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From: Commanding Officer, USS ASHEVILLE (SSN 758)
 To: Director of Naval History (OP-09BH), Washington Navy Yard,
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Subj: FORWARDING OF COMMAND HISTORY

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12E

Encl: (1) Welcome Aboard pamphlet

1. The Command History for the period 1 January 1992 to 31 December 1992 is submitted in accordance with reference (a).

2. Command composition and organization.

a. USS ASHEVILLE (SSN 758) was commissioned on 28 September 1991. Its mission includes surveillance, regional sea denial, precision strike, battle group support and ground warfare support.

b. USS ASHEVILLE is currently assigned to Submarine Squadron 11, homeported in San Diego, California. ASHEVILLE is administratively responsible to the Commander, Submarine Squadron 11 in San Diego, California; Commander, Submarine Group 5 in San Diego, California; and Commander Submarine Force, U. S. Pacific Fleet.

c. Commander Douglas B. Guthe is the Commanding Officer.

3. Chronology.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
7 January 1992 to 22 January 1992	The ship conducted independent steaming operations. The ship also participated in Anti-submarine warfare exercises.
31 January 1992 to 13 February 1992	The ship participated in a multi-ship NATO exercise, CANFLTOPS 1-92. This included a trip to the Autec Sound Range to complete sonar system certification.
14 February 1992 to 18 February 1992	Port visit in Port Canaveral, Florida Over 600 Naval Nuclear Power School Staff and students toured ASHEVILLE.
28 February 1992	The ship returned to Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company to begin Post Shakedown Availability.
28 February 1992 to 27 August 1992	The ship completed Post Shakedown Availability in Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company.

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12 September 1992	CDR Douglas B. Guthe relieved CDR Patrick J. Casey as Commanding Officer
16 September 1992 to 2 October 1992	The ship completed transit from Norfolk, Virginia to San Diego, California via the Panama Canal as a change of homeport. This transit included a port visit to Port Canaveral, Florida from 18 to 21 September 1992.
26 September 1992	The ship crossed the equator and conducted Shellback ceremony.
23 October 1992	The ship completed deperming in Bangor, Washington.
29 October 1992 to 1 November 1992	The ship completed a very successful sound trials at the new Southeast Alaska Acoustic Facility.
4 November 1992 to 6 November 1992	Port visit in Bangor, Washington.
8 November 1992 to 10 November 1992	The ship participated in a Tactical Readiness Exercise for another Pacific Fleet Submarine.
18 November 1992 to 11 December 1992	The ship completed its first Upkeep alongside USS MCKEE (AS 41). During this period the crew also completed Post Overhaul Refresher Training (PORT) at Submarine Training Facility, San Diego, California.
14 December 1992 to 18 December 1992	The ship participated in an anti-submarine warfare exercise. During this time, RADM Emery, Commander, Submarine Group 5 was embarked.

4. Narrative.

a. USS ASHEVILLE (SSN 758) has become a fully certified member of the U. S. Pacific Fleet. Major objectives of the past twelve months have been:

(1) Continuing training and qualification of the crew.

(2) Ensuring the ship was in top material condition during Post Shakedown Availability.

(3) Preparations for and conduct of transit of the Panama Canal and change of homeport from Norfolk, Virginia to San Diego, California.



D. B. GUTHE