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Subj: ANNUAL COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1993

Ref: (a) COMSUBLANTINST 5400.4L  
(b) OPNAVINST 5750.12E

Encl: (1) Command History for 1993

1. The 1993 Command History for USS HYMAN G. RICKOVER (SSN 709)  
is submitted in accordance with references (a) and (b).

  
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**ANNUAL COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1993**

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 J. J. DONNELLY	Commanding Officer
LCDR T. M. GIARDINA	Executive Officer
LCDR [REDACTED]	Engineer Officer
LT [REDACTED]	Weapons Officer
LCDR [REDACTED]	Navigator/Operations Officer
LTJG [REDACTED]	Supply Officer
MMCS(SS) D. L. HAMM	Chief of the Boat

2. Chronology.

a. Significant Events:

01 Jan -06 Feb	Completion of Depot Modernization Period (DMP)
06-13 February	Post DMP Sea Trials
18-20 February	Post DMP Sonar Trials
12-22 March	Weapons Systems Acceptance Test (WSAT)-Port Everglades Florida and Autec Range
05-09 April	Underway Material Inspection-Norfolk
03 June	Tour-Counsellor To General Accounting Office
01 July	Tour-Admirals of the Indian Navy

Enclosure (1)

06-16 July	Phase III Sonar Certification
18 July	Underway Cruise-Chicago Businessmen and Educators
05-06 August	Phase II Weapons Certification
08-11 August	Acoustic Trials-Exuma Sound
06-08 October	Tiger Cruise
12 October	Orientation cruise for Congressional staff members
05 November	Tour-Editor of Rolling Stone Magazine

b. Port Visits:

05-09 March	Port visit-Admiralty Berth HMS Malibar Bermuda
16-20 July	Port visit-Port Everglades Florida
09-12 October	Port visit-Broward County Navy Day Port Everglades Florida

3. Narrative.

RICKOVER completed a multimillion dollar Depot Modernization Period (DMP) in February of 1993 which dramatically changed the configuration of the Sonar Systems by the addition of a TB 23 towed array and the BQQ-5D system upgrade. Many additional sound quieting modifications were also installed during the ten month shipyard period. In early February, Rickover returned to sea for Post DMP Sea Trials. Following a week of exercises with USS America in early March, the crew relaxed during a very rewarding port visit to Bermuda. A Weapons Systems Acceptance Test (WSAT) was conducted in Port Everglades Florida and the Autec range in late March prior to returning to Norfolk for an Underway Material Inspection in April.

On 12 April, RICKOVER entered drydock to begin preparations for a purification media discharge. During the upkeep period two new communications systems, ELF and DAMA were installed to support the upcoming Mediterranean deployment with the George Washington Battle Group. RICKOVER hosted officials from the General Accounting Office and Admirals of the Indian Navy before commencing Sonar training with USS Miami in early July. RICKOVER

returned to Port Everglades in mid July for a port visit and orientation cruise for distinguished businessmen and educators from the Chicago area.

RICKOVER completed weapons certification and sound trials in the Tongue of the Ocean and Exuma Sound before returning to Norfolk for an upkeep. Hurricane Emily changed the pace of the upkeep which included major work to the ship's service motor generator rotors, repairs to the trim pump, and installation of automatic direction finding capability.

A Tiger Cruise was conducted in October during the transit to Port Everglades for the Broward County Navy Days. A small group of fathers and other relatives joined the ranks of Honorary Submariners and RICKOVER once again relaxed in Port Everglades. Congressional staff members received an orientation cruise upon Rickover's departure from Port Everglades.

Following exercises in the Gulf of Mexico and Autec, RICKOVER returned to Norfolk to begin the preparations for deployment. Training for the George Washington Battle Group, tactical installations, and a tour for the editor of Rolling Stones magazine highlighted this period.

The final days of 1993 were spent with friends and family awaiting the excitement of 1994.