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From: Commanding Officer, USS MOUNT WHITNEY (LCC 20)
To: Director of Naval History (OP-09BH)

Subj: COMMAND HISTORY 1994 (OPNAV REPORT 5720-1)

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12E

Encl: (1) Command Organization
(2) Chronology
(3) Narrative of Significant Events
(4) Supporting Documents

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1) through (4) are submitted.

G. R. KENDALL

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I. COMMAND COMPOSITION/ORGANIZATION

- A. MISSION: THE MISSION OF MOUNT WHITNEY IS TO SERVE AS AN INTEGRATED COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATIONS, COMPUTERS, AND INTELLIGENCE (C4I) COMMAND SHIP CAPABLE OF SUPPORTING JOINT AND COMBINED FORCES WORLDWIDE. THE FOLLOWING INTERNAL ORGANIZATIONS SPECIFICALLY SUPPORT JOINT/COMBINED TASK FORCE OPERATIONS:
- JOINT OPERATIONS CENTER
 - JOINT INTELLIGENCE CENTER
 - JOINT MESSAGE CENTER
 - JOINT TARGETING CONTROL BOARD (JTTCB)
 - JOINT FORCES FIRE COORDINATOR (JFFC)
 - JOINT FORCES AIR COMPONENT COMMANDER (JFACC)
 - JOINT RESCUE CONTROL CENTER (JRCC)
 - NATIONAL AGENCY SUPPORT TEAMS
 - TAILORED SERVICE COMPONENT COMMANDER STAFFS
- B. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE: SEE ATTACHED
- C. COMMANDING OFFICER: CAPTAIN GENE R. KENDALL
- D. PERMANENT DUTY STATION: NORFOLK, VA.
- E. TYPE AND NUMBER OF ACFT ASSIGNED: SH-3 "SEA KING," ONE
- F. LIST OF SHIP'S OFFICERS: SEE ATTACHED

LIST OF SHIP'S COMPANY OFFICERS

<u>RANK</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>POSITION/DEPARTMENT</u>
CAPT	GENE	KENDALL	COMMANDING OFFICER
CDR	JOE	JONES	EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CDR	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	CHAPLAIN
CDR	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	OPERATIONS OFFICER
LCDR	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	1ST LIEUTENANT
LCDR	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ENGINEERING OFFICER
LCDR	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	DENTAL OFFICER
LCDR	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ELECTRONICS MATERIAL OFFICER
LCDR	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER
LCDR	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SUPPLY OFFICER
LCDR	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SUPPLY
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ENGINEERING
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	DECK
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	OPERATIONS
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SUPPLY
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	COMMUNICATIONS
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	OPERATIONS
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	INTEL
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	OPERATIONS
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	MEDICAL OFFICER
LT	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	NAVIGATOR
LTJG	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SUPPLY
LTJG	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	OPERATIONS
LTJG	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ENGINEERING
LTJG	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	DECK
LTJG	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	DECK
LTJG	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	INTEL
LTJG	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	COMMUNICATIONS
LTJG	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	OPERATIONS
ENS	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	OPERATIONS
ENS	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ENGINEERING
ENS	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	OPERATIONS
ENS	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ENGINEERING
ENS	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	INTEL
ENS	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SUPPLY
ENS	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SECURITY OFFICER
ENS	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ADMIN OFFICER
CWO4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ENGINEERING
CWO4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ENGINEERING
CWO4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	COMMUNICATIONS
CWO3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	OPERATIONS
CWO2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	INTEL

II. CHRONOLOGY 01 JAN 94 - 31 DEC 94

JAN 94

COMPLETED OPERATIONAL TESTING OF PROTOTYPE
SUPPLIED AIR RESPIRATOR FOR TANK/VOID ENTRY FOR
NAVSEA

1 - 4 FEB

MAJOR ENGINEERING UPGRADES

5

OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM FALLON (US ATLANTIC FLEET
TRAINING COMMAND)

11

OFFICIAL VISIT: SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE
PROFESSIONAL STAFF DELEGATION (WITH U.S. AIR
FORCE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS ESCORT), RADM ALLEN
(CCG-4), CANCOMDESRON 1, NAVAL DOCTRINE
COMMAND, RADM MAZACH (CCG-2)

20

OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM FRANKLIN, ROYAL NAVY (ASW
STRIKING FORCE ATLANTIC)

24

OFFICIAL VISIT: SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON
INTELLIGENCE, PROFESSIONAL STAFF DELEGATION,
WITH NAVY OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS ESCORT

25

OFFICIAL VISIT: GENERAL ROYAL AIR FORCE, CINCHAN,
LAND FORCES CENTRAL EUROPE, GENERAL ROYAL ARMY,
VADM ROYAL NAVY

27

OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ALAIN C. BEREAU, FRENCH NAVY
(ASSISTANT FOR OPERATIONS), CECLANT

FEB 94

1

OFFICIAL VISIT: OPERATIONAL TEST & EVALUATION
FORCE

2

OFFICIAL VISIT: VADM FRANOIS D. D'ESCADRE
DERAMOND, FRENCH NAVY (COMMANDER IN CHIEF
ATLANTIC AND PREFET MARITIME), CECLANT

3

OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2)

15

FEMALE INTEGRATION TRAINING

16

OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ALLEN (CCG-4), DESRON-20

17

OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM CEBROWSKI (CCG-6), PHIBRON-
8, USS SHREVEPORT, USS GUADALCANAL

18

FEMALE INTEGRATION TRAINING

Enclosure (2)

22 OFFICIAL VISIT: COMOPTEVFOR, DESRON-32,
 USS BARRY, DESRON-22, USS STUMP,
 USS MISSISSIPPI, USS THOMAS S. GATES, USS SAN
 JACINTO, USS KIDD, DESRON-26, DESRON-2, USS
 SHREVEPORT

24 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM SPANISH NAVY, TRAPAC

26 OFFICIAL VISIT: SIMA NORFOLK

MAR 94

INTEGRATED FEMALES INTO INPORT FIRE PARTIES AND
 REPAIR LOCKERS

1 - 4 TYT, SEA TRIALS IN VACAPES OPAREA

7 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM WRIGHT (CCDG-12)

8 OFFICIAL VISIT: CANADIAN UNDERWATER WARFARE
 CONTROLLERS COURSE

10 - 23 ETG/SAVANNAH, GA

14 FEMALE INTEGRATION TRAINING

16 - 20 **PORT VISIT IN SAVANNAH, GA**

22 - 23 TIGER CRUISE (MOREHEAD CITY)

25 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM STELLA, ARGENTINE NAVY

30 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM CEBROWSKI (CCG-6)

APR 94

8 - 22 **JTG FLEETEX 2-94: GW JTG**

11 - 12 OFFICIAL VISIT: BGEN ALDEN

13 OFFICIAL VISIT: ASST SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (ASN)
 FOR MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS (M&RA),
 ADM MAUZ (CINCLANTFLT)

14 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ALLEN (CCG-4)

16 DRY CLEANING PLANT CLOSED

21 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ALLEN (CCG-4), RADM MAZACH
 (CCG-2), PHIBRON-8, TACTRAGRULANT

24 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2)

25 - 6 MAY **AGILE PROVIDER '94**

27 OFFICIAL VISIT: CTF-145

MAY 94

12 OFFICIAL VISIT: COMMANDANT VENEZUELAN MARINE
CORPS, RADM WRIGHT (CCDG-12)

17 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ALLEN (CCG-4)

23 - 27 NAVY FOOD MANAGEMENT TEAM (NFMT) ASST VISIT

24 OFFICIAL VISIT: SURFPAC, SIMA NORFOLK

26 USS MOUNT WHITNEY'S CHANGE OF COMMAND: CAPT M. P.
BRANCH RELIEVED BY G. R. KENDALL AS COMMANDING
OFFICER OF USS MOUNT WHITNEY
OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2), ADM MILLER
(CINCUSACOM)

31 OFFICIAL VISIT: AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE NAVY

JUN 94

1 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ABBOT (CCG-8), RADM ROYAL
NAVY (DEPUTY SACLANT), PRINCE FELIPE DE BORBON Y
GRECIA (CROWN PRINCE OF SPAIN), RADM LAPOYADE-
DESCHAMPS (CHIEF OF FRENCH MILITARY MISSION),
BGEN KONG (KOREAN NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE), GEN
SIR GARRY JOHNSON (NORWEGIAN ARMY CINCNORTH),
SOLANT

3 CEREMONIAL QUARTERDECK PICTURE BOARD RENOVATION
COMPLETED
OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ABBOT (CCG-8)

6 USS MOUNT WHITNEY ENROUTE NEWPORT, RI

8 - 9 **PORT VISIT: NEWPORT, RI**

11 USS MOUNT WHITNEY RETURNS TO PIER 25 NORFOLK, VA

13 - 16 INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE SURVEY

15 OFFICIAL VISIT: GEN VITALIY RADETSKY (UKRAINE
MINISTER OF DEFENSE), HONORABLE WILLIAM J.
PERRY (SECDEF), ADM MILLER (CINCUSACOM)

20 CSSRT PHASE II
EHF FOT&E
CSMCR PHASE II

20-24 LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT ASSESSMENT (LMA) ASST VISIT

24 RETIREMENT CEREMONY FOR LCDR [REDACTED] (CHENG)

27 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ALLEN (CCG-4)

30 CINCLANTFLT POSTAL AUDIT
OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2)

JUL 94

5-8 CART II

6 DERAT CERTIFICATION
MILSTAR EHF TECH EVAL
PMA WDC INSP
OFFICIAL VISIT: COMNAVBASE NORFOLK, COS
COMSUBLANT, COMSURFLANT, COMNAVAIRLANT

7 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2)

8 TSTA I PLANNING MEETING

12 -18 AUG **OPERATION SUPPORT DEMOCRACY**

12 ENLISTED SCULLERY RENOVATION COMPLETED
OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ALLEN (CCG-4), DESRON-24

15 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ABBOTT (CCG-8)

16 CARIBBEAN SEA CJTF 120 FLAGSHIP TURNOVER

20 COMSECONDFLT CHANGE OF COMMAND ABOARD USS MOUNT
WHITNEY AS VADM WILLIAM J. FLANAGAN, JR. IS
RELIEVED BY VADM JAY L. JOHNSON

22 CDR CURTIS DEPARTED AS XO

AUG 94

7 OFFICIAL VISIT: PHIBRON-4, 24TH MEU

9 OFFICIAL VISIT: DESRON-24

14 OFFICIAL VISIT: PHIBRON-4, 24TH MEU

22 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2)

23 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM ABBOT (CCG-8), RADM GEHMAN
JR. (CCDG-8)

25 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM CEBROWSKI (CCG-6)

28 - 30 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SURVEY

30 DENTAL ASST VISIT

SEP 94

6 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2)

8 FIRST CLASS MESS RENOVATION COMPLETED

8 - 9 **JTFEX 95-1: IKE JTG**

9 OFFICIAL VISIT: USS EISENHOWER, CAG-3, DESRON-32

12 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM WRIGHT (CCDG-12)

14 OFFICIAL VISIT: HONORABLE WILLIAM J. PERRY
(SECDEF), ADM MILLER (CINCUSACOM)

15 - 28 OCT **OPERATION UPHOLD DEMOCRACY**

17 LTG SHELTON (CJTF-180) EMBARKED

18 OFFICIAL VISIT: CFT-165, USS COMFORT

26 OFFICIAL VISIT: CTG-185.1

OCT 94

7 OFFICIAL VISIT: MILITARY SEALIFT COMMAND

10 OFFICIAL VISIT: ADM BOORDA (CNO)

23 USS MOUNT WHITNEY TALENT SHOW

25 LTG SHELTON (CJTF-180) DISEMBARKED
VADM JOHNSON (CTF-185) DISEMBARKED
CCC-27-SF TYCOMMEX (TYPE COMMANDERS COMMUNICATIONS
EXERCISE) WITH AN OVERALL GRADE OF 95%.

NOV 94

1 - 18JAN95 FLAG GALLEY AND UPPER WARDROOM GALLEY RENOVATION

14 - 22 ETG, OPPE PREP

29 - 06 DEC ETG, OPPE PREP

DEC 94

8 MOUNT WHITNEY/COMSECONDFLT CHRISTMAS PARTY

12 - 16 **OPPE**

12 CPG-2 NAVCHECKRIDE WITH GRADE OF OUTSTANDING

14 OFFICIAL VISIT: PEBLANT FOR OPPE

19 OFFICIAL VISIT: RADM PICOTTE (CPG-2)

III. NARRATIVE

MAJOR ENGINEERING UPGRADES, 01 JANUARY - 04 FEBRUARY 1994

Installed new upgraded shore power switchboards with 4800 Amp (2400 each) capability each.

Improved 120 VAC power distribution with FIC/VE new distribution feeders through 13 step-down transformers to 260 new convenience receptacles.

Relocated complete power distribution for SITE TV system.

Relocated tool issue room and renovated Power Shop.

Upgraded power distribution in Joint Intelligence Center.

New refueling probes were installed in the fuel risers increasing MOUNT WHITNEY's capabilities.

COMMUNICATION SYSTEM UPGRADES, 04 JANUARY - 28 FEBRUARY 94

- High level (60 MA) Black DC patch panels replaced by low level (+/-6 volts, negligible amperage) SB-3189 DC patch panels.

- Light-weight, high-frequency antenna system installed.

- AN/USC-38 Extremely High Frequency (EHF) satellite communications system installed.

- Black Single Audio System (SAS) SA-2112(V)7/STQ switch installed.

- Second red SAS SA-2112(V)6/STQ switch installed.

- Computerized communications circuit/equipment status board installed.

PORT VISIT SAVANNAH, GA, 16 - 20 MARCH 1994

MOUNT WHITNEY, along with the oiler, USS SAVANNAH visited Savannah, GA to participate in the annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade and celebration. The Atlantic Fleet Band, Atlantic Express, performed at various downtown locations throughout the week.

COMMUNICATION SYSTEM UPGRADES, 01 - 30 APRIL 94

- Temporary LAMPS van installed and interfaced with TIMEPLEX satellite multiplexing equipment providing Video Tele-Conferencing (VTC) with naval units not equipped with TIMEPLEX.

- All AN/WSC-3 Satellite UHF radios modified for FM VINSON operations.

- Second COMQUEST COM-248 MODEM installed to provide dual channel operation with AN/WSC-6 SHF satellite system.

JTFEX 2-94, VACAPES OPAREA, 6 - 22 APRIL 1994

Approximately 13,000 Sailors, Marines, Airmen and Soldiers from USS GEORGE WASHINGTON JOINT TASK GROUP units participated in the major fleet exercise in the Western Atlantic Ocean. More than 20 Navy ships and nearly 100 aircraft from all services, along with elements of the Army's Special Operations Command units from Fort Benning, GA and the Air Force's 20th Special Operations Squadron based at Hurlburt Field, FL participated in this exercise.

AGILE PROVIDE '94, 25 APRIL - 06 MAY 1994

The Joint/Combined USACOM exercise AGILE PROVIDER '94 included forces from US, France, and Netherlands, and was conducted at various sites in North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Arkansas, and Virginia. The exercise was designed to prepare CONUS-based forces to respond to requirements of geographic Commanders in Chief. CPG-2 embarked.

NAVMACS INSTALLATION, 21 MAY - 09 JULY 94

Message Processing system NAVMACS II installed to replace the NAVMACS V5 system.

PORT VISIT NEWPORT, RI, 7 - 10 JUNE 1994

MOUNT WHITNEY visited Newport, RI to provide an opportunity for students of the College of Naval Warfare, Surface Warfare Officer's School and Senior Enlisted Academy to get a first-hand look at the ship's joint command and control capabilities.

EHF IOCT&E, 01 - 31 JULY 94

Conducted EHF AN/USC-38 Initial Operating Capability Testing and Evaluation (IOCT&E). MOUNT WHITNEY operated as network controller for the test and evaluation, providing critical feedback data to SPACE COMMAND.

OPERATION SUPPORT DEMOCRACY, JOINT HAITIAN OPAREA, 12 JULY - 18 AUGUST 1994

COMSECONDFLT embarked aboard MOUNT WHITNEY departed homeport Norfolk, VA enroute the Caribbean for a rendezvous with the USS WASP to turnover duties as CJTF 120 to RADM Abbot, who was overseeing joint force operations in the Caribbean associated with OPERATION SUPPORT DEMOCRACY.

Installed support power to Army HUMVEE switching unit vehicle for upgraded communications to unit commander on the beach in Haiti during OPERATION SUPPORT DEMOCRACY in preparation for follow-on OPERATION UPHOLD DEMOCRACY.

JTFEX 95-1, VACAPES OPAREA, 08-09 SEPTEMBER 1994

A CINCUSACOM directed exercise and executed by COMSECONDFLT took place during 6 - 24 SEP at various military bases and training ranges on the East Coast from Virginia to Florida. The exercise was designed to train JTF-95 forces in the planning and conduct of joint combat operations, exercise joint relationships, and improve joint operating procedures that support the contingency requirements of the other Unified Commands. More than 13,000 service members representing each branch of the armed forces participated in this exercise.

MOUNT WHITNEY's participation, however, was terminated on 09 SEP due to her participation in OPERATION UPHOLD DEMOCRACY.

OPERATION UPHOLD DEMOCRACY, JOINT HAITIAN OPAREA, 12 SEPTEMBER - 28 OCTOBER 1994

Commander XVIII Airborne Corps and Commander Second Fleet embarked aboard MOUNT WHITNEY departed homeport Norfolk, VA enroute to the Caribbean where it served as flagship for CJTF 180 and CTF 185 respectively in support of UN operation.

Conducted precision anchorage in poorly charted waters in Port-au-Prince Harbor, Haiti in support of OPERATION UPHOLD DEMOCRACY. Remained at anchor for 37 days.

Received USNS LEROY GRUMMAN alongside and refueled while at anchor. This was first in MOUNT WHITNEY's history.

Provided all C4I for CJTF 180 and CTF 185. VTC was conducted with all echelons of the national chain of command including President Bill Clinton.

Joint operational employment of the EHF satellite system was used for the first time.

OPPE, 12-16 DECEMBER 1994

Passed with an overall grade of GOOD and a grade of EXCELLENT in training. First EXCELLENT ever graded by LANTFLT PEB since the program incorporated its current grading system.