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(23) EASTERN SAILOR 99-1 Lessons Learned [IN CLASS FILE]

1. In accordance with reference (a), USS CARR's 1998 Command History Package is submitted for inclusion in the Naval Historical Center, Washington, DC.

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COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

1. **Mission:** USS CARR's mission as an Oliver Hazard Perry class frigate is to provide Anti-Air Warfare, Anti-Surface Warfare, and Undersea Warfare self-defense and local area protection to underway replenishment groups, amphibious groups, and other military shipping against air, surface, and subsurface threats. To accomplish her mission, CARR is armed with HARPOON surface-to-surface missiles, medium range surface-to-air missiles, tube-launched torpedoes, and a MK 15 Close In Weapons System. The ship is equipped with a long-range 2D air search radar, a surface search radar, a MK92 Fire Control System (FCS), a Towed Array, and an Electronic Warfare suite that can detect and engage threats. The ship also has the capability to embark two LAMPS helicopters that provide long-range USW torpedo attack options.

3. **Name of Commander:** Michael Wayne Reedy, CDR USN

4. **Permanent Duty Station:** Norfolk Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia.

1998 EVENT CHRONOLOGY

01JAN98-04JAN98: HOLVUPK
05JAN98-11JAN98 INPORT NORVA
12JAN98-16JAN98 TSTA II CSTG/LMA
17JAN98-19JAN98 INPORT NORVA
20JAN98-23JAN98 CMTQ/TSTA II FTG
24JAN98-01FEB98 INPORT NORVA/UPKEEP
02FEB98-06FEB98 TSTA II UNDERWAY VCOA
07FEB98-15FEB98 INPORT NORVA
16FEB98-20FEB98 TSTA III VCOA/AIR DET WOWU
21FEB98-22FEB98 UPKEEP NORVA
23FEB98-27FEB98 FEP VCOA
28FEB98-15MAR98 UPKEEP NORVA
02MAR98-13MAR98 CSRR PHASE 1
02MAR98-06MAR98 TARGET
09MAR98-11MAR98 MEF TRAINING, TACTRAGRULANT
16MAR98-31MAR98 IMAV SIMA NORFOLK
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27MAR98 CHANGE OF COMMAND
01APR98-03APR98 IMAV
04APR98-14APR98 INPORT NORVA
04APR98-14APR98 INPORT NORVA
06APR98-07APR98 CMS INSPECTION
06APR98-10APR98 NSFS TEAM TRAINER
14APR98-04MAY98 INDEX 98-2
18APR98-19APR98 INPORT ROOSEVELT ROADS, PUERTO RICO
25APR98-27APR98 INPORT FREDRICKSTED, ST. CROIX
04MAY98-06MAY98 INPORT NAVAL STATION YORKTOWN
04MAY98-05MAY98 WEAPONS ON-LOAD, YORKTOWN
13JUL98 DEPLOY IN SUPPORT OF MEF 98-3
21JUL98-22JUL98 INPORT AZORES
25JUL98-01AUG98 MALAGA, SPAIN
07AUG98 VENOM 505 DITCHES IN RED SEA
15AUG98-18AUG98 INPORT BAHRAIN
01SEP98-03SEP98 INPORT BAHRAIN
07SEP98-09SEP98 INPORT BAHRAIN
23SEP98-27SEP98 INPORT DUBAI, UAE
30OCT98-04NOV98 INPORT BAHRAIN
17NOV98-26NOV98 EXERCISE EASTERN SAILOR
17NOV98-22NOV98 INPORT DOHA, QATAR
25NOV98-26NOV98 INPORT DOHA, QATAR

25NOV98
30NOV98
DEC98
31DEC98

CNO AND MCPON VISIT
INPORT BAHRAIN
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION DESERT FOX
DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF MEF 98-3

NARRATIVE

1998 was a year filled with many CARR accomplishments. CARR completed a compressed and exceptionally rigorous Inter-Deployment Training Cycle, culminating with the successful completion of Independent Deployers Exercise (INDEX) 98-2. CARR continued to post impressive scores on every inspection that was completed throughout the year. In March, CARR was awarded a second consecutive Battle Efficiency "E" award, along with additional efficiency awards in the specific areas of Maritime Warfare, Engineering/Survivability, Command and Control, and Logistics Management. On July 13, USS CARR deployed from Norfolk, Virginia to the Arabian Gulf in company with USS HAYLER in support of Maritime Expeditionary Force 98-2. While in the Arabian Gulf, CARR performed a wide variety of missions, from data collection on shipping trends to conducting Maritime Interception Operations in support of United Nations Sanctions against Iraq. Additionally, CARR participated in two high visibility foreign navy exercises: TACEVALEX 98-2 and EASTERN SAILOR 99-1.

1. CARR's Inter-Deployment Training Cycle was compressed from 18 months to 12 months. This proved to be a challenge for the crew, requiring each milestone to be immediately followed by the next inspection or assessment. The training cycle schedule left little time between preparation and demonstration of the crew's skills. 1998 inspections which were completed

with outstanding results included the Logistics Management Inspection (LMA), the Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification, TSTA II, TSTA III, Final Evaluation Period, CSRR and TARGET. On 17 March, CARR was awarded her second consecutive Battle Efficiency "E" award for her previous year's exceptional performance in all operational areas.

2. Continued preparations for deployment by CARR included participating in Independent Deployers Exercise (INDEX) 98-2, from 14 April to 4 May 1998. During INDEX, CARR acted as AW throughout a multi-ship Standard Missile qualification, and became the first ship to qualify for the maximum readiness condition under new missile certification requirements by engaging each target on its first presentation. CARR returned to Virginia from INDEX to on-load weapons at Yorktown Naval Weapons Station and make final in-port plans and preparations for the upcoming deployment.

3. Multiple ship system upgrades occurred to enhance CARR's performance and survivability. For example, the Rapid Anti-Ship Missile Integrated Defense System (RAIDS) was installed to assist watchstanders in defending the ship against missile attacks. Additionally, CARR was chosen by COMNAVSURFLANT to be a test platform for a pilot Passive Counter-Measure System (PCMS) maintenance program. The RAIDS system, in conjunction with the proper use of PCMS, gives CARR a tactical advantage when defending the ship against missile attacks.

4. On 13 July 1998, CARR left Norfolk in company with USS HAYLER on a six-month Arabian Gulf deployment in support of MEF 98-3. While in the Arabian Gulf and being under COMFIFTHFLT control, CARR performed a variety of missions, to include observing merchant shipping in the South Arabian Gulf, conducting extensive Maritime Interdiction Operations (MIO), and participating in two COMFIFTHFLT sponsored exercises: TACEVALEX 98-2 and EASTERN SAILOR 99-1.

5. In December 1998, CARR participated in operation DESERT FOX. Immediately following, CARR exited the Arabian Gulf on 19DEC98 and began her transit back to Norfolk.



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Ref: (a) COMNAVSURFLANT Instruction 3502.02C

Encl: (1) Maritime Warfare (Power Projection/Sea Control) Excellence Award
(2) Engineering/Survivability Excellence Award
(3) Command and Control Excellence Award
(4) Logistics Management Excellence Award
(5) BRAVO ZULU's

1. USS CARR has met all of the requirements for the Battle Efficiency Award as outlined in reference (a) for the period of 1 January to 31 December 1998. The ship began this competitive cycle by making preparations for CMTQ and LMA. CARR then went on to complete a condensed and exceptionally rigorous Inter-Deployment Training Cycle, which culminated with the successful completion of the Final Evaluation Period in February 1998. On July 13th CARR deployed to the Arabian Gulf in support of MEF 98-3.

2. CARR successfully completed her Cruise Missile Tactical Certification in January 1998 and rolled right into LMA, posting the highest recorded grades for both inspections on the waterfront. The highlight of CARR's Inter-deployment Training Cycle came in April 1998 while participating in INDEX 98-2, when she demonstrated outstanding Combat Systems Readiness by orchestrating and leading five combatants through a very challenging live fire missile exercise. Because of CARR's thoroughness, all participants completed their live fire AAW qualification exercises. On the transit home, and after completing her work up exercises, CARR took on the role of an "Orange force" unit in support of JTFEX 98-2 for the EISENHOWER Battle Group.

3. CARR successfully completed an unassisted Pre Overseas Movement period and embarked on her deployment CASREP free.

4. Since the end of the Inter-Deployment Training Cycle, CARR has continued to demonstrate professionalism and readiness in all areas of operations. She embarked in company with USS HAYLER on July 1998 for a six month Arabian Gulf deployment. During this period CARR participated in TACEVALEX 98-2, an exercise designed to test shallow water torpedo effectiveness in the littorals. She also conducted Maritime Interception Operations in support of United Nations Sanctions against Iraq and collected data on maritime shipping trends throughout the Arabian Gulf. Acting as OCE for

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exercise Eastern Sailor. CARR successfully led a multi-national Battle Group through a series of exercises designed to increase the tactical awareness and maritime capabilities of Qatar while further strengthening the bonds between the United States and her allies. CARR has become the training platform of choice for the Commander FIFTH Fleet's effort to accelerate littoral operations experience for Gulf Cooperative Council States.

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Maritime Warfare (Power Projection/ Sea Control) Excellence Award

At the start of the 1998 competitive cycle, and in preparation for MEF 98-3, USS CARR was already in the process of fine-tuning her war-fighting skills. She consistently and superbly flexed all warfare areas with exceptional effectiveness and received numerous accolades. CARR has met or exceeded all the requirements of this award as set forth in reference (a). Specifically:

1. CARR successfully completed the Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification (CMTQ) on the first attempt. As a result, an overall grade of SATISFACTORY with no comments suggesting areas of improvement was awarded.
2. CARR successfully completed a challenging Final Evaluation Period (FEP) with outstanding results. No areas required reassessment. The ITT and each of CARR's training teams effectively demonstrated the ability to plan, execute, assess and debrief during a fully integrated multi-mission scenario.
3. The following events were completed by CARR during INDEX 98-2:

AAW

While acting as OCE for a multi-ship task group during MISSILEX 98-2, CARR successfully engaged three targets on the first presentation, allowing her to complete both AAW-18-SF and AAW-11-SF. Additionally, CARR acted as AW throughout the multi-ship qualification conducted under the new, stricter guidance from TYCOM. Each of the participating ships was able to earn its Standard Missile certification as a result of CARR's meticulous planning, attention to detail, and flexibility.

CARR was the first ship to qualify M1 under COMNAVSURFLANT's strict new certification requirements for Standard Missile certifications by engaging each target on their first presentation.

USW

CARR participated in numerous USW exercises. These included active prosecution, passive tracking and sonobuoy localization. HSL 48 Det 6 was smoothly integrated into CARR, and completed all qualifications for six pilots and three aircrews.

CARR smoothly conducted multiple torpedo launches against a Mobile ASW Target completing the required ASW-18-SF and ASW-24-SF exercises, achieving the readiness level of M1 which was maintained throughout the rest of the cycle. CARR and HSL 48 Det 6 continued to demonstrate outstanding teamwork and functional skills as a participant in TACEVALEX 98-2, launching 8 torpedoes in a harsh 110° environment.

SUW

Although not a graded evolution for the Oliver Hazard Perry class frigate, CARR none the less conducted Naval Surface Fire Support exercises. Expending 98 rounds, she scored multiple hits on simulated land targets while successfully meeting every objective.

CARR coordinated, controlled and conducted the U.S. Navy's first ever successful nighttime firing of the SH-60B LAMPS III HELLFIRE missile from a HSL 48 Det 6 helicopter.

OTHER

In conjunction with her embarked helicopter detachment, CARR rescued two civilian mariners whose small craft had capsized off the coast of Puerto Rico. This action was lauded by the TYCOM in a "Performance of Duty" message.

4. While returning to homeport from INDEX 98-2, CARR participated as an "Orange Force" unit opposing the EISENHOWER Battle Group during JTFEX 98-2. Her demonstrated war-fighting skills provided the Task Group with an exceptionally challenging and realistic training scenario. CARR made a rapid reconnaissance of the "Blue" forces, identifying the carrier and "Birdogging" a cloaked Tomahawk platform, unsuccessful in her attempts to hide and then shake CARR.
5. CARR completed several flawless weapons handling evolutions throughout this competitive cycle. She safely conducted a major pre-deployment on-load of thirty-four SM-1 missiles, four HARPOON missiles, twelve HELLFIRE missiles, three PENGUIN missiles, thirteen torpedoes, and 76mm and CIWS ammunition. Additionally, CARR also safely on-loaded over 1000 rounds of small-arms ammunition during numerous connected and vertical replenishments.
6. Because of strict adherence to approved maintenance procedures, crew dedication and the expert training conducted by her Integrated Training Team, Combat Systems Training Team, Damage Control Training Team and Ship's Training Team, CARR was able to deploy M-1 in all warfare areas.
7. While transiting the Atlantic Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea, CARR deftly and expertly carried out the duties of USWC and directed the conduct of multiple USW exercises. These included the active prosecution of an EMATT, choke-point transits, SAU procedures, and opposed sorties. While on station in the Arabian Gulf, she further demonstrated USW superiority while participating in TACEVALEX 98-2. During this exercise CARR successfully fired eight torpedoes.
8. CARR successfully completed an Aviation Certification and Aviation Readiness Exercise on 3 October 1997. Although these inspections were conducted in 1997, the results remained valid through this competitive cycle.
9. The following items are included for review:

- a) ATG CMTQ Grade Assignments.
- b) Message granting CMTQ certification.
- c) COMDESRON 32 CARR Post FEP Report.
- d) COMSECONDFLT's Readiness to Deploy ICO USS HAYLER and USS CARR.

CARR is currently forward deployed and on station in the Arabian Gulf. Having repeatedly proven her expertise in all facets of maritime warfare, she should be given every consideration for this award.

Command and Control Excellence Award

During this competitive cycle USS CARR maintained only the highest standards of readiness and performance in all areas relating to C4I, electronic warfare, navigation and seamanship. She has met or exceeded all the requirements for this award as set forth in reference (a). Specifically:

1. A COMSEC Material Systems formal inspection was conducted on 31 March 1998 by COMDESRON 32. An overall grade of SATISFACTORY was assigned.
2. A Comprehensive Communications Evaluation (CCC-19-SF) was completed on 12 February 1998 by COMDESRON 32. An overall grade of 97.2% was assigned. The inspectors noted that CARR was particularly strong in Communication Operational Planning (CCC-2-SF), Emergency Action Plan (CCC-13-SF), and Semaphore Procedures (CCC-11-SF). A Comprehensive Communications Assessment (CCC-27-SF) was also completed.
3. Three White Pinnacle quick reaction messages were processed during this reporting cycle. CARR's maximum response time was well under the set five-minute time limit.
4. There have been no collisions, groundings, or incidents of poor seamanship and navigation during this competitive cycle. To date CARR has completed multiple arrivals and departures from eight foreign ports, twenty-one underway replenishments, numerous divisional tactic exercises and MIO boardings, one tow/be towed exercise, and two rescue at sea evolutions.

COMDESRON 32 representatives completed the ISIC observed Navigation Check Ride on 26 February 1998.

5. CARR has performed admirably during all exercises pertaining to Intelligence and Electronic Warfare. The Electronic Warfare Technicians have meticulously kept the AN/SLQ-32 V(5) in a CASREP free condition throughout this competitive cycle.

In addition, CARR was chosen by COMNAVSURFLANT to be a test platform for a pilot PCMS maintenance program. She was also one of the first ships to receive the Rapid Anti-ship Missile Detection System (RAIDS). This system gives CARR a tactical advantage when defending itself against missile attacks by making nearly instantaneous and automated weapons pairing, sort-kill, and maneuvering recommendations to the Tactical Action Officer and Officer of the Deck.

6. The following items are included for review:
 - (a) CMS Inspection Report.
 - (b) Report of Communications Exercise Evaluation.
 - (c) Navigation Check Ride Checklist.

The ship's Inter-Deployment Training Cycle and MEF 98-3 Deployment have been marked by outstanding results and sustained superior performance. Because of this CARR should be given every consideration for this award.