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Encl: (1) Command History 1988
(2) Welcome Aboard Pamphlet
(3) Ship's Photograph

1. Enclosures (1) through (3) are forwarded for historical and public affairs purposes in accordance with references (a) and (b).
2. This is USS AUGUSTA's fifth annual report.


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USS AUGUSTA (SSN 710)
1988 COMMAND HISTORY

Command Composition and Organization.

USS AUGUSTA (SSN 710), the thirtieth 688 Class nuclear fast attack submarine, is one of the most advanced undersea vessels of its type in the world. Her mission: to hunt down and destroy enemy surface ships and submarines. She carries a crew of 13 officers and approximately 120 enlisted men, all highly qualified specialists in their fields. USS AUGUSTA, under the command of Commander James W. Angelo, is attached to Submarine Development Squadron TWELVE and is homeported in Groton, CT. Lieutenant Commander Gary R. Wleklinski is the Executive Officer.

Chronology:

6 Jan - 1 Mar 88	Joint US/UK Atlantic Anti-Submarine Warfare exercise LANTSUBASWEX 2-88.
22 - 24 Jan 88	Port call, Haakonsvern, Norway.
19 - 22 Feb 88	Port call, Portsmouth, England.
18 Mar 88	Change of Command.
21 - 23 Mar 88	Dual Towed Array Testing.
28 Mar - 15 Apr 88	Range Exercise RANGEX 1-88; Sea Lance ASW Standoff Weapon Targeting.
13 - 14 May 88	Port call, Fort Lauderdale, FL.
15 - 28 May 88	Prospective Commanding Officer (PCO) Operations.
28 - 31 May 88	Port call, Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico.
1 - 9 Jun 88	Tactical Readiness Evaluation.
2 - 3 Jun 88	MK 48 Torpedo Proficiency Firings.
11 - 14 Jun 88	Supply Management Inspection (SMI).
6 - 7 Jul 88	Short-Notice Navy Technical Proficiency Inspection (NTPI).
21 Jul - 11 Aug 88	Midshipman Operations and Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE).
12 - 15 Aug 88	Port call, Norfolk, VA. Dependent "TIGER" cruise to Groton.
15 Aug - 21 Oct 88	Pre-Overseas Movement (POM).

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12 - 16 Sep 88	Sonar Calibration.
26 Sep - 7 Oct 88	POM Workup.
28 Sep - 1 Oct 88	Emergent Drydocking, Norfolk, VA.
11 - 14 Oct 88	POM Certification.
21 Oct - 23 Dec 88	North Atlantic Deployment.
1 - 13 Dec 88	Voyage Repairs, Holy Loch, Scotland.

Narrative.

USS AUGUSTA began the new year with an extended overseas period during which she participated in LANTSUBASWEX 2-88 and a joint US/UK ASWEX. This busy exercise period was highlighted by port visits to Haakonsværn, Norway and Portsmouth, England. Upon return to homeport on 1 March, AUGUSTA began an upkeep in preparation for the first ever dual towed array test and for a long range targeting exercise employing an ASW standoff weapon in late March and early April.

Summer brought the standard battery of inspections: a Tactical Readiness Examination (TRE), Supply Management Inspection (SMI), Short-Notice Navy Technical Proficiency Inspection (NTPI), and an Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE). AUGUSTA also participated in Prospective Commanding Officer (PCO) operations and Midshipman Orientation cruises.

Late summer and fall marked an intense period of Pre-Overseas Movement certifications in preparation for a North Atlantic deployment beginning in late October and lasting until late December. The year concluded with a standdown period over Christmas.

USS AUGUSTA was awarded the 1988 Engineering "E" for Excellence from Submarine Development Squadron TWELVE.