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(3) January 1970 Signature
(4) Going Home Issue of Signature
(5) Dependent's Day Cruise Pamphlet 1970
(6) HANCOCK's Officer Roster

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1) through (6) are forwarded.

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1970

USS HANCOCK (CVA-19) Command History for 1970

1. Chronology of outstanding events:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1 January	In port Sasebo, Japan for Upkeep. On board HANCOCK, RADM W. R. MCCLENDON, COMCARDIV NINE (CTG 77.4, CTG 71.4), assigned CTG 71.0, Defender Station Commander.
8 January	CTG 77.4/CTG 71.4 relieved as CTG 71.0, Defender Station Commander.
11-17 January	In port Hong Kong.
19 January	Commenced fourth line period in the Gulf of Tonkin.
12 February	CTG 77.4/CTG 71.4 assumed CTG 71.0, Defender Station Commander. COMNAVAIRPAC announced HANCOCK as winner of Battle Efficiency Pennant for CVA's.
23-25 February	Exercise Commando Tiger, COMSEVENTHFLT Exercise.
4 March	CTG 77.4/CTG 71.4 relieved as CTG 71.0 Defender Station Commander.
8 March	CAPT. N. P. FOSS, Commanding Officer, USS HANCOCK relieved RADM W. R. MCCLENDON, COMCARDIV NINE, as CTG 77.4. Commenced fifth and last line period in the Gulf of Tonkin for this deployment.
1 April	Departed Subic Bay, Philippines for continental United States.
3 April	Commanding Officer, USS HANCOCK assumed duties as CTU 70.0.5, relieved as CTG 77.4 by Commanding Officer, USS SHANGRI LA.
6 April	CTU 70.0.5 dissolved as HANCOCK became CTG 17.4 under operational control of COMFIRSTFLT.
15 April	Arrived at Naval Air Station, Alameda after fifth combat deployment in Southeast Asia. HANCOCK's 26th Anniversary, Commissioned 15 April 1944. TG 17.4 dissolved as HANCOCK became CTU 58.0.11 under operational control of COMNAVAIRPAC.

Enclosure (1)

23 April	Entered San Francisco Naval Shipyard, Hunters Point Division, for Restricted Availability.
2 June	CAPT. T. L. JOHNSON relieved CAPT. N. P. FOSS as Commanding Officer, USS HANCOCK.
19 June	Underway for engineering sea trials.
24 June	Completed Restricted Availability, departed San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard, Hunters Point Division, for Naval Air Station, Alameda.
8 July	Underway for refresher training in Southern California operating area, under operational control of COMFLETRAGRU, San Diego.
24 July	Operational control of HANCOCK shifted from COMFLETRAGRU, San Diego to COMNAVAIRPAC.
28-29 July	Command Administrative Inspection.
3 August	CTU 58.0.11 dissolved as HANCOCK came under operational control of COMFIRSTFLT and assumed duties as CTG 17.4.
3-10 August	SECNAV Guests embarked during carrier qualification at sea period.
21 August	Dependents Day Cruise.
30 August	Commander Carrier Air Wing TWENTY-ONE embarked.
17-20 September	Composite Training Unit Exercise (COMPTUEX17-70).
23 September - 1 October	Readiness Operational Evaluation Exercise (ROPEVAL 4-70)/Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI).
22 October	Underway for sixth combat deployment to the Gulf of Tonkin.
8 November	Operational control of HANCOCK shifted from COMFIRSTFLT to COMSEVENTHFLT as HANCOCK became CTU 70.0.0.
12 November	HANCOCK assumed the duties of CTG 77.4
20 November	Commenced first line period in the Gulf of Tonkin.
10 December	RADM L. B. MCCUDDIN, COMCARDIV THREE relieves HANCOCK of duties as CTG 77.4.
13 December	Exercise Commando Mirage, COMSEVENTHFLT Exercise.
15 December	Exercise Autumn Flower, COMSEVENTHFLT Exercise.
30 December	Commenced second line period in the Gulf of Tonkin.

2. Command Organization:

a. Captain N. P. FOSS, USN, 283396/1310, was Commanding Officer on 1 January 1970 and was relieved on 2 June 1970 by Captain T. L. JOHNSON, 389697/1310.

b. Home Port - Naval Air Station, Alameda, California.

c. Home Yard - Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Bremerton, Washington.

d. Mission and function of Command - HANCOCK's primary mission during 1970 was to develop and maintain the highest practicable state of training and readiness in order to be prepared to conduct offensive operations throughout the Pacific Command in time of war, to augment the U.S. Seventh Fleet with ready forces during contingencies short of general war, and to support national cold war objectives.

e. Composition of Command -

(1) Carrier Division NINE (1 January - 8 March), Carrier Division THREE (10 December - 31 December)

(2) Attack Carrier Air Wing TWENTY-ONE (1 January - 15 April, 30 August to 31 December).

(a) Fighter Squadron TWENTY-FOUR (VF-24)

(b) Fighter Squadron TWO HUNDRED ELEVEN (VF-211)

(c) Attack Squadron FIFTY-FIVE (VA-55)

(d) Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR (VA-164)

(e) Attack Squadron TWO HUNDRED TWELVE (VA-212)

(f) Light Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron SIXTY-THREE

(VFP-63, DET 1) (DET 19 from 1 January - 15 April)

(g) Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE HUNDRED ELEVEN (VAW-111, DET 19)

(h) Heavy Attack Squadron TEN (VAH-10 DET-19) (1 January - 15 April), (30 August-31 August).

(i) Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE (VAQ - 129) (1 September-31 December)

(j) Helicopter Combat Support Squadron ONE (HC-1, DET 7) (DET 19 from 1 January - 15 April)

f. Ship's complement at the end of the year:

(1) Officer 119

(2) Enlisted 2931

(3) Civilian 0

3. Operations and activities:

New Years Day found USS HANCOCK and Carrier Air Wing TWENTY-ONE in port at Sasebo Japan. Embarked on HANCOCK was COMCARDIV NINE, RADM W. R. MCCLENDON and his staff, as Defender Station Commander, CTG 71.4/CTG 71.0. Squadrons on board HANCOCK at the beginning of the year included VF-24, VF-211, VA-164, VA-55, VA-212, VFP-63 Det-19, VAW-111 Det-19, VAH-10 Det-19, HC-1 Det-19.

HANCOCK departed Sasebo on 2 January for a short 6 day period of air operations and task group exercises in the Okinawa area prior to continuing on to Hong Kong. Air operations included carrier refresher landings, missile exercises and air wing air to ground/air to air ordnance training. Coordinated VP/DD and Destroyer ASW training and gunshoots were also conducted which involved USS HANCOCK. Okinawa operations were terminated on 8 January and at 0822001 COMCARDIV NINE was relieved as CTG 71.0 as HANCOCK departed the Okinawa area for Hong Kong.

HANCOCK arrived in Hong Kong on 11 January remaining in that outstanding WestPac liberty port until 17 January. Calls were made by Commodore P.R.C. HIGHAM RN, Commodore, Hong Kong and Mr. E.W. MARTIN, American Consul General, Hong Kong. On 17 January, HANCOCK departed Hong Kong for special operations in the Gulf of Tonkin commencing her fourth line period of the deployment.

This line period was twenty-four days long which saw HANCOCK continue Special Operations in support of U. S. forces in Southeast Asia.

Of special note, on the 19th of January CTG 77.4/HANCOCK was visited by Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Frank SANDERS, VADM W. F. BRINGLE and RADM W. S. MAILLIARD, USNR, for general discussions concerning Yankee Station operations.

A major accident occurred during the line period when HANCOCK/CVW-21 lost a pilot from VA-212, LT. John BRINER, who was killed in an aircraft accident at Danang AB RVN.

At the completion of Special Operations on 11 February, HANCOCK departed the Gulf and headed for Sasebo and Defender Station Operations; At 122000H COMCARDIV NINE CTG 77.4 assumed CTG 71.0/71.4. Congratulations were in order when, on the twelfth, HANCOCK and CVW-21 were notified by COMNAVAIRPAC that they had been awarded the 1968-1969 Battle Efficiency pennant for COMNAVAIRPAC units. The "E" was soon proudly placed on the island structure and all HANCOCK enlisted were authorized to wear the "E" shoulder patch.

HANCOCK conducted air operations in the Okinawa area prior to entering port on the 15th of February and then on the 22nd, HANCOCK departed Sasebo for a short period of special air operations and exercises in the Tsushima Straits. Between 23 February and 25 February HANCOCK and Air Wing-TWENTY-

ONE were involved in special tactical anti-air warfare exercises, including exercise Commando Tiger. These exercises also involved HANCOCK escorts, USS TURNER JOY, USS MANSFIELD, USS OZBOURN, and USS SOMERS. Special guests came aboard on the 23rd to observe carrier air operations and to visit with COMCARDIV NINE. They included Major General YOON, Republic of Korea Combat Air Command, Brigadier General KIM, Republic of Korea 10th Fighter Wing, Brigadier General KIM, Republic of Korea 11th Fighter Wing and party. After a successful exercise period which provided the opportunity for both Air Wing TWENTY-ONE and HANCOCK to operate in unfamiliar waters and air space, HANCOCK returned to Sasebo, Japan on the 26th of February. On the 27th of February, ADM. HYLAND, CINCPACFLT, met with COMCARDIV NINE, RADM. MCLENDON, Commanding Officer USS HANCOCK, CAPT. FOSS, Commander Air Wing TWENTY-ONE, CAPT. SCOTT and Squadron Commanding Officers for an informal discussion on a variety of topics concerning WestPac carrier operations and Task Force SEVENTY-ONE operations.

The third of March found HANCOCK departing Sasebo for the last time of the deployment and heading for the Gulf of Tonkin to commence her fifth and last line period. A short period of air operations, which included carrier refresher landings and air to air/air to ground training, was conducted on 4 March in the Okinawa area and at 041200I COMCARDIV NINE was relieved as CTG 71.0 for the final time. On 8 March, RADM. MCLENDON, COMCARDIV NINE, was relieved of CTG 77.4 responsibilities by CAPT. N. P. FOSS, Commanding Officer USS HANCOCK, and at which time RADM. MCLENDON shifted his flag to USS CORAL SEA (CVA-43) to assume the duties as CTG 77.5.

After a short and final line period during which HANCOCK lost two A4F's to enemy ground fire with both pilots rescued, HANCOCK departed the Gulf of Tonkin on the 26th of March and headed for Subic Bay for off-loading and departure for CONUS. Due to a requirement for standing a four hour alert pending a decision to return to Yankee Station, HANCOCK was delayed in her departure for the States and did not leave Subic for Alameda until the first of April. After departing Subic Bay on the 1st of April, HANCOCK passed through the Verde Island passage, Sibuyan Sea and the San Bernardino Straits on her transit to the Pacific. At 030001I April, Commanding Officer USS HANCOCK, assumed the duties as CTU 70.0.5, Eastward Transit Group, and Commanding Officer USS SHANGRI LA became CTG 77.4. Three days later at 061700L, HANCOCK and her accompanying destroyers, USS OBRIEN and WILSON became TG 17.4 under operational control of Commander First Fleet and on the 15th of April, HANCOCK sailed under the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco Bay thus completing her fifth combat deployment to the Western Pacific. On that date HANCOCK came under the operational control of COMNAVAIRPAC and TG 17.4 was dissolved. HANCOCK was accorded with a tremendous welcome by the citizens of the Bay Area for a successful pre-deployment period and WestPac deployment which saw HANCOCK win the coveted Battle "E" and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. During the 256 day deployment, CVW-21 aircraft flew 10,719 missions, expended more than 9,100 tons of ordnance and made over 14,000 carrier arrested landings. HANCOCK steamed 82,500 miles and conducted over 185 unreprs during the deployment.

On the 23rd of April, HANCOCK was taken across the San Francisco Bay to Hunters Point Naval Shipyard for a two month period of Restricted

Availability (RAV) for extensive work to prepare HANCOCK for her next deployment. Extensive work was accomplished on refurbishing the internal compartments, installation of four new 1700KW turbines for the ship's service generators, overhaul of all eight boilers, as well as extensive repair work on the flight deck and starboard catapult.

While HANCOCK was in Hunters Point Naval Shipyard, a change of command ceremony was held and on 2 June Captain T. L. JOHNSON relieved Captain N. P. FOSS as Commanding Officer, USS HANCOCK; Vice Admiral BRINGLE, COMNAVAIRPAC, was the principal speaker. Near the end of the RAV period on 18 June "Fast Cruise" drills were conducted and HANCOCK assumed an "at sea" posture for the entire morning in order to reacquaint personnel with duties and station assignments prior to conducting engineering sea trials scheduled for the 19th outside San Francisco Bay. On the 24th, HANCOCK completed Restricted Availability and departed San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard, Hunters Point Division for Naval Air Station, Alameda, her home port. The period of 29 June through 2 July again found HANCOCK at sea undergoing further engineering trials along with departmental and ship training.

To begin the month of July, a change in command structure was made on the 1st when HANCOCK's administrative chain of command shifted from COMCARDIV NINE to COMCARDIV THREE, whose home port is Naval Air Station, Alameda. After the fourth of July, at 080800T July, HANCOCK departed Alameda for the Southern California operating area to prepare for extensive refresher training. On 10 July, HANCOCK moored at North Island, San Diego, for the weekend prior to beginning refresher training under the guidance of Commander Fleet Training Group, San Diego. Extensive engineering and CIC drills, as well as communications exercises, air operations, and general quarters were conducted for a two week period prior to the final battle problem on the 24th of July. Upon completion of this training period, operational control of HANCOCK shifted from Commander Fleet Training Group, San Diego to COMNAVAIRPAC. On 25 July, HANCOCK returned to Alameda. For two days, 28 and 29 July, RADM MCCUDDIN, COMCARDIV THREE, conducted HANCOCK's Command Administration Materials Inspection. HANCOCK received a high excellent grade and was commended by RADM MCCUDDIN for the fine administrative condition of all Departments.

At 030000T August, operational control of USS HANCOCK shifted from CTU 58.0.11 to COMFIRSTFLT and HANCOCK assumed the duties of CTG 17.4. The rest of the month of August was spent in upkeep at Alameda and conducting at sea carrier qualifications with Carrier Air Wing TWENTY-ONE and various training squadrons. During the "at sea" period between 3 August and 10 August HANCOCK hosted 11 Secretary of the Navy's guests who were aboard for general CVA orientation. The SECNAV guests were prominent citizens from various areas of the western portion of the United States. For the following week 13 August to 19 August, a Naval Technical proficiency inspection was conducted. The highlight of the month was the Dependents Day Cruise on 21 August when Air Wing and ship personnel dependents were provided the opportunity to observe air operations conducted at sea off the coast of California. It was a successful day with everyone thoroughly enjoying the air show put on by Air Wing TWENTY-ONE. To complete the months

activities, carrier qualifications were conducted during the period 24-26 August in Northern California waters.

On the 30th of August, Carrier Air Wing TWENTY-ONE embarked and preparations were begun for extensive pre-deployment exercises during the month of September. Air operations, including carrier qualifications, were conducted between 31 August and 17 September with the exception of six days in port. During 1 September night carrier qualifications, a Fighter Squadron TWENTY-FOUR F-8J piloted by LT. Darrell N. EGGERT impacted the ramp and exploded with the majority of the F-8J going over the side. The pilot was fatally injured and not recovered. On 17 through 20 September the Composite Training Exercise (COMPTUEX 17-70) was conducted which included cyclic air operations, contingency targeting problems, simulated "ALPHA" and "BABY ALPHA" strikes, practical mining exercises, TRAEX BRAVOS, and ship exercises. On 23 September, RADM FERRIS, COMFAIRALAMEDA, embarked as Chief Observer for HANCOCK's Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI), which was to be observed concurrently with ROPEVAL 4-70, a large Fleet Readiness Evaluation Exercise conducted between 23 September and 1 October. ROPEVAL 4-70 was conducted off the coast of Southern California and involved three carriers, USS KITTY HAWK, USS RANGER and USS HANCOCK, as well as numerous other Pacific Fleet combatants. Numerous operational problems were injected into the exercise to create realism. This included cyclic air operations, air reconnaissance problems, "ALPHA" strikes, mining and anti-air warfare operations as well as shipboard drills. Extensive simulated enemy anti-carrier operations were conducted and after a Nuclear Readiness Exercise (NOREX) on 1 October, the successful exercise period was concluded and HANCOCK returned to Alameda for a 20 day preparation for overseas movement (POM) and RAV period.

At 221300U October, HANCOCK departed Alameda for the Western Pacific to begin her sixth combat deployment to the Gulf of Tonkin. HANCOCK began warm-up exercises on the 28th in the Hawaiian operation area in preparation for the ORE/COMPTUEX MIDPAC 1970 to be conducted on the 31st of October and 1 November. However, HANCOCK did not participate due to a serious flight deck accident which occurred on 28 October involving an F-8J from Fighter Squadron TWO HUNDRED-ELEVEN. During night carrier refresher training, the F-8J hit the ramp and subsequently struck the Fresnel lens. The pilot, LT. G. J. CARLONI, was fatally injured in the accident. Though HANCOCK's flight deck received minor damage, the Fresnel lens was damaged beyond repair. Due to the delay in obtaining a new lens from San Diego and the requirement for extensive adjustment and realignment of the Fresnel lens, HANCOCK did not conduct her ORE in the Hawaiian area but instead planned to depart Pearl Harbor for WestPac ahead of the regular schedule. Prior to leaving Pearl Harbor, HANCOCK received pre-deployment briefings by the CINCPACFLT briefing team on 1 November and on the following day at 1400W HANCOCK departed Oahu for Subic Bay, Philippines where she would conduct the required exercises off the Philippine coast. The transient west was uneventful and no overflights occurred. At 080100K Commanding Officer, USS HANCOCK, assumed the duties of CTU 70.0.0 "westward transit group" as HANCOCK came under the operational control of Commander Seventh Fleet. At 120001H HANCOCK assumed the duties of CTG 77.4 prior to entering Subic Bay.

After a two day period of extensive briefings on Special Operations (SPECOPS) conducted by CTF 77, HANCOCK departed Subic on the 15th for refresher air operations and a TRAEX BRAVO prior to commencing SPECOPS. HANCOCK arrived on Yankee Station on the 19th of November and then commenced operations for her first line period of this deployment on the 20th of November by conducting air strikes in Southeast Asia in support of U. S. policy. HANCOCK's first line period in the Gulf of Tonkin was completed on the 7th of December whereupon she departed the Gulf for Subic to embark RADM L. B. MCCUDDIN, COMCARDIV THREE and Staff. During the transient from the Gulf of Tonkin, HANCOCK participated in a successful CVA Transient Training Exercise with the USS BLACKFIN. After arrival at Subic Bay, RADM MCCUDDIN relieved Captain T. L. JOHNSON, Commanding Officer of HANCOCK, of duties as CTG 77.4 prior to HANCOCK departing for Yokosuka, Japan on the eleventh. Two successful Seventh Fleet exercises were conducted during the transient north to Yokosuka, Commando Mirage on the 13th of December and Autumn Flower on the 15th. During the inport period in Yokosuka, Air Wing TWENTY-ONE operated from NAS Atsugi from 15 December through 26 December 1970 in order to maintain pilot proficiency. The inport period at Yokosuka was a welcome change from the arduous pace of attack carrier operations. The crisp Yokosuka weather added to the Holiday Spirit and the ship's cooks provided an outstanding Christmas dinner which was appreciated by all. The 26th arrived all too soon and HANCOCK departed Japan for Yankee Station and her second line period of the deployment. On the 29th, HANCOCK commenced air operations. HANCOCK/CVW-21 greeted the New Year while operating in the Gulf of Tonkin continuing the support of U. S. policy in Southeast Asia.

HANCOCK'S IN PORT/AT SEA PERIODS

1 JAN - 2 JAN - In port Sasebo
 2 JAN - 11 JAN - At sea
 11 JAN - 17 JAN - In port Hong Kong
 17 JAN - 15 FEB - At sea
 15 FEB - 22 FEB - In port Sasebo
 22 FEB - 26 FEB - At sea
 26 FEB - 3 MAR - In port Sasebo
 3 MAR - 28 MAR - At sea
 28 MAR - 30 MAR - In port Subic Bay
 30 MAR - 31 MAR - At sea
 31 MAR - 1 APR - In port Subic Bay
 1 APR - 15 APR - At sea
 15 APR - 23 APR - In port Alameda
 23 APR - 19 JUN - RAV Hunters Point Naval Shipyard
 - - 19 JUN - At sea
 19 JUN - 24 JUN - RAV Hunters Point Naval Shipyard
 24 JUN - 29 JUN - In port Alameda
 29 JUN - 2 JUL - At sea
 2 JUL - 8 JUL - In port Alameda
 8 JUL - 10 JUL - At sea
 10 JUL - 15 JUL - In port San Diego
 15 JUL - 17 JUL - At sea

17 JUL -- 20 JUL - In port San Diego
 20 JUL - 25 JUL - At sea
 25 JUL - 3 AUG - In port Alameda
 3 AUG - 10 AUG - At sea
 10 AUG - 21 AUG - In port Alameda
 - 21 AUG - At sea
 21 AUG - 24 AUG - In port Alameda
 24 AUG - 28 AUG - At sea
 28 AUG - 31 AUG - In port Alameda
 31 AUG - 4 SEP - At sea
 4 SEP - 8 SEP - In port Alameda
 8 SEP - 21 SEP - At sea
 21 SEP - 23 SEP - In port Alameda
 23 SEP - 1 OCT - At sea
 1 OCT - 22 OCT - In port Alameda
 22 OCT - 30 OCT - At sea
 30 OCT - 2 NOV - In port Pearl Harbor
 2 NOV - 12 NOV - At sea
 12 NOV - 15 NOV - In port Subic Bay
 15 NOV - 10 DEC - At sea
 10 DEC - 11 DEC - In port Subic Bay
 11 DEC - 16 DEC - At sea
 16 DEC - 26 DEC - In port Yokusuka
 26 DEC - 31 DEC - At sea

4. Special Topics

a. Operational Statistics

LAUNCHES

<u>Port Cat</u>		<u>Starboard Cat</u>
844	January	1,092
679	February	959
1,043	March	1,356
37	April	53
-	May	-
-	June	-
20	July	210
43	August	1,222
506	September	1,523
168	October	243
394	November	546
376	December	471
<u>4,110 (Total)</u>		<u>7,675 (Total)</u>

RECOVERIES

January 1,949

February	1,614
March	2,346
April	64
May	-
June	-
July	195
August	1,291
September	1,955
October	329
November	971
December	830
	<u>17,544 (Total)</u>

SUMMARY OF FLIGHT DECK ACCIDENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TYPE ACFT</u>	<u>SQUADRON</u>	<u>ACCIDENT DESCRIPTION</u>
4 JAN	A4F	VA-55	Nose gear collapse.
8 MAR	A4F	VA-212	Engine failure, CAT shot.
23 MAR	A4F	VA-164	Main mount collapsed.
24 MAR	F8J	VF-24	Main mount collapsed.
7 AUG	A7B	VA-125	Canopy separation, CAT shot.
7 AUG	F8J	VF-124	Night ramp strike.
10 AUG	F8H	VF-124	Night ramp strike.
24 AUG	KA3B	VAH-123	Inflight engagement.
27 AUG	A7A	VA-125	Night CAT shot, A/C lost.
1 SEP	F8J	VF-24	Night ramp strike, A/C lost.
24 SEP	A4F	VA-164	A/C fire on landing.
26 SEP	F8J	VF-211	Nose wheel collapse.
28 SEP	F8J	VF-211	Nose wheel collapse.
28 OCT	F8J	VF-211	Night ramp strike, A/C lost.
1 DEC	F8J	VF-24	Nose wheel collapse.

SHIP'S CIA

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>AVAIL</u> <u>%</u>	<u>NORS</u>	<u>FLIGHT</u> <u>TIME (HRS)</u>	<u>ARRESTED</u> <u>LANDINGS</u>	<u>NUMBERED</u> <u>FLIGHTS</u>
JAN	95.8	00.0	79.0	38	56
FEB	99.0	00.0	97.0	15	49
MAR	92.1	00.0	80.0	23	63
APR	80.2	00.0	35.0	3	14
MAY	99.0	00.0	45.0	00	19
JUN	99.4	00.0	78.5	00	36
JUL	94.3	00.1	71.1	29	39
AUG	98.9	00.0	77.3	48	49
SEP	98.6	00.0	76.5	23	53
OCT	75.1	00.0	63.5	7	30
NOV	100.0	00.0	63.2	16	39
DEC	88.3	00.0	102.3	31	49
TOTALS	<u>93.4%</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>868.4</u>	<u>233</u>	<u>496</u>

AVIATION FUEL RECEIVED (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY (GALS)</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
1 DEC	JP-5	79,935	USS HASSAYAMPA (unrep)
6 DEC	JP-5	174,609	Barge (Sasebo) (inrep)
7 DEC	JP-5	62,378	Barge (Sasebo) (inrep)
22 DEC	JP-5	138,576	USS PONCHATOULA (unrep)
23 DEC	JP-5	73,977	USS PONCHATOULA (unrep)
28 DEC	JP-5	397,788	USS PONCHATOULA (unrep)
31 DEC	JP-5	387,445	USS HASSAYAMPA (unrep)
31 DEC	Av/Gas	59,000	Off-loaded to USS HASSAYAMPA (unrep)

N.S.F.O. RECEIVED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
11 MAR	254,879	YON-90 (inrep)
14 MAR	791,574	United Towing #50 (inrep)
9 APR	827,966	United Towing #2 (inrep)
10 APR	10,824	YON-90 (inrep)
18 APR	209,536	YON-90 (inrep)
29 APR	335,328	YON-91, YO-200 (inrep)
9 MAY	381,852	USS GACAPON (unrep)
4 JUN	209,083	USS NECHES (unrep)
10 JUN	411,558	Sonoma United Towing (inrep)
13 JUN	193,822	USS NECHES (unrep)
18 JUN	568,047	USS NECHES (unrep)
24 JUN	324,575	USS NECHES (unrep)
27 JUN	333,205	USS NECHES (unrep)
30 JUN	219,151	USS NECHES (unrep)

N.S.F.O. RECEIVED (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
4 JUL	340,984	YON-90 (inrep)
16 JUL	211,149	YON-90 (inrep)
24 JUL	1,168,842	604 NSC Pearl Harbor (inrep)
27 JUL	305,153	604 NSC Pearl Harbor (inrep)
30 JUL	41,119	604 NSC Pearl Harbor (inrep)
8 AUG	1,238,496	Port Services, Yokosuka, Japan (inrep)
15 AUG	706,555	USS CHIPOLA (unrep)
20 AUG	77,532	USS TAPPAHANNOCK (unrep)
22 AUG	376,530	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
23 AUG	344,981	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
26 AUG	35,406	USS CACAPON (unrep)
29 AUG	389,522	USS MISPELLION (unrep)
1 SEP	382,000	USS MISPELLION (unrep)
3 SEP	189,168	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
6 SEP	178,975	NSD Subic Bay (inrep)
10 SEP	158,052	NSD Subic Bay (inrep)
15 SEP	505,176	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
17 SEP	126,000	USS MISPELLION (unrep)
20 SEP	200,928	USS KAWISHIWI (unrep)
23 SEP	212,142	USS KAWISHIWI (unrep)
26 SEP	313,656	USS KAWISHIWI (unrep)
29 SEP	325,626	USS KAWISHIWI (unrep)
2 OCT	242,760	USS KAWISHIWI (unrep)
5 OCT	313,404	USS KAWISHIWI (unrep)

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N.S.F.O. RECEIVED (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
6 OCT	153,594	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
8 OCT	100,296	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
12 OCT	335,080	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
13 OCT	188,496	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
17 OCT	316,982	NSD Subic Bay (inrep)
21 OCT	111,251	NSD Subic Bay (inrep)
2 NOV	719,246	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
5 NOV	336,000	USS MISPILLION (unrep)
8 NOV	226,000	USS MISPILLION (unrep)
12 NOV	259,350	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
14 NOV	172,872	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
17 NOV	200,760	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
20 NOV	213,108	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
23 NOV	196,350	USS CAMDEN (unrep)
27 NOV	355,950	USS HASSAYAMPA (unrep)
1 DEC	498,441	USS TOLAVANA (unrep)
10 DEC	566,454	NSD SASEBO (inrep)
22 DEC	809,928	USS PONCHATOULA (unrep)
23 DEC	248,136	USS PONCHATOULA (unrep)
28 DEC	449,946	USS PONCHATOULA (unrep)
31 DEC	303,376	USS HASSAYAMPA (unrep)

N.S.F.O. TRANSFERRED FROM HANCOCK

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>TO</u>
9 MAY	61,094	USS DEGATIR

N.S.F.O. TRANSFERRED FROM HANCOCK (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>TO</u>
15 MAY	66,846	USS ROWAN
24 MAY	57,734	USS KNOX
26 MAY	73,605	USS KNOX
28 MAY	72,189	USS KNOX
6 JUN	39,796	USS BRUSH
7 JUN	15,059	USS BRUSH
11 JUN	35,763	USS WILTSIE
15 JUN	59,630	USS WILTSIE
17 JUN	21,378	USS WILTSIE
20 JUN	55,795	USS WILTSIE
19 JUL	64,861	USS MOORE
19 JUL	73,255	USS DEGATUR
20 JUL	58,505	USS MOORE
20 JUL	54,942	USS BASS
21 JUL	87,891	USS BASS
21 JUL	48,537	USS MOORE
22 JUL	47,591	USS DEGATUR
4 AUG	33,709	USS MOORE
4 AUG	42,682	USS HUBBARD
6 AUG	56,620	USS HUBBARD
6 AUG	91,385	USS BASS
6 AUG	54,735	USS MOORE
6 AUG	101,754	USS DEGATUR
13 AUG	49,909	USS HUBBARD

N.S.F.O. TRANSFERRED FROM HANCOCK (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>TO</u>
13 AUG	72,990	USS MOORE
13 AUG	62,842	USS DEGATUR
13 AUG	35,670	USS BASS
21 AUG	52,635	USS BASS
13 SEP	72,417	USS BASS
4 NOV	57,572	USS S.N.MOORE
29 NOV	96,419	USS MAHAN
3 DEC	56,724	USS MOORE
3 DEC	73,316	USS MAHAN
4 DEC	62,284	USS RUPERTUS
13 DEC	78,078	USS MOORE
13 DEC	73,607	USS POWER
20 DEC	95,220	USS DEGATUR
20 DEC	76,769	USS MOORE
20 DEC	68,984	USS POWER
30 DEC	36,616	USS WEDDERBURN

UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SHIP</u>	<u>ITEM(S) RECEIVED</u>
9 MAY (AM)	USS CACAPON (AO-52)	NSFO
9 MAY (PM)	USS CACAPON (AO-52)	MSFO
4 JUN	USS NECHES (AO-47)	NSFO/JP-5
13 JUN	USS NECHES (AO-47)	NSFO/JP-5 (2 hrs)
18 JUN	USS NECHES (AO-47)	NSFO/JP-5
18 JUN	USS MOUNT BAKER (AE-4)	AMMUNITION

UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENT (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SHIP</u>	<u>ITEM(S) RECEIVED</u>
19 JUN	USS MT. BAKER (AE-4)	AMMUNITION
20 JUN	USS MT. BAKER (AE-4)	AMMUNITION
24 JUN	USS NECHES (AO-47)	NSFO/JP-5
27 JUN	USS MT. BAKER (AE-4)	AMMUNITION
27 JUN	USS ZELIMA (AF-49)	PROVISIONS
27 JUN	USS NECHES (AO-47)	NSFO/JP-5
30 JUN	USS NECHES (AO-47)	NSFO/JP-5
2 JUL	USS MT. VESUVIUS (AE-15)	AMMUNITION
15 AUG	USS CHIPOLA (AO-63)	NSFO/JP-5/Av/Gas
20 AUG	USS TAPPARANNOCK (AO-43)	NSFO/JP-5
22 AUG	USS GAMDEN (AOE-2)	NSFO
23 AUG	USS GAMDEN (AOE-2)	NSFO/JP-5/PROVISIONS/AMMUNITION
25 AUG	USS HALEAKALA (AE-25)	AMMUNITION
26 AUG	USS GAGAPON (AO-52)	NSFO/JP-5
27 AUG	USS POLLUX (AKS-4)	STORES
28 AUG	USS VESUVIUS (AE-15)	AMMUNITION
29 AUG	USS MISPELLION (AO-105)	NSFO/Av/Gas
30 AUG	USS GRAFFIAS (AF-29)	PROVISIONS
31 AUG	USS RAINIER (AE-5)	AMMUNITION
1 SEP	USS MISPELLION (AO-105)	NSFO/JP-5
3 SEP	USS GAMDEN (AOE-2)	NSFO/JP-5/PROVISIONS/AMMUNITION
14 SEP	USS NIAGARA FALLS (AFS-3)	STORES
15 SEP	USS GAMDEN (AOE-2)	NSFO/JP-5/AMMUNITION
17 SEP	USS MISPELLION (AO-105)	NSFO/JP-5

UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENT (Cont'd)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SHIP</u>	<u>ITEM(S) RECEIVED</u>
18. SEP	USS RAINIER (AE-5)	AMMUNITION
20 SEP	USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146)	NSFO/JP-5
21 SEP	USS VESUVIUS (AE-15)	AMMUNITION
23 SEP	USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146)	NSFO/JP-5
24 SEP	USS GREAT SITKIN (AE-17)	AMMUNITION
25 SEP	USS ALUDRA (AF-55)	PROVISIONS
26 SEP	USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146)	NSFO/JP-5
27 SEP	USS VIRGO (AE-30)	AMMUNITION
29 SEP	USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146)	NSFO/JP-5/Av/Gas
30 SEP	USS VIRGO (AE-30)	AMMUNITION
1 OCT	USS MARS (AFS-1)	PROVISIONS/STORES
2 OCT	USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146)	NSFO/JP-5
3 OCT	USS VIRGO (AE-30)	AMMUNITION
5 OCT	USS KAWISHIWI (AO-146)	NSFO/JP-5
6 OCT	USS GAMDEN (AOE-2)	NSFO/JP-5/PROVISIONS/AMMUNITION
8 OCT	USS GAMDEN (AOE-2)	NSFO/JP-5/PROVISIONS/AMMUNITION
11 OCT	USS GAMDEN (AOE-2)	NSFO/JP-5/PROVISIONS/AMMUNITION
13 OCT	USS GAMDEN (AOE-2)	NSFO/Av/Gas
14 OCT	USS VESUVIUS (AE-15)	AMMUNITION
2 NOV	USS CAGAPON (AO-52)	NSFO/JP-5
4 NOV	USS VESUVIUS (AE-15)	AMMUNITION
5 NOV	USS MISPELLION (AO-105)	NSFO/JP-5
7 NOV	USS VESUVIUS (AE-15)	AMMUNITION
8 NOV	USS MISPELLION (AO-105)	NSFO/JP-5

ORDNANCE EXPENDED (Cont'd)

5" 38 GUNSHOTS

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u>
OCT	59
NOV	6
DEC	6

AIR TO GROUND

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>AMOUNT EXPENDED (TONS)</u>
JUN	145.5
JUL	891.1
AUG	720.3
SEP	1,771.8
OCT	1,458.2
NOV	1,680.7
DEC	807.2
TOTAL	7,474.8

b. Summary of Major Intelligence Collected

The following Intelligence Information Reports were submitted:

<u>REPORT NO.</u>	<u>DATE SUBMITTED</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
5 376 1050 68	10 Aug 68	Soviet Overflight Aircraft; photography of
5 376 1051 68	5 Nov 68	Indonesian Naval Ship Sighting
5 376 1052 68	8 Dec 68	Shadowing by Soviet Naval Ships in the Sea of Japan
5 376 1053 68	8 Dec 68	Soviet Overflight Activity During HANCOCK Sea of Japan Operations

c. Communications

From 1 January until 15 April the Communications guard was maintained by the Naval Communications Center, Hunter's Point. On 15 April the equipment in Main Comm was energized for the first time since 25 July 1967 and HANCOCK assumed her own communications guard.

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>MESSAGES TRANSMITTED</u>	<u>MESSAGES RECEIVED</u>
APR	387	1,130
MAY	1,281	1,735
JUN	3,051	5,818
JUL	1,364	2,564
AUG	4,435	17,907
SEP	5,360	25,331
OCT	4,371	26,394
NOV	5,792	24,863
DEC	4,208	23,223

d. Supply and Logistics

Work accomplished during the overhaul period included the renovation of all supply storerooms, the renovation of the crew's barber shop, and the building of two new ships stores. The walk-in self-service store and the luxury store both proved highly successful.

Loading of stores for deployment commenced in April and continued up to the last moment prior to departure. Last minute requirements for supplies and furniture requirements for Flag spaces added to the normal pre-deployment problems.

During the WestPac deployment, problems were encountered in the Aviation stores rotatable pool build-up because a sufficient number of electronic

"Black boxes" (AxC666, APN-141, and APQ 83) were not obtainable. Several trips to MAG-12 at Chu Lai, RVN in September, located new, and recapped, A-4 aircraft main tires, averting an out-of-stock position on board.

Excellent typewriter repair service was obtained while inport Sasebo, Japan, in December. Efforts to obtain IBM services for preventive maintenance to the IBM 407 Electronic Accounting Machine and key punches were unsuccessful, due to language barriers and lack of trained personnel, in both Sasebo, Japan and Hong Kong, Victoria, B.C.C.

e. Legal Matters

FEB - 1 Special Court-martial
1 Summary Court-martial
50 personnel awarded non-judicial punishment

MAR - 4 Special Courts-martial
1 Summary Court-martial
46 personnel awarded non-judicial punishment

MAY - 1 Special Court-martial
3 Summary Courts-martial
29 personnel awarded non-judicial punishment

JUN - 3 Special Courts-martial
1 Administrative Field Board
30 personnel awarded non-judicial punishment

JUL - 7 Administrative Field Boards
20 personnel awarded non-judicial punishment

AUG - 3 Special Courts-martial
3 Summary Courts-martial
2 Administrative Field Boards
27 personnel awarded non-judicial punishment

SEP - 1 Special Court-martial

2 Summary Courts-martial

8 personnel awarded non-judicial punishment

OCT - 28 personnel awarded non-judicial punishment

NOV - 2 Special Courts-martial

1 Administrative Field Board

28 personnel awarded non-judicial punishment

DEC - 1 Summary Court-martial

31 personnel awarded non-judicial punishment

f. Medical and Dental Activities

(1) Dental - From 1 January to 20 March all HANCOCK dental work was accomplished at the Shipyard Dental Clinic. On 20 March, HANCOCK dental personnel returned to their renovated spaces and commenced a regular clinic work schedule. During the month of August a preventive dentistry program was initiated. This program included a self-brush, dental examination, and the application of topical fluoride. The program was completed in November with all hands then on board having had the fluoride treatment.

(2) Medical - From 1 January to 1 March all sick call patients were handled by the Shipyard Dispensary. On 1 March HANCOCK's medical department re-commenced regularly scheduled sick calls and by the end of March was again completely in operation.

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>NO. OF PATIENTS SEEN</u>	<u>IMMUNIZATIONS ADMINISTERED</u>	<u>PATIENTS RECD FROM OTHER SHIPS</u>
MAR	631	51	0
APR	731	32	0

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>NO. OF PATIENTS SEEN</u>	<u>IMMUNIZATIONS ADMINISTERED</u>	<u>PATIENTS RECD FROM OTHER SHIPS</u>
MAY	912	40	2
JUN	510	48	0
JUL	904	6,381	1
AUG	1,391	5,300	4
SEP	1,389	30	1
OCT	1,202	53	1
NOV	1,535	63	1
DEC	1,253	2,100	1

Major surgery performed aboard was as follows:

AUG -		HERNIOPLASTY
		HERNIOPLASTY
SEP -		HYDROCELECTOMY
		INGUINAL HERNIOPLASTY
		HEMORRHOIDECTOMY
OCT -		PILONIDAL CYSTECTOMY
		PILONIDAL CYSTECTOMY
		RT INGUINAL HERNIOPLASTY
NOV -		SKIN GRAFT
		EPIGASTRIC HERNIOPLASTY
	RIGHT OCHIECTOMY	
	LEFT ORGHIECTOMY	

g. Activities of the Chaplain

2 APR - Conducted meeting of HANCOCK Enlisted Wives Association at the Family Services Center, NAS Alameda, California.

10 APR - HANCOCK family Easter party held at NAS Alameda, California. Distributed 500 Easter baskets and 4,000 individually wrapped eggs.

h. Notable Records or Firsts

During the period 19-24 August, while continuing strike operations, number three aircraft elevator was re-reeved by personnel from the ship's force and from Ship Repair Facility, Subic Bay. It is believed that this operation is the first to be accomplished aboard an aircraft carrier at sea. The operation included pouring sockets, stringing cables, and welding brackets. This was accomplished with no interruption of flight operations and proved to be an exercise in precision and extreme caution due to the danger of fire and the location in which the work had to be conducted. The elevator was then successfully weight tested by using aircraft towing tractors in lieu of regular test weights.

1. Distinguished Visitors and Guests

(1) Australian Atrache Guest Cruise 3-6 June. Guests: Commodore J. P. Stevenson, R.A.N. and LCDR A.H. Evans, R.A.N.

(2) Secretary of the Navy Guest Cruise 3-8 June. Guests:

Mr. Roy L. Searing, President, Ken Advertising, Sioux City, Iowa;
Dr. Forrest W. Larson, MD, Houghton, Mich; Mr. William H. White, Owner and operator, White Oil Co., Cadillac, Mich; Mr. Sydney R. Breen, Encino, Calif;
Mr. George E. Bryans, Judge of San Diego Municipal Court, San, Diego, Calif;
Mr. Bert R. Bell, President, Salinas Bean Co., Salinas, Calif; Dr. Robert B. Bright, MD, Bremerton, Wash; Mr. Harold H. Bennett, President, Zion's Cooperative Institute, Salt Lake City, Utah; Mr. John William Brodnawsky, Partner, Foster and Kelly Assoc., Santa Rosa, Calif; Mr. James Tudenna, President, Tudenna Bros., Fremont, Calif; Mr. William H. Brigham, Vice Pres. and Trust Officer, First National Bank, Waco, Texas; Mr. L. G. Williams, Vice President and Sales Manager, Hall Level and Manufacturing Works, Austin, Texas; Mr. Malcolm L. Milburn, President, Capital City Steel Co., Austin, Texas.

(3) 27 August: Official visit to confer with Commander Carrier Division NINE and Commanding Officer, USS HANGOCK. ADM J.J. HYLAND, USN, Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet; VADM W. F. BRINGLE, USN, Commander Seventh Fleet.

(4) 15 September: Official visit for general orientation. BGEN HWANG YON SI, Chief of Staff, Republic of Korea Forces, Vietnam Field Command; COL KIM I DAE YOUNG, G-3, Republic of Korea Forces, Vietnam Field Command; LCDR YI TU KWAN, Republic of Korea Forces, Vietnam Field Command; CAPT KWAK JUNG SUB, Republic of Korea Forces, Vietnam Field Command.

(5) 22 September: Official visit to confer with Commander Carrier Division NINE, Commanding Officer, USS HANGOCK, and selected HANGOCK Department Heads. RADM R.L.J. LONG, USN, COMSERVGRU THREE; CAPT MAIMAN, USN, COMSERVGRU THREE, Staff.

(6) 29 September: Official visit to confer with Commander Carrier Division NINE, and Commanding Officer, USS HANGOCK. RADM J. D. RAMAGE, USN, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Plans, CINCPAGFLT.

(7) 18-19 November: Martha Raye and Guitarist John Carr brought their USO Show aboard.

(8) 3 December: Official visit during Sea of Japan Operations. CHUNG, Il Kwon, Prime Minister, Republic of Korea; LEE, Suk Jae, Minister of Government Administration, Republic of Korea; MIN, Kae Sic, Chairman National Defense Committee, Republic of Korea; LEE, Kyong Ho, Vice Minister of National Defense, Republic of Korea; Vice Admiral KIM, Yong Kwan, Chief of Naval Operations, Republic of Korea Navy; L. Wase Lathram, United States Charge d'Affairs in Republic of Korea; VADM W.F. BRINGLE, USN, COMSEVENTHFLT;

RI G. P. STEELE, USN, COMNAVFORKOREA; CAPT YI, Ung Ki, Director of PAO, Republic of Korea Navy; HONG, Chong Dae, Minister of Culture and Public Information, Republic of Korea; and sixteen South Korean correspondents.

(9) Visitors on 26 December while in the Tonkin Gulf: Archbishop Terrance Cooke, Archbishop of the Catholic Diocese of New York City, and Military Vicar of the Armed Forces; Monsignor John Rigney, Secretary to Archbishop Cooke; COL G. F. GEFELL, Army Staff Command Catholic Chaplain, Vietnam; Rev. Father Joseph Burke, Order of the Colombian Fathers; Staff members of the Catholic Press, Washington, D.C.; RADM J. KELLY, USN, Chief of Chaplains.

j. Special Ceremonies

(1) At 0945T, 24 May 1968, while lying to in the vicinity of the San Francisco Lightship, HANCOCK conducted honors for, and burial at sea of, LTJG Arthur Wayne STAECKER, USN, 702065/1310, deceased. LTJG STAECKER died while on active duty with Attack Squadron ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO.

(2) At 1000W, 31 July 1968, in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, ceremonies were conducted on board HANCOCK as Admiral U.S.C. SHARP, USN, was relieved as Commander in Chief Pacific by Admiral J. S. MC GAIN, JR., USN. Guests at the ceremony included The Honorable John A. BURNS, Governor of Hawaii; General William C. Westmoreland, Chief of Staff, USA; General Earle G. Wheeler, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Admiral Thomas H. MOORER, USN, Chief of Naval Operations;

(3) At 1640W, 31 July 1968, while steaming out of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, ceremonies were conducted on board HANCOCK as Rear Admiral F.E. MICHAELIS, USN, was relieved as Commander Carrier Division NINE by Rear Admiral G. S. MORRISON, USN.

(4) At 0800H, 24 October 1968, at latitude 00° 00', Neptunus Rex and his royal party embarked on HANGOCK to initiate lowly Polly Wogs into the Ancient Order of Shellbacks.

(5) 25 December: Operation HOLLY Bob Hope USO Show Annual Christmas Eve program for rebroadcast on U.S. television.