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Subj: Command History

Encl: (1) Command Organization

(2) Summary of Operations

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1. The ship's history for period 1 January 1976 - 31 December 1976 as contained in enclosures (1) and (2) is submitted in accordance with reference (a).

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COMMAND ORGANIZATION

CAPT WYNNE A. STEVENS JR.	MAY 64 - JUL 65
CAPT RALPH S. WENTWORTH JR.	JUL 65 - AUG 66
CAPT GORDON R. HOPWOOD	AUG 66 - FEB 68
CAPT WILTON L. ATKINSON	FEB 68 - APR 69
CAPT WILLIAM S. MAYER	AUG 70 - MAY 72
CAPT LEE BOGGETT JR.	MAY 72 - NOV 73
CAPT RICHARD K. FONTAINE	NOV 73 - JUN 75
CAPT JERRY A. DICKMAN	JUN 75 - PRESENT

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS 01 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 1976

The USS REEVES began 1976 in her home port of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii enjoying a holiday leave and upkeep period until January 5.

From 6 January until 22 March REEVES personnel, with the aid of the Fleet Maintenance Assistance Group (FMAG), spent many hours labor on all aspects of the ship's systems. Additionally the ship passed the Nuclear Weapons Acceptance Inspection (NWAI) held from 23 February until 28 February.

REEVES was at sea for local operations from March 23rd until March 25th. On 31 March the Technical Standardization Inspection (TSI) commenced, continuing through April 1st, with the ship receiving a satisfactory grade for the inspection.

Most of April was spent preparing for the visit by the Board of Inspection and Survey (INSURV). In preparation the ship spent 6 April until 8 April and 15 and 16 April at sea checking all systems.

INSURV began on 26 April and was completed on 30 April.

From 10 May until 15 May the ship participated in a Human Resources Management Survey. All members of the crew took part in the effort to make the ship more efficient in organization and management practices.

From 24 May until 4 June Interim Refresher Training was held. This included at sea periods from May 24 until May 28 and June 1 through June 4. The training included the areas of Anti-Air Warfare (AAW), Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) and normal ships operations.

Most of June was spent in an upkeep period except for the 15th when the ship acted as a Submarine Target Vessel in local operations.

July 8th and 9th were spent at sea. From July 10th through the 19th, Type training was held on Ford Island for Anti-Submarine Warfare exercises. On 12 July a contingent of midshipmen arrived for PACTRAMID III A.

The group consisted of 19 third class and 6 first class midshipmen. The period, lasting until 21 August, enabled the future officers to experience Navy life in a real shipboard environment.

From 6 August until 13 August the ship took part in COMTUEX 1-77 in company with Japaness units and various ships of the Pacific Fleet including the aircraft carrier ENTERPRISE. The exercise consisted of various aspects of simulated combat operations.

From August 30th to September 3rd the Mobile Training Team was aboard to assist in preparation for the Operational Propulsion Plant

Exmaination (OPPE). OPPE commenced on 13 September and continued until 15 September, resulting in an unsatisfactory grade with re-examination required. The rest of September was spent in an upkeep period.

In preparation for the OPPE re-exam the ship spent 7 to 9 October, 12 to 15 October and 18 through 20 October at sea for local operations. The re-examination was held October 27 and 28, resulting in a conditional satisfactory with re-exam required.

On November 4 the REEVES set sail for San Diego, California, in company with USS MORTON, USS WHIPPLE and Commander Destroyer Squadron THREE FIVE to begin preparations for READIEX 2-77.

From 11 November until 28 November, type training facilities available in San Diego were utilized. The ship was underway for local operations 29 and 30 November.

READIEX 2-77 commenced on 2 December and continued through 8 December. During this time the REEVES was able to exercise her missile systems, gun systems, ASW systems and gain valuable experience in multi-ship operations.

On 3 December the ship was involved in a collision with a small fishing craft. No one was injured and the boat's crewman was rescued.

The REEVES commenced transit back to Pearl Harbor on 9 December. On 11 December two of our shipmates were severely burned in an accident. One sailor succumbed to burns, and the other is in the process of what is expected to be a complete recovery.

The ship arrived in Pearl Harbor on December 14th. OPPE re-exam took place 16 to 18 December resulting in a grade of satisfactory. Holiday leave and upkeep period commenced on 20 December and continued through 31 December.