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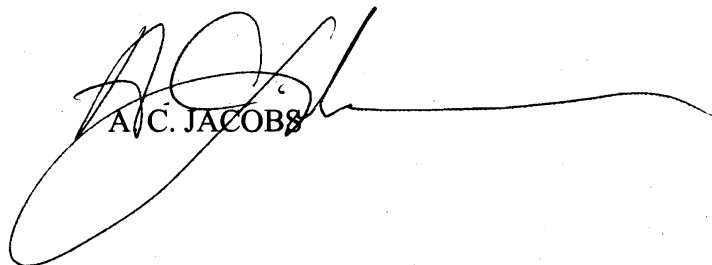
From: Commanding Officer, USS DEFENDER (MCM-2)
To: Chief of Naval Operations (N09BH)

Subj: **COMMAND HISTORY FOR 1999**

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12G, Command Histories

Encl: (1) USS DEFENDER Command History Report for 1999
(2) Disk Copy of Command History

1. Pursuant to reference (a), enclosures (1) and (2) are submitted for the preservation of significant information concerning the activities of USS DEFENDER (MCM-2) during calendar year 1999.


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1. **Command Composition and Organization.**

- A. Name of command and UIC: USS DEFENDER (MCM-2); UIC: 21403
- B. Primary mission: To locate and neutralize underwater mines through minehunting, minesweeping, and embarked Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) units.
- C. ISIC: Commander, Mine Countermeasures Squadron Two (COMCMRON TWO).
- D. Homeport: Naval Station Ingleside, Texas.
- E. Commanding Officer during Calendar Year 1999: LCDR T. M. Negus, USN.

2. **Chronology.**

Dates	Event
11 February	Local Operations and Training, Corpus Christi Operating Area
14 February	Inport Ingleside, TX
05 March	Local Operations and Training, Corpus Christi Operating Area
06 March	Inport Ingleside, TX
26 March	Underway, enroute port visit to Galveston Island, TX
27 March	Inport Galveston Island, TX
31 March	Underway enroute Ingleside, TX
01 April	Inport Ingleside, TX
05 May	Docking, Gulf Copper Ship Repair and Drydocking
24-28 May	Pre Light-off Training, Phase II
27 May	Mineman "A" School Tour (30 students)
21-25 June	Pre Light-off Training, Phase III
02 July	Undocking, Gulf Copper Ship Repair and Drydocking
06 July	Projected Completion Date
20-21 July	Light-off Assesment
23 July	Fast Cruise
26-30 July	Logistics Management Assist Visit
26 July	Dock Trials
26 July	Combat Systems Trainer, Mine Warfare Training Center
26 July	Midshipman Embarkation
27 July	Sea Trials, Corpus Christi Operating Area
30 July	Contractor End Date
16 August	Underway, enroute Panama City, FL for Operational Evaluation (AN/SQQ-32v3)
25 Sep	Inport Ingleside, TX
07-08October	Exercise Mine Recovery Operations, Corpus Christi Operating Area

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12-14October	Underway for Local Operations and Training, Corpus Christi Operating Area
19-21October	Underway for Local Operations and Training, Corpus Christi Operating Area
21October	USS DEFENDER Thanksgiving Food Drive
26-28October	Underway for Final Evaluation Problem (FEP), Corpus Christi Operating Area
01-05 November	Supply Management Inspection (SMI)
01-12 November	Squadron Exercise (RONEX) 00-1 Inport Phase
13-19 November	Squadron Exercise (RONEX) 00-1 Underway Phase
29 November	Combat Information Center Radar navigation (RADNAV) Team Trainer
29 November	Commence Fleet Maintenance Availability
10 December	Complete Fleet Maintenance Availability
17-27 December	Holiday Leave Period One
27-31 December	Holiday Leave Period Two

3. Narrative.

During calendar year 1999, DEFENDER (MCM-2) conducted local area operations pursuant to the Interdeployment Training Cycle Basic and Intermediate Phases, culminating in Squadron Exercise (RONEX) 00-1 for Mine Warfare Readiness Group One. Inspections completed included: LMA, SMI, and FEP. A scheduled drydocking was performed to complete installation of the AN/SQQ-32v3 sonar system without significant issue. A subsequent port visit was conducted to Panama City, Florida in conjunction with OPEVAL for the AN/SQQ-32v3 sonar system.

4. Supporting Documents.

- A. No "Personal-for" messages of significance.
- B. No Periodic/Situational reports of significance.
- C. No Cruise/Deployment reports of significance.
- D. No Intelligence reports of significance.
- E. No major Staff, Command studies or briefings of significance.
- F. No Action/Combat reports.
- G. No major exercise reports of significance.
- H. No published documents of significance.
- I. No reports on performance of weapons systems, projects, or material submitted.
- J. No hazardous waste reports submitted.

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- K. No unusual/unique events to report.
- L. Photograph of ship not available.
- M. Biography/photograph of commanding officer not available.
- N. Not applicable.

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