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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 1980 (OPNAV Report 5750.1)

Part I - Basic History

1. Command Organization

a. Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWELVE Commanding Officers during 1980 were:

CDR W. T. T. HOOD Jr (1 Jan 80 - 26 Apr 80)
[REDACTED]/1310 005847-70

CDR T. E. MORGAN (26 Apr 80 - 31 Dec 80)
[REDACTED]/1320 005892-10

b. The squadron transitioned from E-2B's to E-2C's during Calendar Year 1980. No changes in mission (Airborne Early Warning) or homeport, (NAS Miramar) occurred during 1980.

2. Summary of Operations

a. 1980 Chronology

JANUARY

1-3 Inport Naples, Italy

4-23 VAW-112 embarked in USS NIMITZ (CVN-68) with Air Wing EIGHT, sailed from Naples, Italy to the Gulf of Oman.

21 The squadron provided AEW and Combat Air Patrol Control services in a PASSEX, (an exercise pitting one or more carrier battle groups against each other), with USS KITTY HAWK (CV-63) and USS MIDWAY (CV-41).

24-31 USS NIMITZ arrived on GONZO station, in the Arabian Sea, and commenced contingency operations.

FEBRUARY

1-29 Conducted contingency operations in the Gulf of Oman.

19 A HARPOONEX was conducted to exercise the ship/airwing reaction to a simulated HARPOON missile attack.

Enclosure (1)

MARCH

- 1-31 Conducted contingency operations in the Gulf of Oman.
- 13-16 GONZO 1-80. The exercise was designed to improve combat readiness against Soviet Indian Ocean forces.

APRIL

- 1-30 Conducted contingency operations in the Gulf of Oman.
- 8-11 GONZO 2-80. Similar to GONZO 1-80.
- 26 CDR T. E. Morgan relieved CDR W. T. T. Hood, Jr. as Commanding Officer of VAW-112.

MAY

- 6 The squadron flew missions simulating BEAR aircraft in a PASSEX with USS EISENHOWER (CVN-69).
- 26 VAW-112 disembarked from USS NIMITZ at Naval Station Norfolk, VA after transiting from the Gulf of Oman around the Cape of Good Hope, and returned to NAS Miramar, CA., recording 144 continuous days at sea.

JUNE

- 28 VAW-112 received its first E-2C

JULY

- 30-31 The squadron provided range clearance and flight following for a HARPOON missile shoot by Pacific Missile Test Center.

AUGUST

- 11 The squadron received the Commander, Naval Air Pacific Battle Efficiency pennant for the period 1 Jan 79 to 30 Jun 80.
- 22 Two Navy Commendation Medals, Six Navy Achievement Medals, and Commendation Letters from Commander Sixth Fleet, Commander Carrier Strike Force Seventh Fleet, Commanding Officer, USS NIMITZ, and Commander Carrier Air Wing EIGHT were presented to VAW-112 personnel for service during the 1979-1980 Mediterranean - Indian Ocean cruise aboard the USS NIMITZ.

SEPTEMBER

- 9-10 VAW-112 supported a COMASWWINGPAC ASW Tactical Development and Evaluation project. (See Appendix XIV for amplifying information).
- 17 Static E-2C presentation at NAS North Island for the Defense Orientation Conference Association convention.

OCTOBER

- 11 Static display of a Golden Hawk E-2C at the Santa Barbara Airshow.
- 16 A Medevac helicopter was given vectors by a squadron aircrew on a routine mission during a medical emergency aboard USS BAINBRIDGE.
- 26 VAW-112 deployed to NAS Fallon, Nevada in support of CVW-11 weapons training until 7 November 1980.
- 31 The squadron provided Search and Rescue support for a VF-126 aircraft accident.

NOVEMBER

- 21 Fleet indoctrination presentation for VT-10 at NAS Pensacola.
- 25-26 Range clearance, communications relay and tanker control was provided for support of a Tomahawk missile test.

DECEMBER

- 12 Received the CHINFO Merit Award (second place) for small command family grams for FY 80.
- 18 VAW-112 provided AEW and Communications, Command and Control support for Topgun class 6-80's graduation exercise.

b. Command History Basic Narrative. Refer to Annex A of this enclosure for a detailed narrative of squadron operations. VAW-112 recorded a total of 12,178.6 accident free flight hours on 31 Dec 80.

c. Annual Operations Data Summary.

Average number of assigned:	<u>CAT I</u>	<u>CAT II</u>	<u>CAT III</u>
Pilots	3	1	9
Naval Flight Officers	2	5	5
Flight Technicians	1	2	2

<u>Flight Hours:</u>	<u>Scheduled</u>	<u>Flown</u>
Ashore	794.8	695.4
Embarked	1053.9	1081.2
Night	352.8	324.5
Total	1848.7	1776.6

Carrier Landings: Day: 395 Night: 169

Mission Hours:

Scheduled	1537.6
Flown	1506.9
Full Mission Capable	992.6
Mission Capable	1471.4
Non Mission Capable	35.5

Link 11 Hours:

Scheduled:	886.1		
Flown:	910.0	684.4/2 way	17.4/1 way
Hours available with no NCS	33.9		

Air Control Hours: Link 4: 16022 Voice: 243.7 Total: 403.9

Air Intercepts: Link 4: 268 Voice: 488 Total: 756

PDS Operable Hours: 157.0 PDS Inoperable Hours: 473.0

Aircrew Training Man Hours: 2661.3

Maintenance Training Man Hours: 23,136.8