

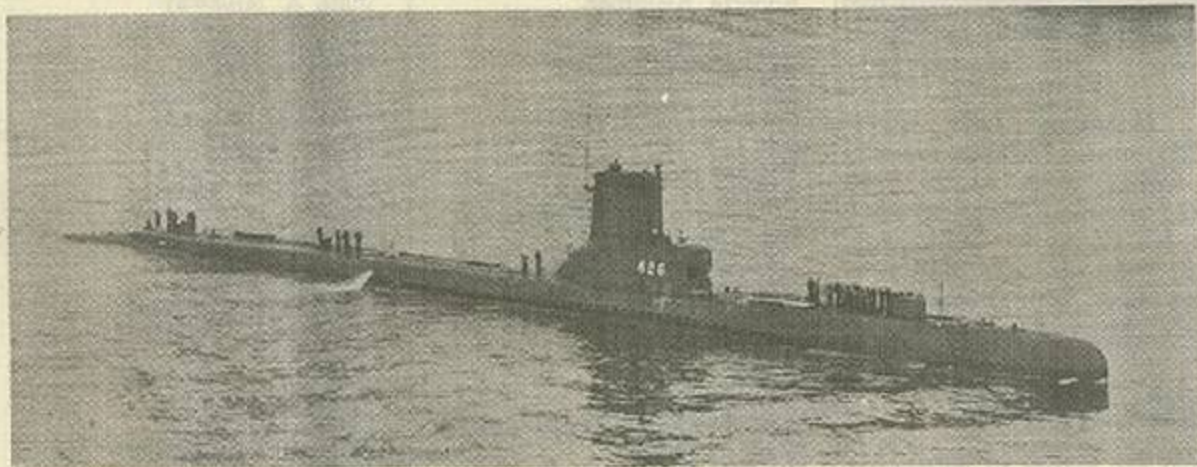


THE SHIPYARD THAT STRETCHES THE CUSTOMER DOLLAR MOST.

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USS TUSK (SS-426) Arrives For Repairs



USS TUSK (SS-426) arrived in Philadelphia Naval Shipyard for a five month regular overhaul which began last Monday.

Principal work to be accomplished during TUSK'S overhaul will include the repair of major machinery; installation of newer search and fire control equipments and a battery renewal.

TUSK was the 14th and last submarine to be built by the Cramp Shipbuilding Co. of Philadelphia during World War II. Commissioned on April 11, 1946 as a fleet-type submarine, TUSK was converted to a Guppy Snorkel type submarine

at Portsmouth, N. H. in October 1947.

TUSK has made cruises in the North Atlantic, the Caribbean and the Mediterranean Seas and has visited, throughout her career, the following ports: Rio de Janeiro and Bala, Brazil, South America Curacao, Netherlands West Indies and Balboa, Panama Canal Zone all of these on her initial shakedown cruise.

She has called at Londonderry, Ireland; Glasgow, Scotland and Belfast, Ireland in the British Isles. In the Caribbean she has visited Santiago de Cuba, Bermuda, St.

Thomas, Virgin Islands and San Juan, Puerto Rico.

The Mediterranean cruise was highlighted by visits to Malta, Athens, Izmir, Cannes, Oran and Gibraltar. TUSK is familiar in many American ports of call and has visited Halifax, Nova Scotia in Canada.

TUSK'S commanding officers since commissioning have been: Cdr. R. A. Moore, USN; Cdr. M. H. Austin, USN; Cdr. G. F. Gugliotta, USN; Cdr. R. K. Worthington, USN; Cdr. C. T. Cooper III, USN; LCdr. J. P. Wise, USN; LCdr. H. S. Morgan, Jr., USN and LCdr. J. C. Smith, USN.



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WE'RE JUST ABOUT—Mrs. Hillman, ship's executive officer, looks on as the Tusk pulls along in the Block Island Sound.



JOURNEY'S END—The Tusk pulls along in the Block Island Sound during the day's two trips. The youngest



JUST LIKE MOTHER USED TO MAKE-Mrs. Mary Moisk inspects a roast being prepared for the crew's noon meal as her son, Joseph, comments on the quality of the food served submariners. At 70 Mrs. Moisk was the oldest person making the trip.



RETURNING HOME after the day's cruise, the dependents voice shouts of approval and wave thanks to the officers on the bridge who made the trip possible. Dependents cruises have been extremely successful in boosting morale and in bringing about a better understanding by all dependents of their sponsor's daily duties.



Tusk Hosts Dependents

A 70 year old woman and a 14 year old boy were among the dependents taken out on the submarine Tusk during a cruise held recently. Most of those going were wives and everyone reportedly had a good time.

The squadron ten ship cruised on the surface out to Block Island; dived, snorkeled back to the surface, and returned to State Pier.

Guests received a periscope's view of Block Island and the Sound, viewed electrical panels and complex machinery and watched their sons and husbands perform their various jobs while diving and surfacing.

The cruise was broken up into morning and afternoon sections with coffee and doughnuts served to the visitors. About forty dependents came off the ship; much more informed and understanding about the parts their sponsors play in the over-all function and operation of the submarine.

Tusk was commissioned as a fleet-type sub in April of 1948 and, a little more than one year later, was converted to Guppy-snorkel type. She has made cruises in the North Atlantic, the Caribbean and the Mediterranean Seas.

The SS 426 is skippered by LCDR John C Smith and is a unit of Submarine Squadron Ten based at New London's State Pier.



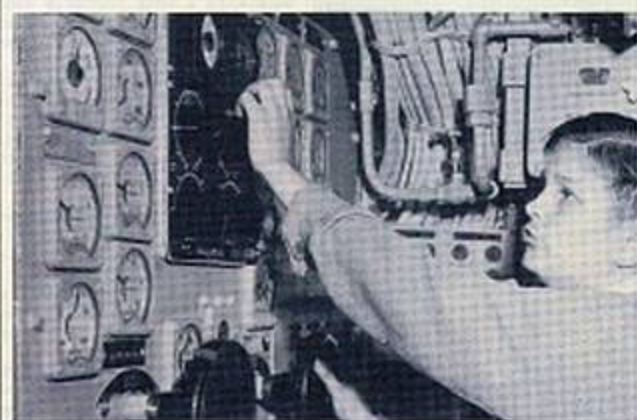
UP SCOPE-Mrs. John C. Smith, wife of the skipper, gets a first hand look at the world through the periscope. The scope control room tour.



ALMOST LIKE HOME?-Chief electronics officer Mrs. Wable offers Mrs. Wable a cup of good food during the cruise in Block Island Sound.



"CHRISTMAS TREE", the common nickname for the panel of lights which is turned on or closed, is shown to Mrs. Charney Dance by her husband's chief electronics officer.





by Bill Miller
Master Chief
Journalist

TUSK RETURNS AFTER
TRIP TO WASHINGTON

NEW LONDON, CONN. - The USS TUSK(SS426) returned to port today (Friday 29th) after a 12-day period during which she took part in submarine exercises and made a weekend visit to Washington, D.C.

South bound, from New London, the 1800-ton guppy-snorkel engaged in ship-to-ship exercises with fellow submarine USS EWING MEDOR(SS340). This was followed by a brief stop at the degaussing crib in Norfolk, Va. Friday, 22 January, TUSK--commanded by Lt. Comdr. John C. Smith, USN--left Norfolk and proceeded up the Chesapeake Bay and the Potomac River.

At 11 a.m. the next day she arrived at City Pier No. FIVE and commenced "rigging for visitors." About once a year a submarine visits the Nation's capital and large crowds were expected. In fact, more than 2000 persons toured through the ship Saturday, Sunday and Monday. An even greater number had to be turned away, because of the ship's limited visiting capacity. A harbor policeman with 10 years' service in the locality termed it ".....the largest ship-visiting crowd I've ever seen here--even larger than the Navy Day crowd."

While Washington looked at Tusk, the personnel of TUSK, in turn, looked at Washington. Some visited shows, dinner clubs and "non-com" clubs. Some visited friends and relatives. Most of the younger bluejackets spent part of their off-duty time at the city's famed USO Club. One highlight of the weekend was an all-day guided

TUSK RETURNS

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tour of the U. S. Naval Observatory, the FBI Building, the Capitol and the Smithsonian Institute.

The ship departed Washington at 6 a.m., Tuesday and after 12 hours of "piloting-waters navigation" entered the Atlantic Ocean. On the northward--or homeward bound--cruise the TUSK carried out search, sonar and torpedo exercises with Norfolk and New London based submarines and search exercises with Lakehurst (N.J.) based blimps.



SILENT SERVICE ON DISPLAY — The U.S.S. Tusk (SS-426) submarine from New London, Conn. lies at anchor at

Municipal Pier 5, Washington. It will up anchor tonight and return to its base. Hundreds of visitors boarded her the past few days to view the tight liv-

ing and working quarters of her 70-man crew. The Tusk carries torpedoes of the "Warshot" and 27.4 variety. (U.S. Navy Photo)

Area Crowds Eager to Inspect Navy Sub at Washington Pier

By VIVIENNE BODEAU

Anchored at Municipal Pier No. 5 on Maine avenue, SW, near the 14th Street Bridge for the last three days has been the U.S.S. Tusk (SS-426), a Navy submarine on a rare visit to the Washington area.

The crowds lined up to visit aboard the Tusk were evidence that a submarine open to public

Among the Service People and Pentagonian columns appear on page B-4 today.

view is a rarity in this area. Several hundred were turned away each day. The "open house" visits ended Monday.

THIS VISITOR ventured down

Richard Irwin, sleeps in a narrow space with his feet beside his medical locker. Stowed inside the locker are supplies for almost any emergency.

Three "heads," two showers, and three washbasins are all the bath equipment the Tusk carries.

AFT ARE the torpedoes. The Tusk carries the 27.4 and the "Warshot". The Warshot can break the back of a battleship. The 27.4 will cause considerable damage. The torpedoes must be flooded out in order to equalize the pressure from outside. The torpedo finds its target by sounds from the object of its attack.

The engine room contains hundreds of instruments and it is there that the four levers that guide the ship are located. Be-

of a submarine. The Tusk carries two. Looking through one is a moved experience. One is below water and looking at what is going on many feet above water.

Master Chief Journalist William Miller, formerly of 3912 S. 19th St., Arlington, explained that the Tusk was commissioned as a fleet-type submarine in 1946 but was converted to a "guppy-sporkel" type in 1947. Ships of this era are engaged in an extensive program of training both ashore and afloat. In case of war, they would be used as torpedo ships.

Lt. Cmdr. J. C. Smith, USN, commanding officer of the Tusk, said the boat had been to Norfolk for degassing (demagnetization to prevent mine detection) and was on its way back to home base at New London, Conn. Commander Smith is a native of Mon-





Nation's Capital Honors Tusk On Her 3-Day Visit Over 4,000 Tour Guppy

Once a year, a submarine visits Washington, D.C. Since submarine arrivals are a rarity in our Nation's Capital, large crowds are expected.

This year, the Navy selected the Tusk for the visit. The SS-426, commanded by LCDR John C. Smith, arrived at the Washington City Pier #5 on January 23rd at 11 a.m., and commenced "rigging for visitors." By noon visitors were already gathering.

During her 3-day stay, the Tusk's visiting hours started about 2 p.m. and continued until 6:30 in the evening. On the first day, some 507 early-arriving visitors toured the 1800-ton guppy snorkel, and an estimated 200 had to be turned away. On Sunday, the 24th, the count was 837 and 1500. On Mon-

day it was 666 and 400.

Among the visitors were Congressmen H. Carl Andersen, Odin Langen both of Minnesota and Neal Smith of Iowa.

(Turn to pages 4 & 5 for a pictorial review and the entire story of the Tusk in Washington, D.C.)

Early Tuesday morning on the 26th of January, the Tusk left the Capital. Four days later she arrived at her berth at the Submarine Base. The Tusk had travelled some 1,643 miles, had spent 8 days operating with various fleet units of the Atlantic and spent a 3-day weekend in Washington, a weekend long to be remembered by the entire crew.

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Guppy-Snorkel Tusk Crewmen Spend Un...



FOURTH ESTATE - Newspapermen, news photographers, magazine writers - all found the Scudron Ten submarine a most interesting subject. Here reporter Tom Wolfe interviews LCDR John C. Smith, the ship's C.O., for a feature story for his newspaper, The Washington Post.



APPREHENSION??? - If there was one scene that typified the reaction of visitors of the fair sex - this is it. While one young lady descends - with trepidation - the ladder leading to the vertical torpedo room hatch, two others debate whether to make the try. Spike heels and long coats are not the best mode of dress for climbing around submarines.



USS HONESTY - Bluejacket of USS Tusk gather around for a songfest at Washington's Lafayette Square Club.



ONCE-A-YEAR WASHINGTON BRINGS THROGS OF VISITORS

(Editor's note: The nearly four-ounce marine force carry out a busy schedule of fleet exercises and operations. They're in a rare event. Here is the story of the fleet submarine with a typical crew size only about once a year.

By William J. Connelley

As Submarine (ex) 30, it was a rare long remembered. A pair of four-day look weekend in the nation's capital after leaving the same port, the USS Tusk, January 29th.

While heading southward toward the coasted exercises with the Entomodor steadily worsened and all hands were following a brief stop at the decommissioning dock and proceeded to the Chesapeake.

On Saturday, the 23rd at 11 a.m., Smith, arrived at City Pier No. 5 and it's only about once a year that a large crowd was expected. By 1:00 p.m.



VISITING THROG - Typical scene during Tusk's weekend visit shows Washingtonians lined up to visit the ship. Sleek topside lines of ship drew such local praise.



FAMER CAPITOL - One highlight of despite work being done an entire Interior was open for visiting in action.

her three-day stay in Washington, the harbor policeman with 12 years' service termed it "...the largest ship-visit larger than the Navy Day crowd."

The difficulty that women and small the ship's hatchway was the main slow-down to tour through the sub at least by the outside area of a submarine.

Among the visitors were prominent officials, CAB boosters, and many others. However, most of the visitors were fair children.

Even before her arrival, the Tusk's counts and telecasts. Photographers from Interior snugged the ship and its throngs, military and naval magazines come also skipper, while others meet sessions of speeches.

This was the ship seen. But for the opportunity. Most of the 38 crewmembers Washington. Ashore, Navy men are being done in this manner. Later on to "mess-room" clubs. Others visited the group, the younger sailors headed for too, for there were a few scores of Navy Md., who well outnumbered the boys.

A highlight of the visit was an all-party, the FBI Building, the Capitol Hill.

On Monday, August 7, Scott, quarter Department of Interior's Fish and Wildlife Secretary of the Interior Ross L. Call reproductions of the fish for which the aboard ship in the wardroom and crowd.

At 6 a.m. Tuesday, the ship left and George Washington's tomb at Mount Vernon while crewmen topside ready departure - and after 12 hours of sea again entered the Atlantic.

The previous week's storm had blown Wednesday, the Tusk carried out nearby callous SS-475, a Norfolk-based sub, operations with blimps based at Lake the 2022-squadron sub engaged in firing with the Toro SS-422 and the nuclear.

At 5:15 p.m. last Friday, the SS-422's Calabarite Base. There were several perhaps one of them will be the ship, Nation's Capital. Or perhaps it may be Norfolk squadron. But whichever makes message for her: "It's a visit that"



MILITARY EDITOR - Miss Vivienne Hodson, of the Northern Virginia SSB, interviews the ship's 'Doc', Richard E. Irwin, MD. Following this, Irwin took Miss Hodson on a guided tour of the ship.

Forgettable Weekend In Nation's Capital

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...TANK GUIN? - Pointing out features of the city on a wall chart...
... to a pair of Wave recruits is E.J. Keenan, TNC. Here is the...
... tower of the city's Lafayette Square USO.



...PHI VISIT - First stop on the tour of the exhibits at the PHI...
... Building... Here special agent Stapleton points to a portrait...
... of the nation's top "G-man", J. Edgar Hoover. Looking on are...
... E.L. Lanzetta, QJ (left) and W.A. Dunsmore, DMC.



...BROTHER-SISTER ACT - Drawing a cup of coffee for his sister...
... Justice, in Tank-mat Allan G. Drake, NMC. Justice was one of several...
... "government girls" who came aboard for a look at the 1800-ton...
... submarine.



...NAVAL OBSERVATORY - The tour 4254D makes the rounds of the U.S...
... Naval Observatory. In background is the edifice that houses the...
... observatory's 26-inch transit telescope.



...TANK TO TANK - Photograph of fish known as "tank" is presented...
... USN Tank crewman Vernon T. Scott, QM1, by Assistant Secretary...
... of Interior Ross L. Leffler. The photo is first of namesake...
... fish ever to be given the ship.





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U.S. Subs Tie Up After

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From: Commander Submarine Squadron TEN
To: Commanding Officer, USS TUSK (SS426)

Subj: Nuclear Power School Quotas

1. A quota of six men was assigned to Submarine Squadron TEN for the July Nuclear Power School. Of five men nominated, four were from USS TUSK.

2. Such response is evidence of command attention to the needs of a vital program. It shows that the men were properly informed and well-motivated. The performance of TUSK is noted with pleasure.


T. H. HENRY

U.S.S. TUSK



SCHOR, EN3(SS) of the TUSK receives his first Good Conduct Medal from Commanding Officer, USS TUSK during ships personnel inspection on 29 May.



FORD, TMC(SS), departing TUSK Chief of the Boat shakes hands with relieving Chief of the Boat Hazzie B. WILLIAMS, RMCA(SS). Commanding Officer, USS TUSK, LCDR J.C. SMITH presented FORD with a commendation for his service and a plaque from the crew.



PARADISE, QM1(SS) leading quartermaster TUSK, reenlists for four years. LCDR J reads the reenlistment contract during personnel inspection on board the TUSK.



GABOARDI, ETR3(SS) receives his First Good Conduct Medal for 3 years of continuous military conduct from the Commanding Officer.

May 31, 1960

LCDR J. C. Smith, Commanding Officer
U.S.S. TUSK (SS426)
½ Fleet Post Office
New York, New York

Dear Captain Smith:

On behalf of the reserve officers and men who participated on the weekend cruise aboard your ship on 21 and 22 May, I want to express my sincere thanks for the cooperation and help extended by your officers and men.

The training received was extremely beneficial to both the officers and men who have voiced their opinion to me in this regard.

My thanks to John Markoskie and Bob Koshler for their efforts in assisting and coordinating a smooth running cruise.

Very sincerely yours,

H. J. Kaiser
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15 June 1960

Commander Richard W. AREY, USN
c/o U.S. Naval Attache & Naval Attache for Air.
Box L,
APO 30,
New York, New York

Dear Dick:

I have been following the messages concerning TUSK's forthcoming visit to Oporto, Portugal, 9 through 11 July. I'm happy that TUSK will be able to participate in exercises with Portuguese Navy and to have an opportunity to visit Portugal.

TUSK is the "E" ship in the division and is a splendid representative of the Submarine Force. Lieutenant Commander John C. SMITH, USN, and his crew have exceptionally high morale and skill. They make a tremendous impression wherever they participate. TUSK's plaque carries the motto "FRONT RUNNER" and it is well substantiated. I have asked Jack to make a special effort on this occasion and I know you can expect the very best from his command.

I'm winding up a 16 month tour of duty as Division Commander here. It has been an excellent and productive tour of duty. I am now going to ComSubLant Staff as Training Officer. We came to New London expecting to stay about a year and a half and it looks like we're having a hard time getting away. The job is a professionally fruitful one, but Bobbie would have liked to have set sail for Hawaii or other Southern climes. We have become accustomed to New London, however and there are many advantages here.

My very best to you and Patty, and I'm sorry that I couldn't have been in Jack Smith's shoes to visit you in Portugal.

Sincerest best wishes,

A. B. CATLIN

Commander Allen B. CATLIN, U.S. Navy
Commander Submarine Division 101,
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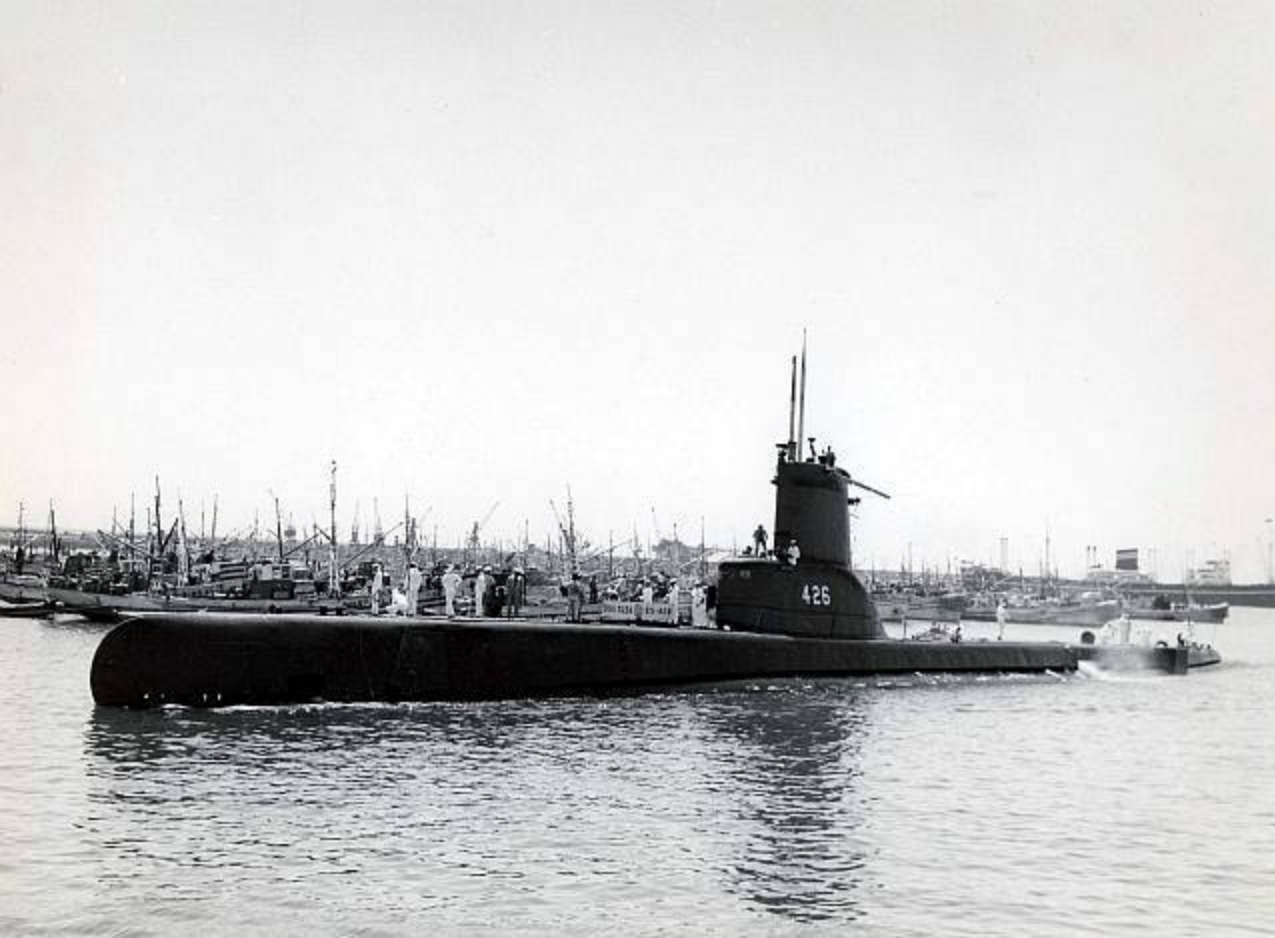
From: Commander Submarine Squadron TEN
To: Commanding Officer, USS TUSK (SS 426)

Subj: Performance

1. The performance of TUSK since the resumption of operations after completion of overhaul in December 1959 has been a source of pleasure and pride to me. Your rapid achievement of an extremely high state of readiness, your administrative excellence and your outstanding results on each assignment have been most impressive.
2. Such a record reflects command attention, a high order of leadership at each echelon and a most capable and smart ship's company. I am confident that Commander Sixth Fleet will reach the same evaluation during your current deployment.

T. H. HENRY

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SECOND ENDORSEMENT on CO, USS TUSK (SS 426) ltr ser 076 of 25 October 1960

From: Commander Submarine Squadron TEN
To: Commander Submarine Force, U. S. Atlantic Fleeta
Via: Deputy Commander Submarine Force, U. S. Atlantic Fleet
Subj: NELM Deployment; report of

1. Forwarded, concurring in the recommendations of the first endorsement.
2. Commander Submarine Squadron TEN is pleased to add his congratulations to those of Commander Submarine Division ONE HUNDRED ONE to the officers and crew of TUSK for this well-conducted deployment.

T. H. HENRY

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CO, USS TUSK (SS 426)

COMMANDER SUBMARINE FORCE
UNITED STATES ATLANTIC FLEET

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From: Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet
To: Commanding Officer, U.S.S. TUSK (SS 426)

Subj: Letter of Appreciation

Ref: (a) COMSIXTHFLT msg 051022Z

1. COMSUBLANT notes with pleasure the outstanding performance of U.S.S. TUSK (SS 426) as a deployed unit operating with the U.S. Sixth Fleet, expressed in reference (a).

2. It is with personal appreciation that I commend the Commanding Officer, officers and crewmen of U.S.S. TUSK for the splendid performance as a team unit, attesting to the willingness and "can do" attitude of Atlantic Fleet submarines.

E. W. GRENFELL

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FOREIGN SERVICE DESPATCH

From: AmConsul, Oporto, Portugal

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 Desp No
 (Last No. 66)

To: The DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON.

July 13, 1960
 Date

Ref: D-1 July 3, 1958

Subject: U.S. Submarine TUSK Visits Oporto July 8-11, 1960.

Following on the Principal Officer's request for the visit of an American submarine to Oporto for an anticipated July 4th ceremony, the Office of the United States Naval Attache, Lisbon, succeeded in arranging for an operational visit from the U.S.S. TUSK which took place during the period July 8-11, 1960.

Immediately prior to its arrival at Oporto the TUSK, under the command of LCDR J.C. SMITH, USN, had participated in a brief joint naval exercise with three Portuguese frigates (Nuno Tristao, Diogo Gomes, Corte Real) under the command of Portugal's Comodoro Cardoso de Oliveira. The Portuguese vessels, plus the training ship Sagres, arrived at Oporto simultaneously with the TUSK to take part in "Navy Day" events and commemoration ceremonies related to the 500th Anniversary of Prince Henry, the Navigator.

While the unusual presence of a large number of Portuguese naval officers, cadets, and ratings in Oporto lessened slightly the general impact of the visit of the American submarine boat, the "joint visit" on this "Navy Day" weekend at Oporto did provide an excellent opportunity for the American men to participate in the commemorative ceremonies and to make the acquaintance of the Portuguese Minister of the Navy, Rear Admiral Fernando QUINTANILHA Mendonca Dias, and other high ranking officers of that force who had journeyed especially from Lisbon for the events. (Also visiting from Lisbon for the commemorative ceremonies were our Embassy's Assistant Military Attache, Lt. Col. L. S. CLARK and the Assistant Naval Attache, Saul B. PEREZ, USN, * the latter being accompanied by two members of the ALUSNA staff who came to Oporto to provide administrative support required by the TUSK).

As far as the Consulate is concerned the visit of the TUSK could hardly have been more successful. The officers and men were heartily welcomed everywhere and by everyone they met. The size and character of the American host necessarily restricted activities aboard, yet many Portuguese were conducted on tours of the sub and sizeable groups gathered at the dockside to view the fascinating ship and to witness the general activities topside. A group of 35 boys and girls, including the American members, from the Oporto British School visited the submarine one morning, and a party was given aboard the TUSK for ten orphan boys on the Sunday afternoon. A list of the principal events during the visit is attached, but special mention might be made of the first softball game ever played in Northern Portugal which was enthusiastically viewed at Oporto on Sunday afternoon, July 10, when the Commanding Officer and men of the TUSK eaked out a slim victory over the novice team of the Oporto

Cricket and Lawn Tennis Club composed of Portuguese, British and American players. CO Smith left behind one of his ship's plaques for the local Club which will remind many of the local residents of a memorable "really American" afternoon.

The TUSK carries the motto "Front Runner". In the short spell of about 60 hours Captain Smith and his men clearly established that they are "Front Runners" in creating friends for the United States.

/s/ J.A. LaFreniere
American Consul

Enclosures:

News Clippings
Schedule of Principal Events

cc: AmEmbassy, Lisbon
ALUSMA, Lisbon

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
Office of the Chief of Naval Operations
Washington 25, D.C.

In Reply Refer To
Op-94X1/dsh
26 SEP 1960

Dear Captain,

I am most happy to hear that your ship, the USS TUSK (SS 426) has won the coveted Green "C" award for communications excellence. This is indicative of a well-trained, well-organized team and speaks well of yourself and your command. On behalf of the Office of Naval Communications let me express hearty congratulations to you and your officers and men. May good luck attend your efforts to ensure that the same high calibre performance will continue to distinguish the USS TUSK in the future.

As you are certainly aware, the Navy is undergoing tremendous technological advances which promise radical and sophisticated changes in several areas. Of particular import, from our point of view, is the rapid transition to highly complex systems of communications to meet the command requirements of modern naval warfare. To support the role of communications requires the highest type of individual and team effort such as that evidenced by your ship in competition year 1960.

It would be helpful to us here in our efforts to improve Naval Communications if you would write me a short informal letter describing the factors you consider most important in contributing to your attainment of the Green "C" award. The background of your communications officer would also be of interest as this information aids in our continuing appraisal of qualifications required for various communications assignments. Any ideas you have for improvement of the basic competition publication would be welcome.*

Sincerely,

/s/ FRANK VINDEN
FRANK VINDEN
Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy
Assistant Chief of Naval
Operations (Communications)

Commanding Officer
USS TUSK (SS 426)
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*To assist in our daily consideration of it pending receipt of official recommendations as per NWP-0 Paragraph 120







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TO: USS TUSK

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NATO UNCLASSIFIED UPON YOUR DEPARTURE I EXTEND BEST WISHES TO A FINE SHIP AND A TOP NOTCH CREW AFTER A MOST SUCCESSFUL VISIT TO MALTA X BON VOYAGE TO THE FRONT RUNNER

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A black and white photograph of five naval officers in uniform standing in a line. They are positioned in front of a door with a sign that reads "TUSK SS-426". To the left of the door, an American flag is partially visible. The officers are wearing light-colored, double-breasted jackets with epaulettes and dark ties. The officer on the far left is looking towards the others. The other four officers are looking forward. The background consists of a light-colored wall with a door and a sign.

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AMERICAN CONSULATE
AFASTADO 88
OPORTO, PORTUGAL

American Consulate,
Oporto, Portugal,
September 13, 1960

Dear Jack:

Your letter of August 1st reached me on the 26th. Since that time I have tried to obtain the requested photographs. Finally, I succeeded in tracing down two of your ship arriving in port which are enclosed. The other two of your Exec and his friend were provided by Alusna, Lisbon. Incidentally, if you want me to try further to obtain shots of the ball game I shall do so but your ship will have to stand the likely expense of \$.70 each as we have no funds to take care of this.

Everyone here still remembers with fondness TUSK's visit to Oporto. It was indeed a most pleasant weekend and beneficial in all respects. I am delighted that all went so well.

You may wish to know that we are now scheduled for a visit from three DE's (ABBOTT, MacGOWAN, THE SULLIVANS) for the week of October 3-7. I hope to arrange several interesting events for the enlisted men; the officers and CPOs will be easily taken care of at my home. The ships boast an amateur "Combo" group and we hope to utilize their musical talents as background for a cocktail-dance one night. Also, there will be the almost inevitable ball game. Marguerite and I are looking forward to this next visit with the usual enthusiasm though many of our helpful and supporting friends are away on leave, including the Dieners.

Before closing, I want to thank you for sending the package from Rota which arrived in good order. We wonder about you and where you might be. If ever you have time, do drop us a line.

Sincerely,

ll
J. Alfred La Freniere
American Consul

P.S. Thank you also for the nice things you wrote about me in your formal report.

LCDR J. C. Smith,
Commanding Officer,

The seaside Rota provide an interesting background to TUSK.

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February 12, 1960

Lieutenant Commander John C. Smith, USN
USS TUSK
c/o Navy Department
Washington 25, D. C.

(SEN JOHN MCCAIN'S FATHER)

Dear Commander Smith:

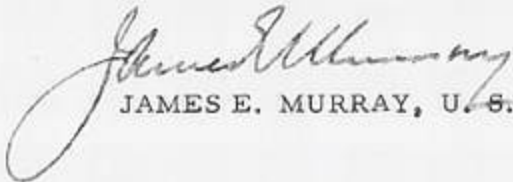
Rear Admiral McCain very kindly invited me to visit the USS TUSK during its stop in Washington the week end of January 23 and 24, 1960.

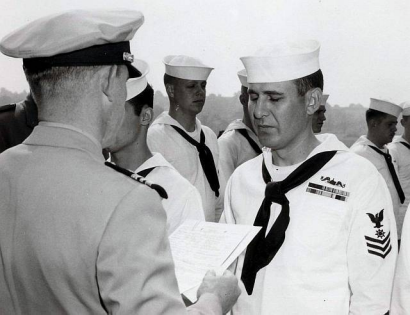
I appreciated the opportunity to visit your submarine during its stay in Washington, and am very sorry my schedule would not permit my taking advantage of this opportunity to see you and the ship under your command.

It is, however, a pleasure for me to have this opportunity to congratulate you upon your command. It was an honor for me to have had the opportunity to nominate you to the Naval Academy in 1947, and I am proud to learn of your present successful career in the Navy.

With all best wishes for your continuing success in the service of our country, and with kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


JAMES E. MURRAY, U. S. S.



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REFITTING AND TRAINING GROUP, NEW LONDON

Box 78, U. S. Naval Submarine Base
New London, Connecticut

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24 JUL 1959

From: Commander Submarine Refitting and Training Group, New London
To: Commanding Officer, USS TUSK (SS 426)
Via: Commander Submarine Squadron TEN

Subj: Commendation

1. It is noted with great pleasure that USS TUSK (SS 426) stands first among the submarines of the Force in total contributions and first among all the ships in the Force in contributions per capita in the recent 1959 Navy Relief Fund Drive. "WELL DONE".
2. Commander Submarine Refitting and Training Group wishes to commend Lieutenant L. MILLMAN, USN and F. J. CHESKY, Jr., Seaman, USN for the initiative and enthusiasm they displayed. Their efforts contributed immeasurably toward making the 1959 Navy Relief Fund Drive a resounding success.

G. W. Lautrup, Jr.
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Thank you for a fine morning cruise in TUSK. The smart appearance of your ship and the alert performance of your officers and men are a great credit to you and the Submarine Force.

/s/ F. B. WARDER

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