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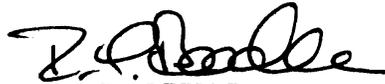
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1. The command history of the USS LOS ANGELES (SSN688) for the period of 1 January 1978 to 31 December 1978 is provided as enclosure (1) in accordance with reference (a).


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COMMAND HISTORY
USS LOS ANGELES (SSN688)
1 January 1978 31 December 1978

COMMANDING OFFICER

CDR R. E. BEEDLE, USN

21 October 1977 - Present

COMMAND

TYPE COMMANDER: Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet
SQUADRON COMMANDER: Commander Submarine Squadron Seven

HOMEPORT

Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

BASIC HISTORY

From January to March, the USS LOS ANGELES was in the building shipyard, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company, for a Post Shakedown Availability (PSA). During the short period between PSA and change of homeport, the ship conducted acoustic trials, participated in a submarine exercise, and visited the United States Naval Academy to demonstrate the advanced capabilities of the Los Angeles Class submarine to the Brigade of Midshipmen. On May 18th the USS LOS ANGELES departed Norfolk, Virginia enroute to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii via the Panama Canal. On May 31st the ship visited her namesake, the city of Los Angeles, California. Special guests embarked for the underway operations prior to the ship's visit to Los Angeles, included Mayor Tom Bradley, and County Supervisor Ken Hahn. The ship was honored by Mayor Tom Bradley as he officially declared the day of arrival "USS LOS ANGELES Day". Continuing on from Los Angeles, California the ship headed for her new homeport with RADM W. J. Cowhill, Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, embarked. Since the ship's arrival in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii on June 17th, the USS LOS ANGELES has been involved in several submarine exercises and an independent operation in the mid-Pacific.

Enclosure (1)

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

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01 January - 22 January	Ship in drydock #1, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company
23 January	Undocked ship and moved to Pier #5, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company
24 January - 10 February	Ship moored starboard side to Pier #5, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company
07 February - 08 February	Post Overhaul Reactor Safeguards Exam (PORSE)
11 February	Ship moved to drydock #1, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company
12 February - 13 February	Ship in drydock #1, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company
14 February	Ship moved to Pier #2, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company
15 February - 20 March	Ship moored starboard side to Pier #2, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company
09 March	Phase II crew certification conducted by COMSUBRON SIX
12 March	Commenced PSA Fast Cruise
13 March	Completed PSA Fast Cruise
21 March - 23 March	Underway for PSA sea trials
24 March - 05 April	Inport Norfolk, Virginia
31 March	PSA officially completed
06 April	Underway for port visit to Annapolis, Maryland
07 April - 08 April	Inport Annapolis, Maryland for public relations visit to the United States Naval Academy
09 April	Enroute Norfolk, Virginia
10 April	Inport Norfolk, Virginia
10 April - 12 April	Enroute Exuma Sound, Bahamas

13 April - 19 April	Conducted PSA acoustic trials
20 April	Completed PSA acoustic trials, enroute Charleston, South Carolina
21 April - 04 May	Inport Charleston, South Carolina
05 May - 06 May	Enroute Norfolk, Virginia
07 May - 17 May	Inport Norfolk, Virginia
18 May	Underway for transit to Pacific (change of homeport)
23 May	Transit of the Panama Canal
24 May	Enroute to San Diego, California
26 May	Chop OPCON to COMSUBPAC
30 May	Inport San Diego, California
31 May	Underway for Long Beach, California with Mayor Tom Bradley, Los Angeles County Supervisor Ken Hahn, and COMSUBGRU FIVE, RADM Kauderer
01 June - 05 June	Inport Long Beach, California
06 June - 11 June	Underway for submarine exercise PACSUBACTIVEX 1-78
12 June - 16 June	Enroute Pearl Harbor, Hawaii with RADM Cowhill (COMSUBPAC)
17 June - 12 July	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
13 July - 28 July	Underway for submarine exercise PACSUBASWEX 1-78
29 July - 14 August	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
15 August - 18 August	Underway for MK48 Torpedo proficiency firings
19 August - 28 August	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
29 August	Underway for submarine exercise PACSUBASWEX 2-78
30 August	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

31 August - 01 September	Underway for independent ship exercise
02 September - 09 October	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
11 September - 13 September	NWAI technical assist visit
14 September	CMS training visit
10 October	Underway for ship's systems operational check
11 October - 17 October	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
18 October - 22 October	Underway for submarine exercise PACSUBASWEX 2-78
23 October - 26 October	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
27 October - 31 October	Underway for submarine exercise PACSUBASWEX 2-78
01 November - 02 November	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
03 November - 15 November	Underway for MIDPAC OPS
16 November - 26 November	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
27 November - 04 December	Underway for ISE, services for the USS SARGO, and CAST services
05 December - 13 December	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
14 December - 16 December	Underway for independent ship exercise
17 December - 31 December	Inport Pearl Harbor, Hawaii