

U.S. Department  
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United States  
Coast Guard



# Change of Command July 05, 2000



Coast Guard Loran C Station  
-Attu Island-

# PROGRAM

Official Party Arrives \*

National Anthem \*

Invocation \*  
LCDR Brown  
Chaplain Corps, USNR

Personnel Inspection

Remarks  
LT Taffe  
Chain Operations Control Officer, Representing Seventeenth District

Remarks, Orders  
CWO4 MESA

Remarks, Orders  
CWO2 MANNING

Benediction \*  
LCDR Brown  
Chaplain Corps, USNR

Official Party Departs \*

Reception

*\*Audience Standing*

# The Ceremony

The Change of Command Ceremony is a time honored tradition, which formally restates to the crew, the continuity of command authority. It is a formal ritual conducted before the assembled company of the command. The Change of Command is nearly unique in the world today. It is the transfer of total responsibility from one individual to another.

## LORAN STATION ATTU COMMANDING OFFICERS 1960-2000

60-61	LTJG E.G. WALTERS	80-81	LTJG J.K. KARONS
61-62	LTJG D.R. MARKEY	81-82	LTJG M.A. KOWALSKI
62-63	LTJG J.E. IRWIN	82-83	LTJG R.J. WILSON
63-64	LTJG M.J. MOYNIHAN	83-84	LTJG C.J. PAQUETTE
64-65	LTJG D.C. HILLARD	84-85	LTJG D.A. RAMBO
65-66	LTJG E.K. ROE	85-86	LTJG S.H. WHITE
66-67	LTJG R. BATES	86-87	LTJG M.L. FOSTER
67-68	LTJG M.C. HOPPE	87-88	LTJG K.K. MOORE
68-69	LTJG J. McNUTT	88-89	LTJG D.S. BOBALEK
69-70	LTJG W.W. LEVY	89-90	CWO2 D.D. HEYES
70-71	LTJG M. DUVALL	90-91	CWO2 D.J. BILLIG
71-72	LTJG R.D. CRANE	91-92	CWO2 M. JOYCE
72-73	LTJG MURPHY	92-93	CWO4 E.B. EBERWEIN
73-74	LTJG W.J. INMON	93-94	CWO4 E.N. BALDWIN
74-75	CWO2 L.W. ARRON	94-95	CWO4 K. ASHBY
75-76	LTJG A.M. ORR	95-96	CWO4 P.J. CALPIN
76-77	LTJG R.D. KACMARSKI	96-97	CWO2 M.G. TAFFE
77-78	LTJG J. SABO	97-98	CWO3 L.W. FREY
78-79	LTJG T.L. MAR	98-99	LT D.W. FOWLER
79-80	LTJG W.T. DAVIS	99-00	CWO4 J. MESA

## CWO4 Jesus Mesa

Chief Warrant Officer Jesus Mesa, from Bensenville, Illinois, enlisted in the U. S. Coast Guard in 1972.

Chief Warrant Officer Mesa has served as Commanding Officer of Coast Guard LORAN Station Attu, Alaska since 6 July 1999. His next assignment is Supervisor at Electronics Support Detachment, Portsmouth, Virginia.

Chief Warrant Officer Mesa's past assignments include Sensor/Navigation Projects Officer at MLCLANT, Norfolk, VA; Loran Engineering Projects Officer at ACTEUR, London, England; Standard Workstation II Database Manager at TISCOM, Alexandria, VA; Executive Officer and Senior Technical Officer at LORSTA Iwo Jima, Japan; Chief Electronics Technician at LORSTA Carolina Beach, NC and aboard WHEC-724 MUNRO; Electronics Technician aboard WHEC-725 JARVIS, Instructor at AN/SRC-21 "C" School at TRACEN Governor's Island, NY; and Electronics Technician aboard WHEC-722 USCGC MORGENTHAU. He is a graduate of USN Cryptographics "C" School and USCG Electronics "A" School.

Chief Warrant Officer Mesa's awards include a Coast Guard Commendation Medal, Commandant's Letter of Commendation (2 awards), Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Meritorious Team Commendation (4 awards), Good Conduct Award (4 awards), National Defense Medal (2 awards) and Restricted Duty Service.

Chief Warrant Officer Mesa is married to the former Tammera Packard of Rockland, MA. They have a son Richard and a daughter Kasey.

## CWO2 Robert Manning

Chief Warrant Officer Robert Manning was born in Boston, Massachusetts in 1959. He enlisted in the U. S. Coast Guard in 1977.

Chief Warrant Officer Manning's past afloat assignments include Electronics and Electrical Assistant on Icebreaker POLAR SEA, WAGB-11, Seattle, Washington; ET Shop Supervisor on Cutter LEGARE WMEC-912, Portsmouth, Virginia; Lead Technician on Icebreaker GLACIER, WAGB-4, Long Beach, California & Portland, Oregon; Communications Technician on Cutter STEADFAST, WMEC-623, St Petersburg, Florida; and the Deck Force on the Cutter SHERMAN, WHEC-720, Boston, Massachusetts.

Chief Warrant Officer Manning's shore assignments include Executive Petty Officer and Officer in Charge at Recruiting Office Tacoma in Washington; Tiger Team Leader at Telecommunications and Information Systems Command, Alexandria, Virginia; and Field Technician at Station Castle Hill, Newport, Rhode Island.

Chief Warrant Officer Manning's awards include the Coast Guard Achievement Medal (4 awards), Commandant's Letter of Commendation, Unit Commendation (4 awards), Meritorious Unit Commendation (5 awards), Good Conduct Award (6 awards), National Defense Medal and the Antarctic Service Medal (4 awards).

Chief Warrant Officer Manning is married to the former Tracey Klingman of Oregon City, Oregon.

## CG LORAN Station Attu

In 1943, 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.

Loran station Attu serves as the X-ray secondary transmitting station for the North Pacific Loran chain. In 1991, Attu became a dual-rated station for the Russian American loran chain. Attu is currently the only Coast Guard loran station that is part of a foreign chain.

Attu is the western most island of the Aleutian Islands. It is one of the three remaining 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. It has no Native Population and relies strictly on Coast Guard Air Station Kodiak for logistics supplies provided every two weeks. These logistics flights, a focal point for the crew, are 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.

## CREWMEMBERS

CWO4 Mesa  
ETC Hydock  
MKC Watry  
ET1 Stevens  
EM1 Dillinger  
HS1 Fernandez  
DC1 Ditz  
MK1 Boxleitner  
FS1 Bunton  
SK2 Heggarty  
ET2 Wood  
MK3 Wood  
MK3 DuPont  
ET3 Chapman  
FS3 Cruz  
SNET Padlo  
SN Harrington  
FA Mercado  
SA Gibbons  
FA Adams

