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- Encl:
- (1) Chronology
  - (2) Basic Narrative
  - (3) 1969 Cruise Report
  - (4) 1969 Intelligence Report
  - (5) Technical/Statistical Study of ENTERPRISE
  - (6) SPOMS Guide
  - (7) Press Clippings
  - (8) Change of Command Brochures
  - (9) Welcome Aboard Folders and Photographs
  - (10) Port Visit Handouts for Crew
  - (11) Muster Roll and Roster of Officers
  - (12) Congratulatory Messages and Letters
  - (13) Important Issues of the Ship's Newspaper

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1) through (13) are forwarded as ENTERPRISE's 1969 Command History.

  
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## CHRONOLOGY

1-5 JAN Inport Alameda.

6 JAN Underway from Alameda for Pearl Harbor.

13-14 JAN Operational Readiness Inspection.

14 JAN ORI terminated by fire/explosions on flight deck. 27 dead, 62 hospitalized. CINCPACFLT inspected fire damage.

14 JAN - 4 MAR Inport Pearl Harbor.

15 JAN Preliminary investigation of 14 JAN incident by COMCARDIV ONE.

16 JAN SAR terminated. COMCARDIV SEVEN on board as Senior Member Formal Investigating Board.

11 FEB Formal Investigating Board completed investigation.

27 FEB ENTERPRISE presented with plaque commemorating relations between ship and shipyard during repairs.

3-4 MAR CINCPACFLT pre-deployment briefings.

3 MAR Conducted fast cruise.

5-10 MAR Hawaiian area operations and refresher training.

11 MAR Underway for WESTPAC.

13 MAR Crossed International Date Line.

22-26 MAR Philippine area operations.

27-28 MAR Inport Subic Bay. Pre-SPECOPS briefings by various WESTPAC activities. Embarked COMCARDIV ONE.

31 MAR - 16 APR SPECOPS Yankee Station.

Enclosure (1)

31 MAR One RA5C from RVAH-6 lost over Laos. Pilots missing.

16 APR TF 71 activated for North Korean contingency. Enroute to Tsushima Straits/Sea of Japan.

19 APR Intercepted two separate Bear overflights.

22 APR Overflown by two Bears in Sea of Japan.

26 APR Transit Tsushima Straits enroute from Sea of Japan to Defender Station in Yellow Sea.

12 MAY Departed Defender Station enroute to Subic Bay.

14-20 MAY Inport Subic Bay.

24-28 MAY Inport Singapore.

31 MAY - 16 JUN SPECOPS Yankee Station.

1 JUN One A-7B from VA-215 lost. Pilot recovered.

18-19 JUN Inport Subic Bay. Disembarked COMCARDIV ONE.

20 JUN Departed Subic Bay for Alameda.

27 JUN Crossed International Date Line.

2-13 JUL Inport Alameda.

8 JUL Change of Command. CAPT K. L. LEE, USN, relieved by CAPT F. S. PETERSEN, USN.

14 JUL Underway for Norfolk.

18 JUL Crossed equator. Initiated 2,380 new Shellbacks.

24 JUL Rounded Cape Horn.

29 JUL - 2 AUG Inport Rio de Janeiro.

12 AUG -10 OCT Inport Norfolk Naval Shipyard.

12 AUG Commenced overhaul.

22 AUG

Moved to Dry Dock #8, NNSY.

11 OCT

Deadplant transit from NNSY to Newport News Shipbuilding  
and Drydocking Company, Newport News, Virginia.

11 OCT - 31 DEC

Inport Newport News.