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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1999

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Encl: (1) Command History for 1999, USS FRANK CABLE (AS 40)  
(2) Captain Scott A. Spencer, Commanding Officer,  
USS FRANK CABLE (AS 40) Biography  
(3) Captain Spencer Photograph  
(4) Captain (Select) Eddie J. Gardiner,  
Executive Officer, USS FRANK CABLE (AS 40) Biography  
(5) Captain (Select) Gardiner Photograph  
(6) Photograph of USS FRANK CABLE (AS 40)  
(7) 3 1/2 Diskette  
(8) Welcome aboard pamphlet

1. Per reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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**USS FRANK CABLE (AS 40)**

**COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1999**

1. **Mission:** USS FRANK CABLE (AS 40) is the SEVENTH Fleet's sole mobile repair and support platform. FRANK CABLE makes routine deployments from the homeport of Guam to Yokosuka and Sasebo, Japan to service SEVENTH Fleet ships and submarines. FRANK CABLE has 53 specialized shops that provide maintenance, repair parts, and supplies to the fleet. FRANK CABLE also provides services such as laundry, medical and dental facilities, legal counseling, mail, disbursing services, barber shops, and ship's store to shipboard and tended unit personnel.

a. **Command Composition and Organization**

Operational/Administrative Chain of Command:

Commander, Submarine Group SEVEN  
Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific  
Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet

2. **Underway Periods 1999**

01 January - 05 January	Moored Guam
06 January	Departure from Guam
06 January - 15 January	Enroute Darwin, Australia
15 January - 20 January	Moored/Liberty Port Visit/ Fleet Repair Services, Darwin, Australia
20 January - 29 January	Enroute Guam
29 January - 29 April	Moored/Fleet Repair Services, Guam
29 April - 04 May	Enroute Sasebo, Japan
04 May - 16 June	Moored/Fleet Repair Services, Sasebo, Japan

Enclosure (1)

16 June - 21 June	Enroute Guam
21 June - 15 July	Moored/Fleet Repair Services, Guam
15 July - 20 July	Enroute Yokosuka, Japan
20 July - 02 September	Moored/Fleet Repair Services, Yokosuka, Japan
02 September - 08 September	Enroute Guam
08 September - 27 September	Moored/Fleet Repair Services, Guam
27 September - 06 October	Enroute Singapore
06 October - 15 October	Moored/Liberty Port Visit/Fleet Repair Services, Singapore
15 October - 25 October	Enroute Yokosuka, Japan
25 October - 26 October	Anchored Yokosuka, Japan
26 October - 28 October	Moored/CART Evaluation by ATG WESTPAC, Yokosuka, Japan
28 October - 03 November	Enroute Guam
03 November - 06 December	Moored/Repair Fleet Services, Guam
06 December - 10 December	Underway Local Operations
10 December - 31 December	Moored/Fleet Repair Services, Guam

## Major Command Awards

18 October                      Awarded the Gold Warrior Spirit Pennant

31 December                    Awarded the Battle Efficiency "E"  
Awarded the Communications Green "C"  
Awarded the DC Red "DC"  
Awarded the Deck Seamanship White "D"  
Awarded the Medical Yellow "M"  
Awarded the Dental Yellow "D"  
Awarded the Navigation "Red and Green N"  
Awarded the Repair Red "R"  
Awarded the Weapons Black "W"  
Awarded the Navy Retention Award

### 3. Narrative

FRANK CABLE continued its mission of repair and support as the forward deployed tender for surface ships and submarines of the SEVENTH Fleet. FRANK CABLE's Repair Department completed 1,240 jobs that consisted of 131,614 man-hours expended for Fiscal Year 1999. FRANK CABLE made availability trips to Yokosuka, Japan and provided availability's to surface ships and submarines while moored in Guam. FRANK CABLE also supported repair efforts through fly-away teams throughout the Western Pacific. The ship made liberty visits to Darwin, Australia in January and Singapore in October.

### 4. Supporting Documents

- a. Photograph of USS FRANK CABLE (AS 40)
- b. Welcome Aboard Pamphlet
- c. Photograph of Commanding Officer
- d. Biography of Commanding Officer
- e. Photograph of Executive Officer
- f. Biography of Executive Officer

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