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USS KEY WEST (SSN 722)

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From: Commanding Officer, USS KEY WEST (SSN 722)
To: Director of Naval History (OP 09HB)
Subj: USS KEY WEST (SSN 722) 1995 COMMAND HISTORY
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Encl: (1) Organization, Chronology, and Narrative
(2) Supporting Documents

1. Per reference (a), enclosure (1) forwards USS KEY WEST (SSN 722) 1995 Command History. Enclosure (2) forwards supporting documents.

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**COMMAND HISTORY
USS KEY WEST (SSN 722)
1995**

1. **Command Composition and Organization for USS KEY WEST (SSN 722):**

a. **Commanding Officer:**

(1) CDR Robert H. Koppers (1 Jan 95 - 16 Nov 95)

(2) CDR George M. Wadzita (16 Nov 95 - Present)

b. **Immediate senior in command: COMSUBRON EIGHT**

c. **Mission: Plan for and when ordered:**

- Conduct offensive submarine operations, including anti-submarine warfare, mining operations, and other operations as required.
- Conduct anti-submarine warfare in conduction with other anti-submarine warfare forces and other operations as required.
- Conduct offensive strike operations.

d. **Homeport: Norfolk, Virginia**

2. **Chronology**

- * 1 January - 3 January
Standdown, Norfolk, Virginia
- * 4 January - 20 January
Inport, Norfolk, Virginia
- * 21 January - 6 February
FLEETEX, Local Operations
- * 7 February - 21 March
Inport, Norfolk, Virginia

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COMMAND HISTORY
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1995 (continued)

- * 22 March - 21 September
 - Mediterranean Deployment

 - Inport Haifa, Israel; 12 April - 13 April

 - Inport Bahrain, UAE; 28 April - 3 May

 - Inport Souda Bay, Crete; 22 May - 29 May

 - Inport Toulon, France; 19 June - 26 June

 - Upkeep, LaMaddalena, Italy; 27 June - 15 July

 - Inport Souda Bay, Crete; 17 July - 28 July

 - Upkeep, LaMaddalena, Italy; 19 August - 31 August

- * 19 September - 20 September
Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination

- * 21 September - 20 October
Inport, Norfolk, Virginia

- * 21 October - 16 November
Drydocking, Norfolk, Virginia

- * 16 November
 - Change of Command: CDR Robert H. Koppers, USN relieved by
CDR George M. Wadzita, USN

 - Principal speaker: Rear Admiral Albert H. Konetzni, Jr, USN, Commander
Submarine Group Seven

- * 17 November - 10 December
Drydocking, Norfolk, Virginia

COMMAND HISTORY
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- * 11 December - 17 December
Upkeep, Norfolk, Virginia
- * 18 December - 31 December -
Holiday Standdown, Norfolk, Virginia

3. Narrative:

a. USS KEY WEST (SSN 722), as a member of the USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 72) battle group, completed a Mediterranean deployment. Awarded Navy Unit Commendation

b. CDR Robert H. Kuppers, USN was relieved by CDR George M. Wadzita, USN at a ceremony on 16 November 1995, at Naval Base, Norfolk. Rear Admiral Albert H. Konetzni, Jr, USN, was the guest speaker.

c. USS KEY WEST (SSN 722) received an overall Above Average grade on a Logistics Readiness Evaluation.

d. Awarded SUBRON EIGHT Green "C" for Communications Excellence.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- 1. Photograph (Ship - Navy Standard)**
- 2. Photograph (Conch Shell)**
- 3. Welcome Aboard Pamphlet (CDR Wadzita)**
- 4. USS KEY WEST (SSN 722) Bumper Sticker (1)**
- 5. USS KEY WEST (SSN 722) Ship's Crest Sticker (1)**

Enclosure (2)