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(b) OPNAVINST 5750.12E

Encl: (1) Command History for 1990  
(2) Change of Command brochure  
(3) CDR B. C. GREENE biography and photograph

1. The 1990 Command History and supplemental information for USS HYMAN G. RICKOVER (SSN 709), enclosures (1) through (3), are submitted in accordance with references (a) and (b).

  
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## ANNUAL COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1990

### 1. Command Composition and Organization.

a. Mission: USS HYMAN G. RICKOVER (SSN 709) is a nuclear powered fast attack submarine of the LOS ANGELES (SSN 688) Class. Her principal mission is to operate against enemy submarines and surface ships.

b. Immediate Senior Command - Commander Submarine Squadron Eight

c. Homeport - Norfolk, VA

#### d. Command Organization:

CDR B. C. GREENE	Commanding Officer
LCDR J. L. BARNES	Executive Officer
LCDR [REDACTED]	Engineer Officer
LCDR [REDACTED]	Weapons Officer
LCDR [REDACTED]	Navigator/Operations Officer
CW04 [REDACTED]	Supply Officer
MMCM(SS) T. C. YARBROUGH	Chief of the Boat

### 2. Chronology.

#### a. Significant Events:

1-3 January	Drydock (Shaft Seal Maintenance)
29 January-15 February	Drydock (Shaft Seal Maintenance)
21 March-29 June	North Atlantic Deployment
28 July	SSN 709 Change of Command
6 December	Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet

#### b. Port Visits:

28-29 May	Holy Loch, Scotland
31 May-7 June	Portsmouth, England
8-12 June	Brest, France
24-27 August	Port Canaveral, Florida
30 August-4 September	Annapolis, Maryland

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20-22 September	Port Canaveral, Florida
25-29 October	Port Everglades, Florida
5-7 November	Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
11-13 November	Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
16 November	Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico

### 3. Narrative.

RICKOVER completed a Selected Restricted Availability in Norfolk on 19 January in preparation for the ship's fifth deployment. A post availability shakedown at-sea period in mid-January revealed that additional shaft seal maintenance was needed, requiring the ship to go back into drydock for three weeks at the end of January.

RICKOVER performed a sonar calibration and Pre-Overseas Movement workup and certification in the Virginia Capes Operating Areas prior to deploying on 21 March. The extended North Atlantic deployment, which involved operations vital to the security of the United States, proved to be very successful. RICKOVER arrived in Holy Loch, Scotland on 28 May for a two day stay, followed by a transit into the English Channel. Port visits to Portsmouth, England and Brest, France followed with a trans-Atlantic transit to Bermuda starting on 13 June. The ship conducted an Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE) enroute from Bermuda to Norfolk, receiving an overall grade of ABOVE AVERAGE, and returned to homeport on 29 June.

RICKOVER subsequently enjoyed a two week stand down followed by a demanding five week maintenance period. The ship provided pre-deployment workup services for the KENNEDY Battle Group during the week of 20 August followed by a port visit to Port Canaveral, Florida. The ship then transited to Annapolis, Maryland for midshipman tours and training from 1-6 September. A two week voyage repair period in Norfolk was followed by a second visit to Port Canaveral and two weeks of AN/BSY-1 Fire Control System TECHEVAL services for USS NEWPORT NEWS.

RICKOVER successfully completed a Defense Nuclear Surety Inspection (DNSI) on 16-19 October with grades of EXCELLENT and OUTSTANDING in all areas. The ship visited Port Everglades, Florida on 25-28 October followed by participation in Prospective Commanding Officer (PCO) operations at AUTEK, Andros Island, BI and AFWTF, St. Croix, USVI, with three brief stops in Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico. The ship completed a Tactical Readiness Evaluation (TRE) on 13-15 November with an overall grade of AVERAGE.

RICKOVER returned to Norfolk on 20 November to commence a five week Pre-Overseas Movement upkeep period. The ship

participated in the COMSUBLANT Change of Command on 6 December and enjoyed a short Christmas stand down with friends and family.

For USS HYMAN G. RICKOVER's performance during FY 1990, the ship was awarded the Submarine Squadron EIGHT Damage Control "DC". Additionally, the crew was awarded the Navy Expeditionary Medal, the Arctic Service Ribon, and the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon for their 1990 deployment.

4. Supporting Documents.

a. Enclosure (2) is a copy of the ship's Change of Command brochure. Enclosure (3) is a copy of CDR Greene's biography and photograph.