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From: Commanding Officer, USS SPRUANCE (DD 963)

To: Director of Naval History (OP-09BH)

Subj: USS SPRUANCE (DD-963) COMMAND HISTORY (OPNAV REPORT

5750-1)(U)

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.12D

Encl: (1) CDR Gottschalk's Biography

(2) CDR Parker's Biography

(3) Photograph of USS SPRUANCE (DD-963), B & W 8" x 10"

(4) Welcome Aboard pamphlet (5) Change of Command Booklet (6) Cruisebook - Retrospect

(7) March Familygram (8) April Familygram (9) May Familygram

(10) June Familygram (11) July Familygram (12) August Familygram

(13) September Familygram (14) October Familygram (15) November Familygram

(16) December Familygram

(17) End of Deployment Report - USS SPRUANCE MSG 261600Z OCT 88 (Confidential)

This report is submitted per reference (a) and covers the period 01 January through 31 December 1988.

COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

Mission:

The Primary missions of USS SPRUANCE are Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) and Anti-Surface Warfare (ASUW/Strike Warfare). ASW encompasses the detection, localization, identification, and destruction of hostile submarines. ASUW/Strike Warfare involves the offensive employment of the Tomahawk Missile fired from the Vertical Launching System against land based or ship targets. USS SPRUANCE is also capable of Naval Gunfire Support, Anti-Air Warfare for self-protection, Command, Control and Communications, and humanitarian missions such as rescue and evacuation operations.



Organizational Structure:

Immediate Senior in Command:

Commander Destroyer Squadron Eight
Captain Glynn Q. Lane, Jr. 01 JAN - 31 DEC 88

Operational Commanders Embarked During the Year:

Commander Submarine Group Two Rear Admiral Larry G. Vogt

10 JAN-23 JAN 88

Commander Cruiser Destroyer Group Two

Rear Admiral Richard D. Milligan

21 MAR-30 MAR 88

Commander Cruiser Destroyer Group Twelve Rear Admiral Roland G. Guilbault

07 DEC-14 DEC 88

Commander Destroyer Squadron Fourteen Captain David P. Yonkers Captain John P. Collins, Jr.

01 APR-04 MAY 88

04 MAY-08 MAY 88

06 JUN-25 OCT 88

Units under SPRUANCE's operational/administrative control:

Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light (HSL)

HSL 44, DET 6

Helo tail code: MAGNUM 445

01 JAN-19 JAN 88

HSL 44, DET 8

Helo tail codes: MAGNUM 444

25 APR-25 OCT 88

Name of Commanding Officer:

Commander Glenn F. Gottschalk 01 January-27 February 1988 Commander Travis W. Parker, Jr. 27 February-31 December 1988

Biography of Commanding Officers:

See Enclosures (1), (2) and (4).

Homeport: Naval Station, Mayport, Florida

1988 Sailor of the Year: CTM2(SW) Lee E. Zeidler

II. CHRONOLOGY

INPORT Mayport, FL 01 JAN-04 JAN

04 JAN-07 JAN UNDERWAY Jacksonville Operations Area

(JAX OP AREA)

Rast Landing Qualifications and Deck Landing

Qualifications (RLQs & DLQs)

07 JAN 07 JAN-11 JAN COMCRUDESGRU TWELVE - CHANGE OF COMMAND

INPORT Mayport, FL EMBARK COMSUBGRU TWO & STAFF 10 JAN

EMBARK COMDESRON TWENTY-SIX & STAFF

11 JAN-23 JAN UNDERWAY - FLEETEX 1-88





19) JAN		Embarked helo, MAGNUM 445, crashed over the
			side with the loss of LT MICHEAL WALKER, USN,
23	JAN-24	TAN	Pilot and the helicopter.
	JAN 24	JAN	INPORT Roosevelt Roads, PR DEBARK COMSUBGRU TWO & STAFF
20	JAN		DEBARK COMBOBGRO TWO G STAFF DEBARK COMDESRON TWENTY-SIX & STAFF
2.4	JAN-28	JAN	TRANSIT Roosevelt Roads, PR to Mayport, FL
	JAN-10		INPORT Mayport, FL
	JAN-29		Nuclear Weapons Assist Team (NWAT)
	FEB-05		Nuclear Weapons Acceptance Inspection (NWAI)
	FEB-12		Tomahawk Tactical Qualification Testing (TTQT)
10	FEB-12	FEB	UNDERWAY JAX OP AREA
	FEB-15		INPORT Mayport, FL
	FEB		USS SPRUANCE - CHANGE OF COMMAND
	FEB-22	APR	IMAV with SIMA, MAYPORT
07	MAR-10	MAR	IUC INSPECTION
15	MAR-16	MAR	TRANSIT to Naval Weapons Station,
			Charleston, SC
			Operational Test Launch (OTL) Certification
16	MAR-18	MAR	INPORT Naval Weapons Station, Charleston, SC
			Weapons Onload
	MAR	Taller	TRANSIT to Naval Station, Charleston, SC
	MAR-21	MAR	INPORT Naval Station, Charleston, SC
	MAR		EMBARK COMCRUDESGRU TWO
21	MAR-30	MAR	UNDERWAY to Gulf of Mexico for Tomahawk
2.6	MAR-27	MAR	Operational Test Launch (OTL) OTL of a Tomahawk missile from the Vertical
	/		Launching System
30	MAR-31	MAR	INPORT Naval Weapons Station, Charleston, SC
30	MAR		DEBARK COMCRUDESGRU TWO
31	MAR		TRANSIT to Mayport, FL
	MAR-20	APR	INPORT Mayport, FL
	APR		EMBARK COMDESRON FOURTEEN
	APR-08		HARPOON QUAL CERT
13	APR-15	APR	IUC INSPECTION - RE-INSPECTION
	APR		DESRON FOURTEEN STAFF moves aboard
	APR		TRANSIT to Naval Weapons Station, Charleston, SC
	APR-21		INPORT Naval Weapons Station, Charleston, SC
	APR-22		TRANSIT to Mayport, FL
	APR-25	APR	INPORT Mayport, FL
	APR		*** COMMENCED SIX MONTH DEPLOYMENT *** LANT/MED/IO 2-88
25	APR-06	MAY	UNDERWAY/TRANSIT to Atlantic Ocean
	MAY		COMDESRON FOURTEEN - CHANGE OF COMMAND
06	MAY		TRANSIT Straits of Gibraltar CHOP to COMSIXFLT
	MAY-12	MAY	TRANSIT Mediterranean Sea
08	MAY		COMDESRON FOURTEEN DEPARTED for BALTOPS
			Conference
			——DECLE CONTROL
			LEATHER STEED
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TUNISIAN PASSEX 08 MAY-09 MAY FAS USS MILWAUKEE (AOR-2) 11 MAY ANCHORED at Port Said, EGYPT 12 MAY-13 MAY 13 MAY-14 MAY TRANSIT Suez Canal CHOP TO CINCPACELT TRANSIT Red Sea 14 MAY-16 MAY FAS USS MILWAUKEE 15 MAY TRANSIT Straits of Bab El Mandeb/Gulf of Aden 16 MAY-17 MAY CHO№ TO COMMIDEASTFOR 17 MAY-20 MAY TRANSIT North Arabian Sea FAS USS MILWAUKEE 19 MAY RELIEVED USS TRUXTON (CGN-35) as Straits of 20 MAY-09 JUN Hormuz Eastern Patrol Area (SOHEPA) Gate Guard in the Gulf of Oman FAS USS MILWAUKEE 22 MAY FAS USS MILWAUKEE 25 MAY FAS USS MILWAUKEE 26 MAY FAS USS MILWAUKEE 01 JUN RAS USNS PONCHATOULA (T-AO-148) 06 JUN RETURN of COMDESRON FOURTEEN DEBARKED COMDESRON FOURTEEN to the USS 09 JUN DAHLGREN (DDG-42) RELIEVED by USS DAHLGREN as SOHEPA Gate Guard MOORED alongside USS O'BRIEN (DD-975) and USS 11 JUN-16 JUN SAMUEL GOMPERS (AD-37) which was anchored at Ras Al Haad for TENDER AVAILABILITY (TAV) UNDERWAY 16 JUN ANCHORED at Ras Al Haad 16 JUN-17 JUN TRANSIT to SOHEPA 17 JUN-19 JUN UNREP USNS PONCHATOULA UNDERWAY in SOHEPA 19 JUN-03 JUL EMBARK COMDESRON FOURTEEN from USS DAHLGREN 19 JUN RELIEVED USS DAHLGREN as SOHEPA Gate Guard 19 JUN-11 JUL RAS/FAS USNS PONCHATOULA 22 JUL VERTREP USNS SPICA (T-AFS-9) 28 JUL ANCHORED Fujairah, UAE 03 JUL UNDERWAY in SOHEPA 03 JUL-11 JUL SPRUANCE's helo MAGNUM 444 transported 04 JUL critically ill Polish national from the Greek fishing vessel AEGEAN to Fujairah, UAE. FAS USNS PONCHATOULA 07 JUL Good will crew member exchange with HMS 08 JUL BEAVER (F93) RELIEVED by USS DAHLGREN as SOHEPA Gate Guard 11 JUL 11 JUL-13 JUL 11 JUL TRANSIT to Ras Al Haad RAS/FAS USNS PONCHATOULA MOORED alongside USS JOHN HANCOCK (DD-981) 13 JUL-19 JUL and USS EMORY S. LAND (AS-39) which was



anchored at Ras Al Haad for TAV



19	JUL		UNDERWAY
20	JUL-22	TIII	ÄNCHORED Ras Al Haad UNDERWAY North Arabian Sea
20	7 001 22	301	UNREP USNS SPICA
			FAS USNS PONCHATOULA
22	JUL-23	JUL	TRANSIT to SOHEPA
23	JUL-27	JUL	RELIEVED USS DAHLGREN as SOHEPA Gate Guard
27	JUL .		RELIEVED as SOHEPA Gate Guard by the USS
			VINCENNES (CG-49)
	JUL-03	AUG	UNDERWAY North Arabian Sea
	JUL		FAS USS MILWAUKEE
	JUL		FAS USNS PONCHATOULA
0 2	AUG		CHOP to CINCPACFLT FAS USS MILWAUKEE
0.7	ATTO		
03	AUG-06	AIIG	TRANSIT Gulf of Aden/Straits of Bab El Mandeb TRANSIT Red Sea
	AUG	NOG	RAS USS MILWAUKEE
	AUG		ANCHOR Port Suez, EGYPT
	AUG-07	AUG	TRANSIT Suez Canal
	AUG		CHOP to COMSIXFLT
07	AUG-09	AUG	TRANSIT Eastern Mediterranean Sea
	AUG		TRANSIT Straits of Messina, Northbound
	AUG-10		TRANSIT to Naples, Italy
	AUG-16	AUG	MED MOOR Naples, Italy
	AUG		TRANSIT to Straits of Messina
17	AUG		UNREP USNS HENRY KAISER (T-AO-187)
17	AUG-19	AIIG	TRANSIT Straits of Messina, Southbound NATIONAL WEEK EXERCISE
	AUG	AUG	TRANSIT Straits of Messina, Northbound
	AUG		COMSIXFLT - CHANGE OF COMMAND: Pass in Review
20	AUG-22	AUG	off coast of Naples, ITALY TRANSIT to Palma, SPAIN
	AUG		UNREP USS SAN DIEGO (AFS-6)
	AUG	41	FAS USNS USS WACCAMAW (T-AO-109)
	AUG-28	AUG	INPORT Palma de Mallorca, SPAIN
22	AUG		Hindered from lowering accommodation ladder
20	ATIC		to pier by Green Peace protesters.
20	AUG		UNDERWAY for the North Atlantic Ocean COMMENCE TEAMWORK 88
			FAS USNS WACCAMAW
29	AUG		TRANSIT Straits of Gibraltar
	AUG-30	AUG	IBERLANT PASSEX
	AUG-24		UNDERWAY North Atlantic Ocean
	AUG		CHOP to CINCLANTFLT
			FAS USS MILWAUKEE
	SEP		CHOP to NATO/CINCUSNAVEUR
	SEP		FAS USS MILWAUKEE
	SEP		FAS RFA GOLD ROVER (A-271)
	SEP		FAS RFA GOLD ROVER
14	SEP		FAS RFA OLMEDA (A-124)



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	1 8	SEP		FAS RFA OLMEDA
	20	SEP		FAS FGS SPESSART (A-1442)
		SEP	OPP	FAS USS DETROIT (AOE-4)
	24	SEP-26	SEP	TRANSIT Skaggerak, Kattegat, Great Belt of
				Denmark and the Baltic Sea to Helsinki,
				Finland
	26	SEP-28	SEP	INPORT Helsinki, FINLAND
	26	SEP		LUNCHEON hosted by Deputy CINCUSNAVEUR for
				the U. S. Ambassador to Finland, the Finnish
				Ambassador to the U.S.
	28	SEP-30	SED	TRANSIT baltic Sea and Great Belt of Denmark
	20	OLI JU	OLI	to Aarhus, DENMARK
	70	SEP-03	OCT	
				INPORT Aarhus, DENMARK
		OCT-04		TRANSIT Great Belt of Denmark to Baltic Sea
		OCT-07		BALTOPS 88
	07	OCT-08	OCT	TRANSIT Great Belt of Denmark to Kiel, WEST
				GERMANY
	08	OCT-11	OCT	INPORT Kiel, WEST GERMANY (FEDERAL REPUBLIC
				OF GERMANY)
	11	OCT		TRANSIT Kattegat and Skaggerak
		OCT		FAS USS SAVANNAH (AOR-4)
		OCT-13	OCT	TRANSIT North Sea
		OCT	001	TRANSIT English Channel
	17	OCT 25	OCT '	TRANSIT Ligital Channel
		OCT-25	UCI	TRANSIT Atlantic Ocean for Mayport, FL
	19	OCT		FAS USS SAVANNAH
	21	OCT		FAS USS SAVANNAH
	22	OCT		PASS Bermuda - pick up Propulsion Examining
				Board
	22	OCT-23	OCT	OPERATIONAL PROPULSION PLANT EXAM
	25	OCT		*** COMPLETED SIX MONTH DEPLOYMENT ***
	25	OCT-28	NOV	INPORT Mayport, FL
				Commence Post Deployment Standdown
	15	NOV		AWARDS CEREMONY with COMCARGRU SIX
		NOV		Secured from Post Deployment Standdown
150			DEC	
	0.2	NOV-02 DEC-04	DEC	TRANSIT to NAVWEPSTA Charleston, SC
	04	DEC-06	DEC	INPORT NAVWEPSTA Charleston, SC
	04	DEC-00	DEC	Weapons Off Load
	0.0	DEC OO	DEC	
		DEC-09	DEC	TRANSIT to Mayport, FL
	09	DEC		UNDERWAY JAX OP AREA
	lestrer.	NASTRAMINA GOVERN	(1870)00 (2011	Dependents Cruise
		DEC-12		INPORT Mayport, FL
	12	DEC-14	DEC	UNDERWAY JAX OP AREA for RLQs/DLQs
		DEC-31		INPORT Mayport, FL
		DEC		AWARDS CEREMONY with COMCRUDESGRU TWELVE
		DEC		Commence Holiday Standdown
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III. Narrative

The first days of the year were busy ones for USS SPRUANCE as the ship got underway on 04 January for RAST Landing



Qualifications and Deck Landing Qualifications (RLQs/DLQs) training for the SH-60B Helicopter pilots.

The following command and control equipment systems: JOTS, POST, and TEPEE were installed prior to the ship getting underway for FLEETEX 1-88.

COMSUBGRU TWO and COMDESRON TWENTY-SIX and their staffs embarked SPRUANCE for FLEETEX 1-88 in preparation for an early deployment in April. The main purpose of the FLEETEX for SPRUANCE was to act as an ASW outer perimeter asset for the carrier battle group.

During the FLEETEX the ship's embarked helicopter MAGNUM 445 crashed over the side during the dark night of 19 January. The crash resulted in the loss of LT MICHAEL WALKER, USN, Pilot, and the aircraft. The other pilot and the aircrewman were rescued by USS SPRUANCE personnel using the motor whale boat. The investigation of the crash showed that pilot error lead to the crash.

On 27 February CDR Travis W. Parker relieved CDR Glenn F. Gottschalk, in a ceremony on the ship's flight deck where CAPT David P. Yonkers, CDS 14, was the guest speaker and CAPT Glynn Q. Lane, CDS 8, attended.

The ship conducted an IMAV with the assistance of SIMA, Mayport from 28 February to 22 April while being out of port a fare portion of the time preparing for the April deployment.

The ship conducted the first Operational Test Launch from a fleet unit of the Tomahawk Cruise Missile from a Vertical Launcher on 26 March 1988 with RADM Richard Milligan, COMCRUDESGRU TWO, embarked. The launch took place in the Gulf of Mexico where one simulated TLAM was launched and followed by two F-14 chase planes.

SPRUANCE commenced the deployment as the first Mayport based ship underway breaking out with the USS FORRESTAL (CV-59) on 25 April 1988. SPRUANCE's assignment, to screen the battle group breakout as the long range ASW asset sprinting ahead of the group.

SPRUANCE proceeded in company with the USS FORRESTAL, USS ELMER MONTGOMERY (FF-1082), USS SEMMES (DDG-18), USS DAHLGREN (DD-43), USS PHARRIS (FF-1094) and USS MILWAUKEE (AOR-2) across the Atlantic Ocean, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea and Indian Ocean in route to the North Arabian Sea.



On the transit of the Atlantic Ocean the ships in the battle group were conducting INCSEA exercises, General Quarters, or battle station and firing the guns and conducting basic engineering casualty control exercises.

Upon arrival in the North Arabian Sea SPRUANCE proceeded to the Straits of Hormuz Eastern Patrol Area (SOHEPA) where she relieved USS TRUXTON (CGN-35) as the gate guard ship for the mouth of the straits. Here SPRUANCE was used due to her Outboard capability as an intelligence gathering platform and a capable combat ready unit. USS SPRUANCE aggressively monitored and reported merchant and naval shipping in the straits identifying units, their ports of origin and destinations. SPRUANCE also routinely monitored several ships of the Soviet Union which usually remained anchored in the northwestern corner of the patrol area. The Identification of shipping was enhanced many fold by the use of the LAMPS MK III helicopter assigned to the ship. Use of this SH-60B helo usually took the form of a dawn and dusk flight around the patrol area. The helo's Tactical data link (SQR-4) proved extremely useful.

SPRUANCE monitored a small group of Iranian ships, including a SAM class frigate that exited the Straits of Hormuz to conduct exercises. SPRUANCE gathered significant intelligence about the group.

Daily in SOHEPA SPRUANCE experienced the reconnaisance of the Iranian P-3 or C-130, whichever had the duty for the day. SPRUANCE tracked the reconnaissance flights and warned the plane away when it was approached too close.

SPRUANCE was at anchor at Fujairah, UAE to receive fuel when the USS VINCENNES (CG-49) shot down the Iranian civilian airline. SPRUANCE got underway and returned to her patrol area immediately after the incident. At that time SPRUANCE's NATO Sea Sparrow Missile System for air defense was not operational. COMCARGRU SIX embarked on USS FORRESTAL in the North Arabian Sea sent the USS SEMMES to provide air defense for SPRUANCE while tensions were heightened in the area.

SPRUANCE would routinely refuel from USS MILWAUKEE or USNS PONCHATOULA. SPRUANCE would often receive mail, parts and personnel at this time. The helo would also make periodic runs to the USS FORRESTAL to pick up mail.

The SPRUANCE was relieved twice by USS DAHLGREN as the SOHEPA Gate Guard to conduct Tender Availabilities with the USS SAMUEL GOMPERS (AD-37) and the USS EMORY S. LAND (AS-39). Each of these availabilities were a good opportunity for the crew to catch some





rest and conduct the much needed maintenance required for the deployment. The only other real opportunity to receive maintenance support would be Naples, Italy.

SPRUANCE was finally relieved of her duties in SOHEPA by the USS VINCENNES and proceeded with the FORRESTAL battle group to return to the Mediterranean Sea. After entering the Mediterranean Sea SPRUANCE proceeded toward her first liberty port of Naples, Italy where she Med Moored giving the crew a chance to set foot on land. This was a working port for the Boatswain's Mates as they worked dilligently to paint the entire exterior of the ship, taking advantage of an excellent opportunity since there was not the high humidity that dominated the days in the North Arabian Sea area. The crew took advantage of many tours to see Italy and relax for a time.

In Naples the ship accomplished some major repair work. The rotor for NR. 2 Gas Turbine Generator was replaced which had not operated since near the beginning of the deployment. The AN/SQR-19 Tactical Towed Array sonar (Tail) was replaced (it had caught a fish hook in the eastward transit of the Mediterranean at the commencement of the deployment). Major repair was accomplished to a clutch work normally accomplished by a shipyard repair activity was done by crewmembers with the assistance of a NAVSEA Technical Representative.

Upon departing from Naples, SPRUANCE headed for the eastern Mediterranean to participate in an exercise called National Week in which the ship was very successful in conducting ASW operations.

SPRUANCE departed from National Week exercises early to join the USS FORRESTAL (CV-59) and USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV-67) for the COMSIXFLT change of command off of the coast of Naples.

Immediately following the change of command ceremony SPRUANCE set a course bound for Palma de Mallorca, SPAIN. An unusual welcoming party met SPRUANCE on the pier at Palma. Members of the Green Peace movement waited on the pier displaying their banners opposing nuclear weapons as SPRUANCE pulled up. They would not allow SPRUANCE crewmembers to set up the accommodation ladder on the pier by pushing the ladder back off of the pier. SPRUANCE had prior warning that they may be welcomed in this way and had prepared and trained hose teams to spray the protesters with salt water from their firehoses. The hosing down did little to discourage the Green Peace proponents. The incident was not resolved until several SPRUANCE crewmembers went down the ladder and pulled the ladder into proper position. There was no scuffling between groups of people. Green Peace did set press in the local papers though many local people and authories were not happy with the protesters.



Palma proved for many to be a very enjoyable liberty port. Several crewmembers took leave to visit with their wives who flew over from the states. Many crewmembers took advantage of tours offered for different points of interest.

Upon getting underway from Palma, SPRUANCE prepared for TEAMWORK '88. TEAMWORK took SPRUANCE to far northern reaches of the Atlantic Ocean. The ship commenced operations south of Iceland and proceeded north through the Greenland-Iceland-United Kingdom (G-I-UK) toward the fjords of Norway's northern cape. In the transit process SPRUANCE conducted ASW and ASUW exercises with units from NATO countries such as CANADA, ENGLAND, DENMARK, WEST GERMANY, THE NETHERLANDS and NORWAY. The exercises took SPRUANCE above the Arctic Circle and many crewmembers were initiated into the Order of the Blue Nose.

In these exercises the tremendous advantages of the AN/SQR-19 Tactical Towed Array Sonar and the SH-60B helicopter (LAMPS MK III) with Data Link (AN/SQR-4) integrated with the AN/SQQ-89 Sonar System were proven. The ship continually conducted ASW and ASUW exercises. The Over-the-Horizon-Targeting capabilities of the LAMPS MK III also proved very effective as a part of the Tomahawk Weapon System in the ASW picture.

At the close of TEAMWORK '88 SPRUANCE immediately proceeded toward Helsinki, FINLAND for a formal visit, the first by a U. S. warship in two years. SPRUANCE prepared and served a formal luncheon onboard hosted by the Vice Admiral Edward H. Martin, Deputy Commander-in-Chief Naval Forces Europe, for the U. S. Ambassador to Finland and the Finnish Ambassador along with the Commander-in-Chief of the Finnish Navy.

CO of USS SPRUANCE accompanied by COMDESRON FOURTEEN attended a ceremony honoring Marshal Mannerheim and the Cross of Heroes. COMDESRON FOURTEEN placed a wreath at each of the memorials.

The crew enjoyed many events sponsored by the Finnish Navy and met many people in Helsinki.

Upon departing Helsinki, SPRUANCE headed to Aarhus, DENMARK. The visit here was to smooth final details of BALTOPS '88 and provide liberty for the crew.

BALTOPS '88 proved to be a fast paced exercise in shallow water ASW and ASUW in close proximity to eastern block naval units.

BALTOPS concluded with a liberty port visit in Kiel, West Germany.





Upon departing Kiel, SPRUANCE made its final preparations for embarking the Propulsion Examining Board off the coast of Bermuda to finish a fast paced deployment with an Operational Propulsion Plant Exam on the return to homeport. SPRUANCE conducted a successful OPPE, earning an above average in administrative programs.

Throughout the deployment 72 crewmembers earned Enlisted Surface Warfare Pins and 7 officers earned Surface Warfare Pins.

Upon SPRUANCE's return to homeport, the engineers changed out Gas Turbine Engine 2A and its power turbine.

SPRUANCE conducted a well deserved post-deployment standdown from 25 October until 28 November when SPRUANCE departed for Charleston for a weapons offload.

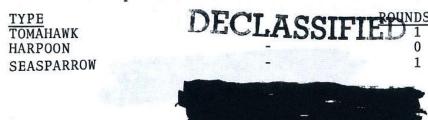
RADM Leighton Smith, COMCARGRU SIX, presented 27 Navy Achievement Medals and twelve LETTERS OF COMMENDATION to SPRUANCE personnel during an awards ceremony on the flight deck on 15 November 1988. RADM Roland Guilbault, COMCRUDESGRU TWELVE, presented awards to SPRUANCE personnel at a ceremony conducted on 15 December 1988.

SPRUANCE ended her busy year coming full circle by getting underway for two days to conduct RAST Landing and Deck Landing Qualifications prior to the commencement of the Christmas Holiday Standdown.

Statistical Data:

a.	Gallons of F-76 (diesel fuel, marine) burned: Gallons of JP-5 used:	5,717,684. 1,235.
	Gallons of JP-5 delivered to Helicopters:	108,473.
b.	#1A Gas Turbine Module Hours:	2,246.5
	#1B Gas Turbine Module Hours:	1,797.6
	#2A Gas Turbine Module Hours: OLD	1,730.4
	NEW	91.4
	#2B Gas Turbine Module Hours:	2,018.4
	#1 Gas Turbine Generator Hours:	4,675.9
	#2 Gas Turbine Generator Hours:	3,036.6
	#3 Gas Turbine Generator Hours:	3,932.3

c. Ammunition Expended:



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TYPE	ROUNDS
ASROC	- h - 0
MK-46 TORPEDOES -	0
5"54	573
20 mm -	8500
50 CAL -	7618
M-60	12950
M-14	12290
12 GAUGE	946
	9002
45 CAL GRENADE CTG (LINE GUN)	35
GRENADE CTG (LINE GUN)	15

d. Helo Statistics

Total landings:

1660

IV. SUPPORTIVE DOCUMENTS.

The enclosures listed above are the supporting documents.

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