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Command Operations Report

This report is **required** by commands listed in **SNDL Parts 1 & 2** and all operational **Task Forces, Groups and Units** temporarily established to meet operational requirements.

The report format is divided into six sections: Command Data, Commander's Assessment, Chronology and Narrative, Supporting Reports, Published Documents, and Photographs. Required information is identified in specific sections of the form. Instructions on submitting this form and the required attachments are at the end.

1. Command Data

Name of your Command or Organization: **USS BAINBRIDGE DDG 96**

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: **23153**

Name and Rank of Commander/Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge:

Last: **CASTELLANO** First: **FRANK** M.I.: **X** Rank: **CDR**

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): **2008-06-06**

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: **Workups and certifications to prepare for C5F deployment, conducting counter-piracy operations Red Sea, Gulf of Aden, Somali Basin, and Indian Ocean**

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): **NORFOLK, VA**

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational: **CDS-28**

Administrative: **CDS-28**

Identify your assigned Task Force/Group/Unit name(s) and mission(s). Include OPLAN(s) and or named operations you participated in during Task Force assignment (if applicable): **NONE**

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): **NONE**

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable: **NONE**

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable): **NONE**

Number of Personnel Assigned:

    Officers: 36 Enlisted: 250 Civilian: 0

Command Point of Contact (required entry, complete in full):

        Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): ENS ███████████████
        Job Title/Office Code: ADMIN OFFICER
        E-mail (both classified and unclassified, if available): ████████████████
        Phone number(s) ███████████
        Command Mailing Address: USS BAINBRIDGE DDG 96
                      FPO AE 09565-1303

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2. Commander's Assessment

The Commander's Assessment briefly tells the story of the command's role in national defense and should highlight any general and specific lessons-learned. It should contain the commander's commentary, insights and reflections on the unit's activities. Attention should be directed to significant issues impacting training, operations and mission accomplishment during the reporting period. Descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to major command decisions and results of those decisions are particularly desired. Also desired are accounts of specific contributions of individuals in the command to mission accomplishment. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, particular attention should be given to the commander's estimate of the situation, records of discussions and decisions, descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to operational decisions and results of those decisions. For a unit returning from deployment or participating in a single operation this can normally be a single assessment. For higher-echelon commands or units engaging in multiple operations, a separate assessment for each operation in addition to an overall assessment may be appropriate.

    The 2009 year started off with BAINBRIDGE's deployment certification as the ship spent January underway as part of COMPTUEX. After less than two weeks at home with their families, BAINBRIDGE sailors departed Norfolk enroute the 5th Fleet AOR. Port visits in Rota, Spain, and Aksaz, Turkey, brought welcome rest to the crew before transiting the Suez Canal in March.

BAINBRIDGE spent ten weeks underway conducting anti-piracy operations before finally taking a break in Seychelles in early June. The ship pulled into Bahrain in late July to conduct repairs, spent one more month on station conducting operations, then chopped C6F for another port visit in Rota, Spain, before crossing the Atlantic to head home to Norfolk. While on deployment, BAINBRIDGE was pivotal in operations to rescue the MAERSK ALABAMA and her crew from being held hostage by pirates. In a coordinated effort with Special Operations forces, BAINBRIDGE helped rescue Captain Richard Phillips and free the MAERSK ALABAMA from pirate control.

Upon returning home, the crew enjoyed a month long leave period to reunite with their families before entering an inport maintenance period to repair the ship after deployment. To close 2009 out, the ship was picked for tours at Nauticus in downtown Norfolk, Virginia, for the public to tour and learn about the mighty warship BAINBRIDGE.

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3. Chronology and Narrative

Chronology should include dates of movements; local operations and training; exercises and operations (define acronyms and purpose of exercise or operation); installation of new weapons systems or changes; major physical changes to facilities, ship or aircraft; Class A or B mishaps; port visits; unit awards received; reserve augmentation; and other significant operational or administrative events.

2009-01-01 – 2009-01-07	INPORT NAVSTA NORFOLK
2009-01-08 – 2009-01-28	COMPUTEX
2009-01-29 – 2009-02-06	FST-J
2009-02-07 – 2009-02-19	POM
2009-02-20 – 2009-02-20	DEPLOY
2009-02-20 – 2009-03-04	TRANSIT ATLANTIC
2009-02-27 – 2009-02-27	CHOP 6TH FLT
2009-03-05 – 2009-03-05	IPT ROTA SPAIN
2009-03-06 – 2009-03-11	OPS EASTERN MED
2009-03-12 – 2009-03-13	IPT AKSAZ TURKEY
2009-03-14 – 2009-03-16	CHOP 5TH FLT
2009-03-16 – 2009-03-18	TRANSIT MED
2009-03-19 – 2009-03-19	TRANSIT SUEZ
2009-03-20 – 2009-03-29	TRANSIT TO HORN OF AFRICA
2009-03-30 – 2009-05-31	OPS HORN OF AFRICA
2009-06-01 – 2009-06-04	IPT SEYCHELLES
2009-06-05 – 2009-07-13	OPS HORN OF AFRICA
2009-07-20 – 2009-07-20	STRAITS OF HORMUZ TRANSIT
2009-07-14 – 2009-07-19	TRANSIT TO BAHRAIN
2009-07-20 – 2009-07-29	IPT BAHRAIN FOR REPAIRS TO OD BOX
2009-07-30 – 2009-08-05	TRANSIT TO HORN OF AFRICA
2009-08-06 – 2009-08-29	OPS HORN OF AFRICA
2009-08-30 – 2009-09-04	TRANSIT TO MED
2009-09-04 – 2009-09-04	TRANSIT SUEZ
2009-09-04 – 2009-09-04	CHOP 6TH FLT
2009-09-05 – 2009-09-09	TRANSIT MED

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2009-09-10 – 2009-09-10        IPT ROTA SPAIN
2009-09-11 – 2009-09-21        TRANSIT ATLANTIC
2009-09-16 – 2009-09-16        CHOP 2ND FLT
2009-09-22 – 2009-09-22        RTHP
2009-09-22 – 2009-10-21        POST DEPLOYMENT LEAVE
2009-09-22 – 2009-10-30        CMAV
2009-10-22 – 2009-11-01        IPT NAVSTA NORFOLK
2009-11-02 – 2009-11-06        AMMO OFFLOAD YORKTOWN VA
2009-11-07 – 2009-11-08        IPT NAVSTA NORFOLK
2009-11-09 – 2009-11-10        U/W VACAPES FOR ULTRA S
2009-11-11 – 2009-11-12        IPT NAVSTA NORFOLK FOR ULTRA S
2009-11-13 – 2009-11-18        IPT NAVSTA NORFOLK
2009-11-19 – 2009-11-22        NAUTICUS
2009-11-23 – 2009-12-31        IPT NAVSTA NORFOLK
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The short narrative should amplify chronology entries (such as objectives and results of exercises/ operations; commander's evaluation of exercises/operations, etc). Entries may refer to an enclosure of this report without additional description if the enclosure sufficiently reports the incident/event. For all other entries, give the date or period in YYYY-MM-DD format and provide a brief narrative. All significant events during the reporting period are to be included.

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4. Supporting Reports

Supporting Reports are those reports required by other instructions that provide significant data about the command during the calendar year. These reports may be submitted "as is," eliminating the need to duplicate information for this report that is already contained in reports prepared in response to other instructions and requirements. Examples include battle efficiency, safety and other award submissions, major staff or command studies, and end of cruise reports or briefs. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, enclosures may include, but are not limited to:

a. Situation Reports
b. Intentions Messages
c. Operational Reports
d. Operations Orders/Deployment Orders
e. Operational Plans
f. Personal For Messages
g. After Action Reports
h. Significant Electronic Message Traffic (outgoing/e-mail/chat)
i. Battle Damage Assessments
j. Casualty Reports
k. End-of-Cruse/Deployment Reports
l. Intelligence Summaries

m. Major Exercise Reports

List below the items submitted, indicating the classification of each. Electronic reports should be in a Microsoft Office format (Word, Excel, Power Point, or Access), HTML, PDF, JPG, GIF, or plain text. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Submit electronic reports via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained at the end of this form. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in hardcopy in the same manner as a CD-ROM.

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5. Published Documents

List below the published documents being submitted in either electronic or paper format, indicating the classification of each item. Documents to be submitted include cruise books, change of command programs, commissioning/decommissioning brochures, establishment/disestablishment/deactivation brochures, copy of command's web site, news releases, biography of commander, welcome aboard brochures, newspaper articles, command studies, statistical data, etc.

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6. Photographs

List below official photographs and any other command-generated media being submitted in either electronic or paper format. Photographs to be submitted include: official photo of commanding officer; recent photo of ship, aircraft, or facility; and photos of historic events associated with the command. Photographs submitted electronically should be in JPG, TIFF or GIF format. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Photographs in electronic format are to be submitted via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained below. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in the same manner as the CD-ROM. Also include any photographs covering operational strikes, battle damage (especially that sustained by own ship, aircraft, facilities or equipment), or other relevant photos relating to combat or deployment operations.

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