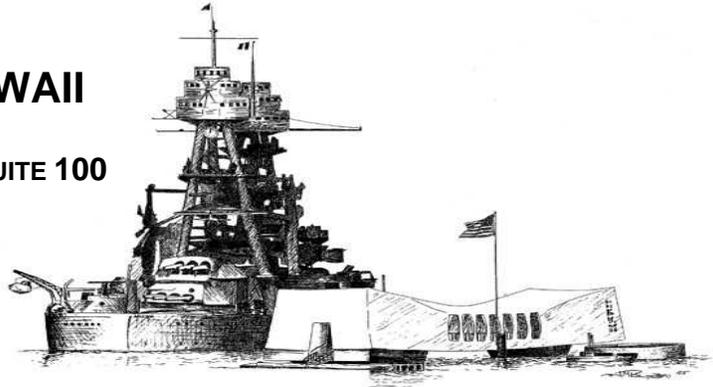


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### **USS Crommelin (FFG 37) to deploy to the Western Pacific**

PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII – The guided-missile frigate USS Crommelin (FFG 37) will depart Pearl Harbor on Tuesday, August 3, for a scheduled independent deployment to the Western Pacific.

Crommelin will be participating in Pacific Partnership 2010 in Palau and Papua New Guinea. The ship will also take part in Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) 2010 in the Philippines.

Pacific Partnership is designed to strengthen alliances, improve U.S. and partner capacity to deliver humanitarian assistance and disaster relief and improve security cooperation among partner nations.

CARAT is a series of bilateral exercises held annually in the Southeast Asia region. Longstanding participating nations include Brunei, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

Frigates fulfill a protection-of-shipping mission as Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) combatants for amphibious expeditionary forces, underway replenishment groups and merchant convoys.

*Media interested in covering the ships' departure should contact Chief Bart Bauer, Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs Office, by 3 p.m. Monday, August 2, 2010, at 473-3788 or 590-8363. Media will be met at the Pass and ID parking lot adjacent to the Nimitz Gate at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 3, 2010 to be escorted onto the pier.*

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