u> .		
Yearly Hours Totals	<u>Day/Night</u>		
Total Flight Hours Scheduled	<u>1613.2/724.1</u>		
Total Hours Flown	<u>1401.9/607.3</u>		
Total Carrier Landing (D/N)	<u>368/156</u>		
Aborted Flights: On Deck <u>25</u> , In Flight <u>3</u> .			
Mission (system) hours scheduled	<u>1125.1</u> .		
Mission hours flown: (FSC) <u>816.0</u> (Degraded) <u>320.9</u>			
Hours Link 11 Scheduled	<u>1031.7</u>		
Hours Link 11 Flown: (Two-way) <u>674.8</u> (One-way) <u>118.5</u>			

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Hours Link 11 available with no Net Control Ship 0

Air Control Hours: (total) 592.2 (Link 4A) 190.6

Air Intercepts: (total) 1226 (Link 4A) 498

Weapon System Trainer Utilization (hours) AUG through DEC

	<u>SCHEDULED</u>	<u>UTILIZED</u>
Pilots	<u>105.8</u>	<u>93</u>
NFOs	<u>171.5</u>	<u>154.2</u>
Flight Technicians	<u>74</u>	<u>57.5</u>

Phase Training Completed

	<u>SCHEDULED</u>	<u>FLOWN</u>	<u>FLIGHT TIME AVERAGE YEAR</u>
Pilots	<u>1654.2</u>	<u>1419.4</u>	<u>25.2</u>
NFOs	<u>1330.3</u>	<u>1092.0</u>	<u>25.6</u>
FLT TECHS	<u>780.3</u>	<u>630.7</u>	<u>19.3</u>

Ground Training CY 78

Officers 599.4 Hours

Enlisted 1563.7 Hours

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