

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY USS CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI (SSN 705) FPO AE 09566-2385

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- From: Commanding Officer, USS CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI (SSN 705)
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- Subj: COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1997
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1. Per reference (a), enclosures (2) through (5) are submitted.

COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

1. MISSION:

Per COMSUBLANT OPORD 2000 the ship's mission is to carry out tasks assigned by higher authority, fulfill assigned commitments, maintain high standards of personnel and material readiness for naval action, and strive continuously to improve submarine tactics in the accomplishment of the mission.

2. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE:

a. Immediate Senior in Chain of Command (ISIC): Commander Submarine Squadron FOUR.

b. Units under operational/administrative control: None.

3. COMMANDER AND BIOGRAPHY:

a. CDR Scott A. Langdon

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

DATE	EVENT
January 1-31	Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
February 3	Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
February 10	Moored at Port Everglades, Fort Lauderdale, Florida for liberty call.
February 14	Underway from Port Everglades, Fort Lauderdale, Florida for a VIP cruise/BSP.
February 26	Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
March 3	Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
March 21	Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
April 1-30	Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
May 28	Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
May 29	Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
May 30	Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
May 31	Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
June 6	Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.

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June 8 Moored at Clearwater AFB, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. June 12 Underway from Clearwater AFB, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. June 27 Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut. July 7 Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut. August 4 Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut. September 8 Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut. September 27 Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut. September 30 Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut. October 7 Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut. October 8 Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut. October 9 Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut. Underway from United States Submarine Base New November 20 London, Groton, Connecticut. Moored at United States Submarine Base New November 26 London, Groton, Connecticut. December 10 Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.

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December 15	Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
December 22	Underway from United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.
December 22	Moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, Connecticut.

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1997 COMMAND NARRATIVE

January

After a holiday standdown period, the CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI started the year in an upkeep status. The ship remained moored at United States Submarine Base New London, Groton, CT throughout the month.

February

The CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI completed the upkeep on 02 February and got underway on 03 February in support of Fleet ASW exercises. The ship made a liberty port call in Port Everglades, Fort Lauderdale, Florida on 10 February. The ship got underway on 14 February for a VIP cruise, which included several congressional aides. The ship conducted a BSP the same day to disembark the VIP's, and remained underway until 26 February, returning to homeport.

March

The CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI left homeport on 03 March for local operations and a CNO project, returning to homeport on 21 March. The ship ended the month of March in an upkeep status, in preparation for SRA (Selected Refit Availability). SRA officially began on 31 March.

<u>April</u>

The CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI began the month of April by drydocking the ship on April 01. The ship remained in a drydock and SRA status for the rest of the month.

<u>May</u>

The CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI began the month of May in drydock, continuing the SRA. The ship was undocked on 15 May, and completed the SRA on 26 May. The ship got underway on 28 May for post-SRA sea trials, returned to homeport on 29 May, got underway on 30 May, and finally returned to homeport on 31 May.

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<u>June</u>

The CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI left homeport enroute to Canada for a joint forces exercise. The ship moored at Clearwater AFB, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada on 08 June for a liberty call and an Exercise Marcot brief. The ship left Canada on 12 June to commence Exercise Marcot, completed the exercise, and returned to homeport on 27 June. The rest of the month was spent in homeport preparing for Tactical Readiness Evaluation.

<u>July</u>

The CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI started the month of July in preparation for the upcoming Tactical Readiness Examination (TRE), and got underway on 07 July for TRE workup. During the 07-31 July time period, the ship was host to several midshipmen from the U.S. Naval Academy. Submarine Squadron 4 was reactivated on July 9, and the ship transferred from Submarine Squadron 2 to Submarine Squadron 4. The ship successfully completed the TRE on 17-19 July. The ship then conducted TRE support for other vessels 22-25 July. On 28, 29, 30, and 31 July, the ship was host to several groups of Naval Midshipmen. During these tour groups, the ship dropped off several groups of the crew to visit Cocoa Beach, Florida. The ship ended the month of July in transit to homeport.

<u>August</u>

On 04 August, the CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI returned to home port and commenced upkeep. On 05 August, the ship began a Combat Systems Readiness Review (CSRR) which lasted until 15 August. The ship commenced a SPRUCE on 18 August, which continued through the remainder of the month.

September

The SPRUCE concluded on 05 September. The CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI left home port on 08 September to support an ASW exercise and to conduct a CNO project. The ship conducted a BSP

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on 18 September at home port, and remained underway for a shallow water torpedo exercise, returning to homeport on 27 September. The ship departed home port on 30 September to conduct a workup for the upcoming Operational Reactors Safeguards Examination (ORSE).

<u>October</u>

The ship returned to homeport from the workup on 07 October, and departed on 08 October for Operational Reactors Safeguards Examination. The ship successfully completed the ORSE and returned to homeport on 09 October. On 10 October, the ship commenced Pre-overseas Movement (POM) upkeep that continued through the rest of the month.

November

The ship began the month of November in an upkeep status, lasting until 17 November. During that time, a Logistics Readiness Examination (LRE) was completed satisfactorily. The ship left homeport on 20 November for fleet ASW support, including operations with P-3C's. The ship returned to port on 26 November. The ship then commenced POM training, lasting until the end of the month.

December

The ship began the month of December with the deployment weapons loadout and continuing with many tactical trainers for POM training. An Industrial Hygiene Survey was completed satisfactorily. The ship got underway from homeport on 10 December for POM workup. The ship returned to homeport on December 15. Finally, to end the month, the ship was underway to enter drydock, docking on 22 December. The ship commenced holiday stand down on 19 December, ending the year in drydock for emergent work.

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