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From: Commanding Officer, USS MONTICELLO (LSD-35)  
To: Chief of Naval Operations (Op-2915H)

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1. The Commanding Officer of the USS MONTICELLO (LSD-35) is Captain H. H. ELLISON, U. S. Navy. The period of command is 27 November 1962 to 27 January 1964.
2. Principal ship movements of 1963 are as follows:
  - 2 Mar - 9 Mar 1963: Participated in Amphibious Exercise Steel Gate off coast of southern California.
  - 3 Apr - 17 Jun 1963: Yard overhaul at Bethlehem Steel, San Pedro, California.
  - 1 Jul - 30 Aug 1963: Refresher training.
  - 17-28 Sep 1963: Amphibious Exercise Merit Badge off coast of southern California.
  - 4-15 Nov 1963: Squadron Amphibious Exercise FIVERON TRAEK off coast of southern California with three (3) days of "R&R" in San Francisco, California.
3. As noted in para. 2 above, the ship was in yard overhaul from 3 April 1963 to 17 June 1963.
4. No special awards or outstanding events were noted.

  
H. H. ELLISON

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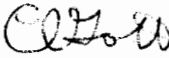
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Encl: (1) Ship's History 1 January 1964 - 31 December 1964

1. Enclosure (1) is submitted in accordance with reference (a).
2. It is requested that one (1) copy of the ship's history now on file with the Chief of Naval Operations be forwarded to this command.

  
C. L. GOTT  
Acting

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### SHIP'S HISTORY

1 January 1964 - 31 December 1964

The MONTICELLO spent the month of January at the Naval Station in San Diego preparing for overseas movement. On 24 January 1964 Captain David F. LOOMIS, USN relieved Captain Harold H. ELLISON, USN as Commanding Officer.

On 28 January MONTICELLO departed San Diego for duty with the SEVENTH Fleet. Upon reporting to the Commander SEVENTH Fleet the ship operated as a unit of the SEVENTH Fleet Amphibious Ready Group. While serving in this capacity the ship participated in Exercise BACKPACK and SEATO exercise LIGTAS. During the deployment the ship visited HONG KONG, MANILA, SUBIC BAY, BUCKNER BAY, KAOSHIUNG, and YOKOSUKA.

Two days out of YOKOSUKA while enroute back to San Diego the MONTICELLO was directed to return to the SEVENTH Fleet. Between 12 August and 28 September the MONTICELLO participated in SEVENTH Fleet Contingency Operations in the South China Sea. The ship was awarded the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal for this operation.

The MONTICELLO returned to San Diego on 27 October and was in a leave and upkeep status until 31 December 1964.

ENCLOSURE (1)