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USS HANCOCK (CVA-19) Command History for 1969

1. Chronology of outstanding events:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1 January:	On Yankee Station in support of U.S. policy in Southeast Asia.
20 January:	RADM G. S. MORRISON struck his flag and CAPT H.E. GR Commanding Officer, USS HANCOCK became CTG 77.5.
30 January:	Commenced fifth line period in the Gulf of Tonkin.
10 February:	CAPT N. P. FOSS relieved CAPT H. E. GREER as Command Officer, USS HANCOCK and CTG 77.5.
21 February:	Departed Yokosuka for continental United States.
24 February:	TG 77.5 dissolved as HANCOCK became TG 17.4 under operational control of Commander First Fleet.
3 March:	Arrived at Alameda after fourth combat deployment in Vietnam.
6 March:	Entered San Francisco Naval Shipyard, Hunters Point Division, for Restricted Availability.
15 April:	HANCOCK's 25th Anniversary, commissioned 15 April 19
29 April:	Underway for engineering sea trials.
3 May:	Completed Restricted Availability, departed San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard, Hunters Point Division for Naval Air Station, Alameda.
6 May:	Underway for refresher training in Southern Californ operating area under operational control of COMFLETR San Diego.

23 May: Operational control of HANCOCK shifted from COMFLETRA San Diego to COMFIRSTFLT.

26 - 29 May: Board of Inspection and Survey.

16 June: Dependents cruise.

17 June: Commander Carrier Air Wing Twenty-One embarked.

30 June-3 July: Composite Training Unit Exercise/Weapons Training Exercise

8 - 15 July: Fleet Training Exercise 3-69/Exercise BEAGLE BARON.

2 August: Underway for fifth combat deployment to Gulf of Tonkin

12 - 14 August: Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI).

21 August: Operational control of HANCOCK shifted from COMFIRSTFLT to COMSEVENTHFLT.

1 September: Commenced first line period in the Gulf of Tonkin; visited by Chief of Naval Operations, ADM T. H. MOORER.

4 October: Commenced second line period in the Gulf of Tonkin.

29 October: Exercise COMMANDO MIRAGE.

29 October -

23 November: CTG 77.4 assumed Defender Station Commander, CTG 71.0

24 November: Commenced third line period in the Gulf of Tonkin.

21 -31 December: CTG 77.4 assumed Defender Station Commander, CTG 71.0

2. Command Organization

a. Captain Howard E. GREER, USN, 283023/1310 was Commanding Officer from 1 January 1969 to 10 February 1969. Captain Newton P. FOSS, USN, 283396/1310 was Commanding Officer from 10 February 1969 to 31 December 1969.

b. Home Port - Naval Air Station, Alameda, California.

c. Home Yard - Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Bremerton, Washington.

d. Composition of Command

(1) Carrier Division NINE (1 Jan - 20 Jan) (27 Sep - 31 Dec).

(2) Attack Carrier Air Wing TWENTY-ONE (1 Jan - 2 Mar)(17 Jun - 31 Dec)

(a) Fighter Squadron TWENTY-FOUR (VF-24).

(b) Fighter Squadron TWO HUNDRED ELEVEN (VF-211).

(c) Attack Squadron FIFTY-FIVE (VA-55).

(d) Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE (VA-163)(1 Jan - 31 Dec)

(e) Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR (VA-164).

(f) Attack Squadron TWO HUNDRED TWELVE (VA-212)(17 Jun - 31 Dec)

(g) Light Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron SIXTY-THREE (V

DET 19.

(h) Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE HUNDRED ELEVEN (VAW-1)

DET 19.

(i) Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron ONE HUNDRED THIRTY (V

DET 19 (1 Jan - 2 Mar).

(j) Heavy Attack Squadron TEN (VAH-10) DET 19 (17 Jun - 31 Dec)

(k) Helicopter Combat Support Squadron ONE (HC-1) DET 19.

e. Ship's complement at the end of the year:

(1) Officer - 261

(2) Enlisted - 3,296

(3) Civilian - 3

3. Operations and Activities

New Year's Day found USS HANCOCK and CVW-21 supporting U.S. policy in Southeast Asia in the Gulf of Tonkin. Embarked on HANCOCK was COMCARDIV NINE, RADM G. S. MORRISON and his Staff. Squadrons on board HANCOCK at that time included VF-211, VF-24, VA-163, VA-164, VA-55, VFP-63 DET 19, VAW-111 DET 19, VAQ-130 DET 19 and HC-1 DET 19.

To start off the New Year, HANCOCK held her largest payday of the 1968-69 cruise when on the 9th of January disbursing paid out over \$650,00 to the crew and squadrons of HANCOCK.

On 16 January 1969, HANCOCK entered Subic Bay for a ten-day period of repairs. During a pre-RAV inspection of HANCOCK's boilers, a small pin hole leak was discovered on No. 3 boiler. The leak was immediately repaired.

RADM G. S. MORRISON struck his flag and CAPT. H. E. GREER, Commanding Officer, USS HANCOCK, became CTG 77.5 on 20 January 1969.

HANCOCK departed Subic Bay enroute to Yankee Station for her fifth and final line period of the 1968-69 cruise on 27 January 1969. She entered the Gulf of Tonkin and resumed Special Operations on 30 January 1969.

On the first day of February, Deck Department was established as a separate entity from the Weapons Department.

During the month of February, HANCOCK, regrettably, lost two pilots. On 5 February LTJG SWIGART of VF-24 struck the ramp in his F8H and his aircraft continued over the angled deck and he was lost at sea. LCDR MYER of VA-164 was lost on 9 February when, during a cat shot, the nose gear collapsed on his A4E, and the aircraft crashed into the sea.

A Change of Command ceremony was held on 10 February 1969 and Captain Newton P. FOSS relieved Captain Howard E. GREER as Commanding Officer, USS HANCOCK and CTG 77.5.

On 9 February, HANCOCK completed her last line period in the Gulf of Tonkin and proceeded to Subic Bay for off loading of ammunition and Western Pacific assets. Due to work required on her propellers and other drydock work, HANCOCK departed Subic Bay on 12 February and headed for the drydocking facilities of Yokosuka, Japan for repairs. Although she arrived in Yokosuka on the 16th of February, she was forced to remain outside the harbor until the 17th due to high winds and heavy fog. HANCOCK remained in drydock until the 20th when she slipped out of Drydock #6 and moored at Azuma Island for refueling prior to the transit to the continental United States.

On 21 February, HANCOCK, in company with the destroyers USS TOWERS (DD-825), USS CARPENTER (DD-825), USS BAUSELL (DD-845) and USS BRUSH (DD-745), departed Yokosuka for the continental United States and outchop Commander Seventh Fleet.

At 0555L, on the 23rd of February, a burning Japanese fishing vessel, the DIGOSAN MARU, was sighted by TG 77.5. HANCOCK, BRUSH and BAUSELL immediately proceeded to the scene. All 14 crew members of the DIGOSAN MARU were rescued, but the fishing boat was a total loss. All of the crew were later transferred to another Japanese fishing boat.

At 0809M on February 24, TG 77.5 was dissolved and HANCOCK and her destroyers became TG 17.4 under operational control of COMFIRSTFLT. On the third of March, HANCOCK sailed under the Golden Gate Bridge and into San Francisco Bay and moored at pier 3N at her home port, Naval Air Station Alameda. At that time a large number of her crew were able to take much

deserved leave and liberty.

On March 6, HANCOCK was taken across the bay to Hunters Point Naval Shipyard for a short period of Restricted Availability (RAV). During this RAV period both the ship's personnel and personnel of Hunters Point worked for a two-month period to ready the HANCOCK for her next deployment. Among the work accomplished was the retesting of all winches, extensive repainting of various compartments, repair and adjustment of all antennas, replacement of 15,000 linear feet of flight deck planking and minor repair work on all major machinery. Toward the end of the RAV, 150 tons of provisions were brought on board in preparation for HANCOCK's upcoming at sea refresher training periods.

At 0800U, 6 May, HANCOCK departed Alameda for the Southern California operating area and her first air operations since the RAV. She entered San Diego Bay on the 10th to remain for the weekend and the embarkation of Commander Fleet Training Group observers. On 12 May, HANCOCK came under control of Commander Fleet Training Group as she departed San Diego Bay for a week of refresher training. Training consisted of man overboard drills, underway replenishments, highline transfers, damage control problems, and numerous general quarters drills. After one more brief inport period in San Diego, HANCOCK departed for her final battle problem on the 19th of May and upon completion on the 23rd, operational control of HANCOCK shifted from Commander Fleet Training Group, San Diego to Commander First Fleet.

On 24 May, HANCOCK returned to Alameda. During the period of 26 to 30 June, RADM J. D. BULKELEY, President of the Board of Inspection and Survey, conducted HANCOCK's material inspection. FINDINGS: That USS HANCOCK (CVA- was fit for further service and the recommended repairs were not disproportionate to the value of the ship for the service to which assigned.

Most of the early part of June was spent conducting carrier qualifications for Carrier Airwing TWENTY-ONE. The highlight of the month, however, was the Dependents Day Cruise on the 16th when more than 2,000 dependents participated in the one day event. Bad weather precluded conducting most of the air show but the dependents did have the opportunity to observe several launches and recoveries.

On the 17th, Carrier Airwing TWENTY-ONE embarked and HANCOCK departed Alameda for an additional four day period of carrier qualifications off the Southern California Coast. Beginning with the 22nd, warmup exercises were conducted prior to the commencement of COMPTUEX 19-69/WEPTRAEX on the 30th of June. The warmups and composite training unit exercise/weapons training exercise included cyclic air operations, simulated ALFA and Baby ALFA Strike bombing and strafing runs against pre-selected target areas, anti-air warfare exercises, a mine exercise, three TRAEX BRAVOS, simulated Soviet carrier overflights, and finally a NOREX fly-off on the 3rd of July. Upon completion of the exercise HANCOCK returned to NAS Alameda.

On 8 July, Commander Carrier Division THREE, RADM MILLER embarked as Observer as HANCOCK departed Alameda for the Combined Fleet Exercise and Operational Readiness Exercise (ORE), nicknamed Exercise Beagle Baron. The exercise was conducted between 8 and 15 July and involved a large number of ships besides the HANCOCK. Included were the carrier CONSTELLATION and two Canadian destroyers, QUAPELLE and ST. CROIX. A large number of operational problems were injected into the exercise in order to create as much realism as possible; close air support, air reconnaissance, ALFA Strikes, mining and anti-air warfare operations were conducted. In addition, numerous similar

enemy threats were faced by the Carrier Force in the form of Soviet Bear/Badger overflights, PT and cruise missile submarine attacks and strike by MIG aircraft. After completion of a Nuclear Readiness Exercise (NOREX) on 15 July, HANCOCK returned to her home port to prepare for her upcoming WESTPAC deployment.

Commander Carrier Division NINE (ADMIN - Chief of Staff) embarked on 2 August as HANCOCK departed San Francisco for her fifth combat deployment to the Gulf of Tonkin. HANCOCK, in company with the destroyers JOUETT, BUC BOYD, and HANSON began warmup exercises prior to arrival at Pearl Harbor at commencement of the Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI). Warmup operations consisted of cyclic operations and practice strikes against Kahoolawe Island. Prior to entering port on the 11th, HANCOCK received pre-deployment briefing by a CINCPACFLT briefing team in addition to ORI briefings. The ORI commenced on 12 August with HANCOCK simulating Yankee Station Operations. Cyclic operations, Rolling Thunder strikes and a NOREX was conducted and upon completion HANCOCK was congratulated on receiving the highest ORI grade received by any CVA within the past year.

HANCOCK departed from Pearl Harbor at 151200W August for Subic Bay, Philippines. The transit to Subic Bay was uneventful with no Soviet overflights encountered. On the 21st of August at 0821L, operational control shifted from Commander First Fleet to Commander Seventh Fleet. HANCOCK arrived in Subic Bay on the 27th for final preparations for her first period of operations in the Gulf of Tonkin. Special briefings were presented by CTF Staff in addition to briefings by Seventh Air Force representatives. Commander Carrier Division NINE, RADM R. W. McCLENDON, embarked during the inport period relieving CAPT N. P. FOSS as CTG 77.4. After two days of ty

training off Subic Bay, HANCOCK departed the Philippines area for her first line period commencing 1 September. The first day on the line was distinguished by a visit from the Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Thomas H. MOORER. The admiral appeared on the HANCOCK television network and presented to HANCOCK and CVW-21 the Navy Unit Commendation for her outstanding performance during the 1968-69 cruise.

HANCOCK departed the line on the 25th for upkeep at Subic Bay. Prior to entering port a MINEX was conducted on the 26th utilizing the Port BINAN Mine Field in Subic Bay.

On the second of October, HANCOCK again left Subic Bay for her second line period of the deployment. HANCOCK completed this line period on the 26th of October departing the Gulf of Tonkin for her first visit to Japan during the 1969-70 deployment. On the trip north, HANCOCK participated in Exercise Commando Mirage, an air defense exercise which was conducted on the 29th. At 291800I RADM R. W. McCLENDON, COMCARDIV NINE assumed CTG 71.0 as Defender Station Commander.

After a short period of TF 71 operations in the Okinawa Area, HANCOCK returned to Sasebo until the 20th of November when she departed for the third line period in the Gulf of Tonkin. Thanksgiving Day found HANCOCK in the Gulf of Tonkin, however the cooks on board prepared an outstanding Thanksgiving dinner which more than satisfied the appetites of the crew.

Just prior to departing the Gulf in December, HANCOCK suffered the loss of one of her photo pilots, LT Patrick M. BUCKLEY, who failed to return from an operational flight. An extensive SAR was conducted, however no trace of the pilot or aircraft was found.

On the 17th, HANCOCK departed the Gulf and again headed for Sasebo, Japan after a short stop over at Subic Bay. RADM R. W. McCLENDON assumed Defender Station Commander on 211800I December.

4. Special Topics

a. Operational Statistics

<u>STBD CAT</u>	<u>LAUNCHES</u>	<u>PORT CAT</u>
731	JANUARY	715
502	FEBRUARY	390
39	MARCH	37
RAV	APRIL	RAV
385	MAY	78
1,503	JUNE	663
659	JULY	570
610	AUGUST	458
1,148	SEPTEMBER	983
1,772	OCTOBER	412
705	NOVEMBER	420
1,080	DECEMBER	681
4,760	TOTAL	4,763
	<u>RECOVERIES</u>	
JANUARY	1,409	
FEBRUARY	899	
MARCH	4	
APRIL	RAV	
MAY	547	
JUNE	1,983	
JULY	1,036	
AUGUST	1,075	
SEPTEMBER	2,060	

RECOVERIES (cont'd)

OCTOBER	2,193
NOVEMBER	1,218
DECEMBER	1,626
TOTAL	14,050

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<u>MONTH</u>	<u>AVAIL.</u>	<u>NORS</u>	<u>FLIGHT TIME(HRS)</u>	<u>ARRESTED LANDINGS</u>	<u>NUMBERED FLIGHTS</u>
JAN	88.0%	0.0	60.2	4	42
FEB	97.7%	0.0	29.6	3	22
MAR	- -	- -	97.4	1	36
APR	- -	- -	128.6	0	52
MAY	91.4%	0.0	100.9	18	44
JUN	83.3%	0.0	125.9	15	73
JUL	70.8%	155.3	78.8	14	64
AUG	84.5%	34.0	67.2	49	48
SEP	77.1%	0.0	77.0	13	56
OCT	79.7%	0.0	114.0	32	67
NOV	95.7%	0.0	140.0	26	90
DEC	73.8%	0.0	94.0	15	47
TOTALS	84.2%	189.3	1,113.6	190	641

AVIATION FUEL RECEIVED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY (GALS)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
2 JAN	JP-5	121,363	USS CAMDEN
5 JAN	JP-5	346,957	USS CAMDEN
8 JAN	JP-5	91,100	USS CAMDEN
11 JAN	JP-5	314,531	USS CAMDEN
13 JAN	JP-5	190,652	USS CAMDEN
25 JAN	JP-5	92,000	NAS CUBI PT.
30 JAN	JP-5	283,882	USS CAMDEN

AVIATION FUEL RECEIVED (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>FUEL</u>	<u>QUANTITY (GALS)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
1 FEB	JP-5	135,118	USS CAMDEN
4 FEB	JP-5	292,361	USS CAMDEN
7 FEB	JP-5	75,513	USS CAMDEN
20 FEB	JP-5	97,668	AZUMA ISLAND
20 FEB	AVGAS	15,600	AZUMA ISLAND
3 MAY	JP-5	395,156	NSFD POINT MOLATE
3 MAY	AVGAS	21,100	NSFD POINT MOLATE
12 MAY	JP-5	241,433	NAS NORTH ISLAND
12 MAY	AVGAS	5,000	NAS NORTH ISLAND
9 JUN	JP-5	64,761	NSFD POINT MOLATI
9 JUN	AVGAS	5,453	NAS ALAMEDA
21 JUN	JP-5	98,913	USS CHEMUNG
26 JUN	JP-5	292,320	USS CHEMUNG
28 JUN	JP-5	395,000	USS CHEMUNG
2 JUL	JP-5	374,724	USS CHEMUNG
7 JUL	JP-5	122,810	NSFD POINT MOLATI
11 JUL	JP-5	305,592	USS CHEMUNG
12 JUL	JP-5	226,506	USS CHEMUNG
14 JUL	JP-5	336,126	USS CHEMUNG
30 JUL	JP-5	195,100	NSFD POINT MOLAT
3 JUL	AVGAS	40,377	NAS ALAMEDA
9 AUG	JP-5	403,284	USS HASAYAMPA
11 AUG	JP-5	230,538	PEARL HARBOR
14 AUG	JP-5	200,048	PEARL HARBOR

AVIATION FUEL RECEIVED (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY (GALS)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
27 AUG	JP-5	54,936	USS TAPPAHANNOC
27 AUG	AVGAS	18,522	USS TAPPAHANNOC
1 SEP	JP-5	199,297	USS ASHTABULA
5 SEP	JP-5	256,381	USS ASHTABULA
7 SEP	JP-5	207,396	USS ASHTABULA
10 SEP	JP-5	301,416	USS ASHTABULA
13 SEP	JP-5	282,059	USS ASHTABULA
16 SEP	JP-5	307,398	USS CAMDEN
19 SEP	JP-5	299,982	USS CAMDEN
19 SEP	AVGAS	31,626	USS CAMDEN
22 SEP	JP-5	305,424	USS CAMDEN
24 SEP	JP-5	235,989	USS CAMDEN
3 OCT	JP-5	168,336	USS CAMDEN
7 OCT	JP-5	298,620	USS KAWISHIWI
10 OCT	JP-5	381,097	USS MISPELLION
10 OCT	AVGAS	44,537	USS MISPELLION
13 OCT	JP-5	255,766	USS MISPELLION
16 OCT	JP-5	346,920	USS CAMDEN
19 OCT	JP-5	232,428	USS CAMDEN
22 OCT	JP-5	299,502	USS CAMDEN
25 OCT	JP-5	409,080	USS CAMDEN
27 OCT	JP-5	179,130	USS CAMDEN
7 NOV	JP-5	84,491	SASEBO, JAPAN
9 NOV	JP-5	105,126	USS GUADELOUPE
14 NOV	JP-5	358,868	USS GUADELOUPE

AVIATION FUEL RECEIVED (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY (GALS)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
25 NOV	JP-5	318,334	USS CAMDEN
28 NOV	JP-5	205,468	USS CAMDEN
1 DEC	JP-5	350,115	USS CAMDEN
4 DEC	JP-5	314,716	USS CAMDEN
7 DEC	JP-5	365,819	USS CAMDEN
9 DEC	JP-5	198,377	USS CAMDEN
12 DEC	JP-5	354,228	USS KAWISHIWI
15 DEC	JP-5	353,330	USS KAWISHIWI
17 DEC	JP-5	223,566	USS KAWISHIWI
1 DEC	AVGAS	45,457	USS CAMDEN
	TOTAL	14,404,823	

N.S.F.O. RECEIVED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY (GALS)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
2 JAN	131,166	USS CAMDEN
5 JAN	307,062	USS CAMDEN
8 JAN	135,828	USS CAMDEN
11 JAN	198,198	USS CAMDEN
13 JAN	139,440	USS CAMDEN
30 JAN	595,476	USS CAMDEN
1 FEB	185,808	USS CAMDEN
4 FEB	191,310	USS CAMDEN
7 FEB	159,096	USS CAMDEN
9 FEB	220,668	USS CAMDEN
22 FEB	999,222	USS CAMDEN
APRIL	528,932	UNITED TOWING CO.

N.S.F.O. RECEIVED (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY (GALS)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
3 MAY	649,950	NSFD POINT MOLATE
13 MAY	561,372	NSFD SAN DIEGO
17 MAY	261,450	NSFD SAN DIEGO
29 MAY	460,326	NSFD POINT MOLATE
19 JUN	787,374	NSFD POINT MOLATE
21 JUN	510,300	USS CHEMUNG
26 JUN	496,106	USS CHEMUNG
28 JUN	354,900	USS CHEMUNG
9 AUG	1,301,538	USS HASSAYAMPA
11 AUG	253,813	NSD PEARL HARBOR
15 AUG	264,960	NSD PEARL HARBOR
27 AUG	1,071,672	USS TAPPAHANNOCK
1 SEP	669,438	USS ASHTABULA
5 SEP	309,414	USS ASHTABULA
7 SEP	237,342	USS ASHTABULA
10 SEP	234,948	USS ASHTABULA
13 SEP	350,784	USS ASHTABULA
16 SEP	496,104	USS CAMDEN
19 SEP	298,410	USS CAMDEN
22 SEP	245,994	USS CAMDEN
24 SEP	259,560	USS CAMDEN
1 OCT	291,162	NSD SUBIC
3 OCT	163,296	USS CAMDEN
7 OCT	242,298	USS KAWISHIWI
10 OCT	287,146	USS MISPELLION

N.S.F.O. RECEIVED (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY (GALS)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
13 OCT	404,166	USS MISPELLION
16 OCT	281,361	USS CAMDEN
19 OCT	199,290	USS CAMDEN
22 OCT	389,086	USS CAMDEN
25 OCT	392,490	USS CAMDEN
27 OCT	190,638	USS CAMDEN
29 OCT	163,170	USS CACAPON
7 NOV	335,328	NSD SASEBO, JAPAN
9 NOV	151,242	USS GUADALUPE
14 NOV	641,802	USS GUADALUPE
19 NOV	142,590	NSD SASEBO, JAPAN
25 NOV	780,066	USS CAMDEN
28 NOV	196,392	USS CAMDEN
1 DEC	353,380	USS CAMDEN
4 DEC	339,764	USS CAMDEN
7 DEC	314,916	USS CAMDEN
9 DEC	314,916	USS CAMDEN
12 DEC	265,860	USS CAMDEN
15 DEC	205,254	USS KAWISHIWI
17 DEC	168,252	USS KAWISHIWI
19 DEC	211,218	NSD SUBIC
22 DEC	497,196	SASEBO, JAPAN
TOTAL	21,790,240	

N.S.F.O. TRANSFERRED FROM HANCOCK

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>TO</u>
29 JAN	84,527	USS POWER

N.S.F.O. TRANSFERRED FROM HANCOCK (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>TO</u>
29 JAN	62,019	USS HOPEWELL
14 FEB	62,419	USS TOWER
14 FEB	65,191	USS CARPENTER
14 FEB	49,436	USS BAUSELL
22 FEB	35,056	USS BRUSH
23 FEB	61,143	USS TOWER
23 FEB	56,745	USS CARPENTER
23 FEB	65,019	USS BAUSELL
24 FEB	54,911	USS BRUSH
24 FEB	18,118	USS BAUSELL
24 FEB	17,730	USS CARPENTER
25 FEB	93,225	USS TOWER
1 MAR	78,196	USS BRUSH
1 MAR	125,986	USS TOWER
1 MAR	96,701	USS BAUSELL
4 JUN	109,235	USS CHANDLER
18 JUN	72,800	USS CUNNINGHAM
19 JUN	72,912	USS CUNNINGHAM
27 JUN	72,200	USS CUNNINGHAM
3 AUG	82,046	USS BUCKLEY
3 AUG	75,572	USS HANSON
3 AUG	73,689	USS BOYD
5 AUG	78,732	USS BUCKLEY
6 AUG	106,567	USS HANSON

N.S.F.O. TRANSFERRED FROM HANCOCK (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>TO</u>
19 AUG	109,441	USS BUCKLEY
19 AUG	98,790	USS HANSON
30 AUG	68,515	USS BUCKLEY
31 AUG	80,550	USS HANSON
31 AUG	34,834	USS BUCKLEY
25 SEP	31,135	USS THOMPSON
11 OCT	62,662	USS PICKETT
23 OCT	62,593	USS ORLICK
11 NOV	37,346	USS BUCKLEY
11 NOV	49,923	USS O'BRIEN
11 NOV	43,095	USS COCKRANE
13 NOV	59,448	USS O'BRIEN
13 NOV	33,932	USS BUCKLEY
21 NOV	57,133	USS COCKRANE
22 NOV	23,183	USS MANSFIELD
23 NOV	38,563	USS HANSON
24 NOV	98,675	USS HANSON
27 NOV	46,231	USS HANSON
30 NOV	24,746	USS HANSON
1 DEC	24,001	USS HANSON
3 DEC	18,508	USS COCHRANE
3 DEC	49,230	USS HOLLISTER
5 DEC	25,620	USS HOLLISTER
8 DEC	39,288	USS HOLLISTER
8 DEC	45,990	USS MACKENZIE

N.S.F.O. TRANSFERRED FROM HANCOCK (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>TO</u>
8 DEC	51,660	USS O'BRIEN
21 DEC	86,898	USS CUNNINGHAM
21 DEC	40,110	USS HOLLISTER
TOTAL	3,212,275	

UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SHIP</u>	<u>ITEM'S RECEIVED</u>
1 JAN	USS RANGELL	AMMUNITION
2 JAN	USS CAMDEN	NSFO/JP-5/AMMO
5 JAN	USS CAMDEN	NSFO/JP-5/AMMO
7 JAN	USS MARS	STORES
8 JAN	USS CAMDEN	NSFO/JP-5/AMMO
11 JAN	USS CAMDEN	NSFO/JP-5/AMMO
13 JAN	USS CAMDEN	NSFO/JP-5/AMMO
14 JAN	USS CAMDEN	PROVISIONS
30 JAN	USS CAMDEN	NSFO/JP-5/AMMO
1 FEB	USS CAMDEN	NSFO/JP-5/AMMO
4 FEB	USS CAMDEN	NSFO/JP-5/AMMO
7 FEB	USS CAMDEN	NSFO/JP-5/AMMO/PROVISIONS
9 FEB	USS PONCHATOULA	NSFO/JP-5
11 FEB	USS CAMDEN	AMMO
27 FEB	USS RAINIER	AMMO OFFLOAD
27 FEB	USS CACAPON	NSFO
28 FEB	USS RAINIER	AMMO OFFLOAD
1 MAR	USS RAINIER	AMMO OFFLOAD
5 MAY	USS CONCORD	AMMO
20 MAY	USS MISPELLION	NSFO

UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENTS (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SHIP</u>	<u>ITEM'S RECEIVED</u>
3 JUN	USS MT. KATMAI	AMMO
20 JUN	USS CHEMUNG	NSFO
22 JUN	USS MT. KATMAI	AMMO
26 JUN	USS CHEMUNG	NSFO
28 JUN	USS CHEMUNG	JP-5/NSFO
2 JUL	USS CHEMUNG	JP-5/NSFO
9 JUL	USS WHITE PLAINS	PROVISIONS
11 JUL	USS VESUVIUS	AMMO
11 JUL	USS CHEMUNG	NSFO/JP-5
12 JUL	USS CHEMUNG	NSFO/JP-5
13 JUL	USS WHITE PLAINS	PROVISIONS
14 JUL	USS CHEMUNG	NSFO/JP-5
15 JUL	USS VESUVIUS	AMMO
9 AUG	USS HASSAYAMPA	NSFO/JP-5
26 AUG	USS TAPPAHANNOCK	NSFO/JP-5
23 AUG	USS TAPPAHANNOCK	JP-5/NSFO/AVGAS
1 SEP	USS ASHTABULA	JP-5/NSFO/STORES
2 SEP	USS MAUNA KEA	AMMO
4 SEP	USS ASTABULA	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO
5 SEP	USS MAUNA KEA	AMMO
7 SEP	USS ASTABULA	JP-5/NSFO
8 SEP	USS PARICUTIN	AMMO
10 SEP	USS ASHTABULA	JP-5/NSFO
11 SEP	USS PARICUTIN	AMMO
12 SEP	USS NIAGARA FALLS	PROVISIONS

UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENTS (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SHIP</u>	<u>ITEM'S RECEIVED</u>
13 SEP	USS ASHTABULA	JP-5/NSFO
14 SEP	USS VIRGO	AMMO
16 SEP	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO/STORES
19 SEP	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO/PROVISIONS
22 SEP	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO
24 SEP	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO
24 SEP	USS WHITE PLAINS	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO
3 OCT	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO
5 OCT	USS VIRGO	AMMO
7 OCT	USS KAWISHIWI	JP-5/NSFO
8 OCT	USS MAUNA KEA	AMMO
10 OCT	USS MISPELLION	AVGAS/JP-5/NSFO
13 OCT	USS MISPELLION	JP-5/NSFO
14 OCT	USS VIRGO	AMMO
16 OCT	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO/PROVISIONS
17 OCT	USS MARS	PROVISIONS
19 OCT	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO
22 OCT	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO/PROVISIONS
25 OCT	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO/PROVISIONS
27 OCT	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO/PROVISIONS
29 OCT	USS CACAPON	NSFO
9 NOV	USS GUADALUPE	JP-5/NSFO
14 NOV	USS GUADALUPE	JP-5/NSFO
22 NOV	USS WHITE PLAINS	PROVISIONS
25 NOV	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO/PROVISIONS

UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENTS (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SHIP</u>	<u>ITEM'S RECEIVED</u>
28 NOV	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO
1 DEC	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO/AVGAS/PROVISIONS
4 DEC	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO
6 DEC	USS MARS	PROVISIONS
7 DEC	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO
9 DEC	USS CAMDEN	JP-5/NSFO/AMMO
11 DEC	USS PYRO	AMMO
12 DEC	USS KAWISHIWI	JP-5/NSFO
13 DEC	USS REGULUS	PROVISIONS
14 DEC	USS MT KATMAI	AMMO
15 DEC	USS KAWISHIWI	JP-5/NSFO
16 DEC	USS HALEAKALA	AMMO
17 DEC	USS KAWISHIWI	JP-5/NSFO

ENGINEERING STATISTICS

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>HOURS STEAMING UNDERWAY</u>	<u>MILES STEAMED</u>
JAN	483	7,336.1
FEB	552	8,665.2
MAR	58	1,214.8
APR	13	156.0
MAY	270	6,204.0
JUN	442	7,070.9
JUL	275	5,095.0
AUG	601	11,396.0
SEP	609	10,285.5
OCT	697	11,529.5
NOV	425	7,198.1
DEC	615	8,763.5
TOTALS	5,040	84,914.6

ORDNANCE EXPENDED

5" 38 GUNSHOOTS

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u>
JAN	60
MAY	94
TOTAL	154

AIR TO GROUND

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>AMOUNT EXPENDED (TONS)</u>
JAN	1,227.1
FEB	942.5
MAR	0
APR	0
MAY	0
JUN	0
JUL	217
AUG	245
SEP	1,200
OCT	1,251
NOV	500
DEC	1,530
TOTAL	7,112.6

b. Summary of Major Intelligence Collected:

(1) The following Intelligence Information Reports were submitted:

<u>Report No.</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Subject</u>
5 376 1050 69	3 June 1969	Soviet Fishing trawler off coast of California.
5 376 5125 69	25 August 1969	Soviet AGI ANEROID off the of Guam.
5 376 5126 69	11 September 1969	Soviet AGI BAROGRAF in the of Tonkin.
5 376 5127 69	21 September 1969	Soviet AGI GIDROFON in the of Tonkin.
5 376 5128 69	23 September 1969	Soviet AGI GIDROFON in the of Tonkin.
5 376 5129 69	10 October 1969	Soviet AGI GIDROFON in the of Tonkin.
5 376 5130 69	10 October 1969	Soviet cargo vessel LAZARI in the Gulf of Tonkin.

5 376 5131 69 22 October 1969 Soviet cargo vessel ZI
the Gulf of Tonkin.

5 376 5132 69 3 December 1969 Soviet AGI PROTRAKTOR
Gulf of Tonkin.

A "Well Done" was accorded USS HANCOCK for the professionalism and teamwork between her crew, photographers, intelligence team and helicopter crews by both COMNAVAIRPAC and Naval Reconnaissance and Technical Support Center in Washington. A special article appeared in the Selected Photo Interpretation Analyses (SPIA) of December 1969 citing HANCOCK for her fine photographic work of Bloc Intelligence Collectors.

c. Communications

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>MESSAGES TRANSMITTED</u>	<u>MESSAGES RECEIVED</u>
JAN	3,378	12,336
FEB	2,468	6,341
MAR	0	0
APR	0	0
MAY	897	2,126
JUN	1,836	2,380
JUL	2,235	2,753
AUG	4,084	11,794
SEP	6,356	24,691
OCT	6,827	20,399
NOV	5,083	19,963
DEC	5,555	20,907
TOTAL	38,719	123,690

d. Legal Matters 1969

Special Courts-Martial 6

Summary Courts-Martial 9

218 personnel received non-judicial punishment

e. Activities of the Chaplain:

On 10 January, at the request of Mrs. Forraine of San Francisco, California, a memorialization of her late son, LT Robert MILLER, USN, was conducted on the flight deck of the HANCOCK. LT MILLER lost his life in an F8 aircraft in March 1968 in the Gulf of Tonkin.

A memorial service was conducted on 10 February in honor of LTJG Paul E. SWIGART, USN, VF-24 and LCDR Roger A. MYERS, USN, VA-164, on the flight deck of the HANCOCK.

During 22-23 July the Chaplain's Office aided in the supervision of the HANCOCK Twenty-fifth Anniversary All Hands Party at the Oakland Civic Auditorium. The party was scheduled over a two day period in order that all HANCOCK personnel would be afforded the opportunity to attend. The party was attended on both nights by Captain and Mrs. FOSS.

The month of August was a productive month with a Drug Abuse Educational Program being presented on television by the senior chaplain assisted by the medical officer. In addition, during the transit from Pearl Harbor to Subic Bay (15 - 27 Aug), the crew's lounge was completely paneled by the men from "R" Division with materials made available via funding of the Welfare and Recreation Fund, under the general supervision of the Chaplain's Office.

Final stage of development of HANCOCK Chapel was realized during the month of September with the installation of four additional multicolored lighted windows and beautiful walnut paneling. Also during September the members of the crew of HANCOCK donated a Yamaha piano to missionaries in the Philippines for their use in religious services.

During December, \$104.00 was contributed to mission projects in the Sasebo area and on 27 December a painting party from HANCOCK painted three rooms at a local mission house. The highlight of the month was the Christmas Party on the 11th which was held in Alameda for all HANCOCK dependents up to 14 years of age. All children received Christmas presents and an opportunity to visit with their fathers on a special prepared movie film.

f. Medical and Dental Activities

(1) Dental - Statistics

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>PATIENTS</u>	<u>PROCEDURES</u>
JAN	794	2,361
FEB	826	1,964
MAR	192	540
APR	371	1,024
MAY	329	863
JUN	608	1,427
JUL	374	638
AUG	497	1,664
SEP	2,035	3,214
OCT	969	2,641
NOV	543	1,356
DEC	1,119	2,443
TOTAL	8,657	20,135

General Information: The beginning of the year in Dentistry began with the Dental Department completing its preventive Dentistry Flouride Treatment for the 1968-1969 cruise; seventeen hundred and eighty-four men received flouride treatments. For the 1969-1970 cruise, treatments were begun during the transit between Hawaii and Subic as one hundred and sixty

nine treatments were accomplished. Treatments for ship's company and air wing personnel were continued throughout September, October, November and completed during the month of December. A total of two thousand one hundred treatments were completed surpassing the 1968-1969 cruise.

(2) Medical - Statistics

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>NO. PATIENTS SEEN</u>	<u>IMMUN. ADMIN</u>	<u>PATIENTS RECD FROM OI SHIPS</u>
JAN	1,880	35	0
FEB	1,705	63	1
MAR	560	30	0
APR	675	16	0
MAY	743	25	0
JUN	948	26	0
JUL	1,289	30	0
AUG	1,922	5,026	2
SEP	2,240	46	4
OCT	4,080	540	5
NOV	2,640	73	2
DEC	3,706	1,948	2
TOTAL	22,388	7,858	16

General Information: LT Richard A. RENNING, USN, 640691, of Fighter Squadron TWENTY-FOUR died on 11 January 1969 on board HANCOCK. Cause of death was believed to be cardiac infarction.

g. Post Office Statistics

The following statistics reflect the large volume of business conducted by the HANCOCK Post Office during the year 1969:

Total Money Orders issued	34,271
Total value of money orders	\$2,002,664.20
Total stamp sales	\$38,412.50
Total Air Mail and First Class received	78,291
Total Second and Third Class received	61,913
Total Air Mail and First Class dispatched	40,385
Total Second, Third and Fourth Class Dispatched	42,153

HANCOCK Post Office, on the 4th of September, sold a record volume of money orders, 1,706 for a value of \$117,246.02.

On 1 December 1969, HANCOCK opened the new Post Office Annex to accommodate the large volume of mail being handled aboard this CVA.

h. Notable Firsts and Significant Events:

On 1 September, Admiral Thomas H. MOORER, Chief of Naval Operations presented Captain N. P. FOSS, Commanding Officer, USS HANCOCK and Captain J. C. SCOTT, Commander Carrier Air Wing TWENTY-ONE, with the Navy Unit Commendation. The award was given to the HANCOCK and Air Wing TWENTY-ONE for service during the 1968-1969 WestPac cruise. All hands on board HANCOCK during that cruise were authorized to wear the Navy Unit Commendation ribbon.

During the 1969-1970 cruise the helicopter detachment on board HANCOCK used the SH-3A helicopter in lieu of the UH-2C formerly utilized on board this CVA. Only two SH-3As were carried vice three of the UH-2Cs; however, they proved their worth with a greater pay-load capacity and ability to stay aloft for a longer period of time.

During the month of November HANCOCK conducted two underway replenishments with a distillate burning escort. This was believed to be the first CVA/DEG unrep in the Seventh Fleet. The unrep with JP-5 was conducted with the USS RAMSEY. Recommendations were forwarded by HANCOCK for improving HANCOCK's ship-to-ship JP-5 refueling capability.

i. Education and Training

(1) The following statistics reflect the Education and Training activities conducted during 1969:

(a) USAFI

1. USAFI Courses ordered - 672
2. End of Course tests ordered - 119
3. High School GED tests taken - 263
4. College Comprehensive Tests taken - 76
5. USAFI retests taken - 46

(b) "PACE"

1. Total enrollment - 126
2. SAT tests given - 200
3. SAT review class enrollments - 18

(c) E-3 Examinations

1. 2,000 have been individually given
2. 720 have been successfully passed

(d) Enlisted Correspondence Courses

1. Total course books ordered - 700
2. Total of individual courses ordered - 3,420

(e) Officer and Enlisted Courses Completed by Enlisted Personnel

1. Officer - 126, Enlisted - 1,474, Total 1,600

(f) Schools

1. "A" school quotas ordered - 129
2. "B" school quotas ordered - 10
3. "C" school quotas ordered - 18
4. Fleet School quotas ordered - 573
5. Fire Fighting School quotas ordered - 670
6. Personnel ordered to on-the-job training - 25

(g) Military Leadership Test

1. 2,480 tests administered, 1,050 passed

(h) ADCOP

1. Quotas ordered - 11

(i) Kuder Preference Tests

1. 100 administered

j. Supply and Logistics

(1) Highlights of Supply activities are as follows:

(a) Ship's store's fifth foreign merchandise bazaar was held on 8 January during the 1968-1969 cruise; in all \$16,000 worth of stereo equipment was purchased, with a total of \$71,262 accounted for during the entire cruise.

(b) On 9 and 10 January the largest payday of the year was held, \$658,000.00 were paid out.

(c) General Stores Division closed out the 1968-1969 cruise with 20,300 requisitions from ship's divisions processed during the deployment, issue effectiveness for all demands was 76%, issue effective for material carried in stock was 90%.

(d) On 17 February a 12-man COMNAVAIRPAC inventory team arrived to conduct a wall-to-wall inventory of all aviation stores. The inventory was completed in early March.

(e) During April review of the Aviation Consolidated Allowance List (AVCAL) was accomplished and accepted by HANCOCK and COMNAVAIRPAC. On 29 April AVCAL requisitions were introduced into the supply system. During May AVCAL material started arriving in Alameda for HANCOCK.

(f) During 2-5 June the Annual Supply Inspection was held. The inspection is given to all ships annually by the Type Commander to evaluate the Supply Department's ability to serve and support the ship. All divisions received an evaluation of excellent except Aviation Stores Division which received an outstanding, overall grade was excellent.

(g) Excellent supply support and assistance from NSC Pearl Harbor was received as in the past. A top-off was done in Hawaii for general stores items not received prior to departure from Alameda.

(h) The 10% Saving Deposit Program was started on 3 August. As the cruise got underway more personnel began to participate. During September \$40,580.00 was deposited.

(i) The grand opening for the new walk-in clothing and small stores outlet was held on 24 September with a ribbon cutting ceremony. The Commanding Officer, Captain FOSS, Chief of Staff of COMCARDIV NINE, Captain TULLY and the Supply Officer, Commander KOLLIOS joined in cutting the ribbon.

(j) The inventory of ship's store stock began 21 October for the trimester accounting returns.

(k) Supply Department shifted its major source of supplies to Japan in November, however, because of very limited supply support available from COMFLEACTS Sasebo, supplies and provisions were obtained by Inrep when an AFS was in port and from NSD Yokosuka. Fleet freight from Subic Bay was forwarded to Sasebo by both surface and air.

(1) HANCOCK continued to lead all other Seventh Fleet CVAs by a significant margin in maintaining the lowest NORS - G/NORS - N items outstanding as reported by COMNAVAIRPAC Weekly Summary Sheet 443/1. During December, HANCOCK averaged about 50% less outstanding NORS items than other WestPac CVAs. General Stores Division net issue effectiveness remained at 93% during December. Net effectiveness had gained each month from a low of 84% at the beginning of the deployment. Gross effectiveness was averaged at 80%, up from 72% in August.

k. Distinguished Vistors and Guests

(1) 1 September: Official visit to present award. Admiral Thomas H. MOORER, Chief of Naval Operations and party spent a day and night on board HANCOCK. The Admiral appeared on HANCOCK Television Network and presented the Navy Unit Commendation to Captain FOSS, Commanding Officer, and Captain SCOTT, Commander Carrier Air Wing TWENTY-ONE.

(2) 10 September: Official visit for general orientation. Alexar Melchor, Under Secretary of Defense for the Philippines spent a day and ni on board HANCOCK. He observed HANCOCK and CVW-21 conduct air operations e later met with Rear Admiral MC CLENDON and Captain FOSS to discuss Navy ai operations in Southeast Asia.

(3) 12 October: Official visit for general orientation and discussions. Messrs Rosotti, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense and Odeen, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, accompanied by Vice Admiral SHINN, COMNAVAIRPAC, visited HANCOCK and were met on board by Vice Admiral W. F. BRINGLE, Commander Seventh Fleet and Rear Admiral W. R. MC CLENDON, Commander Carrier Division NINE. They observed air operations and later in the day conducted a brief tour of the ship. A brief was conducted in Flag Command Center.

(4) 15 October: Official visit for discussions and general orientation. Admiral J. J. HYLAND, Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet accompanied by Vice Admiral W. F. BRINGLE, Commander Seventh Fleet, visited HANCOCK. Admiral HYLAND met with Rear Admiral MC CLENDON, Commander Carrier Division NINE, and Captain FOSS, Commanding Officer, USS HANCOCK, for a short period of briefing on the HANCOCK's activities on Yankee Station.