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# Command Operations Report

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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.

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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.

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## 1. Command Data

Name of your Command or Organization: **USS DONALD COOK (DDG 75)**

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: **21949**

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

Last: **Kenny** First: **James** M.I.: **R** Rank: **CDR**

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): **2011-10-22**

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: **Completed Maritime Security Operations-Ready certification requirements during the Fleet Response Training Plan (FRTP) Basic Phase, Integrated Phase and Independent Deployer Certification Exercise (ID CERTEX). Deployed from 19 September 2011 to 31 December 2011 to USEUCOM, USCENTCOM, and USAFRICOM AORs in support of NATO Operation Active Endeavor, CTF 150 Counter-Terrorism Operations, CTF 151 Counter-Piracy Operations and National Tasking in the western Indian Ocean.**

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): **Naval Station Norfolk, Norfolk Virginia**

Immediate Superior In Command:

Operational: **CTF 20 (01JAN11 to 23SEP11)**  
**CTF 65 (24SEP11 to 8OCT11)**

CTF 55 (8OCT11 to 22NOV11)  
CTF 65 (23NOV11 to 31DEC11)

Administrative: COMDESRON 28 (01JAN11-31DEC11)

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):

OPCON and TACON to CTF 65 from 24 September to 08 October 2011 ISO Operation Active Endeavor; TACON to CTF 150 from 09 October to 31 October 2011 ISO Counter-Terrorist Operations in the Red Sea, Gulf of Aden and Horn of Africa; TACON to CTF 151 from 1 November to 22 November ISO Counter-Piracy Operations in the Gulf of Aden and Horn of Africa. Assigned to CTF 65 from 23NOV to 31DEC11 in support of National Tasking.

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): N/A

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable: ScanEagle Unmanned Aerial Vehicle

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable): N/A

Number of Personnel Assigned:

Officers: 34 Enlisted: 256 Civilian: 4

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

Name (Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name): LT [REDACTED]

Job Title/Office Code: Operations Officer

E-mail (both classified and unclassified, if available): [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Phone number(s): [REDACTED]

Command Mailing Address: COMMANDING OFFICER, USS DONALD COOK (DDG 75), FPO AE 09566-1294

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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 DONALD COOK has had an extremely successful year. After completing the Basic Phase of the Fleet Response Training Plan, the crew shifted seamlessly into the Integrated Phase and deployed on time and ready on 19SEP. DONALD COOK supported NATO Operation Active Endeavor and National Tasking while deployed to the USEUCOM and Counter-Piracy and Counter-Terrorism Operations in the USCENTCOM AOR. DONALD COOK conducted Counter-Piracy Operations ensuring the safe passage of billions of dollars in sea based logistics throughout the international shipping lanes.

DONALD COOK participated in Exercise Scimitar Leander and Focused Operation Scimitar Apollo in Oct and Nov of 2011 ISO CTF 150 Counter-Terrorism; providing data collection in support of critical counter-terrorism patterns of life development. From 23 to 27 October, DONALD COOK participated in EXERCISE INFINITE SHADOW 12.

Additionally, while deployed in the AFRICOM area of responsibility from 23 Nov 2011 to 31 Dec 2011, DONALD COOK consistently demonstrated unparalleled success in providing intelligence support, regional presence, power projection, and strategic deterrence. DONALD COOK provided a combat-ready platform to support National Tasking missions for various named operations in the challenging, high-traffic regions in the Somali Basin.

During her time on station, DONALD COOK provided high-quality, time-sensitive Full Motion Video via the ScanEagle Unmanned Aerial System. During this time, the ScanEagle UAV detachment flew over 40 missions with a total of over 380 flight hours in support of ongoing joint security operations.

A critical component of a multi-service, inter-agency effort, DONALD COOK provided invaluable information operations support that significantly and directly contributed to the flawless execution of two joint missions vital to the nation's security. DONALD COOK submitted over 25,000 time-sensitive tactical intelligence tippers which was a fundamental component to the tracking and target development of high value individuals in support of joint task force commanders.

DONALD COOK also maintained a Time-Sensitive-Targeting Strike Team capability, participating in 15 TLAM alert exercises and one actual tasking event. Working closely with Commander Sixth Fleet, DONALD COOK's Strike team refined procedures for Tomahawk Call for Fire missions and provided critical support to proof of concept exercises.

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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.

HOLIDAY STAND DOWN (01-10 JAN)

ENGINEERING (MOB-E) LIMITED TRAINING TEAM (11-14 JAN)

AVIATION FACILITY CERTIFICATION (18-20 JAN)

SHIPBOARD TRAINING TEAM COURSE (SBTT-1) (18-20 JAN)

UNDERWAY (21-29 JAN)

SHIP'S SIGNAL EXPLOITATION EQUIPMENT INCREMENT F (SSEE INC F) TESTING (21-22 JAN)

SSEE INC F TESTING (25 JAN)

PROF-2 (26 JAN)

AIR-1 (28 JAN)

SUPPLY MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION (SMC) (31 JAN- 4 FEB)

NAVAL SURFACE FIRE SUPPORT TEAM TRAINER (31 JAN- 4 FEB)

ENGINEERING MATERIAL ASSESSMENT/ MAIN SPACE FIRE DRILL CERT (2-4 FEB)

SBTT-2 (7-11 FEB)

MOOR TO A BUOY (14 FEB)

YORKTOWN ONLOAD (14-18 FEB)

UNDERWAY ULTRA E/C PREPS (18-25 FEB)

DECK LANDING QUALIFICATIONS (23 FEB)

UNIT LEVEL TRAINING READINESS ASSESSMENT- ENGINEERING (ULTRA E) (28 FEB- 2 MAR)

ELECTRONIC KEYING MATERIAL SYSTEM (EKMS) INSPECTION (28 FEB)

DECK LANDING QUALIFICATIONS (3 MAR)

FLEET SYNTHETIC TRAINING- UNIT LEVEL (FST-U) (7-11 MAR)

SEARCH AND RESCUE CERTIFICATION (9-11 MAR)

CRUISE MISSILE TACTICAL QUALIFICATION LIMITED TRAINING TEAM (14-15 MAR)

VISIT, BOARDING, SEARCH, AND SEIZURE LIMITED TRAINING TEAM (15 MAR)

ANTI-TERRORISM/FORCE PROTECTION (AT/FP) CERTIFICATION (17-18 MAR)

UNIT LEVEL TRAINING READINESS ASSESSMENT-CERTIFICATION (ULTRA-C) (21-25 MAR)

UNDERWAY (28 MAR- 1 APR)

SMALL BOAT ATTACK AT ANCHOR (28 MAR)

DECK LANDING QUALIFICATIONS (29 MAR)

NAVAL SURFACE FIRE SUPPORT QUALIFICATION EXERCISE (NSFS FIREX) (30 MAR)

CRUISE MISSILE-1 (4-8 APR)

COMPUTER NETWORK DEFENSE IN-DEPTH PHASE II (4-5 APR)

UNDERWAY (11-15 APR)

UNDERSEA WARFARE PROF-2 /12 DEMONSTRATION (11-12 APR)

TOWING EXERCISE W/ USNS GRAPPLE (13 APR)  
REPLENISHMENT AT SEA (RAS) WITH USNS LARAMIE (14 APR)  
CRUISE MISSILE TACTICAL QUALIFICATION (18-22 APR)  
3M CERT (25-29 APR)  
UNDERWAY (9-22 MAY)  
DECK LANDING QUALIFICATIONS (9 MAY)  
INPORT MAYPORT, FL (12-13 MAY)  
DEGAUSSING RUN MAYPORT (12-13 MAY)  
SUBMARINE COMMANDERS COURSE(14-19 MAY)  
RAS W/ USNS SUPPLY (22 MAY)  
INDEPENDENT DEPLOYER ACADEMICS (23-27 MAY)  
CONTINUOUS MAINTENANCE AVAILABILITY (CMAV) 1A3 (31 MAY- 20 JUN)  
COMBAT SYSTEMS, COMMAND, CONTROL, COMPUTERS, AND  
COMMUNICATIONS READINESS ASSESSMENT (C5RA) (6-17 JUN)  
FLEET EXAMINATION GROUP (20-24 JUN)  
UNDERWAY (6-7 JUL)  
FORCE PROTECTION EXERCISE (13-14 JUL)  
YORKTOWN ONLOAD (18-22 JUL)  
FAMILY DAY CRUISE (22 JUL)  
UNDERWAY TRIDENT WARRIOR (25 JUL-1 AUG)  
FIRST SCAN EAGLE LAUNCH/RECOVERY (26 JUL)  
SAFETY SURVEY (9 AUG)  
UNDERWAY (10-25 AUG)  
AGILE QUEST (10-11 AUG)  
INDEPENDENT DEPLOYER CERTIFICATION EXERCISE (IDCERTEX) (12-25 AUG)  
RAS W USNS ARCTIC (24 AUG)  
HURRICANE IRENE SORTIE (25 30 AUG)  
RAS W/ USNS KANAWA (29 AUG)  
CONTINUOUS MAINTENANCE AVAILABILITY (CMAV) 1A4 (30 AUG- 16 SEP)  
PREPARATION FOR OVERSEAS MOVEMENT (30 AUG- 15 SEP)  
USS DONALD COOK DEPLOYS (19 SEP)  
RAS W/ USNS KANAWA (22 SEP)  
CHANGE OPERATIONAL COMMANDER TO COMMANDER, SIXTH FLEET (24 SEP)  
PORT VISIT ROTA, SP (29 SEP)  
STRAIT OF GIBRALTAR TRANSIT (29 SEP)  
PORT VISIT GAETA, IT (2-5 OCT)  
DLQS (5 OCT)  
STRAIT OF MESSINA TRANSIT (6 OCT)  
CHANGE OPERATIONAL COMMANDER TO COMMANDER, FIFTH FLEET (9 OCT)  
SUEZ CANAL TRANSIT (9 OCT)  
TURN OVER W/ USS ROOSEVELT (DDG 80) (12 OCT)  
BAB AL MANDEB TRANSIT (13 OCT)  
RAS W/ USNS LARAMIE (14 OCT)  
EX SCIMITAR APOLLO (16-19 OCT)  
BAB AL MANDEB TRANSIT (17 OCT)  
BAB AL MANDEB TRANSIT (18 OCT)  
BAB AL MANDEB TRANSIT (19 OCT)  
RAS W/ USNS JOSHUA HUMPHREYS (21 OCT)

CHANGE OF COMMAND (22 OCT)  
STRAIT OF TIRAN TRANSIT (22 OCT)  
PORT VISIT AQABA, JORDAN (23-26 OCT)  
EXERCISE INFINITE SHADOW (23-28 OCT)  
STRAIT OF TIRAN TRANSIT (28 OCT)  
RAS WITH USNS JOSHUA HUMPHREYS (31 OCT)  
EXERCISE SCIMITAR LEANDER (12-15 NOV)  
RAS WITH USNS RICHARD E. BYRD (18NOV)  
CHANGE OPERATIONAL COMMANDER TO COMMANDER, SIXTH FLEET (23NOV)  
RAS WITH RFA WAVEKNIGHT (23NOV)  
RAS WITH USNS JOSHUA HUMPHREYS (2 DEC)  
RAS WITH USNS PECOS (9 DEC)  
RAS WITH USNS PATUXENT (18DEC)  
PORT VISIT PORT LOUIS, MAURITIUS (23-27 DEC)

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.

SAREX- Search and Rescue Exercise- Pass  
NSFS- Naval Surface Firing Support-Tested ships naval surface firing support- Pass  
ULTRA-C- testing of all warfare areas- SAT  
DLQs- Deck Landing Qualifications- SAT  
MOB-E LTT- Mobility Engineering Limited Training Team- SAT  
AVCERT- Aviation Certification- SAT  
SBTT-I- Ship Board Training Team  
INC F TESTING- Increment F testing. Testing of cryptological test.- SAT  
PROF-2- Anti-Submarine Warfare Testing- Pass  
AIR-1- AAWC Proficiency- Pass  
SMC- Supply Management Certification- Pass  
ENGINEERING MATERIAL ASSESSMENT/ MAIN SPACE FIRE DRILL CERT- Pass  
ULTRA E-testing of Engineering warfare areas- SAT  
EKMS INSPECTION- Electronic Keying Material System Inspection- Pass  
FST-U- Fleet Synthetic Training Unit- SAT  
SAR CERT- Search and Rescue Certification- Pass  
CMTQ LTT- Cruise Missile Tactical Qualification Limited Training Team- Pass  
VBSS LTT- Visit Board Search and Seizure Limited Training Team Pass  
AT/FP CERT- Anti-Terrorism Force Protection Certification- Pass  
CNDiD PHASE II- inspection of NIPR and SIPR LANs- Pass in the Blue  
USW PROF-2 /12 DEMONSTRATION- SAT  
SCC CLASS 28- Sea Combat Commander Class 28  
FEG-Administrative Testing- PASS  
FPEX- Force Protection Exercise- Pass  
TRIDENT WARRIOR- testing of ship board equipment- SAT  
AGILE QUEST- Testing of Scan Eagle in support of future ISR Operations- Pass  
ID CERTEX- Independent Deployer Certification- Pass  
3M CERT- Maintenance, Material , Management Certification- Pass

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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-Cruise/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.

Port Visit Report to Rota, Spain (Unclassified)

Port Visit Report to Gaeta, Italy (Unclassified)

After Action Report for Southbound Transit Suez Canal (Unclassified)

Port Visit Report to Royal Jordanian Naval Base, Aqaba, Jordan (Unclassified)

Port Visit Report to Port Louis, Mauritius (Unclassified)

Nomination for Calendar Year 2011 Battle Effectiveness Award and Command Excellence Awards (Unclassified)

Force Commander Annual Health Promotion Unit Award (Green "H") Submission (Unclassified)

Environmental Protection Award (Unclassified)

Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) Bloodhound Award (Unclassified)

Unit Tactics Award (Unclassified)

SECNAV Energy Conservation Award (Unclassified)

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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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Commander J. Lee Bennett's Biography with Photograph

Commander James R. Kenny's Biography with Photograph

Commander Scott Jones's Biography

December 2010- September 2011 Newsletter

September- January 2011 Newsletter

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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.

**CDR James R. Kenny**

**CDR J. Lee Bennett**

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