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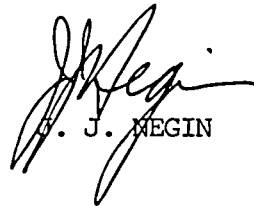
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CHRONOLOGICAL SUMMARY - 1988

JANUARY 1988

1 JAN - 31 MAR Assigned to Task Group 15.3
1-19 Upkeep San Diego
1 JAN - 17 APR Homeport San Diego
1-20 COMCRUDESGRU-5 Embarked
1-27 COMDESRON-21 Embarked
20 Ammunition Offload, North Island
21 Ammunition Offload, Seal Beach
22-31 Upkeep San Diego
29 JAN - 27 MAR COMDESRON-5 Embarked

FEBRUARY 1988

1-29 Upkeep San Diego
11 FEB - 6 APR COMCRUDESGRU-5 Embarked

MARCH 1988

1-31 Upkeep San Diego

APRIL 1988

1-12 Upkeep San Diego
1 APR - 8 MAY Assigned to Task Group 15.1
13-14 Enroute Long Beach: Under Tow by USNS NAVAJO (TATF 169)
15-17 Upkeep Long Beach
18 APR - 31 DEC New Threat Upgrade Overhaul, Long Beach Naval Shipyard
18 Homeport Change to Long Beach, CA

MAY 1988

1-31 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard
9 MAY - 31 DEC Assigned to Task Group 15.3

JUNE 1988

1-30 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard

JULY 1988

1-31 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard

AUGUST 1988

1-31 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard
19 Change of Command (Captain M. E. MAYS Relieved By
Captain J. J. NEGIN)

Enclosure (1)

SEPTEMBER 1988

1-30 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard

OCTOBER 1988

1-31 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard

NOVEMBER 1988

1-30 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard

DECEMBER 1988

1-31 Overhaul Long Beach Naval Shipyard

Enclosure (1)

NARRATIVE REPORT - 1988

During the months of January, February and March and ending on 12 April 1988, JOUETT completed an extensive Programmed Restricted Availability (PRAV). The PRAV conducted pier side at Naval Station San Diego was assigned primarily to achieve a head start on the upcoming twelve month overhaul during which JOUETT was scheduled to receive the New Threat Upgrade ship alteration. This alteration was a new and significant combat systems improvement which was causing overhauls on previous CG-16 and 26 class cruisers to go beyond the planned twelve month period. Assigning JOUETT to a three and one half month PRAV allowed Long Beach Naval Shipyard the opportunity to remove major combat systems equipment such as Missile directors, Close in Weapon System mounts and Naval Tactical Data System equipment as well as numerous support systems. In addition, the four boilers were disassembled, numerous pumps, motors and controllers removed and the propulsion system disabled. By the end of the PRAV, JOUETT was already estimated to have a two month head start on the overhaul.

On 13 April, JOUETT left San Diego under tow by USNS NAVAJO (TATF 169) and began a short transit to the overhaul site, Long Beach Naval Shipyard, Long Beach, California. Arriving in Long Beach the morning of 14 April, JOUETT immediately began preparations to dry dock. On the evening of 18 April, JOUETT entered dry dock number three at the shipyard to officially begin her scheduled twelve month New Threat Upgrade overhaul.

Throughout the remaining months of 1988, virtually every system, space and compartment aboard ship was overhauled, refurbished or replaced. The ship was uninhabitable, her crew lived aboard a berthing barge which provided all the comforts normally enjoyed aboard JOUETT. The officers and enlisted men worked long hours in the arduous environment characteristic to an overhaul. The work was not glamorous but critical to the future of JOUETT. By the end of calendar year 1988, the focus of overhaul had begun to shift as JOUETT prepared for her upcoming Engineering Light-Off Examination and the anticipation of moving back aboard ship. The overhaul was progressing satisfactorily, with every expectation of completing the availability on schedule, 21 April 1989.