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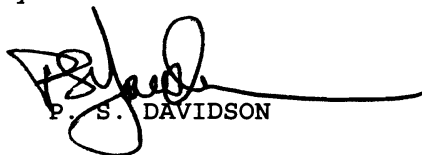
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Subj: USS GETTYSBURG (CG 64) COMMAND HISTORY FOR 2004

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12G

Encl: (1) CHRONOLOGY

1. Per reference (a), the following is USS GETTYSBURG (CG 64) command history for 2004. Enclosure (1) outlines our entire year.
2. USS GETTYSBURG is a Guided Missile Cruiser homeported in Mayport Florida. USS GETTYSBURG (CG 64) began the New Year on deployment in the Arabian Gulf in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. USS GETTYSBURG, while attached to the Enterprise Strike Group served as the Air Defense Commander and supported Enterprise in any and all tasking. In February, GETTYSBURG departed the Arabian Gulf and began her journey home with port visits in Naples, Italy and Malaga, Spain. On the 28<sup>th</sup> of February GETTYSBURG returned to Mayport, Florida having completed a deployment in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.
3. In June, GETTYSBURG departed Mayport, Florida and began her journey across the Atlantic Ocean to support the Navy's Summer Pulse 04 initiative. During this deployment, GETTYSBURG participated in exercises including JCOC, NEO TAPON, JMC 042, and Majestic Eagle. On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July GETTYSBURG returned to her homeport of Mayport, Florida. In August GETTYSBURG sailed to Yorktown VA to complete her weapons offload while making preparations for the upcoming availability which would start in August. Upon returning to Mayport, FL, GETTYSBURG began her SRA where she would receive critical installations and maintenance in order to return her to Surge Ready Status.
4. In October GETTYSBURG welcomed Captain Philip Davidson as her ninth Commanding Officer. During the availability GETTYSBURG continued to conduct necessary maintenance and preparations for the upcoming training cycle. GETTYSBURG ended 2004 with a short, three day underway and holiday leave period. The year 2004 will serve as an example and testament to the fine work and dedication of the men and women of GETTYSBURG and their completion of another historic and memorable year.

  
P. S. DAVIDSON

## Chronology

### January 2004

01-14 Underway North Arabian Gulf (Operation Iraqi Freedom)  
14-19 Inport Jebel Ali, United Arab Emirates  
19-30 Underway North Arabian Gulf (Operation Iraqi Freedom)  
31 Transit to Red Sea

### February 2004

01-04 Red Sea  
05-06 Suez Canal Transit  
06-08 Transit from Suez Canal to Naples, Italy  
08-12 Inport Naples, Italy  
12-14 Underway Mediterranean Sea  
14-17 Inport Malaga, Spain  
17-18 Strait of Gibraltar Transit  
18-26 Trans Atlantic Crossing  
28-29 Inport Mayport Naval Station

### March 2004

01-31 Inport Mayport Naval Station-Post Deployment Leave and Upkeep.

### April 2004

01-30 Mayport Naval Station-Intermediate Maintenance Availability.

### May 2004

01-11 Inport Mayport Naval Station  
11-13 Underway Jacksonville Operating Area. Provided emergency search and rescue assistance for a lost diver.  
13-24 Inport Mayport Naval Station  
24-27 Underway Jacksonville Operating Area. Provided emergency search and rescue assistance for a fishing vessel in distress with an individual onboard suffering from severe bleeding due to a laceration to his arm.  
27-31 Inport Mayport Naval Station

### June 2004

01-03 Inport Mayport Naval Station.  
03-12 Underway, Atlantic Ocean Transit to Bay of Cadiz  
12-16 Bay of Cadiz, Operating with USS ENTERPRISE in support of JCOC and NEO TAPON.  
16-18 Transit to Glenmallan Scotland.  
18-21 Inport Glenmallan, Scotland  
21-23 Transit to JMC 042 Operation Areas, North Atlantic.  
23 Shot NSFS at Cape Wrath, Scotland.  
23-30 Underway operating in North Atlantic in support of JMC 042 exercises.

July 2004

01-02 Underway, Transit from JMC Operation Area to Portsmouth, UK.  
02-06 Inport Portsmouth, UK  
06-11 Transit from Portsmouth, UK to Majestic Eagle Operation Area.  
11-16 Underway operating off the coast of Morocco in support of Majestic Eagle 04.  
16-23 Underway, Atlantic Ocean Transit to Mayport Naval Station.  
23 Returned to Mayport Naval Station from Pulse Exercise 04.  
23-30 Inport Mayport Naval Station.  
30-31 Underway, Transit to Yorktown, VA.

August 2004

01 Underway, Transit to Yorktown, VA.  
02-04 Inport Yorktown, VA for weapons offload.  
04-06 Underway, Transit to Mayport, FL.  
06-31 Inport Mayport Naval Station for SRA.

September 2004

01-3 Inport Mayport Naval Station for SRA.  
03-08 Hurricane Frances Sortie to Talleyrand Wharf.  
08-24 Inport Mayport Naval Station for SRA.  
24-28 Hurricane Jeanne Sortie to Talleyrand Wharf.  
28-30 Inport Mayport Naval Station for SRA.

October 2004

01-08 Inport Mayport Naval Station for SRA.  
08 Change of Command Ceremony.  
08-31 Inport Mayport Naval Station for SRA.

November 2004

01-20 Inport Mayport Naval Station for SRA.  
20 SRA End Date.  
20-29 Inport Mayport Naval Station.  
29 Berth Shift to C-1-1.  
29-30 Inport Mayport Naval Station.

December 2004

01-14 Inport Mayport Naval Station.  
14-16 Underway JAX OPAREA  
16-31 Inport Mayport Naval Station.