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1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1) through (6) are submitted as USS MONTEREY's 1992 command history.


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COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

MISSION: USS MONTEREY is designed to provide anti-air, anti-surface, anti-submarine, and strike warfare support for the U. S. Navy in a multi-threat environment.

IMMEDIATE SUPERIOR IN COMMAND: RADM Cebrowski, Commander Carrier Group SIX

COMMANDING OFFICER: Captain John B. Foley III, USN

HOMEPORT: Naval Station, Mayport, Florida

1992 CHRONOLOGY

Jan 01-03 Inport - Barcelona, Spain with COMDESRON
FOURTEEN embarked

Jan 04-08 Underway for Maritime Action Group
ENCOUNTEREX with USS AMERICA CVBG

Jan 08 Arrived Augusta Bay, Sicily to pick up
supplies and U. S. Navy Special Warfare
personnel for upcoming exercise

Jan 08-09 Underway for Special Warfare exercise

Jan 10 Arrived Souda Bay, Crete to debark exercise
participants

Jan 10-11 Underway enroute Haifa, Israel

Jan 12-19 Inport Haifa, Israel

Jan 20-22 Underway from Haifa, Israel for exercise
Noble Dina Seven

Jan 22-23 Inport Haifa, Israel for post-exercise
debriefs

Jan 24-29 Underway for Combined Air Defense Exercise
with U. S. Navy units and NATO shore stations

Jan 25 Super Bowl shown on SITE TV live via
INMARSAT

Jan 30-Feb 02 Inport Taranto, Italy

Feb 03-04 Underway for Exercise Mare Aperto with the
Italian Navy

Feb 05-11 Inport Naples, Italy for Intermediate
Maintenance Availability with the USS SIERRA

Feb 07 COMDESRON FOURTEEN debarked

Feb 12-13 Underway for Cagliari, Sicily

Feb 14-15 Inport Cagliari, Sicily for coordinated port
visit with USS SUNFISH

Feb 16-20 Underway for exercise Arethusa with Italian
Navy

Feb 21 Inport Augusta Bay, Sicily

Feb 22-23 Underway enroute to Thessaloniki, Greece

Feb 24-26 Inport Thessaloniki, Greece for a goodwill port visit

Feb 27-28 Underway for Varna, Bulgaria

Feb 29-Mar 04 Inport Varna, Bulgaria for goodwill port visit as the THIRD U. S. Navy warship to visit BULGARIA

Mar 05 Underway for at sea maneuvering drills with Bulgarian Navy while enroute to Eregli, Turkey

Mar 06-08 Inport Eregli, Turkey for a goodwill visit

Mar 09-10 Underway enroute to Constanta, Romania

Mar 11-15 Inport Constanta, Romania for goodwill visit

Mar 16-23 Underway for exercise Distant Thunder 92 with the Spanish, Turkish, and Royal Navies

Mar 24-31 Inport Haifa, Israel for Restricted Maintenance Availability

Mar 29 VADM W. A. Owens, COMSIXTHFLT, embarked with a 28 man Army, Navy, and Air Force Staff including BGEN James Mathers (Commanding General, Provide Comfort) for the first Joint Task Force Operation at sea in the European Theater, Exercise Juniper Falconry II

Apr 01-03 Underway for Joint Exercise Juniper Falconry II

Apr 03-04 Inport Haifa, Israel

Apr 05-07 Underway for Joint Exercise Juniper Falconry II

Apr 07-09 Inport Haifa, Israel for exercise debriefs and to debark Joint Task Force

Apr 09-13 Underway for ENCOUNTEREX between French Carrier FOCH and Mediterranean Maritime Action Group

Apr 14-17 Underway enroute Trieste, Italy.

Apr 18-23 Inport Trieste, Italy for goodwill visit

Apr 24-29 Underway for Engineering Mobile Training Team Visit and Sea Control Exercise with the Italian Navy

Apr 30-May 03	Inport Bizerte, Tunisia for goodwill visit
May 04-05	Underway for PASSEX with Tunisian Navy
May 06	Inport Augusta Bay for exercise Dragon Hammer inbriefs
May 06-20	Underway for multinational exercise Dragon Hammer
May 20	Transit Straits of Gibraltar and arrive in Rota, Spain to embark Propulsion Examining Board
May 20-23	Underway for OPPE and Atlantic Transit
May 24-27	Underway enroute Bermuda
May 28	Anchored off Bermuda to embark guests for Tiger Cruise
May 28-31	Underway enroute to Mayport, Florida
June 01	Arrive Mayport, Florida to celebrate successful completion of MED 1-92
June 01-30	Inport Mayport, Florida for Post Deployment Standdown
June 12-28	Commander Carrier Group SIX, RADM Davis embarked
June 29-12 July	Inport Mayport, Florida for Intermediate Maintenance Activity Availability with the USS YOSEMITE
July 02	CAPT John B. Foley III, USN relieves CAPT Joel B. Heaton, USN aboard USS MONTEREY
July 13-14	Underway enroute Yorktown, Virginia for Ammunition offload
July 15-16	Inport Yorktown, Virginia for Ammunition offload
July 17-20	Underway enroute Mayport, Florida to embark guests for Dependents' Cruise.
July 20	Underway for Dependents' Cruise.
July 20-09 August	Inport Mayport, Florida
August 08	MONTEREY hosts SECNAV Guests of the Navy Tour

August 10-07 Oct	Inport Mayport, Florida for Selected Restrictive Availability
Oct 08	Underway for Post SRA Sea Trials
Oct 09-18	Inport Mayport, Florida
Oct 14-16	TRE/CART II
Oct 19	Underway for Charleston, SC for Ammunition onload
Oct 20-22	Inport Charleston, SC for Ammunition onload
Oct 23	Underway for Mayport, Florida
Oct 23-01 November	Inport Mayport, Florida
Oct 29	Commander Carrier Group SIX change of command ceremony aboard USS MONTEREY: RADM Cebrowski relieves RADM Davis
Nov 02-06	Underway for Engineering Tailored Ship Training Availability I and SQQ-89 Training
Nov 07-26	Inport Mayport, Florida for ship wide TSTA I training
Nov 25	Embark HSL-46 Detachment 9
Nov 27-29	Underway enroute Guantanamo Bay, Cuba for Limited Team Training
Nov 30-Dec 11	Limited Team Training at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
Dec 11-13	Underway enroute Mayport, Florida
Dec 13-31	Inport Mayport, Florida
Dec 18	Commence Christmas Leave period

NARRATIVE

USS MONTEREY concluded her Holiday port visit to Barcelona, Spain on 4 January 1992. With COMDESRON FOURTEEN embarked, she commenced a rapid-fire succession of U. S. Navy and Joint/NATO exercises designed to test her in all warfare areas and NATO interoperability. These exercises included a Maritime Action Group ENCOUNTEREX with the USS AMERICA Carrier Battle Group, a SEAL Team interoperability exercise, an anti-submarine/anti-surface warfare exercise, and a Combined Air Defense Exercise. Included in this grueling schedule was a liberty port visit to Haifa, Israel, where the crew toured the wonders of the Holy Land. Furthermore, Super Bowl Sunday was enjoyed by all hands courtesy of a live INMARSAT broadcast.

February began with an all warfare area exercise with the Italian Navy. At the conclusion of the exercise, the MONTEREY commenced an IMAV with the USS SIERRA in Naples, Italy. There, the crew was treated to tours of Rome and Pompeii. After debarking COMDESRON FOURTEEN, MONTEREY got underway for Cagliari, Sicily where she participated in a coordinated port visit with the USS SUNFISH. MONTEREY then got underway for an anti-submarine warfare exercise with the Italian Navy. At the conclusion of this exercise, she made a goodwill visit to Thessaloniki, Greece where the crew entertained the U. S. Ambassador and Greek officials.

On 27 February, MONTEREY began a historic transit to Varna, Bulgaria. On 29 February, she became the THIRD U. S. Navy warship to visit Bulgaria. VADM E. J. Clexton, Deputy CINCUSNAVEUR,

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arrived via embarked HSL 46 DET 9 SH-60B Helo prior to entering port in the FIRST U. S. Navy helo operation in Bulgarian airspace. The crew was treated to a warm greeting by the Bulgarian people. Five thousand Bulgarians toured the ship including the Minister of Defense, Naval Chief of Staff, and many other senior Bulgarian military and civilian officials. The port visit ended with at sea maneuvering drills with the Bulgarian Navy as MONTEREY departed for Eregli, Turkey on 5 March.

A brief visit was made to Eregli, Turkey where MONTEREY entertained the Turkish Commander of the Black Sea Region, Mayor of Eregli, and the Provincial Governor. On 9 March, MONTEREY departed for Constanta, Romania. MONTEREY was greeted warmly in Constanta. Approximately five thousand people toured the ship including the Romanian Naval Chief of Staff and many other senior military and civilian officials.

March continued with exercise Distant Thunder 92, an all warfare area exercise with participants from Spain, the United Kingdom, and Turkey. Following the exercise, MONTEREY commenced a Restricted Maintenance Availability in Haifa, Israel. On 29 March, VADM W. A. Owens, COMSIXTHFLT, embarked aboard MONTEREY with a Joint Task Force of Army, Navy, and Air Force officers for exercise Juniper Falconry II.

April began with Juniper Falconry II where MONTEREY participated as the Flag Ship for the first Joint Task Force at sea in the European Theater. Following the exercise, MONTEREY participated in an ENCOUNTEREX with the French carrier FOCH. On 18

April, MONTEREY arrived in Trieste, Italy as the first U. S. Navy ship to operate in the Adriatic Sea in over one year. April ended with MONTEREY participating in Engineering Mobile Training Team Visit and a Sea Control exercise with the Italian Navy as MONTEREY transitted to Bizzerte, Tunisia.

After a brief visit to Tunisia, MONTEREY participated in a PASSEX with the Tunisian Navy. Following the exercise, MONTEREY transited to Augusta Bay Italy for exercise Dragon Hammer. From 6 May to 20 May, MONTEREY participated in this Joint/Multi-national exercise which tested the ship in all warfare areas as well as Joint U. S. and NATO interoperability. May ended with a successful Operational Propulsion Plant Examination resulting in a two year certification and the long awaited transit home.

After embarking guests in Bermuda for the Tiger Cruise, MONTEREY continued home. As the COUNTDOWN continued, the crew and Tigers celebrated with Steel Beach Parties. Finally, on 1 June 1992, MONTEREY arrived in Mayport, Florida after a safe and successful, six month maiden deployment.

June continued relatively uneventfully as the crew enjoyed a much deserved leave and standdown period. Commander Carrier Group SIX embarked from 12-28 June. MONTEREY ended the month with a brief Intermediate Maintenance Availability with the USS YOSEMITE.

July began with the Change of Command Ceremony. On 2 July 1992, CAPT John B. Foley III, USN relieved CAPT Joel B. Heaton, USN in an emotion filled ceremony aboard USS MONTEREY. The crew bid a heart-felt farewell to their Commissioning Commanding Officer and

a hearty hail to their new Captain.

July continued with a transit to Yorktown, Virginia for an ammunition offload in preparation for the upcoming Selected Restrictive Availability. At the end of the offload, a Dependents' Cruise was held off of Mayport, Florida.

In August and September MONTEREY was "rebuilt" during a Selected Restrictive Availability. CAPT Foley led the crew through this difficult time with his battle cry, "Don't give up the ship!" Slowly, the crew reclaimed the ship, space by space, from the civilian contractors.

October began with the conclusion of SRA. After a satisfactory sea trial, MONTEREY's crew accepted the ship back from the contractors. After a successful TRE/CART II where the ship was evaluated for the upcoming Tailored Ship Training Availability, MONTEREY got underway for Charleston, SC for an ammunition onload. October ended with the grand Change of Command Ceremony for Commander Carrier Group SIX onboard MONTEREY when RADM Cebrowski relieved RADM Davis.

In November, MONTEREY commenced her Tailored Ship Training Availability. Events included at sea SQQ-89 anti-submarine warfare and Engineering training. The month ended with the embarking of HSL-46 Det 9 and a transit to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba for Limited Team Training.

In December, the crew was trained in Navigation and Damage Control by Fleet Training Group GITMO. The training was rigorous,

but as usual, the "Rough and Ready" crew of MONTEREY excelled in all areas of training. December ended with a long awaited transit home and a much deserved Holiday leave period.