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From: Commanding Officer, USS ASHEVILLE (SSN 758)  
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Subj: FORWARDING OF COMMAND HISTORY

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12F

Encl: (1) Photograph of Commanding Officer  
(2) Biography of Commanding Officer

1. The Command History for the period 01 January 1997 to 31 December 1997 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 Three, homeported in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. ASHEVILLE is administratively responsible to the Commander, Submarine Squadron Three in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii and Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet.

c. Commander Bruce E. Grooms is the Commanding Officer.

3. Chronology.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
1 January 1997 to 6 January 1997	Inport San Diego.
6 January 1997 to 10 January 1997	Underway in SOCAL OPAREAS conducting at-sea training.
10 January 1997 to 16 January 1997	Inport San Diego.
16 January 1997 to 26 January 1997	Underway in SOCAL OPAREAS for at-sea training.
26 January 1997 to 27 February 1997	Inport San Diego, Command Inspection.

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27 February 1997 to 28 February 1997	Underway in SOCAL OPAREAS for at-sea training.
28 February 1997 to 14 March 1997	Inport San Diego.
14 March 1997 to 21 March 1997	Underway in SOCAL OPAREAS for TWTCP.
21 March 1997 to 1 April 1997	Drydocked in San Diego, CA with USS ARCO.
1 April 1997 to 4 April 1997	Inport San Diego.
4 April 1997 to 17 April 1997	Underway in SOCAL OPAREAS for Tactical Readiness Evaluation.
17 April 1997 to 21 April 1997	Inport San Diego.
21 April 1997 to 8 May 1997	Underway in SOCAL OPAREAS for at-sea Battle Group training.
8 May 1997 to 27 May 1997	Inport San Diego.
27 May 1997 to 12 June 1997	Underway transit to Pearl Harbor, HI for Change of Homeport/ORSE Work-up/ORSE.
12 June 1997 to 8 July 1997	Inport Pearl Harbor for Stand-down.
8 July 1997 to 14 July 1997	Underway transit to San Diego, CA for Midshipmen Operations.
14 July 1997 to 17 July 1997	Underway in SOCAL OPAREAS for Midshipmen Operations.
17 July 1997 to 21 July 1997	Inport San Diego.
21 July 1997 to 25 July 1997	Underway in SOCAL OPAREAS for Midshipmen Operations.
25 July 1997 to 28 July 1997	Inport San Diego.

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28 July 1997 to Operations. 31 July 1997	Underway in SOCIAL OPAREAS for Midshipmen
31 July 1997 to 6 August 1997	Underway transit to Pearl Harbor.
6 August 1997 to 18 August 1997	Inport Pearl Harbor, HI for Change of Command.
18 August 1997 to 22 August 1997	Underway HAWAIIAN OPAREAS for at-sea training.
22 August 1997 to 30 September 1997	Inport Pearl Harbor for POM Upkeep Phase 1.
30 September 1997 to 9 October 1997	Underway HAWAIIAN OPAREAS for Sea Trials and at-sea. training.
9 October 1997 to 4 November 1997	Inport Pearl Harbor.
4 November 1997 to 5 November 1997	Underway HAWAIIAN OPAREAS for HFSP/AMDS testing in shallow water areas.
5 November 1997 to 7 November 1997	Inport Pearl Harbor.
7 November 1997 to 15 November 1997	Underway HAWAIIAN OPAREAS for HFSP/AMDS testing in shallow water areas.
15 November 1997 to 11 December 1997	Inport Pearl Harbor conducting POM Upkeep Phase 2.
11 December 1997 to 23 December 1997	Drydocked in Drydock 4, PHSY, Pearl Harbor, HI.
23 December 1997 to 31 December 1997	Inport Pearl Harbor. Holiday Stand-down.

4. **Summary.**

During the year, the ship conducted extensive testing of the developmental High Frequency Sonar Program/Advanced Mine Detection System in shallow water minefield areas. Additional operations included battlegroup support for the Constellation Battle Group and Midshipmen familiarization cruises over the summer. Maintenance periods included two Predeployment Upkeeps and two emergent drydockings.

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In June 1997, the ship completed a change in homeport from San Diego, CA to Pearl Harbor, HI. In August 1997, CDR Bruce E. Grooms relieved CDR Terrell L. Tribble as Commanding Officer, USS ASHEVILLE (SSN 758).

  
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