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## NAVAL MESSAGE

## NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
COMMONWEALTH NAVY BOARD NAVY OFFICE, WELLINGTON		COMINCH	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
FROM	FOR ACTION		
RELEASED BY			
DATE 7 FEB 42			
TOR CODEROOM 1701 / 1630	INFORMATION		PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
DECODED BY CANNING			
PARAPHRASED BY CANNING			

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

070650Z CCR 1025

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME DATE TIME GCT  
TEXT

COMINCH FROM COM ANZAC FORCE:

OFFICER WHOSE SIGNAL NUMBER IS 45 ARRIVED AUCKLAND AND ASSUMED COMMAND ANZAC FORCE 6TH FEBRUARY. DEPARTING 10TH FOR MELBOURNE.

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BY DBS, DATE APR 30 1973

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM COM US NAV FORCES SW PACIFIC	FOR ACTION	OPNAV	PRIORITY PPP
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE FEB 6, 1942.			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM	INFORMATION	CINCAF	PRIORITY PPP
DECODED BY			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY ROBINSON			DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME	DATE	TIME	GCT
TEXT			

PORT DARWIN IS ENTIRELY UNSUITED AND PROBABLY SOON UNTENABLE FOR BASING FACILITIES UDIS 271710. ORDERS HAVE BEEN ISSUED BY ABDAFLOAT TO SHIFT

VESSELS NOW AT PT DARWIN TO FREEMANTLE. ASSUME OFFICE RECENTLY ESTABLISHED AT MELBOURNE CAN HANDLE PURCHASE AND TRANS-SHIPMENT OF SUPPLIES FROM

EAST COAST AUSTRALIA. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT AN OFFICE BE ESTABLISHED AT FREEMANTLE ORGANIZED SIMILARLY TO NAVPUR SHANGHAI, HEADED BY EXPERIENCED

OFFICER NOT BELOW THE RANK OF COMMANDER SUPERVISING CONSTRUCTOR COMMISSIONED AND ENLISTED ASSISTANTS ATTACHED TO OPERATE ESTABLISHMENT.

LABOR PROBLEMS REQUIRE THIS. FULL ADVANTAGE BEING TAKEN OF LOCAL FOOD SUPPLIES, BUT THEY ARE SO LIMITED THAT IMPORTATION FROM THE U.S. IS

IMPERATIVE UNTIL SUPPLY IN AUSTRALIA IS INCREASED TO INSURE ADEQUATE AMOUNTS. THERE IS NO LOCAL SUPPLY OF DRY STORES.

IF PRACTICABLE REQUEST THE FOLLOWING IN ~~DISPATCH~~ TALAMKBCA\* (A) 300 DEPTH CHARGES COMPLETE IN ADDITION TO THE 600 REQUESTED BY PREVIOUS DESPATCHES.

(B) SPECIAL SUBMARINE MATERIAL REQUESTED BY CTF 5 CONFIDENTIAL 021124 TO BUSHIPS AND BUORD IF ARRANGEMENTS FOR EARLIER DELIVERY NOT ARRANGED.

(C) 12 CONTROL VALVES, 12 SETS OF JOINT SCREWS ETC AND 48 GYRO WHEELS FOR MARK XIV-1 TORPEDOES MISSING FROM REPUBLIC AND PRES. POLK SHIPMENTS.

(D) ANY QUANTITY OF .50 CALIBER ARMOUR PIERCING CARTRIDGES.

\*TALAMKBCA PER EXACT TRANSLATION. SUGGEST "PALAMBANG"

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## NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM <b>AUSTRALIAN RADIO YHC</b>	FOR ACTION	<b>OPNAV CINCPAC</b>	PRIORITY <b>RR</b>
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE <b>JFEB 4, 1942.</b>			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY <b>ROBINSON</b>			DEFERRED

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TEXT			

FROM A.C.N.B., MELBOURNE.

SERIAL NO. 15 FROM C W R (1) MISSIONARIES REPORT SIGHTING ONE LARGE AND 2 SMALL WARSHIPS OFF SOUTH COAST EFATE (NEW HEBRIDES) DUSK FEB 2ND, COURSE WESTERLY. AIRCRAFT OBSERVED TO TAKE OFF FROM ONE. GRADE C-3. (2) NATIVES REPORT SEEING WARSHIPS PATROLLING BETWEEN MALEKULA AND SANTO ISLAND (NEW HEBRIDES) AT 0200Z/2 GRADE C-4. (3) 1 LARGE 2 SMALL UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS REPORT POSITION 13-15 S, 147 EAST AT 2100Z/2 GRADE D-2. (4) AIR RECONNAISSANCE RABAU, FEB 3RD REVEALS 2 CRUISERS, 3 DD'S, 11 TRANSPORTS (INCLUDING ONE/LARGE ) 2 SUPPOSED MILITARY LANDING CRAFT, 8 FLYING BOATS, SEVERAL SMALL CRAFT ADMTY NUMBER 876.

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BY DRS, DATE

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ACTION: COMINCH.....

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM <b>A.C.N.B.</b>	FOR ACTION	<b>DIGEST</b>	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE <b>4 FEBRUARY 1942</b>			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY <b>SHEPARD</b>			DEFERRED

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME DATE TIME GCT  
TEXT

SERIAL NO 13 FROM C.W.R. 9 SINGLE ENGINED A/C ATTACHED SALAMOA  
2232 Z 31ST X 9 TYPE 97 FLYING BOATS BOMBED WAU FIRST FEBRUARY X  
W/T CONTACT RE-ESTABLISHED WITH SALAMOA VIA PORT MORESBY AERADIO

**DISTRIBUTION:**

**COMINGH . . . ACTION**

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FROM <b>ACNB MELBOURNE</b>	FOR ACTION	<b>DIGEST</b>	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			<b>ROUTINE</b> <b>IMPORTANT</b> DEFERRED
DATE <b>3 FEBRUARY 1942</b>	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
TOR CODEROOM			ROUTINE
DECODED BY			DEFERRED
PARAPHRASED BY <b>PURDY</b>			

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TEXT

**SERIAL NO.14 FROM C.W.R. 4 CATALINAS ATTACKED SHIPPING RABAU 1ST.FEB.  
SOME BOMBS IN TARGET AREA BUT NO HITS OBSERVED. ENEMY 4-ENGINE FLYING  
BOATS DROPPED 6 BOMBS ON (?RABAU) 0230Z/2ND. 6 ENEMY A/C BOMBED PORT  
MORESBY AT 1610Z/2ND NO DAMAGE REPORTED.**

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**COMINCH.....ACTION.**

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER		EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	CNO MELBOURNE	FOR ACTION	ADDAFLOAT, CINC FEF, CINC EI, CAPT STAFF, SINGAPORE, NZNB WELLINGTON CZM, CINCAF, CINCPAC, OPNAV, BAD, CTF 5, FOJ	PRIORITY RR
RELEASED BY				ROUTINE
DATE	FEB 2 1942			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROM	1938	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY	HOTELL - ORSOND			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY	NORD			DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME	DATE	TIME	GCT
TEXT			

DISPOSITION OF MAIN NAVAL UNITS AUSTRALIA STATION FEBRUARY 2ND.

CRUISER HMAS AUSTRALIA (FLAG) HMAS PERTH, HMNZS LEANDER DEPARTED SYDNEY JANUARY 31ST FOR RENDEZVOUS WITH HMS ACHILLES (NEW ZEALAND) HMAS ADELAIDE, US CRUISER PHOENIX AT MELBOURNE. HMAS CANBERRA DEPARTED FREMANTLE JANUARY 30TH ON ESCORT DUTY. FRENCH LIGHT CRUISER LE TRIOMPHANT AT SYDNEY NSW. ARMED MERCHANT CRUISERS HMAS VESTRALIA (14 DAYS REFITTING) CAP DES PALMES AT SYDNEY NSW.

HMAS KANIMBLA DUE FREMANTLE FEB 2ND FROM SUNDA STRAIT. DESTROYERS HMAS STUART (REFITTING) AT MELBOURNE HMAS VOYAGER (REFITTING) AT SYDNEY NSW. US DESTROYER ALDEN, US DESTROYER WILLIAM B PRESTON AT DARWIN, DATE DEPART DARWIN 29TH JAN FOR TIMOR. SUBMARINE PIKE (US) US SUBMARINE PERCH AT DARWIN. FOLLOWING DEPARTURE DARWIN - US SUB TARPON 25TH JAN TO PATROL IN BANDA SEA. US SUB SEA RAVEN 28TH JAN FOR PATROL. US SUB SKIPJACK 29TH JAN FOR PATROL NORTHWARD. FOLLOWING US TENDERS AT DARWIN: USS LANGLEY, USS HOLLAND, SUBMARINE OTUS, US DESTROYER TENDER BLACK HAWK. OILERS BRITISH SAILOR, TRINITY (US)

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## NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FROM _____	FOR ACTION		PRIORITY
RELEASED BY _____			ROUTINE
DATE _____			DEFERRED
FOR CODER ROOM _____	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY _____			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY _____			DEFERRED

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TEXT

AT DARWIN AUSTRALIAN OILER KURUMBA AT FREMANTLE FALKEFJELL AT  
BRISBANE. MINELAYER BUNGAREE IN PORT PHILLIP.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER		EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	CABLE	PRECEDENCE
FROM	MELBOURNE	FOR ACTION	OPNAV		PPPPP PRIORITY
RELEASED BY					ROUTINE
DATE	1 FEBRUARY 1942				DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM	909	INFORMATION			PRIORITY
DECODED BY	LUNDBERG				ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY	GRAYDON				DEFERRED

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TEXT			

DIGEST. SUBS MALTA FORCE SERIAL NUMBER 12 FROM DARWIN. IN SIGHT ROLAS ISLAND ENEMY AIRCRAFT DROPPED FOUR BOMBS ON GIZO SOLOMON ISLANDS 28TH JANUARY. AIR RECONNAISSANCE BY FOUR TYPE 97 FLYING BOATS OVER WAU 31ST JANUARY ENEMY AIRCRAFT ALSO VISITED SAMARI 0344Z/31ST NO W/T CONTACT NOW WITH SALAMOA.

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FROM <b>MELBOURNE</b>	FOR ACTION	<b>OPNAV</b>	<b>PPPPPP</b> PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE <b>31 JAN 1942</b>			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY <b>ROONEY</b>			DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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## TEXT

DIGEST (ADMTY CINC FEF CINCEI CHIEF OF STAFF (1) SINGAPORE NZ NAVAL BOARD OPNAV CINCPAC CINCAF ABDAFLOAT AUSTRALIAN NLO NOUMEA (FOR

FRENCH HIGH COMMAND)) FROM ACNB MELBOURNE SERIAL NO 11 FROM CENTRAL WAR ROOM. AIR RECONNAISSANCE 30 JAN. REVEALS 4 CRUISERS 6 DESTROYERS

4 SMALL CRAFT 5 FLYING BOATS. AT LEAST ~~XXXX~~ 13 TRANSPORTS INCLUDING ONE LARGE (POSSIBLY AIRCRAFT OR SEAPLANE CARRIER). NO SIGN ENEMY

MOVEMENTS VUNAKSENTAU. BOMBING ATTACK NIGHT 30TH AND 31ST BY 5 CATALINAS. 1 DIRECT HIT HEAVY ANTIAIRCRAFT BY AIR ENCOUNTER. TABAR ISLAND REPORTED

SHELLED BY JAPANESE WARSHIPS 28TH JAN. AIR ATTACK IN PROGRESS SALAMOA 0104Z/31. ENEMY AIRCRAFT OVER BULOLO 0125Z/31 AND GASVA 21--Z/30.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT CARRIERS POSSIBLY ZUIKAKU CLASS REPORTED OFF JACQUINOT BAY (SOUTH COAST NEW BRITAIN) AT 0730Z/24.

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM <b>MELBOURNE</b>	FOR ACTION	<b>OPNAV</b>	<b>PRIORITY</b> <b>PPP</b>
RELEASED BY <b>JANUARY 29, 1942.</b>			ROUTINE
DATE			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY <b>ROBINSON</b>			DEFERRED

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TEXT			

DIGEST FROM ACNB MELBOURNE SERIAL NO 9, FROM CENTRAL WAR ROOM.

( DIGEST: ADMTY. CINC EASTERN FLEET, COS SINGAPORE, NZNB, OPNAV, CINCSPAC, CINCAF, ADDAFLOAT, AUSTRALIAN NLD MOUHEA FROM ACNB )

ENEMY FIGHTERS OPERATING FROM KAVIENG (NEW IRELAND).

6 SMALL SHIPS AND 1 LARGE APPROACHING SALAMOA AT 0140Z/29.

3 AIR RAIDS ON ISLAND ON THE MORNING OF JAN 28TH .

AIRCRAFT REPORTS 2 MOORED MINES IN DUNDAS STRAIT (OFF MELVILLE ISLAND) 2200Z/27TH.

ACTION: COMINCH.....

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

## NAVY DEPARTMENT

EXTENSION NUMBER		ADDRESSEES 5995 KC/PRECEDENCE	
FROM CINCPAC	FOR ACTION	COMINCH	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE 29 JAN. 1942			DEFERRED
FOR CODEROOM 1602/29	INFORMATION	ALUSNA MELBOURNE	PRIORITY
DECODED BY HIGGINS			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY GLUNT			DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH NAV BOARD HAS REQUESTED PHOENIX ESCORT  
 A MINE LAYER MELBOURNE TO NOUMEA ENROUTE TO PEARL X LOCKING COM-  
 PLETE KNOWLEDGE OF SITUATION DOWN UNDER ASSUMED PHOENIX WOULD  
 RETURN WITH COOLIDGE POSSIBLY OTHER TRANSPORTS TO U.S. WEST  
 COAST X IF NO CONVOY RETURNING SOON WILL DIRECT PHOENIX PROCEED  
 PEARL COMPLYING ACNB REQUEST ENROUTE X ADVISE X NAVOBSERVER  
 MELBOURNE PLEASE PASS TO AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH NAVAL BOARD  
 FOR INFORMATION.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM <b>A C N B</b>	FOR ACTION	CINC EASTERN FLEET ABDAFLOAT N.Z.N.B. CINCEAST INDIES CAPT ON STAFF SINGAPORE	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
RELEASED BY			
DATE <b>28 JAN 42</b>	INFORMATION	C.Z.M. OPNAV BAD CINC US ASIATIC FLEET CINC PACIFIC FLEET FO(2) FIGHTER TASK FORCE(25)	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
TOR CODEROM			
DECODED BY <b>MAIL</b>			
PARAPHRASED BY <b>GLTUCKER</b>			

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## DISPOSITION OF MAIN NAVAL UNITS AUSTRALIAN STATION 26 JANUARY.

CRUISERS:- HMAS AUSTRALIA(FLAG) HMAS PERTH, HMAS ADELAIDE, HMNZS LEANDER LE TRIOMPHANT (FREEFRENCH) AT SYDNEY (NSW). HMAS CANBERRA DUE FREEMANTLE 29TH JANUARY FROM BATAVIA. US CRUISER HOUSTON ON PASSAGE DARWIN AREA TO KOEPANG.

DESTROYERS:- HMAS VOYAGER(REFITTING) AT SYDNEY(NSW) HMAS STUART(REFITTING AT MELBOURNE. US DESTROYER PEARLY AT DARWIN. US DESTROYER ALDAN, US DESTROYER EDSALL DEPARTED DARWIN 23RD JAN FOR THURSDAY ISLAND, US DES. J.D. EDWARDS, HMS BIRCH ON PASSAGE DARWIN AREA TO KOEPANG.

AIRCRAFT TENDERS:- US SEAPLANE TENDER LANGLEY AT DARWIN, US AIRCRAFT TENDER HERON DEPARTED DARWIN 22ND JANUARY FOR JANDENA (BBS 131-15E)

SUBMARINE TENDERS:- US HOLLAND OTUS, US BLACK HAWK AT DARWIN, US PERCH US PIKE, US SEARAVEN, US SKIPJACK, US TARPON AT DARWIN.

OILERS:- BRITISH SAILOR, TRINITY (USA?) AT DARWIN. OILER KURUMBA(AUS) AT FREMANTLE, FALKEFJELL AT BRISBANE, PECOS USA DEPARTED DARWIN 22ND JANUARY FOR THURSDAY ISLAND.

A.M.C.S:- HMAS WESTRALIA DEPARTED SYDNEY(NSW) 23RD JAN FOR CAPRICORN CHANNEL, CAP DES PALMES (FREE FRENCH) AT SYDNEY (NSW).

MINE LAYERS:- BUNGAREE DUE PORT PHILIP 27TH JANUARY FROM SYDNEY(NSW)

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FROM <b>MELBOURNE</b>	FOR ACTION	OPNAV	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			<b>RRRRRR</b>
DATE <b>JANUARY 27, 1942.</b>			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY <b>ROBINSON</b>			DEFERRED

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CINC FAR EASTERN FLEET, ABDAFLCAT, CINC EAST INDIES, NZNB, CCS SINGAPORE,  
CZM CINCAF CINCPAC OPNAV BAD FO FARNBOROUGH TASKFOR 5 FROM ACNB MELBOURNE.

## DISPOSITION OF MAIN NAVAL UNITS AUSTRALIAN STATIONS JAN 26TH:

CRUISERS HMAS AUSTRALIA, (FLA G); HMAS PERTH, HMAS ADELAIDE,  
HMMZS LEANDER, FREE FRENCH L'TRIOMPHANT: AT SYDNEY NSW.

HMAS CANBERRA DUE FREMANTLE JAN 29TH FROM BATAVIA.  
USS HOUSTON ON PASSAGE DARWIN AREA TO KOEPANG.

DESTROYERS HMAS VOYAGER (REFITTING) AT SYDNEY NSW. HMAS STUART (REFITTING)  
AT MELBOURNE. USS PERRY AT DARWIN. USS ALLEN AND EDSALL DEPARTED

DARWIN JAN 23RD FOR THURSDAY ISLAND, USS J D EDWARDS, USS WHIPPLE  
ON PASSAGE DARWIN AREA TO KOEPANG.

AIRCRAFT TENDERS: USS LANGLEY AT DARWIN. USS HERON DEPARTED DARWIN  
JAN 22ND FOR JAMDENS (08 SOUTH, 131-15 EAST)

SUB TENDERS: USS HOLLAND OTUS USS BLACKHAWK AT DARWIN.  
USS PERCH USS PIKE USS SEA RAVEN USS SKIPJACK USS TARPON AT DARWIN.

OILERS: BRITISH SAILOR TRINITY FITTING FOR SEA AT DARWIN.  
AUSTRALIAN OILER KURUMBA AT FREMANTLE. FALKEFJELL AT BRISBANE.

HEAPECOS USA VESSEL DARWIN JAN 22 FOR THURSDAY ISLAND. ARMED MERCHANT  
CRUISERS, HMAS WESTRALIA DEPARTED SYDNEY NSW 23RD FOR CAPRICORN CHANNEL  
CANTON ISLAND, DINGLE BAY. PALMES (FREE FRENCH) AT SYDNEY. MINELAYER

BUNGAREE DUE PORTPHILLIP JAN 27TH FROM SYDNEY NSW.

ACTION: COMINCH.....

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FROM	OPNAV	FOR ACTION	CINCAF	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY	ADM HORNE			ROUTINE
DATE	JANUARY 27, 1942.			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM		INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY				ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY	ROBINSON			DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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TEXT

REQUEST YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS IN REGARD TO ADDITIONAL BASE FACILITIES AND SUPPLY ORGANIZATION REQUIRED TO HANDLE RECEIPT AND DISTRIBUTION OF NAVAL MATERIAL PARTICULARLY THOSE SHIPPED FROM US. DESIRE MAXIMUM PORTION OF FOOD SUPPLY BE OBTAINED FROM LOCAL SOURCES. PROVISION SHIP TALAMANCA LEAVING NORFOLK ABOUT FEB 10TH WILL BE RETAINED BY YOU FOR SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION OF FRESH PROVISIONS. IN ADDITION TO FIVE SUPPLY

OFFICERS NOW ENROUTE. ONE PUBLIC WORKS OFFICER IS ALSO ENROUTE VIA THE COOLIDGE. HE IS PREPARED TO ADVISE REGARDING EXPANSION BASE FACILITIES.

HE IS ALSO FAMILIAR WITH CERTAIN ADVANCE BASE MATERIAL IN REPLENISHMENT SHIPMENT. DEPARTMENT PREPARED TO MEET ALL SHIPMENT REQUESTS BUT CONSIDER EARLY SOLUTION SUPPLY BASE PROBLEM TO BE ESSENTIAL. CAN DARWIN BE MADE ADEQUATE WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME, OR MUST MAIN DISTRIBUTING POINT

BE ON THE EAST COAST. SHIPMENT OF MATERIALS FOR URGENT MILITARY ALTERATIONS WHICH CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED BY TENDER WILL BE MADE AT RATE IT IS ASSUMED CAN BE INSTALLED. NO PERSONNEL REPLACEMENTS NOW ENROUTE. REQUEST YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS. IN ADDITION TO REPLENISHMENTS NOW ENROUTE OR

PLANNED PROPOSE DISPATCHING CARGO VESSEL ABOUT MAR. 1ST WITH ABOUT 90 DAYS DRY PROVISIONS GSK CANTEN SMALL STORES PLUS 1 MONTHLY REPLENISH-

MENT AMUN AND MISCELLANEOUS MATERIALS. RECOMMENDATION DESIRED REGARDING ADDITIONAL ITEMS REQUIRED ON THIS VESSEL AND TALAMANCA. ALSO REQUIRE AT PERIODIC INTERVALS YOUR ESTIMATED REQUIREMENTS FROM US AT LEAST 60 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF ARRIVAL DATE WHICH YOU DESIRE.

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FROM <b>ALU NA MELBOURNE</b>	FOR ACTION	<b>CINCPAC</b> <b>CINCAF</b>	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY _____			ROUTINE <b>RR</b>
DATE <b>JANUARY 25, 1942.</b>	INFORMATION		DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM _____			PRIORITY
DECODED BY _____			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY <b>ROBINSON</b>			DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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TEXT

TO PERMIT THE MOVEMENT OF MAXIMUM REINFORCEMENT TO THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES ARMY ARE DIVERTING PHOENIX CONVOY TO MELBOURNE TO TRANS-SHIP PLANES FROM COOLIDGE TO MARIPOSA WHICH THEY PROPOSE SENDING SOUTH-ABOUT AUSTRALIA SAILING ABOUT FEB 6TH. HOLBROOK PROBABLY IN COMPANY. INFO FROM CINCPAC IS REQUESTED AS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF THE PHOENIX AS ESCORT BEYOND MELBOURNE. INFO AS TO RENDEZVOUS FOR TAKING OVER ESCORT TO DESTINATION IS REQUESTED FROM CINCAF.

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FROM <b>ALUONA MELBOURNE</b>	FOR ACTION	<b>CINCPAC</b> <b>CINCAF</b>	PRIORITY <b>RR</b>
RELEASED BY _____			ROUTINE
DATE <b>JANUARY 25, 1942.</b>			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROM _____	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY _____			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY <b>ROBINSON</b>			DEFERRED

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TEXT

TO PERMIT THE MOVEMENT OF MAXIMUM REINFORCEMENT TO THE NETHERLANDS  
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ESCORT TO DESTINATION IS REQUESTED FROM CINCAF.

COG: COMINCH.....

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER		EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	CINCPAC	FOR ACTION	COMINCH	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY				ROUTINE
DATE	13 JAN 1942			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM		INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY				ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY	SHALL			DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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TEXT			

SARATOGA WITH TASKFORCE 14 TO ENTER AS SCHEDULED TOMORROW. 2ND  
DIV VP-22 ARRIVED DARWIN. SUBMARINE INDICATIONS THIS AREA MOSTLY  
WELL TO THE WESTWARD. AM HAVING SUBS ON STATION CHECK REPORT NAVAL  
ATTACHE MELBOURNE 122255 TO OPNAV

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

## NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER		EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES 9030 K/C	PRECEDENCE
FROM ALUSNA MELBOURNE	FOR ACTION	OPNAV	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED	
RELEASED BY				
DATE 8 JANUARY 1942				
TOR CODEROM 1237	INFORMATION		PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED	
DECODED BY LUNDBERG				
PARAPHRASED BY GRAYDON				

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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CONFERENCES BEING HELD HERE PREPARING FOR TROOP MOVEMENTS THROUGH AUSTRALIA COMPARABLE THOSE FRANCE LAST WAR. THIS WILL NECESSITATE NAVAL PREPARATIONS ALSO. THERE SEEMS TO BE AN ATTITUDE HERE THAT U.S. WILL FURNISH EVERYTHING WHILE LOCAL PEOPLE MAKE ALL THE PROFIT. WE WILL HAVE TO FURNISH PRACTICALLY EVERYTHING. TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR HANDLING SHIPPING HAVE BEEN MADE WHICH ARE NOT SATISFACTORY FOR THE LONG PULL. THERE ALSO SEEMS TO BE AN IDEA AMONG THE CHIEFS OF DEFENSE DEPARTMENTS EXCEPT NAVAL THAT THE FIRST USE FOR DEFENSE PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT IS TO BUILD UP LOCAL DEFENSE IN THIS AREA WHICH IS NOT AT PRESENT THREATENED INSTEAD OF FORWARDING FOR OFFENSIVE USE IN AREA ALREADY THREATENED.

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM <u>ACNB</u>	FOR ACTION	ADMTY, CINC EASTERN FLEET; CINC EI, CSO (1) SINGAPORE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY _____		<del>SECRET</del>	ROUTINE
DATE <u>JAN 3 1942</u>	INFORMATION	NZN B, OPNAV CINCPAC, CIRCAC.	DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM _____			PRIORITY
DECODED BY _____			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY _____			DEFERRED

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TEXT			

MY 0021Z/30 DEC. SEARCHLIGHTS OBSERVED FROM *Salamoa* ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS DEC 29TH-DEC 31ST. FURTHER ATTACK CARRIED OUT AGAINST KAPINGAMARANGI BY R.A.A.F. AIRCRAFT FIRST JAN 2ND LARGE FIRES (ONE PROBABLY FUEL DUMP) WERE STARTED. AIRCRAFT WERE ~~UNSUCCESSFULLY~~ UNSUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED BY TYPE 97 NAKAJIMA, NAKAJIMA 93 AIRCRAFT.

*on Salamoa Island (northwest of New Guinea).*

(NOTE: B.A.D. WASHINGTON IS BEING INCLUDED IN THIS AND FUTURE DIGEST SIGNALS AND IS REQUESTED TO PASS TO OPNAV. - - - - -)

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM ANCB		OPNAV ADMIRALTY CINCEP COST SINGAPORE NZNB	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE 29 DECEMBER 1941			DEFERRED
FOR CODEROOM 1359		CINCPAC CINCAF	PRIORITY
DECODED BY LUNDBERG			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY GRAYDON			DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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DIGEST. FOLLOWING IS A REPETITION OF MY 2013/Z 26TH BEGINNING: "MY 1941/Z 25TH. SITUATION DILLI AS REGARDS COMPLIANCE OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES (AND ALSO PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT) IS AT PRESENT SOMEWHAT CONFUSED. JAPANESE AIRCRAFT (TYPE 97 ? B) FLEW OVER VUNAKANAU AERODROM RABAU 0410/Z 25TH BAD ATTACK CARRIED 25TH DECEMBER AGAINST KAPING-AMARANGI BY RAAF AIRCRAFT WHICH AGAIN MET AIR OPPOSITION. ADMIRALTY NUMBER 405. 2031/Z 26TH." ENDS.

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM AUSTRALIAN COMM NAV BOARD.	FOR ACTION	ADMIRALTY CINC EASTERN CINC E.I. COSI SINGAPORE NZND; OPNAV; CINCPAC; CINCAF	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE 26 DEC 1941	INFORMATION		DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 2250/25			PRIORITY
DECODED BY LUNDBERG			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY GLUNT			DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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(DIGEST FROM AUSTRALIAN COMM NAV BOARD)

MY 1104Z CR 23RD. PORTUGUESE GOVT. NOW AMENABLE PRESENCE DUTCH  
AND AUSTRALIAN TROOPS IN PORTUGUESE TIMOR. THREE ENEMY AIRCRAFT  
SIGHTED OVER NISSAN ISLAND (NEW GUINEA). ADMIRALTY NUMBER 395.

\*NOTE: CODE BEING RELAYED TO CINCPAC

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

PHONE EXTENSION NUMBER		ADDRESSEES		MESSAGE PRECEDENCE	
FROM	AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH NAVAL BOARD	FOR ACTION	ADMIRALTY CINC EASTERN FLEET CINC EAST INDIES CHIEF OF STAFF INTELLIGENCE SINGAPORE NEW ZEALAND NAVAL BOARD	PRIORITY	
RELEASED BY		FOR INFORMATION	OP NAV CINCPAC CINCAF	ROUTINE	DEFERRED
DATE	23 DECEMBER 1941			PRIORITY	
TOR CODEROOM	1254			ROUTINE	
DECODED BY	HENDRICKSON			DEFERRED	
PARAPHRASED BY	C ALLEN				

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DATE TIME GCT

TEXT (DIGEST FROM AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH NAVAL BOARD MELBOURNE)

MY 211501Z. AN ENEMY AIRCRAFT BELIEVED TYPE 97 KAWAN

FLYING BOAT FLEW OVER NAMA TANAI NEW IRELAND DEC 20. BRITISH TANKER

BRITISH SAILOR 5 DAYS OVERDUE AT DARWIN FROM TARAKAN. AUSTRALIAN

TROOPS IN TRANSPORT ORMISTON ESCORTED BY FREE FRENCH LIGHT CRUISER

LE TRIOMPHANT ARRIVED NOUMEA THE MORNING OF THE 23RD AS REINFORCE-

MENT FOR LOCAL GARRISON BOMB THROWERS. NUMBER 373

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

PHONE EXTENSION NUMBER

ADDRESSEES

MESSAGE  
PRECEDENCEFROM **NAVAL ATTACHE MELBOURNE**

RELEASED BY

DATE **22 DEC 41**

TOR CODEROOM

DECODED BY **OLSON**PARAPHRASED BY **PITKIN**

FOR ACTION

**OPNAV**

INFORMATION

**CINCAF  
CINCPAC**

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INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY

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**ARRIVED AT BRISBANE THIS MORNING: PENSACOLA  
AND CONVOY.****380....ACTION****RECORD COPY: 38....38W....COMINCH....OPDO....WAR DIARY....****CNO.....  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 22, 1941.

Miss Earl, White House Operator, left following message for Captain Beardall from Admiral Stark:

Admiral Stark wants President informed that  
convoy is in.

TOR 0800, 12/22/41 - Lt.Lange.

## NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

PHONE EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	MESSAGE PRECEDENCE
FROM <u>A C N B (ASX/111)</u>	?	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY _____		ROUTINE
DATE <u>22 DEC 1941</u>		DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM _____		PRIORITY
DECODED BY _____		ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY <u>SHALL</u>		DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY

211501Z OR 0365

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TEXT		

MY 0700/20TH FURTHER RECONNAISSANCE KAPINGAMARANGI REVEALS TWO  
 DOUBLE FLOATS SEA PLANES PATROLLING OVER ISLAND. DILLI AERODROME NOW  
 UNDER OCCUPATION AUSTRALIA INDEPENDENT COMPANY ADMIRALTY NUMBER  
 349

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*Kapingamarangi 600 mi. N.E. of  
 New Guinea*

*Australian Commonwealth Naval Board*

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## NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

PHONE EXTENSION NUMBER

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MESSAGE  
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FROM

AUSTRALIAN NAVAL BOARD  
MELBOURNE

RELEASED BY

FOR ACTION

OPNAV

PRIORITY

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DATE

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INFORMATION

TOR CODEROOM

PRIORITY

DECODED BY

OHAAR/MCKOWN

ROUTINE

PARAPHRASED BY

GLTUCKER

DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY

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TEXT

FROM AUSTRALIAN NAVAL BOARD MELBOURNE DIGEST. MY 0651Z 18TH  
SIGHTING OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT INDICATES THAT A JAPANESE AIRCRAFT (OR  
SEAPLANE) CARRIER IS OPERATING BETWEEN NISSAN AND KAPINGAMARANGI  
WHICH LATTER PLACE WAS BOMBED BY HUDSON AIRCRAFT 18TH DECEMBER.  
FORCE WHICH LANDED AT DILLI 17TH DECEMBER INCLUDED AUSTRALIAN  
TROOPS AND IT IS NOW KNOWN THAT LOCAL GOVERNOR OFFERING FORMAL  
RESISTANCE. FULL MILITARY CONTROL OF PORT-UGUESE TIMAR DEFERRED RE  
PENDING CLARIFICATION OF PORTUGUESE ATTITUDE. ADMIRALTY NUMBER 337.

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(off New Guinea)N.E. of  
New Ireland~~SECRET~~SEE ART 76(4)  
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PHONE EXTENSION NUMBER

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MESSAGE  
PRECEDENCEFROM ~~BRX~~ AUSTRALIAN NAVAL BOARD

INFORMATION FOR ACTION

ADMIRALTY LONDON  
CINC EASTERN FLEET  
CINCEI  
CHIEFS INTELLIGENCE  
STAFF SINGAPORE  
NZNB, CZ(?), OPNAV,  
CINCPAC, CINCAF.PRIORITY  
RRRRR  
DEFERRED

RELEASED BY

DATE 16 DEC 1941

TOR CODEROOM

DECODED BY SOLOTAR

PRIORITY

ROUTINE

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PARAPHRASED BY PURDY

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TEXT

52652 03609 BRITISH ADMIRALTY 300 CINC EASTERN FLEET BRITISH  
CINC EAST INDIES CHIEFS INTELLIGENCE STAFF SINGAPORE N.Z.NAV.  
BOARD, CZ(?), OPNAV WASHN CINCPAC. CINCAF, FROM AUSTRALIAN COM-  
MONWEALTH NAVAL BOARD.

MY 1503Z/ 13TH DEC FLEET FIGHTER RECONNAISSANCE PLANES HAVE  
REVEALED THAT JAPANESE MERCHANT VESSELS 1000 TONS OFF KAPING  
AMARANGI 00(52?) Z 15TH DEC. HAVE VACATED TARAWA AFTER HAVING  
DESTROYED RADIO STATION AND VARIOUS BUILDINGS. SHIPS WHICH  
ATTACKED APPARENTLY COMPRISED 2 ARMED MERCHANT CRUISERS. CINCAF  
CINCPAC PLEASE PASS TO COMGEN U.S.F.F.E.MANILA AND COMGEN HAWAIIAN  
DEPT. HONOLULU RESPECTIVELY. GENERAL FILE....

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