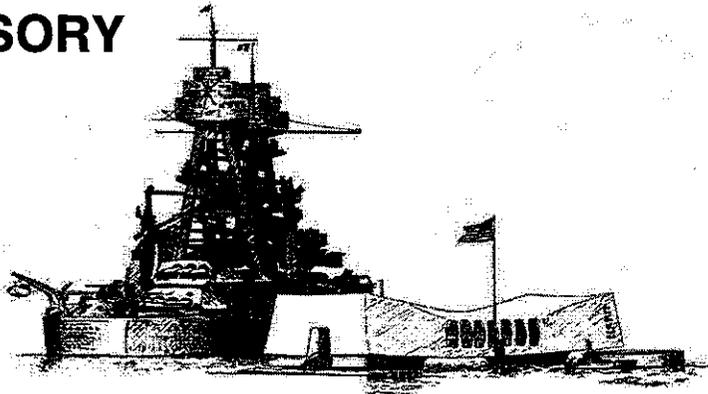


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Expeditionary Strike Group Ships Make Pearl Harbor Port Visit Media Embark Opportunity Upon Departure

Expeditionary Strike Group ONE (ESG-1) is making a port visit in Pearl Harbor. Five Navy ships with more than 5,000 Sailors and Marines will pull into Pearl Harbor Friday morning, Aug. 29th. The ships include USS Peleliu (LHA 5), USS Germantown (LSD 42) and USS Ogden (LPD 5), guided missile destroyer USS Decatur (DDG 73), and guided missile frigate USS Jarrett (FFG 33). The 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) is the Marine element of ESG-1.

The Pearl Harbor based USS Port Royal (CG 73) and attack submarine USS Greenville (SSN 772) are also part of ESG-1. The San Diego based ships deployed on Aug. 22nd.

There are a number of media opportunities associated with the port visit. Media are invited to attend any and/or all of the following events:

- ESG-1 ships arrival, Aug. 29th
- Pearl Harbor Survivor Ashes Scattering, Aug. 30th
- Media embark USS Peleliu on Sept. 1st, (walk on, fly off – same day)
- USS Port Royal departure, Sept. 1st

For more information on Expeditionary Strike Group ONE, please see the attached media advisory from Commander, U.S. Third Fleet.

Media representatives who would like to cover the ship arrivals please contact Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs Office, 473-2888 by 5:00 p.m. on Aug. 28th. Media representatives will be met at the Nimitz Gate Visitors Pass Office parking lot to be escorted to the pier.