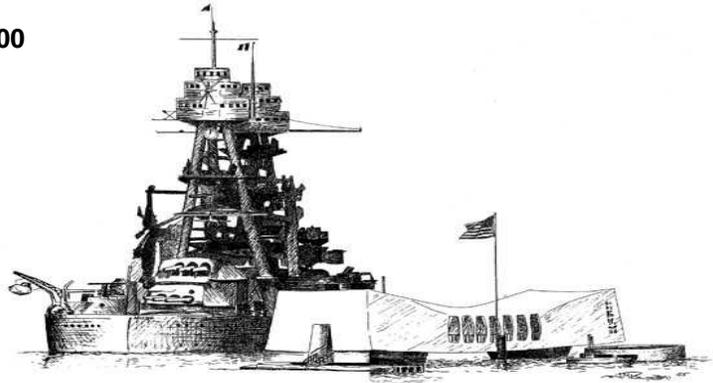


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## **USS Crommelin slated to deploy Tuesday**

**(Pearl Harbor, HI)** -- Family and friends will say goodbye to Sailors of the Pearl Harbor-based Oliver Hazard Perry class guided missile frigate, USS Crommelin (FFG 37), as they depart for a Western Pacific deployment at 1 p.m. on Nov. 27.

Commanded by Cmdr. Patrick Huete, Crommelin will depart Pearl Harbor to the Western Pacific in support of the global war on terrorism.

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

USS Crommelin is a versatile, multi-mission warship, able to execute a variety of war fighting tasks for the Nation. Originally designed to escort and protect convoys, underway replenishment groups, amphibious landing groups, and carrier battle groups, her multiple warfare systems, combined with her quick reaction and high speed capability, made her a valuable asset in today's multi-threat environment. Ultimately, though, her mission is simple: to conduct prompt and sustainable combat operations from the sea – to fight and win.

For more information on USS Crommelin, visit [www.crommelin.navy.mil](http://www.crommelin.navy.mil)

**Media representatives who would like to cover the ship's departure must contact Chief David Rush at 590-8363 by 4 p.m. Nov. 26 to arrange an escort. Media will be met at noon on Tuesday, Nov 27, at the Nimitz Gate Pass & ID.**

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