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Encl: (1) Fleet Logistics Support Squadron FORTY Command History

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted for the calendar year 1982.

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1982 COMMAND HISTORY FOR VRC-40

1. VRC-40 is assigned to Fleet Tactical Support Wing ONE with the mission of Carrier Onboard Delivery (COD) and Air Logistics Transport service to the Navy's Altantic Fleet. VRC-40 provides around-the-clock and all-weather fleet support for the Eastern Seaboard, Gulf Coast, to as far south as Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and Panama City, Panama. The CT-39 provides executive airlift and support of NAVY aircraft ferry operation throughout the United States.

2. Commanding Officer:

1 January 1982 through 20 August 1982 - Commander Lewis R. Newby, USN

21 August 1982 through 31 December 1982 - Commander James N. Edwards, Jr., USN

3. Chronology of events, 1 January - 31 December 1982

January:

- 13 - Safety stand-down was held at NAS Norfolk
- 23 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Jacksonville
- 25 - Received message of appreciation from VA-122 for support provided in Key West during their CARQUAL evolution
- 18 - One C-1A returned from detachment at Nas Jacksonville
- 28 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

February:

- 8 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Jacksonville
- 9 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
- 16 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Key West
- 23 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Jacksonville
- 25 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Key West

March:

- 2 - Two C-1A's departed on detachment to NAS Jacksonville
- 7 - Received message of appreciation from USS FORRESTAL for support provided from NAS Jacksonville
- 8 - Two C-1A's returned from detachment at NAS Jacksonville
- 14 - Two C-1A's departed on detachment at NAS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
- 27 - Two C-1A's returned from detachment at NAS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

April:

- 7 - Two C-1A's departed on detachment to NAS Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
- 8 - Received message of appreciation from USS CARL VINSON for logistics service provided during their initial operating period
- 13 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Jacksonville
- 13 - Received message of appreciation from COMTACSUPWING ONE for logistics services provided to USS CARL VINSON during their initial operating period
- 21 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Jacksonville

May:

- 3 - Two C-1A's departed on detachment to NAS Corpus Christi
- 6 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
- 10 - Two C-1A's returned from detachment at NAS Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
- 16 - Two C-1A's returned from detachment at NAS Pensacola
- 25 - Received message of appreciation from NAS Norfolk for VRC-40 participation in the Azalea Festival Air Show

June:

- 3 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Jacksonville
- 6 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
- 6 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Jacksonville
- 7- Two C-1A's departed on detachment to NAS Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
- 7 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Corpus Christi
- 13 - Received BUNO 136760 from NAS Lemoore
- 14 - Received BUNO 136748 from USS FORRESTAL

- 19 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Corpus Christi

July:

- 6 - Transferred BUNO 136748 to USS NIMITZ
- 7 - Two C-1A's returned from detachment at NAS Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
- 12 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Corpus Christi
- 15 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
- 20 - Received message of appreciation from COMNAVAIRLANT for superb performance while embarking and debarking guest of COMNAVAIRLANT during the period of 2 July to 17 July
- 21 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Pensacola

August:

- 1 - VRC-40 established its own Replacement Training Department for C-1A aircraft
- 2 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
- 6 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Jacksonville
- 10 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Jacksonville
- 11 - Received message of appreciation from FACSFAC Jacksonville in support of senior FAA representative's visit to USS NIMITZ
- 17 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Corpus Christi
- 18 - Received BUNO 146043 from USS AMERICA
- 20 - Commander L. R. Newby is relieved by Commander J. N. Edwards, Jr. at VRC-40 Change-of-Command
- 25 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Pensacola
- 28 - TRansferred BUNO 136772 to USS JOHN F. KENNEDY

September:

- 10 - Two C-1A's departed on detachment to NAS Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
- 13 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Corpus Christi
- 30 - Received message of appreciation from NAS Cecil Field for maintenance

- support given by VRC-40 to their COD crew
- 30 - Transferred BUNO 136760 to USS EISENHOWER
- 30 - First four C-1A student pilots complete their training through the new Replacement Training Department

October:

- 6 - VRC-40's T-39 transported life-saving human organs from Portsmouth, Va. to Washington D.C.
- 12 - VRC-40 established a squadron cardiopulmonary-resuscitation (CPR) course with the objective of training 100% of squadron personnel
- 29 - Two C-1A's returned from detachment at NAS Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
- 30 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Jacksonville

November:

- 2 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Jacksonville
- 11 - One C-1A departed on detachment to USS NIMITZ for CARIB SWING COD support
- 11 - Received message of appreciation from USS NIMITZ for COD support provided while in the VACAPES area
- 12 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Key West
- 12 - Received letter of appreciation from ADM W. L. MacDonald for T-39 flight provided to Washington D.C. and Jacksonville
- 14 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Key West
- 22 - One C-1A returned from detachment from CARIB SWING COD support
- 24 - Received message of appreciation from USS NIMITZ for CARIB SWING COD support
- 24 - Received letter of appreciation from RADM Easterling for maintenance support provided to the T-39 transporting him on 23 November
- 28 - Received message of appreciation from COMCRUDESGRU TWO for CARIB SWING COD support while onboard USS NIMITZ

December:

- 3 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
- 8 - Received message of appreciation from USS EISENHOWER for COD support provided during IKE's REFTRA '82
- 8 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
- 10 - One C-1A departed on detachment to NAS Key West
- 13 - Received message of appreciation from COMTACSUPWING ONE for COD support provided to USS EISENHOWER
- 17 - One C-1A returned from detachment at NAS Key West

4. NARRATIVE:

JANUARY

Fleet Logistics Support Squadron Four Zero began the new year by re-emphasizing in a Safety Stand-down the need to continue its impressive performance and safety record. One COD and support crew detached to Jacksonville, Fl., and returned back at the end of the month while another one departed to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

FEBRUARY

Detachment schedule continued with one COD departing to Jacksonville, Fl., and another one departing to Key West, Fl. One COD returned from detachment at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and by the end of the month all aircraft had returned from detachment.

MARCH

In early March two C-1A's departed on detachment to Jacksonville, Fl., for six days. Operations based in Cuba continued during the middle of the month with two COD's departing on detachment to Guantanamo Bay, and returning back home by the end of the month. VRC-40 CODs made 118 arrested landings within a seven day period.

APRIL

Support operations based at Puerto Rico started in early April with two C-1A's detaching to Roosevelt Roads for about one month. At homeplate, the squadron supported the USS CARL VINSON during their initial operating period off the Vacapes area. One COD departed to Jacksonville, Fl., by mid-month for nine days.

MAY

The month started with two COD's departing on detachment to Corpus Christi, Tx., and Pensacola, Fl., providing support for the USS LEXINGTON. Another C-1A departed on detachment to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, for a month. The Puerto Rico detachment came back home after a month and by mid-month the Pensacola detachment was back home also. Two COD's participated in the Azalea Festival Air Show; one demonstrated a field arrestment and the other was a static display.

JUNE

One COD departed on detachment to Jacksonville, Fl., in early June for three days while the Cuba detachment returned back home. Two more COD's departed on detachment to Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, for a month, while another one left on detachment to Corpus Christi, Tx., for twelve days. Two C-1A's were received aboard, one from NAS Lemoore and one from the USS FORRESTAL. The CT-39 Sabreliner had its most efficient month in June 1982. It carried more cargo and passengers per hour than during any other month with an impressive total of 9,800 pounds of cargo and 232 passengers. The C-1A's amassed an incredible 178 arrested landings for the month. Most impressive however, was the fact that 88 of the arrested landings were made within a three day period of time.

JULY

Aircraft BUNO 136748 was transferred to the USS NIMITZ. Two CODs returned from Puerto Rico while another departed on detachment to Corpus Christi, Tx., for ten days. During the middle of the month, one COD departed on detachment to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

AUGUST

One COD returned from Cuba early in the month while another one departed on detachment to Jacksonville, Fl., for five days. By mid-month, one COD departed on detachment to Corpus Christ, Tx., and the command received BUNO 146043 from the USS AMERICA. Change-of-Command ceremonies were held as CDR J. N. Edwards, Jr. relieved CDR L. R. Newby on 20 August as Commanding Officer. The end of the month concluded as the hightime flight month for the Sabreliner. In fact, it was the Sabre's busiest month in the past fifteen months with the CT-39 flying nearly 190 hours. In August, VRC-40 was given the opportunity to provide a cost effective and time efficeint alternative to the requirement for C-1A pilots to be trained at VRC-30, NAS North Island, and established its own Replacement Training Department. The Corpus Christi detachment returned home and transferred BUNO 136772 to USS JOHN F. KENNEDY.

SEPTEMBER

The month began with two CODs departing on detachment to Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, for a month and a half, and one COD departing to Corpus Christi, Tx.

At the end of the month, the Corpus Christi detachment returned from Pensacola and BUNO 136760 was transferred to the USS EISENHOWER. On 30 September the first four C-1A student pilots completed training through the new Replacement Training Department.

OCTOBER

The tempo of operations slowed down considerably during the month of October. At midnight on 6 October, the command was asked to lift life-saving human organs from Portsmouth, Virginia to Washington D.C. Timeliness was critical, as was the exact coordination of doctors, ambulances and aircraft. The ensuing flight took place in extremely marginal weather conditions, with NAS Jacksonville the only suitable alternate airfield available on the entire East Coast. In spite of the rapid response required and the complication of poor weather, the mission was completed safely and successfully. VRC-40 established a squadron Cardiopulmonary-Resuscitation (CPR) course with the objective of training 100% of squadron personnel. By the end of the month the Puerto Rico detachment returned back home and one COD departed on detachment to Jacksonville, Fl.

NOVEMBER

At the beginning of the month the Jacksonville detachment returned back home and one COD departed on detachment to go aboard the USS NIMITZ for support of their CARIB SWING operations. They transferred distinguished visitors from different Caribbean countries to and from the ship for a period of ten days. Another COD departed on detachment to Key West, Fl., for a period of three days. Six VRC-40 pilots and eight ship's utility pilots completed C-1A ground school through the new Replacement Training Department.

DECEMBER

The month of December was one of the most hectic operating months ever experienced at VRC-40. The Sabreliner logged over 7,000 miles in a four day period. At the same time, the COD's participated in a logistics exercise with the USS CARL VINSON off of the Virginia, Carolina, and Florida coasts. At the end of an eight day period, VRC-40 C-1A's accumulated over 115 hours of flight time while traveling an unprecedented 17,400 miles in meeting 26 overheads. One COD departed on detachment early in the month to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, for a period of five days while another COD departed on detachment after the first week of the month to Key West, Fl., for a period of about ten days. Another event that took place during December was our squadron also participated in the USS SARATOGA SLEP project. Do to efforts of this squadron in this endeavor, another carrier will expeditiously rejoin the fleet. Fleet Logistics Support Squadron FORTY takes great pride in the highly successful performance of its unique mission during this past year. As a direct result of this effort, the squadron was awarded the Tactical Support Mission Battle Efficiency Award by COMNAVAIRLANT for the calendar year of 1982.

5. SPECIFIC ACHIEVEMENTS FOR FY/CY 1982:

a. Flight hours

(1) Total hours:	5105.0
(2) Total day hours:	4567.1/84% of total
(3) Total night hours:	537.9/11%
(4) Primary Mission:	2739.0/54%

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>FLIGHTS</u>
January	357.2	36
February	464.2	64
March	526.6	185
April	477.6	109
May	417.4	73
June	370.0	178
July	428.9	122
August	495.8	101
September	484.5	154
October	392.6	81
November	295.4	77
December	394.8	54

b. SHIPBOARD LANDINGS

- (1) Total Carrier Arrested Landings: 1234/100% day (by instruction)
- (2) Total detachment days - 337 days

c. TOTAL LOGISTICS (1982)

- (1) Mail/cargo - 434,877 lbs
- (2) Passengers - 5,961
- (3) VIPS - 355

d. QUARTERLY OPTAR MANAGEMENT:
SECOND QUARTER FY 82 (JAN - MAR 82)

- (1) Original flight hour grant - 1260
- (2) Hours flown - 1315.0
- (3) Original money grant - 294,040
- (4) Dollars expended - 290,514.50
- (5) Cost per hour - 217.09

THIRD QUARTER FY 82 (MAR - JUN 82)

- (1) Original flight hour grant - 1252
- (2) Hours flown - 1255.6
- (3) Original money grant - 301,625.50
- (4) Dollars expended - 301, 520.81
- (5) Cost per hour - 240.90

FOURTH QUARTER FY 82 (JUL - SEP 82)

- (1) Original flight hour grant - 1444
- (2) Hours flown - 1409.2
- (3) Original money grant - 362, 700.00
- (4) Dollars expended - 351,879.03
- (5) Cost per hour - 249.70

FIRST QUARTER FY 83 (OCT - DEC 82)

- (1) Original flight hour grant - 1079
- (2) Hours flown - 1082
- (3) Original money grant - 226,500.00
- (4) Dollars expended - 226,281.31
- (5) Cost per hour - 209.02

e. AIRCRAFT READINESS

	MC%	FMC%
First Quarter	69.9	58.7
Second Quarter	73.5	63.5
Third Quarter	72.2	52.1
Fourth Quarter	70.8	59.1

f. SAFETY ACHIEVEMENTS

- a. Alpha mishaps - none
- b. Bravo mishaps - none
- c. Alpha ground mishaps - none
- d. Hazard reports submitted - 4
- e. NATOPS changes submitted - 64