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1. In accordance with reference (a), the 1989 Command History of USS JUNEAU (LPD-10) is submitted as enclosures (1) through (7).

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USS JUNEAU Command Composition and Organization

Mission: To land marines and their equipment either by landing craft carried in the well deck and launched through the stern gate, or by helicopters operating from our flight deck.

Organizations structure: COMPHIBRON NINE (immediate senior command)

Commanding Officers: Captain Dennis S. Gladman, U.S. Navy, 17 November -31 December. Captain Theodore A. Willandt, U.S. Navy, 01 January - 17 November.

Home Port: San Diego, California

Chronology of Events for 1989

Date	Event
01 Jan - 18 Feb	Inport San Diego, CA: Phased Maintenance Availability
of ball 10 reb	(PMA) at Southwest Marine Shipyard
19 Feb	Inport San Diego, CA: PMA, Dead stick move to Naval
	Station, San Diego, CA.
20 Feb - 17 Mar	Inport San Diego, CA: PMA (20 Feb - 12 Mar), Fast cruise (20 - 21 Feb), Material Inspection and Light-off Assessment (23 - 24 Feb), Aviation Readiness Evaluation (ARE) (3 Mar), Upkeep (13 - 17 Mar)
18 Mar - 21 Mar	Underway SOCAL OPAREA/Inport: Sea Trials (18 - 19 Mar), Training Readiness Evaluation at FTG anchorage (20 -21 Mar), Enroute Seal Beach for ammo onload (21 Mar)
22 Mar - 23 Mar	Underway/Inport Seal Beach, CA.: Ammo onload, Enroute San
	Diego, CA. (23 Mar)
24 Mar	Underway/Inport San Diego, CA
25 Mar - 27 Mar	Inport San Diego, CA: Upkeep, Combat System Readiness Test (CSRT) (27 Mar), 3M Assist Visit (27 Mar)
28 Mar	Underway/Inport San Diego, CA.: Underway Material Inspection
	(UMI) for CSRT in SOCAL OPAREA, 3M Assist Visit, Supply
	Management Assessment (SMA)
29 Mar - 31 Mar	Inport San Diego, CA.: CSRT, 3M Assist Visit, SMA
01 4 07 4	(29 Mar), Classified Material Control Assist (30 Mar)
01 Apr - 03 Apr	Inport San Diego, CA: Upkeep (1 - 2 Apr), Interim Refresher Training (IRFT) (3 Apr)
04 Apr - 07 Apr	Underway: IRFT in SOCAL OPAREA, Independent Ship's
of the of the	Exercises (ISE) SOCAL OPAREA (7 Apr)
08 Apr	Underway/Inport San Diego, CA.: Enroute San Diego
09 Apr - 17 Apr	Inport San Diego, CA: Upkeep, Alaskan Oil Spill Clean-up
	Deployment Preparations
18 Apr - 23 Apr	Underway: Enroute Valdez, AK.
24 Apr - 25 Apr	Underway/Inport Valdez, AK.: Onload civilian personnel and
	Exxon support equipment
26 Apr - 31 May	Underway: Oil Spill Clean-up Operations in Prince William Sound, AK., Operations Turnover with USS Cleveland (LPD 7) (31 May), Enroute Juneau, AK. (31 May)
01 Jun 00 Jun - 06 Jun	Underway: Enroute to Juneau, AK.
02 Jun - 06 Jun 07 Jun - 11 Jun	Inport Juneau, AK: Port visit Underway: Enroute San Diego, CA.
12 Jun - 12 Jul	Inport San Diego, CA: Upkeep, Special Operations (SPECOPS)
12 Jun - 12 Jul	Deployment Preparations, Ship to Shop Availability with USS Acadia (AD 42) (12 - 30 Jun), Dental Department Training
	Assist Visit upgraded to Dental Readiness Evaluation (DRE) (15 Jun), Conveyor/Dumbwaiter Improvement Visit (19 Jun), Micro-miniature Repair Certification (22 Jun), COMNAVSURFPAC Classified Material Assist Visit (27 Jun), Environmental Health Survey (12 Jul)
13 Jul - 20 Jul	Underway: SPECOPS Deployment, Enroute Adak, AK.
21 Jul - 22 Jul	Inport Adak, AK: Stores onload and refueling
23 Jul - 17 Aug	Underway: SPECOPS OPAREA
18 Aug - 20 Aug	Inport Adak, AK: Stores onload and refueling

21 Aug - 17 S	p Underway: SPECOPS OPAREA	
18 Sep - 21 S	p 🛛 Inport Yokosuka, Japan: Upkeep SRF Yokosuka	
22 Sep - 12 C	t Underway: SPECOPS OPAREA	
13 Oct - 14 0	t Inport Yokosuka, Japan: Stores onload and refueling	
15 Oct - 24 0	t Underway: Enroute Pearl Harbor, Hawaii	
25 Oct - 30 C	t Inport Pearl Harbor, HI: Upkeep SRF Pearl Harbor,	
	Operational Propulsion Plant Re-Examination (OPPRE) preparations	
31 Oct - 02 M	v Underway/Inport Pearl Harbor, HI.: OPPRE in MIDPAC	
	(31 Oct - 02 Nov), SAR for fishing vessel SEAMASTER	
	(Ol Nov), port vísit Pearl Harbor (O2 Nov)	
03 Nov - 08 M	v Underway: Enroute San Diego, CA.	
09 Nov - 31 I	c Inport San Diego, CA: Upkeep and leave period, Deads move to pier 6 (13 Nov), Change of Command (17 Nov),	stick
	Deadstick move to pier 12 (20 Nov), INSURV preparation	ons
	(20 Nov - 31 Dec), SIMA San Diego Restricted Availabi	ility
	(04 - 22 Dec), Boiler Inspection of NR 1 boiler	
	(12 Dec - 14 DEC)	

BASIC NARRATIVE

Juneau began 1989 with continuation of its Phased Maintenance Availability (PMA) from 21 November 1988 at Southwest Marine Shipyard, San Diego, California. The objective of the availability was to upgrade the ship's facilities, capabilities, and engineering plant. On 19 February, JUNEAU departed Southwest Marine Shipyard on a dead stick move to Naval Station, 32nd Street, San Diego, California. JUNEAU conducted a fast cruise from 20 to 21 February.

From 23 to 24 February a material inspection and light off assessment was conducted on board JUNEAU, by Commander, Amphibious Squadron Nine. Results were satisfactory. However, due to some material discrepancies on board, JUNEAU received a PMA extension from 24 February to 12 March. During the PMA, over sixhundred industrial jobs were processed and completed at a cost in excess of 10.2 million dollars. Within this time period, the ship had an Aviation Readiness Evaluation (ARE) and was fully qualified as Level I, Class I Operations on 03 March. After completion of PMA, JUNEAU remained in upkeep until 17 March.

Following the upkeep period in San Diego, JUNEAU conducted sea trials in the SOCAL OPAREA from 18 to 19 March in preparations for a Training Readiness Evaluation (TRE) conducted on 20 through 21 March by FTG San Diego. The purpose of the evaluation was to determine if JUNEAU's equipment and crew met the minimum standards established by Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet. JUNEAU was considered ready for training in all mission areas.

From 22 to 23 March, JUNEAU loaded ammunition at Seal Beach, CA and departed, enroute San Diego on 23 March, arriving inport on 25 March. JUNEAU remained inport San Diego for three days, commencing a Combat Systems Readiness Test (CSRT) on 25 March and a 3M Assist Visit on 27 March. On 28 March, JUNEAU got underway in the SOCAL OPAREA for an Underway Material Inspection (UMI). Upon completion of the UMI, JUNEAU returned to San Diego and commenced a Supply Management Assessment (SMA). The SMA ended on 29 March, with the JUNEAU being evaluated as excellent overall.

The CSRT and 3M Assist Visit ended on 31 March with the ship receiving passing grades. A Classified Material Control Assist was conducted on 30 March and found JUNEAU's procedures to be satisfactory. JUNEAU remained inport in upkeep until 03 April. JUNEAU commenced Interim Refresher Training (IRFT) on 03 April getting underway and operating in the SOCAL OPAREA.

On 08 April, following partial completion of IRFT, JUNEAU was ISE in the SOCAL OPAREA when emergent tasking was received ordering the ship to return to port. JUNEAU arrived in San Diego on 09 April and immediately began preparations to deploy in support of Alaskan Oil Spill Clean-up Operations.

JUNEAU sailed on 18 April enroute to Valdez, Alaska to support clean-up operations of the oil spill caused by the grounding of the Tanker 'Exxon Valdez'. JUNEAU arrived in Valdez, Alaska on 24 April and worked around the clock to onload civilian personnel and Exxon support equipment. JUNEAU departed Valdez, AK on 26 April and sailed towards the oil spill area in Prince William Sound. JUNEAU was utilized as the command and control center for Joint Task Force, Alaska throughout the entire operation. JUNEAU also provided berthing, communications, food, medical care, and laundry services in support of over 400 embarked civilian workers. Transportation for the clean up crew was provided by three CH-46 helicopters from HMM-166 and nine LCM-6 (Landing Craft Mechanized) transport boats from USS MOBILE (LKA 115), USS DURHAM (LKA 114) and Naval Amphibious Base, Coranado. The heavy volume of air traffic by small sea planes, private and military helicopters, was controlled by the ships Air Department who conducted over 200 landings of civilian helicopters on JUNEAU's flight deck. During the operation, JUNEAU was visited by a wide array of dignitaries including the Vice President of the United States, who applauded the crews efforts. As the first Navy ship on station, JUNEAU set the pace for those to follow.

On 31 May, JUNEAU conducted a turnover of the oil spill operations to USS CLEVELAND (LPD-7). Upon completion of the turnover, JUNEAU sailed enroute to her namesake city of Juneau, Alaska for a port visit. JUNEAU was inport Juneau, AK from 02 through 06 June. After the 56 days of continuous operations in support of the oil spill clean-up efforts, the crew enjoyed a brief respite from the 16 to 18 hour work days which were common place in Prince William Sound. Special events were hosted by the ship and the city including; an on board reception which was attended by the Governor of Alaska, four days of open ship visits for the citizens of Juneau, AK, numerous parties and sporting event challenges, special cut rate tours of the sites of Alaska for the crew, and a wreath laying by the Commanding Officer, Capt. T.A. Willandt at the USS JUNEAU (CL 52) Memorial.

Following the Juneau, AK port visit, JUNEAU got underway on 07 June enroute San Diego, California, arriving on 12 June and completing the ships eleventh Pacific Deployment. JUNEAU then remained inport San Diego from 12 June to 12 July in an upkeep period, making preparations for a special operations (SPECOPS) deployment. During this time period, JUNEAU had a Ship to Shop Availability with USS ACADIA (AD 42) from 12 to 30 June. Also during this period, JUNEAU completed an Environmental Health Survey, a Dental Readiness Evaluation (DRE), and a Micro-miniature repair certification.

On 13 July, JUNEAU deployed on SPECOPS making a brief stop in Adak, AK to refuel and load stores from 21 to 22 July. JUNEAU then departed for the SPECOPS OPAREA and was underway from 23 July-17 August. JUNEAU returned to Adak on 18 August for stores and fuel and remained inport until 20 August. Again, JUNEAU departed for the OPAREA on 21 August and was underway through 17 September. JUNEAU next entered Yokosuka, Japan on 18 September to refuel, load stores and conduct an availability with SRF Yokosuka. Crew members were afforded the opportunity to shop, dine and see the sights of Japan. Once stores and fuel were on board, JUNEAU departed Yokosuka on 22 September and returned to the OPAREA. JUNEAU was underway until 13 October when the ship returned to Yokosuka, Japan. The time inport was spent refueling and onloading stores.

JUNEAU departed Yokosuka on 15 October, enroute Pearl Harbor, Hawaii arriving on 25 October. JUNEAU spent 25 October through 30 October inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii in an availability with SRF Pearl Harbor making preparations for an Operational Propulsion Plant Re-Examination (OPPRE). JUNEAU conducted the underway portion of the OPPRE from 31 October to 02 November in MIDPAC. JUNEAU was assigned a satisfactory grade for this re-examination. On 01 November, JUNEAU responded to distress call from fishing vessel SEAMASTER, 50 nautical miles South of Oahu, Hawaii. The vessel was disabled with a flooded engine room. JUNEAU assumed responsibilities of On Scene Commander, maintaining station near SEAMASTER and establishing a strict communications schedule to ensure the vessel's safety, until relieved by Coast Guard assets. After a successful OPPRE and successful Search and Rescue, JUNEAU got underway enroute San Diego, California on 03 November. On the transit back to San Diego, JUNEAU was informed it had been named runner-up for the National Security Agency's Director's Trophy for its achievements during the deployment.

JUNEAU arrived inport San Diego for a long awaited reunion with family and loved ones, culminating the ships twelfth Pacific Deployment. JUNEAU remained inport San Diego from 09 November through 31 December in a leave and upkeep period. In preparation for the upcoming Change of Command, JUNEAU underwent a dead stick move from pier 12 to pier 6 on 13 November. The Change of Command was conducted on 17 November, with Captain Dennis S. Gladman relieving Captain Theodore A. Willandt as Commanding Officer.

On 20 November, JUNEAU underwent a dead stick move from pier 6 back to pier 12. From 20 November until the end of the month, JUNEAU began preparations for an inspection by the Board of Inspection and Survey. This inspection is conducted once every four years, with the objective of determining a vessels fitness for further service. A Restricted Availability with SIMA San Diego was held from 04 through 22 December. A boiler inspection of the number one boiler was conducted from 12 to 14 December. COMNAVSURFPAC found the number one boiler to be unsatisfactory due to preservation problems and refractory deficiencies.

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