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Encl: (1) USS ROBERT G. BRADLEY (FFG-49) Command History for 1987

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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USS ROBERT G. BRADLEY (FFG-49) COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1987

PART I. COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

Time Period: January - March 1987

Mission: Deployed to Forces, U.S. Sixth Fleet, Mediterranean.
Operational Control: Commander in Chief, U.S. Naval Forces Europe (CINCUSNAVEUR).

Time Period: March - December 1987

Mission: REFIT, Interim Deployment Phase
Operational Control: COMNAVSURFLANT (Immediate Senior in Command: Commander, Destroyer Squadron SIX).

Commanding Officer, CDR B. L. Lewis, USN.

Permanent Duty Station/Homeport: Charleston, South Carolina.

Aircraft Assigned: One Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System (LAMPS) MK III, SH-60, Seahawk Helicopter from HSL-42, Detachment 7, (PROUD WARRIOR 431), Mayport, Florida at various times throughout the year.

COMMANDING OFFICER'S BIOGRAPHY

Commander Billy L. Lewis was born in Pensacola, Florida in June 1946. After enlisting in the Naval Reserve in June 1963, he entered the U.S. Naval Academy in 1965, graduating in 1969 with a Bachelor of Science Degree.

Commander Lewis was initially assigned to USS DEHAVEN (DD-727) as Damage Control Assistant, a tour which included two deployments to Southeast Asia. Following Vietnamese Language and advisor training 1971, he joined U.S. Naval Forces Vietnam in April, 1972 and served as an advisor at Vietnamese Naval Headquarters in Saigon, Republic of Vietnam. Following graduation from U.S. Naval Destroyer School in August 1973, Commander Lewis served two years as Engineer Officer and one year as Weapons Officer in USS TALBOT (FFG-4).

In March, 1977, Commander Lewis reported for duty as Commanding Officer USS TAKELMA (ATF-113) and completed two deployments with U.S. Seventh Fleet prior to assignment to the Naval Postgraduate School in June 1979. He was graduated in December 1980 with a Master of Science Degree in Management. In March 1981, Commander Lewis joined the commissioning crew of USS JACK WILLIAMS (FFG-24) as Executive Officer. Following this sea tour, Commander Lewis was assigned duty as a Manpower Analyst at Center of Naval Analyses for six months prior to reporting to duty as a Program Analyst in the Officer of General Planning and Programming (OP-90). Commander Lewis was ordered to duty as Commanding Officer USS ROBERT G. BRADLEY (FFG-49) in December 1985.

Commander Lewis' personal decorations include the Navy Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal with Gold Stars in Lieu of Second and Third Awards and the Navy Achievement Medal.

Commander Lewis is married to the former Lee Markey of Bradenton, Florida. They have three children -- Michelle, Michael and Matthew.

PART II. Chronology: January - December 1987

JAN 87	1-31 JAN	Mediterranean Deployment, Operational Control, Commander in Chief, U.S. Naval Forces Europe. HSL-42, Detachment 7, (PROUD WARRIOR 431) embarked.
	1-7 JAN	Inport, Gaeta, Italy, Intermediate Maintenance Availability.
	9-15 JAN	Operation "Quarterback Sneak" with USS LUCE (DDG-38) and USS MCCANDLESS (FF-1084)
	15-20 JAN	Inport, Port visit Naples, Italy.
	20-31 JAN	National Week War Games with USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV-67) and USS NIMITZ (CVN-68) Battle Groups.
FEB 87	1-28 FEB	Mediterranean Deployment
	1-5 FEB	Port visit, Tangiers, Morrocco.
	6-28 FEB	Enroute Charleston, SC
MAR 87	1-6 MAR	Enroute Charleston, SC
	7-31 MAR	Leave and Upkeep, Charleston, SC
APR 87	1-22 APR	Upkeep Charleston, SC
	23-24 APR	Independent Steaming, Charleston Operations Area
	25-26 APR	Inport Charleston, SC
	27-29 APR	Enroute Puerto Rican Operations Area
	30 APR	Missile Exercise Puerto Rican Operations Area
MAY 87	2 MAY	Port Visit Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
	3-4 MAY	Enroute St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
	5-7 MAY	Port Visit St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
	8-11 MAY	Enroute with USS CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI (SSN-705) to Training Atlantic Underwater Test and Evaluation Center, Embark HSL-42, Det 7, PROUD Warrior 431
	12-13 MAY	Enroute Jacksonville, FL Operations Area
	14 MAY	Detachment Landing Qualifications Jacksonville, FL Operations Area
	15-16 MAY	Enroute Charleston, SC
	17-31 MAY	Upkeep Charleston, SC
JUN 87	2-3 JUN	Enroute Port Everglades, FL
	4-6 JUN	Port Visit Port Everglades, FL
	7 JUN	Enroute Miami, FL
	8-10 JUN	Port Visit, Miami, FL

	11-12 JUN	Enroute Charleston, SC with USS CARR (FFG-32), USS HALYBURTON (FFG-40), USS JOHN RODGERS (DD-983) and USS JOHN HANCOCK (DD-981)
	13-14 JUN	Inport Charleston, SC
	15-18 JUN	Enroute/Training Jacksonville, FL Operations Area
	19 JUN	Enroute Charleston, SC
	20-21 JUN	Inport Charleston, SC
	22 JUN	Enroute Jacksonville, FL Operations Area
	23-24 JUN	Detachment Landing Qualifications Jacksonville, FL Operations Area
	25 JUN	Enroute Virginia Capes Operations Area
	26-30 JUN	Carrier Operations with USS CORAL SEA (CV-43)
JUL 87	1-2 JUL	Enroute Charleston, SC
	3-6 JUL	Inport Charleston, SC
	7-10 JUL	Enroute Roosevelt Road, Puerto Rico
	11 JUL	Inport Roosevelt Road, Ruerto Rico
	12-29 JUL	Law Enforcement Operations Colombia, South Amercia with USS LUCE (DDG-38), USS JOHN L. HALL (FFG-34), USS VOGE (FF-1047), USNS WACCAMAW (TOA-109) and USS C. V. RICKETTS (DDG-5). HSL 42 Det 7 PROUD WARRIOR 431) embarked
	30-31 JUL	Port Visit Kingston, Jamaica
AUG 87	1-4 JUL	Inport Kingston, Jamaica
	5-6 JUL	Enroute Charleston, SC
	7-18 JUL	Upkeep/IMAV Charleston Naval Base
	19 JUL	Weapons Offload
	24-31	Selected Restricted Availability
SEP 87	1-30 SEP	Selected Restricted Availability/Intermediate Maintenance Availability
OCT 87	1-19 OCT	Selected Restricted Availability
	20-21 OCT	Training Readiness Evaluation
	22 OCT	Gas Turbine Mobile Training Team Visit
	23-25 OCT	Upkeep Charleston, SC
	26-27 OCT	Sea Trials Charletson, SC Operations Area
	28 OCT	Weapons Onload
	29-30	Inport Charleston, SC
NOV 87	1-11 NOV	Upkeep Charleston, SC
	12 NOV	Departure Material Status Review
	13-15 NOV	Enroute Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
	16-31 NOV	Interim Refresher Training, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
DEC 87	1-14 DEC	Interim Refresher Training, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
	15-16 DEC	Enroute Mayport, FL
	17 DEC	Inport Mayport, FL
	18-17 DEC	Enroute Charleston, SC Operational Propulsion Plant Examination
	20-31 DEC	Holiday Leave and Upkeep

MAY:

Objective: Complete a successful Atlantic Underwater Testing and Evaluation Center (AUTEC) Anti-Submarine Warfare Evaluation.

Results:

- Conducted Basic Anti-Submarine Warfare exercises with USS CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI (SSN-705) on the AUTEC range.
- Successful Qualification included two MK 46 torpedo firings; one from the ship and the other from embarked helicopter.
- Debarked PROUD WARRIOR 431 during transit to homeport, Charleston, South Carolina.

JUNE:

Objective: Conduct Midshipman training in support of LANTRAMID I and II.

Results:

- Embarked Midshipmen for LANTRAMID phase I. Training consisted of inport and underway periods utilizing the Fleet Training Unit, Charleston 20B5 Combat System Team Trainer (CSTT) and Combined At-Sea Training (CAST) in company with USS CARR (FFG-32), USS JOHN RODGERS (DD-983) and USS JOHN HANCOCK (DD-981).
- Embarked second group of Midshipmen for LANTRAMID phase II which included helicopter qualifications for SH-3 Sea King, SH-60 Sea Hawk helicopters and carrier escort duties for USS CORAL SEA (CV-43) in Virginia Capes Operating Area.

JULY

Objective: Conduct Law Enforcement Interdictions off the coast of South America as part of "Operation Checkmate 7".

Results:

- Embarked Coast Guard detachment (LEDET I) at Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico
- Conducted drug enforcement operations off the coast of Colombia, South America in company with USS JOHN L. HALL (FFG-32), USS VOGE (FF-1047), USS CLAUDE V. RICKETSS (DDG-5), USS LUCE (DDG-38), USNS WACCAMAW (TAO-109). During the operations, ROBERT G. BRADLEY made 7 consensual boardings with no seizures.
- PROUD WARRIOR 431 embarked.

AUGUST:

Objective: Conduct port visit, Kingston, Jamacia, return to homeport, Charleston, South Carolina for Selected Restricted Availibility (SRA).

PART III. NARRATIVE

JANUARY:

Objective: Continue Mediterranean Deployment (Med 2-86) under the operational control of Commander in Chief, U.S. Naval Forces Europe (CINCUSNAVEUR).

Results:

- Completed Intermediate Maintenance Availibility, Gaeta, Italy, with USS PUGET SOUND (AD-38).
- Operation "Quarterback Sneak", real world Anti-Submarine Warfare operations with USS LUCE (DDG-38) and USS MCCANDLESS (FF-1084).
- Participated in National Week War Games with USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV-67) and USS NIMITZ (CVN-68) Battle Groups.
- Prepared for CINCLANTFLT Propulsion Examining Board, Operational Propulsion Plant Examination (OUTCHOP OPPE) by conducting a Charleston Gas Turbine Engineering Mobile Training Team Assist visit.
- HSL-42, Detachment 7 (PROUD WARRIOR 431) embarked.

FEBRUARY:

Objective: Complete Mediterranean Deployment (Med 2-86) under CINCUSNAVEUR OPCON.

Results:

- Conducted "blue water turnover" prior to outchop with USS DOYLE (FFG-39).
- Embarked CINCLANTFLT PEB and conducted the outchop OPPE. Results were "satisfactory: below average," necessitating a reduced cycle evaluation.
- PROUD WARRIOR 431 embarked.

MARCH:

Objective: Arrive, homeport, Charleston, South Carolina for post deployment leave and upkeep.

Results:

- Commenced thirty day post deployment leave and upkeep period.
- PROUD WARRIOR 431 debarked.

APRIL:

Objective: Conducted missile exercise, North Puerto Rican Operating Area.

Results:

- Two standard SM-1 medium range missiles were fired against target drones. Both shots were successful with target drones evaluated as destroyed.
- Received Anti-Air Warfare Certification.
- PROUD WARRIOR 431 embarked.

Results:

- Visited Kingston, Jamaica to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of Jamaican independence. In addition, ROBERT G. BRADLEY hosted a number of other functions such as a ship's party for 50 orphans from the Port Royal Boys Home, a reception for Jamaica's Governor General to commemorate Jamaican independence which included 200 guests from the diplomatic corps and a reception to honor officers of the HMS GLASGOW and the Jamaican Defense Force.
- Debarked PROUD WARRIOR 431 while enroute, homeport, Charleston, South Carolina.
- Arrived Charleston, South Carolina and off-loaded weapons at Charleston, Naval Weapons Station.
- Commenced SRA and Intermediate Maintenance Availibility (IMAV), in which significant hull, propulsion and combat systems work packages were completed.
- Installed SHIPALT 103K High Speed Rotor/Brushless Generators on all four Ship's Service Diesel Generators.

SEPTEMBER:

Objective: Continue SRA and IMAV. Begin preparations for Interim Refresher Training (IRFT), Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

- Conducted ordnance alteration, Combat Systems Alignment on all Fire Control Systems and Search Radars.
- Conducted 20B5 CSTT by Fleet Training Unit, Detachment Charleston.
- Completed IMAV.

OCTOBER:

Objective: Complete SRA; continue preparations for IRFT, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Results:

- Completed SRA as scheduled.
- Conducted Training Readiness Evaluations (TRE) and Engineering Mobile Training Team (EMTT) visit.
- Conducted COMNAVSURFLANT Combat Systems Mobile Training Team, (CSTT) visit, Phase I.
- Conducted Supply Management Inspection (SMI) and Planned Maintenance Schedule (PMS) Assist visits.
- Completed Sea Trials successfully.
- On-loaded weapons at Charleston, Naval Weapons Station.

NOVEMBER:

Objective: Conduct Interim Refresher Training (IRFT), Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Results:

- Complete Departure Material Status Review (DMSR).
- Commenced IRFT with emphasis on Engineering, Damage Control, Combat Systems and Seamanship evolutions.

DECEMBER:

Objective: Successfully complete IRFT, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and the CINCLANTFLT PEB Operational Propulsion Plant Examination (OPPE).

Results:

- Embarked CINCLANTFLT PEB in Mayport, Florida to conduct OPPE during transit to Charleston, South Carolina. Completion resulted in a adjective grade of "Satisfactory: above average."
- Inport, Homeport, Charleston, South Carolina. Commenced holiday leave and upkeep.
- Changed operational control to Commander Second Fleet.

PART IV: SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

CTF SIX ZERO 251216Z JAN 87 (Appendix A)
USDAO RABAT 041330Z FEB 87 (Appendix B)
CINCLANTFLT NORFOLK VA 021840Z MAR 87 (Appendix C)
AMEMBASSY KINGSTON 181612Z AUG 87 (Appendix D)
COMCRUDESGRU TWO 212200Z DEC 87 (Appendix E)
COMNAVSURFLANT 230319Z DEC 87 (Appendix F)
VADM J. S. Donnell ltr dtd 1 Feb 88 (Appendix G)
ADM Frank B. Kelso ltr dtd 4 Jan 88 (Appendix H)