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Encl: (1) Command History for 1986
(2) 8 x 10 Official Ship's Photograph
(3) USS HYMAN G. RICKOVER (SSN709) Welcome Aboard Pamphlet

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), the 1986 command history enclosures (1) through (3) are submitted.

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Command History for 1986

The ship continued deployed operations in the Mediterranean Sea through the first quarter of 1986 as a unit of the Sixth Fleet. After successfully completing an Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination with an above average evaluation, the ship completed an upkeep alongside USS ORION (AS19) in La Maddelena Italy and then visited the port of Toulon, France. On 14 March 1986, the ship departed the Mediterranean and returned to its homeport of Norfolk, VA on 21 March 1986.

After a short standown and upkeep period the ship returned to sea on 5 May 1986 to support operations with USS NORFOLK (SSN714) and to support Prospective Commanding Officer (PCO) Operation along with USS PHOENIX (SSN 702) and USS CARON (DD970). The ship operated at AJTEC, Andros Island, BI for the duration of PCO operations after which she also enjoyed port calls at Port Canaveral, FL and Port Everglades, FL.

On 27 June 1986 the ship conducted a dependents cruise for eighty seven family members and friends of the crew.

The ship then commenced training operations for over one hundred Naval Academy and NROTC Midshipmen with port calls to Charleston, SC; New London, CT; and Halifax, NS. USS HYMAN G. RICKOVER (SSN709) was in port at Norfolk, VA on 8 July 1986 when it received word of Admiral Hyman G. Rickover's death. A memorial service for Admiral Rickover was conducted aboard the ship the next day. During the month of July the ship also successfully certified to handle Nuclear Weapons during its Technical Assistance visit, the first ship to so certify in the Atlantic Fleet in over two years. The ship then went on to successfully complete its Tactical Readiness Examination, Torpedo Proficiency Certification and MK 48 Torpedo Service Weapons Test.

The month of September was spent in upkeep alongside USS EMORY S. LAND (AS39) preparing for the ship's second deployment. On 17 October 1986 USS HYMAN G. RICKOVER (SSN709) departed Norfolk, VA for a two month extended ASW operation. The ship completed operations and visited Faslane, Scotland before returning home to Norfolk, VA on 11 December 1986.

For its performance during 1986, the ship received the Atlantic Fleet Golden Anchor Award and Submarine Squadron EIGHT's ASW White "A" and Engineering Red "E" awards and was Submarine Squadron EIGHT'S Best Mess/NEY Award nominee for the second consecutive year.

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PORT VISITS DURING 1986 ARE LISTED BELOW:

La Maddalena, Italy	7 - 25 February
Toulon, France	8 - 11 March
Port Canaveral, FL	19 -21 May
Port Everglades, FL	28 - 30 May
Charleston, SC	3 June
New London, CT	7 and 13 August
Halifax, Canada	10 - 12 August
Faslane, Scotland	24 - 28 November

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COMMAND ORGANIZATION

CDR J. M. COHEN	Commanding Officer
LCDR W. F. MURPHY	Executive Officer
LCDR [REDACTED]	Engineer
LT [REDACTED]	Navigator
LT [REDACTED]	Weapons Officer
LTJG [REDACTED]	Supply Officer
MCM(SS) H. E. HONAKER	Chief of the Boat

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