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COMMAND HISTORY

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MISSION

The Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Korea (COMNAVFORKOREA), provides administrative, intelligence, operational, logistical and communications support to elements of the Pacific Fleet, both ashore and afloat, in accordance with CINCPACFLT OPCODE 201, and functions as the Regional Coordinator for Naval personnel in Korea in accordance with CINCPACFLTINST 5400.12. In addition COMNAVFORKOREA serves as Commander, Naval Component Command, U.S. Forces, Korea; Commander, Combat Coordination Group, Korea; Senior Member, United Nations Command Component Military Armistice Commission; Commander United Nations Naval Component, and Deputy Commander, Naval Component Command, Republic of Korea/U.S. Combined Forces Command.

CHANGE OF COMMAND

A Change of Command ceremony was conducted on 15 October 1987. Rear Admiral William T. Pendley, USN, relieved Rear Admiral Charles F. Horne, III, USN. Lieutenant General Jack I. Gregory, USAF, made key remarks and presented Rear Admiral Horne with the Defense Distinguished Service Medal. Rear Admiral Horne was also awarded the Republic of Korea SAM-IL Medal (Second Class) by Minister of National Defense, Lee, Ki Baek.

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

The Administrative Department prepared 220 awards for presentation, of which 3 were Legions of Merit, 21 Defense Meritorious Service, 1 Defense Distinguished Service Medal, 31 Joint Service Commendations, 1 Joint Service Achievement Medal, 4 Navy Commendations, 38 Navy Achievement, 2 Meritorious Service, 37 Letters of Commendation, 41 Letters of Appreciation and 41 Certificates of Appreciation.

INTELLIGENCE

The upgrade on the COMNAVFORKOREA Detachment Combined Naval Intelligence Center (CNIC) continued with the arrival of seven additional Intelligence Specialists and DIA's approval of the concept proposal for the Special Intelligence Communication (SPINTCOMM) upgrade. CNFK Intelligence Officer coordinated the visit of the ROKN DCNO for Intelligence to Intelligence conferences in Hawaii and Washington, D.C. Additionally, CNFK N2 coordinated visits to Korea by the Director of Naval Intelligence and the CINCPACFLT N2. Improved USN/ROKN interoperability continued through increased efforts in Foreign Disclosure. A Recognition Guide (NWPAC AIR RECOGNITION) was produced and distributed to the ROKN Airwing, the ROKAF, and the USAF.

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

1. USN, USMC, ROKN, ROKNMF coordination was provided for the following exercises and port visits conducted in the Republic of Korea during 1986.

- a. TEAM SPIRIT 86 08-27 MAR This was the 11th annual large scale air, sea and land field training exercise held in ROK.
- b. ASWEX 86-1 KOR 08-14 JUN A combined USN/ROKN ASW exercise.
- c. MIDEX 86 1-K 08-18 JUN Combined Midshipman exchange exercise.
- d. SALVEX 86-1 KOR 09-18 JUN A combined USN/ROKN Salvage exercise.
- e. PRESENT ARMS 86 10-23 JUN Joint/Combined Mine Warfare exercise.
- f. VALIANT USHER 86 14-24 JUN Periodic MAU Training exercise.
- g. UFL 86 14-25 JUL Combined joint CPX.
- h. MINEX/EODEX 86-2 KOR 16-26 AUG Joint/Combined Mine Warfare exercise.
- i. UDT/SEALEX 86-2 KOR 02-12 SEP Joint/Combined Unconventional Warfare Training exercise.
- j. BEAR HUNT 86 06 OCT-09 NOV Joint USMC/ROKMC Moderate-level ground training exercise.
- k. ASWEX 86-2 KOR 14-18 OCT A combined USN/ROKN ASW exercise.
- l. FOAL EAGLE 86 07-25 NOV Combined special operations field training exercise.

2. Captain G.S. Smyth assumed ACOS Ops from CDR P.A. Smith.

3. During FY 86 the following USN ships conducted port visits in the Republic of Korea. The ports visited were Inchon, Chinhae, Pusan, and Pohang. Outstanding support for these visits was provided by COMNAVFORKOREA Seoul and COMFLEACT Chinhae, Korea.

<u>SHIP</u>	<u>PORT</u>	<u>ETA</u>	<u>ETD</u>
USS SIOUX (TATF 171)	PUSAN	27 JAN	28 JAN
USS PEORIA (LST 1183)	POHANG	05 FEB	06 FEB
USS DARTER (SS 576)	CHINHAE	23 FEB	28 FEB
USS BARBEL (SS 580)	CHINHAE	27 MAR	30 MAR
USS DUBUQUE (LPO 8)	POHANG	02 FEB	02 FEB
USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC 19)	INCHON	15 FEB	19 FEB
USS FREDERICK (LST 1184)	PUSAN	01 MAR	03 MAR
USS PEORIA (LST 1183)	PUSAN	01 MAR	03 MAR

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USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC 19)	POHANG	12 MAR	12 MAR
USS MIDWAY (CU 41)	PUSAN	12 MAR	14 MAR
USS REEVES (CG 24)	PUSAN	12 MAR	14 MAR
USS TOWERS (DDG 9)	PUSAN	12 MAR	14 MAR
USS KNOX (FF 1052)	PUSAN	12 MAR	14 MAR
USS FRANCIS HAMMOND (FF 1067)	PUSAN	12 MAR	14 MAR
USS WHITE PLAINS (AFS 4)	PUSAN	14 MAR	16 MAR
USS CATAWBA (TATF 168)	CHINHAE	16 MAR	30 MAR
USS RECLAIMER (ARS 42)	CHINHAE	18 MAR	26 MAR
USS CIMARRON (AO 177)	PUSAN	26 MAR	28 MAR
USS ST LOUIS (LKA 116)	POHANG	28 MAR	29 MAR
USS DUBUQUE (LPD 8)	POHANG	28 MAR	29 MAR
USS FREDERICK (LST 1184)	POHANG	28 MAR	29 MAR
USS PEORIA (LST 1183)	POHANG	28 MAR	29 MAR
USS NEW ORLEANS (LPH 11)	PUSAN	28 MAR	31 MAR
USS VANCOUVER (LPD 2)	PUSAN	28 MAR	31 MAR
USS ALAMO (LSD 33)	PUSAN	28 MAR	31 MAR
USS BARBOUR COUNTY (LST 1195)	PUSAN	28 MAR	31 MAR
USS OLDENDORF (DD 972)	CHINHAE	20 MAY	24 MAY
USS OLDENDORF (DD 972)	PUSAN	26 MAY	29 MAY
USS CATAWBA (TAFT 168)	PUSAN	04 JUN	25 JUN
USS REEVES (CG 24)	CHINHAE	05 JUN	08 JUN
USS BARBEL (SS 580)	CHINHAE	06 JUN	07 JUN
USS OBRIEN (FFG 23)	CHINHAE	08 JUN	09 JUN
USS PULLER (FFG 23)	CHINHAE	08 JUN	09 JUN
USS CONSERVER (ARS 39)	CHINHAE	09 JUN	18 JUN
USS COCHRANE (DDG 21)	CHINHAE	10 JUN	14 JUN
USS KILAUEA (TAE 26)	CHINHAE	21 JUN	16 JUN
USS NEW JERSEY (BB 62)	INCHON	14 JUN	19 JUN
USS STERETT (CG 31)	INCHON	14 JUN	19 JUN
USS WABASH (AOR 5)	INCHON	14 JUN	19 JUN
USS MERRILL (DD 976)	CHINHAE	13 JUN	19 JUN
USS THATCH (FFG 43)	CHINHAE	13 JUN	19 JUN
USS OBRIEN (DD 975)	PUSAN	15 JUN	17 JUN
USS PULLER (FFG 23)	PUSAN	15 JUN	17 JUN
USS BARBEL (SS 580)	CHINHAE	16 JUN	19 JUN
USS KIRK (FF 1087)	PUSAN	16 JUN	19 JUN
USS DUBUQUE (LDD 8)	POHANG	17 JUN	18 JUN
USS SAN BERNARDINO (LST 1189)	POHANG	17 JUN	18 JUN
USS BRISTOL COUNTY (LST 1198)	POHANG	17 JUN	18 JUN
USS CAPE COD (AD 43)	PUSAN	06 AUG	11 AUG
USS FOSTER (DD 964)	CHINHAE	01 SEP	01 SEP
USS CARL VINSON (CVN 70)	PUSAN	01 SEP	04 SEP
USS BERKELEY (DDG 15)	PUSAN	01 SEP	04 SEP
USS BRADLEY (FF 1041)	PUSAN	01 SEP	04 SEP
USS NIAGRA FALLS (AFS 3)	PUSAN	02 SEP	04 SEP
USS NEW JERSEY (BB 62)	PUSAN	05 SEP	09 SEP
USS WABASH (ADR 5)	PUSAN	05 SEP	09 SEP
USS VINCENNES (CG 49)	PUSAN	05 SEP	09 SEP
USS MERRILL (DD 976)	PUSAN	05 SEP	09 SEP
USS THATCH (FFG 43)	PUSAN	05 SEP	09 SEP

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USS COPELAND (FFG 25)	PUSAN	05 SEP	09 SEP
USS KNOX (FF 1052)	PUSAN	06 SEP	10 SEP
USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC 19)	CHINHAE	09 SEP	10 SEP
USS KILAUEA (TAE 26)	CHINHAE	10 SEP	10 SEP
USS SAN BERNARDINO (LST 1189)	POHANG	15 SEP	15 SEP
USS ST LOUIS (LKA 116)	POHANG	17 SEP	17 SEP
USS WILLAMETTE (AO 180)	CHINHAE	17 SEP	17 SEP
USS RANGER (CV 61)	PUSAN	17 SEP	21 SEP
USS RENTZ (FFG 46)	PUSAN	17 SEP	21 SEP
USS SAN BERNARDINO (LST 1189)	INCHON	18 SEP	18 SEP
USS NEW JERSEY (BB 62)	INCHON	18 SEP	22 SEP
USS VINCENNES (CG 49)	INCHON	18 SEP	22 SEP
USS WABASH (ADR 5)	INCHON	18 SEP	22 SEP
USS MERRILL (DD 976)	INCHON	18 SEP	22 SEP
USS THATCH (FFG 43)	INCHON	18 SEP	22 SEP
USS LONG BEACH (CGN 9)	INCHON	18 SEP	22 SEP
USS NEW JERSEY (BB 62)	INCHON	18 SEP	22 SEP
USS WILLAMETTE (AO 180)	PUSAN	19 SEP	21 SEP
USS KILAUEA (TAE 26)	CHINHAE	20 SEP	21 SEP
USS ST LOUIS (LKA 116)	INCHON	21 SEP	21 SEP
USS SAN BERNARDINO (LST 1189)	INCHON	21 SEP	21 SEP
USS ST LOUIS (LKA 116)	INCHON	24 SEP	25 SEP
USS SAN BERNARDINO (LST 1189)	PUSAN	26 SEP	27 SEP
USS FRESNO (LST 1182)	INCHON	26 SEP	28 SEP
USS SAN BERNARDINO (LST 1189)	INCHON	29 SEP	02 OCT
USS KIRK (FF 1087)	CHINHAE	30 SEP	11 OCT
USS ST LOUIS (LKA 116)	INCHON	02 OCT	06 OCT
USS SAN BERNARDINO (LST 1189)	INCHON	07 OCT	07 OCT
USS BRADLEY (FF 1041)	CHINHAE	13 OCT	15 OCT
USNS NAVASOTA (TAO 106)	CHINHAE	13 OCT	15 OCT
USS DUBUQUE (LPD 8)	INCHON	12 OCT	12 OCT
USS BERKELEY (DDG 15)	CHINHAE	14 OCT	15 OCT
USS BRADLEY (FF 1041)	CHINHAE	14 OCT	15 OCT
USS TOWERS (DDG 9)	CHINHAE	23 OCT	25 OCT
USS KILAUEA (TAE 26)	CHINHAE	26 OCT	27 OCT
USS COCHRANE (DDG 21)	PUSAN	03 NOV	07 NOV
USS KNOX (FF 1052)	CHINHAE	05 NOV	10 NOV
USS HAMMOND (FF 1067)	PUSAN	06 NOV	10 NOV
USNS NAVASOTA (TAO 106)	PUSAN	08 NOV	11 NOV
USNS CATAWBA (TATF 168)	PUSAN	12 NOV	03 DEC
USS ST LOUIS (LKA 116)	INCHON	13 NOV	14 NOV
USS DUBUQUE (LPD 8)	INCHON	13 NOV	14 NOV
USS SCHENECTADY (LST 1185)	INCHON	13 NOV	14 NOV
USS OLDENDORF (DD 972)	PUSAN	13 NOV	16 NOV
USS ST LOUIS (LKA 116)	INCHON	22 NOV	23 NOV
USS SAN BERNARDINO (LST 1189)	PUSAN	30 NOV	04 DEC
USNS PASSUMPSIC (TAO 107)	PUSAN	06 DEC	10 DEC
USS KIRK (FF 1087)	CHINHAE	06 DEC	10 DEC

LOGISTICS AND SUPPLY

Significant improvements were made in the logistical support for U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps units serving in Korea. COMNAVFORKOREA coordination and action resulted in highly successful logistics support for the COMNAVFORKOREA Logistics Detachment, Taegu for TEAM SPIRIT 86, for the first ever Battleship Battle Group port visits to Inchon, and for USMC deployments at Yechon and Pohang for TEAM SPIRIT, at Uncheon for BEAR HUNT 86, and numerous single unit training deployments.

A joint ROKN/USN/USMC inspection determined that the TACAIR POL facilities at Yechon and Pohang were not usable for safe flight operations. Direct involvement by the CINC UNC/CFC and continuous pressure from CNFK, USFK, and CFC resulted in the correction of major electrical deficiencies and limited availability of the POL facilities. Both Yechon and Pohang should be fully operational by June 1987.

ROKN completed construction of 16 aircraft revetments at Pohang in December.

A white paper on ROK Navy logistics was prepared and given to the Commander, Naval Logistics Command, ROKN in February. The white paper made ten recommendations for introducing improvements in the logistics and supply operations of the ROKN. Of the ten recommendations, the ROKN took aggressive action on three and studied or delayed action on the remaining seven. Funding constraints prevent adoption of some recommendations.

Logistics play during ULCHEI FOCUS LENS 86 confirmed that there has been progress during the past year. There remains an unrealistic dependence on USN support but it appears that the ROKN is planning for long range improvements. ROKN day to day supply procedures remain poor.

DOD promulgated its draft implementing instructions for the follow-on Memorandum of Agreement in October. CNO finished the draft USN implementing instructions in December. A joint USN/ROKN implementing instruction should be completed by May 1987.

The Navy Enlisted Mess, Open was changed to a Consolidated Mess. Commonly called the Navy Club, the change was made to properly reflect its clientele. A major renovation to the Navy Club was completed in August. The renovation nearly doubled the seating capacity, separated the bar area from the main dining area, and provided for a non-smoking and smoking section.

A major renovation of building 1661, one of two enlisted barracks, was completed in October. The renovation provided for more standardized floor space, centralizing air conditioning, and better building insulation.

COMMUNICATIONS

The focus of the 1986 effort has been to continue to enhance both joint and combined communications interoperability. Tactical secure voice and procedural improvements were effected through the CPICK Program and the development of change one to annex Kilo to the COMSEVENTHFLT/ROKNAVY SOP. Efforts included:

Use of a Vinson Satellite terminal to provide secure connectivity between COMSEVENTHFLT and the CINC in March 1986 for TEAM SPIRIT 86.

Installation of a Fleet Secure Voice Terminal in the HTACC at Osan AB to provide secure voice connectivity between the USN and the USAF in July 1986.

Design, approval from NSA, and development of an SY-28 interface device to facilitate Nestor and Vinson secure voice crypto operation onboard ROKN ships.

Renovation and expansion by staff personnel of the DNCC Comm Center at CP TANGO.

Development of an extensive Communications plan for use by the USN and ROKN for operations support of the Asian Games held in Seoul in September and October 1986.

Relocation of the classified material destruction device adjacent to the CNFK Headquarters building.

Removed the WWMCCS terminal in response to guidance provided by the CINCPACFLT IG, saving money, increasing security, and saving space and training requirements.

Coordinated the cutover to the new telephone electronic switch by the Army in October 1986, drastically improving the quality of phone service within Korea, as well as Autovon.

On 05 August, 1986 RMCS(SS) Thomas W. Kitzmiller relieved LCDR Seth Pillsbury as Assistant Chief of Staff for Communications, pending arrival of the detailed officer. On 31 August, 1986 LCDR Walter R. Maxwell reported aboard and relieved RMCS(SS) Kitzmiller on 12 September 1986.

NAVY MEDICAL REPRESENTATIVE

During 1986, the COMNAVFORKOREA Medical Representative saw 3200 patients, including 245 USMC personnel. In addition, medical liaison and support services were provided for Exercises BEAR HUNT and TEAM SPIRIT. Implemented AIDS testing program for all U.S. Navy and Marine Corps personnel in Korea.

COMREL AND PROJECT HANDCLASP

1986 was a prosperous year for the command sponsored orphanage.

In May the USS NEW JERSEY Battle Group arrived bringing large quantities of food, clothing, medical supplies and various children's items as part of "Project Handclasp". These items were a much needed addition to the daily routine.

In July command personnel purchased and replaced kitchen and bathroom floor tile. They also upgraded the electrical circuits and heating systems.

The command started a "Big Brother-Big Sister" program in August. This program is working well.

The USS NEW JERSEY Battle Group returned in September and again brought with them "Project Handclasp" materials for the orphanage. During this time, painting and various construction of cabinets was completed. At this time, the battle group entertained the children with clown and magic acts.

In November and December, the command sponsored the annual Thanksgiving and Christmas parties at the local Navy Club.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

1986 was a productive and busy year. In February a port call by USS BLUE RIDGE to Inchon generated a large media response with stories appearing in print and on electronic medias. The USS NEW JERSEY Battle Group, on a Western Pacific cruise, made port calls at Inchon in May and September. News media interest was high as this was the ship's first visit to Korea since the 1950's conflict.

Community Relations, personnel features, photography and the command newspaper were projects that kept public affairs busy during the year.

The major project of the year was the change of command at CNFK. Brochures and over 1200 invitations along with news releases and photography were handled by PAO.

The highlight of the year was the annual Navy Birthday celebration in Seoul and Chinhae in which PAO played a major part in support of both.

VIP VISITS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Month</u>
RADM Richard D. DONNELLY Commander Military Sealift Command	February
MGEN Charles H. PITMAN CG 1st MAW	March

<u>Name</u>	<u>Month</u>
RADM Walter L. CHATHAM CTF 70/77	March
RADM John W. KOENIG Director for Logistics and Security Assistance J-4 CINCPAC	
Mr. Seth CROPSEY Under Secretary of the Navy	
RADM Stewart A. RING ACOS Plans CINCPAC	April
ADM Ronald J. HAYS CINC US PACOM	
RADM Charles R. MCGRAIL COMCARGRU ONE	June
MGEN Edwin J. GODFREY CG III MAF	
VADM James R. HOGG Dir. Naval Warfare OP-095	July
ADM James A. LYONS CINCPACFLT	
RADM David W. COCKFIELD COMMINWARCOM	September
RADM Thomas J. JOHNSON IG CINCPACFLT	
RADM William O. STUDEMAN Dir. Naval Intel	
RADM Oakley E. OSBORN COMPATWING US PAC FLT	October
RADM Walter T. PIOTTI COMMANDER MSC	
VADM Paul F. MCCARTHY COMSEVENTHFLT	November

PROTOCOL

CNFK hosted the second quarter Fleet Readiness Board at which 25 flag officers representing Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps from throughout the Pacific attended.

During the two USS NEW JERSEY port calls at Inchon, a total of 10 Distinguished Visitors (DV) tours were offered to approximately 151 Korean and American dignataries. Of the DV's there were 3-Generals, 1-Admiral, 4-Ambassadors, 1-VADM, 31-MGEN, 20-BG, 4-LTGEN, 6-RADM and 7-COMMO.

One of the most impressive events was the hosting of a formal dinner aboard the USS NEW JERSEY on 19 September. In attendance were:

U.S. Ambassador
CINC UNC/CFC
DCINC UNC
CNFK
COS ROKAF
Mayor of Inchon

ROK MND
CJCS
COS ROKA
CNO ROKN
DCINC CFC
CG DEF SEC CMD