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From: Commanding Officer, USS ALEXANDRIA (SSN 757)
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Subj: USS ALEXANDRIA (SSN 757) 2001 COMMAND HISTORY
Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12G

1. The following command history of USS ALEXANDRIA (SSN 757) is submitted in accordance with reference (a). The period covered is from January 2001 through December 2001.

2. Command composition and organization:

a. USS ALEXANDRIA (SSN 757) UIC: 21465

b. Mission: To support the objectives of national defense policy in support of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet by all possible means, including locating and destroying submarines and surface ships, conducting reconnaissance, strike warfare, mine placement, and operations with special warfare units.

c. Organizational Structure: An element of Submarine Development Squadron TWELVE. Main operational departments are Engineering, Navigation/Operations, Combat Systems and Supply.

d. Commanding Officer: CDR David M. Hendricks

e. Homeport: Groton, CT

3. Chronology:

01 Jan - 24 May	Deployed to the Arabian Gulf with USS HARRY S TRUMAN (CVN 75) Battlegroup.
01 Jan	Transit the Strait of Hormuz inbound to the Arabian Gulf.
06 Jan - 18 Jan	Port visit, Mina Sulman, Bahrain.
18 Jan - 17 Feb	Underway in the Arabian Gulf.
17 Feb - 26 Feb	Port visit, Mina Sulman, Bahrain.
26 Feb - 10 Mar	Underway in the Arabian Gulf.

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10 Mar - 14 Mar	Port visit, Mina Sulman, Bahrain.
14 Mar - 21 Mar	Underway in the Arabian Gulf.
21 Mar - 27 Mar	Port visit, Mina Sulman, Bahrain.
24 Mar - 04 Apr	Exercise Arabian Gauntlet 01.
27 Mar - 03 Apr	Underway in the Arabian Gulf.
03 Apr - 16 Apr	Port visit, Mina Sulman, Bahrain.
16 Apr - 29 Apr	Underway in the Arabian Gulf.
29 Apr	Transit the Strait of Hormuz outbound from the Arabian Gulf.
29 Apr - 01 May	Transit to the Suez Canal.
02 May	Transit the Suez Canal Northbound.
02 May - 06 May	Transit to Souda Bay, Crete.
06 May - 10 May	Port Visit Souda Bay, Crete.
10 May - 14 May	Transit to the Strait of Gibraltar.
12 May	Brief stop for personnel (BSP) at LaMaddalena, Italy
14 May	Brief stop for personnel (BSP) at Gibraltar.
14 May	Transit the Strait of Gibraltar.
14 May - 22 May	Transit the Atlantic Ocean bound for Norfolk, VA.
22 May	Brief stop for personnel at NAVSTA Norfolk, VA.
22 May - 24 May	Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE).
24 May	Return from deployment.
24 May - 17 Jul	In port, SUBASE New London, CT.

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24 May - 25 Jun	Post deployment stand down.
25 Jun - 17 Jul	IMA Upkeep.
17 Jul - 27 Jul	Underway in the Jacksonville Operating Area (JAXOA).
27 Jul - 05 Sep	In port, SUBASE New London, CT for IMA Upkeep.
05 Sep - 13 Sep	Underway in the Narragansett Bay Operating Area (NBOA).
13 Sep - 24 Sep	In port, SUBASE New London, CT.
24 Sep - 06 Oct	Underway in the Jacksonville Operating Area for TWTCP.
06 Oct - 18 Oct	In port, SUBASE New London, CT.
18 Oct - 15 Nov	Prospective Commanding Officer Operations in the Jacksonville Operating Area (JAXOA) and the Puerto Rican Operating Area (PROA).
21 Oct - 22 Oct	Port visit to Port Canaveral, FL.
27 Oct - 29 Oct	Port visit to Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico.
03 Nov - 05 Nov	Port visit to Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico.
15 Nov - 31 Dec	In port Submarine Base New London.
21 Dec - 31 Dec	Christmas stand down.

4. Narrative. The ship began the year by entering the Arabian Gulf via the Strait of Hormuz as a part of the USS HARRY S. TRUMAN (CVN 75) Battlegroup and Operation Southern Watch. From the 1st of January to the 29th of April, the ship alternated between time underway in the Arabian Gulf and time in port at Bahrain, home of the U.S. Fifth Fleet. At the end of March and into April the ship participated in the multinational exercise Arabian Gauntlet 01 intended to strengthen regional security and military-to-military relationships. After leaving the Arabian

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Gulf at the end of April, ALEXANDRIA transited the Suez Canal on 02 May. A short stay in Souda Bay, Crete preceded the transit to the Strait of Gibraltar. Enroute to the Strait, the ship stopped in LaMaddalena, Italy to embark personnel from Squadron 22. Squadron personnel left the ship at a brief stop for personnel in Gibraltar. The trans-Atlantic voyage followed this BSP and concluded in Norfolk, VA where the ship embarked the members of the Nuclear Propulsion Examining Board (NPEB). The last two days of deployment, were spent in an Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE). On 24 May, ALEXANDRIA returned home.

The crew spent the next month enjoying a well-deserved post deployment stand down. On 25 June, the ship began alternating upkeep periods and short local operations culminating in Torpedo Weapons Training Certification Program in late September and early October. A short 12-day turnaround in homeport was followed by Prospective Commanding Officer (PCO) Operations in late October and early November. PCO Operations included port visits to Port Canaveral, FL and Roosevelt Roads, PR.

Returning to Groton, CT on 15 November, ALEXANDRIA began preparations for a change of homeport to Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in January 2002. On 21 December, Christmas stand down began taking the ship to the end of 2001.



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