

UNIT Fighter Squadron ELEVEN <i>7027</i>	REPORTING PERIOD FROM 1 JAN 59 TO 31 MAR 59
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PART I - ALL UNITS

1. UNIT (Name and/or designation. If different from previous period, give prior designation, date changed, and authorization. New units show date and place of commissioning.)						Fighter Squadron 43 redesignated to Fighter Squadron 11 on 16 February 1959 COMNAVAIRLANT						
2. COMMANDING OFFICER SKIDMORE, Howard H.				RANK CDR	RELIEVED (If command changed)				DATE			
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD (End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)		NAVAL		AVIATORS		AIR PILOTS		OTHER		TOTAL		
		OFFICER		18				2		20		
		ENLISTED				0		181		181		
4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.) No change												

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
MAS Cecil Field, Florida	1 JAN - 31 MAR 59

6. OFFICIAL OR OTHER RECOGNITION OF UNIT ACCOMPLISHMENT (Include citations, commendations, and individual decorations and awards. Records may be fleet-wide or apply only to the unit itself, such as landing interval, speed of engine changes, rate of ammo expenditure, periods without accidents, etc., or events believed to be "firsts". Give date awarded, received or accomplished. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)

a. ADMINISTRATIVE		ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL		ASSIGNED
COMCVG ONE			COMCVG ONE		
COMFAIRJAX		25 January 59	COMFAIRJAX		25 January 59

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES OR MANEUVERS (Limit to those of a major nature as opposed to exercises normally a part of routine training. Identify by name and give a brief summary of own participation.)

PERIODS	EXERCISE	BRIEF SUMMARY

9. PARTICIPATION IN OPERATIONAL TESTS (Generally those concerned with tactics or equipment. Identify by official designation or by descriptive title; state responsible command, dates, areas, and brief of participation and results. Make reference to covering reports and orders when they exist.)

	TEST	PERIOD	COMMAND AND AREA	REPORT AND ORDERS
a.				
b.				
c.				

DESCRIPTIONS:

10. TRAINING (General statement of type conducted; indicate whether of special type or for special purpose as opposed to routine. Training units will omit and fill in PART V.)

1. 18 Officers Communications, Navigation and Recognition - Qualified
2. 16 Officers Survival and Broadcast Control qualified
3. 14 Officers In Flight Refueling qualified with AD Tanker
4. All personnel received Career Appraisal, Survivor Benefits and Medicare Lectures by COMFAIRJAX

PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Daily location not required. Note dates of departure and return to U.S. ports and general operating area in between as; Mediterranean, Hawaiian area, WestPac, etc. If conducting daily operations from U.S. port, state period and name of port.)

LOCATION	PERIOD

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a.		d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

3. MILES STEAMED	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL (gals)	AVIATION FUEL (gals)

5.6. CARRIER LANDINGS AND CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS (Highest even thousand from original commissioning and date made; may include breakdown as: since conversion, on present tour, day, night, etc.)

CARRIER LANDINGS	CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS

PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)
F8U-1 Crusader	14	

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			TOTAL
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	
January	18	324.3	247	3	0	250
February	18	305.5	155	3	0	158
March	18	400.9	251	7	0	258
	TOTAL	1030.7	653	13	0	666

PART - V TRAINING UNITS

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION	NO. COMPLETING	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED

PART - VI AIR STATIONS

1. UNITS ON BOARD (Those physically present, except transients; not to be confused with Home Port assignment. Do not repeat units held over from previous period unless they departed in this period. For composite units such as Carrier Air Groups, record only the parent group.)

UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART


2. COMMAND AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

3. SUPPORTED FACILITIES (As OLF and ALF; record only when a change occurs)	PERIOD

PART - VII SUPPLEMENT (Use additional 8" x 10 1/2" sheets)

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (For which no provision is made above, such as conversion, overhaul, modification, disasters, difficulties with equipment, and the like. Rather than repeat voluminous reports when such have been made, identify them by reference. Copies of documents may be appended.)

ADDITIONAL PAGES AND APPENDED DOCUMENTS:

 COMMANDING OFFICER Howard H. SKIDMORE		RANK ODR	DATE FORWARDED 8 April 1959
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UNIT **Fighter Squadron ELEVEN** *fpo ny* REPORTING PERIOD
 FROM **April 59** TO **30 June 59**

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PART I - ALL UNITS

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2. COMMANDING OFFICER SKIDMORE, Howard H.		RANK CDR	RELIEVED (If command changed)	DATE	
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD (End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)	NAVAL	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
	OFFICER	18		3	21
	ENLISTED			172	172

4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)

No change

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
NAS Cecil Field, Florida	1 APR 59-27 APR 59
USS INDEPENDENCE (CVA-62)	27 APR 59-29 JUN 59
NAS Cecil Field, Florida	29 JUN 59-30 JUN 59

6. OFFICIAL OR OTHER RECOGNITION OF UNIT ACCOMPLISHMENT (Include citations, commendations, and individual decorations and awards. Records may be fleet-wide or apply only to the unit itself, such as landing interval, speed of engine changes, rate of ammo expenditure, periods without accidents, etc., or events believed to be "firsts". Give date awarded, received or accomplished. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

1. First F8U-1 Landing on USS INDEPENDENCE by CDR H. H. SKIDMORE, VF-11 Skipper. ✓
2. 2000 landing on USS INDEPENDENCE by LTJG J. L. HAYES

7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)

a. ADMINISTRATIVE	ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL	ASSIGNED
COMCVG SEVEN	27 APR 59	COMCVG SEVEN	27 APR 59
COMFAIRJAX	29 JUN 59	COMFAIRJAX	29 JUN 59

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES OR MANEUVERS (Limit to those of a major nature as opposed to exercises normally a part of routine training. Identify by name and give a brief summary of own participation.)

PERIODS	EXERCISE	BRIEF SUMMARY
MAY 59-JUN 59	shakedown of USS INDEPENDENCE(CVA-62)	Squadron operated from the ship during shakedown period of 1 May to 24 June. Participated in Air Group 7 ORI 24-25 June. Also the squadron was involved in the ships ORT/OST off the coast of Florida 28-29 June returning to Cecil the evening of 29 June 1959.

9. PARTICIPATION IN OPERATIONAL TESTS (Generally those concerned with tactics or equipment. Identify by official designation or by descriptive title; state responsible command, dates, areas, and brief of participation and results. Make reference to covering reports and orders when they exist.)

	TEST	PERIOD	COMMAND AND AREA	REPORT AND ORDERS
a.				
b.				
c.				

DESCRIPTIONS:

10. TRAINING (General statement of type conducted; indicate whether of special type or for special purpose as opposed to routine. Training units will omit and fill in PART V.)

1. 18 Officers Communication, Navigation, Recognition and carrier qualified.
2. 15 Officers Survival, and Broadcast Control Qualified.
3. All personnel received Career Appraisal, Survivor Benefits and ComFairfax Career Appraisal Team.

PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Daily location not required. Note dates of departure and return to U.S. ports and general operating area in between as; Mediterranean, Hawaiian area, WestPac, etc. If conducting daily operations from U.S. port, state period and name of port.)

LOCATION	PERIOD

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a.		d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

3. MILES STEAMED	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL (gals)	AVIATION FUEL (gals)
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5-6. CARRIER LANDINGS AND CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS (Highest even thousand from original commissioning and date made; may include breakdown as: since conversion, on present tour, day, night, etc.)

CARRIER LANDINGS	CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS

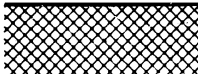
PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)
F8U-1 Crusaders	14	

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			TOTAL
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	
April	18	342.2	324	9	0	333
May	18	398.0	347	10	0	357
June	18	411.5	361	10	0	371
	TOTAL	1151.7	1032	29	0	1061

PART - V TRAINING UNITS

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION	NO. COMPLETING	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED

PART - VI AIR STATIONS

1. UNITS ON BOARD (Those physically present, except transients; not to be confused with Home Port assignment. Do not repeat units held over from previous period unless they departed in this period. For composite units such as Carrier Air Groups, record only the parent group.)

UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART


2. COMMAND AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

3. SUPPORTED FACILITIES (As OLF and ALF; record only when a change occurs)	PERIOD

PART - VII SUPPLEMENT (Use additional 8" x 10 1/2" sheets)

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (For which no provision is made above, such as conversion, overhaul, modification, disasters, difficulties with equipment, and the like. Rather than repeat voluminous reports when such have been made, identify them by reference. Copies of documents may be appended.)

ADDITIONAL PAGES AND APPENDED DOCUMENTS:


 COMMANDING OFFICER
H. H. SKIDMORE

RANK
CDR

DATE FORWARDED
13 July 1959

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UNIT Fighter Squadron ELEVEN	REPORTING PERIOD FROM 1 July 59 TO 30 Sept 59
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PART I - ALL UNITS

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2. COMMANDING OFFICER M. M. PRICHARD				RANK CDR		RELIEVED (If command changed) CDR H. H. SKIDMORE				DATE 16 July 1959	
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD (End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)		NAVAL		AVIATORS		AIR PILOTS		OTHER		TOTAL	
		OFFICER		16				3		19	
		ENLISTED				168				168	
4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)											
NO CHANGE											

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
NAS CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA	1 JULY 59-29 SEP 59
USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, CVA 42	29 SEP 59 - 30 SEP 59

6. OFFICIAL OR OTHER RECOGNITION OF UNIT ACCOMPLISHMENT (Include citations, commendations, and individual decorations and awards. Records may be fleet-wide or apply only to the unit itself, such as landing interval, speed of engine changes, rate of ammo expenditure, periods without accidents, etc., or events believed to be "firsts". Give date awarded, received or accomplished. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)

a. ADMINISTRATIVE		ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL		ASSIGNED
COMCARAIRGRU ONE		18 AUG 59	COMCARAIRCRU ONE		18 AUG 59

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES OR MANEUVERS (Limit to those of a major nature as opposed to exercises normally a part of routine training. Identify by name and give a brief summary of own participation.)

PERIODS	EXERCISE	BRIEF SUMMARY
	NONE	

9. PARTICIPATION IN OPERATIONAL TESTS (Generally those concerned with tactics or equipment. Identify by official designation or by descriptive title; state responsible command, dates, areas, and brief of participation and results. Make reference to covering reports and orders when they exist.)

	TEST	PERIOD	COMMAND AND AREA	REPORT AND ORDERS
a.				
b.				
c.				

DESCRIPTIONS:

10. TRAINING (General statement of type conducted; indicate whether of special type or for special purpose as opposed to routine. Training units will omit and fill in PART V.)

1. 16 OFFICERS QUALIFIED NAVIGATION, CARRIER LANDINGS, FIELD CARRIER LANDINGS, GROUND CONTROL INTERCEPT
2. 15 OFFICERS QUALIFIED IN-FLIGHT REFUELING
3. 13 OFFICERS QUALIFIED BROADCAST CONTROL
4. 1 OFFICER QUALIFIED 20,000' GUNNERY (A/A)
5. ALL OFFICERS RECEIVED COMNAVAIRLANT CAREER APPRAISEL LECTURE

PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Daily location not required. Note dates of departure and return to U.S. ports and general operating area in between as; Mediterranean, Hawaiian area, WestPac, etc. If conducting daily operations from U.S. port, state period and name of port.)

LOCATION	PERIOD

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a.		d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

3. MILES STEAMED	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL (gals)	AVIATION FUEL - (gals)

5-6. CARRIER LANDINGS AND CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS (Highest even thousand from original commissioning and date made; may include breakdown as: since conversion, on present tour, day, night, etc.)

CARRIER LANDINGS	CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS


PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)
F8U - 1 CRUSADER	22	

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			TOTAL
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	
JULY	19	277.0	194	6	0	200
AUGUST	18	508.6	196	115	0	311
SEPTEMBER	16	299.2	247	17	0	264
	TOTAL	1084.8	637	138	0	775

PART - V TRAINING UNITS

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION	NO. COMPLETING	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED

PART - VI AIR STATIONS

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UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

2. COMMAND AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

3. SUPPORTED FACILITIES (As OLF and ALF; record only when a change occurs)	PERIOD

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ADDITIONAL PAGES AND APPENDED DOCUMENTS:

COMMANDING OFFICER <i>M. M. Prichard</i> M. M. PRICHARD	RANK CDR	DATE FORWARDED 10 SEP 1959
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UNIT Fighter Squadron ELEVEN	REPORTING PERIOD FROM 1 OCT 59 TO 31 DEC 59
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2. COMMANDING OFFICER M. M. PRICHARD		RANK CDR	RELIEVED (If command changed) not applicable	DATE	
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD (End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)	NAVAL	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
	OFFICER	18		3	21
	ENLISTED			183	183

4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)

No change

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)	29 SEP-7 OCT
NAS, Cecil Field, Florida	7 OCT - 19 OCT
USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)	19 OCT-29 OCT
NAS, Cecil Field, Florida	29 OCT-1 JAN

6. OFFICIAL OR OTHER RECOGNITION OF UNIT ACCOMPLISHMENT (Include citations, commendations, and individual decorations and awards. Records may be fleet-wide or apply only to the unit itself, such as landing interval, speed of engine changes, rate of ammo expenditure, periods without accidents, etc., or events believed to be "firsts". Give date awarded, received or accomplished. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

13 OCT 59: BCI "E" Awards: CDR M. M. PRICHARD, LCDR R. D. ORTON, LCDR R. S. CHEW, JR., LCDR W. R. FISHER, JR., LT J. B. BARNES, LT J. B. MC BRIDE, LT D. E. HERNANDEZ, LT G. D. PAULEY, LTJG R. S. DOHERTY, LTJG A. J. SCHNEIDER, LTJG J. T. KRYWAY

7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)

a. ADMINISTRATIVE	ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL	ASSIGNED

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES OR MANEUVERS (Limit to those of a major nature as opposed to exercises normally a part of routine training. Identify by name and give a brief summary of own participation.)

PERIODS	EXERCISE	BRIEF SUMMARY
29SEP-7OCT	LANTFLEX 3-59	Normal day fighter mission of CAP and interception
19OCT-29OCT	WEXUAL 8 & 9	Normal day fighter mission of CAP and interception

9. PARTICIPATION IN OPERATIONAL TESTS (Generally those concerned with tactics or equipment. Identify by official designation or by descriptive title; state responsible command, dates, areas, and brief of participation and results. Make reference to covering reports and orders when they exist.)

	TEST	PERIOD	COMMAND AND AREA	REPORT AND ORDERS
a.				
b.				
c.				

DESCRIPTIONS:

10. TRAINING (General statement of type conducted; indicate whether of special type or for special purpose as opposed to routine. Training units will omit and fill in PART V.)

1. 18 Officers qualified day/night carrier landings, navigation, communications, in-flight refueling, recognition.
2. 13 Officers qualified Broadcast Control Intercepts
3. All Officers received Career Appraisal Lecture

PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Daily location not required. Note dates of departure and return to U.S. ports and general operating area in between as; Mediterranean, Hawaiian area, WestPac, etc. If conducting daily operations from U.S. port, state period and name of port.)

LOCATION	PERIOD

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UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a.		d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

3. MILES STEAMED	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL (gals)	AVIATION FUEL (gals)
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PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)
F8U-1 Crusaders	14	

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	TOTAL
OCT		251.1	251.1	0.0	0.0	251.1
NOV		342.4	333.7	8.7	0.0	342.4
DEC		324.9	312.5	12.4	0.0	324.9
TOTAL		918.4	897.3	21.1	0.0	918.4

PART - V TRAINING UNITS

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	OFFICER	ENLISTED

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ADDITIONAL PAGES AND APPENDED DOCUMENTS:

None

COMMANDING OFFICER <i>M. M. Prichard</i> M. M. PRICHARD	RANK CDR	DATE FORWARDED 13 JANUARY 1960
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UNIT Fighter Squadron ELEVEN	REPORTING PERIOD FROM 1 APR 60 TO 1 OCT 60
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2. COMMANDING OFFICER J. ARNOLD JR.				RANK CDR		RELIEVED (If command changed) CDR M. M. PRICHARD				DATE 9 SEP 60					
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD (End of reporting period. Ships give ships company only, wings and groups give staffs only, air stations give station personnel only.)						NAVAL		AVIATORS		AIR PILOTS		OTHER		TOTAL	
						OFFICER		15				3		18	
						ENLISTED				172		172			

4. MISSION OR FUNCTION (If changed and/or specially assigned during period. Include dates and authority.)

NO CHANGE

5. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Air stations omit; ships see Part II. Wings and groups should not record location of squadrons. Ship-based units give name of ship only. Note dates only when part of record period is involved.)

LOCATION	PERIOD
USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT	1 APR - 24 AUG 60
NAS CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA	24 AUG - 1 OCT 60

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1. FY 1960 ORI grade of outstanding
2. 92,000th F. D. Roosevelt landing by Squadron X.O., CDR G. M. Johnson
3. 97,000th F. D. Roosevelt landing by Squadron Ops. Officer, LCDR J.C. Dixon, Jr.

7. NEXT UPPER COMMAND ECHELON (Give dates only if changed during this or from previous period.)

a. ADMINISTRATIVE	ASSIGNED	b. OPERATIONAL	ASSIGNED

8. PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL AND JOINT EXERCISES OR MANEUVERS (Limit to those of a major nature as opposed to exercises normally a part of routine training. Identify by name and give a brief summary of own participation.)

PERIODS	EXERCISE	BRIEF SUMMARY
4-5 APR 60	Amphibious Landings on Northern Libya	Close Air support of Task Force 61
8-9 APR 60	Operation Haystrike	Combat Air Patrol
6-7 MAY 60	Operation Rejex I	Combat Air Patrol
9-10 MAY 60	Operation Rejex II	Combat Air Patrol
14-17 JUN 60	Operation Royal Flush	Combat Air Patrol
18-19 JUL 60	Operation Purple Sage	Combat Air Patrol

9. PARTICIPATION IN OPERATIONAL TESTS (Generally those concerned with tactics or equipment. Identify by official designation or by descriptive title; state responsible command, dates, areas, and brief of participation and results. Make reference to covering reports and orders when they exist.)

TEST	PERIOD	COMMAND AND AREA	REPORT AND ORDERS
a.			
b.			
c.			

DESCRIPTIONS:

10. TRAINING (General statement of type conducted; indicate whether of special type or for special purpose as opposed to routine. Training units will omit and fill in PART V.)

ROUTINE

PART - II SHIPS

1. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION (Daily location not required. Note dates of departure and return to U.S. ports and general operating area in between as; Mediterranean, Hawaiian area, WestPac, etc. If conducting daily operations from U.S. port, state period and name of port.)

LOCATION	PERIOD

2. AIR UNITS ON BOARD OR TENDED (Omit component squadrons and detachments when the Air Group is on board)

UNIT	PERIOD	UNIT	PERIOD
a.		d.	
b.		e.	
c.		f.	

3. MILES STEAMED	4. FUEL CONSUMED - SHIPS FUEL (gals)	AVIATION FUEL (gals)
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5-6. CARRIER LANDINGS AND CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS (Highest even thousand from original commissioning end date made; may include breakdown as: since conversion, on present tour, day, night, etc.)

CARRIER LANDINGS	CATAPULT LAUNCHINGS

PART - III AIR WINGS AND GROUPS

SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD	SUBORDINATE UNITS	PERIOD

PART - IV SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE RECD. (If first of type)
F8U-1 "Crusader"	14	NA

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS (For pilots on board, use end of month figures; for flights, use NAVAL A/C FLIGHT CLASSIFICATION)

MONTH	PILOTS ON BOARD	HOURS FLOWN	FLIGHTS			
			TRAINING	SERVICE	COMBAT	TOTAL
APRIL	17	299	175			175
MAY	17	410	214			214
JUN	17	398	224			224
JUL	15	471	250			250
AUG	16	144	82	2		84
SEP	16	389	194	24		218
TOTAL						

PART - V TRAINING UNITS

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION	NO. COMPLETING	
	OFFICER	ENLISTED

PART - VI AIR STATIONS

1. UNITS ON BOARD (Those physically present, except transients; not to be confused with Home Port assignment. Do not repeat units held over from previous period unless they departed in this period. For composite units such as Carrier Air Groups, record only the parent group.)

UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

2. COMMAND AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVE	DEPART

3. SUPPORTED FACILITIES (As OLF and ALF; record only when a change occurs)	PERIOD

PART - VII SUPPLEMENT (Use additional 8" x 10 1/2" sheets)

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (For which no provision is made above, such as conversion, overhaul, modification, disasters, difficulties with equipment, and the like. Rather than repeat voluminous reports when such have been made, identify them by reference. Copies of documents may be appended.)

ADDITIONAL PAGES AND APPENDED DOCUMENTS:

COMMANDING OFFICER

J. Arnold Jr.
J. ARNOLD JR.

RANK

CDR

DATE FORWARDED

14 Oct 60

Unit: **Fighter Squadron ELEVEN** Period Covered (From - To): **1 OCT 60 to 1 APR 61**

Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative: *J. Arnold Jr.* Date Forwarded: **18 April 1961**

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PART I - ALL UNITS

1. Designation: Omit if same as in previous period. If changed, enter previous designation, date of change and the authorizing directive. New units record date and place of commissioning.

2. Commanding Officer: **J. ARNOLD Jr.** C.O. relieved if command changed this period: **N.A.** Date of change:

3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD		AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.	OFFICER	16		3	19
	ENLISTED		0	186	186
	CIVILIAN			0	0

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

NO CHANGE

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

Carrier Air Group ONE

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
1 NOV 60-17 NOV 60	NAS Leeward Point Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
15 FEB 61-22 FEB 61	USS Franklin D. Roosevelt
23 FEB 61- 1 APR 61	N.S. Rota, Spain

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

NONE

8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

1. First F8U Pilot to fire 48.8% in a competitive exercise at 20,000 foot gunnery. Commander J. (Jay) Arnold Jr., C.O. of VF-11, on 14 November 1960 at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.
2. Twice exceeded the squadrons prior flight time record of hours per peacetime month, the second believed to be more than a unit record. 542.7 hours in the month of November 1960, 614.7 hours in the month of March 1961.
3. Received a grade of outstanding on the fiscal 1961 Operational Readiness Inspection.

9. General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

*no
see original
history* Fighter Squadron ELEVEN, better known as "The World Famous Red Rippers", claims the distinction of being the oldest continuously operating naval aviation squadron in the world.

The Red Rippers fly the F8U-1 "Crusader" which is manufactured by Chance Vought. The plane is classified as a day superiority intercept fighter and in 1958 was the Navy's fastest aircraft with a speed in excess of 1000 mph. The armament of the aircraft consists of four 20mm guns and provisions to carry two sidewinder air-to-air missiles. A rocket pack is built into the bottom of the fuselage but is no longer utilized.

Present VF-11 aviation training includes broadcast and ground controlled intercepts, twenty and thirty thousand foot gunnery, requalification in carrier landings, night and instrument flying, and fighter tactics.

Although VF-11 deployed on 15 February aboard the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt, they have been temporarily based ashore at Naval Station Rota, Spain since 22 February.

PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
F8U-1 "Crusader"	13	3 April 1958

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	October	308.5	225	January	434.3	243
	November	542.7	474	February	235.3	169
	December	338.2	203	March	614.7	450

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

PART VI - DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL APPENDED (Number serially and describe sufficiently to insure proper identification.)

Unit

Fighter Squadron ELEVEN

Period Covered (From - To)

1 APR 61 - 30 SEP 61

Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative

E.H. LOFTIN

Date Forwarded

9 October 1961

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PART I - ALL UNITS

1. Designation: Omit if same as in previous period. If changed, enter previous designation, date of change and the authorizing directive. New units record date and place of commissioning.

2. Commanding Officer

E.H. LOFTIN

C.O. relieved if command changed this period

J. ARNOLD, JR.

Date of change

1 SEP 1961

3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD

At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.

	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
OFFICER	14		3	17
ENLISTED		0	170	170
CIVILIAN			0	0

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

SAME

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

Carrier Air Group ONE

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
1 APR 61-17 AUG 61	N.S. ROTA, SPAIN
17 AUG 61-28 AUG 61	USS F.D. ROOSEVELT
28 AUG 61-30 SEP 61	NAS CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

NONE

8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

1 APR 61 - 17 AUG 61 During this period while aboard N.S. Rota, Spain, Fighter Squadron ELEVEN participated in extensive training exercises. Through these exercises the squadron was the only F8U squadron in COMNAVAIRLANT to qualify 100% of all its aviators in all aspects of the squadron missions. The qualifications were in the following events: 20 thousand foot gunnery, 30 thousand foot gunnery, 45 thousand foot camera gunnery, Dart gunnery, Sidewinder intercepts and Broadcast Control Intercepts. In obtaining these qualifications squadron aviators were awarded 42 Navy "E"'s. These qualifications were during fiscal 1961.

9. General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

While based aboard N.S. Rota squadron activity was devoted to extensive training necessary to achieve above record.

Since return to CONUS squadron has been actively engaged in air-to-air tactics and FCLP prior to carrier requalification aboard USS SARATOGA.

PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
F8U-1 "CRUSADER"	14	3 APR 1958

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	APR	530	372	JUL	478	379
	MAY	648	449	AUG	258	171
	JUN	670	407	SEP	304	201

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

PART VI - DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL APPENDED (Number serially and describe sufficiently to insure proper identification.)

Unit Fighter Squadron ELEVEN	Period Covered (From - To) 1 OCT 61 - 31 MAR 1962
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative <i>E. H. Loftin</i> E. H. LOFTIN	Date Forwarded

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PART I - ALL UNITS

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2. *Commanding Officer* **E. H. LOFTIN, CDR, USN** C.O. relieved if command changed this period Date of change

3. **PERSONNEL ON BOARD**

	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.				
OFFICER	16		3	19
ENLISTED		0	184	184
CIVILIAN			0	0

4. *Mission or function* (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

- High Superiority all weather intercept.
- Changed from high superiority day intercept on March 6, 1962 when more than 50% of aircraft on board were of all weather designation.

5. *Next senior operational command* (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

Carrier Air Group ONE

6. *GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION:* (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
1 OCT 61 - 16 OCT 61	NAS CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA
16 OCT 61 - 22 OCT 61	USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)
22 OCT 61 - 13 NOV 61	NAS CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA
13 NOV 61 - 18 NOV 61	USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)
18 NOV 61	NAS CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA
18 NOV 61 - 30 NOV 61	USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)
30 NOV 61 - 31 MAR 62	NAS CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA

7. *Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests* (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

On Saturday, 18 November, USS ROOSEVELT with Carrier Air Group ONE aboard tied up at Naval Station, Mayport after a one week carrier qualification cruise. VF-11 aircraft were offloaded and flown back to NAS Cecil Field. All VF-11 gear was loaded on vans, transported to Cecil Field, and stowed. Most of the VF-11 personnel were secured and had gone "to the winds". Two hours later Carrier Air Group ONE was alerted and ordered to report immediately to Naval Station, Mayport to board the USS ROOSEVELT for a classified special mission. Within four hours all VF-11 gear, 95% of the personnel and the squadron aircraft made the move from NAS Cecil Field to Naval Station, Mayport. (See attached sheet)

8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

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1. (See "FIRST" claimed as part of block 7)

2. FIRST NAVAIRLANT squadron to receive the F8U-2NE, 8 February 1962.

3. FIRST squadron to land an aircraft on its first operational flight aboard a carrier. F8U-2NE BUNO 149161 was ferried to Fighter Squadron ELEVEN, given a test hop and with less than three hours in its log book was landed aboard the USS FORRESTAL (CVA-59) on 27 March 1962 by LCDR William M. BRANDEL.

9. General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/G-ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
F8U-2NE CRUSADER	12	8 February 1962
F8U-1	4	3 April 1958

1 OCT 61 - 31 MAR 62 2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	OCT	303	216	JAN	408	256
	NOV	332	233	FEB	373	221
	DEC	270	175	MAR	601	378

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED
NOT APPLICABLE		

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

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NONE REQUIRED

ITEM 7 (Cont'd)

This is believed to be a record for squadron size and distance mowed. The squadron did have a marked advantage, though, in that all gear was still packed.

The special mission was a policing action in the Dominican Republic. The USS ROOSEVELT made its presence known in waters South of Santo Domingo from the 21st through the 29th of November.

ITEM 9

Early October of 1961 found the "RED RIPPERS" flying tactics hops and practicing field carrier landings. On 5 and 6 October the entire squadron requalified in day arrested landing aboard the USS SARATOGA (CVA-60). On 16 October the squadron deployed on a one week cruise aboard the USS ROOSEVELT (CVA-42) in company with the other squadrons of Carrier Air Group ONE for fleet exercises. While returning from one of these exercises LTJG J.T. KRYWAY landed hard on a slightly pitching deck. Upon touchdown the aircraft's starboard wheel sheared. There were two explosions followed by fire on the starboard side of the aircraft. The aircraft had engaged number one cross pendant but the hook was torn away from the airframe and the aircraft continued up the angled deck on fire. LTJG KRYWAY decided to eject and did so as the aircraft neared the elevators edge. LTJG KRYWAY was clear of the aircraft at an estimated altitude of 45 feet above the water. The main chute blossomed just prior to KRYWAY's impact with the water. LTJG KRYWAY was returned by helo to the ship with no injuries. The photographic coverage of this incident made national media.

The last week of October and the first half of November 1961 was spent shooting gunnery. On 13 November 1961 the squadron again went aboard the USS ROOSEVELT for a one week cruise. Also along on the short operation were 200 senior officers from the Armed Forces Staff College. An excellent air power demonstration was provided for them by the entire air group.

Only four hours after the squadron's return to Cecil Field on 18 November, orders were received to report back to the ship immediately. The next day the USS ROOSEVELT left Mayport pier for Caribbean waters.

During the next twelve days USS ROOSEVELT showed the American flag just South of the Dominican Republic. VF-11 realized limited operations off the ship during this period. All squadron pilots at least viewed this small trouble filled country although no flights closer than 15 miles to land were flown.

On 5 January 1962, Commander LOFTIN and seven other VF-11 pilots flew to Dallas, Texas, to pay a visit to the Chance Vought Aeronautics Corporation. This proven aircraft company was soon to provide VF-11 with twelve new F8U-2NE's. An excellent series of lectures on the aircraft and a tour of the plant were provided the "RED RIPPERS". Due to a temporary structural weakness of the F8U-1 gun mounts, the gunnery program was postponed and January training was concentrated on Broadcast and Ground controlled intercepts. On January 26th a "RED RIPPER" Jamboree was held at the NAS Cecil Field Officers' Recreational Facility. The reunion of past and present "RED RIPPER" officers was most successful. On 1 February 1962 the squadron celebrated the 35th anniversary of "RED RIPPER" existence.

Four "RED RIPPERS", LCDR J.C. DIXON JR., LT A.J. HEDBERG, LT J.D. DAVIS and CAPT J.H. BENNETT, USAF made arrested landings aboard the USS ENTER PRIZE, the worlds first nuclear carrier on 5 February.

8 February saw the first of 12 new F8U-2NE's delivered to VF-11. Transition training progressed at a fast rate with more new aircraft coming in each week.

In March 1962 all pilots became fully qualified with the new super Crusader and its outstanding radar.

Much was accomplished in this fast moving month. In mid March field carrier landing practice was commenced and during late March all VF-11 pilots qualified in carrier landing with the new F8U-2NE 's aboard the USS FORRESTAL (CVA-59). Over 600 hours of flight time were logged by the squadron during March.

Unit Fighter Squadron ELEVEN	Period Covered (From - To) 1 April - 30 September 1962
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative <i>H. H. Lowery</i> H. H. LOWERY	Date Forwarded 15 October 1962

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2. Commanding Officer H. H. LOWERY, CDR, USN		C.O. relieved if command changed this period E.H. LOFTIN, CDR, USN		Date of change 24 August 1962	
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD		AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.	OFFICER	14		3	17
	ENLISTED		0	177	177
	CIVILIAN			0	194

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

No Change

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

Carrier Air Group ONE

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
1 Apr - 20 Apr	NAS Cecil Field, Florida
20 Apr - 18 May	USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (CVA 42)
18 May - 16 Jun	NAS Cecil Field, Florida
16 Jun - 28 Jun	USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (CVA 42)
28 Jun - 20 Jul	NAS Cecil Field, Florida
20 Jul - 4 Aug	USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (CVA 42)
4 Aug - 1 Sep	NAS Cecil Field, Florida
1 Sep - 30 Sep	USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (CVA 42)

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

No special exercises or tests engaged in during this period.

8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

1. First F8U-2NE squadron to deploy with the SIXTH Fleet for a full length Mediterranean Cruise. (14 September 1962 - April 1963).
2. LCDR WOODS of VF-11 made the 10,000th USS F. D. ROOSEVELT Carrier Controlled Approach on the night of 2 August 1962 south of Cuba.
3. On 4 May 1962, CDR E. H. LOFTIN made the 110,000 landing aboard USS FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT. It is believed that this was the first 110,000 landing aboard any carrier.

9. General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

The summer period covered by this report found Fighter Squadron ELEVEN primarily engaged in radar intercept training. The majority of flights logged in Part Four, Block 2 had a mission of either Broadcast or Ground Controlled Intercepts. Both missions give maximum pilot training with the F8U-2NE's excellent 30 mile range radar. Other training included air to air gunnery, camera gunnery, inflight refueling, instrument work and carrier landing practice.

As evidenced by the information in Part I, Block 6, a good deal of this period was spent aboard USS F. D. ROOSEVELT on comparatively short ship-air group training cruises. The 20 April - 18 May cruise was also an orientation cruise for the Joint Chiefs of Staff and various VIP groups. The Red Rippers participated in all air group aerial demonstrations.

Visits during the cruises were made to Norfolk, Virginia 11-14 May and NAS Leward Point, Guantanamo Bay Cuba, 29 July - 3 August 1962.

PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
F8U-2NE Crusader	10	8 February 1962

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	April	424	317	July	342	211
	May	355	221	August	331	216
	June	512	297	September	151	99

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED
NOT APPLICABLE		

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

PART VI - DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL APPENDED (Number serially and describe sufficiently to insure proper identification.)

NONE REQUIRED

Unit Fighter Squadron ELEVEN	Period Covered (From - To) 1 Oct 62 - 31 Mar 63
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative <i>Hugh H Lowery</i>	Date Forwarded

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PART I - ALL UNITS

1. Designation: Omit if same as in previous period. If changed, enter previous designation, date of change and the authorizing directive. New units record date and place of commissioning.

2. Commanding Officer
CDR H. H. LOWERY

C.O. relieved if command changed this period

Date of change

3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD		AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.	OFFICER	16		3	19
	ENLISTED		0	166	166
	CIVILIAN			1	1

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

No Change

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

Commander, Carrier Air Group ONE

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
1 Oct 62-31 Mar 63	USS F. D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

Routine Deployment with the SIXTH Fleet

8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

None

9. General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

While in the Mediterranean Sea with the SIXTH Fleet, the Squadron visited Naples, Istanbul, Rhodes, Palermo, Athens, Genoa, Barcelona, Cannes, Livorno, and Taranto.

PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
Chance Vought F-8E Crusader	10	8 Feb 62

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	Oct	243.8	135	Jan	358.0	200
	Nov	303.7	160	Feb	177.3	102
	Dec	111.8	58	Mar	310.6	179

PART V - AIR STATIONS: On board refers in this instance to what is physically present; not to be confused with Home Port assignment. Do not repeat units reported as on board in the previous period unless they departed in this period. For composite units such as Carrier Air Groups, record only the parent group.

1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

PART VI - DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL APPENDED (Number serially and describe sufficiently to insure proper identification.)

Unit Fighter Squadron ELEVEN	Period Covered (From - To) 1 April 1963 - 30 September 1963
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative <i>W. L. Woods, Jr.</i> W. L. WOODS, Jr.	Date Forwarded 21 November 1963

DIRECTIONS: Complete in duplicate semi-annually for periods ending 31 March and 30 September, retain copy and forward original to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Op-05A5G, Navy Department, Washington 25, D. C., within 15 days after report period. No covering letter is required.

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PART I - ALL UNITS

1. Designation: Omit if same as in previous period. If changed, enter previous designation, date of change and the authorizing directive. New units record date and place of commissioning.					
2. Commanding Officer CDR W. L. WOODS, Jr.		C.O. relieved if command changed this period CDR H. H. LOWERY	Date of change 2 August 1963		
3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD					
At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.	OFFICER	AVIATORS 16	AIR PILOTS 3	OTHER 3	TOTAL 19
	ENLISTED	0	0	180	180
	CIVILIAN	0	0	0	0

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

No Change

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

Commander, Carrier Air Group ONE

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
To 20 April 1963	U.S.S. F.D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)
20 Apr to 20 May 63	U.S. Naval Air Station, Cecil Field, Florida
20 May to 29 May 63	U.S.S. F.D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)
29 May to	U.S. NAVAL Air Station, Cecil Field, Florida

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

12 August to end of reporting period Fighter Squadron ELEVEN had a detachment of approximately six aircraft and pilots and forty enlisted men on duty at NAS, Key West, Florida

8. *Official or other recognition of accomplishment* - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

None

9. *General resume of activity* - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

After returning from the Mediterranean aboard the U.S.S. F.D. ROOSEVELT the Red Rippers entered on an intensive training program involving air to air and air to ground gunnery primarily. This training schedule was broken by deployment and detachment to cover some of the hot spots of the cold war, Haiti, and Cuba.

PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
F8E	17	January 1962

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	April	183.9	117	July	534.3	312
	May	328.2	212	August	331.0	210
	June	335.0	247	September	403.0	235

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

PART VI - DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL APPENDED (Number serially and describe sufficiently to insure proper identification.)

Unit: **Fighter Squadron ELEVEN** *7004* Period Covered (From - To): **1 October 1963-31 March 1964**

Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative: **W. L. WOODS, JR** *W. Woods, Jr.* Date Forwarded: **4 MAY 1964.**

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PART I - ALL UNITS

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2. Commanding Officer: **CDR. W. L. WOODS, JR.** C.O. relieved if command changed this period: _____ Date of change: _____

3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD

	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.	15		3	18
OFFICER				
ENLISTED		0	171	171
CIVILIAN			0	0

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

NO CHANGE

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

COMMANDER CARRIER AIR WING ONE

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
TO 22 JAN	NAS, Cecil Field, Florida
22 JAN TO 8 MAR	USS Franklin D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)
8 MAR TO 31 MAR	NAS, Cecil Field, Florida

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

NONE

8. *Official or other recognition of accomplishment* - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

On 3 March 1964 LTJG Kenneth J. FOX, Jr. made the 125,000th landing on board the USS Franklin D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42), which is the record number of landings held by any carrier in any Fleet.

9. *General resume of activity* - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits, conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

From 1 DEC 1963 to 6 DEC 1963 four Red Ripper aircraft and pilots augmented Carrier Air Group THREE on board the USS SARATOGA. On 22 January 1964 the entire squadron deployed to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba for a shake-down cruise on board the USS Franklin D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42). The last week of this cruise was spent in Air to Air missile exercises near ROOSEVELT ROADS, PUERTO RICO. The squadron returned to Cecil Field on 8 March 1964 and the remaining days of March were spent preparing for a Mediterranean deployment as part of CARRIER AIR WING ONE.

PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
F8E	17	JANUARY 1962

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	OCT 63	421	335	JAN 64	318	210
	NOV 63	407	246	FEB 64	375	224
	DEC 63	319	189	MAR 64	460	283

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED
2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

PART VI - DOCUMENTARY MATERIAL APPENDED (Number serially and describe sufficiently to insure proper identification.)

Unit Fighter Squadron ELEVEN	Period Covered (From - To) 1 April 1964 - 30 September 1964
Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative R. C. STEWART <i>R. C. Stewart</i>	Date Forwarded 7 October 1964

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PART I - ALL UNITS

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2. Commanding Officer CDR. R. C. STEWART	C.O. relieved if command changed this period CDR. W. L. WOODS, JR.	Date of change 8 July 1964

3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD	AVIATORS		AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
	At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.	OFFICER	15		3
	ENLISTED		0	161	161
	CIVILIAN			0	0

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

NO CHANGE

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

COMMANDER CARRIER AIR WING ONE

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
TO 24 APR	NAS, Cecil Field, Florida
25 APR TO	USS Franklin D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

NONE

8. Official or other recognition of accomplishment - (Such as unit citations, commendations and awards; decorations and awards to individuals, and records or events believed to be "firsts" which may be fleet-wide or apply only within the unit. Give dates of awards and events; claims for "firsts" are meaningless without a date.)

Upon squadron deployment to the Mediterranean on board the USS Franklin D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42), two squadron aircraft were flown Trans-Atlantic from NAS, Cecil Field, Florida, to NAS Rota, Spain. The two aircraft piloted by LCDR. Guy CANE and LT. Larry BLOSE were then landed aboard the ROOSEVELT as she completed her much slower crossing of the Atlantic Ocean and neared the Mediterranean Sea.

The USS Franklin D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42) won the ADMIRAL FLATLEY MEMORIAL AWARD for fiscal year 1964. All Fighter Squadron ELEVEN pilots, ground Maintenance Officers, and Maintenance Personnel made an important contribution toward winning this recognition for Aviation Safety.

9. General resume of activity - (Narrative statement of activity not otherwise covered, summarizing work, training, special cruises and visits. conversion, modification, overhaul, new equipment, and the like. Air Stations consider, in addition, such things as reorganization, new operational administrative and management procedures introduced; special programs initiated or completed, construction in progress, expansion of facilities, etc. Use additional sheets as necessary. Documents appended should be identified in Part VI, page 4.)

The month of April was consumed with last minute preparations for the forthcoming deployment to the Mediterranean Sea. Cruise boxes, aircraft, and personnel were loaded aboard the USS Franklin D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42) during the weekend of 23-26 April and the eight month cruise was begun on 28 April 1964.

A team of NBC Photographers was on hand during the furor of Pre-Deployment preparations and the first few weeks of the cruise. The result of their work was a DUPONT SHOW OF THE WEEK entitled "FLIGHT DECK" which was nationally televised in June and again in August. Fighter Squadron ELEVEN, its aircraft, pilots, and Flight Deck Maintenance Personnel were afforded more than ample coverage in this much praised film.

While in the Mediterranean the squadron participated in FAIRGAME II, a joint exercise with France, and FALLEX 64, a NATO exercise involving many countries of the North Atlantic Treaty organization. Visits during the cruise were made to Palma, Majorca, Spain; Barcelona, Spain; Naples, Italy; Valetta, Malta; Athens, Greece; Taranto, Italy; Messina, Sicily; Rhodes, Greece; and Cannes, France.

PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
F8E	12	JANUARY 1962

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	APR 64	361	219	JUL 64	393	216
	MAY 64	404	233	AUG 64	468	256
	JUN 64	428	237	SEP 64	269	144

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2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

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Unit

Fighter Squadron ELEVEN

Signature of Commanding Officer or authorized representative

R. C. STEWART



Date Forwarded

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SAME

2. Commanding Officer

C.O. relieved if command changed this period

Date of change

R. C. STEWART

3. PERSONNEL ON BOARD

At end of reporting period. Ships give ships company only; wings and groups give staffs only; air stations give station personnel only.

	AVIATORS	AIR PILOTS	OTHER	TOTAL
OFFICER	12		3	15
ENLISTED		0	179	179
CIVILIAN			0	0

4. Mission or function (If changed or specifically assigned during the period, then enter a brief with dates and identity of authorizing directive.)

NO CHANGE

5. Next senior operational command (Give start and end dates if changed during this reporting period.)

COMMANDER CARRIER AIR WING ONE

6. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: (Air Stations omit; ships enter in Part II. Wings and groups should not record squadron locations; ship-based units give name of ship only. Enter beginning and end dates when part of period is involved.)

PERIOD (From - To)	PLACE
to 23 DEC 1964	USS F. D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)
24 DEC to 12 FEB 1965	NAS CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA
13 FEB to 5 MAR	USS F. D. ROOSEVELT (CVA-42)
5 MAR to	NAS CECIL FIELD, FLORIDA

7. Participation in special exercises, operations, and operational tests (Principally those of a major nature rather than what is normally a part of routine operational training. Use official code names or descriptive titles, identify the overall command, and give dates, area and brief summary of own participation. Make reference to reports and orders covering the operation.)

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MED ports of Palermo, Sicily and Valencia, Spain were visited during the months of November and December. On 23 December the squadron moved from the USS ROOSEVELT to NAS CECIL FIELD.

On 3 February 1965 the squadron participated in an Aerial (Fire Power) demonstration for the U. S. and Canada Permanent Board on Defense.

From 13 February to 5 March the squadron participated in Operations LANTFLEX and SPRINGBOARD. On completion of these operations the Air Wing and ship underwent the annual ORI.

PART IV - SQUADRONS

1. TYPE A/C ASSIGNED	NUMBER ON HAND	DATE FIRST RECEIVED
F-8E CRUSADER	16	JANUARY 1962

2. OPERATIONAL STATISTICS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS	MONTH	HOURS FLOWN	NO. OF FLIGHTS
	OCT	134	77	JAN	211	136
	NOV	309	173	FEB	315	208
	DEC	61	39	MAR	261	158

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1. UNITS ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

2. COMMANDS AND ACTIVITIES ON BOARD	ARRIVED	DEPARTED

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