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Command Operations Report 2012

1. Command Data:

Name of Command: USS CARNEY (DDG 64)

UIC: 21923

Name and Rank of Commanding Officer:

Last: Boran **First:** Marc **MI:** D **Rank:** CDR

Date Assumed Command: 23 November 2011

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: NORTHCOM/EUCOM/CENTCOM AOR

Permanent Location: Mayport, FL

Immediate Superior in Command:

Operational: Destroyer Squadron Fourteen

Administrative: Destroyer Squadron Fourteen

Task Force/ Group/ Unit name and Mission:

JAN 12 – FEB 12: CTF 508/CTF 55; FEB 12 CTF 65; FEB 12– DEC 12: CTF 80

Names of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned: NTR

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned: NTR

Commands, Detachments of Units deployed on board: NTR

Number of Personnel Assigned:

Officers: 32 **Enlisted:** 248 **Civilians:** 0

Command Point of Contact:

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USS CARNEY (DDG 64)

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2. Commander's Assessment:

CARNEY celebrated the new year in the Gulf of Aden, executing Counter-Piracy Operations in support of Operation Ocean Shield. On Friday 6 January CARNEY acting on intelligence from other counter piracy forces intercepted the Indian flagged dhow AL QASHMI off the coast of Oman. Once onboard CARNEY'S Visit, Board Search, and Seizure Team quickly discovered that all evidence of potential piracy had been disposed of and questioning of the dhow's crew revealed that they had been hijacked with the 9 suspected pirates launching from a different dhow. The suspected pirates were released into their own boats and given sufficient fuel, provisions and water to make the passage back to Somalia. On 13 January, CARNEY discovered a pirate mother ship that led to the capture of 13 suspected pirates by the British Navy. She transited through the Strait of Hormuz twice in support of a port visit in Bahrain for repairs to her gas turbine generator, and allowed CARNEY Sailors to enjoy the liberty and culture of the Kingdom of Bahrain. CARNEY finished her Counter-Piracy operations as she transited through the Internationally Recognized Transit Corridor in the Gulf of Aden from 28 to 31 January on her way to the Red Sea.

CARNEY began February in the Red Sea transiting towards the Suez Canal. On 5 February, CARNEY transited the Canal safely with no incidents, and chopped into 6th Fleet arriving in the Mediterranean Sea. While transiting the Mediterranean, CARNEY was diverted to the vicinity of the Greek Isles to seek shelter from a storm. After a 36 hour delay, she continued her transit west towards the Strait of Gibraltar. CARNEY transited the Strait of Gibraltar on 11 February and arrived in Rota, Spain for a port visit on the morning of the 12th. CARNEY Sailors had the opportunity to enjoy liberty in Spain during the visit, until departing on 17 February. While in port, a press release reported that CARNEY will be shifting their homeport to Rota, Spain in FY 2015. Departing Spain, CARNEY

continued west across the Atlantic Ocean. She was again diverted south to avoid a storm, but remained on schedule, chopping in to CTF 20 on 23 February. On 27 February, CARNEY arrived in Yorktown Weapons Station to conduct her ammo offload. It was CARNEY's first time back in the United States since August 1st, 2011. CARNEY completed a successful offload and departed Yorktown for her homeport of Mayport, Florida.

On 4 March, CARNEY was greeted by hundreds of friends and family, news crews, and the Destroyer Squadron 14 Commodore, Captain Flood, as she returned to homeport after a successful seven-month deployment. CARNEY's wardroom and crew did not miss a step as they transitioned into preparations for their scheduled Extended Drydock Selected Restricted Availability. As CARNEY Nation Warriors enjoyed their well-deserved leave during the ship's Post-Overseas Movement leave period, CARNEY began a great transformation as Sailors and civilian contractors began conducting tests and installing new equipment in support of CARNEY's scheduled dry dock maintenance availability for a Ballistic Missile Defense upgrade, the first of its' kind in the world. CARNEY also participated in the annual Navy-wide force protection exercise "Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield," hosting the major events for Naval Station Mayport, including simulated chemical warfare and swimmer attacks.

CARNEY entered April in full-swing of the dry dock maintenance availability, while welcoming new leadership on board and supporting various off-ship inspections and surveys. On 3 April CARNEY welcomed aboard Commander Edward Crossman, Prospective Executive Officer, and CARNEY's first XO-CO Fleet-up, and on 6 April, CARNEY's Executive Officer, Lieutenant Commander Glenn Powell departed CARNEY for the final time as the ship's XO. From 3-5 April, CARNEY began the first ever READ-E TYCOM Readiness Assessment under the new Surface Forces Readiness Manual. The first three days were used to assess Material Readiness of the ship. On 9 April, CARNEY's Ship's Store earned "Best in Class" Award for their "Superior level of service and excellence...." On 10 April, CARNEY hosted the Navy Safety Center's Safety Survey Team for a survey of CARNEY's safety readiness. CARNEY received excellent feedback from the results, and took steps to ensure that the ship maintains the highest level of safety standards. On 13 April, CARNEY hosted Commander of Naval Surface Force Atlantic, Rear Admiral Thomas for an insightful leadership discussion and ship walk-thru. Admiral Thomas spoke about leadership challenges throughout the fleet, and provided guidance for INSURV and deployment preparations. On 19 April, CARNEY transited under tow from Mayport Naval Station to BAE Drydock "Sustain" on the St. John's River. The evolution required a high level of attention to detail by all hands and resulted in docking CARNEY on time with no incident or discrepancy. From 23-25 April, CARNEY participated in the

second part of the TYCOM Readiness Assessment, assessing drills and capabilities of CARNEY's crew. To cap off the month, CARNEY hosted a Family Picnic on 27 April at Mayport NS for families and friends. Attendees enjoyed hotdogs, hamburgers and multiple games as the group enjoyed a beautiful afternoon.

CARNEY spent the month of May "on the blocks" at BAE Drydock Sustain. CARNEY continued through their robust Maintenance Availability, watching the ship transform and improve as it moved towards the halfway point of their maintenance phase. On 15 May, CARNEY Sailors attended a special screening of the new film BATTLESHIP. Various members of the crew were featured in the film about the US Navy engaged in a war with aliens. On 22 May, CARNEY Sailors welcomed home USS THE SULLIVANS from deployment. CARNEY ensured the ship arrived safely with no incident. While the ship underwent upgrades and modifications, CARNEY's crew also increased their training tempo, ensuring Sailors received multiple training opportunities including: Command Indoctrination, FATS Trainer, Shipboard Firefighting School, NCIS Child Abuse Training, SLAMEX, Ship Simulator, and SRF-A/B classes. Overall, more than one-third of the ship was TAD attending schools to prepare for the Basic Phase Training Cycle and deployment. While participating in the various training opportunities, CARNEY also conducted its' first Physical Fitness Assessment of 2012 at Mayport Naval Station, challenging Sailors to do their best. Following the PFA, CARNEY began Command Physical Training, giving Sailors an opportunity to train twice a week in the mornings to ensure Sailors maintain their physical readiness.

CARNEY began the month of June maintaining a steady strain on training and schools, as most CARNEY Sailors continued to graduate from Navy Schools and earn new qualifications. As the shipyard period approaches the scheduled departure in July, CARNEY Sailors took advantage of multiple off-ship events. On 15 June, the Secretary of the Navy, Ray Mabus, delivered a speech announcing the homeport shift of USS IWO JIMA, USS NEW YORK, and USS FORT MCHENRY to Mayport Naval Station by 2014. On 22 June, CARNEY Sailors attended a Navy League Luncheon to honor the Sailor of the Year, SH1 [REDACTED], in Daytona, Florida. This event gave the Officers and crew an excellent opportunity to spend time with Navy veterans and recognize their shipmates for their accomplishments. The Navy League provided an opportunity for a unique reenlistment opportunity at the Daytona International Speedway for IC1 [REDACTED]. To end the month of June, the CARNEY Wardroom hosted the United States Naval Academy Class of 1964 in Downtown Jacksonville, Florida for a formal dining out. At the event, LTJG [REDACTED] was awarded the Lanny King Leadership Award for Junior Officers, an award named

after CARNEY's first Commanding Officer. The event was a great success, allowing an opportunity for the Officers and guests to celebrate many navy traditions and ceremonies.

July was a very eventful month for CARNEY and her crew, as they transitioned from the BAE Drydock to Mayport Naval Station. On 2 July, CARNEY held a command-wide Safety Standdown for summer activities in preparation for the Fourth of July holiday. In celebration of summer, the Mayport Navy Food Management Team (NFMT) hosted the All American Platter Culinary Competition on 11 July at the NAS Jacksonville Flight Line Galley featuring burgers as the main course. USS CARNEY team of three, which included Culinary Specialist 1st Class [REDACTED], Culinary Specialist 2nd Class [REDACTED], and Culinary Specialist 3rd Class [REDACTED], won second place with their Roasted Jalapeno Cheddar Burger. On 13 July, CARNEY enjoyed a command picnic at Cavanaugh Park at Mayport Naval Station sponsored by the Multi-Cultural Committee. Each department provided food that represented a variety of cultures from around the world. Along with the variety of food, families and friends enjoyed the moon bounce & piñata and played softball, basketball, and volleyball providing a great opportunity for the CARNEY Family to celebrate the end of summer before school started back again. Throughout the month, CARNEY took advantage of multiple training opportunities including Security Reaction Force-Basic, Small Arms Gunshoot, and RADM Familiarization. On 31 July, CARNEY was transferred back to Mayport Naval Station after 103 days of drydock. The ship and barge were towed back, involving an all-hands, 13-hour evolution that resulted in no casualties or personnel injuries. While transiting the St. John's River, the Chief Selection results were released with CARNEY having 10 Sailors selected to wear khaki, per capita more than any command at Mayport Naval Station. CARNEY's selectees were: CSC (SEL) [REDACTED], FCC (SEL) [REDACTED], GSMC (SEL) [REDACTED], SHC (SEL) [REDACTED], OSC (SEL) [REDACTED], GSEC (SEL) [REDACTED], ICC (SEL) [REDACTED], FCC (SEL) [REDACTED], OSC (SEL) [REDACTED], and ITC (SEL) [REDACTED]. The Selectees immediately began their induction upon hearing about their selection.

August was an exciting month on board CARNEY as she pushed forward through her Maintenance Availability and moved closer to her next underway under her own power. CARNEY began her Maintenance Phase Training Cycle 1.0 and 2.0 events on 6 August with EW 2.0 and MOB-D 1.0. The following week CARNEY executed MOB-E, FSOM, NAVOSH, and Critical Programs Phase 0 events. Assessors from Afloat Training Group come onto the ship and conducted administrative reviews of each warfare area and provided training for CARNEY Sailors to complete the Basic Phase and maintain her readiness for National tasking. This marks the first time CARNEY will

go through the new Training Cycle under the revised Surface Force Readiness Manual. On 27 August, CARNEY initiated her Command Indoctrination program for all new personnel. This training covered the standards and expectations on CARNEY and allowed Program Coordinators to introduce themselves and their program to the new check-ins. CARNEY also executed her AEGIS System Light-Off, bringing the new Combat Systems suite online for the first time, test the operability and functionality of the system. CARNEY Sailors were given the opportunity to attend talks from two distinguished visitors to Mayport Naval Station. First Lady Michelle Obama and the Chief on Naval Personnel, Vice Adm. Scott R. Van Buskirk provided important insight for their audiences and a once in a lifetime opportunity for CARNEY Sailors. Throughout the month the Chief Petty Officer Selectees continued their induction process in preparation for their promotion ceremony in September.

CARNEY continued to maintain a steady strain through the month of September, as the crew continued to work towards Contractor Sea Trials in November. Sailors were sent to various schools in preparation for Basic Phase events. Ship's INDOC and DC Olympics were conducted simultaneously with Main Space Fire Drills in preparation for the scheduled engineering evaluations. CARNEY's DCCT team held numerous walk-throughs to train repair locker personnel and establish a safe training environment. CARNEY improved its readiness with command-wide Alcohol and Sexual Assault and Prevention training. The command leadership attended discussion-based training to discuss sexual assault and alcohol abuse detection, confrontation, and solutions. The training was passed down to the rest of the crew in an open discussion forum that allowed diverse views and concerns to be expressed. PERS-41 Officer Detailers visited Mayport Naval Station, and gave the Wardroom an opportunity to discuss career timelines and milestones for Surface Warfare Officers. On 14 September, the Chief Petty Officer Selectees concluded their rigorous indoctrination process during the pinning ceremony with CARNEY Sailors, family members, and special guests. Supply, Medical, and Engineering Departments had numerous Basic Phase events throughout the month, all with successful results. Engineering Department finished the month with an ISIC Light-Off Assessment (LOA), preparing for their actual LOA in October.

October offered multiple opportunities for CARNEY Sailors to excel. Sailors began the month attending Ballistic Missile Defense training at CSCS Mayport, as they learned how to operate the newly installed Combat Systems Program on board. CIC watchstanders spent a week learning the intricacies and functionality of the software upgrade. Sailors demonstrated their physical readiness in executing the Physical Readiness Test and weigh-ins. Preparations for Contractor Sea Trials were in full swing as Warfare Area Leads provided feedback for

their operational and manning needs. Engineering Department initiated an effective training plan for Damage Control and Engineering drills, that allowed for unqualified personnel to develop into fully effective Damage Control response personnel. The spotlight was on the Engineering Department during the final week of the month. Countless hours of drills, maintenance, and repairs led to a grueling week of Light Off Assessment. After months of preparation, CARNEY was assessed as "Ready to Light-Off". Following the completion of LOA, CARNEY immediately shifted into Dock Trials, testing vital equipment to ensure the ship was prepared to get underway.

The busy schedule and high operational tempo carried into November, beginning with CARNEY passing Crew Certification, as well as conducting an ammunition onload and Dock Trials in preparation for the ship's first independent steaming underway period since its return from deployment in early March. On 6 November, many personnel took time out of their busy day to attend local voting offices to submit their ballots for the Presidential, Congressional, State, and local government official elections. The crew executed a two day Fast Cruise as a final refresher and training evolution for Sea Trials, which comprised of a full watchstanding rotation, as well as simulations of tests to be conducted during the underway period. On 9 November, several CARNEY Warriors attended the first annual Navy-Marine Corps Classic Basketball Game held on the flight deck of USS BATAAN (LPD 5) between Georgetown University and the University of Florida. Despite the game being cancelled at halftime due to weather concerns, many crew members enjoyed the free pregame concert performance by Little Big Town, and the overall experience of a Nationally televised sporting event on base. CARNEY's eight months of dry-dock, contractor work, and training culminated in Contractor Sea Trials from 13-19 November, marking the conclusion of the DSRA CNO Availability. Major events of the Sea Trials included Communications/Operational checks of all antennas and sensors, a full power run with rudder swing checks, Anchor Drop Test, Counter Measure Wash Down, firing of the 5 inch Gun, CIWS and Crew-Served Weapons, and numerous BMD tests and validations. The crew concluded a successful underway with the news that 41 CARNEY Warriors achieved advancement in rank, with five personnel reaching Petty Officer First Class, twenty-two reaching Petty Officer Second Class, and fourteen reaching Petty Officer Third Class respectively. CARNEY enjoyed a brief, yet well-deserved Thanksgiving break before returning to a fast-paced schedule filled with ATG assessments and other Training Cycle evolutions.

December opened in a challenging way to the planning and personnel management of CARNEY leadership, as a series of rigorous and simultaneous assessments commenced, which consisted of Air 1.4

(AVCERT), CCC 1.1, EXPSAF 1.1, EMC/HERP/HERF Cert, MOB-D 1.1B, MOB-N 1.3A, USW 2.1A, STW 2.1A, EW 2.1A events. 3 December marked a sign of cold winter months ahead, as the Dress Uniform shifted to Dress Blues. Rear Admiral Thomas, Commander of Naval Surface Forces Atlantic, visited CARNEY on 7 December to observe progress and preparations for INSURV to be held the following summer. After an overall successful and productive visit from CNSL, the day was capped off with a frocking ceremony for the 41 CARNEY Warriors that advanced in rank during the previous exam cycle. The CARNEY First Class Petty Officers' Association hosted a children's Holiday Party for CARNEY families at the local Mayport USO on 8 December. The major event of the month took place in the form of TYCOM Sea Trials during the week of 10 to 14 December. This gave CARNEY the opportunity to validate events that did not take place during the previous month's Contractor Sea Trials, as well as enabled CARNEY to conduct a Pre-INSURV Assessment. CARNEY effectively achieved certifications in Flight Deck operations, Navigation ISIC Check Ride, as well as completion of events such as Precision Anchorage, Crash & Smash Drills, General Quarters and Main Space Fire Drills, Full Power Demonstration, Anchor Windlass and Drop Test Demonstration, EPCC Dance, and numerous In-port INSURV Checks. Following a busy week of certifications and qualifications, CARNEY Nation enjoyed its traditional Holiday Party on 15 December. Over 180 CARNEY Warriors and their significant others attended the party at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Jacksonville, which proved to be a memorable night filled with fine dining, dancing, and over fifteen thousand dollars worth of prize giveaways, capped off with CS3 Murray walking away with the grand prize of a 65 inch 3D LED HDTV. The month concluded with MOB-E 1.2, AT 1.2, MOB-S 1.1, and SUP 1.1 ATG events prior to the two-week stand-down period for the crew to enjoy the Holidays with their families and loved ones. The 2012 calendar year was a busy, yet productive period for CARNEY and its dedicated and tireless crew, filled with deployment, dry-docking, a BMD upgrade, and numerous certifications and assessments. CARNEY Nation continues to set high standards and bring an abundance of momentum into 2013.

Throughout the year, CARNEY took the time to recognize the hard work of a few individual Sailors. Those awards were presented as follows:

Sailors of the Year

SH1 [REDACTED]

BM1 [REDACTED]

DC3 [REDACTED]

<u>Sailors of the Quarter, Q1</u>	<u>Sailors of the Quarter, Q2</u>	<u>Sailors of the Quarter, Q3</u>	<u>Sailors of the Quarter, Q4</u>
IC1 [REDACTED]	NC1 [REDACTED]	SH1 [REDACTED]	CS1 [REDACTED]
BM2 [REDACTED]	LS2 [REDACTED]	GSM2 [REDACTED]	ET2 [REDACTED]
GSE3 [REDACTED]	DC3 [REDACTED]	YN3 [REDACTED]	FC3 [REDACTED]

FSA Hard Charger of the Month

October GSMFN [REDACTED]

November SN [REDACTED]

December HM3 [REDACTED]

3. Chronology and Narrative:

1 JAN – 14 JAN	Gulf of Aden – Counter Piracy Operations
14 JAN – 17 JAN	Transit to Manama, Bahrain
15 JAN	Strait of Hormuz Transit
17 JAN – 25 JAN	Port Visit: Manama, Bahrain
25 JAN – 5 FEB	Transit to Suez Canal
27 JAN	Strait of Hormuz Transit
5 Feb	Suez Canal Transit/Chop C6F
12 FEB – 17 FEB	Port Visit: Rota, Spain
17 FEB – 27 FEB	TRANSLANT
23 FEB	Chop CTF 20
27 FEB – 2 MAR	Port Visit: Yorktown, Virginia
4 MAR	Arrive Mayport, Florida
4 MAR – 19 APR	Mayport, Florida
19 APR – 31 JUL	BAE Shipyard “Sustain” - Jacksonville, FL
31 JUL – 13 NOV	Mayport, Florida
13 NOV – 19 NOV	Contractor Sea Trials - JAXOPAREA
19 NOV – 10 DEC	Mayport, Florida
10 DEC – 14 DEC	TYCOM Sea Trials – JAXOPAREA
14 DEC – 31 DEC	Mayport, Florida

4. Supporting Reports:

COMSECONDFLT 302230ZNOV09 NAVYWIDE OPTASK COUNTER PIRACY

COMFIFTHFLT 111242ZMAR11 OPTASK AIR DEFENCE

COMSTRKFORTRALANT	091500ZAPR11	INDEPENDENT DEPLOYER CERTIFICATION BASELINE SOE
COMNAVSUPSYSCOM	091316ZAPR12	SHIPS STORE RETAIL AND SERVICES EXCELLENCE AWARD/BEST OF CLASS DESIGNATION
CTF 508	201703ZMAY11	OPTASK COUNTER PIRACY
COMFIFTHFLT	161825ZJUN11	EXORD COUNTER PIRACY
COMSECONDFLT	221545ZJUN11	USS CARNEY DEPLOYMENT CERTIFICATION REPORT
COMUSFLTFORCOM	221415ZJUL11	USS CARNEY DEPLOYMENT ORDER
USS CARNEY	271405ZJAN12	AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR MANAMA, BAHRAIN
USS CARNEY	071520ZFEB12	SUEZ CANAL AFTER ACTION REPORT
CTF 20	071930ZFEB12	USS CARNEY TRANSIT PLAN APPROVAL
USS CARNEY	171500ZFEB12	AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR ROTA, SPAIN
COMNAVSURFPAC	020100ZMAR12	2011 FORCE HEALTH & WELLNESS UNIT AWARD
COMNAVSURFOR	231400ZMAR12	2011 JO AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TACTICS
COMNACSURFOR	231430ZMAR12	2011 UNIT TACTICS AWARD
COMDESRON 14	171421ZDEC12	COMDESRON FOURTEEN CARNEY (DDG 64) NAVIGATION ASSESSMENT QUALIFICATION REPORT

5. **Published Documents:**

1. NATO Task Force neutralizes two pirate mother ships – NATO News, 8 January, 2012
2. British Navy captures 13 suspected Somali pirates – Reuters, 14 January, 2012
3. Carney Tapped for Port Change – Florida-Times Union, 22 February, 2012
4. USS CARNEY sailors back in Mayport after 7-month deployment – Florida-Times Union, 4 March 2012
5. BAE Systems wins \$22 Million Destroyer Contract – Jacksonville Business Journal, 8 March 2012

6. Mayport Brings Down 'Curtain' – Mayport Mirror, 28 March, 2012
7. More Ships for Mayport – Florida-Times Union, 20 June, 2012
8. Teams Compete For All American Platter Title - Florida-Times Union, 25 July, 2012

Photographs:

1. CARNEY conducting Counter-Piracy Operations in the Gulf of Aden
2. CARNEY VBSS team conducting Counter-Piracy Operations in the Gulf of Aden
3. CARNEY conducting a refueling at sea with USNS Kanawha in the Mediterranean Sea
4. CARNEY wardroom on forecastle on TRANSLANT
5. End of Deployment Awards Ceremony conducted on the flight deck
6. CARNEY Sailors in Victory Lane at Daytona International Speedway
7. Officers at the Wardroom Dining Out
8. CARNEY Crew in Drydock
9. Commander Boran at a Promotion Ceremony with IT3 [REDACTED]
10. CARNEY Sailors at the Holiday Christmas Party











