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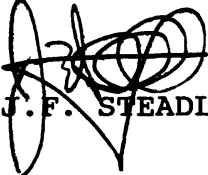
From: Commanding Officer, USS SALVOR (ARS 52)
To: Director of Naval History (OP-09BH)

Subj: 1989 COMMAND HISTORY (OPNAV REPORT 5750-1)

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12E

Encl: (1) Command History
(2) Biography and Photograph of Commanding Officer
(3) Photograph of USS SALVOR (ARS 52)
(4) Personnel Roster
(5) Familygrams
(6) EXXON HOUSTON SALVOPS Messages and Meritorious Unit
Commendation
(7) Kamalu Barge Fire SITREP, Messages and Newspaper
Article
(8) SOUTH PAC Port Visit Reports

1. Per reference (a), enclosures (1) through (8) are submitted.


J.F. STEADLEY

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COMSUPPRON 5

COMMAND HISTORY

1. The Command History for USS SALVOR for 1989 is as follows:

a. Command Composition and Organization

(1) The mission of USS SALVOR is fourfold:

(a) Salvage of Stranded Vessels: SALVOR carries portable cutting and welding equipment, power sources, dewatering gear, machine shops, and material to effect temporary hull repairs. She carries six legs of beach gear which can be rigged to exert over 300 tons of retracting force to the stranded vessel.

(b) Rescue and Assistance. For fighting fires alongside, SALVOR is equipped with two manually operated fire monitors on the signal bridge, one remotely controlled fire monitor on the forward kingpost, and a manual portable monitor on the fo'c'sle. These monitors can be supplied with 1,000 gallons per minute of sea water or firefighting foam. SALVOR is designed for open ocean towing. The power from her main engines is sufficient to tow a Nimitz class aircraft carrier at a speed of 3-5 knots.

(c) Recovery of Submerged Objects: SALVOR is equipped with a 5 ton capacity boom forward and a 40 ton capacity boom aft. A dynamic 150 ton lift is possible over the main bow or stern rollers using deck machinery and purchase tackle or hydraulic pullers. She can make a dynamic lift of 300 tons using the main bow rollers and stern rollers in unison.

(d) Manned Diving Operations: The MK12 and MK 21 MOD 1 diving systems provide SALVOR divers the capacity of air diving to depths of 190 feet. The divers descend to depth on a diving stage lowered by a power davit. There is a hyperbaric chamber aboard for diver recompression following a dive or for the treatment of divers suffering from decompression sickness. For shallow inspections, searches, and other tasks which require mobility, there is a full complement of SCUBA equipment on board.

(2) Administrative Chain of Command:

USS SALVOR (ARS 52)
COMSUPPRON 5
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COMNAVSURFPAC

(3) Internal Command Organization as of 3 Dec 1989:

Commanding Officer: LCDR J.F. STEADLEY
Executive Officer: LT M.D. KAVANAUGH

Encl (1)

Operations Officer: ENS F.A. SCHLUETER
First Lieutenant/
Weapons Officer: LTJG K.I. BROUGHAL
Chief Engineer: CWO3 M.S. ARMISTEAD
Supply Officer: LT G.J. SLOAN

Enlisted Manpower assigned as of 31 December 1989:

Chiefs: 8 Total Enlisted: 80

(4) Home Port: Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

JANUARY

01 - 25 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
03 DIVE OPS - HULL INSPECTION
09 - 13 SALVAGE SYMPOSIUM HOSTED BY COMSUPPRON 5
26 - 30 PORT VISIT - KAUNAKAKAI, MOLOKAI
30 DIVER'S AIR SAMPLE TAKEN
31 ENROUTE PEARL HARBOR

FEBRUARY

01 - 13 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
13 - 03
MAR SALVAGE TRAINING
15 DIVE OPS - SEARCHING PROJECT
17 DIVE OPS - HEAVY LIFT PROJECT
21 DIVE OPS - HULL SURVEY

MARCH

01 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
02 DIVE OPS - HULL INSPECTION, JACKSTAY SEARCH
02 - 03 PERSONNEL RECALL - EXXON HOUSTON AGROUND
04 - 08 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
09 - 10 LEO OPS
11 - 20 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
21 - 24 U/W FOR ISE
21 SWING SHIP CONDUCTED
22 LOST PORT TOW WIRE OVER STERN
25 - 31 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
29-31 DIVE OPS - HULL INSPECTION AND CLEANING
SMA
PMS INSPECTION (RECEIVED A 92)

APRIL

01 - 17 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
10 DIVE OPS - HULL CLEANING
14 DIVE OPS - BOTTOM SEARCH

17-05
MAY REFTRA
20 - 21 BARGE FIRE - KAMALU
24 DIVE OPS - HULL INSPECTION

MAY

06 - 10 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
11 - 12 U/W FOR EQUIPMENT CALIBRATION FOR SYNTHETIC LINE
EXPERIMENT
13 - 15 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
15 DIVE OPS - CLEAR FOULED TOWING BRIDLE
16 - 20 EX - USS HECTOR TOW / SYNTHETIC LINE EXPERIMENT
21 - 30 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
31 - 02
JUN SUPPORT SHIP FOR MK48 TORPEDO EXERCISE

JUNE

01 - 18 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
04 DIVE OPS - SEARCHING
08 - 09 DIVE OPS - INSTALL AND REMOVE COFFERDAM,
INSTALL DC PLUGS
14 DIVE OPS - REMOVE DC PLUGS
19-28 DEPART ON SOUTH PAC, ENROUTE FUNAFUTI, TUVALU
29 - 02
JUL INPORT FUNAFUTI, TUVALU
30 DIVE OPS - BOTTOM SURVEY

JULY

01 - 02 DIVE OPS - DEMO/BOTTOM SALVAGE OF ANCHOR
03 ENROUTE APIA, WESTERN SAMOA
04 - 08 INPORT APIA, WESTERN SAMOA
09 ENROUTE VAVAU, TONGA
10 - 12 INPORT VAVAU, TONGA
13 - 17 INPORT NUKA ALOFA, TONGA
16 DIVE OPS - BOTTOM SEARCH
18 - 21 INPORT PAGO PAGO, AMERICAN SAMOA
22 - 25 ENROUTE PAPEETE, TAHITI
26 - 30 INPORT PAPEETE, TAHITI
29 CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY
31 - 01
AUG ENROUTE RAROTONGA, COOK ISLANDS

AUGUST

02 - 07 INPORT RAROTONGA, COOK ISLANDS
03 DIVE OPS - HULL INSPECTION
08 - 16 ENROUTE TO PEARL HARBOR
16 FAS WITH USS WILLAMETTE
17 - 23 INPORT PEARL HARBOR

24 U/W TECH EVAL
25 - 07
SEP INPORT PEARL HARBOR

SEPTEMBER

08-26 U/W FOR PACEX-89 WITH TOW, RENDEZVOUS WITH USS FANNING
26 PASSED EX - YOG 68 TO USS FANNING
27 - 02
OCT ENROUTE ADAK ALASKA

OCTOBER

03 - 07 INPORT ADAK ALASKA
04 - 06 DIVE OPS - FLANGE PROJECT, UDATS, LIFT BAG TRAINING
08 - 15 ENROUTE PEARL HARBOR
16 - 20 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
16 PAINTED OUT SHIP FOR "FLIGHT OF THE INTRUDER"
21 - 29 LEO OPS
30 - 13
NOV LEO OPS

NOVEMBER

14 - 05
DEC INPORT PEARL HARBOR
20 DIVE OPS - MEASURE STRUT BEARING CLEARANCES
21 DIVE OPS - REPLACE FAIRWATERS AND ROPE GUARDS
23 DIVE OPS - CLEAN SCREWS AND SHAFTS

DECEMBER

06 JUNIOR OFFICER SHIP HANDLING CONTEST/
ROTARY CLUB LUNCHEON
07 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
08 NAVY LEAGUE/DEPENDENTS CRUISE
09 - 15 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
16 - 23 LEO OPS
24 - 31 INPORT PEARL HARBOR
28 DIVE OPS - HYDROBLAST OF BOWTHRUSTER TUNNEL