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1. The USS REEVES (DLG 24) Command History for calendar year 1974 is submitted to ensure the annual compilation and preservation of information of historical significance concerning activities of this command.

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COMMAND ORGANIZATION

- 1. Captain Richard K. Fontaine, USN, Commanding Officer of REEVES since 24 November 1973.
- 2. REEVES is assigned to Cruiser-Destroyer Group Five
- 3. Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, remained REEVES' homeport throughout 1974

1974 SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

The beginning of 1974 found REEVES in drydock I in Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard undergoing regular overhaul. She remained there until April 19 when she was floated from drydock to berth I in the Naval shipyard. REEVES remained in the shipyard until October 19 when she concluded her regular overhaul period. During the latter part of overhaul, REEVES underwent and successfully completed Combat Systems light off and checkout, a Propulsion Examining Board (PEB) light off exam and the Combat Systems Operational Program functional checkout. Upon completion REEVES started a rigorous training period which included preparations for PEB, Operational Propulsion Plant Examination (OPPE), Weapons Systems Qualifications, and Refresher Training, (REFTRA). As part of this, REEVES operated in the MIDPAC PMR area for weapons certification until November 8. During this time the 3" 50's were tested along with the ASROC, Torpedo Tubes and Missile Systems. Upon completion a family cruise to the island of Kauai on November 9-11 provided a break in the action before REEVES participated in a Combat Systems Exercise off the coast of Oahu on November 18-19. REEVES then returned to port for a brief upkeep period which was followed immediately by Phase I of REFTRA from November 25 thru December 15. Another family cruise, this time to the island of Hawaii on December 16-18, set the stage for the beginning of a holiday leave period in Pearl Harbor to close out 1974.