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USS HUE CITY CG-66  
COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1991

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I. Command Composition and Organization:

a. Command Mission Statement. The mission of HUE CITY is to conduct prompt, sustained combat operations at sea in support of a carrier battlegroup or amphibious assault group. HUE CITY has been designed to defend against coordinated saturation attacks involving enemy surface ships, submarines, aircraft, and missiles; and engage in offensive actions against the enemy through employment of long range anti-shiping missiles, land attack missiles, and naval gunfire.

USS HUE CITY is the twentieth of the Aegis Class Cruiser. The Aegis system is a significant advance in fleet air defense, with capability to counter all current and projected threats to the Navy's battle force. Aegis weapons can rapidly fire and put in flight, more missiles with greater accuracy than any other combat system.

With the Aegis computer controlled combat systems that includes the SPY-1B Radar System, Vertical Launching System, and Light Airborne Multi-Purpose Systems (LAMPS MK III), USS HUE CITY is one of the Navy's most capable battle group surface combatants.

b. Command Organization Structure:

- (1) ISIC - COMCRUDESGRU 12 - Rear Admiral John Scott Redd
- (2) Commanding Officer - Captain Thomas I. Eubanks
- (3) Executive Officer - Lieutenant Commander Richard W. Bump
- (4) Operations Officer - Lieutenant [REDACTED]
- (5) Combat Systems Officer - Lieutenant [REDACTED]
- (6) Weapons Control Officer - Lieutenant [REDACTED]
- (7) Chief Engineer - Lieutenant [REDACTED]  
Lieutenant [REDACTED]
- (8) Supply Officer - Lieutenant Commander [REDACTED]
- (9) Command Master Chief - MACM(SW) Johnny F. Long

## II. Chronological Listing of Major Events

### September 1991

14 Commissioned at Litton - Ingalls Shipyard in Pascagoula, Ms.  
17 Depart Pascagoula  
24 Arrive Mayport, Fl.

### October 1991

07 Depart Mayport, Fl.  
09 Arrive deperming station Norfolk  
11 Transit to Naval Station Norfolk  
12 Unrep SQT (inport)  
17 Arrive Yorktown Naval weapons station  
18 Transit to Naval Station Norfolk  
21 Underway Vacapes Oparea  
21 Unrep SQT with USS SYLVANIA  
22 Transit to Naval Station Norfolk  
24 Transit to Annapolis  
24-27 Inport Annapolis for U.S. Naval Academy's homecoming weekend  
28-29 Transit to Mayport  
30 Arrive Mayport

### November 1991

05-13 Underway at the Andros Island AUTEC Range.  
14-17 Port visit Freeport, Bahamas  
18-21 Underway in Puerto Rico Operating Area (PROA) in support of  
Combat Systems Ship Qualification Trials (CSSQT)  
22-24 Inport Roosevelt Roads, Naval Station, Puerto Rico  
25-26 Underway PROA  
27-30 Port visit St. Maarten

### December 1991

01-10 Underway PROA  
07-09 Missile Exercises  
10-12 Port visit St. Thomas  
13-15 Underway for Mayport. Conducting CSOSS Phase III enroute  
16 Arrive Mayport  
18-19 Training Readiness Evaluation  
20-31 Holiday Leave and Upkeep

### III. Narrative:

HUE CITY was brought to life on 14 September 1991 with all the pomp and circumstances surrounding a naval vessel commissioning. HUE CITY is the first ship named for a Vietnam battle. Over 500 marines who fought at the Battle of Hue were in attendance. The ceremony was very emotional with old friends, who battled the enemy together, meeting for the first time in many years.

HUE CITY's first major event was our deperming at Norfolk Naval Station. It was an all hands event, requiring many hours of hard work.

The reason for our trip to the Yorktown Weapons Station was to onload weapons in support of the Combat Systems Ship Qualification Trials (CSSQT).

At the Andros Island AUTEK Range HUE CITY tested her ASW capabilities, including sonar, towed array and LAMPS MK III operations.

After departing AUTEK, HUE CITY transited to PROA for testing of her NGFS, CIWS and missile systems. The ship conducted a highly successful CSSQT, encompassing several months of training; live missile firings in the Atlantic Fleet Weapons Training Facility, Puerto Rico and qualifying on the Naval Gunfire Support Range off the Island of Vieques.

Our final event for the year was our successful completion of the Training Readiness Evaluation, signaling our preparedness to begin Refresher Training in 1992.

All of HUE CITY's tests went well. Her crew and systems performed well. We set out to prove the capabilities of our new ship. We feel we are ready to support any operation we are called upon to perform.