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From: Commanding Officer, USS JACKSONVILLE (SSN 699)
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Encl: (1) Command Composition and Organization
(2) Chronology and Narrative

1. Per reference (a), the 1997 Command History for USS JACKSONVILLE (SSN 699) is forwarded.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. A. Gurczynski", is written over the printed name.

R. A. GURCZYNSKI

USS JACKSONVILLE COMMAND HISTORY 1997
COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

COMMAND: USS JACKSONVILLE (SSN 699)

MISSION: LONG RANGE, SUSTAINED, ANTI-SUBMARINE/ANTI-SURFACE/
STRIKE/MINE/SPECIAL WARFARE

IMMEDIATE SENIOR COMMAND: COMMANDER, SUBMARINE SQUADRON EIGHT

SUBORDINATE COMMAND: NONE

CHANGE OF COMMAND: 14 AUG 96

COMMANDING OFFICER: CDR ROBERT A. GURZYNSKI, USN
1120/LINEAL NUMBER 007955-70

Enclosure (1)

USS JACKSONVILLE COMMAND HISTORY 1997
CHRONOLOGY AND NARRATIVE

01 JAN BEGAN 1997 IN A HOLIDAY STAND DOWN PERIOD MOORED AT PIER 22 AT THE NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA.

06 JAN STARTED A FLEET MAINTENANCE ACTIVITY UPKEEP WITH USS EMORY S. LAND (AS-36) MOORED AT PIER 22 AT NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA.

07 FEB DEPARTED NORFOLK, VA TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN THE VIRGINIA CAPES OPERATING AREAS (VCOA'S) AND CHERRY POINT OPERATING AREAS (CPOA'S).

08 FEB SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND TO COMCARGRU TWO AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMDESRON TWO FOUR. COMMENCED COMPTUEX PHASE TWO IN THE CPOA'S WITH UNITS OF THE JOHN F. KENNEDY BATTLE GROUP.

12 FEB SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBLANT. COMPLETED COMPTUEX PHASE TWO.

14 FEB MOORED AT PIER 22 AT THE NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA.

19 FEB DEPARTED NORFOLK, VA TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN THE VCOA'S.

20 FEB MOORED AT PIER 22 AT THE NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA.

07 MAR DEPARTED NORFOLK, VA TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN THE VCOA'S AND CPOA'S.

08 MAR SHIFTED TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMPATWING ELEVEN. COMMENCED OPERATIONS IN THE VCOA'S AND CPOA'S WITH UNITS OF THE JOHN F. KENNEDY BATTLE GROUP.

10 MAR SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMJFKBATGRU (CTF 955). COMMENCED JTFEX 97-2.

20 MAR SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBLANT. COMPLETED JTFEX 97-2.

21 MAR MOORED AT PIER 22 AT THE NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA. DEPARTED NORFOLK, VA TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN THE VCOA'S. COMSUBLANT CHIEF OF STAFF EMBARKED.

26 MAR CONDUCTED BSP AT GOLF ANCHORAGES, NORFOLK, VA. COMSUBLANT CHIEF OF STAFF DISEMBARKED.

02 APR MOORED AT PIER 22 AT THE NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA.

03 APR DEPARTED NORFOLK, VA TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN THE VCOA'S. COMSUBRON EIGHT EMBARKED.

04 APR MOORED AT PIER 22 AT THE NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA. COMSUBRON EIGHT DISEMBARKED. STARTED A FLEET MAINTENANCE ACTIVITY UPKEEP WITH USS EMORY S. LAND (AS-36) MOORED AT PIER 22 AT NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA.

29 APR DEPARTED NORFOLK, VA IN TRANSIT TO MEDITERRANEAN SEA IN COMPANY WITH JOHN F. KENNEDY BATTLEGROUP (TRANSLANT 97-2).

02 MAY SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND TO COMCARGRU TWO AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMDESRON TWO FOUR.

10 MAY SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBLANT.

12 MAY INCHOPPED TO MEDITERRANEAN AREA OF OPERATIONS. CONDUCTED BSP IN ROTA, SPAIN. COMSUBGRU EIGHT CHIEF OF STAFF EMBARKED. SHIFTED OPERATIONAL COMMAND TO CINCUSEUCOM. SHIFTED OPERATIONAL CONTROL, TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBGRU EIGHT (CTF 69).

15 MAY MOORED ALONGSIDE USS SIMON LAKE (AS-33), SANTO STEFANO SITE, LAMADDALENA, ITALY. COMSUBGRU EIGHT CHIEF OF STAFF DISEMBARKED. STARTED A FLEET MAINTENANCE ACTIVITY UPKEEP WITH COMSUBRON TWO TWO AND USS SIMON LAKE.

19 MAY DEPARTED LAMADDALENA, ITALY FOR NATO OPERATIONS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA SOUTH OF FRANCE.

20 MAY SHIFTED OPERATIONAL CONTROL, TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO CECMED. COMMENCED NATO EXERCISE ILES D'OR 97.

26 MAY SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND TO COMJFKBATGRU (CTG 472.02) AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMDESRON TWO FOUR.

29 MAY SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO CECMED. COMPLETED EXERCISE ILES D'OR 97.

30 MAY MOORED AT MILHAUD PIER SIX WEST AT THE FRENCH NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN TOULON, FRANCE FOR LIBERTY AND POST-EXERCISE CONFERENCE.

03 JUN DEPARTED TOULON, FRANCE. SHIFTED OPERATIONAL CONTROL, TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBGRU EIGHT (CTF 69). CONDUCTED OPERATIONS IN THE LIGURIAN SEA WITH ELEMENTS OF STANDING NAVAL FORCES MEDITERRANEAN. SHIFTED OPERATIONAL CONTROL TO COMSUBMED.

05 JUN SHIFTED OPERATIONAL CONTROL TO COMSUBGRU EIGHT (CTF 69). CONDUCTED OPERATIONS IN THE ALBORAN SEA.

11 JUN MOORED AT BERTH 50, SOUTH MOLE GIBRALTAR FOR LIBERTY.

17 JUN DEPARTED GIBRALTAR IN TRANSIT TO CAGLIARI, ITALY.

19 JUN CONDUCTED BSP AT CAGLIARI, ITALY FOR SHAREM 121 PRE-SAIL CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE.

21 JUN CONDUCTED BSP AT CAGLIARI, ITALY. COMMENCED SHAREM 121 IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA WEST OF SARDINIA WITH ELEMENTS OF THE JOHN F. KENNEDY BATTLEGROUP.

01 JUL COMPLETED SHAREM 121. MOORED ALONGSIDE USS SIMON LAKE (AS-33), SANTO STEFANO SITE, LAMADDALENA, ITALY. STARTED A FLEET MAINTENANCE ACTIVITY UPKEEP WITH COMSUBRON TWO TWO AND USS SIMON LAKE.

07 JUL DEPARTED LAMADDALENA, ITALY FOR OPERATIONS WITH ELEMENTS OF THE JOHN F. KENNEDY BATTLEGROUP, NATO AND STANDING NAVAL FORCES MEDITERRANEAN IN THE IONIAN AND ADRIATIC SEAS. COMMENCED COMSIXTHFLEET INVITEX 97-2.

10 JUL SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND TO COMJFKBATGRU (CTF 60). SHIFTED TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMDESRON TWO FOUR (CTG 60.1).

14 JUL SHIFTED TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMJFKBATGRU (CTF 60).

17 JUL EMBARKED RADM WILLIAMSON, COMCARGRU TWO. DEBARKED RADM WILLIAMSON. COMPLETED INVITEX 97-2. SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND AND CONTROL TO COMSUBGRU EIGHT (CTF 69).

20 JUL MOORED AT THE NATO FUEL PIER SOUDA BAY, CRETE FOR LIBERTY.

26 JUL DEPARTED SOUDA BAY, CRETE TO CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN THE ALBORAN SEA.

01 AUG MOORED AT PIER ONE, NAVAL BASE ROTA, SPAIN FOR LIBERTY.

07 AUG DEPARTED ROTA, SPAIN.

11 AUG CONDUCTED BSP AT LAMADDALENA, ITALY. COMMENCED OPERATIONS IN THE TYRRHENIAN SEA.

14 AUG CONDUCTED BSP AT LAMADDALENA, ITALY.

18 AUG COMMENCED EXERCISE SHARK HUNT 97 IN THE IONIAN SEA.

22 AUG COMPLETED SHARK HUNT 97.

23 AUG MOORED ALONGSIDE USS SIMON LAKE (AS-33), SANTO STEFANO SITE, LAMADDALENA, ITALY. STARTED AN FLEET MAINTENANCE ACTIVITY UPKEEP WITH COMSUBRON TWO TWO AND USS SIMON LAKE.

08 SEP DEPARTED LAMADDALENA, ITALY.

10 SEP ANCHORED AT CARTAGENA, SPAIN FOR LIBERTY AND EXERCISE TAPON-97 PRE-SAIL CONFERENCE.

13 SEP UNDERWAY FROM CARTAGENA, SPAIN. COMMENCED EXERCISE TAPON-97 IN THE ALGERIAN BASIN, ALBORAN SEA AND STRAITS OF GIBRALTAR. SHIFTED OPERATIONAL CONTROL, TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBMAR.

22 SEP COMPLETED EXERCISE TAPON-97. SHIFTED OPERATIONAL CONTROL, TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBGRU EIGHT (CTF 69). CONDUCTED BSP AT CARTAGENA, SPAIN FOR HUMEVAC.

24 SEP COMMENCED EXERCISE DYNAMIC MIX-97 IN THE TYRRHENIAN AND IONIAN SEAS. SHIFTED OPERATIONAL CONTROL, TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBMED.

26 SEP SHIFTED TACTICAL COMMAND AND CONTROL TO USS JOHN HANCOCK.

06 OCT COMPLETED EXERCISE DYNAMIC MIX. SHIFTED OPERATIONAL CONTROL, TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBGRU EIGHT (CTF 69).

08 OCT MOORED ALONGSIDE USS SIMON LAKE (AS-33), SANTO STEFANO SITE, LAMADDALENA, ITALY. STARTED A FLEET MAINTENANCE ACTIVITY UPKEEP WITH COMSUBRON TWO TWO AND USS SIMON LAKE.

11 OCT DEPARTED LAMADDALENA, ITALY.

16 OCT SHIFTED OPERATIONAL COMMAND TO CINCUSACOM. SHIFTED OPERATIONAL CONTROL, TACTICAL COMMAND AND TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBLANT (CTF 42).

17 OCT SHIFTED TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMJFKBATGRU (CTF 24).

19 OCT SHIFTED TACTICAL CONTROL TO COMSUBLANT (CTF 42).

26 OCT CONDUCTED BSP AT BERMUDA, UNITED KINGDOM. CAPT TRACY, COMSUBRON EIGHT EMBARKED.

28 OCT MOORED AT PIER 22 AT THE NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA. COMSUBRON EIGHT DISEMBARKED. COMMENCED POST-DEPLOYMENT STAND DOWN.

17 NOV COMMENCED A FLEET MAINTENANCE ACTIVITY UPKEEP WITH USS EMORY S. LAND (AS-36) AND SUBRON SUPPU NORFOLK.

03 DEC SHIFTED BERTHS TO PIER 23 AT THE NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA.

19 DEC COMPLETED FMA UPKEEP. COMMENCED HOLIDAY STAND DOWN.

31 DEC ENDED 1997 IN A HOLIDAY STAND DOWN MOORED AT PIER 23 AT THE NAVAL OPERATING BASE IN NORFOLK, VA. SHIP WAS AWARDED THE SUBMARINE SQUADRON EIGHT DAMAGE CONTROL RED "DC" AND THE COMSIXTHFLEET "HOOKEM" AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN UNDERSEA WARFARE.