U.S.S. CONYNGHAM (DDG-17)

CDS26: N3: ja 5041 Ser: 332 30 October 1963

SECOND ENDORSEMENT on Chief Inspector, Commander Destroyer Squadron TWENTY-SIX 1tr ser 313 dtd 30 Sept-1963(1) Commander Destroyer Squadron TWENTY-SIX Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Force, U.S. Atlantic Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Flotilla EIGHT To: Via: Administrative Inspection of USS @NYNGHAM (DDG 17); forwarding of Forwarded with a great deal of pleasure. 2. Of all the ships I have inspected and assisted in inspecting during my Naval career this is the only OUTSTANDING I have ever assigned or recommended assigning for an administrative inspection. M. Johnston, Jr. M. JOHNSTON, Jr. FD8: 002: RCD 5041 Ser: November 1963 THIRD ENDORSEMENT on Chief Inspector, COLDESKON THENTY SIX ltr ser 313 of 30 Sept 63 Commender Cruiser-Destroyer Flotilla FIGHT From: Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet To: Sub.j: Administrative Inspection of USS CONYNGHAM (DDG 17); forwarding of Forwarded with pleasuré The overall grade of OUTSTANDING achieved by CONYNGHAM on this inspection reflects credit on the Commanding Officer and the ship's company as a whole.

> /s/ J. V. Smith J. V. SMITH

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FF4-10/pwh 3590/14 Ser: 31/8175 5 November 1963 Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet Commanding Officer, U.S.S. CONYNGHAM (DDG-17) From: To: Special Administrative Inspection Sub.j: (a) COMDESKON 26 1tr ser 306 of 30 Sep 1963 Ref: 1. Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet notes with pride the grade of OUTSTANDING assigned CONYNGHAM for the Special Administrative Inspection reported by reference (a) 2. Please extend my personal WELL DONE to all hands for their splendid performance. Keep up the good work. Congratulations and "Well Done"

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Attached to this Command and serving on board during the period 4-29 November 1963 when CONYNCHAM underwent shakedown training at the Fleet Training Group, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. During this period, representing an abbreviation of the normal time alloted to this training, the ship passed through its arrival inspection with a mark of EXCELLENT or OUTSTANDING in thirty of seventy-seven categories and went on to post an overall grade of GOOD. Commander Fleet Training Group, Guantanamo, in his letter of 10 December 1963 states:

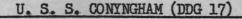
"In view-of the fact that CONYNGHAM received only four (4) weeks of shakedown training within which three training days were lost (Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day and a national day of mourning), the ship's achievement of a GOOD evaluation during the ORI is commendable.

/s/ J. A. Pridmore
J. A. PRIDMORE

You are hereby commended for your performance of duty and for your contribution to this important achievement of the ship as a unit. "Well Done".

E. P. SMITH, IR

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Serving on board and deserving of commendation for participating in the Final Acceptance Trials of the U.S.S. CONYNGHAM during the period 10-12 December 1963 as set forth in the following official correspondence:

00/bc DDG17 Ser: 3257 23 December 1963 President, Board of Inspection and Survey From: Commander Destroyer Squadron TWENTY-SIX To: Commander Edwin P. SMITH, Jr. , USN, 12097/1100; Special Credit for Sub.j: 1. The Board of Inspection and Survey, Washington, D.C. conducted Final Acceptance Trials of USS CONYNGHAM (DDG 17) during the period 10-12-December 1963. 2. The material and operating condition of CONYNGHAM, her cleanliness and the general smartness of the officers and crew were of a smart ship of which the U.S. Navy can justly be proud. The high state of readiness of CONYNGHAM could only have been attained through effective training programs, high morale and continued command attention. 3. As a result of the eminently successful completion of the trials, climaxed by an accurate sequence of missile firings, the President, Board of Inspection and Survey is of the opinion that the Commanding Officer, Commander Edwin P. SMITH, Jr., is deserving of special credit. 4. It is requested that this letter be attached to the next regular report of fitness of the subject officer. /s/ E. B. Fluckey E. B. FLUCKEY *********************

While the above letter was addressed to me personally it emphasizes readiness of the ship and the spirit of her crew at the time of her acceptance into the fleet. For these I consider that you are also deserving of special credit. Therefore it is with the greatest of pleasure that I again recognize your outstanding performance of duty and the contribution made by you in achieving this further mark of distinction. Well Done.

E. P. SMITH, JR.

U.S.S. CONYNGHAM (DDG-17)

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Serving on board and deserving of credit for participation in a Special Administrative Inspection conducted by Commander Destroyer Squadron TWENTY-SIX on 26 September 1963. In recognition of your outstanding performance of duty and material contribution to the results of that inspection, the following official correspondence is hereby made a permanent part of your official record.

> **公公公公公公** CDS 26: 00: W1 3590 Ser 30 September 1963

From:

Commander Destroyer Squadron WENTY-SIX
Commander Cruiser Destroyer Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet To:

Special Inspection of CUNYNGHAM (DDG 17); report of Subj:

(a) COMCRUDESFLOT EIGHT 1tpser of 17 June 1963 Ref: (b) COMCRUDESLANTINST P3590.1B

1. As directed by reference (a), and in accordance with reference (b), I conducted a Special Inspection of USS confuctor (DLS 17) on 26 September 1963. The Inspection was conducted in the format of an annual competitive administrative inspectiona

I found the condition of USS CONYNGHAM (DDG 17) to be dutstanding.

This is the first OUTSTANDING awarded by Commander Destroyer Squadron TWENTY-SIX within the squadron.

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BRANCH AND CLASS SERVICE NO. NAME (Last, First, Middle)

U. S. S. CONYNGHAM (DDG 17)

Deserving of credit for serving on board during Post Shakedown Availability at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, during the period 12 January to 8 March 1964. The fact that you deported yourself in accordance with the highest expectations of your service under other than routine circumstances is recognized in the following letter hereby made a part of your official service record:

DDG-17 11 March 1964

From: Commander, Philadelphia Naval Shipyard
To: Commanding Officer, U.S.S. CONYNGHAM (DDG 17)

Subj: Teamwork During, Post Shakedown Availability: appreciation for

1. USS ONYNCHAM was originally assigned to this command for what appeared to be a routine PSA with expected and anticipated minor complications of specific work items.

2. Shortly after your arrival it became quite apparent that extensive corrective work was required to correct misalignment of both HP turbines and defects in the installation of the SOS-23 Transducer and dome. In addition, it was discovered after inspection of HP pinions that these units would have to be reworked at the General Electric plant in Lynn, Massachusetts. These problems regrettably delayed your planned and scheduled departure.

3. Throughout the period of overhaul, you, your officers and men have reacted in the true spirit of the "Can Do" Navy. Your command has continually met new demands and disappointments in the true sense of team work. At this point in time, all major problem areas have been resolved and CONYNCHAM departed on 9 March.

4. Your exceptional cooperation during CONYNCHAM's availability is appreciated.

/s/ J. E. Rice J. E. RICE

This entry marks the fourth time in a relatively small number of months that I have had the privilege of inserting commendatory correspondence in your service record. Your truly outstanding service and material contribution to the "fleeting up" of CONYNGHAM is hereby set forth clearly and permanently. It is with the greatest of pride in you personally and in your accomplishments that I again add, "Well Done".

E. P. SMITH

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