Pacific-Based Sub Operates in European Waters



The USS Seawolf is operating in the U.S. 6th Fleet area of operations. U.S. NAVY via General Dynamics.

NORWEGIAN SEA – The Seawolf-class fast-attack submarine USS Seawolf is operating in the U.S. 6th Fleet area of operations and conducted a brief stop for personnel in the vicinity of Tromso, Norway, on Aug. 21, the fleet's public affairs office said in a release.

The Pacific-based submarine is operating in 6th Fleet under the command and control of commander, Submarine Group 8, and commander, Task Force 69, to compliment the undersea warfare capabilities of U.S. Naval Forces Europe.

"USS Seawolf's deployment from Bangor, Washington, to the U.S. 6th Fleet demonstrates the submarine force's global reach and commitment to provide persistent and clandestine undersea forces worldwide to execute our unique missions with unrivaled readiness," said Vice Adm. Daryl Caudle, submarine forces commander. "Our undersea warriors are the best in the world in submarine warfare and are equipped with unmatched capabilities designed to enhance our Navy and multiply the joint force's effectiveness in competition and conflict."

These subs are exceptionally quiet, fast, well-armed, and equipped with advanced sensors. Though this class of submarines lacks vertical launch systems, it is armed with eight torpedo tubes and can hold up to 50 weapons in its torpedo room.

"The arrival of Seawolf compliments our already robust undersea warfare capabilities and demonstrates our continued commitment to providing maritime security and deterrence throughout the region," said Rear Adm. Anthony Carullo,

commander, Submarine Group 8.

Seawolf was commissioned in 1997 and is the lead submarine of its class. The USS Connecticut and USS Jimmy Carter make up the rest of the class.

Seawolf, which is based out of Naval Base Kitsap in Washington, is conducting maritime operations in the 6th Fleet area of operations in support of U.S. national security interests in Europe and Africa.