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Encl: (1) USS DECATUR (DDG 73) Command Composition and  
Organization  
(2) USS DECATUR (DDG 73) 2000-2001 Command  
Chronology/Historical Narrative  
(3) Biography and photograph of Commanding Officer,  
Executive Officer, and Command Master Chief  
(4) Command Philosophy  
(5) DECATUR Photograph

1. Enclosure (1) through (5) are forwarded per reference (a) to  
be included in USS DECATUR (DDG 73) ship's history file.

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**USS DECATUR (DDG 73)  
SHIP HISTORY  
12 June 2000 – 1 Mar 2001**

21 July 2000	SURFPAC Ball
31 July 2000	Underway ENR Seal Beach
1-3 August 2000	Offload Seal Beach
4 August 2000	Inport San Diego
9-11 August 2000	Underway Cortramid Midshipman
10 August 2000	Under Secretary of Science
14-18 August 2000	Engineering PMT DAMA Multiplex Upgrade SQQ-89 Upgrade COMDESRON 23 Embarked
18 August 2000	Safety/Navigation Standdown
19 August 2000	FCCS (SW) [REDACTED] Retirement Ceremony
26 August 2000	Ship's Picnic
29-31 August 2000	Texas Thunder/TLAM Exercise
30 August 2000	Environmental Standdown
31 August 2000	GMC(SW) [REDACTED]'s Retirement Ceremony
15 Sept. 2000	Change of XO – LCDR Roberson COMDESRON 23 Disembarks
19-21 Sept. 2000	Underway ENR Santa Barbara
21-24 Sept. 2000	Inport Santa Barbara Wardroom reception at SBYC Officer and Chief Petty Officer party with Navy League Ship's picnic sponsored by Navy League and Santa Barbara at the Legion Hall VIP reception onboard Santa Barbara VIP Cruise for Navy League members and guests

26 Sept. 2000	Inport San Diego
6 Oct. 2000	Family Day Cruise – 120 family and friends
11 Oct. 2000	Berth Shift to Continental Maritime Shipyard
12 Oct. 2000	SRA-01 Begins
17-23 Oct 2000	Host Ship: NTG 2000, FSA ACONIT and HMS CORNWALL (Wardroom social at Main Brace, Ship's Soccer team tournament and Ship's picnic)
06 Nov. 2000	GM1 [REDACTED] and EW1 [REDACTED] Retirement Ceremony at Point Loma Lighthouse
2 Dec. 2000	Ship's children's Christmas Party
23 Nov-2 Dec 2000	Holiday Period 1
4-8 Dec. 2000	CDS 23 Safety and Light Off Assessment NSFS Team Trainer – 95%
8 Dec. 2000	Ship's Christmas Party
14-15 Dec. 2000	Post SRA Sea Trials – completed ATWCS Installation, BFTT installation, and AWS upgrade to 5.3.7
15-26 Dec. 2000	Holiday Period 2
27 Dec. 2000	Holiday Bowl Battle of the Bands: Hosted 350 members of the University of Texas Longhorns Band vs. Oregon Ducks
26 Dec-08 Jan 2001	Holiday Period 3
6 Jan 2001	CINCPACFLT Golden Retention Award
9 Jan 2001	CDR Gumataotao awarded ADM Zumwalt award for visionary leadership by Surface Navy Association
10-12 Jan 2001	Underway
17 Jan 2001	Bravo Pier Onload – 5 <sup>th</sup> ammo onload
17-19 Jan 2001	Underway for NSFS, Leaders to Sea, and San Diego Chargers visit Visit by RADM William Fogarty (Ret.)

22 Jan. 2001	RADM Marfiak Visit (USNI)
23-26 Jan 2001	Underway for NSFS
30-31 Jan. 2001	ISIC Navigation Checkride
31 Jan-2 Feb 2001	Underway PCO Orientation
2 Feb. 2001	Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Richard B. Meyers and staff onboard for TBMD Demo, luncheon, and Ship tour.
2 Feb. 2001	TYCOM Safety Award
5-21 Feb. 2001	ATWCS Material Certification
14 Feb. 2001	Pers 41 CAPT Michael Lefever Luncheon
15 Feb. 2001	CDS 23 Battle E Winner Maritime Warfare Awards ← LIST EACH AWARDED SHIP WON FOR FY00 MARITIME EXCELLENCE COMMUNICATIONS EXCELLENCE
16 Feb. 2001	OLA Visit, Congressional Staff (luncheon and Ship tour) ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE OR...
3-19 Feb. 2001	Inport San Diego
20 Feb. 2001	Underway ENR Seal Beach
21-22 Feb. 2001	Ammo onload Seal Beach – Standard missile, 5" ammo, and small arms
26 Feb. 2001	FIREX I Qualification
27-28 Feb. 2001	CVN 70 BG OPFOR