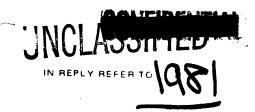


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From: Commanding Officer, USS SHREVEPORT LPD-12

To: Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: Annual Command History; submission of

Ref: OPNAVINST 5750.12C

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following command history is submitted.

2. USS SHREVEPORT LPD-12 participated in four major exercises in calender year 1981. These exercises consisted of Refresher Training at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, Presidential Support Mission at Cancun, Mexico, READEX 1-82 at Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, and Amphibious Refresher Training at Lynnhaven Inlet, Norfolk, Virginia.

a. Summary of Operations:

Date: 1 January - - 16 July

Operation: Regular Maintenance Overhaul

Embarked Staff: None

Narrative: SHREVEPORT completed its second phase of a regular maintenance overhaul at Metro Machine Company in Norfolk, Virginia, two weeks prior to the original schedule. For this outstanding effort, the crew was given a Letter of Commendation from Commander Amphibious Squadron FOUR.

Date: 15 September - - 15 October

Operation: Refresher Training

Embarked Staff: None

Narrative: SHREVEPORT finished all of the required training satisfactorily. Training was interrupted by special operations associated with the President's trip to Cancun.

Date: 16 - - 27 October

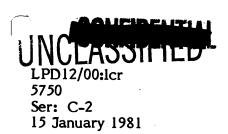
Operation: Presidential Support Mission

Embarked Staff: None

Narrative: SHREVEPORT was tasked with aiding President Reagan with communications and airlift support during the Economic Summit Meetings in Cancun. Prior to the start of the operation, HMX-I, the presidential helicopter squadron, the communications staff, and medical staff were embarked at Key West, Florida. When the mission was completed, the ship pulled into Cancun for liberty.

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Date: 28 October - - 12 November

Operation: Completion of Refresher Training

Embarked Staff: None

Narrative: The Remaining Basic Engineering Casualty Control Exercises were completed satisfactorily during this time, and immediately following completion, SHREVEPORT went to St. Thomas, Virgin Islands for liberty.

Date: 17 - - 22 November

Operation: READEX 1-82

Embarked Staff: None

Narrative: SHREVEPORT's primary mission during READEX 1-82 was that of a drone recovery ship. A total of fourteen drones were recovered during the exercise.

Date: 4 - - 12 December

Operation: Amphibious Refresher Training

Embarked Staff: None

Narrative: SHREVEPORT completed all of its necessary refresher training with this operation. Many amphibious assault landings were practiced along with varied types of training for the flight deck crew, i.e., vertical replenishment and touch and go landings.

- b. Command Organization:
 - (1) The Commanding Officer is Captain Gary F. Wheatley from 29 August 1980.
 - (2) None
 - (3) SHREVEPORT logged its 13,000 accident free helicopter landing in December during the Amphibious Refresher Training.
 - (4) Satellite Navigational Equipment
 - (5) None
- 3. Security Classification: Confidential

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