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From: Commanding Officer, USS JUNEAU (LPD-10)
To: Director of Naval History (OP-09B9), Washington Naval Yard, Washington,
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Subj: USS JUNEAU Command History for Calendar Year 1980

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12B

Encl: (1) Chronology of events for 1980
(2) Basic narrative
(3) Welcome Aboard Pamphlet
(4) Photograph of present Commanding Officer
(5) Autobiography of present Commanding Officer
(6) Photograph of USS JUNEAU
(7) Characteristics of USS JUNEAU
(8) History of USS JUNEAU

1. (U) In accordance with reference (a) the Command History for USS JUNEAU (LPD 10) for Calendar Year 1980 is submitted herewith as enclosures (1) through (8).


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CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS FOR 1980

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
01 JAN-02 JAN	Inport Hong Kong, BCC
02 JAN-04 JAN	Underway for White Beach, Okinawa
04 JAN-06 JAN	Inport White Beach, Okinawa
06 JAN-08 JAN	Underway for Inchon, Korea
08 JAN-11 JAN	Inport Inchon, Korea
11 JAN-14 JAN	Underway for Numazu, JA
14 JAN	Anchored Numazu, JA
14 JAN	Underway, night steam
15 JAN	Anchored Numazu, JA
16 JAN	Underway, Night steam
16 JAN-17 JAN	Anchored Numazu, JA
18 JAN-20 JAN	Underway for Okinawa, JA
20 JAN-21 JAN	Inport Okinawa, JA
20 JAN	Chief of Staff CTF 76 visits
21 JAN-28 JAN	Underway for Enewetak
28 JAN-29 JAN	Anchored Enewetak
29 JAN-02 FEB	Underway for Johnson ATOLL
02 FEB	Anchored north side Johnson ATOLL
03 FEB-05 FEB	Underway for Pearl Harbor, HI
05 FEB	Inport Pearl Harbor, HI
07 FEB-14 FEB	Underway for San Diego, CA
13 FEB	COMPHIBRON 5 visits
14 FEB-27 MAR	Inport San Diego, CA
14 MAR	Foreign officers from various services conduct tour of JUNEAU
27 MAR-28 MAR	Underway for Del Mar OPAREA
28 MAR-29 MAR	Anchored Del Mar OPAREA
28 MAR	BLT 3/1 embarks
29 MAR	Underway, OPAREA
29 MAR-30 MAR	Anchored Del Mar OPAREA
30 MAR-31 MAR	Underway for Del Mar Boat Basin
31 MAR-03 APR	Anchored Del Mar Boat Basin
03 APR-04 APR	Underway for SOCIAL OPAREA
03 APR	BLT 3/1 disembarks
04 APR	Underway for San Diego, CA
04 APR-14 APR	Inport San Diego, CA
07 APR	COMPHIBRON 5 visit
11 APR	COMPHIBRON 5 visit
14 APR	Underway for SOCIAL OPAREA
15 APR-15 APR	Anchored Coronado Roads
15 APR-17 APR	Underway SOCIAL OPAREA
15 APR	COMPHIBRON 5 arrives
17 APR-18 APR	Anchored SOCIAL OPAREA

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18 APR	Underway for San Diego, CA
18 APR-29 APR	Inport San Diego, CA
29 APR	Underway for INSURV Inspection, SOCIAL OPAREA
29 APR	COMPHIBRON 5 visit
29 APR-30 MAY	Inport San Diego, CA
20 MAY	COMPHIBRON NEASTPAC breaks his flag in USS JUNEAU
23 MAY	Shifted from Pier 12 to Pier 4, San Diego, CA
01 JUN-31 JUN	Inport San Diego, CA
01 JUL	Inport San Diego, CA
02 JUL	Shifted from Pier 4 to Pier 11
02 JUL-23 JUL	Inport San Diego, CA
23 JUL	Underway for Del Mar Boat Basin
23 JUL	USS JUNEAU underw tow of USNS LAIPAN
24 JUL-31 JUL	Inport San Diego, CA
25 JUL	Commanding Officer USS TRIPOLI visit
01 AUG-06 AUG	Inport San Diego, CA
06 AUG-08 AUG	Underway from SOCIAL OPAREAS
08 AUG-14 AUG	Inport San Diego, CA
14 AUG-15 AUG	Underway in SOCIAL OPAREAS
15 AUG-25 AUG	Inport San Diego, CA
18 AUG	COMPHIBRON 5 visit
25 AUG-26 AUG	Underway in SOCIAL OPAREAS
26 AUG	Anchored San Diego, CA
26 AUG	COMPHIBRON 5 visit
26 AUG-28 AUG	Underway from anchorage to Monterey Bay, CA
28 AUG-02 SEP	Moored Pier 31 San Francisco, CA
02 SEP-06 SEP	Underway for San Diego, CA
06 SEP-19 SEP	Inport San Diego, CA
12 SEP	COMPHIBRON 5 visit
19 SEP-30 SEP	Inport San Diego, CA
30 SEP	COMPHIBRON 5 disembarks JUNEAU
30 SEP-02 OCT	Inport San Diego, CA
06 OCT	Underway for anchorage at Green Beach, Silver Strand for AMPHIBREFTRA
06 OCT	Anchored Green Beach, Silver Strand
07 OCT-08 OCT	Underway for White Beach, CAMPEN
08 OCT	Anchored CAMPEN
08 OCT-10 OCT	Underway for San Diego, CA
10 OCT-15 OCT	Inport San Diego, CA
20 OCT-24 OCT	Underway for REFTRA
24 OCT-27 OCT	Inport San Diego, CA
27 OCT-31 OCT	Underway for Interim REFTRA
31 OCT-03 NOV	Inport San Diego, CA
03 NOV-07 NOV	Underway for 2nd week of Interim REFTRA

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07 NOV-08 DEC	Inport San Diego, CA
04 DEC-05 DEC	Underway for local ops SOCIAL
05 DEC-08 DEC	Inport San Diego, CA for PHIBLEX training
08 DEC-18 DEC	Underway: Operation KERNEL USHER 81-1
18 DEC	Moored LaPlaya Pier to offload MOGAS
18 DEC-19 DEC	Underway for San Diego, CA
19- DEC -31 DEC	Inport San Diego, CA

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BASIC NARRATIVE

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The first day of the new year found USS JUNEAU (LPD 10) anchored in Victoria Bay enjoying the sights and sounds of Hong Kong, B.C.C. On 2 January USS JUNEAU weighed anchor for the transit to White Beach, Okinawa, where she conducted onloading operations from the 4th through the 6th of January. Upon completion of onloading on the 6th, USS JUNEAU set sail for Inchon, Korea, arriving on the 8th. During the transit she conducted flight operations with the 377th Medical Company. Following her stay in Inchon from 8-11 January, USS JUNEAU headed for Numazu, Japan, where she conducted onload operations in support of Battalion Landing Team 2/4, U.S. Marine Corps from the 14th to the 17th of January. On 18 January she departed Numazu for a two day transit to Okinawa. Upon arrival in Okinawa on the 20th, the Commanding Officer of USS JUNEAU, Captain Charles R. Flather, welcomed the Chief of Staff of CTF 76 aboard.

During the period 21-28 January USS JUNEAU transitted to Enewetak where she anchored for two days. On the 29th of January she weighed anchor and set sail for Johnston Atoll. Although USS JUNEAU moored on the North Side of Johnston Atoll on February 2nd, the crossing of the International Date Line actually extended the transit by one day.

The end of the 1979-80 WESTPAC deployment was near as USS JUNEAU set sail on 3 February for Pearl Harbor, Hawaii where she arrived on the 5th. After a two day visit in Pearl Harbor, USS JUNEAU left Hawaii on the 7th for the last leg

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of her voyage home to San Diego, California and a long awaited reunion with families and friends. On the 14th of February the crew of USS JUNEAU sighted Point Loma, California and entered the channel to San Diego Harbor, where her return was given extensive coverage by the local news media.

On the day of her return USS JUNEAU began a leave and upkeep period lasting from 14 February to 27 March. On the 14th of March, one month after her return from a six month deployment in foreign waters, USS JUNEAU welcomed aboard a group of foreign officers for an impressive and informative tour. On the 27th of March USS JUNEAU transitted to Del Mar OPAREA where she embarked BLT 3/1 on the 28th. USS JUNEAU, with the BLT aboard, then transitted to Del Mar Boat Basin to conduct local operations and training. She returned to San Diego on 4 April where she was visited frequently by COMPHIBRON FIVE. From the 14th of April to the end of the month USS JUNEAU conducted local operations, culminating in an INSURV inspection on the 29th of April.

The month of May found USS JUNEAU pierside in San Diego with the only major occurrence being the transfer of COMPHIBGRUEASTPAC aboard on the 20th. Other than shifting piers, USS JUNEAU spent most of July inport. On the 23rd of July the ship slipped her moorings for a transit to Del Mar Boat Basin.


However, before USS JUNEAU arrived in Del Mar, she experienced some engineering difficulties which required her to be towed back to San Diego by USS LIPAN. Commanding Officer, USS TRIPOLI (LPH 10) was assigned to conduct an investigation into USS JUNEAU's engineering problems when she returned to port on the 24th of July. On 8 August USS JUNEAU underwent and passed her annual PMS inspection. During the rest of August, USS JUNEAU spent several underway periods training in preparation for her upcoming Refresher Training period and Operational Propulsion Plant Examination (OPPE). During the period of 30 August through 5 September

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USS JUNEAU underwent her Operational Plant Reexamination, passing with flying colors on her first attempt. Amphibious Refresher Training was next on the agenda, and once again USS JUNEAU excelled by passing her final battle problem with excellent results. During the latter part of October and the first week of November, USS JUNEAU conducted Interim Refresher Training, receiving a satisfactory grade. This was followed by the Supply Management Inspection which was conducted on the 10th and 11th of November, in which she also attained satisfactory results. For the remainder of November USS JUNEAU remained pierside in San Diego preparing for an upcoming PHIBLEX, Operation Kernal Usher 81-1 which was conducted from the 8th through 19th of December. USS JUNEAU finished out the year inport San Diego after an offload of MOGAS at LaPlaya Pier on 18 December. The normal holiday leave was granted accompanied by an upkeep period from 19-31 December 1980 in preparation for her next WESTPAC deployment.

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