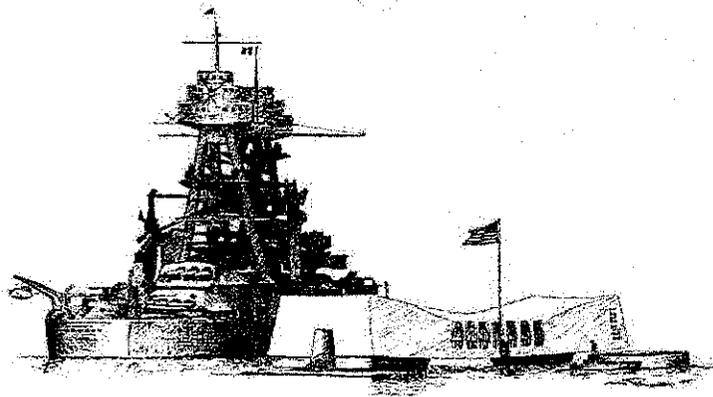


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## USS CROMMELIN RETURNS

PEARL HARBOR – Family and friends will say goodbye to the officers and Sailors of the Pearl Harbor-based guided missile frigate, USS Crommelin (FFG 37), which deploys Wednesday 12 May. Crommelin, commanded by Cmdr. Don Hodge, deploys to the Naval Forces Southern Command area of responsibility engaged in the monitoring and detection of counter drug activities.

A detachment of two SH-60B helicopters, from the Kaneohe-based Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light Thirty-Seven (HSL-37), is embarked on Crommelin. Cmdr. David T. Fisher is the officer in charge of the detachment and the 22 officers and Sailors assigned.

USS Crommelin is an Oliver Hazard Perry class guided missile frigates based in Pearl Harbor. Commissioned in June 1983, Crommelin originally home ported in Long Beach, Ca. In September 1991 the ship shifted homeports to Pearl Harbor. The ship is named after the Crommelin brothers who were distinguished Naval Aviators during World War II.

For more information about USS Crommelin, visit <http://www.Crommelin.navy.mil>. For more information about the Navy in Hawaii, visit <http://www.hawaii.navy.mil>.

*Media representatives who would like to cover the crew's arrival please contact Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs Office, 473-2888 by 4 p.m. on 21 April. Media representatives will be met at the Nimitz Gate Visitors Pass Office parking lot at 9 a.m. for escort to the pier.*

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