

History of USS AMBERJACK (SS-522)

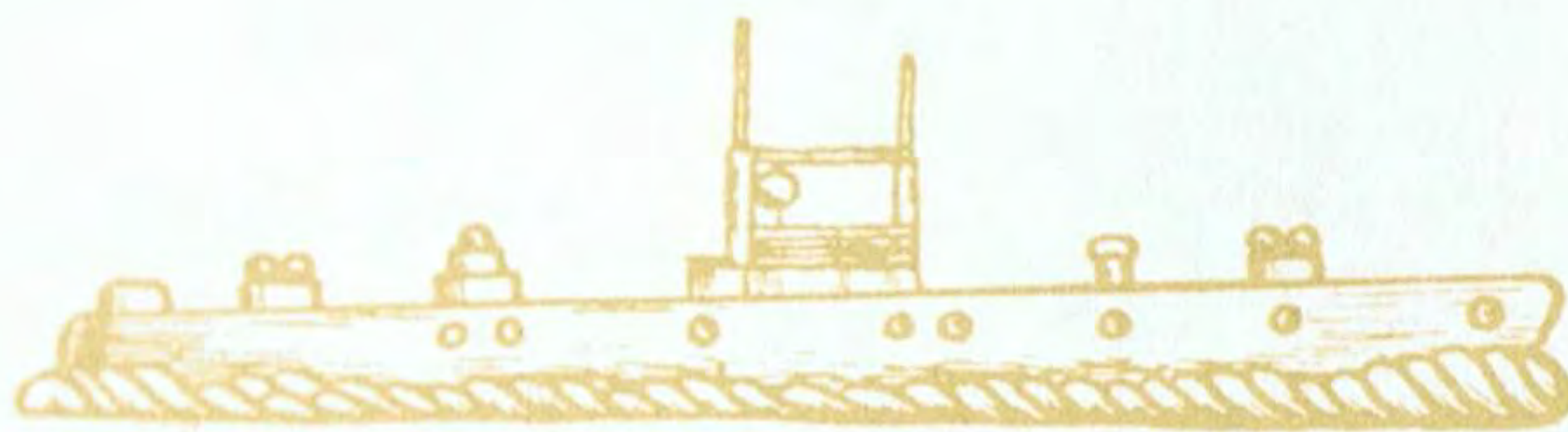
Commissioned on 4 March 1946 at the Boston Naval Shipyard, AMBERJACK joined the fleet after the end of World War II. She carries the fighting name of her predecessor the first AMBERJACK (SS-219), which sank or damaged over 40,000 tons of enemy shipping before being lost on her third war patrol on 22 March 1943.

In 1946, AMBERJACK was converted to her present streamlined "GUPPY" design by the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. Following conversion, she was assigned to Submarine Squadron FOUR in Key West, Florida. She was transferred to Submarine Squadron TWELVE in July 1952 and thence to Submarine Squadron FOUR in Charleston, S.C. on 1 July 1959.

AMBERJACK returned to Submarine Squadron TWELVE and Key West in July of 1970 and since then has been employed in a wide variety of missions. Most notable of these missions was a four month Mediterranean deployment during which she visited Monaco, Italy, Sardinia, Sicily, Spain and had a diplomatic visit to Bizerte, Tunisia. The Tunisian visit was unique in that AMBERJACK was the first U.S. Submarine to visit Tunisia. This deployment marked the end of an era in the Mediterranean, as AMBERJACK was the last U.S. diesel electric submarine to be operationally deployed there.

AMBERJACK's last dive was made when she launched a Perry Cubmarine from her forward deck during the rescue operation of the mini-sub SEA-LINK, in waters near Key West, Florida.

Since June 1973, with the exception of a three week upkeep in Charleston, S.C., AMBERJACK has been moored alongside at the Naval Station, Key West, making preparations for transfer to the Brazilian Navy.



**Decommissioning and Transfer
USS AMBERJACK (SS-522)**

**Commissioning
S "CEARÁ"**

**17 October 1973
U.S. Naval Station**

**Two O'clock
Key West, Florida**

Historia do USS AMBERJACK (SS-522)

O AMBERJACK apos ter sido comissionado em 4 de marco de 1946, no Estaleiro Naval de Boston, logo apos o fim da Segunda Guerra Mundial, incorporou-se a Esquadra Americana. O seu nome provem de seu antecessor o primeiro Amberjack (SS-219), que afundou ou avariou cerca de 40.000 toneladas da frota inimiga antes de desaparecer em sua terceira e ultima patrulha de guerra no dia 22 de Marco de 1943.

Em 1946, O AMBERJACK foi transformado em tipo Guppy de formato atual, pelo projeto do Arsenal de Portsmouth. Apos a conversao foi designado para o Esquadrao de Submarinos Quatro, em Key West, Florida. Foi transferido em julho de 1952 para o Esquadrao Doze de Submarinos e em 1 de julho de 1959, para o Esquadrao Quatro em Charleston SC.

O Amberjack retornou ao Esquadrao Doze de Submarinos e a Key West em julho de 1970. Desde entao tem sido empregado numa gama muito variada de missoes. A mais notavel de suas visitas aconteceu quando por quatro meses no Mediterraneo visitou portos em Monaco, Italia, Sardenha, Sicilia, Espanha e Bizerte na Tunisia sendo esta ultima de carater diplomatico. A visita que o AMBERJACK fez a Bizerte, foi a primeira que um submarino Americano fez a Tunisia. Esta viagem do AMBERJACK marcou o fim de uma era no Mediterraneo, tendo sido o ultimo Submarino diesel electrico Americano em operacao naquele mar.

Seu ultimo mergulho foi feito quando lancou um mini-submarino (Perry Submarine) da sua superstrutura avante durante a recente operacao de resgaste do Mini Sub Sea Link em aguas proximas da area de Key West.

Desde junho de 1973, excecacao feita a tres semanas que o navio passou em Charleston fazendo pequenos reparos, o AMBERJACK permaneceu atracado ao cais da Naval Station em Key West prontificando-se para a sua transferencia para a MARINHA de BRASIL.



COMMANDER STUART A. MERRIKEN

Commander MERRIKEN enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1952 and attained the rate of Musician Third Class Petty Officer prior to entering the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1954. He graduated from the Naval Academy and was commissioned an Ensign in June 1958. Upon graduation he served in the USS NOA (DD-841) until assignment to the Naval Submarine School. He graduated from Submarine School in 1960 and subsequently served in USS TANG (SS-563), USS GROWLER (SS-577) and USS SENNET (SS-408).

Commander MERRIKEN's next duty was ashore as a tactics instructor at the Naval Submarine School. From October 1968 until May 1970 he was Executive Officer in the USS TIRU (SS-416). Prior to reporting for duty as Commanding Officer, USS AMBERJACK (SS-522), Commander MERRIKEN served on the Staff of Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet as Shipborne Reconnaissance Officer. He assumed command of AMBERJACK on 8 April 1972 at the U.S. Naval Station, Key West, Florida.

Commander MERRIKEN is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Merriken of Salisbury, Maryland. He is married to the former Anne Walton of Middletown, New York. They have two sons, Stuart, age 12 and James, age 9. Commander Merriken is being assigned to the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, California.

Official Party

REAR ADMIRAL RAMON GOMES LEITE LABARTHE
BRAZILIAN NAVY

Brazilian Naval Attache

REAR ADMIRAL JOHN H. MAURER, UNITED STATES NAVY
Commander Key West Force

COMMANDER A. A. HASTOGLIS, UNITED STATES NAVY
Deputy Commander, Submarine Squadron Four

COMMANDER JELCIAS BAPTISTA DA SILVA CASTRO
BRAZILIAN NAVY

Prospective Commanding Officer, S "CEARA"

COMMANDER STUART A. MERRIKEN, UNITED STATES NAVY
Commanding Officer, USS AMBERJACK (SS-522)

LIEUTENANT JOHN R. McFADDEN, UNITED STATES NAVY
Catholic Chaplain, U.S. Naval Base, Key West

PETTY OFFICER R. L. PARKS, UNITED STATES NAVY
Protestant Lay Leader, USS AMBERJACK (SS-522)

Program of Events

Musical Selections — FLEET SONAR SCHOOL BAND

ARRIVAL HONORS:

COMMANDER MERRIKEN

COMMANDER SILVA CASTRO

COMMANDER HASTOGLIS

REAR ADMIRAL MAURER

REAR ADMIRAL LABARTHE

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Invocation

PETTY OFFICER PARKS

Welcome and Opening Remarks

COMMANDER HASTOGLIS

Commanding Officer's Remarks

COMMANDER MERRIKEN

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DECOMMISSIONING OF USS AMBERJACK (SS-522)

United States National Anthem

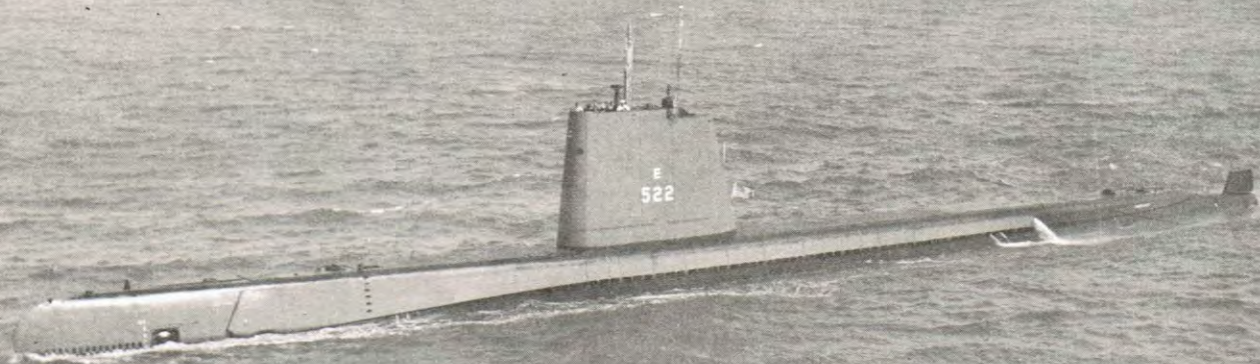
Lowering the Colors and Securing the Watch

United States Crew Marches off

Brazilian Crew Embarks

Remarks by Senior U.S. Navy Representative

REAR ADMIRAL MAURER



TRANSFER OF EX-USS AMBERJACK (SS-522)

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Acceptance and Remarks by the Representative of the
Federative Republic of Brazil

REAR ADMIRAL LABARTHE

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COMMISSIONING OF S "CEARA"

Designation of Commanding Officer, Officers and Crew

National Anthem of Federative Republic of Brazil

Hoisting of the Colors of the Federative Republic of Brazil

Commanding Officer's Remarks

COMMANDER SILVA CASTRO

SIGNING OF THE LOG

Blessing of the Ship and Benediction

FATHER McFADDEN

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Departure Honors

Musical Selections



COMMANDER JELCIAS BAPTISTA DA SILVA CASTRO

Commander JELCIAS BAPTISTA DA SILVA CASTRO was born in 1933 in Belem Para. After graduation from The Brazilian Naval Academy in 1953 he had assignments on board a Submarine Chaser and Destroyers until 1959 when he entered the Brazilian Submarine School, in Rio de Janeiro.

As a qualified submariner, he had tours in the following Submarines: Riachuelo (S-15) in 1960 and 1961, Bahia (S-12) in 1963 and 1964 and Rio Grande do Sul (S-11) as Executive Officer from late 1966 to early 1968. In between, he was an Instructor at the Submarine School and a Staff Officer at the Submarine Force Command.

Commander SILVA CASTRO had the privilege of being the Commanding Officer of the Patrol Ship Pirapira, as a Lieutenant, in 1962, and of the Corvette Caboclo as a Lieutenant Commander, in 1968.

In 1969, he was admitted to the Command and Staff Course at the Brazilian Naval War College. Upon its completion, he was selected to attend the U.S. Naval War College, Newport, R.I., graduating with the class of 1971. Returning to Brazil, he became a faculty member of the Naval War College, where he also concluded the Senior Naval Warfare Course, in 1972, remaining there until being assigned to the present command.

Commander SILVA CASTRO is married to the former Elza Regina Granãeiro. of Rio de Janeiro. They have three children and reside in

CAPITAO-DE-FRAGATA JELCIAS BAPTISTA DA SILVA CASTRO

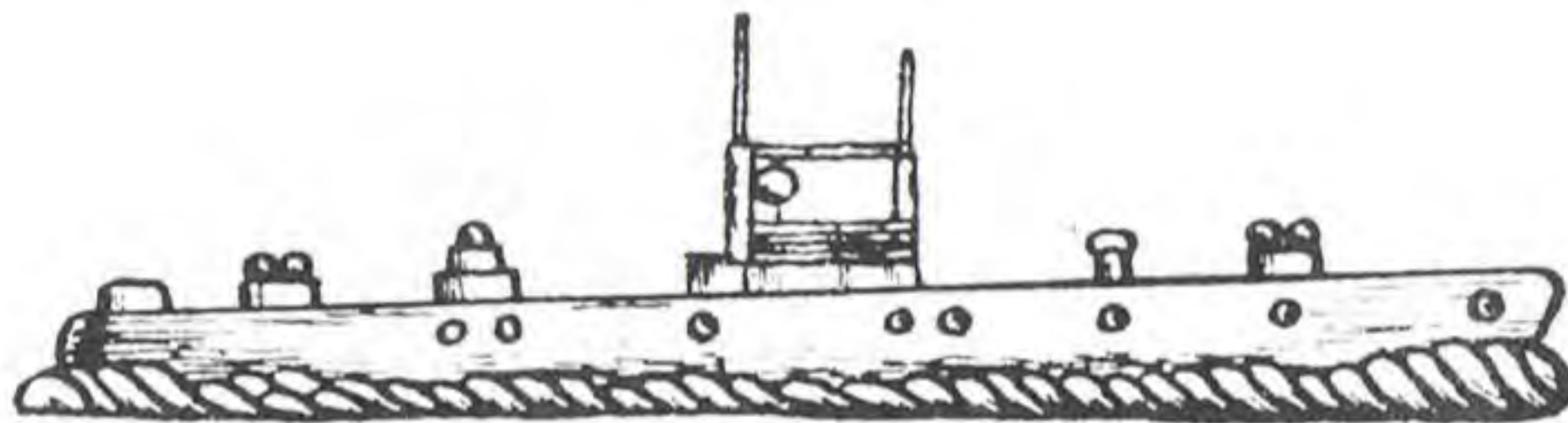
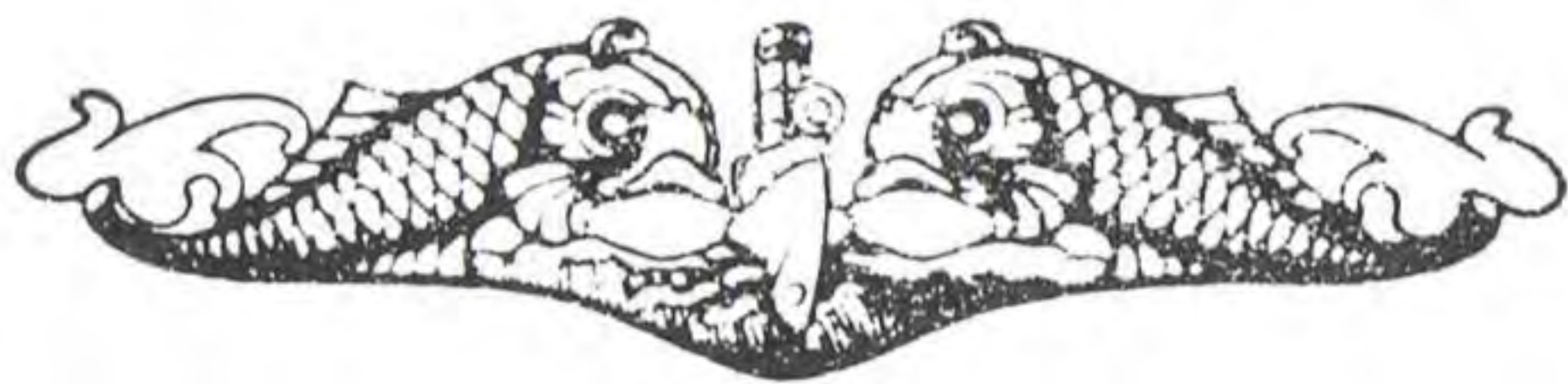
O CF JELCIAS BAPTISTA DA SILVA CASTRO nasceu em 1933, em Belem do Para. Apos sua graduacao na Escola Naval em 1953, esteve embarcado em um Caca Submarinos bem como em Contra-torpedeiros ate o inicio de 1959, quando iniciou o Curso de Aperfeiçoamento de Submarinos na Base Almirante Castro e Silva.

Como oficial qualificado em submarinos serviu nos seguintes submarinos: RIACHUELO (S-15) em 1960 e 1961; BAHIA (S-12) 1963 e 1964; RIO GRANDE DO SUL (S-11) como Imediato do fim de 1966 ate inicio de 1968. Entre os periodos de embarque, foi Instrutor na Escola de Submarinos e serviu no Estado Maior do Comando da Forca de Submarinos.

O CF JELCIAS DA SILVA CASTRO teve a honra de ter sido Comandante do NPA PIRAPIA, como Capitao-Tenente, em 1962 e da Corveta CABOCLO, como Capitao-de-Corveta em 1968.

Em 1969, foi admitido no Curso de Comando e Estado Maior da Escola de Guerra Naval. Apos sua graduacao foi selecionado para cursar o US Naval War College, em Newport RI, por onde se graduou em 1971. De volta ao Brasil, tornou-se Instrutor da Escola de Guerra Naval onde tambem em 1972 concluiu o Curso Superior de Guerra Naval. Ate ser nomeado para o Comando do Submarino "CEARA" permaneceu na Escola de Guerra Naval.

O CF JELCIAS DA SILVA CASTRO casou-se em 1955 com a Senhorita Elza Regina Grangeiro nascida no Rio de Janeiro Guanabara. Eles tem tres filhos e residem no Rio de Janeiro Guanabara.



USS AMBERJACK (SS-522)

Decommissioning Wardroom

CDR S. A. MERRIKEN, USNCommanding Officer
LCDR C. L. BELAND, USNExecutive Officer
LT P. FINFROCK, USNOperations Officer
LT R. P. SCHACK, USNEngineering Officer
LTJG S. C. BEHNKEN, USNRCommunications Officer
LTJG R. M. STEVENSON, USNRWeapons Officer, Supply Officer

Decommissioning Crew

CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS

TMC(SS) F. J. SCHULTHEIS, USN, Chief of the Boat

ENCM(SS) D. C. Crouch, USN	EMC(SQ) A. W. Schroeder, USN
EMCS(SQ) B. G. Dempsey, USN	QMC(SS) J. W. Nicholoff, USN
FTGCS(SS) V R. Dutro, USN	RMC(SS) J. C. Hughes, USN
HMC(SS) A. L. Hargrove, USN	ENC(SS) J. W. Austin, USN
ETC(SS) D. F. Reed, USN	

CREW

TM3(SS) A. Z. Baranowski, USN	YN3(SS) W. D. Kimsey, USN
FN(SS) S. J. Benn, USN	EM2(SS) A. Lewis, USN
EM3(SS) D. C. Berry, USN	ETR2(SS) D. W. Liberty, USN
SN(SS) J. A. Bertoch, USN	EN3(SS) R. J. Listorti, USN
RM2(SS) W. D. Brown, USN	TM3(SS) J. E. Milam, USN
FN(SS) D. P. Campbell, USN	STS2(SS) R. W. Morgan, USN
EM1(SS) C. A. Carey, USN	SK3(SS) R. L. Morse, USN
ETR2(SS) J. F. Cassidy, USN	SN(SS) H. A. Nicol, USN
RM3(SS) L. F. Cistaro, USN	IC3(SS) G. M. Overbey, USN
MM3(SS) L. A. Cornelius, USN	SK1(SS) R. L. Parks, USN
SD3(SS) R. H. DeJesus, USN	EM3(SS) D. M. Pelkowski, USN
FN(SS) E. Desimone, USN	TM1(SS) W. J. Robinson, USN
QM2(SS) W. D. Doggett, USN	SD2(SS) j. L. Saley, USN
ETR3(SS) R. R. Ebert, USN	EN2(SS) J. R. Samoly, USN
SD3(SS) R. A. Elgarico, USN	EM3(SS) M. E. Schultz, USN
CS2(SS) R. K. Fields, USN	TM3(SS) A. B. Simmerson, USN
STS2(SS) W. P. Ford, USN	TMSN(SS) M. D. Stadt, USN
IC1(SS) R. J. Gangloff, USN	EM1(SS) W. R. Sly, USN
CS3(SS) J. F. Goins, USN	QMSN(SS) K. O. Turner, USN
TMSA(SU) R. Hamm, USN	TM2(SS) C. W. Waddell, USN
EN1(SS) R. L. Harrison, USN	EM3(SS) R. A. Whiting, USN
YN1(SS) K. W. Hewett, USN	STS3(SU) J. R. Williams, USN
TM3(SS) G. S. Kaiser, USN	IC2(SS) W. W. Williams, USN
FTG1(SS) L. A. Keating, USN	EN1(SS) R. G. Windrow, USN
TM3(SS) I. W. Kimsey, USN	EN2(SS) T. D. Yonker, USN

S "CEARA"

Commissioning Wardroom

CF JELCIAS BAPTISTA DA SILVA CASTROComandante
CC SERGIO DE ALMEIDA PADILHAImediato
CT RUBENS PEACH BRAVOChefe de Maq.
CT MAURICIO DUTRA DE ARAUJOCheOp/Div. "O"
CT CELSO MENDES DINIZ GONSALVESEnc. Div: "S"
1o Ten. PAULO ROBERTO BIASSIO MIROEnc. Div. "M"
1o Ten. ALAN ALVES DE OLIVEIRAEnc. Div. "T"

Commissioning Crew

SO MO Fabiano Sadi de Souza	CB PL Jose Coelho Alves
SO TM Eduardo Lopes Guimaraes	CB MO Waldi Teixeira de Oliveira
SO SI Cassimiro Anjo de Magalhaes	CB SI Dirceu Nunes Machado
SO MR Alarico Perreira dos Santos	CB TL Edmilson Jose de Queiroz
1o SG TL Abel Roberto Melo	CB AT Antonio Alves de Albuquerque
1o SG EL Paulo Monteiro de Castro	CB AT Jose Edson de Araujo
1o SG CI Jose Martins da Silva	CB CO Ednaldo Alexandre Silva
1o SG MO Francisco Paco Meireles	MN EF Leomar Monteiro Vieira
2o SG ES Pericles da Costa Viana	MN AR Abel de Souza Alves
2o SG EL Francisco de Assis Nobrega	MN EL Didimo de Oliveira
2o SG AT Joaquim de Mello Simoes	MN EL Geraldo Rodrigues da Costa
2o SG EL Vicente Nunes Vitoria	MN DT Edilson Andrade da Silva
2o SG MO Jose Modesto de Lima	MN ET Afonso Dias Martins
3o SG MO Rolemberg Oliveira Alves	MN OR Gilson Ferreira Quaresma
3o SG MO Luiz Augusto de Moraes	MN AT Israel Marques Nunes
3o SG EL Bento Jose de Moura	MN OS Nivaldo Jose da Silva
3o SG ET Ernandes de Souza Agostinho	MN TM Jose Ferreira da Silva
3o SG DT Antonio Maria da Silva	MN AT Marcos Augusto Pimenta
3o SG OS Otavio Jose Dantas Lima	MN ET Manoel Evaristo de Oliveira e Silva
3o SG EL Jose Ubirajara do Nascimento	MN OR Joao Luiz dos Santos Neto
3o SG TL Jose Coutinho Pereira	MN CI Manoel Fraga de Aquino
3o SG MR Gaspar Luiz da Silva	MN MO Luiz Gonzaga Marques
3o SG MO Jose Ribamar Moraes de Castro	MN EL Ismael Nunez dos Santos
3o SG MO Creuzo Antonio da Cruz	MN CO Manoel Barcellos
3o SG AR Erivan Correia de Oliveira	MN MO Carlos Roberto Romao
3o SG CI Laurindo Rodrigues	MN MO Lourival Mafort Filho
3o SG OS Joaldo Alves Viana	MN MO Adilson Alves de Souza
3o SG OR Henrique Goncalves	MN OR Cleibe Silva Mello
CB OS Joao Alves da Silva	MN SC Jose Geraldo Lopes da Costa
CB MO Paulo de Souza Pinheiro	MN SM Beneval Paulino
CB MO Benedito Moreira dos Santos	MN SM Lazaro Rufino Lopes
CB DT Luiz Carlos Dobbins	MN SM Jose Raimundo de Jesus
CB MR Luiz Cardoso de Paiva	MN SM Antonio Cerqueira
CB AR Jose Ibernnon Saraiva de Araujo	MN SC Cid Jovitino Costa
CB ES Jose Arimateia Pereira	MN SM Augusto da Trindade Rodrigues

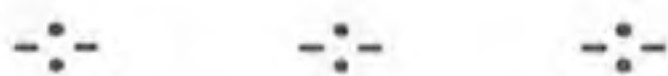
History of Previous "CEARA"

Ceara is the name of one of the twenty-two Brazilian states. It is located in the northeastern part of the country and has a population of two and one-half million in an area the size of North Carolina. Natives of "CEARA" are found throughout the country and they are known for their strength, tenacity, and stamina.

The first Brazilian Navy ship of this name was a Monitor constructed in Rio de Janeiro in the year 1866. She took part in combat action during the last century and had the honor of transporting the second Brazilian Emperor on an official cruise.

The second ship of this name was a submarine tender constructed for the Brazilian Navy in La Spezzia, Italy and commissioned in the year 1915. Her first mission was the successful rescue of an Italian submarine which had sank in 35 fathoms of water. The recovered submarine was later returned to service with the Italian Navy.

This ship served the Brazilian Navy until she was decommissioned prior to the outbreak of World War II.



Historia dos Navios Que Tiveram O Nome "CEARA"

Ceara e o nome de um dos vinte e dois estados Brasileiros. Esta localizado na regioa nordeste do pais, e e um grande estado com uma populacao de cerca de 2.5 milhoes de habitantes. A sua gente e conhecida pela tenacidade e fibra que possui e alem disso pela capacidade de se adaptar a qualquer regioa do pais.

O primeiro navio da Marinha Brasileira que recebeu este nome foi um monitor construido no Arsenal de Marinha do Rio de Janeiro em 1866. Tomou parte ativa em acoes de combate durante a Guerra do Paraguai no seculo passado. Teve a honra de ter transportado o segundo Imperador do Brasil em um cruzeiro oficial.

O segundo foi um Tender de submarinos. O primeiro tender especializado em submarinos na marinha Brasileira, tendo sido construido na Italia e comissionado em 1915. Sua primeira tarefa, enquanto ainda na Italia e logo apos ter sido lancado ao mar, foi recuperar um submarino italiano, F-8, afundado em 35 bracas de profundidade. Obteve sucesso recuperando o submarino F-8 e entregando-o a Marinha Italiana. Este navio permaneceu durante muito tempo em servico ativo no Marinha Brasileira cumprindo suas missoes com eficiencia e denodo.

