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Final preparations for getting underway were completed. Rear Admiral H.W. PARKER, Commander of the ELEVENTH Coast Guard District came aboard bid GLACIER farewell. He presented the U.S. Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation award to all members of the crew who had participated in DEEP FREEZE 1979 in recognition of their outstanding performance during that deployment.



Popular television personalities Connie CHUNG and Steve EDWARDS came aboard to film the day's activities. The Admiral and all visitors went ashore and GLACIER got underway for her twenty-first Operation DEEP FREEZE. After we took aboard explosives and ammunition at the U.S. Naval Weapons Station Seal Beach, we headed south to Auckland, New Zealand via Papeete, Tahiti.