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From: Commanding Officer, USS JOHN L. HALL (FFG 32)
 To: Director of Naval History (OP-09BH), Washington Navy Yard,
 Washington, D.C. 20374

Subj: COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1994

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12E

- Encl: (1) Welcome Aboard Pamphlet
 (2) MEF 3-94 Cruise Book
 (3) Propulsion Plant Examination Written Report
 (4) Combat Systems Assessment Written Report
 (5) CINCLANTFLT ltr 7510 Ser 21507 of 19 May 94 (Disbursing Audit)
 (6) CO, NAVSURFORLANT RSG ltr 5040 Ser 121 of 30 Jun 94 (LMA)
 (7) Photo of USS JOHN L. HALL (FFG 32)
 (8) Photo of Commanding Officer
 (9) Biography of the Commanding Officer
 (10) USS JOHN L. HALL 011641Z Feb 95 MEF 3-94 End of Cruise Report (U)

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1. In accordance with reference (a), the following history of JOHN L. HALL (FFG 32) is submitted:

a. **Command Composition**

USS JOHN L. HALL is the twenty-sixth ship of the OLIVER HAZARD PERRY class of guided missile frigates. The mission of the ship is to provide in-depth protection for military and merchant shipping, amphibious task forces and underway replenishment groups.

JOHN L. HALL's immediate senior since 01 April 1994 has been Commander Destroyer Squadron SIX. Prior to 01 April 1994, the ship's immediate superior was Commander Destroyer Squadron EIGHT. The ship is homeported in Pascagoula, Mississippi.

The Commanding Officer of USS JOHN L. HALL in 1994 was CDR David J. Fontaine, USN.

b. **Chronology**

01 Jan 94 - 09 Jan 94	Holidays/Upkeep: Pascagoula, MS
10 Jan 94 - 06 Feb 94	TRAINING: Pascagoula CSTG
07 Feb 94 - 11 Feb 94	TYT: GOMEX CSTG
12 Feb 94 - 21 Feb 94	Upkeep: Pascagoula, MS
25 Feb 94 - 03 Mar 94	Upkeep: Mayport, FL
04 Mar 94 - 06 Mar 94	TYT: JAXOA OPPE Preps
07 Mar 94 - 09 Mar 94	Upkeep: Mayport, FL
10 Mar 94 - 11 Mar 94	TYT: JAXOA Mock OPPE
12 Mar 94 - 14 Mar 94	Upkeep: Mayport, FL
15 Mar 94 - 17 Mar 94	OPPE: JAXOA
22 Mar 94 - 28 Mar 94	Upkeep: Pascagoula, MS
29 Mar 94 - 31 Mar 94	TYT: GOMEX CSLTT
01 Apr 94 - 04 Apr 94	Upkeep: Pascagoula, MS
05 Apr 94 - 07 Apr 94	TYT: CSA GOMEX
08 Apr 94 - 20 Apr 94	Upkeep: Pascagoula, MS
25 Apr 94 - 05 May 94	Exercise: Agile Provider/CPOA

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09 May 94 - 09 May 94 MISSILEX: PROA
10 May 94 - 12 May 94 Exercise: PCO OPS/SVCS PROA
13 May 94 - 16 May 94 Visit: ST Maarten, NA
17 May 94 - 19 May 94 MISSILEX: PROA ARG BI-LAT
24 May 94 - 31 May 94 Upkeep: Pascagoula, MS
01 Jun 94 - 01 Jun 94 TYT: GOMEX INSURV Preps
02 Jun 94 - 05 Jun 94 Upkeep: Pascagoula, MS
06 Jun 94 - 10 Jun 94 TYT: LMA Pascagoula, MS
13 Jun 94 - 17 Jun 94 INSURV: Pascagoula, MS
18 Jun 94 - 11 Jul 94 POM: Pascagoula, MS
12 Jul 94 - 12 Jan 95 Middle East Forces Deployment 3-94
15 Jul 94 - 15 Jul 94 BSF: Mayport (Degaussing Run)
17 Jul 94 - 17 Jul 94 BSF: Bermuda
22 Jul 94 - 22 Jul 94 BSF: Ponta Delgada, Azores
26 Jul 94 - 26 Jul 94 BSF: Rota, Spain
27 Jul 94 - 27 Jul 94 Transit: Straits of Gibraltar
28 Jul 94 - 01 Aug 94 Visit: Barcelona, Spain
02 Aug 94 - 08 Aug 94 OPS: Eastern Mediterranean Sea
08 Aug 94 - 12 Aug 94 Visit: Haifa, Israel
14 Aug 94 - 14 Aug 94 Transit: Suez Canal
15 Aug 94 - 23 Aug 94 OPS: MIO OPS North Red Sea
24 Aug 94 - 26 Aug 94 Visit: Hurghada, Egypt
27 Aug 94 - 04 Sep 94 OPS: North Red Sea
28 Aug 94 - 28 Aug 94 RAS/FAS: USS MERRIMACK
04 Sep 94 - 04 Sep 94 RAS/FAS: USS MERRIMACK
05 Sep 94 - 09 Sep 94 Visit: Hurghada, Egypt
10 Sep 94 - 24 Sep 94 OPS: North Red Sea
12 Sep 94 - 12 Sep 94 RAS/FAS: USS MERRIMACK
20 Sep 94 - 20 Sep 94 RAS/FAS: USS MERRIMACK
24 Sep 94 - 24 Sep 94 RAS/FAS: USS MERRIMACK
27 Sep 94 - 27 Sep 94 RAS/FAS: USS KALAMAZOO
28 Sep 94 - 02 Oct 94 Visit: Massawa, Eritrea
03 Oct 94 - 03 Oct 94 Transit: Bab El Mandeb Straits
03 Oct 94 - 05 Oct 94 Visit: Djibouti
05 Oct 94 - 11 Oct 94 EMBK: ETG
10 Oct 94 - 10 Oct 94 Transit: Straits of Hormuz
10 Oct 94 - 10 Oct 94 Exercise: INERT MINE FIELD
11 Oct 94 - 16 Oct 94 OPS: Central Arabian Gulf
11 Oct 94 - 11 Oct 94 FAS: USNS PECOS
12 Oct 94 - 12 Oct 94 RAS: USS MARS
17 Oct 94 - 22 Oct 94 OPS: MIO OPS North Arabian Gulf
16 Oct 94 - 16 Oct 94 OPS: Kuwait Bay Combat Presence Ship
17 Oct 94 - 17 Oct 94 FAS: Refuel with USNS WALTER S DIEHL
23 Oct 94 - 26 Oct 94 Visit: Dubai, UAE
27 Oct 94 - 30 Oct 94 OPS: MIO-OPS North Arabian Gulf
28 Oct 94 - 28 Oct 94 RAS: USS MARS
31 Oct 94 - 31 Oct 94 FAS: USNS WALTER S DIEHL
01 Nov 94 - 02 Nov 94 IPTSTM: Manama, Bahrain
04 Nov 94 - 23 Nov 94 OPS: MIO-OPS North Arabian Gulf
04 Nov 94 - 04 Nov 94 FAS: USNS WALTER S DIEHL
08 Nov 94 - 08 Nov 94 RAS: USS MARS
10 Nov 94 - 10 Nov 94 FAS: RFA BAYLEAF
14 Nov 94 - 14 Nov 94 FAS: RFA BAYLEAF
19 Nov 94 - 19 Nov 94 FAS: RFA BAYLEAF
25 Nov 94 - 01 Dec 94 Upkeep/RAV: Dubai, UAE
02 Dec 94 - 02 Dec 94 Transit: Straits of Hormuz
03 Dec 94 - 07 Dec 94 OPS: Gulf of Oman (KUNJAR HADD)
06 Dec 94 - 06 Dec 94 Turnover: USS HALYBURTON
08 Dec 94 - 09 Dec 94 Visit: Muscat, Oman
11 Dec 94 - 11 Dec 94 Transit: Bab El Mandeb Straits
11 Dec 94 - 16 Dec 94 Transit: Red Sea
15 Dec 94 - 15 Dec 94 FAS: USS DETROIT

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17 Dec 94 - 17 Dec 94	Transit: Suez Canal
18 Dec 94 - 21 Dec 94	OPS: Mediterranean Sea
18 Dec 94 - 18 Dec 94	FAS: USS DETROIT
19 Dec 94 - 19 Dec 94	RAS: USS CONCORD
22 Dec 94 - 27 Dec 94	Visit: Marseilles, France
28 Dec 94 - 28 Dec 94	Transit: Straits of Gibraltar
29 Dec 94 - 29 Dec 94	BSF: Rota, Spain
30 Dec 94 - 31 Dec 94	Transit: Eastern Atlantic Ocean

c. Narrative

JOHN L. HALL attained several noteworthy operational and professional milestones throughout 1994. The officers and crew of JOHN L. HALL diligently and aggressively prepared for a rigorous period of inspections, assessments and operational commitments, which included OPPE, CSA, LMA and INSURV. The superior results attest to the dedication and effectiveness of the crew of JOHN L. HALL. The Welcome Aboard pamphlet provided throughout the year is provided as enclosure (1). The MEF 3-94 Cruise Book (enclosure (2)) will be forwarded when available.

JOHN L. HALL opened 1994 preparing for several major inspections. The first test was the Operational Propulsion Plant Examination in March. After months of rigorous training and preparation and an Intermediate Maintenance Availability in Mayport, FL, the crew and the ship were ready. The training proved invaluable and the outstanding results documented in enclosure (3) bear witness to this fact.

The next hurdle for JOHN L. HALL was the Combat Systems Assessment held in April in Pascagoula, MS. This inspection was concluded in the Gulf of Mexico. Once again months of intense preparation by the crew paid dividends. The excellent scores achieved by the ship during the assessment are recorded in enclosure (4).

Also in April was the annual Fleet Accounting and Disbursing Center, Atlantic Fleet surprise audit. Again, the JOHN L. HALL was ready and again achieved superior results. The results of this audit are included as enclosure (5).

JOHN L. HALL's Final Evaluation Period (FEP) prior to deployment in July was conducted during exercise "AGILE PROVIDER" in late April and early May. In this joint service exercise JOHN L. HALL was tasked to aid in establishing the surface, subsurface and air supremacy required to effect the maritime AOR and allow the follow-on amphibious assault.

Following the successful conclusion of this exercise, JOHN L. HALL transited south to the Puerto Rico AFWTF missile range and submarine operating areas. JOHN L. HALL conducted two live fire missile exercises, one as OCE for a multi-ship firing exercise which included an Argentine Navy Destroyer. Under the supervision of JOHN L. HALL, the Argentine Destroyer successfully launched a warshot missile in engagement of a drone. The successful engagement of two air launched drones marked JOHN L. HALL's first live fire missile exercise in over two years. While in the Puerto Rico operational area, JOHN L. HALL interacted with submarine Prospective Commanding Officers (PCO-OPS) during an intensive period of ASW operations. In addition to conducting developmental torpedo evasion techniques, JOHN L. HALL conducted several firings of exercise torpedoes concluding with a successful heli-borne torpedo attack. The end of these exercises was punctuated with a week long port visit to the island of St. Maarten in the Lesser Antilles.

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The last major inspections before deploying to the Middle East region occurred in the month of June. The inspections were the Logistics Management Assessment and the Inspection and Survey Board. As with the previous inspections the Logistics Management Assessment yielded excellent results as documented in enclosure (6).

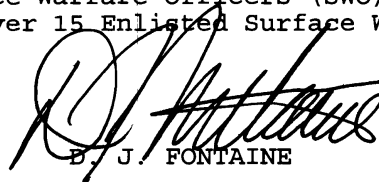
With the successful completion of all inspections and work-ups JOHN L. HALL deployed as an integral member of the Middle East Force 3-94 Augmentation Force. While deployed, JOHN L. HALL participated in Multi-National Maritime Interdiction Operations (MIO) in the Northern Red Sea and Arabian Gulf. JOHN L. HALL conducted over thirty incident-free boarding and inspection evolutions on suspect merchant vessels, and diverted several suspect vessels to ports for verification of paperwork and documentation.

During the buildup of Iraqi forces on the Kuwaiti border, JOHN L. HALL's participation in Operation Vigilant Warrior included conducting several forays into Kuwait Harbor to show support for the Kuwaiti people.

After departing the Arabian Gulf, JOHN L. HALL participated in exercise KUNJAR HADD. This combined exercise, involving U.S., U.K., French and Gulf Nation forces, provided JOHN L. HALL the opportunity to assess her capabilities in a multi-national role and foster a professional working relationship with surface and air units of four nations. The ship then set a course for its homeport and made preparations to arrive just after the new year.

Throughout 1994, the crew of JOHN L. HALL contributed hundreds of volunteer hours for a wide variety of community and human relations projects around the world. JOHN L. HALL's most significant contributions occurred during a port visit to Masawa, Eritrea. Crew members contributed over 530 man hours and worked to increase the material condition of a local children's school, hospital and naval base. Over 40 crew members worked together to repaint an entire school and surrounding playground. JOHN L. HALL technicians worked around the clock to train local repairmen and restore electrical power to the local hospital. Once electrical power was restored, technicians again provided training and repaired over one dozen air conditioning and refrigeration units and several vital sterilization units. The United States Ambassador to Eritrea personally extended his congratulations and appreciation to the men of the JOHN L. HALL for their contributions in further extending the goodwill and warm relationship between the United States and the people of Eritrea. JOHN L. HALL also provided Project Handclasp materials to Eritrea and Djibouti, and participated in the Adopt-a-School program with Gautier Elementary School, Gautier, Mississippi.

The remarkable professional achievements of JOHN L. HALL's crew serve to demonstrate the success of 1994. 53 crew members advanced in their respective ratings, including two Senior Chief Petty Officers and an amazing six new Chief Petty Officers. 21 of 36 eligible crew members reenlisted during 1994. JOHN L. HALL qualified three Surface Warfare Officers (SWO), six Engineering Officers of the Watch (EOOW) and over 15 Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialists (ESWS).



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