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Encl: (1) Command Composition and Organization
(2) Chronology of Events
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(4) Supporting Documents

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1) through (4) are submitted as Command History of USS BREMERTON (SSN-698) for the period of 1 May 1993 to 14 March 1994.



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COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

Mission: To hunt and destroy enemy surface ships and submarines.

Organization: Under operational command of Commander Submarine Force, U. S. Pacific Fleet; under the administrative command of Commander, Submarine Squadron SEVEN.

Commanding Officer: Commander John M. Crochet, USN

Biography: Attached

Permanent Duty Station: U.S. Naval Submarine Base
Pearl Harbor, HI

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

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| 3 May 1993 | Depart Pearl Harbor HI, for SEVENTH Fleet Deployment. |
| 14 May - 1 Jun | USS INDEPENDENCE Battle Group operations. |
| 1 Jun - 5 Jun | Port visit HMAS Sterling, Fremantle, Australia. [Sterling] |
| 5 Jun - 31 Jun | Operations in support of the USS INDEPENDENCE Battle Group. |
| 1 Jul - 7 Jul | Port visit Diego Garcia, B.I.O.T. |
| 7 Jul - 19 Aug | Special Operations. |
| 19 Aug - 17 Sep | Port visit Guam. |
| 17 Sep - 22 Sep | Transit to port visit in Hong Kong. |
| 22 Sep - 26 Sep | Port Visit Hong Kong. |
| 26 Sep - 8 Oct | USS INDEPENDENCE Battle Group operations. |
| 8 Oct - 18 Oct | Port visit Yokosuka, Japan. |
| 18 Oct - 3 Nov | Transit to Pearl Harbor. |
| 3 Nov - 8 Dec | WESTPAC Standdown/Upkeep. |
| 8 Dec - 16 Dec | INSURV. |
| 16 Dec - 3 Jan 94 | Holiday Standdown. |
| 3 Jan - 17 Jan | Upkeep. |
| 17 Jan - 21 Jan | Tactical Weapons Proficiency Inspection. |
| 29 Jan - 17 Feb | Prospective Commanding Officer Operations. |
| 28 Feb - 13 Mar | IMA Upkeep. |

COMMAND HISTORY NARRATIVE

During the past ten months, USS BREMERTON completed a SEVENTH Fleet Deployment, a Tactical Weapons Proficiency Inspection, USS INDEPENDENCE Battle Group operations, an inspection by the Board of Inspection and Survey, and Prospective Commanding Officer operations.

USS BREMERTON began the SEVENTH Fleet operations in support of the USS INDEPENDENCE Battle Group. Following operations with the USS INDEPENDENCE, USS BREMERTON visited HMAS STERLING, in Fremantle, Australia. After a short stop, USS BREMERTON conducted operations with the Royal Australian and the Royal Singapore navies including the firing of a exercise Harpoon Missile. The ship also conducted operations with SEAL Team FIVE.

Following SEAL Team operations, USS BREMERTON transited to Diego Garcia B.I.O.T., for a port visit and an upkeep period. While in Diego Garcia the ship participated in the 4th of July festivities. The ship then began operations under the control of COMSUBPAC.

Following completion of these operations USS BREMERTON completed a 21 day upkeep in Guam. After upkeep, the ship was off to Hong Kong. The stay in Hong Kong was cut short, by Typhoon Dot. Then USS BREMERTON began more operations with USS INDEPENDENCE. Upon completion, the ship visited Yokosuka, Japan. While in Japan, the ship was hosted by JDS SETOSHIO. JDS SETOSHIO sponsored a softball game, a tour of local points of interest, as well as a Barbecue.

By the time USS BREMERTON returned to Pearl Harbor she had steamed over 47,000 nmi with a OPTEMPO of almost 80%. USS BREMERTON was awarded the Commander SEVENTH Fleet Anti-Surface Warfare (ASUW) Excellence Award her efforts while deployed to the SEVENTH Fleet. Upon return to Pearl Harbor, the ship began standdown. Following completion of a inspection by the Board of Inspection and Survey, the ship began Holiday standdown.

The ship started 1994, with a Tactical Weapons Proficiency. The ship as a whole received excellent reviews, from the inspectors. Following completion of this inspection USS BREMERTON conducted Prospective Commanding Officers (PCO) operations for over three weeks. The ship performed the required tasks, and received nothing but praise, from the PCO's.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

NO SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ARE SUBMITTED THIS PERIOD.

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