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Encl: (1) USS PROVIDENCE (SSN 719) Command History for 1987

1. Enclosure (1) is forwarded in accordance with reference (a).

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T. N. TEHAN

USS PROVIDENCE (SSN 719) COMMAND HISTORY - 1987

COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION:

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| Commander Submarine Force, U. S. Atlantic Fleet | Vice Admiral D. L. COOPER |
| Commander, Submarine Group TWO | Rear Admiral J. D. WILLIAMS Rear Admiral L. G. VOGT |
| Commander, Submarine Development Squadron TWELVE | Captain T. D. RYAN Captain D. A. JONES |
| Commanding Officer, USS PROVIDENCE (SSN 719) | Commander T. N. TEHAN Commander G. M. CRAHAN Commander T. N. TEHAN |
| 28 MAR 87 - 13 JUL 87 Commander, Sixth Fleet Commander, Submarine Group EIGHT Commander, Submarine Squadron TWENTY-TWO | Vice Admiral K. E. MORANVILLE Rear Admiral R. F. BACON Captain M. A. COVELL |
| Homeport: Groton, Connecticut Unit Identification Code: 21029 | |

CHRONOLOGY:

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| 5 JAN - 8 JAN | Underway at sea training (predeployment preparations with USS ARCHERFISH (SSN 678)(NBOAs)). |
| 9 JAN - 10 JAN | In port in Earle, New Jersey for weapons loading evolution. |
| 10 JAN - 21 JAN | In port in Groton, Connecticut; completed predeployment training; completed two day emergent dry docking for AN/BQN-17 fathometer hydrophone cable repairs. |
| 21 JAN - 25 JAN | Underway at sea training period. Completed Predeployment Certification and Tactical Readiness Evaluation - Overall Average (Navigation - Excellent; Basic Submarining/Ops - Average; Mission Execution - Above Average; Noise Reduction Program - Below Average; Command Control and Comm - Above Average; Level of Knowledge/Mission Area Training - Above Average; Sensors - Average). |
| 26 JAN - 1 FEB | In port in Groton, Connecticut. Completed predeployment preps and loadout. |

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CHRONOLOGY (Continued):

2 FEB - 20 MAR At sea in North Atlantic and Norwegian Sea. Providence participates in LANTSUBASWEX 2-87 with U.S., British, Canadian and Dutch surface, air and submarine units. Providence conducted emergency MEDEVAC of crewmember off north coast of Scotland. Blue Nose initiation ceremony conducted for crewmembers following operations north of Arctic Circle.

7 MAR Providence conducted emergency HUMEVAC for CDR Tehan off Holy Loch, Scotland due to serious illness of wife in Connecticut. Commander Gary M. Crahan, COMSUBDEVRON TWELVE Deputy for Readiness and Training relieved as Commanding Officer USS PROVIDENCE (SSN 719).

20 MAR In port in Holy Loch, Scotland to replace failed towed array.

21 MAR - 28 MAR At sea operations in North Atlantic.

28 MAR Inchop to Mediterranean Sea. Transferred to the operational control of CINCUSNAVEUR and Commander, Sixth Fleet. Conducted BSP at Gibraltar.

28 MAR - 31 MAR At sea operations in Mediterranean Sea.

31 MAR - 9 APR In port alongside USS ORION (AS-31) in La Maddalena, Sardinia, Italy for weapons loading operations, stores replenishment and upkeep.

9 APR - 10 APR Underway enroute to Naples, Italy.

10 APR - 13 APR In port in Naples, Italy. Providence wardroom attends Submarine Birthday Ball in Naples, Italy.

10 APR Commander T. N. Tehan returns to ship and relieves as Commanding Officer, USS PROVIDENCE (SSN 719).

14 APR - 26 MAY ASW Operations in Mediterranean Sea.

26 MAY - 14 JUN In port alongside USS ORION (AS-31) in La Maddalena, Sardinia, Italy for upkeep.

14 JUN - 19 JUN At sea operations in Mediterranean Sea. Providence conducts highly successful MK 48 warshot firing SINKEX exercise on 17 June north of Gulf of Sidra. Target ship Ex Italian DD IMPETUOSO was put on the bottom (in two pieces) with one MK 48 torpedo. Highly successful demonstration of submarine firepower in the Sixth Fleet.

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CHRONOLOGY (Continued):

19 JUN - 21 JUN In port Augusta Bay, Sicily, Italy for port visit.

22 JUN - 24 JUN At sea operations, enroute Cartagena, Spain.

24 JUN - 29 JUN In port Cartagena, Spain for port visit. Moored alongside USS WILLIAM V. PRATT (DDG-41) - first SSN 688 to DDG mooring ever conducted. PRATT provided outstanding support services. Providence hosted luncheon for senior Spanish Navy Submarine Officers.

29 JUN - 1 JUL At sea operations in Mediterranean Sea.

1 JUL Conducted BSP in Naples, Italy to receive Sixth Fleet ASW "Hook Em" Award for excellence in ASW operations and employment of ASW sensors.

2 JUL - 10 JUL In port alongside USS ORION (AS-31) to conduct weapons loading evolution and brief upkeep.

10 JUL - 13 JUL At sea operations in Mediterranean Sea.

13 JUL Departed Mediterranean Sea. Transferred to operational control of COMSUBLANT.

13 JUL - 21 JUL At sea transit enroute Groton, Connecticut. Enroute conducted emergency MEDEVAC of crewmember for appendicitis off AZORES.

21 JUL - 31 JUL In port Groton, Connecticut to rest. Deployment notes: - 36,630 nautical miles steamed
- 169 days out of homeport/72% of this time underway
- 45 tons of food consumed
- 27 personnel qualified in subs
- 204 personnel qualified on 55 different watchstations

31 JUL - 30 AUG In port in Groton, Connecticut for upkeep.

31 AUG - 3 SEP Underway at sea training period (NBOAs).

3 SEP - 7 SEP In port in Groton, Connecticut.

8 SEP - 21 SEP Providence participates in LANTSUBASWEX 4-87 with USS AUGUSTA (SSN 710) (AFWTF ST CROIX, V.I.).

22 SEP - 23 SEP In port in Earle, New Jersey for weapons loading evolution.

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CHRONOLOGY (Continued):

24 SEP In port Groton, Connecticut.

25 SEP RADM L. G. VOGT, Commander, Submarine Group TWO, members of the Senate Majority Task Force on Defense Spending in New York State, Navy Veterans and distinguished friends of the submarine service observed underway operations in Long Island Sound on board Providence.

26 SEP - 17 NOV Selected Restricted Availability (SRA) in Groton, Connecticut by Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics; 39 days in drydock USS SHIPPINGPORT (ARDM-4).

OCT 87 Received Battle Efficiency "E" Award and Supply Excellence (Blue "E") Award from COMSUBDEVRON TWELVE.

18 NOV - 20 NOV Post SRA Sea Trials (NBOAs).

20 NOV SRA completed 10 days early at a cost savings of over one million dollars for the Navy.

21 NOV - 29 NOV In port in Groton, Connecticut.

30 NOV - 6 DEC Providence provides ADCAP testing target services for USS BOSTON (SSN 703) at AUTECH.

6 DEC - 8 DEC In port in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida for port visit.

8 DEC - 14 DEC Providence provides services for CNO Project 1246 LF Active sonar testing w/USS GLOVER.

15 DEC - 31 DEC In port in Groton, Connecticut. (Voyage repair period and holiday routine).

NARRATIVE: None.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: As attached.