

USS CARR (FFG-52) FLEET POST OFFICE MIAMI 34090-1506

> 5757 Ser 00/237 30 JUN 1988

From: Commanding Officer, USS CARR (FFG-52) To: Director of Naval History (OP-09BH), Washington Navy Yard, Washington, DC 20374-0571

Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 JANUARY 1988 - 31 JANUARY 1988

1. Command-Composition and Organization.

CARR is attached to Destroyer Squadron Six, homeport - Charleston, South Carolina.

Mission - To escort and protect convoys, underway replenishment groups, amphibious landing groups and carrier battle groups.

Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light Four Four (HSL-44) Detachment 4, based at NAF Mayport, Florida. Aircraft - one SH-60B Seahawk - call sign Magnum 445 - Buno 162334.

2. Chronology.

01 Jan 88 - 21 Jan 88 Special Escort Operations Northern Persian Gulf 21 Jan 88 - 24 Jan 88 Enroute Masirah for TAV with USS CAPE COD 24 Jan 88 - 31 Jan 88 TAV USS CAPE COD

3. Narrative.

The first of the year, CARR was assigned the northern most radar picket station, the first to detect and track south bound aircraft executing attacks on shipping. CARR's secondary assignment was to protect U.S. Navy minesweepers.

On the 21st, CARR was relieved on station by the USS ELROD and proceeded to rendevous with USS CAPE COD for a one week tender availability (TAV). The high-speed run through the Straits of Honmuz, without a slow ship to escort, was enjoyed by the crew.

On the 31st CARR completed TAV and reported for duties assigned to COMIDEASTFOR.

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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 FEBRUARY 1988 - 29 FEBRUARY 1988

1. Command Composition and Organization.

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2. Chronology.

01 Feb 88 - 04 Feb 88	Escort Operations SS Texaco California and MV
., n n	Townsend from Musgat, Oman to Bahrain.
05 Feb 88 - 10 Feb 88	CARR enroute Fujairah, UAE.
10 Feb 88 - 12 Feb 88	Inport Fujairah, United Arab Emirates.
12 Feb 88 - 24 Feb 88	Enroute to Suez Canal.
14 Feb 88 -	BSF Mina Raysuit, Oman.
24 Feb 88 -	Transit Suez Canal.
24 Feb 88 - 29 Feb 88	Enter the Mediterranean Sea. Enroute to Marseille,
а. м.	France.

3. Narrative.

Following TAV, CARR was assigned her final escort mission. SS Texaco California and MV Townsend were escorted from the Gulf of Oman towards Kuwait, CARR was assigned the first leg from Gulf of Oman to Bahrain. The California was a non-Kuwaiti US flag vessel, and contained an All-American crew including one female third-mate. MV Townsend is a reflag whose Master and radioman are Americans. CARR escorts California to Ras Tanurah, Saudi Arabia and hands off Townsend to USS JOHN A. MOORE for further transit to Kuwait.

On 10 February 1988, CARR departed the Persian Gulf enroute to her first liberty in 49 days. Fujairah is a small resort and port town (so near the Straits of Hormuz that the town is inside the Navy's hazardous duty pay boundaries). UAE network, and expatriot Americans, British, and Portuguese hosted many of the officers and crew for a home-cooked meal. A good time is had by all. Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 FEBRUARY 1988 - 29 FEBRUARY 1988

After departing from Fujairah, CARR began her transit back to the states in company with USS RICHMOND K. TURNER (CG-20) and USS GALLERY (FFG-20). CARR made a brief stop for fuel (BSF) on the 14th at Mina Raysuit, Oman.

CARR continued on into the Red Sea and onward to the Suez Canal. Arriving at Port Suez on the evening of the 23rd of February for a transit on the 24th.

On the 25th of February CARR arrived in the Mediterranean Sea and joined the Sixth Fleet. The remainder of this month CARR continued toward Marseille, France. During the last 24 hours of the transit, CARR encountered a full blown "mistral," a cold gale force wind that blows off the European Continent that time of the year. At one point, with 12 knots rung up, the ship made no forward progress into the 20 - 25 foot seas and 65 knot winds.

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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 MARCH 1988 - 31 MARCH 1988

1. Command Composition and Organization.

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2. Chronology.

01 Mar 88 - 07 Mar 88 Inport Marseille, France. 07 Mar 88 - 09 Mar 88 Enroute Rota, Spain for OUTCHOP Sixth Fleet/INCHOP Second Fleet. 09 Mar 88 - 10 Mar 88 Liberty Call Rota, Spain. 10 Mar 88 - 13 Mar 88 Enroute Ponta Delgada, Azores. 13 Mar 88 - 14 Mar 88 Liberty Call Ponta Delgada, Azores. 14 Mar 88 - 22 Mar 88 Enroute Charleston, SC. 22 Mar 88 - 31 Mar 88 Persian Gulf Standdown.

3. Narrative.

CARR's port visit to Marseille was her first liberty call since Fujairah, UAE. CDR Johnson exchanged calls with the Commanding Officer of the French Navy Marseille. A dock workers strike closed the Port of Marseille for several days, but CARR's crew was allowed to cross the picket line. Ironically, the striking workers were members of a communist union.

CARR spent a lay over night in Rota, Spain. Moored port side to pier 3, the refueling pier. The crew patronized the Navy Exchange, onloading a precious cargo of duty-free spirits. The town of Rota seemed to open her arms to our storm-tossed sailors. American television, food and friends were a refreshing change to find.

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CARR arrived in Ponta Delgada, Azores. This small city is usually just a refueling stop, however, the pleasent surprise of an overnight stay provided the crew a sample of the Portuguese culture. The Portuguese Azores were the last port of call for CARR before Charleston. Punta Delgada was by far, one of the friendliest towns encountered during the deployment.

CARR completed customs inspection in anticipation of returning home. Many drills and exercises were completed in preparation for a Mobile Training Team (MIT) visit and for general damage control readiness. The MIT visit was a big success.

Charleston greeted CARR and the rest of MEF 4-87 like long lost sons returning home. The crew manned the rails in service dress blue. Moored port side to, Pier November, NAVSTA Charleston. Flowers, music and streamers abounded. CARR was home.

On 22 March, CARR commenced post-deployment standdown, a period of crew leave, traditional after long and arduous cruises. Λ

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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 APRIL 1988 - 30 APRIL 1988

1. Command Composition and Organization.

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2. Chronology.

01	Apr	88	-	22	Apr	88	Persian Gulf Standdown
22	Apr	88	-	29	Apr	88	USS JOHN F. KENNEDY and ASW operations/USS
							BONEFISH rescue at sea
29	Apr	88	-	30	Apr	88	Returned to Charleston screening BONEFISH and escorts

3. <u>Narrative</u>.

CARR's standdown continued at a smooth pace. The crew enjoyed a well deserved breather prior to upcoming operations. Supply Department was the exception to this rule as it prepared for Supply Management Inspection (SMI). CARR's Admin Department came back on line a week early to bring the mounting administrative workload under control.

Due to congressional budget constraints CARR suffered manning losses to various NAVOPS promulgated in February-March 1988.

CARR's revised schedule indicates underway period for end of April as a result of a mishap on another ship. On 16 April, preparations began for underway period as escort for USS JOHN F. KENNEDY, standdown comes to an end, stores are onloaded and the ship is back to a regular work routine. CARR is underway 22 April and HSL-44 is back on board with four new pilots. The first exercise was a long range passive tracking exercise with JOHN F. KENNEDY and 8 hours of pilot training. CARR is complimented on professionalism displayed in quickly establishing a solid Link 11 join-up upon arrival.



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On 24 April approximately 60 NM due east of Cape Canaveral, CARR sensing danger in a routine radio transmission from BONEFISH closed the submarine at high speed, completing all rescue preparations before being asked for assistance. CARR arrived on scene and was launching her motor whale boat as the first BONEFISH sailor fell into the sea. As Scene of Action Commander, CARR simultaneously controlled five helicopters, a fixed wing jet, and her own motor whale boat, while launching inflatable lifeboats and maneuvering in very close proximity to BONEFISH. While conducting 38 landings and take offs, and 6 helicopter refuelings, CARR initially treated and evacuated 18 injured BONEFISH sailors. Within two hours all 89 surviving BONEFISH sailors had been rescued, without any further loss of life or injuries. Just before midnight, CARR proceeded to Mayport, Florida at 20 knots to debark the BONEFISH crew.

CARR arrived at Mayport on the 25th of April and at 1000 debarked the BONEFISH crew to the considerable attention of local television media. Five families of survivors met the ship in Mayport and were hosted onboard CARR. The families were very grateful to the CARR.

CARR then left Mayport that afternoon and returned to BONEFISH and participated in damage control tasking along with USS HETREL, USS MCCLOY and USS HOIST. CARR provided a ready deck for transfer of all passengers and equipment, and ferried supplies via small boat to the assist vessels. CARR provided a lee to the BONEFISH and PETREL during rough weather. As of sunset 26 April, BONEFISH was down by the bow with water over the hull up to the base of the sail.

CARR maintained a lee for BONEFISH and rescue vessels until BONEFISH was ready to be towed. Upon getting underway CARR assumed duties as convoy escort and ready helo ship as BONEFISH in tow made 3 - 7 knots good through the water. CARR ended her day with a large vertrep of submarine belly bands, hawsers and DC gear.

The convoy reached Charleston on April 29th at approximately 1430. Thus the BONEFISH rescue mission was complete. BONEFISH dependents were on the pier upon arrival with "Thank You USS CARR" banners. It was an emotional time for all.

On Saturday, 28 April 1988, memorial service for three men lost in BONEFISH was held at St. Mathew's Luthern Church located at 405 King Street, Charleston.

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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 MAY 1988 - 31 MAY 1988

1. Command Composition and Organization.

CARR is attached to Destroyer Squadron Six, homeport - Charleston, South Carolina.

Mission - To escort and protect convoys, underway replenishment groups, amphibious landing groups and carrier battle groups.

Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light Four Four (HSL-44) Detachment 4, based at NAF Mayport, Florida. Aircraft - one SH-60B Seahawk - call sign Magnum 445 - Buno 162334.

2. Chronology.

01 May 88 - 12 May 88	Inport Charleston/Preparations for Missile Exercise
13 May 88 - 24 May 88	Underway for Missile Exercise with vessels of the
	Federal Republic of Germany
25 May 88 - 30 May 88	Inport Charleston
31 May 88 -	Underway USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT Ops

3. Narrative.

In early May, CARR began preparing for important exercises with the Federal Republic of Germany's (FRG) Navy. Immediately upon entering Charleston CARR began taking on equipment and technicians for grooming the Combat Systems equipment. Combat Systems Mobile Training Team (CSMTT), using the 20B5 Trainer, polished CARR's operations and combat systems teams and extensive briefings on the joint USN/FRG operations were held by the Surface Warfare Development Group (SWDG).

On May 9th, CDR Johnson departed for the pre-missile shoot conference in Norfolk. Testing of the missile transfer equipment was satisfactory, and onload/offload of the exercise missiles occurred on the 11th of May.

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On 13 May 1988, CARR was underway for the Puerto Rican Operating Area for the USN/FRG Operations and HSL-44 landed onboard. Enroute CARR practiced abandon ship drills, emergency flight quarters and General Quarters. Preparation paid off as CARR's proficiency improved each day. On the 17th CARR arrived at Naval Station Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico and accomplished repairs to several pieces of equipment prior to the Missile Exercise. The crew also enjoyed an excellent liberty call.

CARR conducted the USN/FRG Missile Exercise on the 19th of May. CARR performed superbly with one confirmed visual kill on a target and one hit highly probable. Most of the crew was directly involved, especially combat systems, operations and bridge teams. CARR was at general quarters for over 10 hours total from sunrise until after sunset. In company were USS YORKTOWN, USS COMTE DE GRASSE, USS JOSEPHUS DANIELS, FGS ROMMEL, FGS HESSEN, FGS BRAUNSCHWEIG, and FGS KARLSRUHE.

On May 20th CARR returned to Roosevelt Roads to disembark observers and commenced her return trip to Charleston. CARR continued to train with a Main Space Fire and Man Overboard Drills enroute. On the 23rd of May CARR experienced a casualty to the main reduction gear. Upon troubleshooting, some CPP pump gears were found to be stripped. Shortly thereafter CARR got back underway with the CPP standby pump providing necessary system pressure.

Returning to Charleston CARR first stopped at the Naval Weapons Station Charleston for a quick ammunition onload/offload, and then arrived pierside Naval Station Charleston at 1600. CARR continued to prepare for up coming USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN-71) Ops. On May 31, CARR is again underway, this time for Carrier Operations with ROOSEVELT.

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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 JUNE 1988 - 30 JUNE 1988

1. Command Composition and Organization.

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2. Chronology.

01 Jun 88 - 18 Jun 88 Underway USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT Ops 18 Jun 88 - 27 Jun 88 Inport Charleston 27 Jun 88 - 29 Jun 88 Underway ASW Exercises 29 Jun 88 - 30 Jun 88 Inport Charleston

3. Narrative.

CARR continued as escort for USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN-71), CARR assisting with an inflight emergency by taking plane guard station when an S-3 Viking reported a single-engine failure. CARR accomplished many exercises including; two graded underway replenishments, two surface gunnery exercises against SEPTAR Targets and EW exercises using our Magnum 445. Additionally CARR was instrumental in assisting with numerous night landing qualifications (NLO) for ROOSEVELT's SH-3 Soundron, and deploying a large target for use by ROOSEVELT's aircraft for bombing/strafing practice (target destroyed). ROOSEVELT reciprocated by providing many services to CARR including: emergency medical for one of CARR's crewmen (hernia operation), Chaplains for religious services every Sunday, SELEX Observers, and machinery shop availability. CARR also acquired some valuable ASW experience with USS MEMPHIS, using all assets available including SH-60's, SH-3's and S-3's. On the 15th of June CARR was relieved by USS KIDD and detached. CARR continued to train damage control and combat system teams enroute to Charleston, arriving at noon on the 18th of June.

On the 23rd of June, CARR hosted United States Air Force Academy Cadets for a guided tour and lunch. Later that same day a group of midshipmen from

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various afloat units visit CARR to witness an over-the-horizon targeting exercise. Still later that day, CARR successfully thwarted intrusion attempts by mock terrorists during a basewide security drill.

From the 27th through 29th of June, CARR was underway to provide surface ship services to three SSN's conducting anti-surface and anti-subsurface exercises.

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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 JULY 1988 - 31 JULY 1988

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2. Chronology.

01 Jul 88 - 31 Jul 88	Inport Charleston
07 Jul 88	Damage Control Mobile Training Team aboard for
	engineering administrative review.
09 Jul 88	Eight Nuclear Power Officer Candidates tour CARR.
15 Jul 88	Award Ceremony from CARR's participation in the
	BONEFISH rescue at sea, RADM Milligan presiding.

3. <u>Narrative</u>.

CARR celebrated the Fourth of July with full dress ship as did the rest of Charleston based ships.

On 7 July, Damage Control Mobile Training Team (DCMIT) arrived for a preview of CARR's engineering administrative records in preparation for the Operational Propulsion Plant Examination (OPPE).

With RADM Milligan (COMCRUDESGRU TWO) presiding, CARR awarded those individuals that distinguished themselves during the USS BONEFISH rescue-atsea. On the 15th of July, eleven Navy Commendation Medals, fourteen Naval Achievement Medals and eleven SUBGRU SIX Letters of Commendation were presented to CARR crewmen.



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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 AUGUST 1988 - 31 AUGUST 1988

1. Command Composition and Organization.

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Mission - To escort and protect convoys, underway replenishment groups, amphibious landing groups and carrier battle groups.

Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light Four Four (HSL-44) Detachment 4, based at NAF Mayport, Florida. Aircraft - 1-SH-60B Seahawk - call sign Magnum 451 - Buno 162136.

2. Chronology.

01 Aug 88 - 24 Aug 88	Inport Charleston
10 Aug 88	CARR hosted COMDESRON SIX Change of Command/CMDR
	Guifredda retires
16 Aug 88 - 18 Aug 88	Fast Cruise - Mobile Training Team (MTT) pierside
25 Aug 88 - 31 Aug 88	Underway Helicopter Operations and USS JACKSONVILLE
	(SSBN 669) Shock Trials

3. Narrative.

On 10 August, CARR hosted COMDESRON SIX Change of Command on the fantail with Commodore Guifredda being relieved by Captain Jerry Lewis. CARR supplied the majority of the logistics and manual labor for the event and all concerned were impressed with the ceremony.

On 12 August CARR completed Intermediate Maintenance Availability (IMAV) with a departure conference. Commanding Officer of RSG complimented CARR for an outstanding IMAV and CSMP.

From the 16th of August through the 18th, CARR commenced a "FAST CRUISE" in support of the Engineering Gas Turbine Mobile Training Team (GIMIT). GIMIT drilled CARR's Casualty Response Teams including two Main Space Fire drills that exercised the Damage Control Training Team (DCTT). GIMIT determined a grade of satisfactory. Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 AUGUST 1988 - 31 AUGUST 1988

CARR completed a Supply Management Inspection (SMI) from 22nd through 24th August. The results placed CARR in a much improved category over the last inspection.

On the 25th of August CARR was underway after two months in port. A new group of pilots arrive for flight deck work-ups. HSL 44 Det 4 new aircraft was Magnum 451. CARR operated out of the Jacksonville Operating Area supplying services to CARR's Det and HSL-40 (SH-60 Fleet Replacement Squadron). Week one work-ups continued until the 29th.

CARR proceeded to VACAPS Operating Area on 30th and 31st of August in order to support the USS JACKSONVILLE (SSBN 669) shock trial. Enroute, CARR practiced Anti-Submarine Warfare with a target of opportunity gaining valuable experience in coordinated ASW tactics using St3's and SH-60's.

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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 SEPTEMBER 1988 - 30 SEPTEMBER 1988

1. Command Composition and Organization.

CARR is attached to Destroyer Squadron Six, homeport - Charleston, South Carolina.

Mission - To escort and protect convoys, underway replenishment groups, amphibious landing groups and carrier battle groups.

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2. Chronology.

01 Sep 88	- 02	Sep 88	Shock Trials USS JACKSONVILLE (SSBN 669) VACAPES
02 Sep 88	- 06	Sep 88	Inport Charleston Labor Day Weekend
06 Sep 88	- 20	Sep 88	Underway Law Enforcenment Operations
20 Sep 88			BSF Charleston, detach Coast Guard Det
20 Sep 88	- 23	Sep 88	Deck Landing Qualifications VACAPES
23 Sep 88	- 30	Sep 88	Inport Charleston

3. <u>Narrative.</u>

CARR continued to support the underwater shock trials for USS JACKSONVILLE. CARR was stationed on the northern perimeter at 8,000 yards, the view of five tons of explosives exploding was spectacular. Just prior to detonation CARR's helicopter Magnum 451 reported an inflight emergency and quickly landed aboard CARR, no major damage or injuries occurred. As soon as CARR was detached she departed toward the designated operating area to conduct a torpedo firing exercise, a graded exercise.

Enroute from VACAPES to Charleston, CARR continued to perform graded exercises and also in an awards ceremony to distribute CARR's Middle East Force award package. CARR arrived in Charleston on Friday, September 3rd for the Labor Day weekend.

On the 6th of September, CARR was underway with Magnum 451 and a U.S. Coast Guard detachment of 1 officer, 1 chief and 8 enlisted men for Law Enforcement Operations (LEO) in the Caribbean Operating Area. The transit

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south emphasized coordinated training exercises to integrate CARR's combat techniques with Coast Guard operating procedures. Several general quarters/law enforcement stage drills were practiced and perfected for the upcoming boarding and searching of suspect vessels. On 8 September, Commodore Lockwood, COMCARIBRON, arrived via a Coast Guard Dauphin helicopter for a four hour visit and orientation. While the Commodore was aboard, CARR's crew conducted the first two boardings. During the first week of LE Ops, CARR successfully evaded hurricane Gilbert as it pounded the Caribbean Sea causing damage to the Western Antilles, Jamaica and Mexico. Gilbert was the most violent Hurricaine in recorded history with winds measured at 165 knots. As CARR sailed through the Caribbean Sea, in the aftermath of Gilbert, the area was clear of all but the largest and most seaworthy vessels. Seven vessels were boarded during CARR's sweep of the Caribbean with no seizures. On the 17th of September CARR refueled in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and then proceeded North to Charleston, arriving on the 20th for refueling and detachment of the Coast Guard Det.

CARR departed Charleston on the 20th enroute for flight deck landing qualifications with U.S. Army helicopters off the coast of Virginia. Upon detaching late on the 22nd, CARR returned to Charleston arriving, on the 23rd.

From the 24th of September until the 30th CARR remained in Charleston preparing for her port visit in Tampa, scheduled for the first week of October.

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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY OL OCTOBER 1988 - 31 OCTOBER 1988

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2. Chronology.

01 Oct 88 - 04 Oct 88 Enroute Tampa 04 Oct 88 - 10 Oct 88 Tampa Port Visit - Navy's Birthday Celebration 10 Oct 88 - 12 Oct 88 Enroute Miami 12 Oct 88 - 13 Oct 88 Miami Port Visit 13 Oct 88 - 14 Oct 88 Special CNO Project 14 Oct 88 - 21 Oct 88 Deck Landing Qualification JAX Ops Area 21 Oct 88 - 31 Oct 88 Inport Charleston

3. <u>Narrative.</u>

On the 1st of October, CARR departed Charleston for Tampa. CARR arrived in Tampa Bay on the morning of October 4th and rendered honors to HMS ACTIVE as the two ships passed. CARR then moored pierside to Harbor Island Resort, Tampa. The beginning of CARR ship tours began Tuesday afternoon with 180 visitors and peaked on Sunday with 2000. All totaled, CARR toured over 7000 people during the six days that the ship was opened to the public. CARR received the key to the city and many other honors from the Navy League of Tampa and Tampa City officials. The highlight of the week was the Navy Ball hosted by the Navy League with the officers and crew of the CARR as special guests. The good will shown by the people of Tampa will always be a cherished memory.

CARR departed Tampa on October 10th with RADM Leroy Collins, USNR, and CAPT Bruce McDaniel, USN (Ret) embarked for a trip to Miami. CARR arrived in Subj: COMMAND HISTORY OL OCTOBER 1988 - 31 OCTOBER 1988

Miami on October 12th and were met by the Miami Chamber of Commerce, Police Department and a USO representative. A port brief was presented to the crew and overnight liberty was called. RADM Collins and CAPT McDaniel disembarked and returned to Tampa.

On the 13th of October, CARR departed the Port of Miami and proceeded to the vicinity of Port Everglades for local operations which commenced on the 14th. Upon completion, CARR proceeded to Mayport, Florida for a week of helicopter work ups with HSL 40, 44, 46 and HS-15. Arriving on the 15th, CARR proceeded to Naval Station Mayport for refueling and was on station for helicopter operations that afternoon. On October 20th, CARR completed helicopter operations and proceeded toward Charleston.

CARR moored to Pier Zulu at 1300 on the 21st of Optober and remained pierside through October 31st.

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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 01 NOVEMBER 1988 - 30 NOVEMBER 1988

1. Command Composition and Organization.

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Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light Four Four (HSL-44) Detachment 4, based at NAS Mayport, Florida. Aircraft - 1-SH-60B Seahawk, call sign Magnum.

2. Chronelogy

01 Nov 88 - 06 Nov 88Inport Charleston07 Nov 88Underway for Dependents Cruise08 Nov 88Inport Charleston09 Nov 88 - 10 Nov 88Inport Naval Weapons Station Charleston11 Nov 88 - 30 Nov 88Inport Charleston for Selected RestrictedAvailability (SRA)

3. Narrative.

The first part of November was spent preparing for CARR's upcoming Selected Restricted Availability (SRA). CARR also had the opportunity to show off on a dependents cruise on the 7th of November. A total of sixty-four guests joined the crew for a days journey past the breakwater. Activities included damage control equipment, fire fighting, combat systems and full power demonstrations.

On the 9th of November, CARR transited up river to the weapon station for a total ammunition off-load. While conducting this ship wide evolution, a mishap occurred when, a standard missile was damaged in handling. The result of the accident was a two-hour delay in the handling operation. The off-load continued the next day and CARR proceeded to Pier Zulu and commencement of SRA.

Officially, SRA began on the 14th of November. The SRA is a ship wide maintenance and upgrade period, where repairs that the crew is unable to complete are done by civilian contractors. This SRA included work on two of



the four diesel generators, cleaning fuel tanks, main engine intakes and exhaust and alignment of the Combat System.

On a humorous note, one of CARR's sailor acting as gateguard stopped the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy from driving on the pier because his identification didn't reflect his pay grade (E-10) or rank (MCPON). MCPON Bushey sent CARR a letter commending GMM2 for 's outstanding performance as pier sentry. GMM2 for was recognized at in award ceremony with a letter of appreciation.

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1. <u>Compard Companition and Ancanization</u>.

CARR is attached to Destroyer Squadron Six, homeport - Charleston, South Carolina.

Mission - To escort and protect convoys, underway replenishment groups, amphibious landing groups and carrier battle groups.

Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light Four Four (HSL-44) Detachment 4, based at NAF Mayport, Florida. Aircraft - 1-SH-60B Seahawk, call sign Magnum.

2. Chronologu

01 Dec 88 - 31 Dec 88 Inport Charleston for Selected Restricted Availability (SRA)

3. Narrativez

CARR continued on track with SRA. Surface Warfare Week (SWT Week 4-88) started on the 5th of December with CARR participating to the maximum possible extent. Every man aboard CARR had the opportunity for holiday leave, even though SRA work continued throughout the period.

On the 23rd of December, Commodore J. Lewis, COMDESRON SIX came aboard CARR to present the Meritorious Unit Commendation (MUC) award for CARR's efforts in the rescue of 89 crewmembers of the USS BONEFISH (SS-582) on 24 April 1988. All hands turned out in a short ceremony held on CARR's forecastle. A picture of the presentation is forwarded as enclosure (1).