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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1993 (U)

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Encl: (1) USS MCCLUSKY (FFG 41) Command History 1993 (C)

1. (U) Enclosure (1) is submitted in accordance with reference (a).

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SHIP'S HISTORY 1993

1. Command Composition and Organization.

a. *USS McClusky* (FFG-41), a third flight Oliver Hazard Perry class guided missile frigate, is named after Rear Admiral Wade McClusky, a hero of the battle of Midway. Her primary mission is general escort duty of convoys, amphibious task forces, underway replenishment groups, and carrier battle groups, defending high value units against subsurface, surface and low level air threats. With her embarked air wing, two SH-60B helicopters, the LAMPS MK III team provides unprecedented capabilities in over-the-horizon surface detection, surveillance, and engagement of hostile warships and submarines.

b. *McClusky* is a member of Destroyer Squadron Fifteen, commanded by Captain Cyrus H. Butt, IV.

c. *McClusky's* Commanding Officer throughout the 1993 Calendar Year was Commander Ronald L. Chapman, who assumed command of *USS McClusky* on 24 April 1992.

d. *USS McClusky* is a member of the Overseas Family Residency Program at United States Fleet Activities Yokosuka, Japan.

e. *USS McClusky* deployed with HSL-51 Detachment, SH-60B HellFire 00 from 25 January through 25 March and Hellfire 02 from 17 Nov through the end of the year.

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2. Chronology

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Event/Evolution</u>
01 - 04 Jan 93	Holiday Upkeep, Yokosuka, Japan
01 - 24 Feb	Assigned to TG 075.2
09 Jan	DESRON FIFTEEN Chili Cook-off, Yokosuka
13 Jan	Fast Cruise
14 - 15 Jan	Underway, Type Training, Philippine Sea
24 - 25 Jan	Aviation Certification
25 Jan - 25 Mar	Embark/Debarck HSL 51 Helo Detachment
26 Jan	DESRON FIFTEEN Damage Control/Seamanship Olympics, Yokosuka
27 - 28 Jan	Underway, Enroute Sasebo, Japan w/US <i>S Thach</i>
29 Jan	Inport Sasebo
01 - 06 Feb	Underway, ASWEX 93-1JA, Philippine Sea w/US <i>S Thach</i> and JMSDF
07 Feb	Inport Okinawa, Japan
08 - 13 Feb	Underway, Enroute Singapore
14 - 17 Feb	Inport Singapore (Sembawang)
16 - 24 Feb	Underway, Philippine Sea
25 Feb - 24 Mar	Assigned to TG 70.1
25 Feb	Inport Okinawa
26 Feb	MISSILEX w/US <i>S Thach</i> , US <i>S Bunker Hill</i>
27 Feb	Inport Okinawa
28 Feb	Support ATF Port Breakout, Okinawa
28 Feb - 02 Mar	Underway, Escort ATF, TEAM SPIRIT '93, Enroute Pohang, Korea
03 Mar	Detach from ATF, Enroute Sasebo
03 Mar	Inport Sasebo
03 - 05 Mar	Underway, Enroute Yokosuka
06 Mar - 11 Apr	Upkeep, Inport Yokosuka
23 Mar	Ship Tour for Japanese-American Wives Club
25 -31 Mar	Assigned to TG 75.2
25 - 31 Mar	Command Assessment and Readiness Training (CART) Phase I
01 Apr	Anchored, Yokosuka Bay, Ammo Offload
01 - 11 Apr	Install Chemical Agent Point Detection System (CAPDS)
05 - 09 Apr	Combat Systems Operational Sequencing System (CSOSS) Implementation
08 Apr	Defueling
12 Apr - 27 Jul	Dry Dock Selected Restricted Availability (DSRA 5), Inport Yokosuka
12 Apr - 13 Aug	Integrated Logistics Review/Overhaul (ILO)
16 Apr	DESRON FIFTEEN Damage Control Olympics, Yokosuka
22 Apr	Berth Shift to Dry Dock 4, Yokosuka
25 Apr	McClusky sponsor for US <i>S Hewitt</i> return from deployment
21 May	Wive's Club Hotdog Sale on pier
04 Jun	Award's Ceremony
25 Jun	Ship's Picnic
29 Jun	Captain Butt visit

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02 Jul	COMDESRON FIFTEEN Change of Command
02 Jul	Crew moves back on board from Berthing Barge
12 - 14 Jul	Refueling
14 Jul	Battle Force Inport Training (BFIT)
19 - 23 Jul	Aviation Certification
21 Jul	Fast Cruise
22 Jul	Dock Trials
23 Jul	Anchored, Yokosuka Bay, Ammo Onload
23 - 24 Jul	Sea Trials
30 Jul	Wardroom climbs Mt. Fuji
30 Jul - 01 Aug	Upkeep, Yokosuka
05 - 06 Aug	Underway, Type Training, Philippine Sea
05 Aug	Navigation Checkride by COMDESRON FIFTEEN
05 Aug	TACAN Certification
07 - 16 Aug	Upkeep, Yokosuka
09 - 13 Aug	CART Phase II
09 - 13 Aug	<i>Independence</i> Battle Group Damage Control Olympics
11 Aug	BFIT
12 - 18 Aug	Weapon System Alignment Test (WSAT)
12 - 20 Aug	Combat Systems Readiness Review (CSRR)
17 - 18 Aug	Underway, Philippine Sea, for WSAT
19 - 20 Aug	Underway, Philippine Sea, for CSRR
21 Aug - 03 Sep	Embark Female Sailors (1 CPO, 10 ENL)
21 Aug - 02 Sep	Underway, Total Ship Training Availability (TSTA) Phase I
24 - 26 Aug	Inport Pusan, Korea
27 - 28 Aug	Underway, Enroute Beppu, Japan
29 - 31 Aug	Inport Beppu
01 - 02 Sep	Underway, Enroute Yokosuka
03 - 06 Sep	Upkeep, Yokosuka
08 - 19 Sep	SLQ-32A Upgrade Installation
11 Sep	Underway, Friendship Cruise w/ <i>USS Independence</i>
16 Sep	Commodore Butt Visit for lunch
17 Sep	Awards Ceremony
21 - 30 Sep	Underway w/ <i>USS Independence</i> , Carrier Quals
22 - 30 Sep	TSTA Phase II
26 Sep	MISSILEX, Okinawa Operation Area
29 Sep - 12 Oct	Underway, ANNUALEX 05JX (MAREX 05JX)
07 Oct	MEDEVAC via JMSDF flying boat
13 Oct	Underway, Enroute Yokosuka
14 Oct - 16 Nov	Upkeep, Yokosuka, POM
25 Oct - 15 Nov	COMDESRON FIFTEEN Embarked
01 Nov	Visit, Board, Search Ship (VBSS) Training
03 Nov	BFIT
03 Nov	Captain Andrew (SC) visit with CO
06 Nov	DESRON FIFTEEN Chili Cook-off
10 Nov	BFIT
17 Nov	Underway, Indian Ocean/Arabian Gulf Deployment w/ <i>USS Independence</i> Carrier Battle Group
17 - 19 Nov	<i>Independence</i> Carrier Qualifications, Plane Guard Duties
17 - 27 Nov	TSTA Phase III, South China Sea

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21 Nov	Fueling At Sea (FAS) w/ <i>USNS Pecos</i>
22 - 25 Nov	FEP
22 Nov	Freedom of Navigation Exercise w/ <i>USS Curts</i> and <i>USS Helena</i>
24 Nov	San Bernadino Strait Transit
25 Nov	FAS w/ <i>USNS Pecos</i>
28 Nov	Detach CVBG, Enroute Pattaya, Thailand
28 Nov	Passing Exercise w/Royal Thai Navy
29 Nov - 03 Dec	Anchored Pattaya
04 - 13 Dec	Underway South China Sea/Indian Ocean, Enroute Arabian Gulf
04 Dec	Replenishment at Sea (RAS) w/ <i>USS Niagara</i> <i>Falls</i>
06 Dec	Malacca Straits Transit
10 Dec	McClusky's 10th Anniversary of Commissioned Service, COMDESRON FIFTEEN visit
14 Dec	INCHOP NAVCENT AOR
16 - 17 Dec	Straits of Hormuz Transit
18 Dec	Inport Bahrain; COMUSNAVCENT, VADM Katz visit
19 - 22 Dec	Underway, Maritime Interdiction Operations (MIO), Operation Southern Watch, Northern Arabian Gulf (NAG)
22 Dec	CNO visit, ADM Kelso
23 Dec	Enroute Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE)
24 - 28 Dec	Upkeep Dubai
29 Dec	Underway, Enroute NAG
30 - 31 Dec	MIO, Southern Watch, NAG

### 3. Narrative

a. *USS McClusky* began the new year in a holiday leave and upkeep period, but kept busy with formal holiday functions and training evolutions, including unions with their JMSDF Sister Ship, the first annual DESRON FIFTEEN wardroom chili cook-off, and Damage Control/Seamanship Olympics, in which *McClusky* was the lead coordinator. Supporting Document (1) is a newspaper article covering the competition between ships in events based on Damage Control and Seamanship skills.

*McClusky* had a busy underway schedule through the months of February and March, participating in ASWEX 93-1JA with *USS Thach* and ships from the Japanese Maritime Self Defense Force (JMSDF.) Additionally *McClusky* participated in TEAM SPIRIT with the South Koreans and a U.S. Amphibious Task Force consisting of Seventh Fleet ships from Sasebo, Japan. A Missile Exercise was also scheduled with the *USS Thach* and *USS Bunker Hill*, however *McClusky* did not participate as a shooter due to a brief malfunction of *McClusky's* MK-13 Launcher.

Throughout the summer, *McClusky* was moored in Yokosuka, Japan for DSRA 5. Much of this time was spent high and dry in Dry Dock 4. The work completed included a major structural reinforcement job, removal and cleaning of the shaft and screw, modifications to the 400Hz Cooling System, installation of a new paper shredder and various improvements to the crews complexes.

The months of July and August were filled with various

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inspections, which tested equipment after the prolonged dry dock period in preparation for an upcoming deployment to the Arabian Gulf with the *USS Independence* Carrier Battle Group. Included in these inspections, was a simultaneous Weapons System Alignment Test (WSAT) and Combat Systems Readiness Review (CSRR). This was the first time these inspections were successfully conducted simultaneously.

With the changing role of women in the Navy, *McClusky* embarked one female Chief Petty Officer and 10 female Enlisted personnel of various rates for a two week period in the Fall. The purpose of this evolution was to give women the opportunity to experience life on board a combatant ship and to provide input for the feasibility of permanent assignment of women to a FFG 7 class ship. While on board, the women witnessed a Total Ship Training Availability and accompanied the *McClusky* on port visits to Pusan, Korea and Beppu, Japan. The trip to Beppu was also an important Show-the-Flag visit, as the community was interested in developing future business relations with corporations from the United States. Supporting Documents (2) - (4) include the schedule of events for the Beppu port visits and messages commending *USS McClusky* and *USS Fife* for their outstanding performance.

Throughout the month of September, *McClusky* was underway with *USS Independence* conducting training in preparation for the deployment in November. This period included another Missile Exercise in which *McClusky* successfully detected, tracked and engaged an air-launched target. The underway training was concluded with ANNUALEX 93 (MAREX) with ships of the JMSDF. Supporting Document (5) is a message commending *McClusky* on her performance during these operations.

Following a one month upkeep period in Yokosuka, during which *McClusky* received a shipalt replacing its Motor Whale Boat (MWB) with a Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat (RHIB). *McClusky* embarked HSL 51 Det 5 with one Lamps Mark III helicopter and deployed with the *USS Independence* Carrier Battle Group on 17 November, bound for the Indian Ocean and Arabian Gulf. *USS McClusky*, *USS Curts* and *USS Niagara Falls* made a five day port call in Pattaya, Thailand in early December, just prior to reporting to the NAVCENT Area of Responsibility on 17 December.

On 10 December, *McClusky* welcomed Commodore Cyrus H. Butt IV, Commander Destroyer Squadron Fifteen on board to celebrate *McClusky's* 10th year of commissioned service. Supporting Documents (14) and (15) include some facts concerning *McClusky's* proud history.

Upon reaching the Arabian Gulf, *McClusky* made a brief stop in Bahrain, receiving a Mast Mounted Sight and Stinger Missile Detachment. *McClusky* then proceeded to the Northern Arabian Gulf (NAG) where it conducted Maritime Interdiction Operations in support of Operation Southern Watch.

While underway, ADM Frank Kelso, Chief of Naval Operations, paid *McClusky* a visit to show his support and concern for the job being done. His visit included a reenlistment ceremony for DC3 Whittle and the presentation of plaques to the Senior and Junior Sailor of the Year followed by a brief tour of the ship and a question and answer session with the crew. *McClusky* closed out the

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year with a brief stop during the Christmas Season in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

#### 4. Supporting Documents

1. *Seahawk* article dated 23APR93 covering DESRON FIFTEEN Damage Control Olympics.
2. Schedule of Events for port visit to Beppu, Japan.
3. Routine Message from COMNAVSURFPAC dtg 132202ZSEP93, commending *USS McClusky* and *USS Fife* for Beppu port visit.
4. Routine Message from USCINCPACFLT dtg 132200ZSEP93, commending *USS McClusky* and *USS Fife* for Beppu port visit.
5. Routine Message form COMDESRON FIFTEEN dtg 121605ZOCT93, commending *USS McClusky* and embarked helo detachment for MAREX.
6. Proposed Press Release Message from COMCARGRU FIVE, DTG 152300ZNOV93, covering *USS Independence* Battle Group underway for deployment.
7. *Pacific Stars and Stripes* article dated 18NOV93 covering *USS Independence* Battle Group underway for deployment
8. Priority Message from CTG SEVEN ZERO PT ONE dtg 091100ZNOV93, Schedule of Events for *USS Independence* Carrier Battle Group from 17-19 November 1993.
9. Priority Message from CTG SEVEN ZERO PT ONE dtg 091110ZNOV93, Schedule of Events for *USS Independence* Carrier Battle Group from 20-23 December 1993.
10. Priority Message from CTG SEVEN ZERO PT ONE dtg 091120ZNOV93, Schedule of Events for *USS Independence* Carrier Battle Group from 24-06 December 1993.
11. Priority Message from CTG SEVEN ZERO PT ONE dtg 301500ZNOV93, Schedule of Events for *USS Independence* Carrier Battle Group from 07-12 December 1993.
12. Priority Message from CTG SEVEN ZERO PT ONE dtg 301502ZNOV93, Schedule of Events for *USS Independence* Carrier Battle Group from 12-17 December 1993.
13. Routine Message from COMDESRON FIFTEEN dtg 300545ZJAN94, Final FEP Report on *USS McClusky*.
14. Proposed Press Release for *McClusky's* 10th year of commissioned service and distribution of Project Handclasp material in Pattaya, Thailand.

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