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From: Commanding Officer, USS BROOKE (FFG 1)
To: Director of Naval History (OP-09B9), Washington Naval Yard,
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Subj: USS BROOKE (FFG 1) COMMAND HISTORY (OPNAV REPORT SYMBOL 5750-1)

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Encl: (1) USS BROOKE (FFG 1) Command History 1986

1. (U) In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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1. Command Mission, Composition and Organization:

a. USS BROOKE is the first of the FFG-1 class ships whose mission is to provide AAW, ASU, and ASW self defense and to effectively provide local area protection to underway replenishment groups, amphibious groups, and other military shipping against air, surface, and subsurface threats. BROOKE can also provide some NGFS support and make a limited contribution to Carrier Battle Group or SAG defense by supplementing other battle group assets. Accordingly, the following primary and secondary warfare mission areas are assigned:

(1) Primary:

- (a) Anti-Air Warfare (AAW)
- (b) Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW)
- (c) Anti-Surface Ship Warfare (ASU)
- (d) Command, Control, and Communications (CCC)
- (e) Electronic Warfare (ELW)
- (f) Mobility (MOB)

(2) Secondary:

- (a) Amphibious Warfare (AMW)
- (b) Intelligence (INT)
- (c) Fleet Support Operations (FSO)
- (d) Mine Warfare (MIW)
- (e) Non-Combat Operations (NCO)

b. USS BROOKE's Commanding Officer until 17 June, 1985 was CAPT Barry M. Plott, and CDR Albert S. Paton for the remainder of 1985.

c. Chain of Command:

- (1) Commander Cruiser Destroyer Group FIVE
- (2) Commander Destroyer Squadron THIRTEEN

2. (C) Chronology of Events for 1985:

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS FOR 1985

01JAN-06JAN	Holiday Upkeep San Diego, CA
07JAN-14JAN	Inport San Diego, CA
15JAN	Underway ISE SOCIAL OPAREAS
16JAN	Inport San Diego, CA
17JAN-22JAN	Underway READIEX I-85 SOCIAL OPAREAS
23JAN-25JAN	Underway ISE SOCIAL OPAREAS

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15MAR-21MAR	Underway Socal OPAREA, Machinery Condition Analysis
22MAR-30MAR	Inport San Diego, CA
31MAR-05APR	Underway ISE, CNO PROJ Tomahawk Operational Test Launch
06APR-13APR	Inport San Diego, CA
14APR-18APR	Underway ISE
19APR-18MAY	Inport San Diego, CA Command Inspection, NWAT
19MAY-23MAY	Underway ISE, Seal Team 5 Ship Operation
24MAY-15JUN	Inport San Diego, CA 3-M Inspection
16JUN-19JUN	Underway ISE
20JUN-06JUN	Inport San Diego, CA
07JUL-10JUL	Underway ISE
21JUL-23JUL	Underway SOCAL OPAREA, Plane Guard
24JUL-25JUL	Inport San Diego, CA
26JUL	Underway ISE, Dependents Cruise
27JUL-24AUG	Inport San Diego, CA DNSI, SMI
25AUG-28AUG	Underway ISE, NGFS
29AUG-14SEP	Inport San Diego, CA
15SEP-16SEP	Underway Transit Concord, CA
17SEP	Inport Concord, CA Offload
17SEP	Underway Transit San Francisco, CA
18SEP-22SEP	Inport San Francisco, CA
23SEP-24SEP	Underway Transit San Diego, CA
25SEP-31DEC	Inport San Diego, CA

1986 47 Days Underway Total

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3. (C) Summary of operations:

USS BROOKE (FFG 1) was underway 47 days and inport 318 days during the year 1986. The operating schedule included a COMNAVSURFPAC 3-M Inspection (2 JUN - 5 JUN); a Command Inspection by COMDESRON 13 (28 APR - 1 MAY); a Defense Nuclear Assurity Inspection (4 AUG - 8 AUG); a Supply Management Inspection (11 AUG - 14 AUG); and a Docking Phased Maintenance Availability (6 OCT - 31 DEC).

During the months of January and February, USS BROOKE utilized an Inport upkeep period to prepare for an upcoming Operational Propulsion Plant re-examination (OPPRE) and to conduct maintenance checks to aid planning for the Docking Phased Maintenance Availability (DPMA) to start 6 October. OPPRE was later postponed until completion of DPMA in 1987.

USS BROOKE was underway 15-21 March, to conduct a machinery condition analysis (MCA). The tests performed during the MCA were used to identify equipment that needed overhaul during the DPMA.

From 31 March - 5 April, USS BROOKE was underway in the Pacific Missile Test Range to provide support for a CNO test project. USS BROOKE acted as a target platform for USS HOUSTON (SSN-713) to develop targeting solutions for her Tomahawk cruise missiles. USS BROOKE was again underway from 14 - 18 April for an Independent Steaming Exercise (ISE). This ISE period was utilized to conduct engineering casualty control drills. The remainder of April was spent in upkeep inport San Diego.

USS BROOKE began the month of May by satisfactorily passing a Command Inspection (5 May - 8 May) conducted by COMDESRON THIRTEEN. The purpose of this 18 month requirement is to assess the effectiveness of various shipboard administrative programs. BROOKE remained inport until 19 May continuing nuclear weapon proficiency training. On 19 May members of Seal Team 5 were embarked and BROOKE got underway to conduct a Amphibious Team Ship Operation exercise. BROOKE returned to San Diego on 23 May for a three week upkeep period. During this period BROOKE successfully completed a Type Commander's 3-M Inspection (2 June - 5 June) earning a grade of satisfactory for material maintenance readiness. During the remainder of June and early July, BROOKE was underway for two, five day Independent Steaming Exercises primarily devoted to conducting ECC drills. On 21 and 22 July, BROOKE performed a common destroyer duty by plane guarding for USS KITTY HAWK (CV-63) while she conducted carrier qualifications for new pilots.

At the end of the month, BROOKE celebrated an important mile stone in her service life; twenty years of commissioned service. The celebration was a four day event commencing on the 25th of July with a reunion of members of BROOKE's commissioning crew. A guest cruise followed on the 26th for guests and dependents of all current and former BROOKE crewmembers. The celebration was concluded with a day at Sea World on the 27th and a sportsday on the 28th of July. The distinguished visitor of the event was VADM Walter's, USN-R, former DCNO for Surface Warfare and BROOKE's commissioning Commanding Officer.

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The month of August took on a more serious note for BROOKE crewmembers, who were busy preparing for two major inspections. During the period 7 - 11 August, BROOKE successfully completed a Defense Nuclear Assurity Inspection (DNSI). This inspection was conducted by member's of the various Armed Forces to access the level of proficiency and training of BROOKE's nuclear weapons handling and security teams. The DNSI was immediately followed by a Supply Management Inspection on 11 August. The month of August was closed out with Naval Gun Fire Support (NGFS) exercise at San Clemente Island (25-28 August).

During the month of September, BROOKE concluded her pre-DPMA Operations with a weapons offload at Concord Naval Weapons Station on the 17th, followed by a well deserved four-day port visit in San Francisco.

On 6 October, BROOKE entered Southwest Marine Shipyard, San Diego, CA for a scheduled 4 month docking phased maintenance availability. Almost every major system onboard was targeted for overhaul. The major work items included overhaul or replacement of both propulsion boilers, propulsion shafting, ASROC launcher, MK56 gun director and many communications and Weapon System Electronics upgrades.

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