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**CAPTAIN MICHAEL B. O'DRISCOLL**

**Deputy Commander Expeditionary Strike Group 7/Task Force 76**

Capt. O'Driscoll is a native of Watertown, New York and a 1994 Graduate of the United States Naval Academy.

His sea duty assignments include Division Officer tours in USS Hawes (FFG 53) serving as the Damage Control Assistant and Electrical Officer followed by USS Shamal (PC 13) serving as the Weapons/Supply Officer and Executive Officer. Department Head tours were in USS Cole (DDG 67) and USS Gettysburg (CG 64) serving as the Engineer Officer. O'Driscoll's served as Executive Officer in USS Robert G. Bradley (FFG 49), Maritime Expeditionary Security Squadron (MSRON) 7, and Assault Craft Unit Two (ACU 2), where he was selected to fleet up as commanding officer.



O'Driscoll completed an Individual Augmentation assignment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from May 2006 – May 2007. Assigned as an embedded training team member and Executive Officer of his team, he was responsible for mentoring the senior garrison leadership of the 203<sup>rd</sup> Corps of the Afghanistan National Army, based at Camps Thunder and Lightning in Gardez, Afghanistan.

O'Driscoll's shore tours include Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California, earning a Master of Science degree in Systems Engineering and completed Joint Professional Military Education (JPME I). His thesis, "RF Weapon Development Using Open Source Intelligence" included the construction of a directed energy weapon.

O'Driscoll served as a shipbuilding analysis in N80 on the Navy Staff and additionally served on the Joint Staff, J-5, in the Deputy Directorate for Strategy and Policy, as a principal author of the Presidentially Signed Unified Command Plan and as the Executive Assistant to the Deputy Director for Strategy and Policy.

O'Driscoll completed JPME II while assigned to the Joint Staff and is a Joint Qualified Officer. Following command of ACU 2, he served on the staff of Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command and Commander, U.S. 5th Fleet as the Director of International Exercises and Deputy N5. O'Driscoll most recently served as Commander, Task Force 53, Commander, Logistics Forces U.S. Naval Forces Central, and Commander, Military Sealift Command Central.

O'Driscoll is currently serving as Deputy Commander for force generation and readiness and Chief of Staff of Expeditionary Strike Group 7/Task Force 76.

Personal awards include the Legion of Merit (two awards), Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Navy Commendation Medal (four awards), Navy Achievement Medal (three awards), and various unit and service awards.