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Encl: (1) USS CROMMELIN (FFG 37) Command History for 1994  
(2) Commanding Officer's Biography  
(3) Executive Officer's Biography  
(4) Welcome Aboard Phamplet  
(5) Ship's Photograph  
(6) Command Structure

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1) through (6) are submitted.



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## USS CROMMELIN (FFG 37) COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1994

**JAN** 1-9 Inport (IPT) Pearl Harbor (PH) Holiday Upkeep (UPK)  
10-14 Underway (UW) Total Ships Training Assessment III (TSTA III) Middle Pacific (MP)  
15-17 IPT PH  
18-21 UW TSTA III MP  
22-23 IPT PH  
24-28 Final Evaluation Period (FEP) Logistics Maintenance Assessment (LMA)  
27-29 Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification Training (CMTQT)  
30-31 Upkeep (UPK) PH

**FEB** 1-14 Upkeep (UPK) PH  
7-11 SIMA Availability  
15 IPT Operational Propulsion Plant Examination (OPPE)  
16-17 UW OPPE  
18-28 UPK PH  
22-26 Shipboard Explosive Safety Inspection (SESI)  
22-28 SIMA Availability Combat Systems Readiness Review (CSRR)

**MAR** 1-3 CSRR  
1-4 UW FEP  
1-10 UPK PH  
2 Safety Stand-down  
7-11 Anti-Submarine Warfare Team Trainer (ASW TT) Phase II  
8 Aviation Readiness Evaluation (ARE)  
9-16 UW Transit Southern California (SOCAL) COMPTUEX  
17-21 UW COMPTUEX SOCAL  
22-24 Independent Steaming Exercise (ISE) SOCAL  
25-31 FLEETEX 94-2A SOCAL

**APR** 1-3 IPT San Diego  
4-6 UW MISSILEX SOCAL  
7-9 Search and Rescue Operations SOCAL  
10-24 Intermediate Maintenance Availability (IMAV) SIMA San Diego  
10-14 Battle Group Inport Training (BGIT) San Diego  
15-24 UPK San Diego  
18-19 Training San Diego Ship Simulator  
25-29 FLEETEX 94-2B SOCAL  
30 FLEETEX 94-2C SOCAL

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MAY 1-3 FLEETEX 94-2C SOCAL  
4 MISSILEX SOCAL  
5-6 Offload (OFLD) Seal Beach  
7-11 Transit PH  
11 Safety Stand-down  
12 OFLD Naval Magazine Lualualei (NAVMAG LLL)  
13-31 IMAV SIMA PH  
13-22 UPK PH  
23-31 Pre-Overseas Movement (POM) Period IPT PH

JUN 1-3 IMAV SIMA PH  
1-7 POM Period IPT PH  
8-9 Onload NAVMAG LLL  
10-13 Dependents Cruise Hilo Hawaii  
14-21 POM Period IPT PH  
14-30 Ready for Sea (RFS) IPT PH

JUL 1 UW Depart for WESTPAC 94-W25  
1-14 Enroute (ENR) Guam  
15-19 Inport Steam (IPTSTM) Guam  
20-22 ENR Okinawa Japan  
23-24 IPTSTM Okinawa Japan  
25-27 UW RECONEX 94-4  
28-31 ENR Hong Kong

AUG 1-5 ENR Hong Kong  
6-7 IPTSTM Hong Kong  
8-11 ENR Yokosuka Japan  
12-15 IPTSTM Yokosuka Japan  
16-21 ENR Hong Kong  
22-26 IPTSTM Hong Kong  
27-31 UW Operations (OPS) South China/Phillipine Sea

SEP 1-8 UW OPS East China/Phillipine Sea  
9-11 ENR Yokosuka Japan  
12-30 IPTSTM UPK Yokosuka Japan  
30 Fast cruise Yokosuka Japan

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- OCT 1 IPTSTM UPK Yokosuka Japan  
2-4 ENR Sasebo Japan  
5 IPTSTM Sasebo Japan Convoy Exercise (CONVEX) Presail  
6-7 CONVEX East China Sea  
8 ENR Tonghae Korea  
9-12 IPTSTM Tonghae Korea ROKN Passing Exercise (PASSEX) Presail  
13 ENR Chinhae Korea ROKN PASSEX  
14-15 IPTSTM Chinhae Korea Anti-Special Operations Forces Exercise (SOFEX)  
Presail  
16-18 UW Sea of Japan Anti-SOFEX  
19-20 ENR Osaka Japan  
21-24 IPTSTM Osaka Japan  
25-31 UW ISE Phillipine Sea
- NOV 1 UW ISE Phillipine Sea  
2-5 IPTSTM Pattaya Beach Thailand  
6-7 ENR Singapore  
8 Brief Stop for Fuel (BSF) Singapore  
9 ENR Lumut Malaysia  
10-14 IPTSTM UPK Lumut Malaysia  
15 ENR Singapore  
16 BSF Singapore  
17-20 ENR Hong Kong  
21-25 IPTSTM Hong Kong  
26-30 OPS Phillipine Sea
- DEC 1-8 UW Tandem Thrust 95 Phillipine Sea  
9-13 ENR PH  
14 IPT PH RETURN FROM WESTPAC 94-W25  
14-31 IPT PH Post-Deployment Stand-down

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CROMMELIN began the New Year on the run after a well deserved holiday leave and upkeep period. The middle of the month found CROMMELIN's Rampant Sea Lions in the final stages of pre-deployment workups. The 2nd and 3rd weeks of January were taken up by TSTA III.

OPPE commenced on the 14th of February and was successfully completed on the 17th. A 10 day upkeep period and SIMA availability followed OPPE. On the 22nd of February Combat Systems Department commenced Shipboard Explosive Safety Inspection and Combat Systems Readiness Review. SESI was successfully completed on the 26th. After a very short weekend, the CROMMELIN team went straight into FEP, with an Logistics Maintenance Assessment and Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification Training thrown in for good measure. As usual, the Sea Lions rose to the challenge and sailed through this intense training and evaluation period with flying colors.

March began with a 1 day Safety stand-down on the 2nd and the completion of CSRR on the 3rd. The second week found the Rampant Sea Lion ASW teams riding the Ferry to the ATG MIDPAC Phase II ASW team trainers on Ford Island. Phase II ASW training was completed with an overall score of 96 percent Aviation Readiness Evaluation was successfully completed on the 8th, paving the way for the embarkation of HSL-37 Detachment 3.

On the 9th of March CROMMELIN, with HSL-37 DET 3 embarked, departed for Southern California to join up with the KITTY HAWK Battle Group to complete pre-deployment workups. The 17th-21st found CROMMELIN in the middle of COMPTUEX, with three days of ISE steaming before jumping right into FLEETEX 94-2B, which took place from the 25th-31st.

The first three days of April were spent inport San Diego preparing for a MISSILEX on the 4th-6th. The 7th-9th were spent conducting SAR for a KITTY HAWK sailor reported to have fallen overboard. Subsequent investigations proved the report to have been false. The middle of April saw much needed repairs and fine tuning being completed by SIMA San Diego and ships force during a three week upkeep and availability period. During this time CROMMELIN Junior Officers honed their ship driving skills at the ship simulator on 32nd Street, Naval Station, San Diego.

On the 25th of April CROMMELIN departed San Diego with the rest of the Battle Group for the commencement of FLEETEX 94-2C. FLEETEX ended on the 3rd of May. On the 4th, CROMMELIN successfully conducted a MISSILEX, firing one Standard missile. The 5th and 6th were spent inport Seal Beach exchanging several missiles before returning to Pearl Harbor. The 7th-11th were spent transiting to Pearl Harbor. On the 12th CROMMELIN pulled into Naval Magazine, Lualualei to complete the offload of her missile magazine in preparation for upcoming work to be accomplished inside the magazine. The remainder of May was spent inport in a POM period coinciding with an upkeep and SIMA Pearl Harbor availability.

The POM period and SIMA availability ended on the 7th of June. CROMMELIN shifted berths on the 8th of June to Naval Magazine, Lualualei to onload missiles. The onload was completed by the 9th and CROMMELIN returned to Pearl Harbor.

The 10th-13th found the CROMMELIN Rampant Sea Lion family relaxing in Hilo Hawaii enjoying a Dependents Cruise. Upon returning to Pearl Harbor, the remainder of June was spent completing last minute details and preparing to depart on WESTPAC with the KITTY HAWK Battle Group.

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CROMMELIN departed Pearl Harbor 1 July on what was to be a very rewarding and successful deployment. The 1st-14th were spent avoiding storms enroute to a rendezvous with the rest of the Battle Group. The 15th-19th found CROMMELIN inport Guam to participate in the 50 year celebration of the Liberation of Guam. Departing Guam on the 20th, CROMMELIN entered Okinawa Japan on the 23rd to embark a US Marine RECON detachment for participation in RECONEX 94-4, which took place during the 25th-27th. After the completion of RECONEX 94-4, CROMMELIN departed to rendezvous with USS REUBEN JAMES for further transfer of two HH-60 Combat Search and Rescue helicopters to the KITTY HAWK. Despite less than ideal conditions and unusually heavy weather in the form of a super typhoon, the operation was completed successfully.

CROMMELIN entered Hong Kong for 2 days on the 6th of August to ride out the storms. On the 7th, CROMMELIN departed Hong Kong enroute Yokosuka Japan. After a 4 day transit CROMMELIN made her way into Yokosuka for a 4 day port visit. Departing Yokosuka on the 16th, CROMMELIN set sail once again for Hong Kong. Arriving in Hong Kong on the 22nd, CROMMELIN spent 5 days in the British Crown colony before departing on the 27th for operations in the South and East China and Phillipine seas.

CROMMELIN entered Yokosuka Japan for the 2nd time on the 12th of September for what would be a 20 day upkeep period with the USS HOLLAND and SRF Yokosuka.

Departing Yokosuka on the 2nd of October, CROMMELIN headed for Sasebo Japan. CROMMELIN entered Sasebo on the 5th for a one day port visit and Presail conference in preparation for a Convoy Exercise that took place on the 6th-7th. After completion of the CONVEX, CROMMELIN headed towards Tonghae Korea for a Presail conference with the ROKN Navy in preparation for a PASSEX off of the coast of South Korea. Completing the PASSEX on the 13th, CROMMELIN entered port in Chinhae Korea on the 14th. Following a two day port visit and a Presail conference for the upcoming Anti-SOFEX, CROMMELIN departed Chinhae on the 16th. Completing the Anti-SOFEX on the 18th, CROMMELIN set sail for Osaka Japan.

Entering Osaka on the morning of the 21st, CROMMELIN was the first U.S warship to visit Osaka 23 years. Although initial resistance was thought to have been high, CROMMELIN was met on the pier by a handful of protestors numbering no more than 50. Overall, the port visit was a huge success, paving the way for visits by other U.S. Navy ships in the future. CROMMELIN departed Osaka on the 25th to conduct ISE operations in the Phillipine Sea.

The first part of November found CROMMELIN inport Pattaya Thailand from the 2nd-5th. Departing Pattaya on the 6th enroute Singapore for a brief stop for fuel on the 8th, CROMMELIN transited the Straits of Malacca on the 9th and entered port in Lumut Malaysia for a 5 day UPK period on the 10th. Completing the short availability on the 11th, CROMMELIN once again transited the Straits of Malacca on the 15th, entered Singapore for a BSF on the 16th, and set sail for Hong Kong and a rendezvous with the KITTY HAWK Battle Group on the 21st. Completing the Hong Kong port visit on the 26th, CROMMELIN departed in company with the entire Battle Group to conduct operations in the Phillipine sea for the remainder of the month.

December kicked off with TANDEM THRUST 95, with CROMMELIN being Commander of the Opposition Surface Force. Successfully challenging the battle Group, CROMMELIN completed TANDEM THRUST on the 8th of December with her first Naval

Gunfire Support Exercise. The 9th-13th was spent in company with the Battle Group enroute Pearl Harbor and a long awaited homecoming on the 14th.

Entering port on the morning of the 14th, CROMMELIN tied up to berth 26 at the head of Bravo piers Naval Station Pearl Harbor. The remainder of the month was spent in Post-Deployment stand-down.