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Command Operations Report

This report is **required** by commands listed in **SNDL Parts 1 & 2** and all operational **Task Forces, Groups and Units** temporarily established to meet operational requirements.

The report format is divided into six sections: Command Data, Commander's Assessment, Chronology and Narrative, Supporting Reports, Published Documents, and Photographs. Required information is identified in specific sections of the form. Instructions on submitting this form and the required attachments are at the end.

1. Command Data

Name of your Command or Organization: **USS PHILADELPHIA (SSN 690)**

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: **V20204**

Name and Rank of Commander/Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge:

Last: **JABLON** First: **JEFFREY M.I.** T Rank: **JABLON**

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): **2005-11-16**

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: **Mission: To provide Anti-Submarine Warfare (USW), Anti-Surface Warfare (SUW), Strike Warfare, and support Naval Special Warfare (NSW) for the U. S. Submarine Force. USS PHILADELPHIA is equipped to carry MK-48 ADCAP torpedoes 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 Operations Forces and providing Deep Submergence Rescue Vehicle (DSRV) mother ship support.**

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): **Groton, CT**

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational: **Commander, Submarine Squadron Two**

Administrative: **Commander, Submarine Squadron Two**

Identify your assigned Task Force/Group/Unit name(s) and mission(s). Include OPLAN(s) and or named operations you participated in during Task Force assignment (if applicable): **N/A**

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): **N/A**

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable: **N/A**

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable): **N/A**

Number of Personnel Assigned:

Officers: 18 Enlisted: 132 Civilian: 0

Command Point of Contact (required entry, complete in full):

Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): LTJG [REDACTED]
Job Title/Office Code: Supply Officer
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[REDACTED]@mail.ports.navy.mil, [REDACTED]@navy.smil.mil
Phone number(s): 860-694-3121, 207-438-6768
Command Mailing Address: FPO AE 09582-2370

2. Commander's Assessment

The Commander's Assessment briefly tells the story of the command's role in national defense and should highlight any general and specific lessons-learned. It should contain the commander's commentary, insights and reflections on the unit's activities. Attention should be directed to significant issues impacting training, operations and mission accomplishment during the reporting period. Descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to major command decisions and results of those decisions are particularly desired. Also desired are accounts of specific contributions of individuals in the command to mission accomplishment. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, particular attention should be given to the commander's estimate of the situation, records of discussions and decisions, descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to operational decisions and results of those decisions. For a unit returning from deployment or participating in a single operation this can normally be a single assessment. For higher-echelon commands or units engaging in multiple operations, a separate assessment for each operation in addition to an overall assessment may be appropriate.

Organization:

Immediate Superior in Command: CAPT Mark Breor (D)

CAPT Ronald S. Steed (R)
Commander, Submarine Squadron Two

Commanding Officer: CDR Steven M. Oxholm (D)
CAPT Robert J. Brennan (R)
CDR Jeffrey T. Jablon (R)

Executive Officer: LCDR Rick A. Goodwin (D)
LCDR Robert A. Koonce (R)

Chief of the Boat: ETCM(SS) Raymond E. Powell

Engineer: LCDR [REDACTED] (D)
LT [REDACTED] (R)

Navigator: LCDR [REDACTED] (D)
LT [REDACTED] (R)

Weapons Officer: LT [REDACTED]

Supply Officer: ENS [REDACTED]

3. Chronology and Narrative

Chronology should include dates of movements; local operations and training; exercises and operations (define acronyms and purpose of exercise or operation); installation of new weapons systems or changes; major physical changes to facilities, ship or aircraft; Class A or B mishaps; port visits; unit awards received; reserve augmentation; and other significant operational or administrative events.

1 - 17 JAN	In Port Groton/Preparation for Overseas Movement Phase 1/Training
18 - 28 JAN	Pre-deployment Training, Load Dry Deck Shelter
29 Jan - 11 FEB	In port Groton, Maintenance and Training
11 - 15 FEB	Underway, Transit to Kings Bay, GA, Tactical Readiness Review
16 - 17 FEB	In port Kings Bay, GA, Load Seal Delivery Vehicle Gear
18 Feb - 6 MAR	Underway, Special Warfare Exercise, Key West, FL, Information Operations Demonstration for LTGEN Richard Y. Newton 28 Feb - 1 March.
7 - 9 MAR	In port Kings Bay, GA
9 - 11 MAR	Underway, Transit to Mayport, FL
11 MAR	Underway, Brief Stop for Personnel, Tactical Readiness Examination Team (TRE)
11 - 14 MAR	Tactical Readiness Examination (TRE)
15 MAR	Brief Stop for Personnel, Atlantic Undersea Test and Evaluation Center (AUTEK), TRE team departs
15 - 20 MAR	Underway, Transit to Groton, CT

21 MAR - 18 APR	In port Groton, Preparation for Overseas Movement Phase 2, training and maintenance, hull cleaning
19 - 22 APR	Underway, Transit to Mayport, FL
23 - 28 APR	In port Mayport, FL, Load Seal Delivery Vehicle, Repairs to Dry Deck Shelter
28 APR - 13 MAY	Underway, Transit to Key West, FL for Special Warfare Exercise, Preparation for Overseas Movement (POM) Certification Preps
23 MAY - 8 JUN	In port Groton, CT, Ready-for-Sea Period
9 - 29 JUN	Depart on Mediterranean/CENTCOM Deployment, Transit to La Maddalena, IT
4 - 7 JUL	Underway, Transit to Port Said
7 JUL - 14 OCT	Underway, Suez Canal Transit South (6 JUL), on mission in support of Global War on Terrorism, Change of Command (21 SEP). CDR Steven Oxholm relieved by CAPT Robert Brennan, Suez Canal Transit North (11 Oct), Transit to Souda Bay, Greece
14 - 18 OCT	In port, Souda Bay, Greece
18 - 22 OCT	Underway, transit to La Maddalena, IT
28 OCT - 14 NOV	Underway, return from Mediterranean/CENTCOM Deployment, Brief Stop for Personnel, Embark Operational Safeguards Examination Team
14 - 16 NOV	Underway, Narragansett Bay Operating Areas, Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination.
16 NOV	Return to Home Port, Change of Command, CAPT Robert J. Brennan relieved by CDR Jeffrey T. Jablon
17 NOV - 14 DEC	In port Groton, CT, Post Deployment Stand-down, training and maintenance.
14 - 17 DEC	Underway Narragansett Bay Operating Areas, training
17 - 31 DEC	Holiday Stand-down

The short narrative should amplify chronology entries (such as objectives and results of exercises/operations; commander's evaluation of exercises/operations, etc). Entries may refer to an enclosure of this report without additional description if the enclosure sufficiently reports the incident/event. For all other entries, give the date or period in YYYY-MM-DD format and provide a brief narrative. All significant events during the reporting period are to be included.

The USS PHILADELPHIA began the year in Preparations for Overseas Movement, Phase 1 (POM 1), an extensive maintenance and training period in preparation for a six-month Mediterranean/Central Command deployment. On February 11, PHILADELPHIA got underway in transit to Kings Bay, GA to conduct a Tactical Readiness Examination (TRE) and loaded Seal Delivery Vehicle gear. After a two-day port visit, PHILADELPHIA began a special warfare exercise as part of certification for Dry Deck Shelter operations in the Charleston Operating Areas. Returning to Kings Bay, PHILADELPHIA conducted an Information Operations demonstration and VIP cruise for LTGEN Richard Y. Newton, USAF. Next, transiting to Mayport, FL, the PHILADELPHIA conducted a brief stop for personnel and conducted a Tactical Readiness Examination from 11 - 14 March. PHILADELPHIA returned to Groton, CT on 15 March.

Upon returning to Groton, PHILADELPHIA began another extensive period of training and maintenance, hull cleaning, and Phase 2 of Preparations for Overseas Movement.

Ready for sea once again, PHILADELPHIA began a rigorous certification process, conducting Special Warfare Training and Preparations for Overseas Movement Certification during Icoal operations in the Jacksonville Operating Areas. PHILADLEPHIA returned to Groton on 19 May and commenced the ready-for-sea period and deployment load-out of stores and provisions.

Following this two-week respite, the PHILADELPHIA set out on deployment under the command of Commander Oxholm. After a five-day upkeep in La Maddalena, PHILADLEPHIA transited to Port Said, south through the Suez Canal, and into the Central Command area of responsibility. PHILADELPHIA bravely supported the Global War on Terrorism, exceptionally upholding the standards of the submarine force. On September 21, CDR Oxholm was relieved as Commanding Officer by CAPT Robert J. Brennan.

On 11 October PHILADLEPHIA transited north through the Suez Canal and into the Mediterranean Sea following a highly successful mission in support of the Global War on Terrorism and made a liberty port visit to Souda Bay, Greece. After 5 days of well-deserved rest, PHILADELPHIA transited to La Maddalena, IT for an eight day post-deployment upkeep before transiting to Groton, CT to conduct a brief stop for personnel to pick up the Nuclear Propulsion Examination Board. PHILADLEPHIA returned to the Narragansett Bay Operating Areas to conduct an Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination, on which she scored a solid average.

PHILADELPHIA returned to Groton, CT on 16 November after a five-month deployment. Upon her arrival, CDR Jeff Jablon relieved CAPT Brennan as Commanding Officer. After a three-week break for post-deployment stand-down and maintenance preps, the PHILADELPHIA returned to sea for training and qualifications in the Narragansett Bay Operating Areas from 14 - 17 December. PHILADELPHIA finished the year in Holiday Stand-down, affording the officers and crew a well-deserved period of leave and liberty.

Statistical Summary:

1. Navigational Total Miles Steamed: 47,025 NM
2. Awards: 2005 Communications "C"
2005 Damage Control Red "D"
2005 Medical "M"

4. Supporting Reports

Supporting Reports are those reports required by other instructions that provide significant data about the command during the calendar year. These reports may be submitted "as is," eliminating the need to duplicate information for this report that is already contained in reports prepared in response to other instructions and requirements. Examples include battle efficiency, safety and other award submissions, major staff or command studies, and end of cruise reports or briefs. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, enclosures may include, but are not limited to:

- a. Situation Reports
- b. Intentions Messages
- c. Operational Reports
- d. Operations Orders/Deployment Orders
- e. Operational Plans
- f. Personal For Messages
- g. After Action Reports
- h. Significant Electronic Message Traffic (outgoing/e-mail/chat)
- i. Battle Damage Assessments
- j. Casualty Reports
- k. End-of-Cruise/Deployment Reports
- l. Intelligence Summaries
- m. Major Exercise Reports

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List below the published documents being submitted in either electronic or paper format, indicating the classification of each item. Documents to be submitted include cruise books, change of command programs, commissioning/decommissioning brochures, establishment/disestablishment/deactivation brochures, copy of command's web site, news releases, biography of commander, welcome aboard brochures, newspaper articles, command studies, statistical data, etc.

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