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Command History for 2000**

I. Command Composition and Organization:

Ship's Mission:

USS MINNEAPOLIS – SAINT PAUL's primary mission is to hunt down and destroy enemy surface ships and submarines. With the advent of the Tomahawk cruise missile, the ship is capable of tactical strike against land-based targets. Secondary missions include: coastal surveillance and Special Forces insertion.

Immediate Senior Command

Commander, Submarine Squadron SIX

Commanding Officer

Commander John A. Ferrer
(1 January – 31 December 2000)

Executive Officers

Lieutenant Commander Brent R. Clarke
(1 January- 31 December 2000)

II. Chronology:

Jan-Apr	Mediterranean Sea Deployment
Apr-June	Eastern Pacific Ocean Deployment
July	Post-Deployment Stand-down
Aug	FMA Upkeep
Sept-Oct	At sea refresher training
Nov	Nuclear Weapons Certification
Dec	Holiday Stand-down

III. Narrative

The USS Minneapolis-Saint Paul (SSN 708) spent the first four months of 2000 conducting a national level mission and several NATO exercises in the Mediterranean Sea. During that time, the ship made port visits to LaMaddalena, Italy; Souda Bay, Crete; Haifa, Israel; Izmir, Turkey and Anyalya, Turkey.

During the month of April, the ship left the Mediterranean Sea for a mid-deployment port visit to Port Canaveral, Florida. Following the visit, USS Minneapolis-Saint Paul transited the Panama Canal to commence operations in the eastern Pacific Ocean.

After an enjoyable and productive deployment, the ship returned to its homeport of Norfolk, Virginia in June. The crew then spent a well-deserved, post-deployment stand-down with both family and friends.

After an upkeep period in the month of August, the ship conducted several local operations underway in the eastern Atlantic Ocean. The experience and training of the crew allowed the command to close out the year by attaining a Nuclear Weapons Certification.

IV. Supporting Documents:

- a. Commanding Officer Biography
- b. Executive Officer Biography