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I. Command Composition and Organization:

a. Command Mission Statement.

(1) The mission of HUÉ CITY is to conduct prompt, sustained combat operations at sea in support of national policy. HUÉ CITY was specifically designed to defend itself and other U.S. assets against attack by enemy surface ships, submarines, aircraft, and missiles. It was also designed to engage in offensive actions through employment of anti-ship and land attack missiles as well as naval gunfire.

(2) USS HUÉ CITY is the twentieth of the Ticonderoga Class cruisers. Its Aegis Weapons System is a significant advance in fleet air defense, capable of countering current and projected threats in both open ocean and littoral environments.

b. Command Organization Structure:

(1) ISIC.....	Commander, Carrier Group Eight
(2) Commanding Officer.....	CAPT Clement H. Ward, USN
(3) Executive Officer.....	LCDR Eric L. Sweigard, USN CDR Frank C. Pandolfe, USN
(4) Navigator.....	LT [REDACTED] USN LT [REDACTED] USN
(5) Administrative Officer.....	ENS [REDACTED] USN LT [REDACTED] USN
(6) Operations Officer.....	LT [REDACTED] USN LT [REDACTED] USN
(7) Anti-Air Warfare Officer.....	LCDR [REDACTED] USN LT [REDACTED] USN
(8) Combat Information Center Officer....	LT [REDACTED] USN
(9) Communications Officer.....	LT [REDACTED] USN ENS [REDACTED] USN
(10) Electronic Warfare Officer.....	CWO2 [REDACTED] USN
(11) First Lieutenant.....	LT [REDACTED] USN ENS [REDACTED] USN
(12) Combat System Officer.....	LT [REDACTED] USN LCDR [REDACTED] USN
(13) Fire Control Officer.....	LT [REDACTED] USN
(14) Electronic Maintenance Officer.....	LT [REDACTED] USN
(15) System Test Officer.....	LT [REDACTED] USN
(16) Weapons Control Officer.....	LT [REDACTED] USN LT [REDACTED] USN
(17) Strike/Missiles Officer.....	LT [REDACTED] USN
(18) Anti-Submarine Warfare Officer.....	LTjg [REDACTED] USN
(19) Gunnery Officer.....	LT [REDACTED] USN LT [REDACTED] USN
(20) CA Division Officer.....	ENS [REDACTED] USNR
(21) Chief Engineer.....	LCDR [REDACTED] USN
(22) Damage Control Assistant.....	LT [REDACTED] USN LT [REDACTED] USN
(23) Main Propulsion Assistant.....	LT [REDACTED] USN LTjg [REDACTED] USN LT [REDACTED] USN
(24) Auxiliary Officer.....	LT [REDACTED] USN ENS [REDACTED] USN
(25) Electrical Officer.....	CWO2 [REDACTED] USN
(26) Engineering Admin Officer.....	ENS [REDACTED] USN
(27) Supply Officer.....	LCDR [REDACTED] USN, SC

- (28) Disbursing Officer.....LCDR [REDACTED], USN, SC  
LT [REDACTED], USN, SC
- (29) Food Service Officer.....LT [REDACTED], USN, SC  
LT [REDACTED], USN, SC
- (30) Chaplain.....LT [REDACTED], USN, CC  
LT [REDACTED], USN, CC
- (31) Command Master Chief.....CTRCM(SW) Merrill, USN

**Chronological Listing of Major Events  
1994  
USS Hue City (CG-66)**

January 1994

01-25 Selected Restricted Availability, Mayport, FL  
07 Reenlistment Ceremony for BM2 [REDACTED]  
10 Reenlistment Ceremony for GSMC(SW) [REDACTED]  
Reenlistment Ceremony for MS3 [REDACTED]  
13 LMA Visit  
13-14 ETG Visit  
18 E-4 Frocking Ceremony  
20 U/W: JAX OPAREA for Sea Trials  
E-7 Advancement Exams  
21 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
22-30 UPK: Mayport, FL  
24-27 NGFS Team Training  
30 Battle of Hue Memorial Service  
31 U/W: Enroute Charleston, SC

February 1994

01 Arrive: Charleston, SC  
01-03 Ammo Onload  
03 U/W: Enroute Mayport, FL  
04 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
05-06 UPK: Mayport, FL  
07 U/W: JAX OPAREA  
Reenlistment Ceremony for OS1(SW) [REDACTED]  
08 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
08-21 UPK: Mayport, FL  
08-11 CG-66 Family and Friends Valentines Day raffle  
09-10 Limited CSRR  
Reenlistment Ceremony for TM1 [REDACTED]  
ASUW Team Training  
Black History Month Family Night Dinner  
17 Pre-extended At-Sea Single Sailor/Dependent Brief  
22-24 U/W: Enroute NSRR Puerto Rico  
25 Arrive: NSRR Puerto Rico  
CTU 44.7.3 Brief  
26-27 U/W: Enroute Vieques, Puerto Rico  
28 NGFS Quals  
Arrive: Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico  
U/W: Enroute Rodman AFB, Panama

March 1994

01 E-4 exam  
Medevac  
03 Transit: Panama Canal - Southbound  
Arrive: Rodman, Panama  
E-5 exam  
04 Awards ceremony  
U/W: EASTPAC - Counter Drug Operations  
05 Reenlistment ceremony for STG1(SW) [REDACTED]  
06 Burial at Sea Ceremony  
08 E-6 exam  
13 Crossing the Line Ceremony & Shellback Initiation  
15 Arrive: Rodman, Panama  
16-18 Inport: Rodman, Panama  
Community Service Project at Cunas Indian Village

19 U/W: EASTPAC - Counter Drug Operations  
U.S. Army DLQs (UH-1's)  
27 Annual Bench Press & Talent Contest  
29 Transit: Panama Canal - Northbound  
Embark Guests from Rodman Naval Detachment  
30 Anchor: Cartagena, Columbia  
U/W: Enroute Ponce, Puerto Rico

April 1994

01 Arrive: Ponce, Puerto Rico  
02-03 Inport: Ponce, Puerto Rico  
03 Interfaith Easter Service  
04 U/W: Enroute Mayport, FL  
04-05 Safety Standdown  
07 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
08-24 UPK: Mayport, FL  
11-15 Mock LMA  
IMAV - SIMA Mayport  
11-21 Elevator Training  
12 Baseline 4.2.7 Installation  
13 Reenlistment Ceremony for OS2 [REDACTED]  
15 Hue City CG-66 Friends & Family Sandwich Sale  
Reenlistment Ceremony for SH3 [REDACTED]  
Reenlistment Ceremony for DC2 [REDACTED]  
18-22 Logistics Management Assessment (LMA)  
ETG visit  
22 Reenlistment Ceremony for BMC(SW) [REDACTED]  
23 \$1,400 donated to "Time & Talent" Scholarship  
25 U/W: JAX OPAREA  
25-29 TSTA 1 Week 1 - ETG  
27 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
28 U/W: JAX OPAREA  
29 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
30 UPK: Mayport, FL  
Christening ceremony for [REDACTED]  
Semi-Annual Command Picnic

May 1994

01-05 UPK: Mayport, FL  
02-06 TSTA 1 Week 2 - CSTG  
PATGLANT Assist  
03-04 Safety Survey  
04-05 PRT  
05 Awards Ceremony  
06 U/W: Enroute GITMO, Cuba  
09 Arrive: GITMO, Cuba  
09-13 TSTA 1 Week 3 - FTG  
10-12 Inport: GITMO, Cuba  
12 HUÉ CITY receives orders to relieve USS THORN as COMDESRON-22 Flagship  
13 U/W: Operation Support Democracy (Haiti)  
17 Embarked FTG DC Observers  
23 1000th Boarding of Operation Support Democracy conducted by HUÉ CITY  
(14 Total boardings by HUÉ CITY)  
COMDESRON-22 Change of Command held onboard while U/W  
24 Relieved as COMDESRON-22 Flagship by USS SCOTT  
Arrive: GITMO, Cuba  
25 Inport: GITMO, Cuba  
TSTA 1 Week 5 - FTG  
26 U/W: Enroute Mayport, FL  
28 Awards Ceremony

29-31 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
UPK: Mayport, FL  
31 COMCARGRU-6 Embarks  
BFTT Ship Checks  
DSRA Ship Checks  
Combat Systems Gauge Cal

June 1994

01-03 BFTT Ship Checks  
DSRA Ship Checks  
Combat Systems Gauge Cal  
01-05 UPK: Mayport, FL  
01 Formal Personnel Inspection (Full Dress Whites)  
02 Dress Ship IHO Queen of England's Birthday  
02-03 HFDS Site Survey  
Reenlistment Ceremony for RM2 [REDACTED]  
Reenlistment Ceremony for ET2 [REDACTED]  
06 U/W: JAX OPAREA  
06-10 TSTA 2 Week 1 - ETG  
ISMS Training  
ASUW Training  
07 Burial at Sea Ceremony  
08 RLQ Services  
10 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
11-12 UPK: Mayport, FL  
13 U/W: Enroute Pensacola, FL  
13-17 TSTA 2 Week 2 - CSTG  
ASW Training  
17 Arrive: Pensacola, FL  
18-26 Inport: Pensacola, FL  
20-24 TSTA 2 Week 3 - CSTG  
20 Reception IHO VADM Kihune  
21 CNET Change of Command & Retirement Ceremony  
27 U/W: Enroute Port Canaveral, FL  
Embark "Guests of the Navy" Riders  
27-30 TSTA 2 Week 4 - CSTG  
30 Arrive: Port Canaveral, FL  
Tiger Cruise  
U/W: Enroute Mayport, FL

July 1994

01 TSTA 2 Week 4 - CSTG  
Arrive: Mayport, FL  
02-10 UPK: Mayport, FL  
05-08 TSTA 2 Week 5  
11 U/W: Enroute GITMO, Cuba  
11-15 TSTA 2 Week 6  
Petty Officer Indoctrination  
12 Achieved 181% of Navy-Marine Corps Relief Fund Drive  
14 Arrive: GITMO, Cuba  
U/W: Caribbean Counter Drug Operations  
18-22 TSTA 2 Week 7  
24 Bench Press Competition  
27 Safety Standdown  
29 Off-station as AW & AN for CDOPS, Enroute: Mayport, FL  
ASW Trackex with USS Stonewall Jackson  
30 Awards Ceremony  
31 Arrive: Mayport, FL

August 1994

01-21 UPK: Mayport, FL  
02-19 IMAV - SIMA Mayport  
Target/CSMCR  
03 Retirement Ceremony for MS1 [REDACTED]  
05 OHSAT  
Reenlistment Ceremony for GMC(SW) [REDACTED]  
Reenlistment Ceremony for DC2(SW) [REDACTED]  
15 Reenlistment Ceremony for OS2(SW) [REDACTED]  
20 Decommissioning Ceremony for USS Saratoga  
22 U/W: JAX OPAREA  
22-30 TSTA 3 - CSTG & ETG  
25 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
26 U/W: JAX OP AREA

September 1994

01 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
02 Awards Ceremony  
02-11 UPK: Mayport, FL  
09 Reenlistment Ceremony for RM2 [REDACTED]  
12-16 Final Evaluation Period  
13 U/W: JAX OPAREA  
16 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
CPO Frocking Ceremony  
Reenlistment Ceremony for ICC(SW) [REDACTED]  
17-18 UPK: Mayport, FL  
19 Embark ETG ISO OPPE  
20 U/W: JAX OPAREA  
E-6 Exam  
23 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
Reenlistment Ceremony for RM3 [REDACTED]  
24-30 UPK: Mayport, FL

October 1994

01-03 UPK: Mayport, FL  
04 U/W: JAX OPAREA  
04-06 OPPE  
05 RADM Abbot Visit  
06 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
07-31 UPK: Mayport, FL  
Awards Ceremony  
10 Physical Fitness Day at Love Grove Elementary School  
11 STIMS Install  
11-21 CSRR  
11-31 IMAV - SIMA Mayport  
12 STOW-E Brief  
13 Reenlistment Ceremony for SK1 [REDACTED]  
14-31 BFTT Training  
17-21 Medical Readiness Assist  
21 Reenlistment Ceremony for SN [REDACTED]  
24 TYCOMEX  
SDS Installation  
25-31 STOW-E Training  
28 SHARPEX  
29 Command Picnic  
31 Command Physical Readiness Test



November 1994

01-02 Command Physical Readiness Test  
01-08 UPK: Mayport, FL  
STOW-E Training  
BFTT Training  
IMAV - SIMA Mayport  
01 Selected as the Navy's Community Service (Sea) Award Winner  
02-04 PARSE  
02 Math Field Day at Love Grove Elementary School  
03 Annual HUÉ CITY Golf Tournament  
09 U/W: Enroute RDVU for COMPTUEX  
10-16 ASWPT 94-2  
17-22 AAWEX, ELWEX  
18 Reenlistment Ceremony for EN3(SW) [REDACTED]  
Surface to Surface Missile Exercise  
19 COMCARGRU FOUR Visit (RADM Ellis)  
21 Wagon Wheel Gunnery Exercise  
22 Surface to Air Missile Exercise - HUÉ CITY OCE  
23 Arrive: San Juan, Puerto Rico  
Reenlistment Ceremony for EW3 [REDACTED]  
Reenlistment Ceremony for FCC(SW) [REDACTED]  
Reenlistment Ceremony for SM2 [REDACTED]  
HUÉ CITY VIP Reception  
23-26 Inport: San Juan, Puerto Rico  
25 Rose of Sharon Orphanage Renovation  
26 U/W: COMPTUEX  
27-30 CVN Escort Duty, ELWEX & AAWEX  
28 Torpedo Exercise Firings  
29 CINCLANTFLT Visit (ADM Flanagan)

December 1994

01-06 CVN Escort Duty, ELWEX & AAWEX  
03-05 ITA Phase  
08 Enroute: Charleston, SC  
09 Arrive: Charleston, SC  
Reenlistment Ceremony for OS1(SW) [REDACTED]  
10-13 Inport: Charleston, SC  
12-13 Ammunition On-load  
14 U/W: Enroute Mayport, FL  
Tiger Cruise  
15 Arrive: Mayport, FL  
Chief of Naval Operations Visit (ADM Boorda)  
16 Awards Ceremony  
Christmas Party  
Reenlistment Ceremony for GSCS(SW/SS) [REDACTED]  
16-31 UPK: Mayport, FL  
18 Children's Christmas Party  
19-31 IMAV - SIMA Mayport  
20-23 Industrial Hygiene Survey  
20-31 Mast Preservation  
22 OS1(SW) [REDACTED] selected for the Seaman to Admiral Program  
29 Environmental Health Survey

January 1994 opened with USS HUE CITY in Selected Restricted Availability at Mayport, FL. This was the first SRA for HUE CITY and was limited in scope. Major work items included installation of a halon system shipalt, cleaning of the forward fuel tanks, refurbishing many decks, and installation of an EHF satellite communication system. On 30 January, the second annual Battle of HUE memorial service was held in the helicopter hanger. The ceremony and reception were very successful; well attended and heartfelt. Captain Zeimer, Commanding Officer of Mayport Naval Station, was the guest speaker.

In February, after an ammunition onload in Charleston, South Carolina, HUE CITY sailed in support of counter-narcotic operations in the Caribbean. Prior to arriving on station, HUE CITY conducted Naval Gun Fire Support Qualifications in Vieques, Puerto Rico, scoring a record 105.06 points. HUE CITY was then ordered into the Eastern Pacific to patrol for narcotics smugglers. In early March, HUE CITY transited the Panama Canal and took station off the Western coast of Columbia. On March 13th, HUE CITY crossed the equator, initiating many polywogs into crusty shellbacks. The ship then made a port visit to Rodman, Panama for a few days of rest and relaxation. While inport, HUE CITY crewmembers helped a local Indian Village accomplish needed repairs and construction. Following an additional two weeks on station in the Eastern Pacific, HUE CITY transited the Panama canal northbound. After fueling in Cartagena, Columbia, the ship sailed to Poncé, Puerto Rico for the Easter holiday. HUE CITY returned to Mayport on 07 April.

The month of April included a Logistics Management Assessment and the beginning of the training cycle towards deployment. Tailored Ship Training Availability One (TSTA I) began in late April with individual watchstander training. In early May, the ship sailed for Guantanamo Bay, Cuba for Refresher Training (REFTRA). After only three days in GITMO, HUE CITY was ordered to relieve USS THORN as COMDESRON-22 flagship in support of United Nation sanctions against Haiti. While serving as flagship, HUE CITY conducted the 1000th boarding of Operation Support Democracy. After several weeks off Haiti, HUE CITY returned to GITMO to complete REFTRA, being relieved as flagship by USS SCOTT. HUE CITY returned to Mayport in time for the Memorial Day weekend, arriving 29 May.

TSTA II began in early June, conducted in the local operating area. In mid-June, the ship sailed for Pensacola, Florida to serve as host platform for the Chief of Naval Education and Training change of command and VADM Kihune's retirement ceremony on 21 June. Unfortunately, inclement weather forced the ceremony to be held indoors, on base. During the return trip to Mayport, HUE CITY hosted several "Guests of the Navy" including businessmen and educators. A quick stop in Port Canaveral allowed the guests to depart and "tigers" (guests of crewmembers) to embark for the final day of transit to Mayport. HUE CITY returned to Mayport in time for the Fourth of July holiday, arriving 01 July.

After two weeks inport, HUE CITY headed back to the Caribbean to participate once more in Counter-Narcotics Operations. As "AW" (AAW Commander), HUE CITY evaluated air and surface contacts going in and out of South America, relaying information to law enforcement agencies ashore in the United States. HUE checked off station in late July and, after a brief ASW training opportunity with the USS STONEWALL JACKSON, returned to Mayport for an Intermediate Maintenance Availability (IMAV).

TSTA III took place in August, preparing for Final Evaluation Period (FEP) training. HUE CITY was the first ship in the Roosevelt Battle Group and only the third ship in the Atlantic Fleet to be administered FEP instead of Combat Systems Assessment (CSA). FEP incorporated CSA but was structured for more realism. Training was evaluated as a product of a three day scenario, forcing the ship to integrate operations, engineering, damage control, administration, and combat systems to achieve success. HUE CITY did extremely well during FEP, earning her Tactical Cruise Missile Qualification in the process.

Early October brought the another major examination to HUÉ CITY in the form of OPPE (Operational Propulsion Examination). HUÉ CITY had an extremely strong showing, receiving an overall grade of GOOD.

HUÉ CITY sailed in early November for Composite Training Unit Exercise (COMPTUEX) 2-94. The first week of training consisted of combined ASW exercises against opposition submarine. After evading tropical storm GORDON, ASW exercises continued until HUÉ CITY joined USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT for AAW and ELW exercises. Several live-fire exercises were conducted with HUÉ CITY's dual five inch and CIWS guns. During the Battle Group's surface-to-surface missile exercise, HUÉ CITY scored the only direct hit of the day. The highlight of COMPTUEX was a surface-to-air missile exercise that was flawlessly planned and executed by HUÉ CITY. In all, twenty missiles were shot with HUÉ scoring two-for-two with direct hits.

HUÉ CITY arrived in San Juan, Puerto Rico for the Thanksgiving holiday on 23 November. While inport, the Commanding Officer hosted a reception for local dignitaries, while volunteer crewmembers spent several days painting and repairing the Rose of Sharon Orphanage. After a quiet Thanksgiving holiday, the ship returned to sea to continue COMPTUEX. In the following week, HUÉ CITY fired two exercise torpedoes, one practice torpedo, and multiple simulated shots - all of which were evaluated as acquiring their targets. A three day "hostilities" phase ended the exercise, incorporating every aspect of naval warfighting to counter opposing air, surface, and subsurface assets. During this phase, HUÉ CITY refined her "AW" skills while also conducting strike warfare via multiple simulated Tomahawk firings.

Following COMPTUEX on 05 December, HUÉ CITY sailed directly from the Puerto Rican OPAREA to Charleston, SC in order to complete her pre-deployment ammunition on-load. Following the onload, HUÉ CITY departed enroute Mayport, again with "tigers" embarked, arriving on 15 December in time to participate in a visit by the CNO to Mayport. The Christmas holiday leave period began on 16 December, highlighted by the annual Christmas party which was held at the beautiful Ponté Vedra Inn & Club. HUÉ CITY ended the year as it had begun- in an IMAV period; preparing to deploy to the Mediterranean Sea in March 1995.