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COMMAND HISTORY FOR USS MEMPHIS (SSN 691)

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(1) 1990 Command History for USS Memphis (SSN 691)

1. Enclosure (1) is forwarded in accordance with reference (a).

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## Part 1 - Command Composition and Organization

USS Memphis (SSN 691) is a nuclear powered, Los Angeles Class attack submarine whose primary mission is anti-submarine warfare (ASW). She is homeported in Norfolk, Virginia, and supports the following operational Chain of Command: Commander Submarine Squadron EIGHT, Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet and Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, USS Memphis (SSN 691) reports administratively to Commander, Submarine Group SIX via Commander, Submarine Squadron EIGHT.

Commander John F. Dohse, USN, is the Commanding Officer. Commander Dohse's biography is attached as TAB A.

## Part II - Chronology

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01 JAN - 03 JAN
                  Holiday Standdown, Norfolk, VA
04 JAN - 12 JAN
                  Submarine Extended Operating Cycle Acoustic Trials, Exuma
                  Sound, Bahamas
13 JAN - 21 JAN
                  Inport Tactical Training, Norfolk, VA
22 JAN - 07 FEB
                  ISE, ASW exercises and Tactical Readiness Evaluation
07 FEB - 12 FEB
                  Inport, Fort Lauderdale, FL
13 FEB - 02 MAR
                  ASW Services
03 MAR - 12 MAR
                  Upkeep, Norfolk, VA
13 MAR - 29 MAR
                  ASW Services
30 MAR - 31 MAR
                  Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination
01 APR - 22 APR
                  Upkeep, Norfolk, VA
23 APR - 06 MAY
                  Preservation Upkeep, Norfolk, VA
07 MAY - 04 JUN
                  Upkeep, Norfolk, VA
05 JUN - 09 JUN
                  At Sea Project Testing and Transit
10 JUN - 11 JUN
                  Inport Port Canaveral, Florida
12 JUN - 21 JUN
                  Fleetex 1-90
22 JUN - 24 JUN
                  Inport, Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
25 JUN - 29 JUN
                  Transit
30 JUN - 14 AUG
                  Predeployment Upkeep, Norfolk, VA
15 AUG - 17 AUG
                  Pre-overseas Movement Certification
18 AUG - 22 AUG
                  Inport, Norfolk, VA
23 AUG - 05 SEP
                  ASW Services
06 SEP - 19 SEP
                  Nato Exercise Teamwork 90
20 Sep - 24 SEP
                  Inport, Holy Loch, Scotland
25 SEP - 07 NOV
                  Atlantic Ocean deployment
08 NOV - 14 NOV
                  Inport, Halifax, Nova Scotia
15 NOV - 20 NOV
                  ASW Services
21 NOV - 02 DEC
                  Post deployment standdown, Norfolk, VA
03 DEC - 22 DEC
                  Upkeep, Norfolk, VA
23 DEC - 31 DEC
                  Holiday Shutdown, Norfolk, VA
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## Part III - Narrative

The year 1990, started with the USS Memphis (SSN 691) in Norfolk, Virginia, finishing her holiday standdown preparing for the upcoming Tactical Readiness and Operational Reactor Safeguard examinations. After the holiday standdown, MEMPHIS spent a week at Exuma Sound, Bahamas, undergoing sound trials followed by inport training, ASW exercises, and independent steaming.

April and May consisted of upkeeps and a preservation upkeep, a newly developed idea to ensure submarines are given the time and tools solely dedicated to preserving the ship's bilge areas.

The months of June saw USS MEMPHIS (SSN 691) conducting some research and development testing and participation in Fleet Exercise 1-90, including port calls in Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico and Cape Canaveral, Florida.

A predeployment upkeep and Pre-overseas Movement Certification was Conducted in July to mid-August. On 23 August MEMPHIS departed Norfolk for an Atlantic Ocean deployment. On the way the ship participated in Nato Exercise Teamwork 90 and had a short port call in Holy Loch, Scotland.

Returning from the Atlantic deployment MEMPHIS spent a week in Halifax, Nova Scotia in early November and subsequently transited to homeport arriving 20 November, providing ASW Services along the way. The remainder of 1990 was spent in upkeep and holiday standdown.