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# Command Operations Report

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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.

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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.

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## 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: **NGAN** M.I.: **H** Rank: **COMMANDER (O5)**

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

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: **Mission: AEW, C2**

Command Employment: **2010 Deployment**  
**Operation Enduring Freedom**  
**CNS/ATM Aircraft Transition**  
**Exercise Northern Edge**  
**Carrier Qualification /LA Navy Week**  
**Air Wing Fallon**  
**Composite Unit Training Exercise**  
**2011 Deployment**

Area of Operations: **United States 3<sup>rd</sup> Fleet**  
**United States 5<sup>th</sup> Fleet**  
**United States 7<sup>th</sup> Fleet**

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 and Control 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): **Carrier Air Wing TWO**

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): **Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE ONE SIX**

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

<b>SIDE #</b>	<b>BUNO</b>	<b>CONFIGURATION</b>
600	165648	Hawkeye 2000 CNS/ATM
601	165815	Hawkeye 2000 CNS/ATM
602	165814	Hawkeye 2000 CNS/ATM
603	165811	Hawkeye 2000 CNS/ATM

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

Number of Personnel Assigned:

Officers: 32 Enlisted: 120 Civilian: 0

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

Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): LT [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

FPO/AP 96601-6404

Hangar 553, 13<sup>th</sup> St.

Point Mugu, CA 93042

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## **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.

2011 was an extremely busy year for the Sun Kings. The first two and one half months were spent completing the 2010-2011 combat deployment aboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72). The beginning of February was the conclusion of an extremely successful 4 month period of support for OEF operations in Afghanistan where the squadron achieved a 100% combat sortie completion rate. Homecoming was in mid-March which provided a brief yet extremely welcome period for post deployment leave. However, there was no stand down as the Sun Kings began the transition to the most advanced E-2C, the Communication Navigation Surveillance / Air Traffic Management (CNS/ATM) variant. This upgrade provided our pilots with completely redesigned cockpit instrumentation that replaced legacy 'steam gauges' with a glass cockpit that provides much better situational awareness. One of the most important benefits of this modification is that it allows the aircraft the ability to take advantage of precision instrument approaches that were previously unavailable in the aircraft. It also replaced several of the aircraft's radios, allowing for more reliable communication capabilities. This transition was the first conducted by a fleet E-2C squadron and was successfully completed by the Sun Kings in 3 months. VAW-116 was the first to conduct carrier qualification with CNS/ATM, and also employed the new platform at Joint Exercise NORTHERN EDGE, Air Wing Fallon and COMPTUEX. 2011 concluded with the Sun Kings once again on deployment onboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN for the first CNS/ATM E-2C deployment. Overall it was a safe and highly successful year for VAW-116. For the Commander's classified assessment of the squadron's participation in Operation ENDURING FREEDOM from January to March 2011, please see the End of Cruise report submitted as section 4 of this document.

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### 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.

- 2011-01-01 to 2011-03-18: Deployed onboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN
- 2011-03-19: Returned to home station at Point Mugu, CA from a six month deployment, on board USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN. VAW-116, as part of Carrier Air Wing TWO, supported Carrier Strike Group NINE during 4 months of OEF (OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM) missions in the 5th fleet AOR.
- 2011-04-02 to 2011-06-01: Transitioned from Hawkeye 2000 to Hawkeye 2000 CNS/ATM variant. Transition was carried out through detachments to NAS North Island for simulator events and flights in the local area around home station of Point Mugu, CA.
- 2011-06-06 to 2011-06-26: Participated in Exercise NORTHERN EDGE, a joint air defense exercise hosted by the United States Air Force at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Anchorage, AK.
- 2011-07-17 to 2011-08-02: At sea onboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN for Carrier Qualification with Carrier Air Wing TWO pilots, followed by participation in Los Angeles Navy Week.
- 2011-08-01 to 2011-09-07: Squadron aircraft modified to incorporate Iridium Chat system and capability.
- 2011-08-12 to 2011-08-27: Squadron detachment to NAS Fallon for Air Wing Fallon exercises.
- 2011-09-19 to 2011-10-12: Participated in COMPTUEX (Composite Unit Training Exercise) again aboard the USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN. Large force exercises such as Carrier Air Defense and Maritime Interdiction missions were executed, along with several large force strike exercises.
- 2011-12-10: Departed home station at Point Mugu, CA for deployment, onboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN. The LINCOLN left from San Diego, CA and sailed through 7th fleet as part of Strike Group NINE, consisting of USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN and Destroyer Squadron NINE, on its way to 5th fleet in support of OEF (OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM).
- 2011-12-11 to 2011-12-31: Deployed onboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

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## 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 2010-2011 End of cruise report submitted to classified email submission addresses

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## 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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See included CD: VAW-116 2011 COR 5. Published Documents

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## 6. Photographs

List below official photographs and any other command-generated media being submitted in either electronic or paper format. Photographs to be submitted include: official photo of commanding officer; recent photo of ship, aircraft, or facility; and photos of historic events associated with the command. Photographs submitted electronically should be in JPG, TIFF or GIF format. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Photographs in electronic format are to be submitted via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained below. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in the same manner as the CD-ROM. Also include any photographs covering operational strikes, battle damage (especially that sustained by own ship, aircraft, facilities or equipment), or other relevant photos relating to combat or deployment operations.

**See included CD: VAW-116 2011 COR 6. Photographs**

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