



Front Row: FTM3 VAN DER GIESSEN, FTM2 ORTIZ, FTM2 LAFFERTY, FTMSN PYDYNKOWSKI Back Row: FTM2 ADAMS, CWO4 EVANS, FTM3 KUNZI, FTM3 MILLER

The loud thunder and blinding flash of a destroyed air target, and floating wreckage of what was an enemy warship have one major connection. They were each destroyed by the successful teamwork of the FT'S, who operate and maintain the primary offensive and defensive sensors of the guided missile cruiser ENGLAND. Unlike most rates, the FT'S are divided into gun experts and missile experts yet divided they become a working team. Primary detection and target assignment is made by the AN/SPS-48A 3-Dimensional search radar and should ENGLAND desire to engage the enemy platform, this information is sent to the AN/SPG-55B Fire Control Radar team who tracks the target. Target course, speed and elevation are then sent to the MK 119 computer electronically where missile and launcher orders are made and sent to the launcher system. This intricate weapons suite is entrusted to the Fire Control Technicians.



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