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From: Commanding Officer, USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72)
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Encl: (1) USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72) command history for 1990

1. In accordance with reference (a), and as requested in reference (b), enclosure (1) is forwarded for your files.

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M. D. MALONE
By direction

USS
ABRAHAM LINCOLN
(CVN 72)
Command History
1990

Encl. (1)

Overview

USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72) is the nation's fifth Nimitz-class aircraft carrier, and the newest in the U.S. arsenal. Built at a cost of over \$3 billion dollars, LINCOLN is the largest U.S. warship ever constructed. Commissioned November 11, 1989, LINCOLN is the second ship of the line to be named for the sixteenth president of the United States, Abraham Lincoln.

LINCOLN is charged with supporting America's tactical air capability and maintaining open sea lanes. As it carries out this mission on the oceans of the world, LINCOLN brings a message of peace through strength. Captain William B. Hayden commands LINCOLN, with an assembled officer and crew complement of over 2,900 persons.

LINCOLN was active in 1990. The ship completed operational, training and certification programs vital to its evolution as a fleet warship, including the qualification of the combat systems suite, proficiency certification for reactor watchstanders, INSURV inspection, damage control and battle training, and operations competency training with various carrier air wings to train flight deck personnel.

This year's highlight was LINCOLN's South America transit. During the two-month expedition, LINCOLN participated in multinational training opportunities with the Navies and Air Forces of several South American countries including Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay and Peru.

The year culminated with LINCOLN's completion of a shift in homeports from Norfolk, Virginia, to Alameda, California, and inter-fleet transfer from the Atlantic to the Pacific Fleet.

LINCOLN continues to stay faithful to its motto, "Shall Not Perish," as it enters 1991 confident of its ability to protect and defend America's vital interests.

1990

1. Command Composition and Organizational Structure:

LINCOLN's Mission:

To support and operate Naval tactical and support aircraft at sea, maintain open sea lanes for maritime traffic, project power both at sea and ashore, and provide a formidable strike option in response to national tasking. LINCOLN will also act as a command and control platform to direct and support battle group operations.

Wherever it goes, LINCOLN shall serve as a symbol of U.S. resolve to provide a sea-based deterrent to threats of national interest.

Chief of Naval Operations -- Admiral Frank B. Kelso
CINCPACFLT -- Admiral Charles R. Larson
COMNAVAIRPAC -- VADM John H. Fetterman Jr.
COMCARGRU THREE -- RADM Timothy W. Wright
Commanding Officer, USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN -- Captain William B. Hayden
Executive Officer, USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN -- Captain Robert L. Peterson
Command Master Chief -- AFCM Howard Rex Lincoln

Department Heads:

Air Officer	CDR	[REDACTED]
AIMD Officer	CDR	[REDACTED]
Administration Officer	LT	[REDACTED]
Chaplain	Captain	[REDACTED]
Communications Officer	LT	[REDACTED]
Combat Systems Officer	LCDR	[REDACTED]
Dental Officer	CDR	[REDACTED]
Engineering Officer	CDR	[REDACTED]
First Lieutenant	LCDR	[REDACTED]
Legal Officer	LCDR	[REDACTED]
CO, Marine Detachment	Captain (USMC)	[REDACTED]
Navigator	CDR	[REDACTED]
Senior Medical Officer	CDR	[REDACTED]
Operations Officer	CDR	[REDACTED]
Reactor Officer	CDR	[REDACTED]
Safety Officer	CDR	[REDACTED]
Supply Officer	CDR	[REDACTED]
Training Officer	LCDR	[REDACTED]
Weapons Officer	CDR	[REDACTED]

Ship's complement:

Officers 152
Crew 2,752

2. Chronology.

- Jan 90
- SSO Defense Courier Service is established.
 - APPS installed in MSI.
 - NAVSECGRU training library established SSES.
 - AV3M/NAVFLIRS installed.
 - Certified AIMD oil lab in accordance with JOAP programs.
 - Completed Vast station verification.
- Jan 1-18
- Inport Norfolk.
- Jan 4
- S-6 Division received first complement of aircraft engines in support of first air wing flight operations.
- Jan 19-Feb 14
- Underway for Shakedown, conducted CSQT structure test firing, CSQT missile exercise, FORACS noise measurement, CVW-8 embarked from Jan 19 to 13 Feb, cyclic operations supporting shakedown, Puerto Rican OPAREA, NATO Sea Sparrow Missile System certification. Established first logistics mobile beach detachment to support command's first REFTRA in the Caribbean Sea from NAS Jacksonville, Fla. to NAS Roosevelt Roads, P.R., and back to NAS Jacksonville.
- Feb 90
- Completed NAL-4-1 exercise TARPS conducted by Photo Lab and MSI.
 - Ammunition offload USS BUTTE.
 - AIMD ran first F-404-GE-400, T58-GE-10 and J52P8B jet engines for training.
 - AIMD composite repair shop certified for X-ray operations.
- Feb 14-19
- Port visit, Port Everglades, Fla.
- Feb 16
- Command accomplished first air wing fly-off with all planes either fully mission capable or partial mission capable.
- Feb 20-22
- Tiger Cruise en route to Norfolk.
- Feb 23-27
- Inport, NORVA.
- Feb 28-Mar 7
- Underway VACAPES; ISE; CVW-11 embarked; ORSE conducted 4-8 Mar.
- Mar 8-11
- Pre-INSURV inspection inport Norfolk.
- Mar 12-13
- Final contract trials, INSURV inspection.

Mar 14-Jul 22 - Inport Newport News SBDD, Post Shakedown Availability.

Mar 19-30 - Communications Department V5 system update.

Apr-Jul 90 - AIMD received major onload of avionics benches.

Apr 17-19 - 3M assist visit.

May 90 - Installation of new SUPPLOT begins.

Jun 90 - Drafting shop installed in MSI.

- TAMPs cross-decked from ENTERPRISE and installed in Mission Planning and in Debriefing.

- TFCC II+ installation begins (FFDS installed in MSI).

- Mine and torpedo readiness certification assist.

Jun 05 - LINCOLN moved out of drydock.

Jun 10 - Duty shuttle accident, Newport News.

Jul 90 - Non-operational FIST cross-decked from CVN 65 and installed in MSI (to be returned to PACFLT).

- Pacific MC&G allowance begins arriving on board.

- Training and Readiness Evaluation (TRE) inspection by Cryptologic Readiness Group, NAVSECGRACT Northwest, VA.

- Ammunition onload pierside.

- AIMD NDI lab developed first X-ray film.

Jul 1-15 - Successfully completed propulsion plant light off and testing during conclusion of PSA.

Jul 23, 24 - Underway VACAPES, shakedown.

Jul 25-27 - Training readiness evaluation.

Jul 25-Aug 1 - Inport, Norfolk, 25-26 Jul CVW-11 visit.

Aug 90 - Electronic Warfare Onboard Trainer (EWOBT) installed and training initiated, Aug 4.

- FICPAC SAO package arrives.

- First watch in SUPPLOT, 22 Aug.

- Removal of portions of NIPS (V) 3 begins to accommodate NIPS (V) 4 Phase One in ANALYSIS.

- SSES computer accreditation for SCI completed, 23 Aug.
 - Ammunition onload from USS KALAMAZOO.
 - AIMD ran first GTC36-201 APU.
 - AIMD issued first TF30-P414A engine.
- Aug 2-12
- Underway VACAPES ISE PALS certification CVW-13 embarked; SURFPAC NPMTT embarked.
- Aug 13
- Inport Norfolk.
- Aug 14
- Underway, Dependent's Cruise.
- Aug 15-21
- Inport Norfolk.
- Aug 22-29
- Underway VACAPES, CVW-13 embarked.
- Aug 23-24
- Forty people from the National Association of Science Naval Studies Board embark the ship.
- Aug 29-Sep 24
- Inport Norfolk, Aug 30 AIRPAC visit (VADM FETTERMAN). 23 Sep CVW-11 onload. Massive supply onload included over 1,000 pallets of stores, direct turn-over and squadron material.
- Sep 90
- TIMS drop installed in MSI.
 - NIPS (V) 4 phase one installation completed in ANALYSIS.
 - TFCC II+ installation completed.
 - TRE installed.
 - Tributary communications pre-groom/ANDVT (KYV-5) install completed, 18 Sep.
 - SSES receiver upgrade complete.
 - SUPPLOT installation complete (JOTS II, POST, TRE installed), 24 Sep.
 - CVW-11 operations REFTRA.
 - Hosted QUICKSTRIKE DST, ship's suitability test for NAVSEA assessment.
 - Naval Intelligence Processing System (NIPS) interphase installed in Communications.
 - AIMD Oil Lab certified for Coolanol testing.

- Sep 5 - NALCOMIS software installation completed making the command ADP fully operational.
- Sep 7 - CMS inspection for Communications Department.
- Sep 25-26 - Governor of Illinois visits command.
- Departure from NAVSTA, Norfolk, VA. Underway, transit Alameda, CVW-11 embarked, CQ VACAPES.
- Sep 27 - JAX OPAREA, transit PROA.
- Sep 28-30 - Transit Puerto Rican OPAREA, CVW-11 MISSILEX, CVW-11 Cyclic OPS.
- Oct 90 - CJTF 4 counter-narcotics tasking in Caribbean, 4-6 Oct.
- REFTRA 4-14 Oct.
- All PPDB's and APPS software arrives in MSI.
- SAS program commences.
- Gringo-Gaicho exercise w/Argentina.
- Blue Sky III exercise w/Chile.
- First parachute assembly packed.
- Oct 1-3 - Port visit, St. Thomas, USVI. First on-load of stores in a foreign port.
- Oct 4-14 - Underway REFTRA, transit Alameda, CTG 24.8 in company with USS DOYLE FFG-39 Oct 6 transit with USS PAWCATUCK, USS DOYLE in company.
- Oct 9 - Crossing the Line Ceremony. King Neptune embarked.
- Oct 13 - First refueling of another ship; USS DOYLE.
- Oct 15-18 - Inport Rio De Janeiro, Brazil. Ship hosts a 400-person reception in Hangar Bay #2.
- Oct 17 - Anti-nuclear demonstrations, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- Oct 19-30 - Underway, transit Alameda, Argentine Naval Officers embarked.
- Oct 21-25 - Transit Alameda. Exercise Gringo-Gaicho II with Argentina. Oct. 21 hosted Argentine distinguished visitors, Argentine Naval Officers and Landing Signal Officers. Conducted practice bombing missions to Punta Indio target complex 22, 23, 24 Oct. Argentine Super Entendard and S-2E tracker

- aircraft conducted touch-and-go landings on Oct 23 and 24.
- Conducted low-level navigation flights over southern Argentina in the vicinity of TRELEW.
- Oct 22 - Stock Control assumes control of all Q-COSAL.
- Oct 26-27 - Transit Cape Horn.
- Oct 28-Nov 8 - Transit Alameda, exercise Blue Sky III, Chilean interaction. Oct. 28 AAWEX vs Chilean Air Force. Oct. 29 Low levels Southern Chile in the vicinity of Puerto Montt.
- Oct. 30 - Hosted Chilean DVs.
- Oct 31-Nov 4 - Port Visit Valparaiso, Chile.
- Nov 90 - CJTF 4 counter-narcotics tasking in the vicinity of Galapagos Island, 12-13.
- SSO functions and SCI billets transferred to PACFLT, 14 Nov.
 - CJTF 5 counter-narcotics tasking in the vicinity of Clipperton/Clarion Island 15, 16 Nov.
 - INCHOP C3F/EASTPAC COMMS AREA, 14 Nov.
 - TRE DE-INSTALL/cross-decked to USS TARAWA LHA-1, 18 Nov.
 - AIMD ESD bench established.
- Nov 4 - Bombing incident in Vina Del Mar, Chile. Three CVW-11 crewmembers suffered superficial wounds. No responsibility was claimed for attack. Chilean officials helpful throughout incident.
- Nov 5-18 - Underway transit Alameda, Nov. 5 hosted Chilean DVs.
- Nov 6-8 - Chilean interaction, dissimilar air combat training 6 & 7 Nov., low-level navigation flights Northern Chile, delta target complex usage in the vicinity of ANTOFAGASTA Airfield and Iquique Airfield. Nov. 8 conducted raids on ANTOFAGASTA Airfield and Iquique, conducted two AAWEXs against Chilean Air Force.
- Nov 8 - The first wall-to-wall inventory of a S-8 storeroom was completed using the integrated bar coding system.
- Nov 9 - Transit Alameda, cyclic operations.
- Nov 10 - Hosted Peruvian DVs, conducted cyclic flight operations. Lincoln logged its 6,000th arrested landing. CVW-11 aircraft barricade landing at sea.

- Nov 11 - First steel beach picnic for all hands to commemorate ship's first birthday.
- Transit Alameda.
- Nov 14 - Inchop THIRDFLT.
- Nov 30 - ADM Bruce DeMars, Director, Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program, visited.
- Dec 90 - Cryptologic Combat Support Console (CCSC) installed in SSES.
- UPQ-5 installed in DEBRIEFING, 20 Dec.

3. Narrative.

Certification was completed on LINCOLN's AIMD Oil Lab. This provided LINCOLN the ability to do oil trend analysis on board the ship for aircraft and machinery, alleviating the need to send these samples off the ship.

During the January - February underway period, LINCOLN completed extensive testing and training of its combat systems suite, including firing of its NATO Sea Sparrow Missile System. FORACS noise measurements of the propulsion plant and hull was conducted off St. Croix. The ship continued to utilize assets from CVW-8 to build proficiency in aircraft operations of the flight deck crew.

In February the ship made its first port call in Port Everglades, Florida, where some dependents embarked for a Tiger Cruise. LINCOLN entered a post-shipyard availability at the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock in March. The emphasis for this availability was on habitability, equipment installation and upgrade and maintenance to existing equipment.

LINCOLN returned to sea on 23 July for a 2-day shakedown cruise. During July the ship also went through a Training Readiness Evaluation (TRE) and received an orientation visit from its assigned air wing, CVW-11.

August was a heavy training month for the ship in preparation for the around-the-horn transit. Early August was spent at sea, continuing operational training with CVW-8. In mid-August a Dependent's Day Cruise was held for nearly 5,000 guests.

In September LINCOLN departed Norfolk, Virginia, en route Alameda, California, and assignment to the Pacific Fleet. The embarked air wing was composed of aircraft from CVW-8, CVW-11 and CVWR-30 (approximately 60 total aircraft). LINCOLN made its first port call of the transit in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands on October 1. LINCOLN then returned to sea to conduct two weeks of refresher training (REFTRA) in the Guantanamo Bay operating area with instructors from the U.S. Navy training facility.

On October 9 the ship crossed the equator and conducted a "Shellback" initiation ceremony. The ship visited Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, on 15-18 October. Later in the month, LINCOLN took part in Exercise "Gringo Gaucho II" with Argentina and "Blue Sky III" with the Chilean Air Force.

In November, LINCOLN visited Valparaiso, Chile, for a 5-day port visit. On November 20, the ship arrived in its new homeport of Alameda, California, and began its holiday standdown period.