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(3) Narrative  
(4) Supporting Documentation  
(5) 3.5" floppy disk

1. Per reference (a), enclosure (1) through (5) are forwarded.

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**COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION**

UNIT: USS SALT LAKE CITY (SSN 716)  
FPO: AP 96678-2396  
UIC: 21023  
SQUADRON COMMANDER: COMSUBRON ELEVEN  
NAME OF COMMANDER: CDR STEPHEN G. MARR  
PERMANENT DUTY STATION: SAN DIEGO, CA

Enclosure (1)

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR 2002

01JAN-03JAN TRANSIT TO SINGAPORE  
04JAN-09JAN IN-PORT SINGAPORE  
10JAN-15JAN TRANSIT TO 5<sup>TH</sup> FLEET  
15JAN IN-CHOP 5<sup>TH</sup> FLEET  
16JAN-26JAN OPERATIONS WITH STENNIS BATTLE GROUP  
27JAN-03FEB INPORT BAHRAIN, BAHRAIN  
04FEB-21APR TRANSIT/OPERATIONS  
22APR-25APR INPORT BAHRAIN, BAHRAIN  
26APR-08MAY TRANSIT TO PERTH, AUSTRALIA  
01MAY IN-CHOP 7<sup>TH</sup> FLEET  
09MAY-13MAY INPORT PERTH, AUSTRALIA  
14MAY-21MAY TRANSIT TO GUAM, USA  
22MAY-24MAY INPORT GUAM, USA  
25MAY-03JUN TRANSIT TO PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII  
30MAY IN-CHOP 3<sup>RD</sup> FLEET  
04JUN-05JUN OPERATIONAL REACTOR SAFEGUARDS EXAM  
05JUN INPORT, PEARL HARBOR  
06JUN-11JUN TRANSIT, SAN DIEGO  
11JUN RTP, SAN DIEGO  
12JUN-21JUL INPORT, SAN DIEGO  
22JUL-24JUL LOCAL OPERATIONS  
25JUL-02AUG FLEET BATTLE EXPERIMENT-JULIET  
03AUG-10SEP INPORT, SAN DIEGO  
11SEP-14SEP LOCAL OPERATIONS  
15SEP-22SEP INPORT, SAN DIEGO  
23SEP-27SEP LOCAL OPERATIONS  
28SEP-29SEP INPORT, SAN DIEGO  
30SEP-02OCT UNDERWAY MATERIAL INSPECTION/INSURV  
03OCT-04OCT INPORT, SAN DIEGO  
05OCT FLEET WEEK PARADE  
06OCT INPORT, SAN DIEGO  
07OCT-10OCT LOCAL OPERATIONS  
11OCT-15OCT INPORT, SAN DIEGO  
16OCT-29OCT JOINT FLEET EXERCISE  
30OCT-03NOV INPORT, SAN DIEGO  
04NOV-07NOV BASIC SUBMARINE ASSESMENT  
08NOV-10NOV LOCAL OPERATIONS  
11NOV-09DEC INPORT, SAN DIEGO  
10DEC-13DEC LOCAL OPERATIONS  
14DEC-31DEC INPORT, SAN DIEGO

NARRATIVE

1. USS SALT LAKE CITY (UIC 21023)

COMMANDING OFFICER: CDR Stephen G. Marr, USN

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: LCDR David W. Alldridge

DEPARTMENT HEADS: LCDR [REDACTED], USN (Navigator)  
LT [REDACTED], USN (Navigator)  
LCDR [REDACTED], USN (Engineer)  
LT [REDACTED], USN (Engineer)  
LT [REDACTED], USN (CSO)  
LTJG [REDACTED], USNR, SC,  
(Supply Officer)

CHIEF OF THE BOAT: HMCS Robert. E. Weber  
ETCM Brain Schell

2. USS SALT LAKE CITY (SSN 716) began 2002, forward deployed, transiting to Singapore for a port visit. After a five-day visit to Singapore, SLC shifted OPCODE to 5<sup>th</sup> Fleet to conduct coordinated operations with the John C. Stennis Battle group in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. SALT LAKE CITY spent a combined 14 days during three port visits in Bahrain, Bahrain for up-keeps and briefings. After the final upkeep in Bahrain, Bahrain, SLC shifted OPCODE from 5<sup>th</sup> fleet to 7<sup>th</sup> fleet en-route to a port visit in Perth, Australia. After a well deserved six-day liberty port, the ship commenced her transit to Guam for a final upkeep prior to the Operational Reactor Safeguards Exam. The transit from Guam to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, where the ORSE team awaited, was full of exam preparations and training evolutions. At the completion of the exam, the ship pulled into Pearl Harbor to drop off the ORSE team and set off for San Diego, CA the next morning. On 11 June, 2002, exactly six months and one day after deploying, the USS SALT LAKE CITY returned home eagerly awaited by friends and family.

3. SALT LAKE CITY participated in 3<sup>rd</sup> Fleet's Fleet Battle Experiment Juliet (FBE-J) where the crew tested Medium Data Rate communications (MDR), Land Attack Warfare Systems (LAWS), and Navy Fires Network (NFN) with other ship's of 3<sup>rd</sup> fleet.

Enclosure (3)

4. Following FBE-J, SALT LAKE CITY entered a 38-day maintenance availability followed by sea trails and a weapons test firing exercise. The CNO directive, test weapons exercise firing, tested a new air to subsurface weapon. SALT LAKE CITY performed duties as the evading platform.

5. After the weapons firing exercise, SALT LAKE CITY spent two weeks inport conducting Standard Training Between Deployment (STBD) training followed by one week of at sea tactical training. SALT LAKE CITY also got underway in October to conduct a 5 year NAVSEA Underway Material Inspection where NAVSEA technical representatives put the ship through a series of trials in order to determine the ship's material status.

6. After a short upkeep in mid-October, the SALT LAKE CITY participated in John C. Stennis Battle Group Joint Fleet Exercise for the SALT LAKE CITY acted as an opposition force portraying a real world threat, harassing, and simulated attempting to sink the aircraft carrier. At the completion of the exercise and a short inport period, SALT LAKE CITY went to sea in November for a Squadron Basic Submarine Assessment (BSA) in which the ship was evaluated for all aspects of submarining.

7. In November, SALT LAKE CITY provided services for the USS Bremerton and entered a, well needed, arduous SPRUCE period where ship's force painted and preserved almost the entire ship. SALT LAKE CITY ended off the year, prior to the holiday leave period, with one last underway in December for at sea training and qualifications.