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From: Commanding Officer, USS COLUMBUS (SSN 762)  
To: Ship's Histories Branch, Naval Historical Center

Subj: SHIP'S HISTORY

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12H

Encl: (1) Ship's History  
(2) Change of Command Pamphlet

1. Enclosure (1) is forwarded in accordance with Reference (a).
2. Enclosure (2) has been sent via registered mail.

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M. B. RYAN

1. Command Composition and Organization.

USS COLUMBUS SSN 762; 21962; ISR/Strike; SQDN SEVEN,  
COMSUBPAC; CDR Michael B. Ryan, USN; Pearl Harbor, HI.

2. Chronology.

Chronology covers ship's schedule from 14 December 2001 to  
02 January 2003.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
14 DEC - 02 JAN	CHRISTMAS STANDDOWN
03 JAN - 09 JAN	POM ATTACK CENTER TRAINING
10 JAN - 20 JAN	POMCERT WORKUP JAN - 20
21 JAN - 25 JAN	POMCERT 21 JAN - 25 JAN
25 JAN - 07 FEB	STANDDOWN AND LOADOUT
08 FEB	COMMENCE WESTPAC
15 FEB - 21 FEB	IN PORT: GUAM
22 FEB - 26 MAR	OPERATIONS
27 MAR - 01 APR	IN PORT: SINGAPORE
02 APR - 12 MAY	OPERATIONS
13 MAY - 16 MAY	IN PORT: SASEBO
17 MAY - 23 MAY	KITTY HAWK BATTLE GROUP EXERCISE
24 MAY - 02 JUN	IN PORT: SASEBO
03 JUN - 09 JUL	OPERATIONS
10 JUL - 12 JUL	ROKN EXERCISE
13 JUL - 17 JUL	TRANSIT
18 JUL - 26 JUL	IN PORT: YOKOSUKA
27 JUL - 05 AUG	TRANSIT
07 AUG - 08 AUG	ORSE
09 AUG - 05 SEP	STANDDOWN
05 SEP - 06 SEP	CHANGE OF COMMAND
07 SEP - 11 SEP	IN PORT: PEARL HARBOR
12 SEP - 15 SEP	CODT
16 SEP - 18 SEP	WEAPONS OFFLOAD
19 SEP - 12 DEC	UPKEEP AN/BYG-1 FCS INSTALL
13 DEC - 19 DEC	ARCI CERTIFICATION AN/BYG-1 CERTIFICATION
20 DEC - 02 JAN	CHRISTMAS STANDDOWN

3. Narrative.

The installation of the AN/BYG-1 fire control system is a critical step forward in COLUMBUS' warfighting abilities. In concert with the ARCI sonar system, it provides unprecedented torpedo and strike capabilities.

The installation occurred professionally, with the subsequent certification a welcome success before the December holiday standdown.