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I. Seventh Fleet Mission

MISSION, VISION & GUIDING PRINCIPLES
OF THE UNITED STATES SEVENTH FLEET

A. Mission

Our mission is to enhance regional stability, promote cooperative
security and deter aggression with capable, flexible and mobile U.S. naval
forces, cooperating closely with U.S. military services and forces of allied
and friendly nations. Independently or as part of a joint, combined or
multinational force execute military and humanitarian operations as talked by
higher authority. If necessary, conduct prompt and sustained combat
operations to terminate hostilities on terms favorable to the United States
and its allies.

SEVENTH Fleet directly supports the three principal elements of U.S.
national security strategy: Deterrence; Forward Defense; and Alliance
Solidarity. The fleet thereby promotes peace and stability in this
increasingly important part of the world.

Of the ships typically assigned to the fleet, 18 Navy ships operate from
U.S. facilities in Japan and Guam. These forward-deployed units are the heart
of SEVENTH Fleet and provide a permanent, ready and highly-capable presence,
while reducing transit times and support costs by operating from overseas
bases.

B. Area of Responsibility

The fleet’s area includes 52 million square miles of the Pacific and
Indian Oceans, stretching from mid-Pacific to the east coast of Africa, and
from the Kuril Islands in the north to the Antarctic in the south.

Allied and friendly nations of these regions account for more than $220
billion in trade with the United States, exceeding any other region of the
world. At least 98 percent of this commerce moves by sea.

The U.S. has longstanding security treaties with seven nations in the
area and security assistance programs involving a total of 25 nations.

C. Vision

The United States SEVENTH Fleet will promote regional peace and
stability by building coalition partnerships while constantly improving our
ability to conduct successful operations from the sea.

1. We embrace equally the following Guiding Principles:
   a. Train and equip our forces to operate with the army, Air
      Force, Coast Guard, our regional friends and allies.
   b. Be accountable for personal and professional performance.
   c. Include education and training as an integral part of our
      mission.
   d. Safeguard people, husband resources and protect the
      environment.
   e. Accomplish our mission through teamwork.
2. We are committed to:
   a. Accomplish our mission and maintaining our readiness to do so.
   b. Honesty, integrity and the highest standards of moral and ethical conduct.
   c. Equal opportunity for all.
   d. Professional, proactive leadership that fosters innovation, confidence, trust and dedication.
   e. Open and effective communications.

D. SEVENTHFLT COMMAND ORGANIZATION

1. COMMANDER, U.S. SEVENTH FLEET - The basic responsibilities of the Commander, SEVENTH Fleet are set forth in U.S. Navy Regulations, U.S. Pacific Fleet Regulations and in directives and instructions from higher authority. The duties of the Fleet Commander include:
   a. Military command and operational control of ships, aircraft, and elements assigned to his command;
   b. Operational control over other elements assigned from time to time by higher authority.

2. COMMAND RELATIONSHIPS - Commander SEVENTH Fleet continued to function in the capacity of a numbered fleet commander under Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet, and exercised operational control over those Naval forces assigned to the Western Pacific and Indian Ocean areas of operations.

3. COMMANDER, JOINT TASK FORCE - Commander, SEVENTH Fleet is one of four principle candidates to assume the role of Commander, Joint Task Force in U.S. Pacific Command. The two-tiered warfighting strategy, implemented during 1990, allows for direct communications and coordination between Commander, Pacific Command and the Joint Task Force Commander, Commander, SEVENTH Fleet is the principle candidate for maritime contingencies. Due to the capability change of assigned forces, as well as their flexibility and mobility in relation to other Pacific Command Forces, Commander, SEVENTH Fleet is also the principle candidate for most contingency operations in the Western Pacific area.

4. FLEET ORGANIZATION - For operational purposes, the SEVENTH Fleet continued to be organized into numbered task forces. The composition of the task forces depended upon the mission assigned and varied as necessary to meet military requirements. The task force commanders were (year ending 1997):

   Task Force 70: Battle Force SEVENTH Fleet
                   RADM C. W. Moore Jr.

   Task Force 71: Command and Coordination Force SEVENTH Fleet
                   VADM R. J. Natter

   Task Force 72: Patrol and Reconnaissance Force SEVENTH Fleet
                   CAPT J. M. O'Brien
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III. N1 -- Fleet Administration

A. Brief overview of N1 department/mission/events for 1997:

1. ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT (N1). The Administration Department, under the supervision of the Assistant Chief of Staff (Administration), N1, is responsible for the coordination of Fleet-level administration and personnel matters, the formation and administration of Fleet personnel policies, and preparation of personnel studies and plans. The Administration Department exercises cognizance of Staff and Fleet-wide matters pertain: Administration, Personnel, Mobilization, and Retention.

2. Number of personnel on staff;

- Officers: 61
- Civilian: 3
- Enlisted: 164
IV. N2 -- Intelligence

A. Fleet Intelligence:

N2 department continued to improve intelligence support to Commander, Seventh Fleet (C7F), staff and subordinate units. Through bilateral exercises with five regional partners (Australia, Japan, Republic of Korea, Malaysia, and Thailand), N2 continued policy of constructive engagement and intelligence dialogue with Pacific Rim nations. These exercises also served to highlight N2 capabilities to transition into a Joint Task Force J2 and support Combined Operations on the Korean Peninsula. These procedural reviews lead to the development of the Information Operations Support Center and integration of a N2 officer into the Tactical Flag Command Center Watch Organization as the Information Operations Watch Officer. This support structure greatly facilitates transmission of a coherent battlespace picture of potential hostile activities to key decision-makers. Additionally, the N2 department continued to hold conferences with subordinates and allied nations N2s in order to improve intelligence support to fleet operations throughout the Western Pacific and Indian Ocean.

1. Jan 97: N2 staff relocated to new department office onboard USS Blue Ridge immediately prior to departure from homeport for four month cruise. Conducted Staff Talks and OPINTEL training exercise with Royal Malaysian Navy personnel while inport Kelang, Malaysia. Supported Staff Talks with Royal Thai Navy while inport Phuket, Thailand. Coordinated intelligence dissemination architecture for Exercise Tandem Thrust to ensure all combined components and intelligence support agencies have access to a common network. Developed Joint Intelligence Center's interaction responsibilities with new Information Operations Support Center (IOSC) watch cell. Established N211 as the primary circuit point of contact for JWICS VTC and USS Blue Ridge EMO as primary hardware troubleshooter. N27 attended the first JICPAC Theater Targeting Conference in Hawaii. Conference published consolidated list of theater targeting requirements and was attended by representatives from major combat forces throughout the Pacific Theater.

2. Feb 97: Supported staff talks with Indonesian Navy while inport Bali, Indonesia. N221 attended Exercise Ulchi Focus Lens Middle Planning Conference at Yongsan Barracks, Seoul, Korea. Conducted final Intelligence Preparation of the Battlespace production for Exercise Tandem Thrust 1997. Finalized C-2 organization incorporating over 150 total personnel, including: 16 Australian Defence Force personnel 7 Naval Reservists 6 JICPAC Intelligence Augmentation Team members 1 USCINCPAC Senior Intelligence Officer 1 Force Protection Augmentee Developed Information Operations Watch Officer Standard Operating Procedure as part of TFCC Battle Watch to be tested during Tandem Thrust 97.

3. Mar 97: Executed C2 organization during Exercise Tandem Thrust 97. Significant events included: Established seamless, secure network architectures with combined forces. Executed realistic Target selection and Battle Damage Assessment processes against live ordinance drop zones. Tracked 480 Requests for Intelligence information during both phases of exercise. Integrated Information Operations Watch Officers into TFCC battle watch. Developed standardized online checklist for J2 action items during
crisis. Fully executed J2X HUMINT/Counter Intelligence Cell concept for both real world and exercise Force Protection concerns. Supported staff talks with Royal Australian Navy while inport Sydney, Australia and conducted Intelligence Working Group discussions with RAN and new Australian Theatre Joint Intelligence Center (ASTJIC). Established secure email connectivity with U.S. Defense Attaché Warning Network (DAWN), allowing enhanced coordination prior to ship and flag visits to countries throughout the C7F AOR.

4. Apr 97: N2 attended USCINCPAC Pacific Intelligence Board and presented a discussion on Tandem Thrust 97 Lessons Learned. Began reorganization of the Intelligence Department based on personnel transfers and lessons learned from previous year. N23 code re-established as the intelligence Operations Officer with responsibilities for Intelligence Collection, Requirements, Dissemination and Systems. USS Independence received equipment to upgrade their SECRET JDISS to operate on the Korean Peninsula Combined network if required to execute combat operations. Commenced requirement process for pierside network connections in homeport Yokosuka to maintain access to intelligence products posted on secure networks during periods when satellite communications are not available.

5. May 97: Supported staff talks with CINC Republic of Korea Navy Fleet (CINCRKFLT) in Chinhae, South Korea and conducted Intelligence Working Group discussions with CINCRKFLT N-2. N2 reorganization plan completed, organizing office as follows:
   a. N2 - ACOS, Intelligence (CDR Holliday)
   b. N2CI - Special Advisor for Force Protection and Counter Intelligence (SA Murphy)
   c. N20 - Fleet Intelligence Resources Officer (ISCS SW/AW) Jelderks
   d. N21 - Fleet Cryptologic Officer (CDR Rome)
   e. N22 - Fleet Warfare Intelligence Officer (formerly N27) (LCDR Verheul)
   f. N221 - Fleet Littoral Warfare Intelligence Officer (USMC billet) (2Lt Skirmont)
   g. N23 - Fleet Intelligence Operations Officer (formerly N23 and N26) (LCDR Taylor)
   h. N24 - Joint Intelligence Support Element (USS Blue Ridge Intelligence Department) (LCDR Skinner)
   i. N25 - Fleet Intelligence Plans, Policy and Exercises Officer (formerly N22) (LCDR Scott) Developed fielding plan for JDISS Lite laptops supporting unique requirements of the Forward Deployed Naval Force. IS2 Hubert detached for duty under the Enlisted Commissioning Program.

6. Jun 97: LCDR Scott detached for next duty station at Marine Corps Command and Staff College, Quantico, Virginia. N23 assumes responsibilities during month long gap. LCDR Stewart Holbrook reported onboard as the Fleet Warfare Intelligence Officer. N23 attended Naval Warfare Planning System Operational Requirements Team (ORT) in San Diego to provide fleet input into
all aspects of naval warfare planning architecture to meet Joint Vision 2010. N2 conference held at Navy Special Warfare Task Unit ONE, NAVSTA Guam. LCDR Verheul reassigned to Flag Aide for C7F.


8. Aug 97: N2 attended Korean Intelligence Board in Seoul Korea. Briefed role and capabilities of CCNCC during Exercise Ulchi Focus Lens 97. Participated in Exercise Ulchi Focus Lens 97, improving intelligence architecture for combined operations in event of hostilities on the Korean Peninsula. Integrated eight Naval reserve personnel and four ROKN officers into single combined N2 organization. Conducted bilateral operational intelligence exchange exercise (Exposure series) with Republic of Korea Navy. Forwarded Joint Expeditionary Support Product inputs to CINCPACFLT. The message provided general and specific product requirements and discussed availability concerns for intelligence products, which support “Operations Forward from the Sea.”

9. Sep 97: Conducted intelligence support discussions with COMTHIRDFLT during first ever deployment of USS Coronado to Yokosuka, Japan. Provided extensive input into N6 message detailing systems architecture commonalties and departures between two PACFLT flagships. Hosted USCINCPAC J2 visit to Yokosuka, Japan. Developed working POA&M for C7F targeting issues. Included target folder preparation for Combined Targeting Board (CTB) in Korea, development of over 700 potential NCC targets, identification of targeting requirements and development of electronic target folders for CCNCC and transiting Battle Group use. Established a requirement for an Active Duty for Special Work (ADSW) Reserve billet in support of C7F targeting. Reviewed the Joint Targeting Toolbox (JTT) Functional Requirements Document (FRD) and forwarded inputs to CINCPACFLT. Following coordination with C7F components, sent response message to COMNAVSSPACECOM indicating need for continued Multi-Spectral Imaging support. Submitted priorities for Evasion & Recovery Areas to CINCPACFLT. Coordinated with JCS J2T, USCINCPAC, JICPAC and 607th ArS in VTC concerning participation in JCS-sponsored Brazen Tiger 98 BDA exercise. N25 attended DIA Foreign Disclosure Conference in Washington, DC. Supported Exercise Javelin Maker with 24 hour Intelligence Watch.

10. Oct 97: Supported staff talks with CINC Republic of Korea Navy Fleet (CINCROKFLT) in Chinhae, South Korea and conducted Intelligence Working Group discussions with CINCROKFLT N-2. N2 attended USCINCPAC Fall Pacific
Intelligence Board in Hawaii. Hosted visitors from Japanese Defense Intelligence Headquarters, headed by Commander of the JGSDF Central Intelligence Service Unit. Provided imagery requirements to NIMA for approximately 30 CCNCC targets. Specifically interested in obtaining imagery of high interest targets in preparation for CTB cycle. Drafted requirements in conjunction with COMNAVFORJAPAN for increased intelligence connectivity for Carrier Air Wing Five while shore based at NAF Atsugi. Coordinated with PASS-J and JICPAC in preparation for C7F participation in the PACOM Accelerated Architecture Acquisition Initiative (A3) Early Airborne Demonstration (later).

Drafted message detailing C7F inputs to the CINCPACFLT N2 Conference. Issues of concern included Intelligence Specialist (IS) and Cryptologic Technician Interpreter (CTI) personnel shortages, improvement and simplification of targeting material and imagery access, Counter Intelligence/Intelligence Support to Force Protection and connectivity for operations with foreign partners. Assisted in drafting quarterly CCNCC Special Operations Force (SOF) Target Nominations message soliciting CCNCC Task Force Commanders' Target Nominations for CCNCC Naval Special Warfare (NSW) and CUWTF forces. Received training on the Land Attack Warfare Support (LAWS) system from Interactive Television Corps (ITC) representatives. Participants provided detailed observations and recommendations as input to C7F N3 requirements message.

Downloaded images of five TARPS missions flown over ROK by VF-154 from 23-28 Oct. Missions were scheduled to produce real world 5027 CAS orbit points as well as support Foal Eagle. Images were annotated and placed on JDISS.

11. Nov 97: N25 attended Simulation Improvement Conference in Seoul, Korea as part of the larger CCNCC Ulchi Focus Lens improvement program. N25 conducted FDNF Shipboard Independent Duty Intelligence Specialist Conference on USS Blue Ridge. Hosted Intelligence Junior Officer Assignment Officer's visit to Japan. Conducted Video-teleconference with CNO N20, CINCPACFLT N20 and COMTHIRDFLT on further development of secure, releasable networks with combined forces. Drafted requirements for PC and UNIX-based softcopy imagery exploitation software. Requirements include ability to read and convert multiple image formats, production quality annotation capability, zoom capabilities, image enhancement capability and ability to save image at a different scale. N22 and N221 attended the Combined Targeting Board (CTB) Planning Conference and to liaison with 607th AIS, 607th PINES, CNFK and USFK targeting personnel. Issues included target nomination processes, Brazen Tiger 98 participation, imagery exploitation software and Rapid Access to Air Power (RAAP) database training. Developed a new MS-ACCESS® database format in order to account for new data fields required by 607th AIS (Air Component Command). The new database with the new data fields was required to forward NCC target nominations to ACC for inclusion in their RAAP database. Targeting personnel began populating the new database. Requested and received support by NIMA for mensurated data points for inclusion in NCC Combined Target List (CTL) nominations to CTB.

12. Dec 97: Supported CFC Anti-SOF conference with Intelligence Preparation of the Battlespace against maritime SOF target. Continued preparations for N2 participation in Tempo Brave 98. Preparations included attending Tempo Brave Training sessions, performing data pulls, obtaining chart and imagery materials and identifying potential targets. Provided recommended training requirements to N32 (Warfare) for Joint STARS training
integration into Korean AOR during DPRK winter training Cycle. Conducted bilateral OPINTEL training exercise with CTNCSDFLT Operational Intelligence Center. Completed development and prioritization of the CCNCC Component Target List (CTL). Over 75 targets with prioritized DMPIs were identified for nomination. Participated in USFK/CFC Combined Targeting Board (CTB). Input CTL and Prioritized CTL (PCTL) into RAAP database. Hosted 7AF DO and IN personnel on board USS Blue Ridge. Visit provided an opportunity to display first hand, the NCC operating environment and to brief targeting issues. AF personnel received N22 and N3271 (IW) targeting briefs, toured Targeting, N24 and IOSC spaces, and USS Independence CVIC. N22 and N221 attended Tactical Ballistic Missile training seminar hosted by C7F N324.

B. Fleet Cryptology and Fleet Information Warfare (N21/N327):

1. Responsibility: Fleet Cryptology/Information Warfare (N21/327) is responsible for all Cryptologic and Information Warfare (IW) issues in the SEVENTH Fleet Area of Responsibility (AOR). Fleet Cryptology responsibility includes fleet cryptologic training, planning, equipment, policy and operations including cryptologic direct support operations, augmentation, special intelligence (SI) communications, coordination with theater and national SIGINT entities, Communications Security (COMSEC) and cryptologic tasking, collection, analysis and reporting. Fleet IW responsibilities include the training, tactics, technology, augmentation, planning, operations, policy and the execution of Electronic Warfare (EW), Military Deception (MILDEC), Operations Security (OPSEC), Psychological Operations (PSYOP) and IW-related Physical Destruction; and coordinates with external IW organizations, as required.
V. N-3 - Fleet Operations

A. N3 Exercise Summary for calendar year 1997.

3. PACIFIC MERCURY 97 - communication interoperability exercise between RAN and USN ships.
6. ROKN ANTI-SOFEX - Maritime Patrol Aircraft/ROKN proficiency exercise conducted twice each month, once on the West Coast of Korea, once on the East Coast of Korea.
8. DIESELEX - conducted four times in 1997. US SSN and P-3 interoperability training against a JMSDF diesel submarine.
15. EODEX THAI - conducted twice in 1997. EOD interoperability training with the RTN.
17. MERGATE - Maritime Patrol Aircraft interoperability exercise with the RSN and RSAF. Conducted four times in 1997.


31. TANDEM THRUST MPFI - Maritime Prepositioned Forces Integration in conjunction with Tandem thrust 1997. USN, USNS, and RAN forces integration.

32. EODEX TRICRAE - Trilateral EOD exercise in Guam. USN, RSN, and RAN forces. Conducted once in 1997.

33. ASWEX (KS) - Bilateral USW exercise with USN and ROKN MPA, ships, helicopters, and submarines. Conducted three times in 1997.

34. MCMEX (KS) - Mine Counter Measures exercise with USN and ROKN minesweeping and EOD involvement. Conducted once in 1997.

35. RSO&I - Reception Staging Onward and Integration exercise in support of Korean US and ROK forces. CINC UNC CFC is the commander. Conducted once in 1997.


38. CARAT 97 - Bilateral training exercise conducted with five ASEAN country armed forces by a task force assigned for that training. Conducted with Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, and Singapore in 1997. USN ships, helicopters, and a USMC Landing Force.

39. CARAT 97 BRUNEI PHASE - Included exercise Kingfisher


41. CARAT-THAI MINEX 97-2 - Minex in conjunction with CARAT-THAILAND.

42. CARAT-THAI SALVEX 97-2TH - RTN-USN salvage interoperability exercise in conjunction with CARAT-THAILAND.

43. CARAT-EODEX THAI 97-2 - RTN/USN EOD exercise. In conjunction with CARAT-THAILAND.
44. CARAT 97 MALAYSIA PHASE - annual CARAT exercise series interaction with the RMAF, RMN, and RMA. Includes exercises: WIRA EAGLE 97/PASKAL 97-2/MEKAR 97/ PENYU TRIDENT 97/ EODEX 97-1M.
45. CARAT-MEKAR - Surface ship interoperability exercise with the RMN in conjunction with CARAT MALAYSIA.
46. CARAT-WIRA EAGLE - Ambigious Landing exercise with USMC and the RMMC 18th RMR. In conjunction with CARAT MALAYSIA.
47. CARAT-SALVEX - RMN/USN Salvage exercise in conjunction with CARAT MALAYSIA.
48. CARAT-PENYU TRIDENT - Amphibious landing exercise in conjunction with CARAT MALAYSIA.
49. CARAT-EODEX 97-1M - EOD exercise in conjunction with CARAT MALAYSIA.
50. CARAT-PASKAL 97-2 - Naval Special Warfare exercise with the RMN PASKAL. In conjunction with CARAT- Malaysia.
52. CARAT-MERLYNX 97 - bilateral Maritime Patrol Aircraft exercise in conjunction with CARAT-Singapore.
53. CARAT-EODEX MIATA - RSN/USN EOD exercise in conjunction with CARAT Singapore.
54. CARAT-MERGATE - Maritime Patrol Aircraft exercise in conjunction with CARAT Singapore.
55. CARAT-SALVEX 97S - Salvage exercise in conjunction with CARAT SINGAPORE.
56. CARAT 97 INDONESIA PHASE - Indonesia phase of the CARAT exercise series. Includes exercises: ASEM BAGUS, INDUSA SALVEX, INDUSA.
57. CARAT-ASEM BAGUS - amphibious exercise in conjunction with CARAT Indonesia.
58. CARAT-INDUSA SALVEX - Salvage exercise in conjunction with CARAT-Indonesia.
59. CARAT-INDUSA 23/97 - Surface ship exercise in conjunction with CARAT Indonesia.
60. ROKN EODEX - EOD exercise with the ROKN and USN. Conducted once in 1997.
63. MERCURY - Mine warfare exercise with the RSN. COMINEWARCOM staff is involved in planning and execution. Conducted annually.
64. KEYNOTE 97 - USN-RN interoperability training in conjunction with the Royal Navy Ocean Wave deployment.
67. SHIN KAME - USN/JMSDF sub vs. sub exercise. Conducted three times in 1997. CARAT-MERCUB - Surface ship exercise with the RSN and RSAF in conjunction with CARAT Singapore.
70. THAI MINEX - Mine Counter Measures exercise with the RTN. Conducted twice in 1997.
71. COBRA GOLD 97 - Large Force Employment exercise in support of the defense of Thailand. Army led in 1997, USN forces included a CVBG, and ARG and surface combatants.
72. MERLION 97 - Air to air combat exercise between airwing five and the RSAF. Conducted once in 1997.
73. SEA EAGLE 97 - Naval exercise in conjunction with Cobra Gold. Mostly surface to surface interaction.
74. HARPOONEX 97-2 - bilateral harpoon employment exercise between USN and RSN. Ship launched and air launched weapons against a hulk in the vicinity of Okinawa. Conducted once in 1997.
75. ULCHI FOCUS LENS - large scale CPX in support of CINC UNC CFC. C7F acted as Commander Combined Naval Component Command aboard the Blue Ridge. Conducted annually.
76. SALVEX (K) - USN/ROKN Salvage exercise. Conducted once in 1997.
78. INDUSA RECONEX 97 - USMC RECON CO exercise with IDMC assets conducted in Indonesia. Conducted once in 1997.
83. TEMPO BRAVE - CPX exercising C7F as a Joint Task Force Commander. Training conducted by the USCP DJTFAC. Conducted on board USS Blue Ridge.
84. FOAL EAGLE - large scale FTX in support of CINC UNC CFC. ROKN/USN interoperability. Included in Independence CVBG, and the Belleau Wood ARG. Conducted once in 1997.
85. ANNUALEX - large scale FTX in support of the JSDF annualex exercise. Includes air, surface and subsurface interoperability training. Annual exercise.
87. MINEX/EODEX DUGONG - EOD exercise in support of Australian exercise Dugong.
88. MIO TRNG - USMC Maritime Interdiction Operations Exercise with support of MSC Motor Vessel as target.
89. TEMPO BRAVE - USCP Classroom training for C7F in his role as Joint Task force Commander, in preparation for Tempo Brave 98-2.

90. HONG KONG SAREX - USAF/USN and the Hong Kong SAR agency exercise for Search and Rescue interoperability.

91. SAHARA - USN/Indian Navy SAR exercise in the Andaman Sea. Conducted for the first time in 1997, one time.

B. N3 Seventh Fleet 2nd Quarter FY 1997 Schedules:

1. COMSEVENTHFLT
   01 JAN  31 MAR: HPO YOKOSUKA
   01 JAN  31 MAR: EMB USS BLUE RIDGE
   01 JAN  31 MAR: ASGN TF 071.1
   01 JAN  31 MAR: COM TF 071

2. BLUE RIDGE (LCC-19)
   01 JAN  31 MAR: HPO YOKOSUKA
   01 JAN  31 MAR: ASGN TF 071.1
   01 JAN  05 JAN: UPK YOKOSUKA
   06 JAN  13 JAN: ENR SINGAPORE
   14 JAN  18 JAN: IPTSTM SINGAPORE
   19 JAN  20 JAN: ENR PHUKET
   21 JAN  24 JAN: IPTSTM PHUKET
   25 JAN  26 JAN: ENR PORT KLANG
   27 JAN  29 JAN: IPTSTM PORT KLANG
   30 JAN  02 FEB: ENR BALI ID
   03 FEB  05 FEB: ANCH BALI ID
   06 FEB  11 FEB: ENR HONG KONG
   12 FEB  14 FEB: IPTSTM HONG KONG
   15 FEB  17 FEB: ENR OKINAWA JA
   18 FEB  18 FEB: IPTSTM OKINAWA JA
   19 FEB  22 FEB: ENR GUAMMI
   23 FEB  24 FEB: IPTSTM GUAMMI
   25 FEB  03 MAR: ENR TOWNSVILLE
   04 MAR  07 MAR: IPTSTM TOWNSVILLE
   08 MAR  09 MAR: ENR SHOALWATER BAY
   10 MAR  22 MAR: EXER SHOALWATER BAY
   10 MAR  22 MAR: NOTE TANDEM THRUST
   23 MAR  26 MAR: IPTSTM BRISBANE
   27 MAR  28 MAR: ENR NEWCASTLE
   28 MAR  28 MAR: LARR NEWCASTLE
   29 MAR  30 MAR: IPTSTM NEWCASTLE
   31 MAR  31 MAR: ENR SYDNEY AS
   31 MAR  31 MAR: LARR SYDNEY AS
3. CARRIER BATTLE GROUPS / AMPHIBIOUS TASK READY GROUPS / MINE COUNTERMEASURES GROUP TASK GROUP 070.1 INDEPENDENCE BATTLE GROUP
01 JAN 31 MAR C ASGN TG 070.1

   a. EMB: COMCARGRU 5, CVW 5, COMDESRON 15, VAW 115, VFA 27, VS 21, VF 154, VFA 192, VFA 195, VAQ 136, HS 14

   b. SURFACE COMBATANTS:
      INDEPENDENCE (CV 62) 15 FEB 31 MAR ASGN TG 070.1
      BUNKER HILL (CG-52) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 070.1
      FIFE (DD-99) 02 MAR 31 MAR ASGN TG 070.1
      MOBILE BAY (CG-53) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 070.1
      GUADALUPE (TAO-200) 15 FEB 31 MAR ASGN TG 070.1
      CURTIS WILBUR (DDG-54) 02 MAR 31 MAR ASGN TG 070.1

4. TASK GROUP 070.4 KITTY HAWK BATTLE GROUP

   a. EMB: COMCRUDESGRU 5, COMDESRON 31, CVW 11, EODMU 3 DET 5, VF 213, VFA 97, VFA 22, VFA 94, VAQ 135, VS 29, VAW 117, VQ 5, VRC 30, HS 6

   b. SURFACE COMBATANTS:
      KITTY HAWK (CV-63) 25 FEB 28 MAR ASGN TG 070.4
      ANTIETAM (CG-54) 25 FEB 28 MAR ASGN TG 070.4
      COWPENS (CG-63) 25 FEB 28 MAR ASGN TG 070.4
      CUSHING (DD-98) 25 FEB 28 MAR ASGN TG 070.4
      RAINIER (AOE-7) 25 FEB 28 MAR ASGN TG 070.4
      REID (FFG-30) 25 FEB 28 MAR ASGN TG 070.4

5. TASK GROUP 076.4 BELLEAU WOOD ARG
01 JAN 31 MAR C ASGN TG 076.4

   a. EMB:
      BELLEAU WOOD (LHA-3) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 076.4
      PORT MCHENRY (LSD-43) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 076.4
      NEW ORLEANS (LPH-11) 21 FEB 31 MAR ASGN TG 076.4
      GERMANTOWN (LSD-42) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 076.4
      DUBUQUE (LPD-8) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 076.4

6. TASK UNIT 076.3 NEW ORLEANS
16 FEB 20 FEB ASGN TG 076.3

   NEW ORLEANS (LPH-11) 16 FEB 20 FEB ASGN TG 076.3

7. TASK GROUP 076.5 ESSEX ARG
01 JAN 31 MAR C ASGN TG 076.5

   a. EMB:
      ESSEX (LHD-2) 07 FEB 27 MAR ASGN TG 076.5
      CLEVELAND (LPD-7) 07 FEB 27 MAR ASGN TG 076.5
      HARPERS FERRY (LSD-49) 07 FEB 27 MAR ASGN TG 076.5

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8. **MCM TASK GROUP 076.8**

**GUARDIAN (MCM-5)** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 076.8

**PATRIOT (MCM-7)** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 076.8

9. **DEPLOYED UNITS**

- **FRANK CABLE (AS-40)** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TF 074
- **CURTS (FFG-38)** 01 JAN 01 MAR ASGN TG 075.2
- **CUSHING (DD-985)** 29 MAR 29 MAR ASGN TU 075.9.1
- **RODNEY M DAVIS (FFG-60)** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 075.2
- **FIFE (DD-991)** 01 JAN 01 MAR ASGN TG 075.2
- **FITZGERALD (DDG-62)** 07 MAR 31 MAR ASGN TU 075.9.7
- **PAUL P FOSTER (DD-964)** 07 MAR 31 MAR ASGN TU 075.9.7
- **GORDON (TAKR-296)** 05 MAR 11 MAR ASGN TG 073.7
- **GREEN VALLEY (TAK-2049)** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 073.7.2
- **GUADALUPE (TAO-200)** 01 JAN 14 FEB ASGN TG 073.5
- **HEWITT (DD-966)** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 075.2
- **HONOLULU (SSN-718)** 10 MAR 31 MAR ASGN TF 074
- **HOUSTON (SSN-713)** 01 JAN 19 JAN ASGN TF 074
- **INGRAHAM (FFG-61)** 07 MAR 31 MAR ASGN TU 075.9.7
- **JARRETT (FFG-33)** 01 JAN 29 JAN ASGN TU 075.9.5
- **HENRY J KAISER (TAO-187)** 01 JAN 08 FEB ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **HENRY J KAISER (TAO-187)** 09 FEB 25 MAR ASGN TG 073.5
- **HENRY J KAISER (TAO-187)** 26 MAR 26 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **KILAUEA (TAE-26)** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 073.5
- **LOS ANGELES (SSN-688)** 30 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TF 074
- **MV 1ST LT A BONNYMAN** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV 1ST LT BALDOMERO LOPEZ** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.3
- **MV 1ST LT JACK LUMMUS** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.3
- **MV AMERICAN CORMORANT** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV BUFFALO SOLDIER** 01 JAN 03 JAN ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV CAPE DECISION** 03 FEB 10 FEB ASGN TG 073.7
- **MV CAPE HENRY** 10 FEB 24 FEB ASGN TG 073.7
- **MV CPL LOUIS J HAUZE** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV JEB STUART** 01 JAN 28 FEB ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV JEB STUART** 01 JAN 11 MAR ASGN TG 073.7
- **MV LTC CALVIN P TITUS** 01 JAN 18 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV LTC CALVIN P TITUS** 19 MAR 27 MAR ASGN TG 073.7
- **MV PFC DEWAYNE T WILLIAMS** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.3
- **MV PFC JAMES ANDERSON JR** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV PFC WM B BAUGH** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV PVT FRANKLIN J PHILLIPS** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV SP5 ERIC G GIBSON** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.3
- **MV STRONG VIRGINIAN** 01 JAN 23 JAN ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV STRONG VIRGINIAN** 26 FEB 10 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
- **MV STRONG VIRGINIAN** 11 MAR 31 MAR ASGN TG 073.7
- **MV WILLIAM R BUTTON** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.3
- **NARRAGANSETT (TATF-167)** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 073.6
- **NIAGARA FALLS (TAFS-3)** 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 073.5
OBRIEN (DD-975) 01 JAN 22 JAN ASGN TU 075.9.5
OBRIEN (DD-975) 23 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 075.2
PASADENA (SSN-752) 14 MAR 31 MAR ASGN TF 074
PECOS (TAO-197) 04 MAR 31 MAR ASGN TG 073.5
POTOMAC (TAOT-181) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
SALT LAKE CITY (SSN-716) 25 FEB 30 MAR ASGN TF 074
SALVOR (ARS-52) 01 JAN 03 JAN ASGN TG 073.6
SAN JOSE (TAFS-7) 01 JAN 09 MAR ASGN TG 073.5
SANTA FE (SSN-763) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TF 074
SILAS BENT (TAGS-26) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 073.7
SPICA (TAFS-9) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 073.5
SS AMERICAN OSPREY 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.3
SS AUSTRAL RAINBOW 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
SS GOPHER STATE 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.3
SS GREEN HARBOUR 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TU 073.7.2
THACH (FFG-43) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 075.2
TIPPECANOEE (TAO-199) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TG 073.5
TOPEKA (SSN-754) 01 JAN 31 MAR ASGN TF 074
TUNNY (SSN-682) 01 JAN 17 MAR ASGN TF 074
VALLEY FORGE (CG-50) 01 JAN 29 JAN ASGN TU 075.9.5
CURTIS WILBUR (DDG-54) 01 JAN 01 MAR ASGN TG 075.2
YUKON (TAO-202) 01 JAN 03 MAR ASGN TG 073.5

C. N3 Seventh Fleet 3rd Quarter FY 1997 Schedules:

1. COMSEVENTHFLT
   01 APR 30 JUN: HPO YOKOSUKA
   01 APR 30 JUN: EMB USS BLUE RIDGE
   01 APR 30 JUN: COM TF 071
   01 APR 30 JUN: ASGN TG 071.1

2. LCC 12 BLUE RIDGE
   01 APR 30 JUN HPO YOKOSUKA
   01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 071.1
   01 APR 03 APR IPTSTM SYDNEY AS
   04 APR 11 APR ENR GUAMMI
   12 APR 15 APR VST GUAMMI
   12 APR 15 APR CART II
   12 APR 15 APR TAV GUAMMI W/ FRANK CABLE
   16 APR 18 APR ENR YOKOSUKA
   19 APR 21 APR UPK YOKOSUKA
   22 APR 13 JUN SRA YOKOSUKA
   09 JUN 10 JUN STRL PHILIPPINE SEA
   14 JUN 20 JUN UPK YOKOSUKA
   20 JUN 30 JUN TSTA I
   21 JUN 23 JUN ENR KAGOSHIMA
   24 JUN 26 JUN VST KAGOSHIMA
   27 JUN 30 JUN ENR YOKOSUKA
3. CARRIER BATTLE GROUPS / AMPHIBIOUS TASK READY GROUPS / MINE COUNTERMEASURES GROUP

TASK GROUP 070.1 INDEPENDENCE BATTLE GROUP
01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 070.1

a. \textbf{EMR}: COMCARGRU 5, EMB HS 14, VS 21, VAW 115, VAQ 136, VA 115, VFA 195, VFA 192, VF 154, CVW 5, COMDESRON 15 06 MAY 10 JUN ASGN TG 070.1

4. SURFACE COMBATANTS:

- USS INDEPENDENCE (CV 62) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 070.1
- USS BUNKER HILL (CG 52) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 070.1
- USS CURTS FFG 38 01 APR 09 JUN ASGN TG 070.1
- USS FIFE (DD 991) 01 APR 09 JUN ASGN TG 070.1
- USNS GUADALUPE (TAO 200) 01 APR 09 JUN ASGN TG 070.1
- USS MOBILE BAY (CG 53) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 070.1
- USS CURTIS WILBUR (DDG 54) 01 APR 09 JUN ASGN TG 070.1

5. TASK GROUP 070.5 CONSTELLATION BATTLE GROUP
16 APR 15 MAY ASGN TG 070.5

a. \textbf{EMR}: VAW 116, HS-2, VFA-151, VMFA-323, VAQ 131, VFA-137, VS 38, COMCRUDESGRU 1

6. SURFACE COMBATANTS:

- USS CONSTELLATION (CV 64) 16 APR 15 MAY ASGN TG 070.5
- USS MERRILL (DD 976) 16 APR 15 MAY ASGN TG 070.5
- USS MOUNT HOOD (AE 29) 16 APR 15 MAY ASGN TG 070.5
- USS CHOSIN (CG 65) 16 APR 15 MAY ASGN TG 070.5
- USS CIMARRON (AO 177) 16 APR 15 MAY ASGN TG 070.5

7. FORWARD DEPLOYED NAVAL FORCES (FDNF)

- USS CURTS FFG 38 10 JUN 30 JUN ASGN TG 075.2
- USS RODNEY M DAVIS (FFG 60) 01 APR 21 JUN ASGN TG 075.2
- USS FIFE (DD 991) 10 JUN 30 JUN ASGN TG 075.2
- USS HEWITT (DD 966) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 075.2
- USS JOHN S MCCAIN (DDG 56) 23 JUN 30 JUN ASGN CTG 075.2
- USS O'BRIEN (DD 975) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 075.2
- USS THACH (FFG 43) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 075.2
- USS FRANK CABLE (AS 40) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TF 074
- USS CURTIS WILBUR (DDG 54) 10 JUN 30 JUN ASGN TG 075.2

8. TASK GROUP 076.4 BELLEAU WOOD ARG
01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 076.4

a. \textbf{EMR}: EODMU 5, COMPHIBRON 11, NAVSPECWARUNIT 3 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 076.4

- USS BELLEAU WOOD (LHA 3) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 076.4
- USS DUBUQUE (LPD 8) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 076.4
- USS FORT MCHENRY (LSD 43) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 076.4
- USS GERMANTOWN (LSD 42) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 076.4
9. **TASKGROUP 076.7 BOXER ARG**

10 APR 07 MAY ASGN TG 076.7

a. EMB: COMPHIBRON 7
USS BOXER (LHD 4) 10 APR 07 MAY ASGN TG 076.7
USS FORT FISHER (LSD 40) 10 APR 07 MAY ASGN TG 076.7
USS OGDEN (LPD 5) 10 APR 07 MAY ASGN TG 076.7

9. **MCM TASK GROUP 076.8**

USS PATRIOT (MCM 7) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 076.8
USS GUARDIAN (MCM 5) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 076.8

10. **TASK FORCE 712 CORRELATION AFLOAT READINESS TRAINING (CARAT)**

CHASE (WHEC 718) 22 JUN 30 JUN ASGN TG 712.0
USS RODNEY M DAVIS (FFG 60) 22 JUN 30 JUN ASGN TG 712.0
USS FREDERICK (LST 1184) 17 MAY 30 JUN ASGN TG 712.0
USS MCCLUSKY (FFG 41) 17 MAY 30 JUN ASGN TG 712.0
USS WADSWORTH (FFG 9) 17 MAY 30 JUN ASGN TG 712.0

11. **DEPLOYED UNITS**

USS FLETCHER (DD 992) 11 APR 11 MAY ASGN TU 075.9.5
USS PAUL HAMILTON (DDG 60) 11 APR 11 MAY ASGN TU 075.9.6
USS LEFTWICH (DD 984) 11 APR 11 MAY ASGN TU 075.9.6
USS CUSHING (DD 985) 01 APR 06 APR ASGN TU 075.9.9
USS FITZGERALD (DDG 62) 01 APR 02 APR ASGN TU 075.9.7
USS PAUL F FOSTER (DD 964) 01 APR 02 APR ASGN TU 075.9.7
USS DAVID R RAY (DD 971) 04 JUN 29 JUN ASGN TU 075.9.8
USS RENTZ (FFG 46) 04 JUN 29 JUN ASGN TU 075.9.8
USS STETHEM (DDG 63) 04 JUN 29 JUN ASGN TU 075.9.8
USS BUFFALO (SSN 715) 08 MAY 30 JUN ASGN TF 074
USS KAMEHAMEHA (SSN 642) 30 APR 18 MAY ASGN TF 074
USS KEY WEST (SSN 722) 16 APR 11 MAY ASGN TF 074
USS INDIANAPOLIS (SSN 697) 15 APR 30 JUN ASGN TF 074
USS HELENA (SSN 725) 16 APR 30 JUN ASGN TF 074
USS HONOLULU (SSN 718) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TF 074
USS LOS ANGELES (SSN 688) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TF 074
USS PASADENA (SSN 752) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TF 074
USS PORTSMOUTH (SSN 707) 15 JUN 30 JUN ASGN TF 074
USS SANTA FE (SSN 763) 01 APR 03 APR ASGN TF 074
USS TOPEKA (SSN 754) 01 APR 17 APR ASGN TF 074

12. **AUXILIARY FORCES**

USNS FLINT (TAE 32) 04 JUN 30 JUN ASGN TG 073.5
USNS GUADALUPE (TAO 200) 10 JUN 30 JUN ASGN TG 073.5
USNS KILAUEA (TAE 26) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 073.5
USNS NIAGARA FALLS (TAFS 3) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 073.5
USNS SPICA (TAFS 9) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 073.5
USNS PECOS (TAO 197) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 073.5
USNS TIPPPECANOE (TAO 199) 01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 073.5

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USNS NARRAGANSETT (TATF 167) 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TG 073.6
USNS SAFEGUARD (ARS 50) 24 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TG 073.6
USNS SILAS BENT (TAGS 26) 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TG 073.7

13.  **MPF AND APF UNITS**

- COMPSRON 2 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TG 073.7
- COMPSRON 3 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TG 073.7
- GREEN VALLEY 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- USNS HENRY J KAISER (TAO 187) 13 APR 20 MAY  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- USNS HENRY J KAISER (TAO 187) 21 MAY 30 JUN  ASGN TG 073.7
- MV 1ST LT A BONNYMAN 01 APR 02 MAY  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- MV 1ST LT A BONNYMAN 03 MAY 13 MAY  ASGN TG 073.7
- MV 1ST LT BALDOMERO LOPEZ 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.3
- MV AMERICAN CORMORANT 01 APR 22 APR  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- MV AMERICAN CORMORANT 23 APR 06 MAY  ASGN TG 073.7
- MV BUFFALO SOLDIER 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- MV CAPE HUDSON 01 JUN 10 JUN  ASGN TG 073.7
- MV CAPE WASHINGTON 30 MAY 08 JUN  ASGN TG 073.7
- MV CPL LOUIS J HAUGE 01 APR 28 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- MV CPL LOUIS J HAUGE 29 JUN 30 JUN  ASGN TG 073.7
- MV JEB STUART 12 JUN 21 JUN  ASGN TG 073.7
- MV JEB STUART 22 JUN 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- MV PFC DEWAYNE T WILLIAMS 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.3
- MV PFC JAMES ANDERSON JR 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- MV PFC WM B BAUGH 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- MV PVT FRANKLIN J PHILLIPS 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- MV SP5 ERIC G GIBSON 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.3
- MV STRONG VIRGINIAN 01 APR 21 APR  ASGN TG 073.7
- MV WILLIAM R BUTTON 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.3
- POTOMAC 01 APR 26 APR  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- POTOMAC 27 APR 27 MAY  ASGN TG 073.7
- POTOMAC 13 JUN 15 JUN  ASGN TG 073.7
- POTOMAC 16 JUN 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- SS AMERICAN OSPREY 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.3
- SS AUSTRAL RAINBOW 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.2
- SS GOPHER STATE 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.3
- SS GREEN HARBOUR 01 APR 30 JUN  ASGN TU 073.7.2

D.  N3 Seventh Fleet 4TH Quarter FY 1997 Schedules:

1.  **COMMANDER SEVENTHFLT**

   - 01 JUL  30 SEP HPO YOKOSUKA
   - 01 JUL  30 SEP EMB USS BLUE RIDGE01 JUL  30 SEP ASGN TG 071.1
   - 01 JUL  30 SEP COM TF 071

2.  **USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC 19)**

   - 01 JUL  30 SEP HPO YOKOSUKA
   - 01 JUL  18 JUL UPK YOKOSUKA

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01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 071.1
03 JUL 03 JUL LARR YOKOSUKA
19 JUL 19 JUL ENR PHILIPPINE SEA
19 JUL 19 JUL ENRAT YOKOSUKA
20 JUL 22 JUL UPK YOKOSUKA
23 JUL 25 JUL ENR PHILIPPINE SEA
25 JUL 25 JUL LARR YOKOSUKA
26 JUL 26 JUL ANCH YOKOSUKA
27 JUL 03 AUG ENR HONG KONG
04 AUG 08 AUG VST HONG KONG
09 AUG 10 AUG ENR OKINAWA JA
11 AUG 12 AUG IPTSTM OKINAWA JA
13 AUG 14 AUG ENR CHINHAE
15 AUG 17 AUG IPTSTM CHINHAE
18 AUG 22 AUG ENR PUSAN
18 AUG 29 AUG EXER SEA OF JAPAN
22 AUG 22 AUG LARR PUSAN
23 AUG 24 AUG IPTSTM PUSAN
25 AUG 28 AUG ENR CHINHAE
29 AUG 30 AUG ENR SASEBO
29 AUG 29 AUG BSP CHINHAE
31 AUG 31 AUG ATENR SASEBO
01 SEP 03 SEP VR SASEBO
04 SEP 05 SEP ENR YOKOSUKA
06 SEP 24 SEP UPK YOKOSUKA
25 SEP 26 SEP ENR TOKYO
27 SEP 29 SEP IPTSTM TOKYO
30 SEP 30 SEP ENR HAKODATE

3. USS CORONADO (AGF 11)
20 SEP 30 SEP ASGN CTF 071.4

4. CARRIER BATTLE GROUPS / AMPHIBIOUS TASK READY GROUPS / MINE COUNTERMEASURES GROUP
TASK GROUP 070.1 INDEPENDENCE BATTLE GROUP
01 JAN 31 MAR 0 ASGN TG 070.1

4.1 EMB: COMCARGRU 5, CVW 5, COMDESRON 15, VAW 115, VFA 27, VS 21, VF 154, VFA 192, VFA 195, VAQ 136, HS 14 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.1

5. SURFACE COMBATANTS:
USS INDEPENDENCE (CV 62) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.1
USS MOBILE BAY (CG 53) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.1
USS BUNKER HILL (CG 52) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.1
USNS GUADALUPE (TAO 200) 09 SEP 28 SEP ASGN TG 070.1
6. **TASK GROUP 070.2 NIMITZ BATTLE GROUP**
18 SEP - 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.2

a. EMB: CVW 9, COMCARGRU 7, COMDESRON 9, HS-8, VA 165, VAQ 138, VAW 112, VF 211, VF 24, VFA 146, VFA 147, VS 33
USS NIMITZ (CVN 68) 18 SEP - 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.2
USS KINKAID (DD 965) 18 SEP - 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.2
USS LAKE CHAMPLAIN (CG 57) 18 SEP - 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.2
USS FORD (FFG 54) 18 SEP - 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.2
USS PORT ROYAL (CG 73) 18 SEP - 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.2
USS SACRAMENTO (AOE 1) 18 SEP - 30 SEP ASGN TG 070.2

7. **TASK GROUP 070.5 CONSTELLATION BATTLE GROUP**
17 AUG - 15 SEP ASGN TG 070.5

a. EMB: VAW 116, HS-2, VFA-151, VMFA-323, VAQ 131, VFA-137, VS 38, COMCRUDESGRU 1

8. **SURFACE COMBATANTS:**
USS CONSTELLATION (CV 64) 17 AUG - 15 SEP ASGN TG 070.5
USS MOUNT HOOD (AE 29) 17 AUG - 15 SEP ASGN TG 070.5
USS MERRILL (DD 976) 17 AUG - 15 SEP ASGN TG 070.5
USS CIMARRON (AO 177) 17 AUG - 15 SEP ASGN TG 070.5
USS JOHN PAUL JONES (DDG 53) 17 AUG - 15 SEP ASGN TG 070.5
USS LAKE ERIE (CG 70) 17 AUG - 15 SEP ASGN TG 070.5

9. **FORWARD DEPLOYED NAVAL FORCES (FDNF)**
USS CURTS (FFG 38) 01 JUL - 15 JUL ASGN CTF 075
USS RODNEY M DAVIS (FFG 60) 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 075.2
USS FIFE (DD 991) 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 075.2
USS HEWITT (DD 966) 01 JUL - 29 AUG ASGN TG 075.2
USS JOHN S MCCAIN (DDG 56) 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 075.2
USS O'BRIEN (DD 975) 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 075.2
USS TRACH (FFG 43) 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 075.2
USS VINCENNES (CG 49) 21 AUG - 30 SEP ASGN TG 075.2
USS CURTIS WILBUR (DDG 54) 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 075.2

10. **TASK GROUP 076.4 BELLEAU WOOD ARG**
01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.4

a. EMB: EODMU 5, COMPHIBRON 11, NAVSPECWARUNIT 1 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.4
USS BELLEAU WOOD (LHA 3) 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.4
USS DUBUQUE (LPD 8) 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.4
USS FORT MCHENRY 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.4
USS GERMANTOWN (LSD 42) 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.4
USS FREDERICK (LST 1184) 02 AUG - 01 SEP ASGN CTG 076.2
NAVSPECWARUNIT 1 01 JUL - 30 SEP ASGN TF 076

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11. TASKGROUP 076.7 BOXER ARG
   11 AUG 08 SEP ASGN TG 076.7
   a. EMB: COMPHIBRON 7
      USS BOXER (LHD 4) 11 AUG 08 SEP ASGN TG 076.7
      USS CHANDLER (DDG 996) 11 AUG 08 SEP ASGN TG 076.7
      USS PORT FISHER (LSD 40) 11 AUG 08 SEP ASGN TG 076.7
      USS OGDEN (LPD 5) 11 AUG 08 SEP ASGN TG 076.7

12. TASKGROUP 076.7 BOXER ARG
   15 SEP 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.7
   a. EMB: COMPHIBRON 1
      USS PELELIU (LHA 5) 15 SEP 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.1
      USS COMSTOCK (LSD 45) 15 SEP 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.1
      USS JUNEAU (LPD 10) 15 SEP 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.1

13. MCM TASK GROUP 076.8
    USS PATRIOT (MCM 7) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.8
    USS GUARDIAN (MCM 5) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 076.8

14. DEPLOYED UNITS
    USS WILLIAM H BATES (SSN 680) 11 SEP 30 SEP ASGN TF 074
    USS BREMERTON (SSN 698) 15 SEP 30 SEP ASGN TF 074
    USS BUFFALO (SSN 715) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TF 074
    USS CAVALLA (SSN 684) 01 JUL 10 AUG ASGN TF 074
    USS FRANK CABLE 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TF 074
    USS HELENA (SSN 725) 01 JUL 04 JUL ASGN TF 074
    USS HELENA (SSN 725) 18 AUG 24 SEP ASGN TF 074
    USS HONOLULU (SSN 718) 01 JUL 19 AUG ASGN TF 074
    USS INDIANAPOLIS (SSN 697) 01 JUL 24 SEP ASGN TF 074
    USS KEY WEST (SSN 722) 04 JUL 18 SEP ASGN TF 074
    USS LOS ANGELES (SSN 688) 01 JUL 21 JUL ASGN TF 074
    USS OLYMPIA (SSN 717) 15 SEP 30 SEP ASGN TF 074
    USS PORTSMOUTH (SSN 707) 01 JUL 21 SEP ASGN TF 074
    USS BENFOLD (DDG 65) 02 SEP 26 SEP ASGN TU 075.9.9
    USS HARRY W HILL (DD 986) 02 SEP 26 SEP ASGN TU 075.9.9
    USS GARY (FFG 51) 02 SEP 26 SEP ASGN TU 075.9.9
    USS INGRAHAM (FFG 61) 09 JUL 09 AUG ASGN CTG 075.9
    USS FITZGERALD (DDG 62) 09 JUL 09 AUG ASGN CTG 075.9
    USS PAUL F FOSTER (DDG 64) 09 JUL 09 AUG ASGN CTG 075.9
    USS LAKE ERIE (CG 70) 16 SEP 30 SEP ASGN TF 075

15. TASK FORCE 712 CORRELATION AFLOAT READINESS TRAINING (CARAT)
    USCGC CHASE (WHEC 718) 01 JUL 04 JUL ASGN CTG 712
    USS FREDERICK (LST 1184) 01 JUL 01 AUG ASGN TG 712.0
    USS MCCLUSKY (FFG 41) 01 JUL 08 AUG ASGN TG 712.0
    USS WADSWORTH (FFG 9) 01 JUL 08 AUG ASGN TG 712.0
16. AUXILIARY FORCES
USNS FLINT (AE 32) 01 JUL 04 AUG ASGN TG 073.5
USNS GUADALUPE (TAO 200) 01 JUL 08 SEP ASGN TG 073.5
USNS GUADALUPE (TAO 200) 29 SEP 30 SEP ASGN TG 073.5
USNS KILAUEA (TAE 26) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 073.5
USNS NIAGARA FALLS (TAFS 3) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 073.5
USNS PECOS (TAO 197) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 073.5
USNS SAFEGUARD (ARS 50) 01 JUL 11 SEP ASGN TG 073.5
USNS SAN JOSE (TAFS 7) 23 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 073.5
USNS SPICA (TAFS 9) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 073.5
USNS TIPPECANOE (TAO 199) 02 JUL 10 AUG ASGN TG 073.5
USNS YUKON (TAO 202) 11 AUG 30 SEP ASGN TG 073.5
USNS NARRAGANSETT (TATF 167) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 073.6

17. MFP AND APF UNITS
COMPSRON 2 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 073.7
COMPSRON 3 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TG 073.7
MV GREEN VALLEY (TAK 2049) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.2
USNS HENRY J KAISER (TAO 187) 01 JUL 25 SEP ASGN CTG 073.7
USNS HENRY J KAISER (TAO 187) 26 SEP 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV 1ST LT A BONNYMAN 12 AUG 21 AUG ASGN TG 073.7
MV 1ST LT A BONNYMAN 22 AUG 30 SEP ASGN CHTU 073.7.2
MV 1ST LT BALDOMERO LOPEZ 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV 1ST LT JACK LUMMUS 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV BUFFALO SOLDIER 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV CAPE DECISION 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV CPL LOUIS J HAUGE 01 JUL 08 JUL ASGN TG 073.7
MV GREEN RIDGE 22 AUG 26 SEP ASGN CHTU 073.7
MV GREEN RIDGE 27 SEP 30 SEP ASGN CHTU 073.7.2
MV JEB STUART 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV LTC CALVIN P TITUS 01 JUL 09 JUL ASGN TG 073.7
MV LTC CALVIN P TITUS 10 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV PFC DEWAYNE T WILLIAMS 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV PFC JAMES ANDERSON JR 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV PFC WM B BAUGH 01 JUL 29 AUG ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV PFC WM B BAUGH 30 AUG 08 SEP ASGN CTG 073.7
MV PVT FRANKLIN J PHILLIPS 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV SP5 ERIC G GIBSON 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV WILLIAM R BUTTON 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV POTOMAC (TAC 181) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV SHUGHART (TAKR 295) 14 JUL 20 JUL ASGN TG 073.7
SS AMERICAN OSPREY 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.3
SS AUSTRAL RAINBOW 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.2
SS Gopher State (TACS 4) 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.3
SS GREEN HARBOR 01 JUL 30 SEP ASGN TU 073.7.2

E. N3 Seventh Fleet 1ST Quarter FY 1998 Schedules:

1. COMMANDER SEVENTHFLT
01 OCT 31 DEC: HPO YOKOSUKA
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01 OCT 31 DEC: EMB USS BLUE RIDGE 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 071.1
01 OCT 31 DEC: COM TF 071

2. **USS BLUE RIDGE**

01 OCT 31 DEC: HPO YOKOSUKA
01 OCT 02 OCT: ENR HAKODATE
01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 071.1
03 OCT 05 OCT: IPTSTM HAKODATE
04 OCT 08 OCT: FEP PHILIPPINE SEA
06 OCT 08 OCT: ENR YOKOSUKA
08 OCT 08 OCT: LARR YOKOSUKA
09 OCT 19 OCT: UPK YOKOSUKA
20 OCT 28 NOV: SRA YOKOSUKA
24 NOV 25 NOV: STRL PHILIPPINE SEA
29 NOV 30 NOV: UPK YOKOSUKA
01 DEC 04 DEC: ENR HONG KONG
05 DEC 08 DEC: IPTSTM HONG KONG
09 DEC 12 DEC: ENR YOKOSUKA
13 DEC 14 DEC: UPK YOKOSUKA
15 DEC 31 DEC: HOLUPK YOKOSUKA

3. **CORANADO DEPLOYMENT TG 071.4**

USS CORONADO (AGF 11) 01 OCT 06 OCT: ASGN CTG 071.4

4. **CARRIER BATTLE GROUPS / AMPHIBIOUS TASK READY GROUPS / MINE COUNTERMEASURES GROUP**

**TASK GROUP 070.1 INDEPENDENCE BATTLE GROUP**

01 JAN 31 MAR C: ASGN TG 070.1

a. EMB: COMCARGRU 5, CVW 5, COMDESRON 15, VAW 115, VFA 27, VS 21, VF 154, VFA 192, VFA 195, VAQ 136, HS 14 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 070.1

5. **SURFACE COMBATANTS:**

USS INDEPENDENCE (CV 62) 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 070.1
USS BUNKER HILL (CG 52) 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 070.1
USNS GUADALUPE (TAO 200) 20 OCT 14 NOV: ASGN TG 070.1
USS MOBILE BAY (CG 53) 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 070.1

6. **FORWARD DEPLOYED NAVAL FORCES (FDNF)**

USS FIFE 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 075.2
USS OBERIEN (DD 975) 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 075.2
USS RODNEY M DAVIS (FFG 60) 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 075.2
USS THACH (FFG 43) 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 075.2
USS VINCENNES (CG 49) 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 075.2
USS JOHN S MCCAIN (DDG 56) 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 075.2
USS CURTIS WILBUR (DDG 54) 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TG 075.2
USS FRANK CABLE (AS 40) 01 OCT 31 DEC: ASGN TF 074
7. **TASK GROUP 070.2 NIMITZ BATTLE GROUP**

   01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 070.2

   a. EMR: CVW 9, COMCARGRU 7, COMDESRON 9, HS-8, VA 165, VAQ 138, VAW 112, VF 211, VF 24, VFA 146, VFA 147, VS 33 01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 070.2

8. **SURFACE COMBATANTS:**

   NIMITZ (CVN 68) 01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 070.2
   USS LAKE CHAMPLAIN (CG 57) 01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 070.2
   USS FORD (FFG 54) 01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 070.2
   USS KINKAID (DD 965) 01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 070.2
   USS PORT ROYAL (CG 73) 01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 070.2
   USS SACRAMENTO (AOE 1) 01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 070.2

9. **TASK GROUP 076.4 BELLEAU WOOD ARG**

   01 APR 30 JUN ASGN TG 076.4

   a. EMR: EODMU 5, COMPHIBRON 11, NAVSPECWARUNIT 1

   01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TF 076
   USS BELLEAU WOOD (LHA 3) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 076.4
   USS DUBUQUE (LPD 8) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 076.4
   USS FORT MCPHERSON (LSD 43) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 076.4
   USS GERMANTOWN (LSD 42) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 076.4

10. **TASK GROUP 076.5 PELELIU ARG**

    01 OCT 11 OCT ASGN TG 076.1

    a. EMR: COMPHIBRON 1 01 OCT 11 OCT ASGN TG 076.1

    USS COMSTOCK (LSD 45) 01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 076.1
    USS PELELIU (LHA 5) 01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 076.1
    USS JUNEAU (LSD 42) 01 OCT 15 OCT ASGN TG 076.1

11. **MCM TASK GROUP 076.8**

    USS GUARDIAN (MCM 5) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 076.8
    USS PATRIOT (MCM 7) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 076.8

12. **DEPLOYED UNITS**

    USS INGERSOLL (DD 990) 29 NOV 28 DEC ASGN TG 075.9.8
    USS RUEBEN JAMES (FFG 57) 03 DEC 28 DEC ASGN CTG 075.9.8
    USS JOHN YOUNG (DD 973) 29 NOV 28 DEC ASGN TG 075.9.
    USS DAVID R RAY (DD 971) 09 OCT 05 NOV ASGN CTF 075.9.9
    USS RENTZ (FFG 46) 07 OCT 05 NOV ASGN CTF 075.9.9
    USS STETHAM (DD 63) 07 OCT 05 NOV ASGN CTF 075.9.
    USS WILLIAM H BATES (SSN 680) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TF 074
    USS BREMERTON (SSN 698) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TF 074
    USS BUFFALO (SSN 715) 01 OCT 26 OCT ASGN TF 074
    USS CHARLOTTE (SSN 766) 08 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TF 074
    USS KAMEHAMEHA (SSN 642) 08 OCT 19 NOV ASGN TF 074
    USS LA JOLLA (SSN 701) 28 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TF 074
    USS OLYMPIA (SSN 717) 01 OCT 04 OCT ASGN TF 074
    USS PORTSMOUTH (SSN 707) 29 OCT 19 NOV ASGN TF 074
13. AUXILIARY FORCES

USNS GUADALUPE (TAO 200) 01 OCT 19 OCT ASGN TG 073.5
USNS GUADALUPE (TAO 200) 15 NOV 31 DEC ASGN TG 073.5
USNS KILAUEA (TA 26) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 073.5
USNS NIAGARA FALLS (TAFS 3) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 073.5
USNS PECOS (TAO 197) 01 OCT 29 NOV ASGN TG 073.5
USNS SAN JOSE 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 073.5
USNS WALTER S DIEHL 29 NOV 31 DEC ASGN TG 073.5
USNS YUKON (TAO 202) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 073.5

USNS NARRAGANSETT (TATF 167) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 073.6
USNS SPICA (TAFS 9) 01 OCT 09 NOV ASGN TG 073.5

14. MPF AND APF UNITS

COMPSRON 2 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 073.7
COMPSRON 3 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TG 073.7
USNS HENRY J KAISER (TAO 187) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN CTU 073.7.2
MV GORDON (TAKR 296) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV GREEN VALLEY (TAK 2049) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV BUFFALO SOLDIER 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV CAPE DECISION 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV CAPE DOUGLAS 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
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MV 1ST LT A BONNYMAN 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV AMERICAN CORMORANT 20 DEC 31 DEC ASGN CTU 073.7.2
MV 1ST LT BALDOMERO LOPEZ 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV 1ST LT J LUMMUS 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV AMERICAN CORMORANT 06 DEC 19 DEC ASGN CTG 073.7
MV CAPE HORN 03 OCT 09 OCT ASGN CTG 073.7
MV CAPE HUDSON 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV CPL LOUIS J HAUGE 14 OCT 23 OCT ASGN CTG 073.7
MV CPL LOUIS J HAUGE 24 OCT 31 DEC ASGN CTU 073.7.2
MV GREEN RIDGE 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN CTU 073.7.2
MV JEB STUART 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV LTC CALVIN P TITUS 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV PFC DEWAYNE T WILLIAMS 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV PFC JAMES ANDERSON JR 01 OCT 15 DEC ASGN CTU 073.7.2
MV PFC JAMES ANDERSON JR 16 DEC 26 DEC ASGN CTG 073.7
MV PFC WM B BAUGH 09 DEC 18 DEC ASGN CTG 073.7
MV PFC WM B BAUGH 19 DEC 31 DEC ASGN CTU 073.7.2
MV PVT FRANKLIN J PHILLIPS 01 OCT 01 NOV ASGN CTU 073.7.2
MV PVT FRANKLIN J PHILLIPS 02 NOV 12 NOV ASGN CTG 073.7
MV SP5 ERIC G GIBSON 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.3
MV STRONG VIRGINIAN 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
MV WILLIAM R BUTTON 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.3
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MV SHUGHART (TAKR 295) 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
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SS AUSTRAL RAINBOW 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2
SS GOPHER STATE TACS 4 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.3
SS GREEN HARBOUR 01 OCT 31 DEC ASGN TU 073.7.2

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F. N3 Patrol Squadron Deployments


2. VP-9 redeployed from Diego Garcia, B.I.O.T. to homeport at Naval Air Station (NAS) Barber's Point, Hawaii, on 15 May 1997, being relieved by VP-4, also homeported in NAS Barber's Pt., Hawaii. VP-46 redeployed on 10 May 1997 from Misawa A.B. to homeport at NAS Whidbey Island, Washington, being relieved by VP-40, also homeported at NAS Whidbey Island, WA.

3. VP-40 was relieved on 01 December by VP-1, from NAS Whidbey Island. VP-4 was relieved on 28 November by VP-47, from NAS Barber's Point, Hawaii.

G. Miscellaneous Items

1. Frontier Scout: Detailed planning occurred in 1997 for the first Patrol Coastal Class deployment to the C7F AOR. Deployment is a one-time only proof of concept deployment of PCs to evaluate the feasibility and benefit of PC employment in COMSEVENTHFLT area of responsibility. Frontier Scout 98 (FS-98) serves as validation process for PC employment in PACOM and an operational link with the navies and Special Operations Forces (SOF) of the pacific region.

2. Frontier Patrol: Naval Special Warfare Unit ONE conducted CV interoperability training with the FDNF CVBG for years. In conjunction with NSW initiatives, steps were taken in 1997 to formalize the process. After successful employment in Tandem Thrust, CTF 70 made a formal request to align one deployed SEAL platoon with the CV. After coordination, C7F directed one platoon at NSWU-1 to be CVBG focused. The intent is for the SEAL platoon to obtain basic skills prior to deployment and conduct advanced training with the CVBG/Airwing in theater under Exercise Frontier Patrol (series).

3. TBMD: COMSEVENTHFLT units participated in various technical theater ballistic missile defense operations from August to December.

4. Naval oceanographic surveys: Two survey ships remained deployed to COMSEVENTHFLT AOR throughout the year: USNS SILAS BENT and USNS SUMMER. They conducted oceanographic and hydrographic surveys throughout the Sea of Japan, East China Sea, South China Sea, and Philippine Sea.

5. Distant Thunder: COMSEVENTHFLT was chosen by DARPA and QPNAV N84 to coordinate continued testing and tactical development of Distant Thunder USW system.

6. Establishment of Air Component Commander (ACC) Augmentation Cell: In OCT 97, a select group of subject matter experts, headed by Commander Carrier Group One became the direct liaison between the Naval Component Commander (NCC) and the Air Component Commander (ACC) for all matters concerning use of naval air assets in OPLAN 5027.
VI. N4 -- Fleet Logistics

A. Funds provided from CINCPACFLT for normal operations:

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B. SUPPLY/FINANCIAL:

Budgeted and maintained nine accounts amounting to more than two and a half million dollars during 1997. In addition to these accounts, several million dollars were obtained outside the normal budget windows to complete upgrades to Flagship spaces.

During Exercise Tandem Thrust 97, more than 500 critical material requirements were expedited and acquired in support of Seventh Fleet staff and 440 US and Australian military embarkees. Provided TAD personnel to Rockhampton in Australia during Tandem Thrust 97 to support the Combined Movement Coordination Center. Fleet Logistics developed and implemented a full-up Combined Logistics Cell for the CTF Commander in Tandem Thrust 97. This was the first time in the N4 history that this was planned and executed to meet joint mission needs in a exercise crisis scenario. The Log Cell, under the leadership of the C4 (N4) assisted the CTF Commander in the direction of logistics matters such as strategic mobility, ammo, fuel, maintenance, transportation, evacuation, medical, supply support, civil engineering, and services. This also involved preparing a logistics estimate for the Commander, a concept of logistics support, and clear logistics guidance to subordinate commands to reduce duplication of capabilities and ensure responsive support.

These same principles were applied to exercises such as UFL 97 where SEVENTH Fleet acted as the Naval Component Commander. Goals achieved through this exercise were the timely and accurate reporting of logistics status to the Combined Forces Commander. The reports volume grew seven times that required by the Combined Forces Commander in 1996. The logistics Cell was comprised of active duty and reserve personnel, who were successful in the timely and accurate collection and transmission of the reports for the entire length of the exercise. During Exercise ULCHI FOCUS LENS 97, N4 personnel participated and trained four Navy reservists in logistics communications protocol, reports processing, Naval Component organization, and home page maintenance for the largest Command Post Exercise in the world.
C. FLAG MESS:
Prepared and executed over 60 dinners and luncheons hosted by VADM Natter at official quarters for such distinguished guests as Secretary of the Navy, Undersecretary of Defense, Congressman Kennedy, Congressman Sisisky and CINCPACFLT. The Flag Mess division prepared and executed 36 Big Top receptions and special luncheons hosted by COMSEVENTHFLT in 20 ports. During Tandem Thrust Exercise, 13-member division provided berthing and messing support to 100 embarked Australian and US Military Officers and visiting dignitaries, including 11,100 meals prepared in a 37 day period. Prepared and executed 4th of July celebration for Japanese Dignitaries at SEVENTH Fleet’s official quarters. ULCHI Focus Lens exercise participant were provided approx. 6,726 meals within a 19 day period in support of eight embarked Flag Officers and 110 additional embarked staff. Supervised and aided with preparation and service of Christmas Party hosted in honor of over 500 Japanese Dignitaries by COMSEVENTHFLT and COMMANDER NAVAL FORCES JAPAN.

The Flag Mess Galley was upgraded with two new ten gallon electric kettles and a 50 cubic ft refrigerator, resulting in better food storage and preparation. Flag Mess personnel refurbished one Flag Stateroom and re-carpeted 15 Senior officers staterooms. Personnel volunteered to assist COMSUBGRU 7 personnel with functions hosted by ADM Konestski at Submarine Sanctuary.

D. LOGISTICS PLANNING:
The Log Plans Officer directed the preparations for and execution of Crisis Action Planning for Exercises Tandem Thrust 97 and UFL-97. He provided key logistics information used in the development of alternative Courses of Action and basic Logistics Support Concept for these exercises. He also prepared daily briefings to the Commander on logistics status and ensured logistics information was properly collected and disseminated.

The Fleet Logistics Plans officer in concert with the Center for Naval Analysis commenced assessment/evaluation of OPLAN 5027 and its logistics supportability in light of numerous changing requirements. This study, which will last well into 1998, focuses on port loading, fuel requirements, Host Nation Support, asset usage to support the Combined Naval Component Commander in his portion of the Korean OPLAN.

E. MAINTENANCE:
C7F commenced its first nine week availability which established the standard for Forward Deployed Naval Forces to maintain the highest state of readiness. Our next objective was to fully utilize our submarine tender in repairs of surface ships. This was accomplished by ensuring the tender was scheduled for Japan when most ships were in availabilities and optimizing the tender’s fly away teams when the tender was not import.

Co-location of the maintenance organizations in Sasebo to improve the maintenance performance was our highest priority. We tasked Commander Task force (CTF) 76 with leading this major change in maintenance support. A COMPHIBGRU ONE Deputy position was established in Sasebo to head up the new
organization, which moved from Okinawa, lead this process. Senior leadership fully engaged this concept and now all the maintenance providers are together in a "one stop shopping environment," including SRF, CLWP, FISC and COMPHIBGRU ONE (ISIC for ship's in Sasebo).

Flagship modernization continued with several BLUE RIDGE and COMSEVENTHFLT space renovations. These spaces included the N3 complex, Crew Training Room, Computer Training Center, S-5 Office, G-1 Office, MARCOM DET and METRO offices using SRF, tender and ship's force personnel. As a side issue for Tandem Thrust ship's force renovated the Electronic cooling room to create an Australian National Headquarters, 20 February to 23 February 1997. In the 72 hours prior to arrival of Tandem Thrust participants, this space was completely transformed into the Headquarters office. After Tandem Thrust, the space was converted into Flag Mess storage for Special events, including storage cabinets and separating the space for secure storage for beverages. Two highly successful SRAs and three Restricted Availability Training Availabilities improved extended the life of the flagship. During the flagship modernization conference, C7F was successful in getting the modernization of workspaces, sustainabilty, and habitability projects into the POM for years 1999 to 2004 to further modernize USS BLUE RIDGE through 2010.

Monitored all C3/C4 CASREPs and Aircraft Material Readiness Reports (AMRR) in theater. More than 200 CASREPs and 250 CASREP requisition were expedited per quarter. Coordinated with all of our CTF's for necessary requirements to correct casualties, such as ensuring parts and technical assistance met ships operational commitment time frames. Provided CTF's assistance or funding to acquire necessary technical assistance from all repair activity within 7th fleet AOR and from CONUS. Achieved steady improvement in maintenance support by providing assistance to CTF's with alternative repair plans, sources of supply and manpower to correct casualties. Supply Division aggressively worked supply system to satisfy our ships needs to maintain readiness.

Shifted management and control of the Yokosuka berthing barge from CINCPACFLT to SRF Yokosuka. Previously this asset was controlled by CPF and maintained with contractors that reported directly to CPF. This arrangement provided no local control of maintenance and upkeep. First we changed the reporting and control of the barge to SRF Yokosuka, asking them to survey the barge and establish a POA&M to correct habitability and material conditions to an acceptable standard. Cost savings were achieved through elimination the contractors and using slack maintenance periods in SRF to accomplish repairs. Improvements are still ongoing and will be completed in 1998.
VII. N-5 - PLANS AND DOCTRINE DEPARTMENT

A. Staff Talks

Staff Talks are used to support the U.S. Pacific Command Cooperative Engagement Program through staff-staff interaction with other navies, emphasizing personal interaction, exercises and scheduling issues, and interoperability.

B. Staff Talks goals

1. Indonesia (4 FEB 97), Onboard USS BLUE RIDGE in Bali, Indonesia - Demonstrated our interest in enhanced military-military relations and naval professional development.

2. Commander in Chief, Republic of Korea Fleet (CINCROKFLT) (8 MAY 97 & 23 OCT 97) - Discussed issues related to improving combined operations and exercises under the Commander, Combined Naval Component Command (CCNCC) concept in Chinhae, South Korea.

3. Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF) Flag Talks (8 JUL 97 and 19 DEC 97) - Conducted bilateral meeting of Naval Flag Officers ensuring senior officer support and understanding of issues related to advanced exercises and interoperability with JMSDF.

4. JMSDF- United States Navy (USN) Chief of Staff (COS) Talks (23 MAY 97) - Promoted strong working relationships between Commander, U.S. Seventh Fleet (C7F) and Commander in Chief, Self Defense Force (CINCSDFLT) in improving interoperability between USN-JMSDF, held at CINCSDFLT Headquarters, Funakoshi, Japan - (Senior: CINCSDFLT COS: Rear Admiral (RADM) Minari).

5. CCNCC MARITIME ANTI-Special Operations Forces (Anti-SOF) CONFERENCES (8 MAY 97 and 11 DEC 97) - Discussed operational/tactical warfighting concerns for conducting maritime anti-sof operations.

6. SINGAPORE (15 JAN 97) - Demonstrated our interest in enhanced military-military relations and naval professional development and promoted a greater transparency and understanding of C7F purpose and requirement to promote security and stability in Asia.

7. Australia (2 APR 97): Meeting between Operations/PLANS, Intelligence, Communications, Legal, Explosive Ordnance Demolition/Mine Counter Measures and Logistics Staff from Australian Maritime Headquarters and C7F in Sydney discussing common issues and advance interoperability between the two commands.

8. Malaysia (29 JAN 97): Demonstrated our interest in enhanced military-military relations and naval professional development.

9. India (16-17 JUN 97) - Cooperation & Exchanges Steering Council/Naval Steering Group, in Hawaii. (Senior: Vice Admiral (VADM) Pasricha). Represented Office of Secretary of the Navy and U.S. Pacific Fleet as the Navy's representative for discussing and coordinating military-to-military interaction and cooperation between the Indian Navy and USN.

10. Thailand (22 January 97) - Demonstrated our interest in enhanced military-military relations and naval professional development, in Phuket, Thailand on USS BLUE RIDGE.
VIII. N-6 -- Command, Control, Computers, Communications, and Intelligence

A. COMSEVENTHFLT. COMSEVENTHFLT proposed the Navy Tactical DMS (Defense Messaging System) Initiative (NTDI) to the Defense Information Support Agency (DISA). NTDI is a pilot program designed to provide a validation of the tactical applicability of DMS as demonstrated in the SEVENTHFLT AOR. It is being run concurrently with the effort to develop DMS Navy-wide. Nine pilot program sites were selected to participate, three afloat and the remainder shore-based. The three-phased plan has proceeded well despite minor delays.

B. TANDEM THRUST 97. This was the largest Fleet exercise in the Pacific and included more than 28,000 personnel, 43 ships, and 250 aircraft from all branches of the U.S. and Australian services. The exercise offered a unique opportunity to study the information management requirements of the Combined Task Force Commander. The need to rapidly assimilate vast quantities of tactical and non-tactical information presented a considerable C4I challenge. The Common Operational Picture (COP) was developed from the fusion of air, ground, and sea information from a variety of sources and distributed to the training audience. The widespread use of email, attachments, and Web technologies allowed this to be successfully demonstrated in a never before seen fashion. The lessons learned from this experience are forming the foundation for an even more successful foray into joint/combined operations for Tandem Thrust 99.

C. ULCHI FOCUS LENS 97. This year's exercise was widely viewed as the best ever. N6 implemented the first ever integration of Republic of Korea (ROK) personnel into the SEVENTHFLT computer network using state of the art technology. Exceptional hardware and software computer support was provided to more than 400 embarkees throughout the exercise. Utilization of homepages by exercise participants and supporting commands was at an all time high, and provided additional validation of their use as an invaluable asset. Tactical systems such as the Global Command and Control System, the Theater Automated Command and Control Information Management System, and the Contingency Tactical Air Control Center Automated Planning System all were employed during the exercise.

D. Chronology.

1. (January 1997) - Challenge Athena III installation: This installation added an alternative path other than sole reliance on DSCS Satellite access for network systems like JWICS, VTC, SIPRNET, NIPRNET plus the addition of 24 commercial wideband channels. This addition provided C7F staff with commercial type telephone access throughout the world.
2. (March 1997) - Tandem Thrust 97 - Established C4I architecture in support of largest joint/combined exercise in the Pacific Theater in two decades. Fully demonstrated command and control via web-based technology. Conducted Video Teleconferencing to units ashore using Ground Mobile Forces (GMF) satellite as well as first ever VTC to USCINCPAC MSQ-126 Crash Out Package. Established CTAPS Network via SIPRNET with USS Essex, USS Independence, and forward deployed elements at Townsville, Samuel Hill, and Rockhampton to provide primary means of ATO dissemination.

3. (Aug 1997) - Installation and successful OPTEST of Admiral's Desktop Video Teleconferencing capability. This gives COMSEVENTHFLT a total of five different locations VTC's can be conducted from.


5. (December 1997) - COMSEVENTHFLT Commanders NET transitioned to DAMA vice stand alone 25KHZ Non-DAMA UHF SATCOM circuit. Commanders NET is merged between WESTPAC and INDIAN OCEAN UHF satellite by NAVCOMTELSTA GUAM.
IX. 012 -- Fleet Public Affairs

A. Staff members:

CDR Timothy O'Leary, USN, PAO: departed staff, June 1997
JOC(SW) Martin Wicklund, USN: departed staff, May 1997

CDR Greg Smith, USN, PAO: Arrived June, 1997
LCDR Chris Dour, USN, Deputy PAO
JOC(SW) Mary Camacho, USN: Arrived May, 1997
J01(SW) Wayne Eternicka, USN
JO2 Kris Sandrick, USN
PH3 Edward Soto, USN

B. Mission

Seventh Fleet Public Affairs planned, coordinated and executed programs in public affairs guidance, public information, community relations and internal relations in support of COMSEVENTHFLT exercises and operations.

With respect to special port visits conducted in 1997, the SEVENTH Fleet public affairs team assisted in all aspects of planning and public affairs for the USS Blue Ridge (LCC-19) visit to Hong Kong, following the reversion from British to Chinese rule. Other countries special guidances were provided included Chingdao, China and Vladivostok, Russia.

C. Public Affairs Guidance/Support

Port visit -- 48 Port visit guidances messages issued
Inchop -- 16 Inchop guidances messages issued
Exercise -- 40 Exercise guidances messages issued
News Releases -- 196 approved in SEVENTHFLT
Community Relations efforts supported -- Provided $19,960 in funding to SEVENTHFLT units for various community relations projects.

D. Memorable PA events:

The Seventh Fleet flagship USS Blue Ridge (LCC-19) made an historic visit in August, 1997, when it became the first U.S. Navy ship to make a port call to Hong Kong following the country's reversion to Chinese rule on July 1, 1997. The visit was a tremendous success as dozens of various local and international media embarked Blue Ridge for tours and press conferences held by Vice Adm. Robert Natter, Commander, Seventh Fleet. Adm. Natter interacted with Lt. Gen. Liu Zhenwu, Commander of the Chinese Hong Kong Garrison both during a luncheon on board and at the general's headquarters. While in port, Blue Ridge and SEVENTH Fleet Sailors hosted a reception for Chinese government and ministry of foreign affairs officials, representatives from the U.S. Consulate, as well as a congressional delegation led by representatives Harold Rogers, Randy "Duke" Cunningham, Jim Moran and Tom Latham. Sailors also participated in a community relations project at the International Christian School by lending a helping hand to those in need of comfort.
A. (U) MILITARY JUSTICE

a. (U) Non-Judicial Punishment - 18 cases.
b. (U) Courts-Martial - 0 cases.

B. (U) JAGMAN INVESTIGATIONS

a. (U) COMSEVENTHFLT convened 1 JAGMAN investigation and reviewed 2 others from January - December 1997. A brief summary of the circumstances of each investigation follows:

(1) (U) Conducted command investigation into the death of SSGT Hudson that occurred on Yokosuka-Yokohama Freeway in Yokosuka, Japan on 7 September 1997.

(2) (U) USNS GUADALUPE (T-AO 200) received hull damage while conducting an underway maneuvering/anchoring detail while approaching Sasebo, Japan on 6 November 1996.

(3) (U) USS CIMARRON (AO 177) and USS NIAGARA FALLS (T-AFS 3) collided while conducting an underway replenishment on 8 May 1997.