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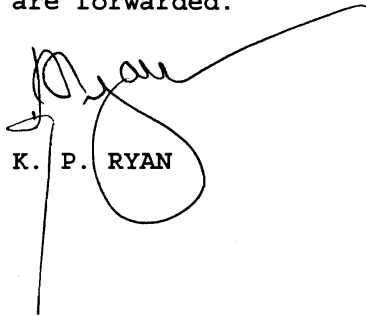
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Subj: USS ALBANY (SSN 753) COMMAND HISTORY FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1996

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Encl: (1) USS ALBANY (SSN 753) Command History for Calendar Year 1996
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USS ALBANY (SSN 753) COMMAND HISTORY FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1995

1. COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION:

a. Mission:

(1) USS ALBANY (SSN 753), the 43rd ship of the Los Angeles class, is one of the Navy's newest nuclear powered attack submarines. It is the most advanced undersea vessel of its type in the world.

(2) The 360 ft, 6900 ton ship is well equipped to accomplish any assigned mission. Faster than her predecessors, she is equipped with "State of the Art" highly accurate sensors and weapons control systems, and is armed with sophisticated MK 48 Anti-Submarine Torpedoes, Advanced Capability Torpedoes (ADCAP), and twelve vertical launch tubes in the bow to launch TOMAHAWK Cruise Missiles. ALBANY carries a crew of 139 (14 officers and 125 enlisted men).

b. Organizational structure:

(1) Immediate Senior Commands:

Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet - VADM R. W. Mies
Commander, Submarine Group TWO - RADM M. I. Fages
Commander, Submarine Squadron SIX - CAPT R. P. Terpstra
Commanding Officer - CDR K. P. Ryan

(2) Permanent Duty Station: Norfolk, VA.

c. Chronology:

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Events</u>
01-01-96	HOLIDAY STAND DOWN
01-02-96	INPORT NORFOLK, VIRGINIA
01-03-96 to 04-05-96	DEPLOYMENT NORTH ATLANTIC
03-21-96 to 03-26-96	INPORT FASLANE, SCOTLAND
04-06-96 to 04-17-96	STAND DOWN
04-18-96 to 04-21-96	TOPSIDE PREPARATIONS FOR SUBMARINE SQUADRON SIX CHANGE OF COMMAND
04-22-96 to 05-24-96	INTERMEDIATE MAINTENANCE ACTIVITY (IMA) UPKEEP
04-26-96	SUBMARINE SQUADRON SIX CHANGE OF COMMAND ABOARD USS ALBANY (SSN 753)
05-25-96	FAST CRUISE
05-26-96	INPORT NORFOLK, VA
05-27-96 to 06-06-96	UNDERWAY (U/W) VIRGINIA COAST OPERATING AREAS (VACAPES) (SEA TRIALS & MIDSHIPMAN OPERATIONS)
06-07-96 to 06-09-96	INPORT NORFOLK, VA
06-10-96 to 06-30-96	SCHEDULED PRESERVATION UPKEEP COORDINATION EFFORT (SPRUCE)
07-01-96 TO 07-07-96	INPORT NORFOLK, VA
07-08-96 to 07-19-96	U/W VACAPES (EHF TESTING)
07-20-96 to 08-07-96	INPORT NORFOLK, VA
08-08-96 to 08-26-96	U/W CARIBBEAN (BATTLE GROUP OPERATIONS)
08-27-96 to 08-31-96	INPORT ROOSEVELT ROADS, PUERTO RICO; VIP VISIT BY MEATLOAF.
09-01-96 to 09-11-96	U/W CARIBBEAN (BATTLE GROUP OPERATIONS)

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Events (Con't)</u>
09-12-96 to 09-13-96	OPERATIONAL REACTOR SAFEGUARDS EXAM
09-14-96 to 09-15-96	INPORT NORFOLK, VA
09-16-96 to 10-27-96	PRE-OVERSEAS MOVEMENT (POM) UPKEEP NORFOLK VA
10-23-96	FAST CRUISE
10-24-96	VIP TOUR BY GERMAN CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS
10-28-96 to 11-01-96	U/W VACAPES
11-02-96 to 11-11-96	INPORT NORFOLK, VA
11-12-96 to 11-24-96	U/W CARIBBEAN
11-22-96 to 11-24-96	TACTICAL READINESS EVALUATION
11-25-96 to 11-29-96	INPORT ROOSEVELT ROADS, PUERTO RICO
11-30-96 to 12-13-96	U/W CARIBBEAN
12-14-96 to 12-22-96	UPKEEP NORFOLK, VA
12-23-96 to 12-31-96	HOLIDAY STAND DOWN

3. Awards.

- a. COMSUBLANT Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination Quarterly Top Performer.
- b. COMSUBRON SIX Medical "M" for 1996.
- c. COMSUBRON SIX Engineering "E" for 1996.

4. Narrative.

USS ALBANY started the year by making a deployment to North Atlantic. During deployment the crew enjoyed the liberty port of Faslane, Scotland. After returning from the highly successful deployment, ALBANY commenced upkeep, and was selected as the COMSUBRON SIX change of command host boat. Upon completion of upkeep, ALBANY conducted midshipmen operations. Shortly after the midshipmen's tour, ALBANY began a Scheduled Preservation Upkeep Coordinated Effort (SPRUCE) of the boat's bilge's. ALBANY conducted operations in the Caribbean for Battle Group Operations to prepare for a Battle Group Mediterranean deployment in 1997. During Battle Group Operations, ALBANY visited the port of Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico where crew members enjoyed trips to San Juan. ALBANY entered into upkeep with the USS EMORY S. LAND (AS-39), for calibration and preventative maintenance. The boat soon left for another trip to the Caribbean for it's Tactical Readiness Examination. ALBANY then returned to Norfolk, Virginia for Intermediate Maintenance Activity Upkeep, and Holiday Standown.

5. Supporting Documents:

- a. Welcome Aboard Pamphlet.
- b. ALBANY Decal.
- c. Photograph of CDR K. P. Ryan