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Normandy Holds Change of Command

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From USS Normandy Public Affairs

NORFOLK, Va. (NNS) -- Capt. Derek A. Trinqué relieved Capt. Scott F. Robertson as commanding officer of USS Normandy (CG 60) during a ceremony on Naval Station Norfolk, Aug. 5.

Trinqué graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1992 with a Bachelor of Science in political science. He holds master's degrees in international business from the University of Maryland, as well as a graduate degree in national security and strategic studies from the U.S. Naval War College.

Trinqué's sea duty assignments include command of USS O'Kane (DDG 77), Coastal Minehunter Crew Valor - to include command of USS Osprey (MHC 51), USS Cardinal (MHC 60), USS Shrike (MHC 62) and USS Robin (MHC 54) - and Coastal Minehunter Crew Excel - to include USS Pelican (MHC 53). He served as operations officer on board Normandy and USS Cole (DDG 67), and as division officer for the weapons, operations and engineering departments on board USS Philippine Sea (CG 58).

Ashore, Trinqué served on the staff for the chief of naval operations as branch head for Integrated Air and Missile Defense in the Surface Warfare Directorate (OPNAV N96), and on the staff of the joint chiefs in the Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate (J5) as the branch head for ballistic missile defense policy. He completed a tour as a surface warfare assignments officer at Navy Personnel Command, Millington, Tennessee. His first shore tour was as a seamanship and navigation instructor at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, where he also qualified as officer-in-charge of the academy's 108-foot yard patrol training craft.

Robertson will be assuming command of Surface Warfare Officers School in Newport, Rhode Island. During Robertson's two-year tour, USS Normandy successfully completed pre-deployment work-ups, implemented Naval Integrated Fire Control-Counter Air in the fleet, and executed a nine-month deployment as air and missile defense commander for the USS Theodore Roosevelt Carrier Strike Group.

Under the command of Robertson, the Normandy crew was awarded the CSG-12 Battle "E" and Unit Tactics Award, the CNO Afloat Safety Award for CY2015, United States Fleet Force's Retention Excellence Award, the Navy's nomination for the Secretary of Defense's Maintenance Award for medium commands, and Commander, Naval Surface Force Atlantic's Battenberg Cup nomination.

Normandy is a Ticonderoga class cruiser based out of Norfolk, Virginia. It is one of the Navy's premier air defense assets and is currently undergoing maintenance at BAE Systems Norfolk Ship Repair.

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For more news from Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, visit <http://www.navy.mil/local/surflant/>.



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USS O'Kane

"A Tradition of Honor"



CDR Derek A. Trinque

Commanding Officer (November 2009 - November 2011)

Commander Trinque is a native of Holliston, Massachusetts. He graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1992 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science.

His first assignment was in USS PHILIPPINE SEA (CG 58), homeported in Mayport, Florida, where he served as Anti-Submarine Warfare Officer, Gunnery Officer, Ordnance Officer, Assistant Operations Officer, and Assistant Engineer Officer. During his tour PHILIPPINE SEA deployed to the Mediterranean and Adriatic Seas in support of Operations PROVIDE PROMISE and SHARP GUARD, and participated in BALTOPS 95.

Commander Trinque's first assignment as a department head was as Operations Officer in USS COLE (DDG 67), homeported in Norfolk, Virginia. During his tour, COLE deployed to the Mediterranean, Adriatic, and Red Seas. His second department head assignment was as Operations Officer in USS NORMANDY (CG 60), also homeported in Norfolk. During his tour, NORMANDY deployed to the Mediterranean and Adriatic Seas and the Arabian Gulf.

He commanded MHC CREW VALOR and MHC CREW EXCEL, home ported in Ingleside, Texas. During this tour, he commanded USS OSPREY (MHC 51), USS CARDINAL (MHC 60), USS SHRIKE (MHC 62), USS ROBIN (MHC 54), and USS PELICAN (MHC 53) in turn, completing a six-month Arabian Gulf deployment while commanding CARDINAL.

Ashore, Commander Trinque taught seamanship and navigation at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, where he also qualified as Officer in Charge of the Naval Academy's 108-foot Yard Patrol training craft. Most recently, he served as a Surface Warfare Officer assignments officer in PERS-41 at the Navy Personnel Command in Millington, Tennessee.

Commander Trinque holds Master Degrees in International Business from the University of Maryland and in National Security and Strategic Studies from the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. He reported to USS O'KANE as Executive Officer in September 2009 and assumed command in May 2010.

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Sea-based Missile Defense Flight Test Results in Successful Intercept

The Missile Defense Agency (MDA), U.S. Navy sailors aboard the Aegis destroyer USS O'KANE (DDG 77), and Soldiers from the 94th Army Air and Missile Defense Command operating from the 613th Air and Space Operations Center at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, successfully conducted a flight test of the Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD).



USS O'Kane Departs Pearl Harbor for a Seven-Month Deployment

PEARL HARBOR (NNS) -- More than 250 Sailors aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS O'Kane (DDG 77) departed Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam July 9 for a seven-month deployment. O'Kane is scheduled to conduct operations in the Middle East and western Pacific



Preventive Maintenance Aboard USS O'Kane (DDG 77)

ARABIAN GULF (Dec. 20, 2010) - Gunner's Mate 3rd Class Clifton Jackson performs preventive maintenance on the MK-45 5-inch/54-caliber lightweight gun aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS O'Kane (DDG 77).

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CMDCM(SW/AW)
John A. Hall

Start Date: July 2009
End Date: August 2011

CDR Michael E. Ray

USS O'Kane Sailor Receives Defender of the Year Honor

DAHLGREN, Va. (NNS) - A USS O'Kane (DDG 77) Sailor was recognized during the first annual Missile Defense Advocacy Alliance (MDAA) Defenders of the Year Awards Banquet held in Alexandria, Va., Jan. 14.



USS O'Kane Returns to Pearl Harbor

PEARL HARBOR (Feb. 8, 2011) Sailors depart the guided-missile destroyer USS O'Kane (DDG 77) during the ship's homecoming to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam after a seven-month deployment.



Start Date: November 2009
End Date: November 2011



CMDCM(SW/AW) David W. Blackburn

Start Date: August 2011
End Date: October 2014



CDR James Juster

Start Date: November 2011
End Date: April 2013



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