

Decommissioning, 2010
Loran Station Attu

Submission to D17



CWO4 Jeff L. Rosenberg
Commanding Officer

1. Uniform.

Service Dress Bravo Uniform for official party.

Tropical Blue Long Uniform for military guests and crew.

2. Ability to provide sword and scabbard.

None. No sword on station and do not intended for use in ceremony.

3. Itinerary of events for ceremony day.

All hands shift into uniform for decom and conduct ceremony.

Reception.

All hands shift into civilian clothes for departure of flight.

Load baggage, depart.

4. Draft Ceremony Program.

Follows.

Decommissioning

U.S. COAST GUARD
LORAN-C STATION
ATTU, ALASKA



August 26, 2010

Coast Guard Loran Station Attu

In 1943, Attu LORAN operations were established with the first LORAN-A station at Theodore Point. In 1947, LORAN-A operations were relocated to Casco Cove. In 1960, the station was again relocated to the former Navy weather observatory building. This is our present site, overlooking Massacre Bay. LORAN-C operations were also started that year. In July of 1979, LORAN-A operations were discontinued on Attu. In 1991, Attu became a dual-rated station for the Russian American LORAN chain becoming the first of its type.

LORAN station Attu formerly served as the X-ray secondary transmitting station for the North Pacific LORAN chain which was terminated on February 8, 2010 and the X-ray secondary transmitting station for the Russian American LORAN which was terminated on August 1, 2010.

Attu is the western most of the Aleutian Islands. It is one of the last three isolated, restricted duty LORAN stations, all of which are in Alaska. Of the three stations, Attu is the most remote and most isolated LORAN station. Attu has no native population and relied for many years strictly on Coast Guard Air Station Kodiak for logistics supplies provided every two weeks. These logistics flights, a focal point for the crew, were the station's only tie with the rest of the world for mail, food, supplies, and travel to and from the island. Attu, part of the Aleutian Island Wildlife Refuge, and the areas of fighting during the battle of Attu, earned a listing in the National Register of Historic Places in 1985.

Military Personnel as of 26 AUG 2010

Commanding Officer

CWO2 Jeff L. Rosenberg

Executive Petty Officer

ETC Alex Limonte

Engineering Petty Officer

MKCS Stephen Strecker

Operations Department

ET1 Vince Ornelas
ET2 Nathan Kinzel
ET3 Charles Conant
SN Sean Fadeley
SN Kyle Hamlin
FN William Sniffen

Engineering Department

EM1 Aaron Evans
DC1 Joshua Pinkley
MK1 Joseph Riche
MK3 Lantz Fortner
MK3 Tyrell Ledbetter
MK3 Kyle Turcott
FN Ryan Mills

Administration Department

HS2 Brian Maksin
FS1 Murry Clingerman
FS3 Jason Banks
SK2 Murrell Sippy

ORDER OF CEREMONY

Official Party Arrives*

National Anthem*

Invocation

LT Carl Stamper

Remarks

CDR Mark Sanders

Remarks

CDR James Boyer

Remarks and Reading of Orders

CWO2 Jeff L. Rosenberg

Inspection of Station Personnel

CDR James Boyer

CWO2 Jeff L. Rosenberg

Decommissioning of Command

Benediction*

LT Carl Stamper

Departure of Official Party

*Guests Please Stand

5. Foul weather plan.

Primary plan is for ceremony to be held inside on crew recreation deck.

Possible to hold outside in front of station but not recommended. Attu weather and winds are subject to immediate shifts.

6. Ceremony script.

USCG Loran Station Attu

Decommissioning

26 August 2010

Official Party:

CWO2 Jeff L. Rosenberg, Commanding Officer

CDR Mark Sanders, NAVCEN

CDR James Boyer, District 17 Waterways Management Branch

C - 15 min Crew and Guests assemble on Rec Deck

C- 5 min Official Party Assembles outside Rec Deck

1400 Master of Ceremonies (MC), XPO takes position at the podium

MC - 'GUESTS, PLEASE BE SEATED'

MC – "Master at Arms REPORT"

MKCS – "LORAN Station Attu - ATTENTION!"

"LORAN Station Attu all present or accounted for."

MC – "Very Well"

MC INTRODUCTORY REMARKS –

"GOOD MORNING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WELCOME TO THE DECOMMISSIONING CEREMONY FOR LORAN STATION ATTU, AK. I AM CHIEF ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN LIMONTE, EXECUTIVE PETTY OFFICER OF LORAN STATION ATTU, AND I WILL BE YOUR MASTER OF CEREMONIES FOR TODAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

"PLEASE RISE FOR THE ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY AND REMAIN STANDING FOR THE INVOCATION. UNIFORMED

GUESTS, PLEASE REMAIN COVERED THROUGHOUT THE CEREMONY AND FOLLOW MY LEAD FOR SALUTES”

OFFICIAL PARTICIPANTS are announced at brief intervals. MC ensures adequate time is allowed for each participant to reach his seat on the stage, one at a time. Those on the stage remain standing.

**MC – ‘LORAN STATION ATTU, ARRIVING.’
(Only MC salutes CO)**

**MC – “Executive Officer, COAST GUARD NAVIGATION CENTER,
ARRIVING”
(MC salutes LT)**

MC – ‘CDR**, District 17 Waterways Management Branch,
ARRIVING.’**

MC – ‘HAND SALUTE’ .
*Official Party **salutes** CDR Boyer as he arrives at his chair. When salute is returned, all face National Ensign.*

MC – ‘READY, TWO’

MC – “LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM.”

MC – ‘HAND SALUTE’ .

Play track 24.

MC – ‘READY, TWO’

MKCS-“LORAN STATION ATTU PARADE REST.”

MC – ‘CHAPLAIN STAMPER WILL NOW DELIVER THE INVOCATION’

CH – Chaplain’s Invocation – Chaplain will then be seated.

MC – ‘LADIES AND GENTLEMEN PLEASE BE SEATED’

MKCS – ‘LORAN STATION ATTU, AT EASE’

MC – Guest Spkr (If any)

Guest Spkr - Remarks

**MC – ‘LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I AM PLEASED TO INTRODUCE
CDR SANDERS, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, UNITED STATES COAST
GUARD NAVIGATION CENTER,**

CDR – Remarks

**MC- CDR BOYER, DISTRICT 17 WATERWAYS MANAGEMENT
BRANCH**

CDR- Remarks, presents unit award

MC – “THANK YOU, CDR BOYER.

**MC – ‘CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER JEFF L. ROSENBERG,
COMMANDING OFFICER,
LORAN STATION ATTU, AK.’**

CO – Remarks. ‘ATTENTION TO ORDERS’

MKC – ‘LORAN STATION ATTU, ATTENTION’

**CO – ‘FROM: COMMANDANT , WASHINGTON DC
TO: COMMANDING OFFICER, LORAN STATION
ATTU, AK**

**SUBJ: DECOMMISSIONING OF LORAN STATION ATTU, AK.
DECOMMISSION LORAN STATION ATTU, AK’ NLT 30
SEPTEMBER 2010.**

**CO- ‘CDR BOYER, WILL YOU PLEASE JOIN ME FOR AN
INSPECTION OF MY CREW?’**

MC - ‘I WILL NOW READ THE NAMES OF LORAN

STATION ATTU'S FINAL CREW AS THE CO REVIEWS HIS PERSONNEL FOR THE LAST TIME' *MC will read each name as the CO approaches that member. CO & CDR Boyer review troops.*

Senior Chief Machinery Technician Stephen Strecker

Damage Controlman First Class Joshua Pinkley

Electronics Technician First Class Vince Ornelas

Electrician Mate First Class Aaron Evans

Food Service Specialist First Class Murray Clingerman

Machinery Technician First Class Joseph Riche

Health Services Technician Second Class Brian Maksin

Storekeeper Second Class Murrell Sippy

Electronics Technician Second Class Nathan Kinzel

Electronics Technician Third Class Charles Conant

Machinery Technician Third Class Lantz Fortner

Machinery Technician Third Class Tyrell Ledbetter

Machinery Technician Third Class Kyle Turcott

Food Service Specialist Third Class Jason Banks

Seaman Kyle Hamlin

Seaman Sean Fadeley

Fireman William Sniffen

Fireman Ryan Mills

MC – CWO ROSENBERG; Please join CDR Boyer at the Podium

CO –*faces CDR Boyer & Salutes* ‘CDR, REQUEST PERMISSION TO DECOMMISSION UNITED STATES COAST GUARD LORAN-C STATION ATTU, ALASKA.’

CAPTAIN – *Returns salute* ‘PERMISSION GRANTED’

CO – *Salute & return* ‘CHIEF, DECOMMISSION LORAN STATION ATTU, AK.’

MC – *Salute & return* SIR, THE LORAN PULSE IS OFF-AIR, THE TIMERS AND TRANSMITTERS HAVE BEEN SECURED AND THE TOWER HAS BEEN DISMANTLED. LORAN STATION ATTU STANDS DECOMMISSIONED.’

CO – ‘VERY WELL’ *turns to CDR Boyer, CDR,* LORAN STATION ATTU, AK HAS BEEN DECOMMISSIONED. THE WATCH IS SECURED.’

CDR – ‘VERY WELL’ *CO & CDR return to chairs, remain standing*

MC – ‘PLEASE RISE AS CHAPLAIN STAMPER DELIVERS THE BENEDICTION’

CH – *Chaplain’s Benediction*

**MC – CDR, District 17 Waterways Management Branch DEPARTING.
*(Play Semper Paratus after announcement)***

MC – ‘HAND SALUTE’ as soon as he departs.

**MC – ‘READY, TWO’
*(When Semper Paratus is finished or CDR Boyer is at the Rec Deck door call READY TWO)***

**MC – “Executive Officer, US COAST GUARD NAVIGATION CENTER,
DEPARTING”**

**MC – CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER, US COAST GUARD,
DEPARTING.**

**MC – ‘LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THIS CONCLUDES THE
DECOMMISSIONING CEREMONY. EVERYONE IS
INVITED TO A RECEPTION ON THE MESS DECK. THANK YOU
FOR ATTENDING. ’**

MC – “MASTER AT ARMS, DISMISS THE CREW”

MKCS – “AYE AYE. STATION’S COMPANY, DISMISSED.

7. List of dignitaries and/or local VIPs expected to attend.

CDR James Boyer, D17 Waterways Management Branch
CDR Mark James, Executive Officer, NAVCEN
LT Carl Stamper, Kodiak Chaplain

8. Local Lodging, Dining, and Ground Transportation.

We are not located near any local communities. Only station facilities are available.

Onboard berthing is not available due to decom contract performance.

Adequate berthing should be available on Shemya

Onboard dining facility capable of providing food for all as needed.

Local travel not available.