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Command Operations Report

This report is **required** by commands listed in **SNDL Parts 1 & 2** and all operational **Task Forces, Groups and Units** temporarily established to meet operational requirements.

The report format is divided into six sections: Command Data, Commander's Assessment, Chronology and Narrative, Supporting Reports, Published Documents, and Photographs. Required information is identified in specific sections of the form. Instructions on submitting this form and the required attachments are at the end.

1. Command Data

Name of your Command or Organization: **Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE ONE SIX**

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: **09465**

Name and Rank of Commander/Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge:

Last: **DUONG** First: **ROBERT** M.I.: Rank: **COMMANDER (O5)**

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): **2010-11-10**

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: **Mission: AEW**

**Command Employment: Hawkeye Advanced Readiness Program
Carrier Qualification**

Strike Fighter Advanced Readiness Program

Tailored Ship's Training Availability

Air Wing Fallon

Composite Unit Training Exercise/Joint Task Force Exercise

2010 Operation Enduring Freedom Deployment

Operation Enduring Freedom

Operation New Dawn

**Area of Operations: United States 3rd Fleet AOR
United States 7th Fleet AOR
United States 5th Fleet AOR**

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): **Naval Base Ventura County, NAS Point Mugu, CA**

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational: **Commander, Carrier Air Wing TWO**

Administrative: **Commander, Airborne Command, Control and Logistics Wing**

Identify your assigned Task Force/Group/Unit name(s) and mission(s). Include OPLAN(s) and or named operations you participated in during Task Force assignment (if applicable): **N/A**

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): **N/A**

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable: **4 E-2C "Hawkeye 2000"**

SIDE #	BUNO	CONFIGURATION
600	165649	Hawkeye 2000
601	166505	Hawkeye 2000
602	166650	Hawkeye 2000
603	165506	Hawkeye 2000

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable): **N/A**

Number of Personnel Assigned:

Officers: 27 Enlisted: 97 Civilian: 0

Command Point of Contact (required entry, complete in full):

Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): LTJG [REDACTED]

Job Title/Office Code: Public Affairs Officer

E-mail (both classified and unclassified, if available): [REDACTED]

Phone number(s): [REDACTED]

Command Mailing Address: Unit 25421

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Point Mugu, CA 93042

2. Commander's Assessment

The Commander's Assessment briefly tells the story of the command's role in national defense and should highlight any general and specific lessons-learned. It should contain the commander's

commentary, insights and reflections on the unit's activities. Attention should be directed to significant issues impacting training, operations and mission accomplishment during the reporting period. Descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to major command decisions and results of those decisions are particularly desired. Also desired are accounts of specific contributions of individuals in the command to mission accomplishment. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, particular attention should be given to the commander's estimate of the situation, records of discussions and decisions, descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to operational decisions and results of those decisions. For a unit returning from deployment or participating in a single operation this can normally be a single assessment. For higher-echelon commands or units engaging in multiple operations, a separate assessment for each operation in addition to an overall assessment may be appropriate.

2010 was focused on the 2010-2011 deployment aboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72). The squadron spent the entire year preparing for and conducting pre-deployment training exercises, which led up to the deployment in September of 2010. On deployment, VAW-116 spend the last 2 months of 2010 flying combat missions in support of Operations NEW DAWN and ENDURING FREEDOM. During this time period the squadron had a 100 percent sortie completion rate, and acted as an important link in the command and control chain for the Carrier Strike Group as well as the Joint Forces Air Component Commander. Overall it was a safe and successful year for VAW-116. It was operationally intensive, but was executed according to plan. There were, of course, day to day maintenance and operational challenges that the squadron faced, but they never rose to the level that they had any negative impacts to mission accomplishment. For the Commander's classified assessment of the Squadron's participation in Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, please see the End of Cruise report submitted in section 4 of this report.

3. Chronology and Narrative

Chronology should include dates of movements; local operations and training; exercises and operations (define acronyms and purpose of exercise or operation); installation of new weapons systems or changes; major physical changes to facilities, ship or aircraft; Class A or B mishaps; port visits; unit awards received; reserve augmentation; and other significant operational or administrative events.

The short narrative should amplify chronology entries (such as objectives and results of exercises/operations; commander's evaluation of exercises/operations, etc). Entries may refer to an enclosure of this report without additional description if the enclosure sufficiently reports the incident/event. For all other entries, give the date or period in YYYY-MM-DD format and provide a brief narrative. All significant events during the reporting period are to be included.

- o 2010-01-12 to 2010-01-21: Participated in HARP (Hawkeye Advanced Readiness Program) at Naval Base Ventura County, Pt. Mugu; which involved three weeks of various tactical lectures given from the Hawkeye WTU (Weapons and Tactics Unit) and elaborate simulators for all the Hawkeye mission sets including Defensive Counter Air, Strike Warfare, Surface Surveillance Coordination and Maritime Interdiction, Airborne Command and Control Coordination, and Combat Search and Rescue.

- o 2010-02-05 to 2010-02-12: At sea onboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN for deck certification after the ship's flight deck was resurfaced in the yard, along with a Carrier Qualification for Carrier Air Wing TWO pilots.
- o 2010-02-24 to 2010-03-19: Participated in SFARP (Strike Fighter Advanced Readiness Program) at Naval Air Station Fallon, in Fallon, Nevada; comprising of all fixed wing assets from Carrier Air Wing TWO. Aircraft and crews from VAW-116 supported training evolutions for Carrier Air Wing TWO's strike fighter squadrons through their various mission sets, including Defensive Counter Air, Offensive Counter Air, Strike Warfare, Close Air Support, and Combat Search and Rescue.
- o 2010-04-20 to 2010-05-13: Embarked aboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN for TSTA (Tailored Ship Training Availability), again training with Carrier Air Wing TWO in various mission sets/scenarios.
- o 2010-06-05 to 2010-07-02: Squadron detachment to NAS Fallon for Air Wing Fallon exercises. Air Wing Fallon is a more advanced training evolution that built on the training previous underwent during SFARP several months prior, this time involving the entire air wing, including helicopter squadrons.
- o 2010-07-23 to 2010-08-12: Participated in COMPTUEX/JTFEX (Composite Unit Training Exercise/Joint Task Force Exercise) again aboard the USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN, this time including external assets to CSG 9 (Carrier Strike Group NINE), such as USAF and USMC units. Large Force Exercises such as Carrier Air Defense and Maritime Interdiction missions were carried out, along with several Large Force Strike exercises.
- o 2010-09-11: Departed home station at Point Mugu, CA for a six month deployment, onboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN. The ship left from San Diego, CA and transited through 7th and 5th fleets. Carrier Strike Group NINE, consisting of USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN and Destroyer Squadron NINE, spent five months supporting 5th fleet operations, participating in both OND (Operation NEW DAWN) and OEF (Operation ENDURING FREEDOM).
- o 2010-10-08 to 2010-10-12: USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN port visit in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- o 2010-11-09: Airborne Change of Command from CDR Sean Fitzpatrick to CDR Robert Duong.
- o 2010-11-13 to 2010-11-15: Participated in Exercise Shamal, a Joint Exercise consisting of US Navy and USAF units conducting Defensive Counter Air and Maritime Interdiction simulations in the Arabian Gulf.
- o 2010-11-17 to 2010-11-20: USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN port visit to Bahrain.

o 2010-12-19: Participated in cross-deck training with FS Charles De Gaulle, the French Navy's aircraft carrier. An E-2C from VAW-116 conducted a series of touch-and-go landings on the deck of the Charles De Gaulle.

o 2010-12-20 to 2010-12-28: Participated in an exercise in the Persian Gulf, working with allied nations followed by a four day port visit in Dubai, U.A.E.

4. Supporting Reports

Supporting Reports are those reports required by other instructions that provide significant data about the command during the calendar year. These reports may be submitted "as is," eliminating the need to duplicate information for this report that is already contained in reports prepared in response to other instructions and requirements. Examples include battle efficiency, safety and other award submissions, major staff or command studies, and end of cruise reports or briefs. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, enclosures may include, but are not limited to:

- a. Situation Reports
- b. Intentions Messages
- c. Operational Reports
- d. Operations Orders/Deployment Orders
- e. Operational Plans
- f. Personal For Messages
- g. After Action Reports
- h. Significant Electronic Message Traffic (outgoing/e-mail/chat)
- i. Battle Damage Assessments
- j. Casualty Reports
- k. End-of-Cruise/Deployment Reports
- l. Intelligence Summaries
- m. Major Exercise Reports

List below the items submitted, indicating the classification of each. Electronic reports should be in a Microsoft Office format (Word, Excel, Power Point, or Access), HTML, PDF, JPG, GIF, or plain text. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Submit electronic reports via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained at the end of this form. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in hardcopy in the same manner as a CD-ROM.

See SIPR email attachment for 2010-2011 VAW-116 End of Cruise Report

5. Published Documents

List below the published documents being submitted in either electronic or paper format, indicating the classification of each item. Documents to be submitted include cruise books, change of command programs, commissioning/decommissioning brochures, establishment/disestablishment/deactivation brochures, copy of command's web site, news releases, biography of commander, welcome aboard brochures, newspaper articles, command studies, statistical data, etc.

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6. Photographs

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