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Command Operations Report

This report is **required** by commands listed in **SNDL Parts 1 & 2** and all operational **Task Forces, Groups and Units** temporarily established to meet operational requirements.

The report format is divided into six sections: Command Data, Commander's Assessment, Chronology and Narrative, Supporting Reports, Published Documents, and Photographs. Required information is identified in specific sections of the form. Instructions on submitting this form and the required attachments are at the end.

1. Command Data

Name of your Command or Organization: MHC Crew Detector. Assigned to USS KINGFISHER (MHC 56)

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: 40178

Name and Rank of Commander/Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge:

Last: Sethi First: Shanti M.I.: R Rank: LCDR

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): 2007-04-07

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations:
MHC Crew Detector is a rotational crew assigned to the Mine Hunter Coastal (MHC) class of ships. MHC's were designed for minehunting, the technique of locating mines with sonar, and mine neutralization utilizing a remotely controlled underwater vehicle. The ship's mission is to clear harbors, coasts, and ocean waters of acoustic, magnetic, pressure, and contact type mines, by utilizing reconnaissance, classification, and neutralization tactics.

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): Ingleside, Texas

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational: Mine Countermeasures Squadron Two (MCMRON TWO)

Administrative: **Mine Countermeasures Squadron Two (MCMRON TWO)**

Identify your assigned Task Force/Group/Unit name(s) and mission(s). Include OPLAN(s) and or named operations you participated in during Task Force assignment (if applicable):
-Assigned to CTF 29 during COMPTUEX 07-3.

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): **N/A**

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable: **N/A**

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable): **N/A**

Number of Personnel Assigned:

   Officers: 4 Enlisted: 45 Civilian: N/A

Command Point of Contact (required entry, complete in full):

   Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): LTJG █████████
   Job Title/Office Code: Operations Officer
   E-mail (both classified and unclassified, if available): ████████████
   Phone number(s): ███████████
   Command Mailing Address:
USS KINGFISHER (MHC 56)
MHC CREW DETECTOR
FPO AE 09501-5108

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2. Commander's Assessment

The Commander's Assessment briefly tells the story of the command's role in national defense and should highlight any general and specific lessons-learned. It should contain the commander's commentary, insights and reflections on the unit's activities. Attention should be directed to significant issues impacting training, operations and mission accomplishment during the reporting period. Descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to major command decisions and results of those decisions are particularly desired. Also desired are accounts of specific contributions of individuals in the command to mission accomplishment. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, particular attention should be given to the commander's estimate of the situation, records of discussions and decisions, descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to operational decisions and results of those decisions. For a unit returning from deployment or participating in a single operation this can normally be a single assessment. For higher-echelon

commands or units engaging in multiple operations, a separate assessment for each operation in addition to an overall assessment may be appropriate.
None

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3. Chronology and Narrative

Chronology should include dates of movements; local operations and training; exercises and operations (define acronyms and purpose of exercise or operation); installation of new weapons systems or changes; major physical changes to facilities, ship or aircraft; Class A or B mishaps; port visits; unit awards received; reserve augmentation; and other significant operational or administrative events.

Event:	Date (s):
POM	22 Jan - 22 Feb
SYSCAL	29 Jan - 09 Feb
Underwater Hull Cleaning	31 Jan - 01 Feb
ULT	27 Feb - 28 Feb
SAR LTT-1	28 Feb
SAR LTT-2	05 Mar
3M LTT	05 - 09 Mar
Change of Command	07 Apr
CMAV 7A2	05 - 23 Mar
SAR LTT-3	12 Mar
SAR Certification	19 Mar
C5RA	19 - 23 Mar
Port Visit Key West, Fl	05 - 09 Apr
Assumed custody of USS CHAMPION	27 Apr
3M Inspection	30 Apr - 04 May
CMAV 7A3	07 - 29 May
Underwater Hull Cleaning	08 - 11 May
Turned over custody of USS CHAMPION	13 Jun
HARRY S TRUMAN C2X OPFOR	21 Jun- 01 Aug
CMAV 7A4	
Underwater Hull Cleaning	25-28 Aug
Decommissioning Avail	01 Oct-30 Nov
Decommissioned	01 Dec

Underway Days: (CY 07 Chronology of days)
27-28 Feb
29 Mar - 04 Apr
09-13 Apr
05 Jun
21-30 Jun
1-3 Jul
5-11 Jul

13-19 Jul
20-23 Jul
25 Jul- 01Aug

The short narrative should amplify chronology entries (such as objectives and results of exercises/ operations; commander's evaluation of exercises/operations, etc). Entries may refer to an enclosure of this report without additional description if the enclosure sufficiently reports the incident/event. For all other entries, give the date or period in YYYY-MM-DD format and provide a brief narrative. All significant events during the reporting period are to be included.

January 2007
1. Post-Overseas Movement Stand Down (22 Jan - 20 Feb)
  a. Following the crew's return from deployment, a month long stand down period was given to allow ship's force to take leave and spend time with families.
2. SYSCAL (Systems Calibration) (29 Jan - 09 Feb)
  a. A dedicated time period where techs from the Regional Maintenance Center calibrate all required pieces of equipment.
3. Underwater Hull Cleaning (31 Jan - 01 Feb)
Feburary 2007
1. ULT (Unit Level Training) (27-28 Feb)
  a. The crew took the opportunity to get KINGFISHER U/W for the first time following crew swap. Various drills and equipment checks were conducted to ensure the ship's readiness.
2. SAR LTT-1 (Search And Rescue Limited Team Training) (28 Feb)
  a. Afloat Training Group Ingleside TX held training with the crew's Search and Rescue Swimmer, Focsle recovery team and boat crew in preparation for an upcoming SAR certification.
March 2007
1. SAR LTT-2 (05 Mar)
2. 3M (Maintenance and Material Management LTT) (05-09 Mar)
3. CMAV (Continous Maintenance Availablity) 7A2 (05-23 Mar)
4. SAR LTT-3 (12 Mar)
5. SAR Certification (19 Mar)
6. PCA-C5RA (19-23 Mar)
  a. Technical representatives from South Central Regional Maintenance Center and Commander Naval Surface Atlantic inspected various combat systems equipment for proper operation and then provided a path to correction for any degraded equipment.
April 2007
1. Port Visit Key West, Fl (05-09 Apr)
2. Change of Command (07 Apr)
  a. LCDR S.R. Sethi relieved LCDR T.A. Braynard as Commanding Officer of MHC Crew Detector.
3. Assumed Custody Of USS CHAMPION (27 Apr)
  a. MHC Crew Detector took over responsibility of USS CHAMPION (MCM-4). The crew is tasked with placing CHAMPION in a Reduced Operational Status in support of MCM Blue and Gold crew operations.
4. 3M Inspection (30 Apr - 04 May)
  a. The crew re-certified their ability to properly manage all Maintenance and Material Management programs.

May 2007
1. CMAV 7A3 (07-29 May)
2. Underwater Hull Cleaning (08-11 May)

June 2007
1. Turned over custody of USS CHAMPION (MCM-4).
   a. MHC Crew Detector turned over custody of USS CHAMPION to MHC Crew Gallant in order to support the 21 Jun departure for Mayport.
2. HARRY S TRUMAN COMPTUEX (21 Jun - 01 Aug)
   a. MHC Crew Detector was assigned an Opposing Force role during HST C2X in the Jacksonville, FL OPAREA. The crew departed Ingleside embarked in USS KINGFISHER on 21 Jun, and arrived in Mayport on 3 Jul, having spent one night in Key West, FL to refuel reprovision.
July 2007
1. HARRY S TRUMAN COMPUEX (continued)
   a. During COMPTUEX, USS KINGFISHER portrayed a number of neutral and hostile vessels, and was primarily used as a MIO Target vessel. The ship was boarded by VBSS teams from USS HUE CITY, and USS WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.
August 2007
 a. CMAV 7A4
 b. Underwater Hull Cleaning
September 2007
October 2007
1. Decommissioning Availability
   a. In support of her 01 December Decommissioning date, KINGFISHER entered a Decom Avail. During this availability, contractors blanked all sea and ventilationing openings, ship's force removed all degradable and classified equipment, and prepared the ship for turnover to INACTSHIPS Maintenance Office for future FMS.
November 2007
1. Decommissioning Availability (continued)
December 2007
1. Decommissioning
   a. 01 December, KINGFISHER was decommissioned in a joint ceremony with USS BLACKHAWK, USS CORMORANT, and USS SHRIKE. She will be towed to the INACTSHIPS facility in Beaumont, TX to await FMS transfer to an approved government.

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4. Supporting Reports

Supporting Reports are those reports required by other instructions that provide significant data about the command during the calendar year. These reports may be submitted "as is," eliminating the need to duplicate information for this report that is already contained in reports prepared in response to other instructions and requirements. Examples include battle efficiency, safety and other award submissions, major staff or command studies, and end of cruise reports or briefs. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, enclosures may include, but are not limited to:

a. Situation Reports
b. Intentions Messages
c. Operational Reports
d. Operations Orders/Deployment Orders
e. Operational Plans
f. Personal For Messages
g. After Action Reports
h. Significant Electronic Message Traffic (outgoing/e-mail/chat)
i. Battle Damage Assessments
j. Casualty Reports
k. End-of-Cruse/Deployment Reports
l. Intelligence Summaries
m. Major Exercise Reports

List below the items submitted, indicating the classification of each. Electronic reports should be in a Microsoft Office format (Word, Excel, Power Point, or Access), HTML, PDF, JPG, GIF, or plain text. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Submit electronic reports via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained at the end of this form. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in hardcopy in the same manner as a CD-ROM.
None

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5. Published Documents

List below the published documents being submitted in either electronic or paper format, indicating the classification of each item. Documents to be submitted include cruise books, change of command programs, commissioning/decommissioning brochures, establishment/disestablishment/deactivation brochures, copy of command's web site, news releases, biography of commander, welcome aboard brochures, newspaper articles, command studies, statistical data, etc.

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6. Photographs

List below official photographs and any other command-generated media being submitted in either electronic or paper format. Photographs to be submitted include: official photo of commanding officer; recent photo of ship, aircraft, or facility; and photos of historic events associated with the command. Photographs submitted electronically should be in JPG, TIFF or GIF format. It is

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None

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