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# **Command Operations Report**

This report is **required** by commands listed in **SNDL Parts 1 & 2** and all operational **Task Forces**, **Groups and Units** temporarily established to meet operational requirements.

The report format is divided into six sections: Command Data, Commander's Assessment, Chronology and Narrative, Supporting Reports, Published Documents, and Photographs. Required information is identified in specific sections of the form. Instructions on submitting this form and the required attachments are at the end.

#### 1. Command Data

Name of your Command or Organization: USS CHAFEE (DDG 90)

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: R23155

Name and Rank of Commander/Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge:

Last: Littmann First: Anthony M.I.: C. Rank: CDR

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): 2013-04-09

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: Pearl Harbor, HI

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): Pearl Harbor, HI

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational: Destroyer Squadron 31

Administrative: Destroyer Squadron 31

Identify your assigned Task Force/Group/Unit name(s) and mission(s). Include OPLAN(s) and or named operations you participated in during Task Force assignment (if applicable): N/A

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): N/A

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable: OH-58 Kiowa Warrior and UH-60 Blackhawk

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable): CCGD - ELEVEN

Number of Personnel Assigned:

Officers: 30 Enlisted: 250 Civilian: 0

Command Point of Contact (required entry, complete in full):

Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): LTJG

Job Title/Office Code: Navigator

E-mail (both classified and unclassified, if available):

Phone number(s):

Command Mailing Address: USS CHAFEE (DDG 90) FPO AP 96662-1305

#### 2. Commander's Assessment

The Commander's Assessment briefly tells the story of the command's role in national defense and should highlight any general and specific lessons-learned. It should contain the commander's commentary, insights and reflections on the unit's activities. Attention should be directed to significant issues impacting training, operations and mission accomplishment during the reporting period. Descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to major command decisions and results of those decisions are particularly desired. Also desired are accounts of specific contributions of individuals in the command to mission accomplishment. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, noncombat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, particular attention should be given to the commander's estimate of the situation, records of discussions and decisions, descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to operational decisions and results of those decisions. For a unit returning from deployment or participating in a single operation this can normally be a single assessment. For higher-echelon commands or units engaging in multiple operations, a separate assessment for each operation in addition to an overall assessment may be appropriate.

In 2013, CHAFEE achieved peak levels of combat readiness and demonstrated superior power projection and area defense in Air, Surface, Undersea, STRIKE and Maritime Interdiction Operation areas. CHAFEE consistently conducted challenging missions in an outstanding fashion, leading the way in operational employment, professional innovation, and tactical development.

In company with USS PORT ROYAL and USNS GUADALUPE, CHAFEE performed duties as opposing forces to U.S. submarine forces during the Submarine Commander's Course 13-1. CHAFEE's well groomed SQQ-89A(V)15 sonar suite, superb sonar operators, and aggressive ship maneuvering tested the Blue Forces' ability to battle superior surface forces; logging over 112 hours of passive tracking and 68 hours of active tracking. CHAFEE successfully engaged the submarine forces with two MK54 torpedoes and one MK46 torpedo. All shots were evaluated as optimally placed by the Pacific Missile Range Facility.

A testament to CHAFEE's 100 percent combat readiness, CHAFEE flawlessly executed short-notice tasking from Commander THIRD FLEET during a Homeland Security Quickdraw 13-2 exercise. With only 24 hours notice, CHAFEE quickly embarked CCGD-ELEVEN and sortied to intercept a vessel of interest. Quickly establishing command, control, and communications within the Homeland Security mission and facilitated the Coast Guard teams' boarding and search of the vessel. Quick Draw exercise lessons learned were used by COMTHIRDFLT to establish future real-world TTP's and preplanned responses.

In April of 2013 command of CHAFEE was passed from Commander Justin A. Kubu to Commander Anthony C. Littmann. While only in command of CHAFEE for a small portion of 2013 Commander Kubu's contribution to the crew and their families were instrumental in CHAFEE's success early in the year. With the Change of Command CHAFEE's standard's only raised and she set forth to finish 2013 "Stronger, Better, Faster".

Demonstrating the ability to seamlessly integrate into any multi-national task group, CHAFEE joined with USS PORT ROYAL, HMCS OTTAWA, and HMCS ALGONQUIN in multi-warfare exercises. Flexing superb ASW skills, CHAFEE executed Theater ASW operations in support of THIRD FLEET mission objectives. Demonstrating collective defense against aggressive, remotely operated Hammerhead surface targets, CHAFEE destroyed the inbound threats with crew-served weapons.

Embarking Destroyer Squadron THREE ONE Staff to facilitate THIRD FLEET independent deployer certifications for USS HOPPER and USS LAKE ERIE, CHAFEE performed duties as Flagship and as opposing force. CHAFEE's performance was truly impressive through each warfare area and mission set. These missions included Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Overwatch, Critical Infrastructure Platform Defense, Search and Rescue Plot Exercises and SEVENTH FLEET specific missions. USS OKANE and HMS DARING completed the multi-ship event and provided the forces necessary to provide certification caliber exercise objectives.

Demonstrating Joint Operations capability, CHAFEE embarked Army liaisons and conducted extensive flight operations with U.S. Army gunships from the 25th Combat Air Brigade. The OH-58 Kiowa Warrior and UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters made over 85 flawless landings on CHAFEE and paved the way for future Joint operations whereby the Army gunship capabilities' could be leveraged in the maritime domain.

In 2013 CHAFEE did it "Stronger, Better, Faster". Tasked with a variety of operations and missions CHAFEE set the standard not only for execution but for preparations aswell. CHAFEE approached every hurdle with a steady strain allowing her to quickly adapt and accomplish the Navy's Mission.

Weekly Activity Report Points of interest:

- 1. Week Ending 23 JAN 2013:USWEX (undersea warfare exercise), SUBFAM, Fortress Raptor 13-1
- 2. Week Ending 18 FEB 2013: Royal Canadian Navy Passex.
- 3. Week Ending 09 APR 2013: Change of Command
- 4. Week Ending 17 MAY 2013: Night DLQs
- 5. Week Ending 31 MAY 2013: CIWS / 5' in TDU Shoot
- 6. Week Ending 26 JUL 2013: Hopper Independent Deployer Certification
- 7. Week Ending 09 AUG 2013: U/W Dry-dock
- 8. Week Ending 13 SEP 2013: RADM Gale and RDML (sel) Galinis Tour of Dry-dock
- 9. Week Ending 15 NOV 2013: DSRA 50% conference
- 10. Week Ending 13 DEC 2013: Command holiday Party

## 3. Chronology and Narrative

Chronology should include dates of movements; local operations and training; exercises and operations (define acronyms and purpose of exercise or operation); installation of new weapons systems or changes; major physical changes to facilities, ship or aircraft; Class A or B mishaps; port visits; unit awards received; reserve augmentation; and other significant operational or administrative events.

15-16 JAN 2013	Industrial Hygiene Survey
15-17JAN 2013	Navy Food Management Team (NFTM)
	Assist Visit
16-17 JAN 2013	CNSP N43 Office SKED 3.2 Training Mode
18-23 JAN 2013	USWEX (Undersea Warfare Exercise)
19-20 JAN 2013	SUBFAM (Submarine Familiarization)
22-23 JAN 2013	Fortress Raptor 13-1

24-25 JAN 2013	Unit Level Training Readiness Evaluation
	Preps
28-29 JAN 2013	Readiness Evaluation 2
28-29 JAN 2013	MIDPAC EKMS Inspection
31 JAN 2013	MIDPAC Ship Visit
05-06 FEB 2013	Fortress Raptor 13-2
04-13 FEB 2013	Readiness Evaluation 3 (04-11 FEB Inport
	Phase and 12-13 Underway Phase)
08 FEB 2013	Safety Survey
14-18 FEB 2013	Royal Canadian Navy Passex
18-21 FEB 2013	Submarine Commander's Course (SCC OPS)
18-24 FEB 2013	MOCK CRAV (Command Readiness Assist
	Visit)
22 FEB 2013- 22 MAR 2013	CMAV (Continuous Maintenance Availability)
	3A3
01 MAR 2013	VTC with SPAWAR for CANES Install
04-08 MAR 2013	ERAT (Engineering Readiness Assessment
	Team)
04-08 MAR 2013	CRAV (Command Readiness Assist Visit)
11-15 MAR 2013	Small Arms Gun Shoot
12-13 MAR 2013	SONAR Dome Dive
12 MAR 2013	P-XO arrives
09 APR 2013	Change of Command
15- 19 APR 2013	Security Reaction Force- B
25 APR 2013	Ship's Family Picnic
13- 17 MAY 2013	U/W Unit Level Training
14 MAY 2013	Night DLQ's (Deck Landing Qualifications)
15 MAY 2013	RAS W/ USNS Guadalupe (Replenishment At
	Sea)
16 MAY 2013	TOWEX/ EWEX (Port Allen) (Towing Exercise)
21- 22 MAY 2013	U/W Mock Insurv Day 1
29- 31 MAY 2013	U/W ULT (Unit Level Training)
30 MAY 2013	CIWS / 5 IN TDU Shoot (Hawker Hunter)
03- 28 JUN 2013	CMAV(Continuous Maintenance Availability) 3A4
07 JUN 2013	TADIL Operability Verification Visit (SPAWAR,
07 0014 2010	SD)
12- 14 JUN 2013	ATFP LTT (Limited Training Team)
17- 21 JUN 2013	3M Limited Training Team
24- 25 JUN 2013	CBR Readiness Assist Visit
01- 03 JUL 2013	DC LTT (Limited Training Team) Cancelled,
01- 03 30L 2013	ATG to support HLS MOB D1.1
08- 12 JUL 2013	AMMO Offload
08- 12 JUL 2013 08- 12 JUL 2013	Hopper Independent Deployer Cert Comms/
08- 12 JOL 2013	
15 22 II II 2012	Link/ CENTRIX Checks
15- 22 JUL 2013	Hopper Independent Deployer Cert
22 JUL 2013	RCS/SESEF Range
23 JUL 2013- 02 AUG 2013	FUEL Offload
23 JUL 2013- 02 AUG 2013	CNO Avail Smart Start

29 JUL 2013 30 JUL 2013- 02 AUG 2013 05 AUG 2013- 14 FEB 2014	Barge Move Aboard LAN Migration, HAZMAT Offload DSRA
06 AUG 2013	U/W Dry Dock (dead stick)
03- 06 SEP 2013	ATFP LTT (Limited Training Team drills)
11 SEP 2013	RADM Gale and RDML (sel) Galinis Tour of Dry-dock
12 SEP 2013	CANES Lessons Identified VTC
23- 27 SEP 2013	ATFP LTT (Limited Training Team drills)
25 SEP 2013	DSRA 25% Conference
13 NOV 2013	DSRA 50% Conference
19 NOV 2013- 01 DEC 2013	1ST POM (Post Overseas Movement) Period
09 DEC 2013	ATG PTV (Pre-training Visit)
12 DEC 2013	Command Holiday Party
13 DEC 2013	Sexual Assault "Stampout" Training (Stragglers)
17- 29 DEC 2013	2nd POM (Post Overseas Movement) periodd

The short narrative should amplify chronology entries (such as objectives and results of exercises/operations; commander's evaluation of exercises/operations, etc). Entries may refer to an enclosure of this report without additional description if the enclosure sufficiently reports the incident/event. For all other entries, give the date or period in YYYY-MM-DD format and provide a brief narrative. All significant events during the reporting period are to be included.

In 2013 CHAFEE supported and demonstrated tactical superiority in all exercises in the THIRD FLEET Areas of Responsibility. The variety of exercises in which CHAFEE participated along with her ability to effectively execute each one is a testament to her training, professionalism and overall combat readiness during an extended sustainment phase.

In company with USS PORT ROYAL and USNS GUADALUPE, CHAFEE operated as opposing forces to U.S. submarine forces during the Submarine Commander's Course 13-1 in support of a 10 day Task-Group Exercise with HMCS OTTAWA and HMCS ALGONQUIN. CHAFEE executed six simulated MK 54, two MK 54 torpedoes, and one MK 46 live fire exercise torpedo which were evaluated as having optimal placement by the Pacific Missile Range Facility. In addition, CHAFEE's ASW Team executed 112 hours of passive tracking and 68 hours of active tracking, demonstrating the robust capability of the AN/SQQ-89A(V)15 SONAR suite and its capable operators. CHAFEE demonstrated superb defense in depth, detect-to-engage, and command and control in a multi-warfare environment. Utilizing and sinking remote "hammerhead" surface targets, CHAFEE's Small Caliber Action Team displayed acute accuracy expending over 4,000 rounds of small arms ammunition.

CHAFEE professionally executed short-notice tasking from COMMANDER THIRD FLEET during QUICKDRAW 13-02. Within 24 hours notice, CHAFEE's crew demonstrated full mission readiness by embarking a Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachment, establishing C2 and ultimately intercepting an exercise Vessel of Interest to board CHAFEE and Coast Guard Visit Board Search and Seizure Teams. Lessons

learned from the exercise were leveraged to establish future real-world TTP's and preplanned responses.

CHAFEE embarked COMMANDER DESTROYER SQUADRON THREE ONE Staff performing duties as Sea Combat Commander in support of HOPPER IDCERTEX. CHAFEE's talented warfighting team provided the framework for conducting opposed force operations by leading 40 multi-faceted COMMANDER STRIKE FORCE TRAINING PACIFIC assessed events to include: Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Overwatch, Maritime Counter Special Operation Forces Commander inter-operability of UH-60 Black Hawk Helicopters and CRUDES Platforms in an Anti-Surface Warfare environment, Critical Infrastructure Platform Defense, and Search and Rescue Plot Exercises. CHAFEE provided direct support for USS HOPPER and USS LAKE ERIE completing Independent Academic Training and Independent Deployer Certification Criteria to fulfill all mission objectives. Furthermore, CHAFEE's STRIKE team participated in 12 Tomahawk certification exercises resulting in 252 simulated tomahawk missile launches. CHAFEE's diligence and professional expertise assisted in enabling MIDDLE PACIFIC assets the ability to deploy into C7F/C5F AOR by embracing the "One Team, One Fight" mentality.

CHAFEE's STRIKE team maintained material readiness and tactical proficiency at the highest level throughout an extended sustainment phase. During the calendar year, CHAFEE conducted two TYRANT'S FURY, twelve FORTRESS RAPTOR, two Surface Land Attack Missile Exercise (SLAMEX), and over 26 Combat Systems Training Team exercises culminating in over 860 total simulated TLAM launches.

In April of 2013 Commander Anthony C. Littmann relieved Justin A. Kubu as commanding officer of USS CHAFEE DDG 90.

CHAFEE's dedication to setting and maintaining the standard was again demonstrated during the flawless transition in a Chief of Naval Operations Dry-Dock Selected Restricted Availability (DSRA). CHAFEE demonstrated brilliant innovation and versatility during the execution of a ground breaking DSRA Early Start program where ships force aggressively executed Work Authorization Form coordination with Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and BAE ensuring zero delays and immediate start to depot level repairs and upgrades.

During the Dry-Dock Selected Restricted availability (DSRA) CHAFEE underwent several system modifications and upgrades. CHAFEE was hand-selected to be a Pearl Harbor test platform for the new computer operating system Command Afloat Networks and Enterprise Service (CANES). CANES introduces to CHAFEE the Windows 7 operating system, faster processing, and wireless capabilities. CHAFEE's Combat Capability also received upgrades in the area of undersea, surface and air warfare with an upgrade to the AEGIS Weapon System baseline to 6.3.3.1, the newest baseline in the fleet.

CHAFEE's dedication to the crew and their families resulted in improved morale, exceptional advancement results, and excellent retention. CHAFEE remains a true "ship of the line" setting the standard of combat readiness fleet-wide.

### 4. Supporting Reports

Supporting Reports are those reports required by other instructions that provide significant data about the command during the calendar year. These reports may be submitted "as is," eliminating the need to duplicate information for this report that is already contained in reports prepared in response to other instructions and requirements. Examples include battle efficiency, safety and other award submissions, major staff or command studies, and end of cruise reports or briefs. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, enclosures may include, but are not limited to:

- a. Situation Reports
- b. Intentions Messages
- c. Operational Reports
- d. Operations Orders/Deployment Orders
- e. Operational Plans
- f. Personal For Messages
- g. After Action Reports
- h. Significant Electronic Message Traffic (outgoing/e-mail/chat)
- i. Battle Damage Assessments
- j. Casualty Reports
- k. End-of-Cruse/Deployment Reports
- 1. Intelligence Summaries
- m. Major Exercise Reports

List below the items submitted, indicating the classification of each. Electronic reports should be in a Microsoft Office format (Word, Excel, Power Point, or Access), HTML, PDF, JPG, GIF, or plain text. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Submit electronic reports via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained at the end of this form. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in hardcopy in the same manner as a CD-ROM.

### 5. Published Documents

List below the published documents being submitted in either electronic or paper format, indicating the classification of each item. Documents to be submitted include cruise books, change of command programs, commissioning/decommissioning brochures, establishment/disestablishment/deactivation brochures, copy of command's web site, news releases, biography of commander, welcome aboard brochures, newspaper articles, command studies, statistical data, etc.

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1. Change of Command Ceremony Programs

### 6. Photographs

List below official photographs and any other command-generated media being submitted in either electronic or paper format. Photographs to be submitted include: official photo of commanding officer; recent photo of ship, aircraft, or facility; and photos of historic events associated with the command. Photographs submitted electronically should be in JPG, TIFF or GIF format. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Photographs in electronic format are to be submitted via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained below. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in the same manner as the CD-ROM. Also include any photographs covering operational strikes, battle damage (especially that sustained by own ship, aircraft, facilities or equipment), or other relevant photos relating to combat or deployment operations.

#### **Photographs included:**

- 1. ALL OFFICERS 2013
- 2. COC
- 3. COC Salute
- 4. XO
- 5. SRF-B
- 6. Helo opperations
- 7. Boat operations
- 8. 5' shoot
- 9. Unrep
- 10. Royal Thai Navy Visit
- 11. MIDN DC Drill

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