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Command Operations Report

This report is **required** by commands listed in **SNDL Parts 1 & 2** and all operational **Task Forces, Groups and Units** temporarily established to meet operational requirements.

The report format is divided into six sections: Command Data, Commander's Assessment, Chronology and Narrative, Supporting Reports, Published Documents, and Photographs. Required information is identified in specific sections of the form. Instructions on submitting this form and the required attachments are at the end.

1. Command Data

Name of your Command or Organization: **USS HALSEY (DDG 97)**

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: **23154**

Name and Rank of Commander/Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge:

Last: **Harrison** First: **Matthew** M.I.: **J** Rank: **CDR**

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): **2010-03-05**

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: **FIFTH and SEVENTH FLT AORs - WESTPAC 2010**

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): **San Diego, CA**

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational: **Commander, Destroyer Squadron Nine**

Administrative: **Commander, Destroyer Squadron Nine**

Identify your assigned Task Force/Group/Unit name(s) and mission(s). Include OPLAN(s) and or named operations you participated in during Task Force assignment (if applicable): **CTF 50/CTG 50.1/USS HALSEY. OPERATION GREEN FLASH ISO Drug Interdiction and Alien**

Smuggling Operations, Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) 2010, CTF 50 ISO OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM and NEW DAWN and CTF 150 ISO Counter Piracy,

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): **HSM-77 Detachment Two (Saberhawks)**

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable: **(2)SH-60R Helicopter Squadron**

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable): **N/A**

Number of Personnel Assigned:

Officers: 35 Enlisted: 270 Civilian: 0

Command Point of Contact (required entry, complete in full):

Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): ENS [REDACTED]

Job Title/Office Code: Fuel Officer /Public Affairs OFFICER

E-mail (both classified and unclassified, if available):

[REDACTED]

Phone number(s): [REDACTED]

Command Mailing Address: USS HALSEY (DDG 97), FPO AP 96667-1308

2. Commander's Assessment

The Commander's Assessment briefly tells the story of the command's role in national defense and should highlight any general and specific lessons-learned. It should contain the commander's commentary, insights and reflections on the unit's activities. Attention should be directed to significant issues impacting training, operations and mission accomplishment during the reporting period. Descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to major command decisions and results of those decisions are particularly desired. Also desired are accounts of specific contributions of individuals in the command to mission accomplishment. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, particular attention should be given to the commander's estimate of the situation, records of discussions and decisions, descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to operational decisions and results of those decisions. For a unit returning from deployment or participating in a single operation this can normally be a single assessment. For higher-echelon commands or units engaging in multiple operations, a separate assessment for each operation in addition to an overall assessment may be appropriate.

2010 Commander's Assessment

The highlight of 2010 undoubtedly was USS HALSEY commencing her second deployment, and first as a member of a Carrier-Strike Group. Maintaining high productivity following the Board of Inspection and Survey (INSURV) at the end of 2009, HALSEY began the new year with some much deserved recharge time. Following a holiday leave period, HALSEY's crew began preparation for Unit Level Training and Readiness Assessment Sustainment (ULTRA-S); a training and readiness assessment to validate mid-cycle proficiency of HALSEY's twenty-three warfare areas. Scoring above average in all tested subjects, the crew shifted to practicing joint operations as deployment neared.

Underway in Southern California for single ship operations in February and March during preparations for ULTRA-S, HALSEY participated in Operation GREEN FLASH which included multi-agency operations to disrupt, dismantle, and defeat drug trafficking organizations and alien smuggling activities within the Southern California region. HALSEY coordination with Customs Border Protection and associated agencies resulted in the apprehension of twenty-two illegal Aliens off the coast of California - all amidst basic phase training events – exposing a smuggling network.

In April HALSEY transited to Seal Beach, CA to onload weapons for her upcoming deployment. She continued north to for a port visit in Esquimalt, British Columbia and the surrounding provincial capitol of Victoria. During her time in Canada, HALSEY crewmembers volunteered to clean up and restore a community center. Our Helicopter Squadron (HSM-77) detachment named 'Saberhawks' embarked HALSEY with two MH-60R helicopters for the first time during this operation and joined the family.

Following the Esquimalt, Canada, port visit, HALSEY rendezvoused with the USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN Strike Group (ALSG) for a three week-long Group Sail in the Southern California OPAREAS that concluded in May. ALSG was comprised of USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72), USS CAPE SAINT GEORGE (CG 71), USS MOMSEN (DDG 92), USS SHOUP (DDG 86), and HALSEY. During the Group Sail, ALSG ships practiced coordinated Air Defense (AD), Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) operations, Naval Surface Fire Support (NSFS), Visit, Board, Search, and Seizure (VBSS) events, and communications exercises in preparation for deployment.

As summer began, numerous workshops, schools, and pierside synthetic training exercises were conducted in order to hone the crew's skills for deployment. ALSG ships set sail in July for Composite Training Unit Exercise (COMPTUEX) which validated final preparations before HALSEY departed for deployment from Naval Base San Diego on September 11, 2010.

Speeding to SEVENTH Fleet, HALSEY arrived in The Republic of the Philippines in time to participate in Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) 2010. In support of CARAT, HALSEY embarked Destroyer Squadron Thirty-one and hosted multiple coalition social events and warfare-based trainings and conferences. Departing the Philippines early due to a typhoon, HALSEY diverted south to Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia.

HALSEY engaged in numerous SEVENTH Fleet missions following Malaysia, including a strategic transit of the contested Spratley Islands and Joint Task Force Presidential Support operations for President Obama's first visit to Indonesia. On November 15th, HALSEY moored in Singapore where her crew executed "liberty as a mission." Upon her departure, HALSEY transited the Straits of Malacca enroute to the FIFTH Fleet Area of Operations.

Once in the Northern Arabian Sea, HALSEY provided Sectored Air Defense for the USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN and over 6000 coalition sorties in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and NEW DAWN. HALSEY also led joint operations with French Aircraft Carrier CHARLES DEGAULLE and the French Frigate FORBIN. Several Sailors had the opportunity to visit the French ships, and HALSEY hosted several French Sailors.

After nearly 40 days at sea, HALSEY transited the Straits of Hormuz for a port visit to Bahrain, where she and her crew celebrated the arrival of 2011.

Throughout the year, HALSEY maintained an outstanding record of superb operational performance, reliable engineering readiness, a flawless safety record, and unmatched crew morale and esprit de corps that served as the foundation for every success. HALSEY concluded 2010 fully eligible for the Battle "E" and all Command Excellence awards.

M. J. HARRISON

3. Chronology and Narrative

Chronology should include dates of movements; local operations and training; exercises and operations (define acronyms and purpose of exercise or operation); installation of new weapons systems or changes; major physical changes to facilities, ship or aircraft; Class A or B mishaps; port visits; unit awards received; reserve augmentation; and other significant operational or administrative events.

2010-01-01 through 2010-01-10: HALSEY enjoys Holiday Stand-down

2010-01-11 through 2010-01-24: Inport San Diego

2010-01-25 through 2010-01-29: Underway ULTRA-S Rehearsal

2010-01-30 through 2010-02-03: Inport San Diego

2010-02-01 through 2010-02-05: Underway ULTRA-S Rehearsal

2010-02-06 through 2010-02-16: Inport San Diego

2010-02-17 through 2010-02-18: Underway ULTRA-S

2010-02-19 through 2010-02-22: Inport San Diego

2010-02-23 through 2010-02-25: Underway Operation GREEN FLASH

2010-02-26 through 2010-03-28: Inport San Diego

2010-03-29 through 2010-04-01: Underway SOCAL

2010-04-02 through 2010-04-25: Inport San Diego

2010-04-26 through 2010-04-29: Underway enroute Esquimalt, British Columbia

2010-04-30 through 2010-05-03: Port Visit Esquimalt, British Columbia

2010-05-04 through 2010-05-18: Underway ALSG GRUSAIL

2010-05-19 through 2010-07-12: Inport San Diego

2010-07-13 through 2010-07-15: Underway SOCAL

2010-07-16 through 2010-07-22: Inport San Diego

2010-07-23 through 2010-08-13: Underway ALSG COMPTUEX

2010-08-14 through 2010-08-30: Inport San Diego/Pre Deployment Stand-down

2010-08-31 through 2010-09-02: Underway SOCAL

2010-09-03 through 2010-09-10: Inport San Diego

2010-09-11 through 2010-10-11: Deployed as part of ABRAHAM LINCOLN STRIKE GROUP ISO OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM.

2010-10-12 through 2010-10-16: Port Visit Subic Bay; Participated in CARAT 2010.

2010-10-17 through 2010-10-20: Deployed: Underway 7th Fleet AOR

2010-10-21 through 2010-10-24: Port Visit Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia

2010-10-25 through 2010-11-14: Deployed: Underway 7th Fleet AOR

2010-11-15 through 2010-11-18: Port Visit in Singapore

2010-11-19 through 2010-12-27: Deployed: Underway 5th Fleet AOR

2010-12-28 through 2010-12-31: Port Visit Bahrain

The short narrative should amplify chronology entries (such as objectives and results of exercises/operations; commander's evaluation of exercises/operations, etc). Entries may refer to an enclosure of this report without additional description if the enclosure sufficiently reports the incident/event. For all other entries, give the date or period in YYYY-MM-DD format and provide a brief narrative. All significant events during the reporting period are to be included.

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4. Supporting Reports

Supporting Reports are those reports required by other instructions that provide significant data about the command during the calendar year. These reports may be submitted "as is," eliminating the need to duplicate information for this report that is already contained in reports prepared in response to other instructions and requirements. Examples include battle efficiency, safety and other award submissions, major staff or command studies, and end of cruise reports or briefs. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, enclosures may include, but are not limited to:

- a. Situation Reports
- b. Intentions Messages
- c. Operational Reports
- d. Operations Orders/Deployment Orders
- e. Operational Plans
- f. Personal For Messages
- g. After Action Reports
- h. Significant Electronic Message Traffic (outgoing/e-mail/chat)
- i. Battle Damage Assessments
- j. Casualty Reports
- k. End-of-Cruise/Deployment Reports
- l. Intelligence Summaries

m. Major Exercise Reports

List below the items submitted, indicating the classification of each. Electronic reports should be in a Microsoft Office format (Word, Excel, Power Point, or Access), HTML, PDF, JPG, GIF, or plain text. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Submit electronic reports via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained at the end of this form. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in hardcopy in the same manner as a CD-ROM.

P-4 MESSAGES AND 2010 SITREPS WILL BE POSTED SHORTLY. ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS ARE CLASSIFIED AND WILL BE SUBMITTED VIA CD-ROM

5. Published Documents

List below the published documents being submitted in either electronic or paper format, indicating the classification of each item. Documents to be submitted include cruise books, change of command programs, commissioning/decommissioning brochures, establishment/disestablishment/deactivation brochures, copy of command's web site, news releases, biography of commander, welcome aboard brochures, newspaper articles, command studies, statistical data, etc.

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6. Photographs

List below official photographs and any other command-generated media being submitted in either electronic or paper format. Photographs to be submitted include: official photo of commanding officer; recent photo of ship, aircraft, or facility; and photos of historic events associated with the command. Photographs submitted electronically should be in JPG, TIFF or GIF format. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Photographs in electronic format are to be submitted via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained below. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in the same manner as the CD-ROM. Also include any photographs covering operational strikes, battle damage (especially that sustained by own ship, aircraft, facilities or equipment), or other relevant photos relating to combat or deployment operations.

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