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Encl: (1) Photograph of Captain A. G. Harms, Jr.,  
Commanding Officer  
(2) Biography of Captain A. G. Harms, Jr.,  
Commanding Officer  
(3) Chronology of Events For Calendar Year 1993  
(4) The Year In Review  
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1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1) through  
(6) are forwarded.



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CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1992

At the middle of 1993 USS Shreveport was into its first month of deployment in the Mediterranean.

Inport Norfolk, VA	01 Jan - 23 Jan
Underway UMI Rehearsal	24 Jan - 27 Jan
Inport Norfolk, VA	28 Jan - 02 May
Underway UMI	03 May - 05 May
Inport Norfolk, VA	06 May - 20 May
Underway JATF Work-Ups	21 May - 29 May
Inport Norfolk, VA	30 May - 01 Jun
Underway PHIBRFT	02 Jun - 08 Jun
Inport Norfolk, VA	09 Jun - 20 Jun
Underway Yorktown/Ammo Load	21 Jun - 25 Jun
Inport Norfolk, VA	26 Jun - 05 Jul
Underway FLEETEX/SOCEX	06 Jul - 24 Jul
Inport Norfolk, VA	25 Jul - 10 Aug
Underway Morehead City, NC	11 Aug - 12 Aug
Inport Morehead City, NC	12 Aug
Underway	12 Aug - 24 Aug
Anchor Rota, Spain	25 Aug
Inport Rota, Spain	26 Aug - 31 Aug
Underway	01 Sep - 03 Sep
Anchor ISO Spanish PHIBLEX	03 Sep - 08 Sep
Underway	09 Sep - 19 Sep
Anchor Izmir, Turkey	20 Sep - 22 Sep
Underway	22 Sep - 25 Sep
Anchor Saros Bay/DYNAMIC GUARD 93	26 Sep - 30 Sep

Enclosure (3)

Underway to Adriatic	01 Oct - 04 Oct
Inport Trieste, Italy	05 Oct - 07 Oct
Underway	08 Oct - 10 Oct
Underway/Transit Suez Canal	11 Oct - 12 Oct
Underway/Transit Red Sea	12 Oct - 14 Oct
Underway/Transit Indian Ocean	14 Oct
Underway/Transit to Somalia	15 Oct - 13 Nov
Anchor/Exercise BRIGHT STAR	14 Nov - 17 Nov
Underway	18 Nov - 23 Nov
Inport Toulon, France	23 Nov - 07 Dec
Underway/Exercise MAYFLOWER	08 Dec - 10 Dec
Anchor Toulon, France	10 Dec
Underway/Transit to Palma, Spain	11 Dec - 13 Dec
Inport Palma, Spain	13 Dec - 17 Dec
Underway	18 Dec - 20 Dec
Inport Naples, Italy	21 Dec - 31 Dec

## THE YEAR IN REVIEW

The year began with USS SHREVEPORT in a DPMA level of maintenance with Metro Machine, Inc. Upon completion of the yard period and subsequent sea trials, SHREVEPORT returned to Norfolk to begin training and Joint Amphibious Task Force work-ups.

The second quarter was occupied by Amphibious Refresher Training in the Virginia Capes Operating Area and ammunition load out in Yorktown, Virginia.

After intense training exercises in FLEETEX/SOCEX in July, SHREVEPORT was ready to deploy as part of the USS AMERICA Joint Task Force 2-93. The battle group departed Norfolk on 11 August and embarked Marines and equipment in Morehead City, NC on 12 August.

Arriving in Rota, Spain on 25 August, SHREVEPORT received her turnover and got underway for Spanish PHIBLEX which involved the Amphibious Readiness Group (ARG) training with the Spanish Navy and Marines. Upon completion of the exercise, SHREVEPORT transit the Mediterranean Sea to Izmir, Turkey for the initial planning conference in preparation for the largest exercise of the cruise, Exercise "Dynamic Guard". During "Dynamic Guard", SHREVEPORT served as primary control ship for two exercise amphibious assaults in company with the Turkish Navy.

SHREVEPORT's visit to Trieste, Italy following "Dynamic Guard" was shortened when the ARG received tasking to make best speed to Mogadishu, Somalia in support of Operation "Restore Hope". Transiting the Suez Canal on 11 October and passing through the Red Sea and Indian Ocean 12 through 14 October, SHREVEPORT arrived off the coast of Mogadishu, Somalia on 15 October where she remained until 06 November.

After completing the Suez Canal transit back into the Mediterranean Sea on 10 November, SHREVEPORT participated in Exercise "Bright Star" with Egypt, steaming to Toulon, France for a much anticipated port visit after the exercise.

The year ended with SHREVEPORT making port visits to Palma de Mallorca, Spain and Naples, Italy where the ship celebrated Christmas and New Year's.

COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

1. Mission:

a. Primary mission - To provide fast transport of combat troops and rapid landing ashore by vertical envelopment and by waterborne assault.

b. Secondary mission - Evacuation and civilian disaster relief.

2. Organization:

a. Immediate Superior in Command: Commander, Amphibious Group Two.

b. Immediate Operational Commander - Commander, Amphibious Squadron Eight

c. Commanding Officer - Captain A. G. Harms, JR.