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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. See instructions appendices for assistance in compiling and on submitting this form and any attachments.

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1. Command Data (Boxes will expand as information is typed)

Name of your Command or Organization: Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron One Two Three (VAW-123)

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: 09477

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

Last: Chuderewicz First: Jason M.I.: L. Rank: CDR/O-5

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): 2015-08-21

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: Carrier Airborne Early Warning/Airborne Command and Control

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): Naval Station Norfolk (Norfolk, VA)

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational:

Captain Jeffrey T. Anderson, Commander Carrier Air Wing Three

Administrative:

Captain Drew Basden, Commodore 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): USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69), Carrier Air Wing Three.

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:

Northrop Grumman E-2C+ Group II (Navigation Upgrade) "HAWKEYE"

Four Aircraft Assigned: 164486
165293
165295
165303

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

Number of Personnel Assigned: as of 18 Feb 2016

Officers: 30 Enlisted: 128 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
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2. Commander's Assessment

OUR MISSION: Warfighting is first. Our job is to provide flexible, on-scene carrier airborne command and control for joint and combined forces worldwide in order to ensure stability, build on our relationships with allies and partners, provide our Nation's leaders with options in times of crisis, and if necessary, win conflicts.

In order to successfully accomplish our mission, we must strike the optimum balance between my four pillars:

- **PEOPLE:** Ready Sailors and Families remain the foundation of the Navy's warfighting capability. People are our number one resource for mission accomplishment. SCREWTOP's successes are dependent on a team effort. Take care of yourself, your family, and each other. Hard work is the driving force behind the squadron's success. What gives the United States Navy the edge, what sets us apart from the world, are the people who wear the uniform, fly and work on the aircraft that allow us to perform our mission.

• **PLANES:** We pride ourselves in having the best Hawkeyes on the flight line. When the Navy calls on us to perform, we must be ready to go! Be a good steward of our national assets, take pride in these machines we care for, and treat them like your own prized possessions.

• **PROGRAMS:** Take ownership of our programs; make every program the best in the Navy. This includes knowing your program, being up to date on all the instructions that govern your program, and being able to answer any questions from your chain of command. Efficient programs make an efficient squadron.

• **PERFORMANCE:** Be confident and strive for excellence in everything you do. Without a commitment to excellence, we will fall short of supporting the mission. As professional warfighters, we should endeavor to maintain the highest personal standards in all that we do. We need to work together effectively harnessing our diverse talent base in order to focus on being ready to get the job done anytime, anywhere.

As SCREWTOPs, we are all part of an amazing legacy. Across the Navy, the SCREWTOP is synonymous with tactical excellence. It is incumbent on you to uphold the high standards that have become the hallmark of this warfighting unit by doing it right and safely the first time, every time!

3. Chronology

- January 2015 to April 2015 Maintenance Phase
- April 2015 to October 2015 Hawkeye Advanced Readiness Program
- June 2015 to July 2015 Supported CVW3 Air-to-Air Strike Fighter Advanced Readiness Program
- August 2015 Change of Command
- September 2015 Carrier Qualification Detachment onboard USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69)
- October 2015 Detached to NAS Fallon in Support of CVW3 Air-to-Ground Strike Fighter Advanced Readiness Program
- November 2015 to December 2015 Tailored Ships Training Availability onboard USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69)
- January 2016 to February 2016 Detached to NAS Fallon for CVW3 Air Wing Fallon

Narrative

The beginning of 2015 *Screwtops* were in a Maintenance Phase. During this Maintenance Phase *Screwtops* conducted Unit Level training, supported a detachment to Key West sending TAD personnel with VFC-111, participated in several “Strike of the Month” Large Force Exercises with Carrier Air Wing Three, and supported NAS Oceana fighter squadrons by providing Air Intercept Control.

April 2015, *Screwtops* began the Hawkeye Advanced Readiness Program (HARP). HARP is a turnaround training evolution, consisting of lectures and tactical simulator events focusing on the core Hawkeye mission sets. The purpose of HARP is to increase aircrew tactical proficiency in preparation for the pre-deployment work-up cycle. *Screwtops* completed HARP in October 2015.

On 20 August 2015, the World Famous *Screwtops* bid farewell to CDR Ray “Donger” Leung, welcoming Commander Jason “Chud” Chuderewicz as the new Commanding Officer and CDR Darryl “Cyclops” Martin as the new Executive Officer.

September 2015, *Screwtops* conducted Field Carrier Landing Practice (FCLP) at Wallops Flight Facility in preparation for carrier qualification. Following FCLPs, the *Screwtops* boarded USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69) to qualify 12 pilots, flying 75 hours, totaling over 94 passes, 58 of which were arrested landings. VAW-123 also had an opportunity to conduct a day of cyclic-operations with

CVW-3 while onboard, which provided great training for the first ship and air-wing to begin executing the Optimized Fleet Response Plan (O-FRP).

October 2015 *Screwtops* departed for NAS Fallon where they conducted 38 sorties in support of CVW-3 Air-to-Ground Strike Fighter Advanced Readiness Program (SFARP) as part of CVW-3's Optimized Fleet Readiness Program (OFRP) in preparation for the 2016 deployment. The culmination of this critical phase included four sorties in support of live fire missile exercise off the California coast.

After the Fallon detachment, the *Screwtops* then conducted three weeks of Field Carrier Landing Practices (FCLP) at Wallops Flight Facility in preparation for USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER's (CVN 69) Tailored Ship's Training Availability / Final Evaluation Problem (TSTA/FEP). In November, VAW-123 boarded USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69) with CVW-3 for a 25 day underway period. The initial three days were dedicated to carrier qualifications (CQ) of ten squadron pilots flying over 37.5 flight hours while conducting over 20 day and 20 night traps. During this time, which tested the ship and air wing's interoperability, the *Screwtops* flew 69 sorties, encompassing 170 flight hours with 31 day and 38 night traps.

4. Supporting Reports (Refer to specific guide for Ship/Shore/Aviation or Fleet Command)

N/A

5. Published Documents

N/A

6. Photographs:



CO: CDR Chuderewicz



CO: CDR Leung



XO: CDR Martin



CMC: CMDCM Key

Additional Photos submitted via CD-ROM
