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USS PHILADELPHIA (SSN 690) FPO AE 09582-2370



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To:

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COMMAND HISTORY FOR CY-1999

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(a) OPNAVINST 5750.12E

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(1) Command History for USS PHILADELPHIA (SSN 690)

1. Enclosure (1) is submitted per reference (a).

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USS PHILADELPHIA (SSN-690) 1999 Command History (01 Jan-31 Dec)

Part 1. Command Composition and Organization

A. MISSION: To provide Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW), Anti-Surface Warfare (ASUW), Strike Warfare, and support Special Operations Forces (SOF) support for the U.S. Submarine Force. USS PHILADELPHIA is equipped to carry MK-48 ASW/ASUW torpedoes, Harpoon missiles, and all variants of Tomahawk cruise missiles. In 1998, PHILADELPHIA was altered and is now a Dry Deck Shelter (DDS) platform capable of carrying Special Operation Forces and providing Deep Submergence Rescue Vehicle (DSRV) mother ship support.

B. ORGANIZATION:

Immediate Superior in Command: RADM John B. Padgett III, Commander

Submarine Group Two

Commanding Officer: CDR Douglass T. Biesel

Executive Officer: LCDR Paul A. Povlock(D)

LCDR David. A. Ogburn(R)

Chief of the Boat: ETCM(SS) Christopher Shannon(D)

MMCM(SS) Kevin K. Crisman(R)

Engineer: LCDR

LCDR (R)

Navigator: LT

Weapons Officer: LT (D)

Supply Officer: LT D LTJG (R)

Part 2. Chronology

01 - 04 Jan	In-port Holiday Standdown
05 - 11 Jan	Underway, Training(AUTEC)
12 Jan	In port Kings Bay, GA
13 – 16 Jan	Underway, enroute Groton
16 Jan – 22 Feb	Inport, IMA Upkeep
22 – 24 Feb	Underway, Narragansett Bay Op Area(NBOA)
25 Feb	Inport, Groton
26 Feb	Underway, VIP cruise
27 Feb – 22 Mar	Inport, POM1 Upkeep
23 – 30 Mar	Underway, Narragansett Bay Op Area(NBOA)
31 Mar – 01 Apr	Underway, Operational Reactor Safeguard
•	Examination(ORSE)
02 - 05 Apr	Inport, Training
06 – 16 Apr	Underway, Narragansett Bay Op Area(NBOA)
17 Apr – 23 May	Inport, POM 2 Upkeep
24 – 28 May	Underway, Narragansett Bay Op Area(NBOA)
29 May – 06 June	Inport, Training
07 – 11 June	Underway, POM Workup
12 – 20 June	Inport, Training
21 – 25 June	Underway, POM Certification
26 June – 07 July	Inport, Training
08 July-16 Sept	Commenced Deployment to North Atlantic
16-17 Sept	In-port La Maddalena, Italy
17 Sept -15 Oct	Deployed to North Atlantic
15 - 22 Oct	In-port, Haakonsvern, Norway
22 – 29 Oct	Underway, enroute Portsmouth, England
29 Oct -10 Nov	Mid-deployment upkeep, Portsmouth, England
10 Nov-03 Dec	NATO exercise/transit to Brest France
03 - 10 Dec	In-port, Brest, France
10 - 20 Dec	Underway enroute Bermuda
20 – 23 Dec	Enroute Groton, CT Operational Reactor Safeguards
	Examination(ORSE)
23 – 31 Dec	In-port Groton, CT Post Deployment Standown

Part 3. Narrative

A. Written Summary: 1999 began with comprehensive training in preparation for an extended training deployment to the North Atlantic. This training included significant classroom hours as well as at-sea workups. Pre-Overseas Movement (POM) workup and certification concluded 25 June, and PHILADELPHIA was prepared to get underway for the Northern Atlantic. The primary purpose of this deployment was to demonstrate the ability to operate unsupported by outside organizations for an extended period of time

and provide forward presence and crisis response as necessary. Included in this mission were 99 consecutive days of operations at sea.

B. Statistical Summary:

1. Navigation Total Miles Steamed: 53,837 NM

2. Ship Awards: 1999 Communications Green "C"

Tactical White "T"

Damage Control Red "DC"

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