

To the TANEY Crew

This cruise has personally been a most rewarding experience for me. I am proud to have had the privilege of commanding the TANEY and her highly capable crew during this memorable deployment. Everyone has worked hard as a team to carry out the long and difficult tasks that have made the "Queen of the Pacific" tops in this South China Sea operation.

As the team breaks up we can all look back with pride and fond memories of the never to be forgotten events depicted in this book.

I wish each and every one of you Godspeed in your future endeavors.

A handwritten signature in white ink, appearing to read "R. Qui". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter being a large, stylized 'R'.

Commanding Officer