

## COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

USS MICHIGAN (SSGN 727)

UIC: 35955 and 35956

1. Mission. The SSGN 726 class submarine will have the capability of serving multiple types of missions in the near future. Possibilities include:

a. Deterrence. Large volume TLAM strike capability could deter hostile actions by potential adversaries.

b. Sustained Special Forces operations, to include insertion, extraction, and support of Special Forces.

c. Command and Control Center for mission planning and execution.

d. Capacity to conduct intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance and targeting missions; anti-submarine warfare; anti-surface warfare and mine warfare.

2. Organizational Structure. USS MICHIGAN (SSGN 727), the second in the Ohio Class of nuclear strategic ballistic missile submarines, is in the process of being converted to a SSGN 727, Guided Missile Submarine at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard. In 2004, USS MICHIGAN (SSGN 727) was commanded by CDR Thomas M. Calabrese until he was relieved on June 25<sup>th</sup> by CDR Terry R. Takats.

## CHRONOLOGY

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
01JAN04 - 02FEB04	Strategic Weapons Offload at Weapons Handling Facility, Bangor WA
30JAN04	Date Officially designated Guided Missile Submarine (SSGN 727)
02FEB04	Relocated to Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Bremerton WA for conversion to Guided Missile Submarine
25JUN04	Change of Command, CDR Calabrese properly relieved by CDR Takats
31DEC04	Puget Sound Naval Shipyard

## **NARRATIVE**

No narrative is provided. The events listed in the chronology need no further amplification.

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

USS MICHIGAN (SSGN 727) is the third Trident Class Nuclear Powered Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine to be converted into a Guided Missile Submarine. Built originally by Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics Corporation in Groton, Connecticut, the keel was laid on 4 April 1977. MICHIGAN was commissioned on 11 September 1982 and is the third United States Navy vessel to bear the name of the State. MICHIGAN arrived in Bangor, WA on 16 March 1983 and completed 67 Strategic Deterrent Patrols prior to conversion.

With a changing mission, USS MICHIGAN (SSGN 727) has adopted a dynamic new ship's patch (this is not the ship's official crest), representative of future operations:

