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Encl: (1) 1991 Historical Data for USS HONOLULU (SSN 718)

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted for inclusion in the historical package of USS HONOLULU (SSN 718).

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The year started with the USS HONOLULU leaving a two month Selected Restricted Availablity and drydocking. The ship immediately began local operations in training for upcoming Prospective Commanding Officer Operations (PCO OPS) in February.

After PCO Ops the ship enjoyed a dependents cruise in the port of Lahaina, Maui.

The ship completed two examinations during the month of March; a Tactical Weapons Proficiency evaluation and a Tactical Readiness Evaluation (TRE).

CDR Jonathan W. Greenert relieved CDR Joseph E. Enright as Commanding Officer on 19 March 1992. The ship then completed a Pre Overseas Movement (POM) upkeep in preparation for a six month Western Pacific deployment (WESTPAC).

The ship departed Pearl Harbor Hawaii on 23 May for WESTPAC.

The first port visit was the city of Sasebo on the southern Japanese island of Kyushu. This visit marked the first time a nuclear powered submarine had visited Sasebo in two years. The visit was a success for both ship's crew and local Japanese officials. Several friends were made.

After Sasebo, the ship participated in several international Navy exercises with both the Japanese and Korean Naval forces. These exercises in the South China Sea concluded with a port visit to the Korean port of Chinhae.

The ship made it's first visit to Yokosuka, Japan, the headquarters of Commander Submarine Group Seven, in July. The inport period consisted of hosting several military and government dignitaries.

Upon return from a two month mission HONOLULU made another two day port visit to Yokosuka in September. During this time the ship welcomed Admiral Sato, Commander of the Japanese Submarine Force, on board for an orientation cruise. The ship then proceeded to its best liberty port: Singapore. On the transit the crew was afforded the opportunity to participate in the time honored Shellback ceremony as the ship crossed the Equator.

After a great visit in Singapore, HONOLULU continued to Guam for a three week upkeep alongside the submarine tender USS PROTEUS (AS-19) before returning to Hawaii to families and friends.

The ship received Submarine Squadron Seven's Battle Efficiency "E" Award and ASW "A" for Fiscal Year 1991 for the second consecutive year. The ship was also awarded the Anti-Surface Award (ASUW) for Excellence during 1991 from Commander Seventh Fleet.

Following a great ALOHA return to Hawaii, the crew had a period of leave for three weeks. In December HONOLULU conducted a Dependent's Cruise from Oahu to Kona on the island of Hawaii, which included a four day port visit. The ship's crew spent the remainder of December in stand-down for the Christmas holiday.