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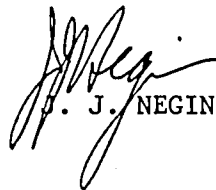
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Subj: COMMAND HISTORY, CY-89

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5720.12E  
(b) CINCPACFLTINST 5750.3C

Encl: (1) Chronological Summary - 1989  
(2) Narrative  
(3) Commanding Officer's Photograph  
(4) Commanding Officer's Biography

1. In accordance with reference (a) and (b), enclosures (1) through (4) are submitted.

  
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## CHRONOLOGICAL SUMMARY - 1989

### JANUARY 1989

1-31 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard

### FEBRUARY 1989

1-28 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard

6-10 Crew Certification Phase I

28-2 Mar Engineering Light Off Examination

### MARCH 1989

1-31 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard

13-17 Crew Certification Phase II

### APRIL 1989

1-26 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard

10 Sea Trial

12-14 Sea Trial

27-30 Upkeep Long Beach

### MAY 1989

1-9 Upkeep Long Beach

10 Underway for Type Training

11-12 Ammunition Load, Seal Beach

13 Underway for Type Training

14-21 Upkeep San Diego

22-31 Combat System Ship Qualification Trial (CSSQT) San Diego/  
Southern California Operating Area (SOCAL)

### JUNE 1989

1-23 CSSQT, San Diego/SOCAL

24-30 Enroute Pearl Harbor

24-30 Embarked HSL 35, Detachment 7, Consisting of one SH-2F Aircraft.  
(Disembarked on 30 June).

### JULY 1989

1-13 CSSQT Pearl Harbor/ Hawaiian Operating Area

1-4 In Port Pearl Harbor

7-8 In Port Pearl Harbor

14 Underway for Type Training

15-16 In Port Pearl Harbor

17-23 Enroute San Diego, conducted Tiger Cruise

24-31 Upkeep San Diego

### AUGUST 1989

1-9 Upkeep San Diego

7-8 Completed Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification

10-14 Underway, conducted CNO Project 251 in SOCAL

15-19 Underway for Type Training, SOCAL

20 In Port San Diego

21-25 Underway, SOCAL Engineering Mobile Training Team, Phase I

26-27 In Port San Diego

28-31 Underway for Type Training, SOCAL

SEPTEMBER 1989

1 Underway for Type Training, SOCAL  
2-17 Upkeep San Diego  
18-21 Underway, Engineering Mobile Training Team, Phase II  
22 Transit of Columbia River and arrived in Portland  
23-24 In Port Portland  
25 Transit of Columbia River to Sea  
26-29 Underway for Type Training  
30 In Port San Diego

OCTOBER 1989

1-4 In Port San Diego  
4-6 Enroute to San Francisco  
7-12 In Port, San Francisco Fleet Week 1989  
13-22 Underway for Law Enforcement Operations, USCG Tactical Law Enforcement Team Detachment TWO embarked.  
19-20 Rescue of two burn victims from the Greek motor vessel Explorer  
23-31 Upkeep San Diego

NOVEMBER

1-12 Upkeep San Diego  
13-16 Underway for Type Training, SOCAL  
14 Qualified in Naval Gunfire Support at San Clemente Island  
17-19 In Port San Diego  
20-22 Underway, Engineering Mobile Training Team, Phase III  
23-30 Upkeep San Diego

DECEMBER

1-10 Upkeep San Diego  
5-6 Command Inspection by RADM J.F. Smith, Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Group 5  
11-12 Refresher Training Readiness Evaluation  
13-15 Combat Systems Assessment  
16-31 In Port San Diego. Holiday Leave and Upkeep.

## NARRATIVE

1. Overhaul. JOUETT was the first cruiser to complete a new Threat Upgrade overhaul on schedule, a feat that remains unmatched by follow-on ships. This unique success is the direct result of early, hard work by the men of the crew. Their long hours were eventually repaid by a less-compressed post-overhaul schedule than ships often experience, which allowed time for port visits to Portland and San Francisco, and one scheduled to Vancouver, British Columbia, in 1990.

2. CSSQT. JOUETT's "New Threat Upgrade" combat system underwent post-installation testing during CSSQT. Owing to the ranges involved in SM2 (ER) missile firings, it is necessary to do CSSQT in Hawaiian waters vice on the Point Mugu range. The CSSQT tests went superbly, and afforded the crew liberty in Honolulu, especially well deserved after the drudgery of the overhaul in Long Beach. Crew proficiency reaped large dividends during CSSQT's extensive underway periods, which included four successful missile firings.

3. Law Enforcement Operations. U.S. Coast Guard Tactical Law Enforcement Team, Detachment TWO, embarked in San Francisco on 13 October. No contraband was found on any vessel boarded. Patrolling in SOCAL and off Baja California is very much like looking for a needle in a haystack, owing to the large number of legitimate fishing and pleasure craft and to the absence of transit choke points as they exist in the Caribbean. JOUETT accomplished two "firsts" during this operation: 1) JOUETT air controller took positive control of Customer Service reconnaissance aircraft and executed ocean surveillance plans, and 2) JOUETT conducted the first surveillance of Baja California airspace, conducting data link operations with a U.S. Air Force E-3A (AWACS) aircraft and a USAF ground site at March AFB. The ground site then relayed the air picture of the combined surveillance area to the Customer Service.

4. Rescue of M/V Explorer Burn Victims. On 19 October, COMCOGARD ELEVEN, in Long Beach, initiated a SAR action to rescue three burn victims from the Greek motor vessel Explorer, located some 200 miles southeast of JOUETT's position off Baja California. Two Air Force enlisted paramedics were dropped into the water by a Sacramento-based Coast Guard C-130. They pronounced one victim dead after being recovered by Explorer's lifeboat. JOUETT arrived on the scene about two hours later, and the two surviving victims and paramedics were transferred by Explorer's boat. JOUETT's hospital corpsman rendered additional aid by wrapping the victims in water-gel packs. JOUETT proceeded north, and was met by an HH-3 helicopter from the California Air National Guards' 129th Air Rescue and Recovery Group, which, accompanied by its KC-130 tanker, had flown non-stop from their base at NAS Moffett Field. The HH-3 took the burn victims aboard, but had room only for one paramedic. The remaining paramedic was transported to San Diego by a USCG HH-52.

5. NEY Award Competition. JOUETT's enlisted messdecks was completely refurbished during overhaul. This was accomplished exclusively by the ingenuity and dedication of the Supply Department, as no funds were authorized from the overhaul budget. Our messdecks have been the talk of the waterfront, and have been visited by personnel from several other ships looking for good ideas. The pleasant environment of the messdecks, combined with superb effort and dedication to quality food service by the ship's cooks, enabled JOUETT to win the honor of "most improved mess" from the type commander, COMNAVSURFPAC. JOUETT was the only "old" ship to win any prize - - all other award winning ships were less than three years old.