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Subj: USS ANNAPOLIS (SSN 760) COMMAND HISTORY

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Encl: (1) USS ANNAPOLIS (SSN 760) Command History for January to December 1998

(2) 3 1/2" floppy-disk with MS Word formatted Command History

1. Enclosures (1) and (2) are submitted in accordance with reference (a).

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USS ANNAPOLIS (SSN 760) COMMAND HISTORY

I. Command Composition and Organization.

- A. Mission: To conduct prompt, sustained, combat operations at sea.
- B. ISIC: Commander, Submarine Squadron Four
- C. Commanding Officer: CDR Daniel I. Nylén
- D. Homeport: Groton, CT.

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II. Chronology.

01 JAN 1998- Conducted operations in the Arabian Gulf in
30 JAN 1998 conjunction with operation Southern Watch.

31 JAN 1998- Port Visit Mina Salman Bahrain.
04 FEB 1998

05 FEB 1998- Conducted operations in the Arabian Gulf in
13 FEB 1998 conjunction with operation Southern Watch.

14 FEB 1998- Port visit Mina Zayid Abu Dhabi United Arab
17 FEB 1998 Emirates

18 FEB 1998- Conducted operations in the Arabian Gulf in
03 MAR 1998 conjunction with operation Southern Watch.

04 MAR 1998- Port visit Mina Zayid Abu Dhabi United Arab
07 MAR 1998 Emirates

08 MAR 1998- Conducted operations in the Arabian Gulf in
19 MAR 1998 conjunction with operation Southern Watch.

20 MAR 1998 Transited the Suez Canal to the Mediterranean Sea.

21 MAR 1998- Transit to La Maddalena, Italy.
23 MAR 1998

24 MAR 1998 Moored alongside USS Simon Lake (AS-33) at La
Maddalena, Italy for voyage supplies.

25 MAR 1998- Transit to Homeport Groton, CT.
02 APR 1998

03 APR 1998- Moored Groton, CT. In-Port Stand Down.
17 APR 1998

18 APR 1998- Maintenance upkeep.
02 JUN 1998

03 JUN 1998- Conducted independent submarine operations.
08 JUN 1998 CDR Daniel I. Nylén aboard.

09 JUN 1998- Moored Groton, CT for maintenance upkeep.
02 AUG 1998

11 JUN 1998 Change of command ceremonies for USS
ANNAPOLIS CDR Daniel I. Nylén relieves CDR
Daniel Farson.

03 AUG 1998- Underway for Tactical Symposium
07 AUG 1998

08 AUG 1998- Moored Groton, CT.
09 AUG 1998

10 AUG 1998- Underway for Operational Reactor Safeguards Exam
26 AUG 1998 and explosive echo ranging.

27 AUG 1998- Moored Groton, CT.

28 AUG 1998- VIP cruise to Long Island Sound and Tactical
08 SEP 1998 Readiness Evaluation support in Autec Operating
Areas.

09 SEP 1998- Moored Groton, CT.
20 SEP 1998

21 SEP 1998- Underway for JTFEX support
05 OCT 1998

06 OCT 1998- Moored Groton, CT for maintenance upkeep.
16 NOV 1998

17 NOV 1998- Underway for local operations in the Narrangesett
20 NOV 1998 Bay Operating Areas.

21 NOV 1998- Moored Groton, CT.
29 NOV 1998

30 NOV 1998- Underway enroute to Mayport FL.
03 DEC 1998

04 DEC 1998- Port Visit Mayport FL.
07 DEC 1998

08 DEC 1998- Underway for Tactical Readiness Evaluation support
15 DEC 1998 in Autec Operating Areas.

16 DEC 1998- Inport Groton CT for Christmas Stand down.
31 DEC 1998

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III. Narrative.

In the first quarter of 1997, ANNAPOLIS was underway in the Arabian Gulf with the George Washington Battle Group in support of Operation Southern Watch. ANNAPOLIS maintained a constant strike posture ensuring the ship could conduct a coordinated strike against Iraq at a moments notice. While maintaining the strike readiness, the ship also conducted coordinated antisubmarine warfare exercises with the George Washington battle group.

While in the Arabian Gulf the ship made numerous port calls where the crew was able to partake in well deserved rest and relaxation. Mina Zayid Abu Dhabi United Arab Emirates was by far the ships most favorite port having requested to return to it a second time. While in Abu Dhabi ANNAPOLIS arranged for a desert safari, which became the highlight of the Mediterranean Deployment. The port call in Mina Salman Bahrain allowed the crew to communicate home cheaply through the excellent telecommunication facilities at the Navy Administrative Support Unit Bahrain.

In March of 1998 ANNAPOLIS was relieved of her strike duties by the USS PROVIDENCE and began the long voyage home. On the 20th of March the ship transited the Suez Canal enroute to the Mediterranean Sea. While transiting the Mediterranean Sea the ship stopped in La Maddalena, Italy to receive much needed voyage supplies. On the 3rd of April 1998 the ship returned to her home port of Groton Connecticut where she was welcomed with a large media event.

The original plan for the deployment had ANNAPOLIS in port La Maddalena for a two week minor maintenance up keep. As a result of the crisis in the Arabian Gulf, ANNAPOLIS never received a maintenance up keep. Through the valiant effort of the crew and the Navy supply system the ship was able conduct necessary repairs while remaining at sea. It was not until after stand down that the ship began its much needed maintenance up keep.

In June CDR Daniel Farson was relieved by CDR Daniel Nylan. A June underway supported turnover between the Commanders and maintained the crew's proficiency operating at sea.

ANNAPOLIS completed an upkeep and went underway in August to support a Tactical Symposium. The ship also conducted an Operational Reactor Safeguards Exam during this period.

The ship supported several submarine Tactical Readiness Exams in the Autec Operating areas in September through December.