BY (COMTASKFOR SEVEN) TAMBOIR HAS BEEN DIRECTED KEEP NORTH OF LATITUDE THREE SOUTH UNTIL FURTHER ORDERS, ADVISE WHEN HE CAN RESUME STATION. THIS FROM CINCPAC
ACTION COMSERFORPAC INFO COMINCH BUSHIPS AND
COMTASKFOR FOUR FROM CINCPAC.

TAKE CHARGE OF AND CONDUCT SALVAGE OPERATIONS PRES.
TAYLOR AT CANTON.COMTASKFOR FOUR MAKE ONE SHIP TASK
GROUP FOUR POINT FIVE OR TAYLOR AVAILABLE TO ACCOMPANY
EXPEDITION. INFORM CINCPAC OF PLANS AND KEEP HIM
ADVISED OF PROGRESS OF SALVAGE WORK.

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BUSHIPS....
ALUSNA RIO ZERO TWO TWENTY ZERO TWO AND ZERO THREE ZERO FIVE ZERO X FURTHER DELAY BRECKINRIDGE NOT REPEAT NOT AUTHORIZED

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CANCEL MY 2523/38 MARCH.

BE GOVERNED BY COMINCH 31184/3

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TERM MILITARY COMMANDER FOR PURPOSES OF INTERNAL SECURITY AND LOCAL INTELLIGENCE COVERAGE YOUR 250145 IS INTERPRETED TO MEAN THE ARMY COMMANDER X YOUR HAWAIIAN DEFENSE PLAN ONE DASH FORTYTWO COMMANDER HAWAIIAN DEPARTMENT SHOULD NOW BE COORDINATING AGENCY FOR INTELLIGENCE COVERAGE WITHIN SCOPE DELIMITATION AGREEMENT REVISED FEBRUARY NINE
**Naval Message**

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020247 CCR 7684

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**Text**

COMINCH 31184◊ IS AT VARIANCE WITH INTERPRETATION TERM MILITARY COMMANDER IN SECNAV 252◊3◊ IN REPLY TO CINCPAC ◊145 SAME DATE X ACTING ON THE EARLIER DECISION THE DUTY OF COORDINATING INTELLIGENCE COVERAGE HAS BEEN DELEGATED TO ARMY COMMANDER IN LETTER YOUR COPY OF WHICH IS IN THE MAIL X FROM CINCPAC ACTION COMINCH INFO SECNAV.

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ACTION SALAMONIE X AS EARLY AS PRACTICABLE ON COMPLETION LOADING APRIL THREE PROCEED BASE SAIL ESCORTED BY MCKEAN X PRIOR DEPARTURE OBTAIN FROM SOPA LATEST INFORMATION ON A&IS FORCES X ON ARRIVAL RELEASE ESCORT X FUEL SHIPS PRESENT AS DIRECTED BY SOPA AND DISCHARGE REMAINDER FUEL OIL BY BARGE TO SHORE STORAGE X ON COMPLETION PROCEED BASE HYPO X REQUEST SOPA ARRANGE ESCORT.

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CINCPAC COM 14 COMPATWING 2 AND COMSUBRON 8 HAVE
THIS BY HAND

INFORMATION X NO JAPANESE SUBMARINES HAVE BEEN DEFINITELY
LOCATED IN VICINITY OF HAWAIIAN ISLANDS FOR MORE THAN A
MONTH X US SHIPS ARE ENROUTE BETWEEN WEST COAST PORTS AND
HONOLULU INFORMATION CONCERNING THEIR ROUTES MAY BE
OBTAINED FROM COMWESTSEAFRON X GENERAL TASK PROCEED ON SURFACE
WHEN POSSIBLE TO PEARL HARBOR X

TASKS TASK UNIT GEORGE 782 LIEUT COMDR MERLINGAME
SILVERSIDES X UPON SATISFACTORY COMPLETION OFFICIAL TRIALS
DEPART SAN FRANCISCO FOR PEARL OBTAIN SURFACE ESCORT DURING
DAYLIGHT DAY OF DEPARTURE AND ROUTING INSTRUCTIONS FROM
AND ROUTING INSTRUCTIONS FROM COMWESTSEAFRON X INFORM
COMTASK FOR SEVEN TIME OF DEPARTURE ROUTING AND ESTIMATED
SPEED OF ADVANCE X ZIG ZAG AT DISCRETION X ATTACK AND

WAROPS SECRET
SUPPLY INFORMATION OF ENEMY VESSELS ENCOUNTERED X ADJUST SPEED TO ARRIVE SIXTY MILE POSITION CIRCLE FROM PEARL AT DAWN X UPON ARRIVAL ONE THOUSAND MILE POSITION CIRCLE FROM PEARL REPORT POSITION COURSE AND SPEED TO DESIRED RENDEZVOUS WITH SURFACE ESCORT ON SIXTY MILE CIRCLE X COMMAND GUARD NEGAT PREP MIKE PRIMARY FOX X COMMUNICATE ON 4235 SERIES VIA NEGAT PREP MIKE X OPERATION ORDER 29-42 X CINCPAC COM FOURTEEN COMPATWING TWO AND COMSUBRON EIGHT HAVE THIS BY HAND

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From: London
To: G-2
No. 2297, April 1, 1942

Request quote for Signal Corps and Adjutant General's Department Officers Training School and authority to convene board to examine applicants pursuant to paragraph no. 6 War Department Circular 48, 1942

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From: London
To: Milid

No. 2292, April 1, 1942

Minsupply your 1042 our 2012 requests cws manufacturing drawings latest 4.2 chemical shell.

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CH_IN-0393 (4/3/42)

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COPY No. 1
SSS JUST RECEIVED LOCH DON TORPEDOED 2122Z AT 37°5'N 61°4'W. COLE WHEN IN ALL RESPECTS READY FOR SEA PROCEED TO NEW YORK AS PREVIOUSLY DIRECTED. EN ROUTE SEARCH AREA FOR SUB AND SURVIVORS. WEATHER PERMITTING VICTOR PREP WILL ARRIVE VICINITY SSS AT DAWN. ALT AIR DELIVER TO COLE FOR ACTION.
OPERATIONS UNDER PREPARATION AS PREVIOUSLY DIRECTED OR REPORTED. TURKEY IS ENROUTE TO RELIEVE KINGFISHER OF DUTY AT SAMOA. NO INDICATION OF ENEMY THIS AREA. MAHAN AND TUGS RETURNED WITH SALVAGE PERSONNEL FROM HOLLY NO RECOMMENDATION REGARDING TAYLOR AS YET. COMINCH FOR ACTION FROM CINCPAC.

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MY 10001 FEBRUARY AND 310243 MARCH FORMER AMPHIBIOUS FORCE PACIFIC FLEET CONSISTING SECOND MARINE DIVISION AND THIRD ARMY DIVISION LESS AIR AND OTHER UNITS ON DETACHED DUTY BECOMES AMPHIBIOUS CORPS PACIFIC FLEET ZERO HOURS ZED 15 APRIL X FROM CINCPAC X COMINCH DELIVER TO OPNAV COD COMGEN UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS X COMGEN HAWDEPT AND COM 14 INFORMED.

COPY DELIVERED TO OPNAV CODE ROOM.
DESTINATION FREMANTLE REPEAT FREMANTLE. YOUR 310113.
TARPON PORPOISE PIKE FIRST THREE VESSELS. IN VIEW DESTINA-
TION SUGGEST PACFLT SUBS BE ROUTED THROUGH CAROLINES
SOUTH LAT 1° NORTH ON REACHING LONG 180°. THEN THROUGH
DJAILolo AND MANILA PASSES. EAST OF TIMOR AND SOUTHWEST
ALONG AUSTRALIAN COAST OUTSIDE 10° FATHOM CURVE TO DESTI-
NATION. PLAN ROUTE SUBS FROM HERE TO TIMOR BANKA SEA AREA.
NORTH THROUGH MOLUCCA PASSAGE TO PELEWS. ACROSS TRAFFIC LANES
FROM NORTH TO MANDATES SOUTH OF GJAM AND THEN GREAT CIRCLE
TO PEARL. COMMAND TO PASS TO YOU ON LEAVING PELEWS. FIRST
PAIR TO ARRIVE PEARL ABOUT 15 MAY. HAVE NO INFO ON SHIFT
OF HOLLAND. THIS ONLY EFFECTIVE TENDER HERE AND CANNOT
BE SPARED AS OTUS HAS NO SHIPS. SQUAD AND DIV ORGANIZATION
INACTIVATED THIS COMMAND TO PROVIDE DIRECT FLEXIBLE WAR
ORGANIZATION.

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CANCEL MY 1848A 12TH FEB AND MY 1914A 17TH MARCH NOT TO ALL ADDRESSEES.

QUEEN MARY IS NOW REQUIRED TO RETURN USA FORTHWITH.

(2) REQUEST YOU WILL SAIL SHIP UNESCORTED FOR NEW YORK VIA FREMANTLE CAPE TOWN AND RIO DE JANEIRO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE REPORT (A) EXPECTED DATES SAILING SYDNEY AND ARRIVAL CAPE TOWN; AND (B) ESTIMATED FUEL REQUIREMENTS AT CAPE TOWN AND RIO DE JANEIRO.

(3) EARLIEST POSSIBLE ARRIVAL NEW YORK IS REQUIRED AND CINC ARE REQUESTED TO ACCELERATE PASSAGE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

(4) IT IS PROPOSED EMBARK 2000 GERMAN PRISONERS OF WAR AT CAPE TOWN FOR PASSAGE NEW YORK EN ROUTE CANADA. REQUEST MASTER BE INSTRUCTED MAKE NECESSARY PREPARATIONS, AND SHIP BE VICTUALLED ACCORDINGLY. FURTHER SIGNALS WILL BE SENT ON THIS POINT TO CINC SA AND BAD.

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(5) WHILE AT CAPE TOWN AND DURING ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE FROM PORT ALL POSSIBLE ANTI-SUB PRECAUTIONS ARE TO BE TAKEN.

OPNAV PASS TO CINCNALT.

* REFERENCE NOT IN FILES

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IT IS DESIRED THAT PRINCE HENRY BE TAKEN IN HAND FOR ANNUAL REFITTING TO INCLUDE FITTING WITH ANTI-SUBMARINE AT ESQUIMALT COMMENCING ABOUT 10TH MAY. REQUEST ARRANGEMENTS MAY BE MADE FOR HER TO BE SUNK ACCORDINGLY AND PASSAGE PROGRAMME SIGNALLED.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COAC RCN HALIFAX
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 31 MARCH 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 0453/0426
DECODED BY: FINKELDEY/CLUNT

ADDRESSEES: GODERICH
FOR ACTION: GODERICH
INFORMATION: FLEUR DE LIS
COM: EASTSEAFRON
USS LEA

PRIORITY: PRIORITY
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(PASSSED BY COMEASTSEAFRON TO COMINCH FOR ACTION)

(GODERICH REPEATED TO FLEUR DE LIS NSHQ 119 COM EASTSEAFRON
USS LEA FROM COAC HALIFAX)

YOUR 1948Z 30TH OCANA REPORTED IN POSITION 41-30 NORTH 64-33
WEST AT 1630Z 29TH. CONTINUE SEARCH FOR OCANA. TUG NORTHWIND
ESCORTED BY FLEUR DE LIS-SAILED FROM SHELBORNE TO ASSIST
AT 1115Z TODAY. KEEP A GOOD LOOKOUT FOR SURVIVORS FROM STEAM-
SHIP HARTFORD IN YOUR VICINITY. REPORT WHEN SURVIVORS OR
OCANA ARE FOUND

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BY DDR, DATE

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**DECODED BY:** RUSH/BELL

**CHIEF OF STAFF, ARMY**

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**TAKE CHARGE OF OPERATION MENTIONED YOUR 3O2115 X USE THOMAS JEFFERSON OR ANY OTHER SHIP OR SHIPS YOU MAY CONSIDER SUITABLE X MANNING WITH NAVAL OFFICERS AND MEN X ROUTE TO MANILA BAY WITH CARGO TO BE SUPPLIED BY ARMY AT HONOLULU X WAR DEPARTMENT CONCURS ABOVE PLAN.**

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**WAROPS SECRET**
(COUGENHAWDEPT INFORMED)

URGENTLY NECESSARY YOU CONFIR IMMEDIATELY WITH MARSHALL REGARDING OPERATION DIRECTED BY WAR DEPARTMENT 203% OF 29 MARCH AND ADVISE EXTENT TO WHICH NAVY SHALL ASSIST.

CONSIDER PROSPECT SUCCESS REMOTE. AVAILABILITY CIVILIAN CREW QUESTIONABLE, AND WILL PROBABLY RESULT IN REQUEST FOR NAVAL CREW. MOST SUITABLE SHIP AVAILABLE MANULANI NOW LOADED SUGAR SAILING WEST COAST TOMORROW.

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UPON COMPLETION CURRENT OPERATIONS PROCEED BLEACHER THERE REPLENISH FUEL AND SUPPLIES AND OTHERWISE MAKE READY FOR FURTHER OPERATIONS TO NORTHWESTWARD AS THE SITUATION IN THE AREA WHERE YOU ARE NOW OPERATING REQUIRES CONSTANT ACTIVITY OF A TASK FORCE LIKE YOURS TO KEEP THE ENEMY OCCUPIED PARA REQUIREMENT FOR USE OF OTHER TASK FORCES LIKE YOURS MAKE IT NECESSARY TO CONTINUE YOUR ACTIVE OPERATIONS SOUTH OF EQUATOR UNTIL YOUR FORCE CAN BE RELIEVED

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FOUR SUBS SIGHTED BY PLANES AS FOLLOWS: AT 1458Q IN LAT 36-10N LONG 74-50W. AT 1345Q LAT 35-55N LONG 75-15W. AT 1255Q AT LAT 34-44N LONG 76-12W. AT 1512 AT LAT 33-55N LONG 76-12W. TWO MORE SUBS BELIEVED TO BE AT HATTERAS LOOKOUT AREA. DUE TO CRITICAL SITUATION AND LACK OF ADEQUATE PATROLS AVAILABLE WITH SOUND EQUIPMENT URGENTLY RECOMMENDED DETAIL OF AT LEAST FOUR DESTROYERS FOR IMMEDIATE DUTY. CURRENT SITUATION OF AVAILABLE DESTROYERS AS FOLLOWS: GREER ESCORT. TARBELL DICKERSON UNDER REPAIR NORFOLK. NOA JUST RETURNED NY SAILS JUST AS SOON AS CAN BE MADE READY. HERBERT RETURNING NY FOR FUEL. ROPER SEARCHING FOR SURVIVORS CITY OF NEW YORK.
IN YOUR \textit{302218} YOU DO NOT DO YOURSELF JUSTICE AS TO WHAT YOUR KNOWLEDGE SHOULD BE AS TO OTHER DEMANDS FOR DESTROYERS EQUALLY AS PRESSING AS YOURS.
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REPORTING ACCORDANCE CINCLANT 310/335 NOW 25 MILES EAST.

BOSTON LIGHTSHIP POSITION HPJX

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MODIFY MY 291850 NOT TO ALL ADDRESSEES AS FOLLOWS X HAMBLETON EMMONS DISCONTINUE TRAINING CASCO AND REPORT IMMEDIATELY FOR TEMPORARY DUTY TO COMMANDER EASTERN SEA FRONTIER X COMTASKFORCE TWENTY TWO INFORM COMASEAFRON WHEN THESE VESSELS ARE REQUIRED FOR ESCORT RANGER X CINCLANT ORIGINATOR
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TEXT

COMINCH 261632 WHAT IS DESTINATION OF SUBMARINES PROCEEDING SOUTHWEST X IN ORDER PLAN YARD OVERHAULS WHAT TYPE IS RETURNING FIRST X UNLESS THERE IS OBJECTION WILL ASSIGN MY SUBMARINES TO RABAUL SALAMANEA AREA COMMAND PASSING TO YOU UPON LEAVING THIS AREA X SUGGEST SIMILAR PLAN BE ADOPTED FOR YOUR SUBMARINES IN ANOTHER AREA X MY SUBMARINES WILL BE ROUTED VIA MIDWAY MARSHALLS X SUGGEST YOU ROUTE YOURS VIA MIDWAY CLEAR OF MARSHALLS X IF POSSIBLE GIVE ME ROUTING FOR MY SUBMARINES LEAVING RABAUL X SUGGEST HOLLAND LEAVE AFTER ARRIVAL PELIAS (AS#14) EARLY AUGUST

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INFORMATION PARAPHRASED EXTRACT TELEGRAM MARCH 25 FROM U.K. SECRETARY STATE FOR COLONIES TO GOVERNORS BAHAMAS BERMUDA BRITISH GUIANA JAMAICA LEeward ISLANDS WINDWARD ISLANDS TRINIDAD BARBADOS AND BRITISH HONDURAS QUOTE IN CONNECTION DEFENSE CARIBBEAN AREA NON-BASED BRITISH TERRITORY THIS AREA WILL ORGANIZE BEST LOCAL DEFENSE TO RESIST EXTERNAL ATTACK PENDING RELIEF BY US MOBILE SEA AND AIR FORCES X LOCAL POLICE FORCE MAINTAIN INTERNAL SECURITY X IN EMERGENCY NON-BASED TERRITORY WILL APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE AND PAREN IN ADDITION TO PRESENT INTELLIGENCE PROCEDURE PAREN WILL PASS ALL IMPORTANT MILITARY NAVAL AND AIR INTELLIGENCE REPORTS TO US AUTHORITIES AS FOLLOWS AFIRM THOSE SOUTH OF FIFTEEN DEGREES NORTH LATITUDE TO CG TRINIDAD SECTOR PORT OF SPAIN AND COM TEN X BAKER THOSE NORTH OF FIFTEEN DEGREES NORTH LATITUDE EXCEPT BRITISH HONDURAS AND BAHAMAS NON-BASED ISLANDS TO COM TEN AND CG PUERTO RICO DEPARTMENT SAN JUAN X CAST BRITISH HONDURAS TO CG CDC PANAMA CANAL ZONE DOG BAHAMAS
(SHEET 2 OF 2)

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MAILGRAM 391625 OCR 1230

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NON BASED ISLANDS TO COM SEVEN X PARA IN AN EMERGENCY

IF NORMAL COMMUNICATION CHANNELS BREAK DOWN APPLICATION CAN BE MADE DIRECT TO ANY OTHER NEARBY US NAVAL OR MILITARY COMMANDER UNQUOTE COMS SEAFRONS INFORM US ARMY COMMANDERS PARA CERTAIN INACCURACIES IN TITLES OF UNIT SAIL OFFICIALS IN THIS DESPATCH HAVE BEEN CALLED TO ATTENTION OF ORIGINATOR AND WILL BE CORRECTED

AUTHENTICATED BY

S. G. SLADE, ENS., USNR

OC: B.A.D.

COMBINED STAFF (PUBLIC HEALTH BLDG)

CHIEF OF STAFF, U.S. ARMY

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REQUEST THAT OPHAV FORWARD DAILY TO SPENAVO A DESPATCH SIMILAR TO ALUSHAS DAILY SERIAL GIVING DATA ON MERCHANT VESSELS LOST DAMAGED A AND ATTACKED BY ENEMY ACTION AND LOST OR SERIOUSLY DAMAGED BY MARINE CASUALTY AND ALSO INFORMATION AS TO SURVIVORS RELATING TO SUCH LOSSES ON INQUIRIES. SPENAVO WILL FURNISH THIS INFORMATION TO ADMIRALTY WHICH WILL IN TURN INFORM APPROPRIATE BRITISH AND AMERICAN AGENCIES OWNERS AGENTS ETCETERA IN UNITED KINGDOM. IT IS REQUESTED THAT OPHAVS REPORT COVER THE AREAS OF AMERICAN STRATEGIC RESPONSIBILITY. IF REQUESTED DESPATCH IS PLACED IN EFFECT PLEASE INFORM WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION AND MARITIME COMMISSION OF IT AND OF ALUSHAS DAILY SERIAL ADMIRALTY DESIRES THAT EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION OF TYPE MENTIONED BE RESTRICTED TO NAVY DEPARTMENT AND ADMIRALTY CHANNELS RATHER THAN HAVING IT SENT AND FREQUENTLY DUPLICATED THROUGH VARIOUS AGENCIES OWNERS AND THEIR AGENTS AS AT PRESENT. SUGGEST THEREFORE THAT WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION AND MARITIME COMMISSION BE CONSULTED AS TO CONSULTATION OF PRESENT TYPE OF MESSAGE DESIRABLE.

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NAVAL MESSAGE
FROM RADIO HONOLULU
RELEASED BY
DATE 30 MARCH 1942
TOR CODEROOM 30433
DECODED BY HAMPTON
PARAPHRASED BY ORMOND

ADDRESSEES RADIO WASHINGTON
PRECEDENCE PRIORITY ROUTIN RRRRRRR DEFERRED
FOR ACTION INFORMATION

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ROUTED BY FULTON 30#321 NCR-1989
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NO CONTACTS IN HAWAIIAN AREA REPEAT AREA X MINDIV 1 IS ENROUTE TO LAY FRENCH FRIGATE FIELD X CINCPAC TO COMINCH

ACTION: COMINCH.......

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URDIS 26§83§ YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO TAKE OVER TANKER GE. G. HENRY UNDER BAREBOAT BASIS. ADVISE DATE OF ACCEPTANCE. ARRANGE WITH ALUSNA MELBOURNE FOR RETURN OF CIVILIAN CREW TO ANY US PORT WHERE CREW IS TO APPLY DIRECT TO STANDARD OIL COMPANY NEW JERSEY FOR NECESSARY RAIL TRANSPORTATION. IF SERVICES DESIRED, ISSUE NECESSARY ORDERS TO PRESENT MASTER J. G. OLSEN CALLING HIM TO ACTIVE SERVICE AND ASSIGNING TO DUTY.

FURNISH BUNAV COPIES OF ALL ORDERS FOR VERIFICATION.

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COMPTAWING TWO MAKE WRIGHT AVAILABLE AND ISSUE NECESSARY ORDERS FOR VOYAGE TO PERTH AUSTRALIA AND RETURN PRIMARY MISSION CONNECTION TRANSFER ONE PATROL SQUADRON TO SOUWESTPAC FOR X COM TASK FOR FIFTEEN DIRECT TUCKER REPORT COMPTAWING TWO ESCORT ENTIRE TRIP X IN ADDITION WRIGHT IS TO TRANSPORT REPLACEMENT CRUISER AIRCRAFT FOR TASK FORCE SEVENTEEN AND ANZAC FOR AND MAIL PASSENGERS FREIGHT TO LIMIT OF CAPACITY FROM INTERESTED ACTIVITIES HAWAIIAN AREA X COMAIRSAT FOR HEREBY DIRECTED FURNISH CRUISER REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT X ALL ACTIVITIES ARRANGE FOR PASSENGERS FREIGHT DIRECT WITH COMPTAWING TWO X ITINERARY OUTBOUND VIA TUTUILA SUVA NOUMEA MELBOURNE X UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY COM TASK FOR SEVENTEEN OR COMANZAC CRUISER PLANES ARE TO BE DELIVERED TO TANGIER AT NOUMEA X WRIGHT ACCEPT DAMAGED PLANES FOR RETURN TO PEARL AS PRACTICABLE X FUEL AVAILABLE TUTUILA X COMANZAC REQUESTED

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REQUESTED ARRANGE FOR ADDITIONAL FUEL WHICH WILL BE REQUIRED EITHER AT MELBOURNE OR PERTH X DEPARTURE DATE ONE APRIL OR AS SOON #B THEREAFTER AS PRACTICABLE X SPEED OF ADVANCE TWELVE KNOTS ESTIMATED X FROM CINCPAC X ACTION COMPATWING TWO COMBAT TASKFOR FIFTEEN COMAIRBAT FOR PAREN ADMIN PAREN ALL OTHER ADDRESSES INFO X FURTHER INFO ADEES NOT IN HEADING FOLLOWS X COMBAT TFORCE FOUR COMDESBATFOR COMDESRON THREE COMSUBPAC COMMANDING GENERAL HAWAIIAN DEPARTMENT X COMANZAC INFORM ALUSNA MELBOURNE AND NAVAL BOARD X ALUSNOB WELLINGTON INFORM NAVAL BOARD THERE
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**SUBMARINE NOTICE.** FINBACK WILL CONDUCT TRAINING OPERATIONS UNESCORTED MARCH 30 TO APRIL 4 INCLUSIVE WEST OF ISLE OF SHOALS AND IN AREAS AFIRM AND BAKER PAREN USC AND GS CHART ONE TWO ZERO SGX PAREN. ON MARCH 30 DURING DAYLIGHT ONLY. THEREAFTER DAY AND NIGHT. INFO FINBACK ACTION NY PORT BY HAND.

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FROM CINCLANT (NERK)  
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TASKFORCE 37 REAR ADMIRAL HEWITT HEREBY CONSTITUTED AS FOLLOWS PHILADELPHIA EBERLE ERICSSON LIVERMORE BERADOU DOLE DUPONT ELLIS LEA X ICELAND (C) SECTION THREE TRANSPORTS READY NEW YORK APRIL 7 X UNIT KING SECTION THREE OR FOUR CARGO VESSELS READY SAME PLACE AND DATE X PROCEED HALIFAX WHERE DESTROYERS MUST FUEL X NEGAT AFIRM 7 CONSISTING TWO TRANSPORTS READY HALIFAX APRIL 10TH FOR UNIT KING WILL JOIN AND SAIL WITH YOU FROM HALIFAX X ESCORT TO HALIFAX ICELAND (C) AND UNIT KING IN ACCORDANCE WITH ROUTING TO BE PRESCRIBED BY OPNAV X SPLIT ESCORT AS REQUIRED WHEN SECTIONS SEPARATE X DESTROYERS WILL BE DIRECTED TO REPORT TO YOU IN TIME TO COMPLY YOUR PLANS X INSTRUCTIONS FOR RETURN MOVEMENTS WILL BE ISSUED LATER X CINCLANT ORIGINATOR XX OPNAV PASS TO BAD ADMIRALTY AND CINCWA XX COPY DELIVERED TO OPNAV CODE ROOM DEC 7 1972

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PARAPHRASED BY

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TASK FORCE 37 CONSISTING OF PHILADELPHIA EIGHT DESTROYERS UNDER COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL HEWITT ESCORTING SIX OR SEVEN TROOP AND CARGO SHIPS WILL ARRIVE HALIFAX ABOUT 9 APRIL. COMTASKFORCE 37 NOTIFIED BY SEPARATE DISPATCH. THIS FORCE WILL ALSO ESCORT NA7. REQUEST ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR BERTHING ALL SHIPS AND FOR REFUELING DESTROYERS.

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ALDEN AND JOHN D FORD REPORTED COMANZAC 28 MAR FOR DUTY.

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WILL PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYMENT OF FLAGSHIP ORIGINATOR PERMIT THE TAKING OF FUEL AND ADDITIONAL 20 MM AMUN BY PHILADELPHIA AT GRAVESEND BAY ON 6 APRIL X YARD PROPOSES CONTINUE WORK TO LIMIT OF AVAILABILITY TO COMPLETE ALTERATIONS NOW IN PROGRESS X DEPERMING AT BAYONNE AND SUBSEQUENT DEGAUSSING AT BASE GEORGE RECOMMENDED IF TIME PERMITS X PHILADELPHIA AND NYNYK HAVE THIS FOR INFO
MODIFY MY 271900 XX ALL AK IN 7 APRIL MOVEMENT WILL JOIN
WS CONVOYS X ONE AP SAME MOVEMENT WILL RETURN US PROBABLY
IN ON CONVOY X OTHER TWO AP SAME MOVEMENT AND ALL AP
30 APRIL MOVEMENT WILL JOIN WS CONVOYS XX MATTER OF ESCORT
OF THREE AP IN 30 APRIL MOVEMENT FROM ICELAND (C) TO UK
NOT SETTLED AND THIS SHOULD BE ARRANGED BETWEEN YOU AND
BRITISH

COPY DELIVERED TO OPNAV CODEROOM
IN ACCORDANCE WITH OPHAV'S MAILGRAM Ø72131 EX-WILTON WAS PLACED IN SERVICE AT 1200Q THIS DATE AS YAG-8. OFFICER IN CHARGE LIEUT COMDR W. ZACHARY TAYLOR JONES D-V(G) USNR.

ACTION: 38......
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BUNED..BUSH!PS..SANDA...NAVAIDE...FILE....
### NAVAL MESSAGE

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FROM | COMINCH | COMANZAC | PRIORITY OP OP OP ROUTINE DEFERRED
RELEASED BY | ADM E J KING | | ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE | 28 MARCH 1942 | | DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM | 1638/1658 | CINCPAC | PRIORITY OP OP OP ROUTINE DEFERRED
DECODED BY | HIGGINS/SLADE | | DEFERRED

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281695 CCR 1189
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COMTASKFOR 17 DESPATCH 21833 REPORT CURRENT SITUATION AS YOU KNOW IT

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YOUR 200733 THIS FORCE WILL FUEL FROM TIPPECANOE TWENTY TWO DASH THREE MARCH NORTH OF NEW CALEDONIA X THEN PROCEED WEST INTO CORAL SEA TO APPROXIMATELY LONG 153 EAST X IF FAVORABLE OPPORTUNITY CAN BE FOUND TO ATTACK ENEMY SURFACE CONCENTRATIONS WILL GIVE YOU AS MUCH ADVANCE INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE X NECESSARY TO RETURN VICINITY OF NOUMEA BY APRIL FIRST FOR PROVISIONING X YOUR 19015 PLEASE KEEP ME INFORMED X ORIGINATOR COMTASKFOR SEVENTEEN ACTION COMANZAC INFO COMINCH CINCPAC FOCAS X MAILGRAM TO TANGIER FOR DELIVERY FOCAS

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**TOK CODEROOM:** 2159/2025

**DECODED BY:** PORTER/SLADE

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1947015 CCR 5743W

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(This disp requested by COMINCH)

This for action Comtaskfor 17 x Your five cruiser planes located inside lagoon Rossell Island position 11-24 South 154-15 east x all personnel fit and well x condition of aircraft: first plane badly damaged elevator second one wing slightly buckled third badly damaged main float buckled interplane strut accessible position fourth engine performance poor fifth possibly now flyable x engines all planes bad condition due salt spray and inactivity but complete inspection not made x ten crew members transported to tulagi x servicing crews being sent today 19th March from moresbay and tulagi to refuel and repair cruiser planes x will advise later condition location and possibility planes joining your

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27140
IN ORDER PROPERLY DISPOSE ARMY BOMBERS FOR COORDINATED ATTACKS REQUEST 48 HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE OF YOUR INTENDED OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS
(TO NAS SANDIEGO BY TT FOR INFO)

COMUTRNG REQUESTS NO MORE DRONES BE SHIPPED HAWAIIAN AREA UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. PENDING RECEIPT SUCH NOTICE REQUEST BUAER AIRCRAFT TRANSFER ORDER NUMBER 584 OF NR FEB 6, 1942 BE HELD IN ABEYANCE AND NONE BE DELIVERED WEST COAST.

ACTION: BUAER

BUAER . . . . . . 15/11 . . . . . COMINCH . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 23

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TEXT

CONCULANT IN PHILADELPHIA DESDIV 16 ARRIVED NYD NEW YORK 2130Z MARCH 26 FLAGSHIP TO BE READY FOR SEA APRIL 5TH AT MIDNIGHT.

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MARCH 28 HAMILTON HERBERT NEVILLE FULLER AND MCAWLBY DEPART NEW YORK FOR HAMPTON ROADS CLEARING SWEPT CHANNEL AT 1600Q ALONG FOLLOWING TRACK (A) LAT 39-45 LONG 73-19 (B) LAT 38-44 LONG 73-19 (C) LAT 37-57 LONG 74-28 THENCE VIA SWEPT CHANNEL. SPEED OF ADVANCE ABOUT 14 KNOTS.

REQUEST MAX AIR COVERAGE DURING PASSAGE.

THIS IS CORRECTION OF 271800Z.

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SEVENTY OS2U-3 AIRPLANES PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED TO BRITISH NAVY WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO YOU FOR ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROL PURPOSES. FIFTEEN NOW READY AT NAS NEW YORK WILL BE DELIVERED AT FOUR PER DAY. PLANS WILL BE ASIGNED AS FOLLOWS: SIX TO VS1D-1, SIX TO VS1D-3, EIGHTEEN TO VS1D-5, EIGHTEEN TO CARRIER REPLACEMENT GROUP NINE, TWELVE TO VS1D-7, REMAINING TEN ARE SPARES. CINCLANT WILL MAKE AVAILABLE TO COMINCH FOR TEMPORARY DUTY ONE SQUADRON OF CARRIER REPLACEMENT GROUP NINE FOR ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROL. COGNIZANT BUREAUS TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO EFFECTUATE ABOVE.

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IN REPLY TO YOUR SERIAL 05146 OF 25 MARCH IT IS DESIRED THAT WHEN UNITED STATES ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ROUTING AND DIVERSION OF MERCHANT SHIPPING IN THE US STRATEGIC AREA BEGINNING ABOUT 1 JUNE THAT THE COMMANDANTS OF THE NAVAL OPERATING BASES ICELAND AND BERMUDA HAVE ROUTING OFFICES ORGANIZED AND PREPARED FOR THE HANDLING OF ALL SHIPS TO AND FROM THESE PORTS OR PASSING THROUGH THEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING INSTRUCTIONS AND OTHERS TO BE ISSUED BY CNO. IT IS NOT INTENDED THAT THE COMMANDANT NAVAL OPERATING BASE BERMUDA ASSUME THE SAME RESPONSIBILITY FOR DIVERSION OF SHIPPING IN THE ATLANTIC AS NOW CARRIED OUT BY CINC A&M. CNO WILL ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL DIVERsIONS AND ROUTING IN THE US STRATEGIC AREA IN THE ATLANTIC NOW CARRIED OUT BY BOTH NSHQ AND CINCA&M. THIS RESPONSIBILITY WILL BE TAKEN OVER GRADUALLY FROM THE DIFFERENT BRITISH INTELLIGENCE AREAS AS SOON AS COMPLETE REPORTS FROM THESE AREAS ARE RECEIVED IN THE NAVY DEPT. AND BY
DEFINITE ADJUSTMENT WITH EACH BRITISH AUTHORITY NOW RESPONSIBLE.

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UNLESS YOU HAVE OTHER PLANS FOR BOISE SHALL DIRECT HER ON COMPLETION REPAIRS ABOUT ONE APRIL AT BOMBAY TO REJOIN THIS FORCE.

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ACTION COMINCH FROM CINCPAC XX TASKFORCE ELEVEN ARRIVED X
PLAN TO REMOVE LEXINGTON TURRETS AND INSTALL TWENTY
MIKE MIKE GUNS WHILE UNDERTAKING NECESSARY OVERHAUL ALL
UNITS OCCUPYING ABOUT TWO WEEKS X FITCH WILL RELIEVE
BROWN IN FEW DAYS X NO ENEMY INDICATIONS THIS AREA/.
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TEXT

MARINES NOT AVAILABLE FOR PURPOSE YOUR 250329 X ARRANGE
FOR AUSTRALIAN AUTHORITIES TO PROVIDE NECESSARY PRO-
TECTION

(COPIE DELIVERED TO OPNAV CODEROOM
MARCORPS...BUNAV....)

(BRIEF OF COM SW PACFOR 250329 --
ACTIVITIES WEST AUSTRALIA ASSUMING PROPORTIONS
BEYOND PRESENT SECURITY MEASURES. AUSTRALIAN
ARMY UNABLE PROVIDE ADEQUATE SECURITY. RECOM-
MEND CONSIDERATION EMPLOYING BATTALION MARINES.)

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMSEPCFOR (NERK)
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 27 MARCH 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 0927/0811
DECODED BY: BELL/FINKELDEY

FOR ACTION: USS RICHMOND
INFORMATION: CINCPAC

ADDRESS: COMINCH
ADDRESSES: USS RICHMOND
PRIORITY: ROUTINE
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27°30' W C8R5997W (AIDAC)

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ORIGINATOR: COMSEPCFOR
FILL IN DATE AND TIME: 27 MARCH 1942
DATE: 27 MARCH 1942
TIME: 212011

TEXT: THIS FROM COMSEPCFOR TO RICHMOND FOR ACTION COMINCH AND CINCPAC INFO) REMAIN AT BOBCAT COMINCH 212011 UNTIL NECESSARY DEPART FOR MEETING POINT PICH WHICH IS LAT 1°-00' SOUTH LONG 126-00' WEST X DATE AND HOUR OF RENDEZVOUS WILL BE GIVEN LATER X ACCOMPLISH ALL PRACTICABLE REPAIRS AND UPKEEP DURING STAY AT BOBCAT X CINCPAC DELIVER TO RICHMOND

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SUMMARY TASK FORCE 23 OPERATIONS IN SOUTH ATLANTIC FOR NEXT TWO WEEKS X TASKGROUP 23.1 ENROUTE ASCENSION WITH COAMO TO ARRIVE MARCH 30 X TASKGROUP 23.4 SAILS BASE FOX WITH LUCKENBACH MARCH 28 X TASKGROUP 23.3 OPERATING IN AREA CAST X TASKGROUP 23.2 CONVOYING RIO BLANCO TO SAN ROQUE THEN OPERATING IN AREA BAKER X AFTER ARRIVAL TASKGROUP 23.4 AT ASCENSION TASKGROUP 23.1 COVERING IN AREA CAST X DIOMEDE IN AREA EASY X OPNAV INFORM RAWAX

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SEND TWO FLEET SUBS PER MONTH OF THOSE NOW IN SOUTHWESTPACFOR TO MARE ISLAND FOR OVERHAUL FIRST PAIR LEAVING SOON AS CONVENIENT AND ARRIVING ABOUT ONE JUNE X PROCEED VIA PEARL CONDUCTING FULL TIME PATROL IN PRODUCTIVE AREAS ENROUTE X CINCPAC SEND TWO FLEET SUBS PER MONTH AS REPLACEMENTS THESE TO CARRY OUT PATROL ON THE WAY TO AUSTRALIAN AREA

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YOUR 221355 X TANKER CREWS NOT WILLING SAIL COASTWISE UNLESS SHIP ARMED OR ESCORTED X MINIMUM OF 10 DAYS REQUIRED TO ARM PROVIDING PRELIMINARY PLANS PREPARED AND MATERIAL ON HAND X MOST OPTIMISTIC ESTIMATE OF THE GAIN OF TIME IF SAILING SINGLY IS ONE DAY PER TURN AROUND OF 12 DAYS thus REQUIRING APPROXIMATELY 4 MONTHS TO MAKE UP TIME LOST IN ARMING X PRESENT STOCKS PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN NAVY AND COMMERCIAL STORAGE ARE SO LOW IN THIS AREA AND ALASKA THAT LAY UP OF TANKERS NOW SHOULD NOT BE UNDERTAKEN X RECOMMEND ARMING TANKERS AT SAME TIME THEY ARE REQUIRED TO LAY UP FOR PRESCRIBED OVERHAYL AND INSPECTION BY LOCAL INSPECTORS X ALL ARMED SHIPS NOW SAILING SINGLY X
DIRECT COMDESDIV EIGHT TWO TO CANCEL HIS 192245 WHICH IS CONTRARY TO MY PRINCIPLES OF EXERCISE OF COMMAND IN THAT HIS INSTRUCTIONS CONSTITUTE QUOTE NURSING UNQUOTE AND AN ATTEMPT TO BE ON ALL BRIDGES OF ALL SHIPS AT THE SAME TIME

AUTHENTICATED BY:........
BY EXECUTIVE ORDER OF TWELVE MARCH THE DUTIES OF COMMANDER IN CHIEF US FLEET AND CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS MAY BE COMBINED AND DEVOLVE UPON ONE OFFICER WHO SHALL HAVE TITLE QUOTE COMMANDER US FLEET AND CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS UNQUOTE AND WHO SHALL BE PRINCIPAL NAVAL ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT IN THE CONDUCT OF THE WAR AND PRINCIPAL NAVAL ADVISOR AND EXECUTIVE TO SECNAV ON CONDUCT OF ACTIVITIES OF NAVAL ESTABLISHMENT PARA AS COMMANDER IN CHIEF US FLEET OFFICER HOLDING THESE COMBINED OFFICES SHALL HAVE SUPREME COMMAND OPERATING FORCES COMPRISING THE SEVERAL FLEETS SEAGOING FORCES AND SEA FRONTIER FORCES AND SHALL BE DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE UNDER GENERAL DIRECTION OF SECNAV TO THE PRESIDENT THEREFOR PARA STAFF OF COMMANDER IN CHIEF US FLEET SHALL BE COMPOSED OF A CHIEF OF STAFF AND SUCH DEPUTY AND ASSISTANT CHIEFS OF STAFF AND OTHER OFFICERS AS MAY BE NECESSARY X CHIEF OF STAFF SHALL HAVE RANK OF VICE ADMIRAL AND IN TEMPORARY ABSENCE COMINCH AND CONO SHALL ACT AS COMINCH PARA AS CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS OFFICER HOLDING COMBINED OFFICES SHALL BE CHARGED UNDER DIRECTION OF SECNAV WITH PREPARATION READINESS AND LOGISTIC SUPPORT OF OPERATING FORCES COMPRISING THE
SEVERAL FLEETS servicing FORCES AND SEA FRONTIER FORCES AND
WITH COORDINATION AND DIRECTION OF EFFORT TO THIS END OF
BUREAUS AND OFFICES OF THE NAVY DEPARTMENT EXCEPT SUCH OFF-
ICES OTHER THAN BUREAUS AS SECNAV MAY EXEMPT PERIOD DUTIES
AS CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS SHALL BE CONDUCTORY TO DI-
CHARGE OF PARAMOUNT DUTIES OF COMMANDER IN CHIEF US FLEET
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OF A VICE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS AND A SUB CHIEF OF NAVAL
OPERATIONS AND SUCH ASSISTANT CHIEFS OF NAVAL OPERATIONS AND
OTHER OFFICERS AS MAY BE NECESSARY X VICE CNO SHALL HAVE
RANK OF VICE ADMIRAL AND SHALL HAVE ALL NECESSARY AUTHORITY
FOR EXECUTING PLANS AND POLICIES OF COMINCH AND CNO AND IN
TEMPORARY ABSENCE OF COMINCH AND CNO SHALL ACT AS CNO X

OCR 1158

OCR 1156
HAVING BEEN APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT AS CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS ADMIRAL E.J. KING BY ORDER OF SECNAV HAS THIS DAY ASSUMED THE COMBINED DUTIES OF COMMANDER IN CHIEF US FLEET AND CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS AS SET FORTH IN EXECUTIVE ORDER OF MARCH TWELVE SUBSTANCE OF WHICH IS CONTAINED IN ALNAV FIFTY SEVEN

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YOUR 222301 AFFIRMATIVE AFTER JIG TARE DICKMAN IS READY ABOUT APRIL 25 FROM INCLANT. RECOMMEND LOADING AT BOSTON OR PORTLAND TO CONSERVE ESCORT SERVICES. THIS EMPLOYMENT AFTER DATE MENTIONED WILL LEAVE THREE TRANSPORTS AVAILABLE FOR AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR SERIAL §425 OF MARCH 21.

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**TEXT**

REPLYING INQUIRY YOUR STAFF REGARDING TRANSPORTATION TWO THOUSAND ARMY TROOPS TO BASE ROGER LEONARD WOOD

REPLY PHILADELPHIA APRIL 14 JOSEPH DICKMAN READY NEW YORK APRIL 25 X CONTEMPLATE TO USE BOTH VESSELS FOR TRAINING COMBAT TEAMS X IF EITHER MUST BE USED RECOMMEND DICKMAN

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**NAVAL MESSAGE**

**DRAFTER**

**ADDRESSES**

**FROM CTF 24 (Desert Force)**

**RELEASED BY**

**DATE** 26 MARCH 1942

**TOR CODED** 211

**DECODED BY** AMES

**PARAPHRASED BY** LELAND

**NAVY DEPARTMENT**

**ADDRESS**

**U CT24.1.2**

**FOR ACTION**

**OPAGROPOPOP**

**OPERATION** ROUTINE DEFERRED

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**ROUTED BY FULTON** 292331 NCR 8559

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**TEXT** (FROM CTF 24 ACTION TO CTU 24.1.2 INFO TO FONF OPRAV CIRCLANT)

DIRECT SHIPS YOUR UNIT REJOIN TO PROTECT CONVOY. ABANDON EFFORT

SALVAGE IMPERIAL OIL TANKER.

REFERENCE YOUR 251226.

OGO: COMINCH

RECORD COPY: 16 226 38 37 36

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COMTASKGROUP 26.3 DESPATCH 242035 MARCH X SAIL SEVENTEEN
AND SAIL SIXTEEN DEPART BASE TARE TWENTY TWO ZERO ZERO
ZED MARCH TWO SIX AND TWO SEVEN RESPECTIVELY PROCEED BASE
LOVE ADVANCING ONE HUNDRED TWENTY MILES DAILY ON COURSE
TWO FOUR ZERO X DESTROY ENEMY FORCES ENCOUNTERED X PROCEED
SUBMERGED DURING DAYLIGHT X ARRIVE POINT TWENTY TWO MILES
NORTH OF MANZANILLO LIGHT AT DAYBREAK APRIL THIRD AND
FOURTH RESPECTIVELY X COMTASKFOR TWENTY FIVE OP PLAN
SEVENTY EIGHT DASH FORTH ONE X BY HAND TO SAIL SEVENTEEN
AND SAIL SIXTEEN.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: SECONAV
RELEASED BY: JH NEWTON
DATE: 25 MAR 1942
TOR CODEROOM: COMFORTEEN
RECEIVED BY: CINCPAC NAS PEARL COMAIRBATFOR

PARAPHRASED BY: ROUSSEAU

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KELLY 251435 NCR 0195
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TEXT
UPPER 0311 OF MARCH 3 AUTHORITY GRANTED ESTABLISH NAS BARBERS POINT DAHU TH EFFECTIVE APRIL 15

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COMINCH BUER BUORD BUSHIPS BUMED BUSANDA MARCORPS BUDOCKS HYDRO JJA NAVAIL 12/11 12 14 16 17 18 19 20 21 23 31 32 37 38 39 FILE

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IN EXECUTING DIRECTIVE CONTAINED URDIS 021525 MANY QUESTIONS ARE ARISING INVOLVING DESTINATION OF SPARES AND MATERIALS FOR ALTERATIONS REQUIRING NYD ASSISTANCE X THESE CANNOT BE SETTLED UNTIL DECISION IS RECEIVED REGARDING NYD OVERHAUL AND REPLACEMENT POLICY FOR SUBMARINES THIS FORCE XX INTERNATIONAL SITUATION AND INADEQUACY CAVITE RESULTED DRASTIC CURTAILMENT YARD OVERHAULS ASIATIC SUBS FOR YEAR PRIOR OUTBREAK WAR X SUB DIVS TWENTY ONE AND TWENTY TWO WHICH REPORTED NOVEMBER HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR URGENT MILITARY ALTERATIONS AND REGULAR OVERHAULS PRIOR DEPARTURE FOR ASIATIC STATION X THIS SCHEDULE WAS CANCELLED AND THEY ARRIVED IN LITTLE BETTER MATERIAL CONDITION THAT THOSE ALREADY ON STATION XX SINCE EIGHT DECEMBER SUBS THIS COMMAND HAVE AVERAGED SEVENTY NINE POINT SIX PERCENT DAYS AT SEA X THIS COMBINED WITH CONDITIONS OUTLINED ABOVE REQUIRE THE INSTITUTION IN VERY NEAR FUTURE.
OF ORDERLY PROGRAM FOR MAJOR NYD OVERHAUL AND MODERNIZATION X
WAR EXPERIENCE HAS CLEARLY SHOWN NEED CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS X
INSTRUMENTS X
NAMELY X SILENCING X DEPTH CHARGE PROTECTION X WET TYPE
MUFFLERS X ELECTRIC STILLS X NONE OF WHICH CAN BE DONE TENDER X
ACCOMPLISHMENT THESE ALTERATIONS AND OVERHAULS IN AUSTRALIA
WILL REQUIRE SETTING UP FACILITIES X ASSEMBLY SPECIAL
MATERIALS X SKILLED WORKMEN AND EXPERIENCED SUPERVISORS X
ALL BROUGHT FROM AMERICA X DISTANCE NEAREST DRYDOCK NOW
NEARLY TWO THOUSAND MILES AND WILL INCREASE AS OPERATING
BASE MOVES NORTH AGAIN X DUE DELAY INVOLVED IN ESTABLISHING
SUCH ORGANIZATION AND BECAUSE OF ALREADY OVERSTOCKED AND
MEAGER FACILITIES AVAILABLE AS FOUNDATION FOR SUCH PLANS IT
IS NOT RECOMMENDED X ALTERNATIVE IS SEND RELIEF UNITS THIS
AREA COMMENCING EARLY MAY AT RATE NOT LESS THAN TWO PER
MONTH X RETURNING SUBS NOW HERE WHEN RELIEVED TO US FOR THIS

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WORK X REPLACEMENT PLAN STRONGLY RECOMMENDED AS CAUSING A LEAST DIMINUTION CONTINUED EFFECTIVE EFFORT AGAINST ENEMY FROM POINT NEAREST THEIR RECENTLY ACQUIRED TERRITORY XX

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TASK FORCE 38 REAR ADMIRAL SHARP HEREBY CONSTITUTED AS FOLLOWS ESCORTS TEXAS BROOKLYN LANSDALE HP JONES CF HUGHES INGRAHAM ROE DESDIV 16 X NEW YORK SECTION CONVOY FOUR TROOP SHIPS THREE CARGO READY APRIL 6 X NORFOLK SECTION CONVOY FOUR TROOP SHIPS EIGHT CARGO READY APRIL 7 X ESCORT TO PANAMA IN ACCORDANCE WITH ROUTING TO BE PRESCRIBED BY OPNAV XX CINCLANT ORIGINATOR XX VESSELS HEREBY MADE AVAILABLE TO YOU X DESDIV 16 NEW YORK COMPLETES NAVY YARD AVAILABILITY 5 APRIL OTHER DESTROYERS COMPLETE NORFOLK 6 APRIL X INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING RETURN FROM PANAMA WILL BE SENT LATER

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TRAINING AND FITTING OUT OF ATLANTA, SAN DIEGO Should be Based On Assumption That When Ready They Will Be Ordered To Distant SERVICE X CINCLANT ORIGINATOR X REPORT ESTIMATED DATES OF READINESS XX
IN CONNECTION WITH PLANNING FOR EXTENSION CONVOY SYSTEM BETWEEN HALIFAX AND TRINIDAD AND IN ORDER TO ESTIMATE NUMBER VESSELS TO BECOME AVAILABLE THE FOLLOWING TASKS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE CONTINUING FLEET TASKS THAT MUST BE PROVIDED FOR IN ADDITION TO ESCORT BETWEEN HALIFAX BERMUDA: (A) MAINTENANCE OF STRIKING GROUP CASCO LATER ARGENTIA WITH APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF ESCORT VESSELS (B) MAINTENANCE OF ESCORT GROUPS FOR TRADE CONVOYS ACROSS NORTH ATLANTIC (C) MAINTENANCE OF SEPARATE ESCORT GROUPS FOR NA CONVOYS EXCEPT THOSE COMBINED WITH AT CONVOYS (D) ESCORT OF AT CONVOYS ABOUT EVERY SIX WEEKS (E) ESCORT OF A GULF CARIBBEAN CONVOY FROM NEW ORLEANS ONCE A MONTH (F) ESCORT OF A CHARLESTON BERMUDA CONVOY ONCE A MONTH

ASSUME THAT NONE OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL TASKS NOT IN ABOVE CATEGORIES NOW ASSIGNED CAN BE ELIMINATED

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TEXT

(G) ESCORT OF FURIOUS (H) ESCORT OF TROOP CONVOY TO PANAMA 6 APRIL (I) ESCORT TROOPS NEW YORK HALIFAX 7 APRIL AND THEN ACROSS WITH NA 7U ESCORT OF AVENGER 7 APRIL

CONFIRMATION OF FOREGOING TWO PARAGRAPHS REQUESTED VESSELS USED FOR AT CONVOY ESCORTS ON A SIX WEEKS CYCLE CANNOT BE USED FOR OTHER TASKS BECAUSE OF THE EXCESSIVE LAYOVER IN UNITED KINGDOM X EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO EXPEDITE TURN AROUND

IF INTERVAL BETWEEN TRANS ATLANTIC TRADE CONVOYS IS OPENED TO SEVEN DAYS ASSUME THAT ANY DESTROYERS THEREBY RELEASED WILL BE UNITED STATES VESSELS AND THAT CANADIAN AND BRITISH PROVIDE THEIR AGREED QUOTA OF VESSELS FOR EACH REMAINING UNITED STATES MIDOCEAN GROUP X CONFIRMATION REQUESTED

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REQUEST EARLIEST PRACTICABLE INFORMATION THIRTY DAYS IF POSSIBLE REGARDING SPECIAL MUST TASKS DURING MAY SUCH AS PANAMA AND AFRICAN CONVOYS ADDITIONAL NORTH ATLANTIC CONVOYS OR SPECIAL ESCORT JOBS X ALSO REQUEST EARLIEST PRACTICABLE NOTICE IF ANY SPECIAL TASKS ARE TO BE CANCELLED

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RELEASE HMS AUSONIA AND DIRECT HER REPORT TO CINCAWI
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TEXT

THIS IS FROM CINCLANT XX TARBELO AND ONE DOG MIKE SAIL DESIGNATED BY COMTASKFORCE TWENTYNINE PROCEED PHILA-DELPHIA ESCORT HMS FURIOUS TO BASE HYPO

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: ADMIRALTY
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 21 MARCH 42
TOR CODEROOM: 
DECODED BY: 
PARAPHRASED BY: G. TUCKER

NAVY DEPARTMENT
ADDRESS: CINCINNATI
INFORMATION FOR ACTION: 
PRECEDEANCE: PRIORITY

F01/C GREENOCK
S.O.W.P.
BAD, BARM.
CINCINNATI

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LT. BLOUIN
23258A NOR 5866

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TEXT

RECEIVED BY HAND FROM BAD

REQUEST YOU WILL SAIL AUSONIA TO CLYDE. SHE WILL BE TAKEN IN HAND IN U.K. FOR CONVERSION TO FLEET REPAIR SHIPS.

23........30G.
1/11........COMINCH.....38........OP-20........FILE..
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**TEXT**

ACTION COMINCH OPNAV INFO USS RESTLESS NOB LONDONDERRY CTG 24.7.

HMS PERIWINKLE ACCEPTED FROM UNITED KINGDOM AND PLACED IN FULL COMMISSION AS USS RESTLESS AT 1/45 MARCH 15TH.

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GREER ELLIS WILL ARRIVE ST THOMAS ABOUT TWELVE HUNDRED QUEEN
TENTY SECOND. REQUEST ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FUEL ON ARRIVAL
REQUIRE 95,000 GALLONS EACH. NOW PROCEEDING ON COURSE
271 TOWARD DOMINICA CHANNEL AND ON ARRIVAL FIVE MILES SOUTH-
WEST DOMINICA ABOUT EIGHTEEN HUNDRED QUEEN TWENTY FIRST WILL
SET COURSE DIRECT FOR ST THOMAS. SPEED 17 KNOTS UNTIL OFF
DOMINICA THEN 15.

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**TEXT**

KENNEBEC UNLOADING CARGO BASE FOX. BOARD OF INVESTIGATION IN SESSION. DAMAGE TO KENNEBEC HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND FOUND NOT SERIOUS. SHIPS AND LOCAL AGENCIES EFFECTING TEMPORARY REPAIRS THAT WILL MAKE HER SEAWORTHY AND NOT CAUSE UNDUE DELAY IN SCHEDULE.

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23...BSHPDS...CCG.

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21 March 1942

**TOR Code Room**

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**Decoded By**

KALAIJIAN

**Paraphrased By**

GRAYDON

**Blocking**

211111 NCR 5554

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**Date**

**Time**

**GST**

**Text**

Admiralty now faced with necessity assigning salvage vessel Indian Ocean area basing Colombo.

British salvage vessel intended for this area cannot complete and arrive prior end of September.

Study of entire situation in progress.

Request department's comment and reaction to following:

Possibility of diverting one US salvage tug intended for Red Sea to Colombo until late September.

Not considered necessary Ellsberg and his staff accompany tug while so diverted.

**Distribution**

**Action**

Communicate

**Recip: 23...35...BUSHIPS...**

**Files: CNC...25OP...**

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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DATE 21 MARCH 1942
TOR CODEROOM 0504 / 0544
DECODED BY BUSH / BUSH

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TEXT

THIS IS A SUBMARINE NOTICE FROM 21 TO 26 MARCH INCLUSIVE. US SUBMARINE FINBACK WILL CONDUCT TRAINING OPERATIONS DURING DAYLIGHT WEST OF ISLES OF SHOALS AND IN FOLLOWING AREAS: MARCH 21 AND 23 TO 26 INCLUSIVE BETWEEN 42-48N 42-56 N AND 78-37W/78-47W MARCH 22 IN THE ABOVE AREA AND ALSO BETWEEN 42-47N/43-38N AND 78-10W/78-33W. FINBACK ESCORTED BY USS FALCON ON FIRST THREE DAYS THEREAFTER UNESCORTED.

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PARAPHRASED BY: GILKER

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WEINSTOCK 249526 NCR 5731
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TEXT
ON COMPLETION ASSIGNED AVAILABILITY WASP ESCORTED BY COMDESRON 8 IN MAINWRIGHT LANC WILSON STERRETT PROCEED BASE
8 X INCLUDE ORIGINATOR CONTASKFOR 39 AS ADDRESSEE IN ROUTING
DESPATCH X OPNAV DELIVER WASP AND COMDESRON 8 FOR ACTION
COMMONCH AND CINCANT FOR INFORMATION

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REPORT ARRIVAL SAN ANTONIO CHILE WITH ETOLIN. CONSIDER BASIC ORDERS NOW COMPLIED WITH AND DUTY WITH ETOLIN COMPLETED. UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED WILL DEPART AFTERNOON TWENTY FIRST MARCH FOR PANAMA. SPEED WILL BE FIFTEEN KNOTS. CONCORD ORIGINATOR FOR ACTION COMINCH INFORMATION COMSEPACFOR AND OPNAV. RADIO BALBOA DELIVER ALL ADDRESSEES. SHOULD COMINCH OR COMSEPACFOR DIRECT OTHERWISE REQUEST REPLY BY CABLE ADDRESSED ALUSNA SANTIAGO IN ADDITION VIA FOX SCHEDULES HONOLULU AND BALBOA.

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Pursuant to an agreement between U.S. and British merchant ship routing authorities, the Chief of Naval Operations will in the near future take over the routing of all ships in the Western Hemisphere. The procedure and routine of this turnover will be carried out as subsequently directed by dispatch. With this in view, addressees shall begin at once a thorough and systematic study of British and Canadian instructions and methods as it is intended to follow these as closely as possible. U.S. instructions to routing officers and directives covering existing routes are now being prepared and issued in the meantime. All despatches and other data on routing received should be carefully filed for future reference. This dispatch has been transmitted to all Alusnas and Alunbogs in Mexico and Central and South America the Caribbean area.
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Lt Weinstock 201908 NCR 9883

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Text

Your 150137 assume Gamble Ramsay will take mine assembly personnel no straw to bleacher. Will send/additional personnel unless requested advise what mine parts missing in shipments from us in order prevent recurrence. Mines in excess for bleacher will provide reserve for that area.

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IN LIGHT RECENT EVENTS REQUEST REEXAMINATION POSSIBILITY
FURNISH ESCORT FOR FURIOUS PHILADELPHIA TO BASE HYPO NOW
OTHERWISE FURIOUS UNABLE MEET YOUR NINETEEN SIXTEEN
FIFTEEN
FROM: COMINCH

RELEASED BY: RADM EDWARDS
DATE: MARCH 26 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 1447/1531
DECODED BY: COWDEN/BELL

DIRECTED TO:

INFORMATION FOR ACTION:

ADDRESS:

PRECEDENCE:

YOUR 191818 IMPRACTICABLE.

REB: IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE READINESS FOR FURTHER SERVICE DESTROYERS NOW IN TASK FORCE 32 AS WELL AS TO CONSERVE ESCORT SERVICES RECOMMEND MCCAULEY HEYWOOD AND OTHER SHIPS IN CONVOY IF PRACTICABLE PROCEED HAMPTON ROADS. CINCLANT ORIGINATOR.

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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION HAS BEEN SENT TO ALL MERCHANT SHIPS ATLANTIC QUOTE: ALL SHIPS USING THE COASTAL LINES SHALL PASS 15 MILES EAST OF DIAMOND SHOALS LIGHTSHIP BUOY. WHEN BOUND NORTH LEAVE COASTAL LANE AT CAPE LOOKOUT AND REJOIN COASTAL LANE WIMBLE SHOALS. WHEN BOUND SOUTH COASTAL LANE SHALL BE LEFT AT WIMBLE SHOALS AND REJOINED AT CAPE LOOKOUT. IT IS SUSPECTED THAT MINE FIELD IN THE VICINITY OF DIAMOND SHOALS HAS BEEN LAID UNQUOTE.

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(CONSERVFORLANT)

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 2. MARCH 1942

TOR CODEROOM: 1828/23

DECODED BY: J ALLEN

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FOR ACTION: SERVRON 7 (RDO)

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(A FROM CONSERVFORLANT)

ACTION ALL AFIRM OPTIONS ONLY X REMOVE CHEMICAL TORCHES FROM LIFE BUOYS.

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REPORT COMMANDER 5TH NAVAL DISTRICT FOR TEMPORARY DUTY IMMEDIATELY

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WHEN READY TO PROCEED DIRECT NINE CORVETTES REPORT CINCLANT FOR WESTBOUND ESCORT DUTY. COMPLETION THIS ASSIGNMENT RESTLESS IMPULSE READY TEMPTRESS FURY REPORT COMEASTSEAFRON COURAGE SURPRISE SPRY SAUCY COMCARIBSEAFRON FOR DUTY.
YOU ARE AUTHORIZED MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS WITH
NEW ZEALAND AUTHORITIES RELATIVE AMERICAN GARRISONS
INSTALLATIONS WESTERN SAMOA X YOUR 182350 TO
CINCPAC X NW LAND LEASES SHOULD BE SHORT TERM BASIS
WITH RENEWAL PRIVILEGE X ADDITIONAL LEASES MAY BE NECES-
SARY AFTER ARRIVAL GARRISONS X LOCAL INHABITANTS SHOULD
BE GOVERNED THROUGH LOCAL BRITISH AUTHORITIES X UNITED
STATES SHOULD HAVE RIGHT EXERCISE IN TERRITORY AND
SURROUNDING WATERS AND AIR SPACES ALL RIGHTS POWER AND
AUTHORITY NECESSARY FOR CONDUCTING MILITARY OPERATIONS
DEEMED DESIRABLE WITH UNDERSTANDING THESE RIGHTS WILL BE
EXERCISED IN SPIRIT OF GOOD NEIGHBORLINESS

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FROM CINCPAC

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YOUR 161847 MY 120259 ADVANCE DETACHMENT OF ONE OFFICER ONE HUNDRED FIFTY ONE MEN WITH ONE JIG TWO FOX DUE BLEACHER IN CRESCENT CITY 27 MARCH TO PREPARE FOR RECEIVING PLANES X EXPECT SEND TWENTY ONE FOХ TWO AFIRM AND ONE JIG TWO FOX FROM HERE WHEN TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE ABOUT 1 APRIL X IN VIEW LIMITED UNLOADING FACILITIES BLEACHER AND DISTANCE FIELD FROM PORT PROBABLE PLANES MUST BE LANDED AND REASSEMBLED SUVA AND FLOWN TO BLEACHER X TRANSPORTATION AND READINESS FOR SERVICE WILL BE EXPEDITED AS MUCH AS THE VARIOUS COMPLICATED FACTORS PERMIT BUT IT NOW APPEARS IMPROBABLE THAT READINESS WILL BE APPRECIABLE BEFORE ARRIVAL FORCE MENTIONED YOUR 122010 X IF ASSIGNMENT THESE PLANES ELSEWHERE IN SOUTH SEAS CONTEMPLATED FURTHER COMPLICATIONS AND DELAYS IN MOVING FROM BLEACHER WILL BE ENTAILED X

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FOR INFORMATION ONLY PARA IT IS LIKELY THAT SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA UNDER UNITED STATES CONTROL WILL SOON BE SET UP TO INCLUDE AUSTRALIA THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES BISMARKS LESS SUMATRA PLUS PHILIPPINES NEW GUINEA AND SOLOMONS PARA IN SUCH CASE NAVAL FORCES WILL BE UNITED IN ONE COMMAND PROBABLY UNDER LEARY COMPRISING AUSTRALIAN NAVY AND CURRENT UNITED STATES SOUTHWEST PACIFIC FORCE PARA ALL AIR FORCES OTHER THAN NAVAL WILL PROBABLY ALSO BE COMBINED UNDER A SINGLE SUBORDINATE COMMAND OVERALL COMMAND WILL BE SIMILAR TO THAT OF ABDA AREA PROBABLY UNDER UNITED STATES ARMY OR AIR CORPS OFFICER PARA SOUTHERN PACIFIC AREA ALSO CONTEMPLATED TO INCLUDE ALL EAST OF ABOVE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA AND UNDER UNITED STATES NAVY.

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CINCLANT ORIGINATOR HAULED DOWN FLAG DEPARTED TEMPORARY DUTY WASHINGTON. CINCLANT RETAINS OPERATIONAL CONTROL ADMINISTRATION REMAINS CONSTELLATION

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HOW MANY PLANES ARE INVOLVED IN TRANSFER MARINE FIGHTERS YOUR 120259.
CINCLANT 112155 THIS ORDER EFFECTIVE AT 19\% ZED 15 MARCH IN LATITUDE 21-30 LONGITUDE 64 X TASK UNIT 22.7.1 RADM COOK RANGER SAVANNAH COMDESRON 8 WAINWRIGHT HAMLET EMMONS PATROL ASSIGNED AREA NORTH OF LATITUDE 21-30 TERMINATING PATROL AT BERMUDA ON 21 MARCH X TASK UNIT 22.7.2 CAPTAIN WRIGHT AUGUSTA LANG WILSON PATROL ASSIGNED AREA SOUTH OF LATITUDE 21-30 USING ST. THOMAS AT DISCRETION AS FUELING BASE X AT 15\% ZED 22 MARCH ABOVE TASK UNITS DISSOLVED AND TASK GROUP 22.7 RECONSTITUTED CAPTAIN WRIGHT AUGUSTA SAVANNAH COMDESRON 8 WAINWRIGHT LANG WILSON X COMTASKGROUP 22.7 ISSUE NECESSARY ORDERS FOR CONCENTRATION OF TASK GROUP AND FURTHER PATROL OF ASSIGNED AREA X ON SAME DATE COMTASKFORCE 22 RANGER HAMLET EMMONS DEPART FOR NAVAL OPERATING BASE HAMPTON ROADS ARRIVING 24TH WHEN HAMLET EMMONS RELEASED X RANGER UNLOAD AMMUNITION GASOLINE AND PROCEED NAVY YARD WARBPS SECRET
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OF GENERAL PATROL PLAN X COMINCH PASS TO COM 5 NOB BERMUDA AND NAVY YARD NORFOLK X ORIGINATOR COMTASKGROUP 22.7

NOT PASSED BY COMINCH CR
DISCONTINUE OPERATIONS MY 112151 AND CANCEL UNFINISHED PARTS X DIRECT AUGUSTA PROCEED NEW YORK WITH HAMBLETON EMMONS UNTIL RELEASED BY AUGUSTA WHEREUPON HAMBLETON EMMONS PROCEED BASE SAIL X DIRECT RANGER WAINWRIGHT LANG WILSON PROCEED HAMPTON ROADS X RETAIN SAVANNAH AT BERMUDA X MOVEMENT OF THREE DESTROYERS DESRON EIGHT IN CONNECTION ASSIGNMENT DISTANT SERVICE READINESS DATE 21ST MARCH.
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SOPA AT BOBCAT ADVISES ALCIBA DEPARTED THAT BASE ZERO ONE HUNDRED ZED THIRTEENTH FOR SAN FRANCISCO X CINCPAC REQUESTS YOUR ISSUE NECESSARY ORDERS TO ALCIBA TO DIVERT HER IN COMPLIANCE WITH COMINCH FOURTEEN FIFTEEN FORTY FIVE FOR RETURN TO WRITTEN WATER

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NOTE THAT REQUEST NUMBER 233 ROXBOROUGH SCHEDULED TO COMPLETE AT CHARLESTON ON MARCH 20 SAME DATE AS HMS FURIOUS READY TO WORK UP. SUGGEST ROXBOROUGH SUPPLY ESCORT SERVICES REQUIRED BY FURIOUS DURING WORKING UP PERIOD AND FOR RETURN TO BRITISH WATERS.
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DELAYED BY DENSE FOG, NOW IN GULF OF MAINE EXPECT ARRIVE SWEPT CHANNEL NINE HOURS X NORTH CAROLINA ORIGINATOR X REQUEST LOCAL PREDICTIONS X REQUEST COMBATSHIPS LANT DELIVER COMTASKGROUP TWENTYSEVEN POINT ONE WASHINGTON WICHITA

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PLEASE HAVE ROUTING OFFICERS INSTRUCT OWNERS AND MASTERS MERCHANT VESSELS TO FOLLOW ROUTINGS ISSUED AND NOT DEVIATE THEREFROM X RECENT SINKINGS INDICATE THAT SOME MERCHANT VESSELS NOT FOLLOWING THESE ROUTINGS

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DIRECT WASP STERRETT STACK PROCEED HAMPTON ROADS AS SOON AS READY X EXPEDITE X CINCLANT ORIGINATOR X INCIDENTAL TO PREPARATION FOR DISTANT SERVICE READINESS DATE MARCH TWENTY FIRST

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THERE ARE INSUFFICIENT DESTROYERS TO PROVIDE NECESSARY ESCORTS FROM BOSTON AND CASCO TO HALIFAX AND ARGENTINA EXCEPT BY EMPLOYING VESSELS OF TASK FORCE TWENTYFOUR DURING COURSE THEIR ROUTINE MOVEMENTS X I DO NOT APPROVE THE AUGMENTATION OF BRITISH AND CANADIAN ESCORT GROUPS BY UNITED STATES DESTROYERS X THE BRITISH AND CANADIANS MUST SUPPLY THE VESSELS THEY HAVE COMMITTED, THEMSELVES TO FURNISH FOR MID-OCEAN AND ALL WESTERN LOCAL ESCORTS X IF CONVOYS ARE DISPERSED, SO FAR SOUTH THAT IS IMPRACXICABLE FOR OUR DESTROYERS TO RETURN VIA ARGENTINA THEN SOUTH BOUND TRAFFIC FROM THERE TO BOSTON WILL HAVE TO GO UNESCORTED UNLESS CIRCUMSTANCES WILL PERMIT YOU OR ME TO MAKE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS X I WILL PROVIDE ESCORT ONE DESTROYER FOR QUEEN OF BERMUDA FROM DELTA CONVOY GROUP BUT DATE CANNOT NOW BE DETERMINED X CINCLANT ORIGINATOR X IT WILL BE LATE IN MARCH OR LATER X I DO NOT APPROVE REDUCING LAYOVERS THIS SIDE AND TIME VOYAGE REPAIRS BEFORE THAT NECESSARY
To maintain five escort groups x the British and Canadians must carry their part of the load and if they do not then they must accept less protection.
NAVAL MESSAGE

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(Re. sending Comdr T.F. 14 to Coast)
UNITED STATES FLEET
Headquarters of the Commander in Chief
Navy Department
Washington, D.C.

March 13, 1942.

COMPOSITION OF TASK FORCES

1. Pacific

**TASK FORCE 1**

- PENNSYLVANIA
- COLORADO
- MARYLAND
- TENNESSEE
- NEW MEXICO
- MISSISSIPPI
- IDAHO
- HELENA
- PRESTON
- SMITH

**TASK FORCE 7**

(Rear Admiral Withers)

- LITCHFIELD
- SEAGULL
- ORTOLAN
- WIDGEON
- * S-18
- * S-23
- S-27
- S-28
- S-34
- S-35
- ARGONAUT
- NAVAL HALE
- NAUTILUS
- DOLPHIN
- CACHALOT
- CUTTFISH
- PLUNGER
- POLLACK
- POMPAANO
- PELIAS
- TAMBO (7.11.1)
- TUTOG
- THRESHER
- GARR
- GRAIPUS
- GRAYBACK
- TRITON
- TROUT
- TUNA
- GRAYLING
- GRENADE
- GUDGEON

**SUBFONS 8 and 10** (Upon reporting)

- FULTON
- SILVERSIDES
- GATO (7.12.1)
- DRUM (7.12.2)

Additional N.O.D.

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(Rear Admiral Bellinger)

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**Rear Admirals Sharp & Hewitt**

- **21.4** Vessels Based Argentia

- **21.5** Vessels Based Iceland

- **21.6** Vessels Based Home Waters

  - TEXAS
  - ARKANSAS
  - NEW YORK
  - BROOKLYN
  - ERICSSON
  - EDERLE
  - KEBEY
  - ROE (32)
  - LIVERMORE
  - SWANSON
  - NICHOLSON
  - PLUNKETT
  - MADISON (26.7)
  - LANDALE (32)
  - H.P. JONES (32)
  - C.P. HUGHES (32)
  - WILKES
  - INGRAHAM (32)
  - DALLAS
  - BERMUDA
  - COLE (ESF)
  - DUPONT (ESF)
  - TARBELL (ESF)
  - UPSHUR
  - LEA

- **21.7** ELLIS

- **GREER**

* Has present temporary assignment to T.F. or other command as indicated in parenthesis.

### Task Force 22

**Rear Admirals Cook, Wilcox & Giffin**

- **22.4** Tender Group

- **22.5** Norfolk Group

- **22.6** Argentia Group

  - **WASP**
  - **MAYRANT** (32)
  - **ROWAN** (32)
  - **TRIPPE**
  - **STERETT**
  - **STACK**
  - **ELLYSON**

- **22.7** Bermuda Group

  - **RA G E R**
  - **AUGUSTA**
  - **SAVANNAH**
  - **RHIND** (32)
  - **WILSON**
  - **LANG**
  - **WAINWRIGHT**

- **22.7**

  - **WASHINGTON**
  - **NORTH CAROLINA**
  - **WICHITA**
  - **TUSCALOOSA**
  - **QUINCY**
  - **CHARGER**
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- **Upon Reporting**

  - **HUMBLETON**
  - **HODLIN**
  - **ELDONS**
  - **LACOMB**
  - **FORREST**
  - **FITCH**
  - **CORY**
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- JIMMIE
- SAN DIEGO
- SAN JUAN

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TASK FORCE 24 - Continued

24.2 Destroyer Flotillas

24.2.1 DDs TF 4, Casco Bay
24.2.2 DDs TF 4, Boston
24.2.3 DDs TF 4, Iceland
24.2.4 DDs TF 4, Argentina
24.2.5 DDs TF 4, US Waters
24.2.6 SOPA TF 4, Iceland
24.2.7 SOPA TF 4, Argentina
24.2.8 Comdr Training Unit
24.2.9 A/S-A/A Warfare Off.
24.2.10 Thru 24.2.14, Reserved for assignment by CTF 4
24.2.15 Thru 24.2.19 Reserved for assignment by COMDESLANT.

24.3 Air Group

BARNEGAT
ALBELARLE
FOCKEDE
G.E.BADGER
BELKNAP

24.3.1 --
24.3.2 --
24.3.3 PATRON 73
24.3.4 PATRON 74
24.3.5 Argentina Air Detach.
24.3.6 Thru 24.3.8, Reserved for assignment by Comdr
Argentina Air Detach.
24.3.9 SNAV CTF 4 Staff,
N.A.S. Norfolk
24.3.10 Iceland Air Detach.
24.3.11 Res. for assign, CTF 4
24.3.12 PATRON 82
24.3.13 PATRON 83
24.3.14 Res. assign by CTF 4
24.3.15 Quonset Air Detach.
24.3.16 Res. assign by Comdr
Iceland Air Detach.
24.3.17 Res. assign CFT 4
24.3.18 Greenland Air Detach.
24.3.19 SNAV CTF 4 Staff,
Iceland.

24.4 Home Base Group

24.4.1 Thru 24.4.5 Res. assign by CTF 4
24.4.6 Thru 24.4.19 Res. assign by CTF 4

24.5 T. F. 4 Administration

24.5.1 Convoy Control Sta (If shore based
24.5.2 TF 4 Liaison Off, St. John's NF
24.5.3 --
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24.6 T.F. 4 Escort Control, Iceland

24.6.1 Escort Service, Iceland
24.6.2 Res. assign by TF 4 ECI
SCHENCK
24.6.3 BABBITT
BADGER
24.6.4 DECUART
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24.7 T.F. 4 Escort Control, United
Kingdom (Londonderry)

24.7.1 )
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24.8 Greenland Patrol

24.8.1 NORTHLAND
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24.8.6 ALGONQUIN
24.8.7 RARITAN
24.8.8 BOWDOIN
24.8.9 MOHAWK
24.8.10 BEAR

When Available
ESCAENA
MOJAVE
TAHOMA

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24.11 Newfoundland Escort Force
24.19 US and Canadian Escort Units at
Sea.
24.19.1 All US Escort Units of TF 4 at sea.
24.19.2 All Canadian Escort Units of
TF 4 at sea.

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## TASK FORCE 25
(Captain Cutts)

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| 25.2 | **SUBRON 1** (less Div 12) |
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| 0-3 | 0-8 |
| 0-4 | 0-10 |
| 0-6 |  |
| 25.2.2 | **Exper Div 1** |
|  | MACKEREL |
|  | MARLIN |
|  | * ^SÉBILES (26.2) |
| 5-20 |  |
| 25.2.3 | -- |
| 25.2.4 | **FALCON** |
| 25.2.5 | Sub Base New London |
| 25.2.6 | -- |
| 25.2.7 | New Construction Subs |
|  | temp. assigned to |
|  | **COMSUBRON 1** |
| 25.2.? | S-1 (Temp Duty) |
| 25.3 | **Northern Patrol** |
| 25.3.1 | -- |
| 25.3.2 | -- |
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| 25.4 | **Southern Patrol** |
| 25.4.1 | -- |
| 25.4.2 | R-9 |
| 25.4.3 | R-18 |
| 25.4.4 | BEAVER |
| 25.4.5 | CHEWINK |
| 25.5 | New Construction Subs operating |
|  | during shakedown period from |
|  | Portsmouth, N. H. |
| 25.6 | New Construction Subs operating |
|  | during shakedown period from |
|  | New London, Conn. |
| 25.7 | **VIXEN** |

* Temporarily in 26.2

Note: SubDiv 51 is temporarily in 26.4
26.1 EASTERN SEAPLANE GROUP
(Rear Admiral Andrews)

Vessels & Planes assigned.
**NEW assigned:**

ROPER  
DICKERSON  
HERBERT  
NOA (Temp Duty)

26.2 GULF SEAPLANE GROUP
(Captain Crenshaw)

Vessels & Planes assigned.
**NEW assigned:**

BRECKENRIDGE  
BARNEY  
BAILEY  
RIDDLE  
SIMMES (Temp Duty)  
NOA

26.3 CARIBBEAN SEAPLANE GROUP
(Rear Admiral Hoover)

Vessels & Planes assigned.
**NEW assigned:**

HANSBROUGH  
OVERTON  
STURTVANT  
HMC SP RENCE HENRY  
HMC S VAN KINSBERGEN  
R-12  
R-15  
R-16

Sub Base St. Thomas
Patrons 31 & 92 (when available)

LAPHING  
PARTRIDGE

When available:

BRECKENRIDGE  
BARNEY  
RIDDLE  
BAILEY

26.4 PANAMA SEAPLANE GROUP
(Rear Admiral Sadler)

Vessels & Planes assigned.
**NEW assigned:**

MALLARD  
BARRACUDA  
BASS  
BOBITA  
S-11  
S-12  
S-13  
S-14  
S-15  
CLISSON  
S-16  
GOLDSBOROUGH  
S-17  
OSMOID INGRAM  
ANTAEUS  
SAIDIFIPIR  
Patron 32, 1 PatDiv each from Patrons 32 and 61.

* Upon reporting.

March 13, 1942.
March 13, 1942.

27.5 SOPA Iceland
27.5.1 NOB Iceland
(Rear Adm Kauffman)
Fleet Air Base
VULVAN
WILLIAMSBURG
REDWING

27.6 SOPA Hampton Roads
27.7 SOPA Boston
27.8 SOPA Recife
27.9 SOPA Bahia
27.10 SOPA Natal
27.11 SOPA Londonderry
27.11.1 NOB Londonderry
ALBATROSS

TASK FORCE 28
(Rear Admiral McInrether)

28.1 Patrol Wings, Lant Fleet
PatWings 3, 5, 7, 8, 9 less
PatRons & Tenders assigned
to other TF's and TG's
(Note: PatRons 51, 71, 72, 84
and 91 Temp. assigned to PacFlt)

28.2 Training Activities
Carrier Replacement Air Groups
Advanced Carrier Training Groups
Transition Training Squadron
Operational Training Squadron
Fleet Aircraft Photo Unit.

28.7 LONG ISLAND
Plane Guards
RAVEN
OSPREY
BISCAYNE

TASK FORCE 27

27.1 SOPA Casco Bay
SS's as detailed
S-49
TUVA
KALMA
ACCOLTEUR
CHIMINGO
CSTITCA
FULMAR

27.2 SOPA Bermuda
27.2.1 NOB Bermuda
(Rear Adm James)
Naval Air Sta.
Mobile Base Hospt #1
R-1, R-5, R-6, R-7
ALTAIR
CNL
JACAMAR
MARABOUT
SCORONS 2D1, 5D4
1 PATRON & Tender as
may be assigned by
T.F. 28.
NOW assigned:
1 PatDiv from
PATRON 74
GrNNET

27.3 SOPA Trinidad

27.4 SOPA Argentina
MinDiv 25:
GOLDFINCH
GLUCKLE
GULL
KITE
BRANT
CGC's ACTIVE
FAUNCE
FREDERICK LEE
TRAVIS

27.4.1 NOB Newfoundland
Naval Air Station


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TASK FORCE 30
(Rear Admiral Brainard)

30.1 Covering Group
Vessels as may be assigned for exercise or particular operations.

30.2 Transport Group
SEPIRON 3

TransDiv 1
* NEVILLE (32)
* BARNETT (32)
* G.F. ELLIOTT (32)
ARGURUS

TransDiv 3
* McCALW (32)
* HENWOOD (32)
* FULLER (32)
* BETELGEUSE (32)

TransDiv 5
WP. BIDDLE
HANK LEE
AMERICAN LEGION
* ALHENA (32)

TransDiv 7
HUNTER LIGGETT
LEONARD WOOD
J.T. DICKMAN
* ALMAACK (32)

TransDiv 11
STRINGHAM
MANLEY
McKEAN
DELTA

30.3 Amphibious Corps Lant Flt
(Major-General Smith)

1st Marine Div
1st Marine Raider Batt
1st Marine A/C Wing
1st Base Depot
Army Troops duly assigned.

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### III U. S. Naval Forces - S.W. Pacific

**TASK FORCE 41**  
(Vice Admiral Glassford)

- **BOISE**  
- **PHOENIX**  
- **PAUL JONES**  
- **WHIPPLE**  
- **ALDE**  
- **J.D. EDWARDS**  
- **PARROT**  
- **BULMER**  
- **BARKER**  
- **J.D. FORD**  
- **ISABEL**  

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**SUBMARINES, ASIATIC**  
(Captain Wilkes)

- **HOLLAND**  
- **OTUS**  
- **S-37**  
- **S-38**  
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- **SARGO**  
- **SAURY**  
- **SPEARFISH**  

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**BASE FORCE**  
(Captain Doyle)

- **TRINITY**  
- **GOLD STAR**  
- **BLACK HAWK**  
- **GEO. G. HENRY**  
- **LARK**  
- **WH IPPINWITH**  
- **TULSA**

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**COMMANDANT 16th NAVAL DISTRICT**

- **LUZON**  
- **OAHU**  
- **MINDANAO**  
- **FINCH**  
- **4 MTBs**

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IV S.E. Pacific Force

Task Force 81
(Rear Admiral Shafroth)
(Under COMMAND)

TRIPOLI
CONCESSION
RICHMOND

SAMSON
WARRINGTON

V Miscellaneous

ANZAC Force (U. S. Ships)

CHICAGO

LAMSON
PERKINS
YOUR TWELVE TWENTY FIFTYNINE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS INDICATE ADVISABILITY OF ATTACHING BASIC SHIP NAMED TO YOUR TASK FORCE SIXTEEN DÜLY STREAMLINED BUT TO INCLUDE SISTER SHIP PARA STAND BY TO SEND TASK FORCE SIXTEEN TO WEST COAST FOR CONFERENCE ABOUT TIME BASIC SHIP ARRIVES THERE
BELIEVE SUBMARINE OPERATIONS AGAINST ENEMY IN RABUAL SOLOMONS AREA SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN EARLIEST PRACTICABLE DATE. REFER MYDIS 030254. ADVISE
FROM STATE FOR OPNAV

NO SS REQD FROM FORT DEFRANCE MAR 9 543P

REFERRING TO MY NO 51 WOULD DEPARTMENT TAKE ACTION ON ISSUANCE OF FUEL LICENSES FOR WYOMING AND SS ERIAN AND REPORT RESULTS BY WIRE STOP HANDLING OF THE ISSUE SHOULD TAKE PLACE IRRESPECTIVE OF PROG- RAM STOP SINCE THE SUPPLY ON THE WYOMING WAS ALMOST EXHAUSED AT SEA ON LAST VOYAGE LICENSE AN ADDITIONAL 12 TONS TO THIS SHIP FOR EACH DAY OF DELAY STARTING MARCH 9 TO TAKE CARE OF CONSUMPTION WHILE IN HARBOR.

SIGNED WALTER TOP 1804P.

39/............ACT.
14/11........SANDA....13....18......COMINGH...FILE...OP-28....

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By PT Date DEC 7 1972

23
YOUR 031505 FOURTH DEFENSE BATTALION AND ADVANCE DETACHMENT OF PERSONNEL FROM MARINE FIGHTING SQUADRON EWA EXPECTED DEPART PEARL ABOUT 14TH. INITIAL MOVEMENT TO BLEACHER WILL BE CRESCENT CITY CASTOR CUYAMA SOLACE AND TWO DD. ALL EXCEPT SOLACE RETURNING AFTER DISCHARGE. EXPECT PLANT MINES CARRIED IN CASTOR BY DMS NOW IN SAMOA. AS NO REPLY RECEIVED MY 050509 AND 050553 EQUIPMENT AND GROUND PERSONNEL MARINE FIGHTING SQUADRON BEING SENT TO PREPARE FOR RECEIVING PLANES TO FOLLOW WHEN TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE HERE ABOUT 1 APRIL. PLEASE ADVISE AS TO DIPLOMATIC ARRANGEMENTS WITH TONGA AND NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENTS.

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RENDZVOUS WITH TASK GROUP 22.7 CONSISTING RANGER AUGUSTA SAVANNAH WAINWRIGHT LANG WILSON IN LATITUDE 22-30 NORTH LONGITUDE 64 WEST AT 1800 GEORGE CAST TARE FOURTEEN MARCH X COMTASKFORCE 22 ORIGINATOR X CONSERVE FUEL AS PRACTICABLE.
ACTION COMTASKFOR 11 AND COMTASKFOR 17 INFO COMINCH FROM CINCPAC. TASKFOR 11 COMPLY COMINCH 071820 EXCEPT DIRECT PENSACOLA JOIN FLETCHER. TASKFORCE 17 CONTINUE OPERATIONS ANZAC AREA, WELL DONE.
Re: Sending 173 footers for plane guard duty.

COMINCH 052/16 AND YOUR 1115.8. SUBMIT THAT THERE IS INTENSIVE ENEMY SUB ACTIVITY. THE FORCES OF THIS COMMAND ARE FEW IN NUMBER AND WIDELY DISPERSED. THERE ARE NO VESSELS AVAILABLE UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS.
From: USS Hornet

Released by:  

Date: 12 March 1942

CINCPAC

INFORMATION

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DECIDED BY: Finkeldey/Berry

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Hornet Nashville Vincennes Cimarron DesDiv Twenty Two Report For Duty Pacific Fleet X Task Force Thirty Eight Dissolved X Baker Take Two Zero One Arrived Cristobal X Hornet Originator By Hand To Other Vessels Reporting And Com Fifteen

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM BUSHIPS
RELEASED BY JOSEPH BROSHEK
DATE 11 MARCH 1942
TOR CORDEROOM 21/0/11
DECODED BY
PARA PHRASED BY V TUCKER

COMCARIBSEAFRON

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TEXT

SALVAGE VESSEL SS KILLERIG STATIONED AT KINGSTON JAMAICA DISPATCHED TO PORT CASTRIES X LEAVING APPROXIMATELY 1900 X COMINCH ARRANGING FOR PROTECTION FOR KILLERIG.

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REFERENCE BUORD SHIPMENT ORDER NUMBER 9114 RE GUNS FOR REQUINNING MARBLEHEAD. MARBLEHEAD NOW ENROUTE US FOR REPAIRS OF MAJOR DAMAGE SUSTAINED IN ACTION FOUR FEBRUARY.
REPORT WHY JOUETT LEFT KENNEDEC PRIOR CLEARING DANGEROUS AREAS.
GIVE PATOKA DESTROYER ESCORT FROM BASE FOR AS FEASIBLE AND STILL
CONSISTENT WITH CARRYING OUT DUTY WITH CONVOY AFFIRM SAIL DASH ONE
REPORTING ACTION. ESCORT OF PATOKA WILL BE TAKEN UP BY GREEN OFF
IMADON AND BY TASKGROUP 23.1 OFF SAN FRAUDE.
OPERATIONS PROGRESSING AS PLANNED X ALL QUIET HERE

ACTION: F-1

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NAVAL MESSAGE

SUBSTITUTE THIS FOR MY 91605. MEMPHIS AND WINSLOW WILL CONVOY WAKEFIELD AROUND SAN ROQUE MAKING RENDEZVOUS ON MARCH 13. DAVIS WILL PROCEED FROM BASE DOG TO RENDEZVOUS WITH WAKEFIELD IN LATITUDE 11-30 NORTH LONGITUDE 48-10 WEST ON MARCH 17 ABOUT 1600ZED. CONVOY HER TO NEW YORK BY APPROVED ROUTING. ARRIVE NAVY YARD CHARLESTON PRIOR MARCH 30TH.

ACTION...F 31

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FROM
9 MARCH 1942

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ON CODEROOM

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(GERMAN) 872958 NCR8448

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EX-PURSE SEINERS YOKE PREP TWO SIX SEVEN YOKE PREP TWO SIX EIGHT YOKE PREP TWO SIX NINE AND YOKE PREP TWO SEVEN ZERO UNDERGOING FULL CONVERSION NOW READY INSTALLATION OF ARMAMENT X THERE ARE NO CALIBER FIFTY AA MACHINE GUNS AVAILABLE IN DISTRICT X DEPTH CHARGES ON HAND X DEPTH CHARGE TRACKS CAN BE FURNISHED UPON RECEIPT OF MATERIAL NOTED IN BUORD DISPATCH TWO SEVEN TWO ZERO ONE ZERO.

REF: YOUR 232259 FIVE PAIRS MARK SEVEN DEPTH CHARGE TRACKS AND EXTENSIONS BEING SHIPPED.

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**CINCLANT Ø71956. ESCORT TROOP TRANSPORTS PRACTICABLE PROVIDED SCHEDULE BOSTON-ARGENTIA CONFORMS TO SCHEDULE OF DESTROYERS PROCEEDING BETWEEN THOSE PORTS FOR ASSIGNMENT. HYPO XRAY CONVOYS APPROPRIATE ESCORT FROM ROGER TO GREENLAND WILL NOT BE ADEQUATE UNTIL EARLY APRIL AT WHICH TIME MODOC AND MOJAVE SHOULD BE AVAILABLE. TAMPA NOW ONLY SHIP AVAILABLE IN GREENLAND PATROL CONSIDERED SUITABLE FOR THIS ESCORT ASSIGNMENT. PROVIDED BIBB OR DUANE REPORT THIS FORCE IN NEAR FUTURE THEY CAN BE USED IN THIS SERVICE UNTIL ARRIVAL MODOC AND MOJAVE. INFORMATION AS TO SCHEDULE MOVEMENT OF DESTROYERS FROM BOSTON TO ARGENTIA CAN BE FURNISHED APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH IN ADVANCE SAILING. EMPHASIZE NECESSITY UNDER FOREGOING SYSTEM THAT TRANSPORTS BE PROMPTLY SAILED AS SCHEDULED.**

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COM ONE DELIVER COMINCH CINCLANT COMEASTERN SEA FRONTIER SOPA CASCO BAY FOR INFORMATION. ORIGINATOR COMBATDIV 6. MY 071400 POSITION 10 HOURS QUEEN MARCH NINTH LAT 40-14 LONG 69 SPEED OF ADVANCE 1/2 ARRIVAL DELAYED 16 HOURS HEAVY FOG.

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TWO EIGHTYTHREE FOOT COAST GUARD CUTTERS CGC FOUR SEVEN FIVE AND FOUR SEVEN SIX SHIPPED FROM NORFOLK MARCH FIVE ON SS GH. SMITH FOR ARUBA X THESE CRAFT HEREBY ASSIGNED CARIBSEAFRON X AFTER SERVICE EXPERIENCE REPORT SUITABILITY THIS TYPE FOR OPERATION YOUR FRONTIER.
YOUR SERIAL Ø298 SEE COMTASKFOR 24 Ø9Ø341 IN WHICH CINCLANT CONCURS

ACTION...F-3
DEPART NEW LONDON CONN ON MARCH 9 PROCEED TO NORFOLK VA TO ARRIVE MARCH 10 UPON ARRIVAL REPORT TO SOPA HAMPTON ROADS FOR DUTY AS ESCORT FOR SS FIRE THORN. WHEN DIRECTED ON MARCH 11 UNDERWAY IN COMPANY WITH FIRE THORN AND PROCEED VIA PRESCRIBED ROUTE ACTING AS ESCORT. UPON ARRIVAL LATITUDE 24 33 NORTH DUTY AS ESCORT COMPLETED, PROCEED TO KEYWEST FLO UPON ARRIVAL REPORT TO COMTASKCR 26.2 FOR DUTY IN SEVRON 9. FUEL AND PROVISION AT SUBBASE NEWLONDON AND NOB NORFOLK VIR. OPERATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS IN ACCORDANCE COMTASKFORCE 5 OBPLAN 78-41 AND CURRENT INSTRUCTIONS GUARD NSS FOX SCHEDULES ONLY TRANSMIT OUTGOING RADIO TRAFFIC TO RBO WASHN ON 4235 KC SERIES, CTG 25.2 AT SUBBASE NEWLONDON CONN. TO ACTION ADEE SEMMES AND INFO TO COMSUBLANT COMDESDIV 1 BY HAND.

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EXPEDITE REPLY TO LAST TWO PARAS OF MY Ø31525 AS RELATED TO YOUR Ø70900 MY Ø71320 AND COMANZAC Ø90430 AS I MUSTREALLOCATE SURFACE VESSELS TO ACCORD WITH NEEDS INCIDENT TO CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE CIRCUMSTANCES.
ON COMPLETION OF FUELLING MONTEVIDEO PROCEED FALKLAND ISLANDS
EMBARK F.A.A. PERSONNEL 71S SQUADRON THEN PROCEED TO CAPE TOWN.
MY 2/F/92/GTH MARCH NOT TO CILICIA REFERS.

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APPROVED SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYMENT X DEPART BASE QUEEN MARCH ELEVEN NINETEEN FORTY TWO PROCEED BASE MIKE X DESTROY ENEMY FORCES ENCOUNTERED X PROCEED SUBMERGED DURING DAYLIGHT X DEPART [ ] MONTAUK PT WHISTLING BUOY TWENTYFOUR HUNDRED MARCH ELEVEN PROCEED ON COURSE ONE FOUR SIX TRUE DAILY ADVANCE ONE HUNDRED TEN MILES X ARRIVE POINT TEN MILES EAST MOUNT HILL LIGHT AT DAYLIGHT MARCH SEVENTEEN X COMTASKFOR TWENTY FIVE OP PLAN SEVENTY EIGHT DASH FORTY ONE X TIME ZED X OP ORDER THREE DASH FORTY TWO X COMTASKGROUP TWENTY FIVE POINT FOUR ON COURSE ONE TWO X COMTASKUNIT TWENTY FIVE POINT FOUR POINT TWO DIRECT ENTRY BASE MIKE XX

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REFERENCE COMBATDIV SIX Ø714Ø X AIR COVERAGE WEATHER PERMITTING CONSISTING OF TWO OPTION DASH TWO DASH UNIT THREE AND ONE JIG ROGER FOX WILL BE PROVIDED FROM APPROXIMATELY LATITUDE 42 2Ø NORTH LONGITUDE 69 06 WEST TO LATITUDE 43 17 NORTH LONGITUDE 69 54 WEST ON MARCH NINE

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YOUR §80404 CL AND DL RETURN TO CANAL ZONE NOW

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§80404 - RADIO EQUIPMENT NOW BEING UNLOADED AND INSTALLATIONS EXPEDITED. INTERPRET YOUR §62101 TO MEAN CL AND DL TO REMAIN UNTIL SHORE RADIO IS ESTABLISHED.

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**TEXT**

COMTASKFOR 32 Dispatch 872150 was passed to Cinclant and Cominch for action. Cinclant in turn has passed same dispatch to Cominch CombatDiv 6 Comtaskforce 22 and Comcrudiv 7 for info.

COMINCH....ACTION

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WHILE A HEAVY FORCE IS NO LONGER CONTINUOUSLY MAINTAINED IN ICELAND THOSE FORCES ACTUALLY PRESENT THOSE WATERS WILL CARRY OUT ON A BASIS OF MUTUAL COOPERATION THE SPIRIT MY SERIAL ZERO ZERO TWO NINE TWO OF NINETEEN FORTYONE IN SO FAR AS IS CONSISTENT WITH THEIR CONSTITUTION AND THEIR ASSIGNED TASKS.

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Navy Department

December 7, 1972

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IN VIEW PRESENT SITUATION OFF NORWAY AND WITHDRAWAL OF BRITISH FORCES TO INTERCEPT HAVE OFFERED TO TAKE OVER PATROL DENMARK STRAIT. AM HOLDING REMAINDER OF FORCE IN READINESS FOR SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE INDICATED.

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**INFORMATION**
- DEPARTMENT OF TASK FORCE ELEVEN FOR HOME BASE AS IN MY ZERO TWO SIXTEEN FIFTEEN SHALL TAKE PLACE AFTER IT HAS MADE GOOD WHATEVER PLANE AND SLANT OR ARMAMENT MUNITIONS PERSONNEL DEFICIENCIES MAY EXIST IN TASKFORCE SEVENTEEN UPON COMPLETION OF OPERATIONS DIRECTED IN CITED DESPATCH PARA NOTED THAT BROWN HAS SHOWN SOME CONCERN ABOUT PROVISIONS DURING OR AFTER CURRENT OPERATIONS X IT IS MY FEELING THAT HE SHOULD RETURN TO PEARL ON A QUOTE BEANS AND HARDTACK UNQUOTE BASIS RATHER THAN DEPLETE STOCKS NOW OR SOON TO BE SOUTH OF EQUATOR.

**TEXT**

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Replying specific proposal Spenavo #51716 estimate two groups maximum twenty vessels would become available from midocean escorts when all British vessels to be allocated are ready. Latter date unknown but mid April seems earliest date when all adjustments could be made. No decrease in strength individual escort units should be made especially since better weather may bring increased submarine activity against trade convoys. Corvettes should be withdrawn rather than destroyers because recent experience strongly confirms that extended sweeps at high speed particularly during daylight is most effective against present submarine tactics. Recent instance such destroyer sweeps during daylight resulted in surface contacts five submarines and almost certain sinking two. In general consider coastal convoy escorts preferable to individual ship escorts and hunting by antisubmarine. 

Warops Secret
PATROLS OF SURFACE CRAFT UNTIL ADEQUATE NUMBER SUITABLE ESCORT VESSELS AND PLANES ARE AVAILABLE FOR COMPREHENSIVE COASTAL CONVOY SYSTEM AND FOR RUNNING DOWN AND STAYING WITH SUBMARINE CONTACTS DEVELOPED RECOMMEND PARTIAL ESTABLISHMENT COASTAL CONVOYS FOR APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES OR VESSELS WITH PARTICULARLY VALUABLE CARGOES AND EMPLOYMENT MEASURES RECOMMENDED BY CESF IN HIS STUDY SERIAL 979 TO MINIMIZE DANGER COASTAL TRAFFIC FROM SUBMARINES.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE WHOLE SUBMARINE SITUATION IN THE ATLANTIC THE FOLLOWING FACTORS ARE RELATED TO IT AND APPROPRIATE MEASURES AS PRACTICABLE WOULD HELP THE GENERAL SITUATION AFFIRM REDUCTION ATLANTIC GULF COASTAL TRAFFIC BY RAIL ROUTING TROOPS AND FREIGHT AS FAR AS POSSIBLE ALONG THE ROUTE AND PROSECUTION PIPE LINE.

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Punctuality in meeting dates would permit more accurate planning and better employment fleet vessels by avoiding delays incident changes in sailing dates or unexpected demands cast additional fleet destroyers could be made available sea frontiers temporarily between magnet convoys if cycle were increased to eight weeks dog increase in number district patrol squadrons easy ultimate laying of mine fields along the coastal shelf not only as menace to submarines but as protection to coastal trade routes and to cover inland routes such as block island area and cape Ann Cape Cod area. Availability mines not known and no large minelayers available until completion terror middle of year.

Additional comment to cominch only in separate dispatch.
**NAVAL MESSAGE**

**NAVY DEPARTMENT**

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**ST2150 NCR 7647**

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DEPART BASE HYPO 123OZ MARCH 8TH FOR BASE SAIL ALONG FOLLOWING ROUTE.
PASS POINT XRAY MILE 163OZ. THEN TO 39-04 NORTH 73-06 WEST. THEN TO 42-09 NORTH 69-06 WEST. THEN DIRECT TO BASE SAIL. COMBATDIV SIX ORIGINATOR IN WASHINGTON LIVERMORE DUPONT COLE. SPEED OF ADVANCE 19. ARRIVE POINT OF ARRIVAL 254OZ MARCH 9TH. COM 5 REQUESTED SWEEP CHANNEL. MAXIMUM AIR COVERAGE FOR SORTIE ALONG ENTIRE ROUTE REQUESTED. COMTASKGROUP 27.1 REQUESTED FORWARD WEATHER REPORT INCLUDING VISIBILITY ON HARBOR FREQUENCY AT 163OZ MARCH 9TH. WASHINGTON PLANES WILL COVER ENTRANCE, WEATHER PERMITTING Q. TO COM 5 BY HAND FOR ACTION. OPNAV DELIVER COM 1 AND COMTASKGROUP 27.1 FOR ACTION COMINCH CINCLANT COMTASKFOR 22 COMEASTERNSEAFRONTIER FOR INFORMATION.

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IT IS EXPECTED QUEEN ELIZABETH WILL UNDOCK ON HIGH TIDE APPROXIMATELY 2740 P.S.T. 18TH MARCH.

IT IS PROPOSED THEREAFTER TO SAIL HER FOR SAFETY REASONS TO ENGLISH BAY VANCOUVER UNDER ESCORT TO TAKE ON APPROXIMATELY 1000 TONS FUEL WHENCE SHE WILL PROCEED P.M. SAME DAY TO SAN FRANCISCO ARRIVING GOLDEN GATE HIGH TIDE 0732 P.S.T. 12TH MARCH BERTHING ON SLACK WATER 2 HOURS LATER. COMMANDANT 13 NAVAL DISTRICT HAS BEEN ASKED TO PROVIDE IF POSSIBLE DESTROYER AND AIR ESCORT FOR SEA PASSAGE.
ON RECEIPT S S S S 0121 GCT POSITION 29-12 NORTH 64-29
WEST NIGHT PATROL V P IMMEDIATELY ORDERED TO PROCEED ATTACK
AND COVER UNTIL RELIEVED

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| COMEASTSEAFRONT | CINCLANT COMPATWINGSLANT | LONG ISLAND |

*PARAPHRASED BY*

| 052016 | CCR 619 |

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TO DETERMINE CAPABILITY AND SUITABILITY ONE SEVEN THREE FOOT SUBCHASERS FOR ANTI SUBMARINE ESCORT AND PLANE GUARD DUTY WITH AVG DETAIL TO COMPATWINGSLANT FOR DUTY WITH LONG ISLAND ONE PC FROM THOSE AVAILABLE TO YOU X DURATION THIS DUTY ONE WEEK DATE TO BE SPECIFIED BY COMPATWINGSLANT X LONG ISLAND SUBMIT REPORT ON COMPLETION.
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COMBATSHIPS IN MARYLAND WITH COLORADO AND TENNESSEE
ARRIVED SAN FRANCISCO TWENTY THIRTY FOUR PASS TO
OPNAV BY HAND.

F-35 ACTION.

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7 BB Brown
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YOUR 282Q35 BELIEVE THERE SHOULD BE RETAINED IN
SOUWESTPAC FOR MAXIMUM NUMBER SUBMARINES WHICH CAN BE
SUPPORTED WITHIN REASONABLE RANGE OF THE NEI AND LINES
WHICH JAPAN MAY DEVELOP IN BAY OF BENGAL AREA X
ADDITIONAL TENDER SHOULD BE ASSIGNED IF REQUIRED X OF
SUBMARINES WHICH CANNOT BE MAINTAINED BY THE SOUWESTPAC
ALL SAIL CLASS SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO ANZAC AREA AND LARGE
TYPE WITH APPROPRIATE TENDERS SHIFTED TO PEARL WHICH
IS CONSIDERED SATISFACTORY AS BASE FOR PATROLS IN THE
WESTERN PACIFIC X PEARL BASED UNITS SHOULD TAKE OVER
PELEWS AND OTHER ASIATIC AREAS WHEN COMSOUWESTPAC
IS READY TO RELEASE THEM ALSO SOLOMON DASH RABAUL
AREA X TEN SAIL TYPE ENROUTE SHOULD BE ASSIGNED ANZAC
LESS SOLOMON DASH RABAUL AREA WITH TENDER OR TENDERS AS
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NECESSARY X COMSUBPAC CONSIDERS FIFTEEN HUNDRED MILES THEIR MAXIMUM PRACTICABLE OPERATION RANGE X PRESENT SOUND SCHOOL AND ASSIGNMENT TO DUTCH HARBOR WITH APPROPRIATE ROTATION SHOULD BE CONTINUED XX COMSUBPAC HAS FOR INFO BY HAND

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CONTINUE ACTIVE SUBMARINE OPERATIONS IN ABD A AREA PARA ATTACK ENEMY VESSELS WITHIN AREA AND EXITING FROM PASSES COMMA OPPOSE ENEMY ADVANCE TOWARDS AUSTRALIA AND MAINTAIN ESSENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS WITH PHILIPPINES PARA MAKE USE OF AIR AUGMENTED BY OWN ARMY AIR AND AUSTRALIAN AIR AS ARRANGED FOR BY COM-ANZAC FOR SUPPORT OF SUBMARINE OPERATIONS AND ATTACK ON ENEMY AIR BASES PARA REPORT BY RETURN DESPATCH WHAT SURFACE FORCES REMAIN INCLUDING AUXILIARIES AND WHICH OF THEM YOU FEEL YOU CAN ACTIVELY EMPLOY AGAINST THE ENEMY WHILE CONTINUING TO OPERATE IN THE ABD A AREA PARA MAKE SIMILAR REPORT AS TO AUSTRALIAN NAVAL UNITS ALLOCATED TO ABD A AREA

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**TEXT**

FOR COMDESDIV SIXTYTHREE IN BUCK TO ACKNOWLEDGE X
PROCEED IN BUCK WITH BRISTOL ESCORT U S A T HINDS
READY BOSTON FIVE MARCH TO ST JOHNS NEWFOUNDLAND X
ESCORT VESSELS THEN PROCEED BASE ROGER TO ARRIVE BY
NINE MARCH X BRISTOL NOW AT BASE SAIL CAN ARRIVE
ENTRANCE BOSTON HARBOR DAYLIGHT MARCH FIVE X ADVISE
BRISTOL TIME AND PLACE TO RENDEZVOUS WITH YOU X
TO BRISTOL BY HAND.

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DELIVER TO OPHAV FOR ACTION AND TO BUSHIPS, NAVAL GUN FACTORY, BUNAV AND COMINCH FOR INFORMATION. WHATEVER FINAL ACTION IS TAKEN CORRECTION TURRET GUNS THIS VESSEL THE JUSTIFIABLE CONFIDENCE PREVIOUSLY HELD BY CREW THAT THIS SHIP COULD AND WOULD PUT UP GOOD FIGHT WHEN OCCASION DEMANDED MUST BE RESTORED. RECOMMEND AND REQUEST THAT PRIOR ACTIVE ASSIGNMENT THIS SHIP BE PERMITTED FIRE FULL CHARGES MINIMUM OF 7 ROUNDS PER GUN PREFERABLY 10. IT IS APPRECIATED THAT EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE PLACE TURRET GUNS EFFECTIVE CONDITIONS EARLIEST PRACTICABLE DATE. IF HOWEVER CONSIDERABLE DELAY INVOLVED RECOMMEND EARNEST CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN ACCOMPLISH MAJOR APPROVED REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS INCLUDING TRIPOD FORECAST WATERTIGHT INTEGRITY FIVE INCH THIRTY EIGHT CALIBER GUNS ETC DURING THIS PERIOD. IF THIS IS DONE IT IS SUGGESTED THAT 60 PERCENT OFFICERS AND CREW BE DETACHED TO NEW CONSTRUCTION WHERE

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THEIR EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING WILL BEST SERVE NATIONAL EFFORT NOW.
EARTHLY REQUEST SHIP NOT BE SENT NAVY YARD UNLESS MAJOR ITEMS
ARE TO BE UNDERTAKEN.

ACTIONS BugeRd......

RECORD COPY: 12....23....38......Buships......Coningh......BunaV......
CHO......200P......
YOUR DISPATCH 25264# PROPOSE LASSEN SAIL SUVA ABOUT MARCH 12TH MIXED CARGO ARMY AND NAVY STOPPING SAMOA ON RETURN WITH OVERFLOW CARGO CONSIDERED SAMOA. THIS MODIFIES MY DISPATCH 26264# AND 262344.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: GINGPAC
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 28 FEB 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 1831/1942
DECODED BY: HIGGINS
PARAPHRASED BY: HIGGINS

COMANZACFOR (ACIS)
COMTASKFOR 4.1 PAC
COMTASKGRP 4.1.1 PAC
COMINCH
COMSEAPACFOR
COMTASKFOR 1 PAC
GOV SAMOA
COMTASKGRP 15.1 PAC
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COMWESTSEAFRONTIER

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TEXT
URDIS 27/647 X ORDERS FOR TASKGROUPS ONE TWO POINT ONE AND ONE TWO POINT TWO IN MY DIS 2523/15 HEREBY CANCELLED X DIRECT HONOLULU JARVIS AS TASKGROUP ONE TWO POINT ONE ESCORT ARMY CONVOY DEPARTING X-RAY SEVEN MARCH FOR NOUENEA X COMPLETION THIS DUTY PROCEED PEARL VIA SAMOA FUEL X DIRECT NEW ORLEANS DUE BRISBANE FOUR MARCH AND AND MUGFORD AS TASKGROUP ONE TWO POINT TWO DEPART BRIS- BANE IN TIME ARRIVE BOBCAT BY TWENTY TWO MARCH X REPORT THERE TO COMSOUTHEASTPAC FOR ESCORT CONVOY BAKER TARE TWO HUNDRED ONE FROM BOBCAT TO JUNCTION WITH ESCORT FROM ANZACFORCE THENCE TO PACO PACO FOR ORDERS X COMMANDING OFFICER NEW ORLEANS DESIGNATED COMTASKFOR ONE TWO EFFECTIVE FIVE MARCH X UNITS STOPPING SAMOA REPORT TIME OF DEPARTURE ROUTE AND SPEED TO PEARL VIA SHORE RADIO X COMHANSEAFRON COMDSBATFOR AND COMBASEFOR

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NAVAL MESSAGE

DRAFTER
FROM
MARCORPS

EXTENSION NUMBER

ADDRESSEES
COHON 1ST WARBRIQ
(PROV)

PRECEDENCE
PRIORITY

NAVY DEPARTMENT

RELEASED BY
W. J. JAMES

DATE
27 FEBRUARY 1942

TOR CODEROOM

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DECODED BY

PARAPHRASED BY

ADDRESSEES
COHON 1ST WARBRIQ

REMOVED FROM BRIGADE ON ARRIVAL IN U.S. INTO COMMANDS FOR OVERLAND MOVEMENT AS FOLLOWING UNITS FOR TRANSFER SANTANDO GTY MARINES REINFORCED.

UNIT FOR NEW RIVER COMPANY & 1ST ENGINEER BATTALION REINFORCED.

5TH DEFENSE BATTALION. TRAVEL ORDERS FOR ALL UNITS WILL BE ISSUED BY THIS HQ AND DELIVERED AT PORT OF DEBARKATION.

ORIG: MARCOPH

RECORD COPY: CONNING . . . 37 . . . . . . 38 . . . . . . 39 . . . . . . ARMY . . . . . . BURIED . . . . . . BUNAV . . . . . . CHC . . . . . . . . STOP . . . . . .

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Propose transfer sail one to Admiralty on April fifteen. Will advise order of remaining four at an early date.

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TO
NASHVILLE, VINCENNES, STURTEVANT, ELLYSON, STRINGHAM, STANSBURY.

FROM
COMTASKFORCE 18 (LANT)

RELEASED BY

DATE: FEB 27 1942

TOR CORDEROOG: 2355/2207

DECODED BY: CONDEN

PARAPHRASED BY: CONDEN

FOR ACTION

NASHVILLE, VINCENNES, STURTEVANT, ELLYSON, STRINGHAM, STANSBURY.

INFORMATION

CTF 6 (LANT)
CTF 9 (LANT)
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PRIORITIES

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TEXT

FOR ACTION TO NASHVILLE VINCENNES STURTEVANT ELYLYON STANSBURY STRINGHAM. CAPTAIN CRAVEN IN NASHVILLE DESIGNATED ESCORT COMMANDER FIVE TROOP TRANSPORTS NEW YORK TO SEA RENDEZVOUS NORTH HAMPTON ROADS. PROCEED NEW YORK CONFERENCE DIRECTOR PREPARE CONVOY FOR SAILING ABOUT MARCH IN ACCORDANCE ROUTING BY OPNAV. ORDERS FOR DEPARTURE NEW YORK AND RENDEZVOUS TO BE FURNISHED BY COMTASKFORCE 18 ORIGINATOR BY DESPATCH. ACTION ADDRESSES PROCEED NEW YORK ARRIVING BY ONE MARCH REPORT NASHVILLE FOR DUTY. PACIFIC CHARTS FOR VESSELS THIS FORCE HAVE BEEN REQUESTED AND WILL BE DELIVERED BY HORNET AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY. OPERATION PLAN BY AIRMAIL FRIDAY TO COM 3 FOX FOX DOG NASHVILLE. THIS VESSEL ACKNOWLEDGE DISPATCH AND OPPLAN.

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**ORIGINATOR:** CINCPAC

**ADDRESSEES:** COM ANZAC FORCE; COM WEST SEA FRONT; CTG 12.2(PAC) COMINCH; USS CURTIS CTF 12; 12(PAC) COM HAWAIIAN SEA FRONT; GOVERNOR SANO; USS TANGIER

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 26, 1942

**TOR CODEROOM:** 0700/0544

**DECODED BY:** PITKIN

**INFORMATION FOR ACTION:** COM WEST SEA FRONT; CTG 12.2(PAC) COMINCH; USS CURTIS CTF 12; 12(PAC) COM HAWAIIAN SEA FRONT; GOVERNOR SANO; USS TANGIER

**PARAPHRASED BY:** REI

**INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY:** COM S E PAC FORC 252315 CCR 2938

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(CORRECTED TEXT)

RECOMMEND CTF 5 161517 DEPARTURE BASE LOVE SUBMARINES
5 MARCH GRIFFIN 7 MARCH ANTAEUS 12 MARCH. ARRIVAL BOBCAT
GRIFFIN AND SUBMARINE 28 MARCH ANTAEUS DAY EARLIER
COMINCH 161433.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CINCPAC
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 26 FEBRUARY 1942

TOR CODEROOM: 0139/0050

DECODED BY: SLADE

PARAPHRASED BY: SLADE

ADDRESSSES: COMWESTSEAFRON

INFORMATION: COMINCH/OPNAV

FOR ACTION: 

ADDRESSSES: 

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AND REPUBLIC X TO AVOID CONGESTION SMALL ISLAND PORTS NECESSARY LURLINE AQUITANIA DEPART SAN FRANCISCO ABOUT NINE INSTEAD OF SEVEN MARCH FORMER TO ARRIVE HILO FORENOON FOURTEENTH LATTER PEARL AFTERNOON SAME DAY X DESTROYER ESCORT WILL BE PROVIDED FROM POINT OF SEPARATION XX COMTASKFOR 15 COMHAWSEAFRON AND COMDGEN HAWAIIAN DEPT HAVE FOR INFO

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PARAPHRASED BY SLADE

ADDRESSEES

FOR ACTION
R-12

INFORMATION
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CINCLANT
CTG 6.3 (LANT)
COMINCH - OPNAV
CTU 5.4.3 (LANT)
SUBASE STTHOMAS

PRECEDENCE
OP Non-Top Pop
Routine
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COMTASKFOR FIVE 241730 OF FEBRUARY 1942 X DEPART BASE QUEEN ONE MARCH 1942 PROCEED BASE TARE X COMPLY REQUIREMENTS COMTASKFOR FIVE 271900 X DESTROY AXIS FORCES ENCOUNTERED X COMPLY COMTASKFOR FIVE OPLAN 76-41 X ZED X COMTASKGROUP FIVE POINT FOUR IN BEAVER X BY MAILGRAM TO ACTION ADDEE COMSUBLANT COMTASKUNIT FIVE POINT FOUR POINT THREE OPORDER 2-42

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R12 to go from New London to St Thomas for Caribbean Oct

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TASKFOR 18 CAPT MITSCHER HEREBY CONSTITUTED AS FOLLOWS  
HORNET NASHVILLE VINCENNES CIMARRON DESDIV 22 AND THE  
FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL ESCORTS THREE FROM TASKFOR 9 STURTVANT  
ELLYSON ESCORT FIVE TROOP TRANSPORTS SCHEDULED DEPART NEW  
YORK 2 MARCH TO PANAMA IN ACCORDANCE WITH ROUTING TO BE  
PRESCRIBED BY OPNAV X INFO ADDRESSEES MAKE AVAILABLE TO  
COMTASKFOR 18 VESSELS ASSIGNED AT TIMES AND PLACES DESIG-  
NATED BY HIM X UPON ARRIVAL PANAMA ADDITIONAL ESCORTS  
DETACHED STURTVANT REPORT COMTASKGROUP 6.3 OTHERS PROCEED  
AS DIRECTED BY OWN TASKFORCE COMMANDERS REMAINDER TASKFOR  
18 REPORT CINCPAC FOR DUTY WHEREUPON TASKFOR 18 DISSOLVED  
XX SEA FRONTIER COMMANDERS PROVIDE APPROPRIATE AIR COVERAGE

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FROM

MARACOM

RELEASED BY

C.D. BARRETT

DATE

23 FEB 1942

FOR CODEROOM

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PARAPHRASED BY

PURDY

MARACOM

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LT. SHELLABARGER 222559 NC003445

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ORGANIZE DETACHMENT 1233 ENLISTED AT SAN DIEGO BY 1 MARCH READY FOR TRANSFER TO SAMOA ON ORDER FOR TRAINING IN EXISTING DEFENSE BATTALIONS PENDING ORGANIZATION 6TH DEFBN AND AUGMENTING 7TH DEFBN TO FULL BATTALION.

ASSIGN MAJOR BILBURT S. BROWN IN COMMAND. 25 OFFICERS BDW CLASS WILL BE ORDERED OVERLAND PRIOR DEPARTURE. ASSIGN 50 NCO'S FROM NAVAL DISTRICTS PREFERABLY WITH ARTILLERY EXPERIENCE SUBSTITUTING RECRUITS. ASSIGN 25 COMMUNICATION PERSONNEL FROM CURRENT CLASSES. FORM INTO PROVISIONAL COMPANIES 200 EACH FOR PASSAGE. AIRMAIL LETTER FOLLOWS GIVING DETAILS AS TO EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES TO ACCOMPANY DETACHMENT BUT IN GENERAL DETACHMENT WILL TAKE INDIVIDUAL TENTAGE MESS AND OFFICE EQUIPMENT ONLY PLUS 90 DAYS REPLENISHMENTS CLOTHING AND RATIONS. AMMUNITION IN HANDS OF TROOPS ONLY. INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE ISSUED LATER RE ASSEMBLY AND SHIPMENT ADDITIONAL DEFENSE BATTALION EQUIPMENT REQUIRED.

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FROM CINC ATL
RELEASED BY
DATE 22 FEB 42
TOR CODEROOM NAVAL
DECODERED BY MAIL
PARAPHRASED BY OLTPUCKER
ADDRESSEES SO(1) KINGSTON JAMAICA ADMIRALTY BHD NSHQ SENO CUBACAO NOIC TRINIDAD, D.S. VAN KINSBERGEN HMCS PRINCE HENRY.

YOUR 1158R 21ST. SHIPMENT, EXCEPT THAT FOR ARUBA, IS TO PROCEED. SHIPPING FOR ARUBA TO BE HELD FOR THE PRESENT VIDE NO30 ARUBA* 2135 22ND NOT TO ALL ADDRESSEES.

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37...COG.
12/11...12...13...16...38...39..COMINCH...SEDNAV...PIA OP-20...FILE.

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ALUSNOB OFFICES SOURABAYA BATAVIA TJILATJAP WILL BE CLOSED IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE. PROPOSE DIRECT PRESENT INCUMBENTS RESPECTIVELY COMMANDER MURPHY AND SLAWSON AND LIEUT COMDR. RAIRDEN TO PROCEED TO MELBOURNE AND REPORT TO ALUSNA THERE. AGREE HIGHLY DESIREABLE ESTABLISH SHIPPING BOARD MELBOURNE FOR PURPOSE STATED IN YOUR 161800. ABOVE OFFICERS AVAILABLE FOR THIS PURPOSE.

NOTE: RECEIVED IN RESTRICTED CIPHER, UNABLE LOCATE REFERENCE IN CODE ROOM

16......ACT.
10/11.....37.....BUNAV...COMINCH...SECNAV...PIA...FILE.
Army proposes sail Ascension expedition from Charleston, South Carolina, ready seven March x composition troopship Cushman sixteen knots five thousand miles radius. A nd one or two cargo vessels not yet designated x Topa Topa may accompany x will require guard while unloading x advise your intention as to routing, protection and date of departure x ref memo twenty February to your Operations Officer Liberia trip cancelled, Agawa, Monterey, probably go via UK in British convoy.

F-3.....F-31.....F-32 NA
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MESSAGE FOLLOWING FROM ABDAFLOAT TO CONVERSEPAC, COMMODORE COMMANDING CHINA FORCES, COMMANDANT NETHERLANDS NAVY IN THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES, NAVAL COMMAND AT SURABAYA AND COMMANDER JOINT STRIKING FORCE QUOTED FOR INFORMATION QUOTE SITUATION IS CRITICAL. WISH TO IMPRESS UPON ALL OFFICERS AND SHIPS COMPANIES THE NECESSITY FOR EVERY EFFORT AGAINST THE ENEMY TO PREVENT HIS LANDING ON JAVA. EVERY OPPORTUNITY FOR OFFENSIVE ACTION MUST BE SEIZED AND SACRIFICES MUST BE MADE TO THAT END UNQUOTE.

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AT 1130Q SUNANNEE DECOMMISSIONED AND DELIVERED TO CONVERSION CONTRACTOR 1515020 FEB 1942

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(A DD W SRT RN AUSTRALIA FREEMANTLE 99 US CRUISER PHENIX INFO CINC FAR EASTERN FLEET, ADA FLAT 7 COM SW PAC RF DIO QUEENSLAND GIBRABAE HULL ADELAIDE FROM AUS CON NAVAL BOARD MELBOURNE)

ADDAFLAT'S 63152 17TH NOT TO ALL ADDRESSES.

REMAINING SHIP S SQUADRON CONSIST US CRUISER PHOENIX DUNTRON

KATMANDA MAY BE BROKEN IS TO PROCEED RANGOON REPEAT RANGOON AND IS TO SAIL AS SOON AS READY, ROUTE A 16-25 S 96-30 E.

D 34-38 N 07-55 E C 14-29 N 91-32 1 D 14-05 N 93-36 E. THE GAME TO RANGOON SEARCHED THE CHANNEL DETAIL QCA 394. END WESTERN AUSTRALIA FREEMANTLE IS TO GIVE US CRUISER PHOENIX COPY ALL RELEVANT Q MESSAGES FOR THE PASSAGE AND POSSIBLE DIVERSION TO COLOMBO. CINC FAR EASTERN FLEET (SH) IS REQUESTED PROVIDE ANTI SUBMARINE ESCORT AND DETAIL APPROACH TO RANGOON. US CRUISER PHOENIX ACKNOWLEDGE AND REPEAT BACK ROUTE AND DESTINATION.

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JCS Memo, 1-7-73
BY DBS. DATE

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MAKE READY TO SAIL ON DISTANT SERVICE ABOUT ONE MARCH.
YARD AVAILABILITY AS REQUIRED HEREBY GRANTED HORNET.
COMINCH DELIVER CINCLANT IN WASHINGTON. COMPLETION
OF ORGANIZATION ATTACHED AIR GROUP WILL BE SUBJECT OF
LATER DIRECTIVE FROM COMPETENT AUTHORITY.

ACTION....F 2
YOUR EIGHTEEN FIFTEEN TWENTYONE INFORM ADMIRALTY THAT COVERING UNIT HITHERTO MAINTAINED IN ICELAND BY UNIT SAIL WILL BE WITHDRAWN EARLY IN MARCH BECAUSE OF CHANGED SITUATION AND TRANSFER OF ONE CARRIER ONE HEAVY ONE LIGHT CRUISER ONE DESDIV BUT NO BATTLESHIPS FOR THE PRESENT TO PACIFIC WITH CONSEQUENT REGROUPING OF FORCES IN ATLANTIC.
CINC CIPHER

MAKE READY GROUP FOR TRANSFER TO PACIFIC SAILING FROM EAST COAST ABOUT ONE MARCH CONSISTING OF HORNET VINCENNES NASHVILLE ONE MODERN DESDIV ONE TANKER OR CIMARRON CLASS.

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RELEASED BY ADMIRAL KING
DATE FEBRUARY 29 1942
TOR CODEROOM 2032/2130
DECODED BY BELL/GLUNT
PARAPHRASED BY BELL

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EACH FLEET SHALL INCLUDE AN AMPHIBIOUS FORCE WITH FLAG OFFICER AS FORCE COMMANDER TO COM普RISE THREE GROUPS NAMELY FIRST COVERING FORCES AS ASSIGNED SECOND TRANSPORTS COMBAT AND OTHER UNDER NAVAL OFFICER THIRD AMPHIBIOUS CORPS UNDER GENERAL OFFICER PREFERABLY MARINE.

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FROM COMINCH
RELEASED BY VICE ADM INGERSOLL
DATE 26 FEB 1942
TOR CODE ROOM 1826 / 1918
DECODED BY BUSH
PARAPHRASED BY BUSH

DIRECT GWIN PROCEED TO UNITED STATES PORT TO BE DESIGNATED BY COMTASKFORCE ONE X ORIGINATOR CINCLANT

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A large British merchant ship troop loaded speed 28 Kk878 will pass through Florida Straits Westbound Feb 21 and will anchor about 2000 oct, immediately to northward of Key West in Lat 24-56S Long 81-57W. She will be fueled by an oiler provided by me X you arrange that she shall receive 2000 tons of water from American seaman X provide constant and maximum protection including air coverage that can be made available by Cinclant and Army X use sound school ships as necessary X acknowledge.

Qen. Wray

Copy delivered to OPNAV Coderoom for OPNAV and BAD.
FLAG OFFICER'S CIPHER

REQUEST ACNB TO EXPEDITE ARRIVAL IN ABDA AREA OF ALL NAVAL VESSELS ALLOCATED THERETO

ORIGINATOR...F-31
HMB SUBMARINE NOTICE X SEVERN ENROUTE PHILADELPHIA
FROM UK DUE 41° 36'N 4° 17'W AT 1800 ZED 23 FEBRUARY X
PROCEEDING 14 KNOTS 41A 44° 20'N 55° W X 36° 38'N 77° W
X 38° 19' 17° W 74° 25' 48° W X 1.45 MILES 231 DEGREES FROM
OVERFALLS LIGHT VESSEL X BOMBING RESTRICTIONS 15
MILES EACH SIDE OF TRACK AND 12° MILES AHEAD AND
ASTERN.

F-35...ORIG.
F-3, F-32, OP-16, OP-23C, DOG...
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YOUR 121717 XX PHOENIX ORDERED BY CINCAF TO DEPART MELBOURNE ABOUT 9 FEBRUARY ESCORTING CONVOY TO JAVA X EXPECTED ARRIVE THIS AREA ABOUT 25 FEBRUARY

F-31 . . . ACTION

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WHEN NAV PATROL PLANES REQUESTED IN JANUARY BE EXPECTED.

ABDAFLOATS 200945 OF

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AIDAC

MY 151547 MODIFIED AS FOLLOWS X FROM LAT 28-54 NORTH LONG 68-22 WEST AT 2330 ZED FEBRUARY 16 WILL FOLLOW TRACK THROUGH CAICOS AND WINDWARD PASSAGES X SPEED OF ADVANCE 14.4 KNOTS

ACTION

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FLAG OFFICERS' CIPHER

ATLANTIC COMTASKFOR TWO 161307 IT IS BY NO MEANS CERTAIN THAT HORNET WILL REMAIN IN ATLANTIC BUT IT IS PRACTICALLY CERTAIN THAT ONLY TWO CARRIERS WILL REMAIN AFTER MARCH FIRST.

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SENDING FLETCHERS FORCE RENUMBERED TO CANTON AREA.
WAKE DESIGNATED HALSEYS OBJECTIVE. CONVOY 2/32
SAFELY IN AFTER REPORTED SUBMARINE ATTACK MIDNIGHT
THIRTEENTH.
CINCLANT ZERO SEVEN ONE SEVEN ELEVEN GRIFFIN
ESCORTED BY LIVERMORE AND BRISTOL ARRIVE LAT
TWENTY FIVE DASH ZERO ZERO NORTH LONG SIXTY EIGHT
DASH TWENTY FIVE WEST ELEVEN HUNDRED ZED SEVENTEENTH
X REQUEST RELIEF ESCORTS AND AIR COVERAGE FOR PASSAGE
BASE LOVE VIA MONA.

ACTION......F-35
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CINCLANT ORIGINATOR: SO LONG AS ENEMY SUBMARINES ARE NOT MORE NUMEROUS AND ACTIVE ALONG MIDOCEAN CONVOY ROUTES CONSIDER SOME US DESTROYERS MAY BE WITHDRAWN PROVIDED ESCORT GROUPS COMPOSED OF DESTROYERS AND CORvettes ARE NOT LESS IN STRENGTH THAN THE EQUIVALENT OF 4 OR 5 DESTROYERS. YOUR 101745. THIS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A TEMPORARY MEASURE ONLY AS I THINK OUR STAKE AND CORRESPONDING INFLUENCE IN NORTH ATLANTIC CONVOYS SHOULD NOT BE REDUCED BELOW THAT AGREED UPON IN NEW SYSTEM. THE MOVE MIGHT SPUR BRITISH TO COME ACROSS WITH THEIR COMMITMENT IN & VESSELS IN MIDOCEAN SINKINGS GO UP.

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SAILING DATE QUEEN MARY CHANGED TO EIGHTEEN FEBRUARY

F-31.....ORIG.
AIDEC

COMTASKGROUP 5.3 IN GRIFFIN DEPART NEWLONDON FEB 12 FOR NEWPORT LOAD WARHEADS AND TORPEDOES LEAVE NEWPORT FEB 14 FOR CANAL ZONE ESCORTED BY TWO DOUBLE DOG. REQUEST AIR COVERAGE TO CANAL ZONE DIRECT FROM COMMANDERS NAVAL SEA FRONTIERS AND COMTASKGROUP 7.2 AS APPROPRIATE INFORMING THEM OF ROUTE. AFTER ARRIVAL PANAMA PROCEED ACCORDANCE COMINCH 441515 AND COMTASKFOR 5 81632. ACTION ADDEE COMTASKGROUP 5.3 HAS THIS BY HAND. OPERATE ACCORDANCE MY OPLAN 7841 UNTIL DEPARTURE CANAL ZONE UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED.

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RELIABLE RECONNAISSANCE AT BRENT 1100 ZED 9 FEB INDICATES SCHARNHORST IN NUMBER NINE DOCK GNEISEN AU ALONGSIDE TB STATION AND PRINZ EUGEN ALONGSIDE COALSTATION WHARF. ALSO PRESENCE OF FOUR DDS X TRONDHEIM RECONNAISSANCE 1245 Z TODAY INDICATES TIRPITZ IN AAS FJORD FORMER BERTH.

F-95 ORIGINATOR: COMINCH...F-3...OP-16...

REFERENCE: ADMTY 9 491625A

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SITUATION PRESENTED BY SERIAL 0001 JANUARY 8 AND 1905553 JANUARY TO COMINCH MATERIALLY CHANGED IN FOLLOWING PARTICULARS. (1) RECENT EXPERIENCE OPERATIONS AT DISTANCE FROM PEARL DEMANDS CONSTANT AVAILABILITY AND USE FROM THAT PLACE HIGHER PERCENTAGE BASE FORCE OILERS FOR FUELING AT SEA PRECLUDING REGULAR TRIPS TO COAST FOR FLEET SUPPLY. (2) ACTUAL EXPERIENCE INDICATE MONTHLY TRIP CHARTERED TANKERS NOT MINERING REASONABLE DUE SLOW SPEED AND CONVOY SYSTEM. (3) MORE EXTENDED AND PROLONGED OPERATIONS NOW UNDERWAY AND IN PROSPECT. (4) LOSS OF MECHES. ADDITIONAL 10 KNOT VESSELS TO TOTAL CAPACITY 350,000 BARRELS NOW NEEDED TO KEEP ABREAST CURRENT EXPENDITURES WITH STILL FURTHER ADDITION OF 300,000 BARRELS BUILD UP STOCKS AT PEARL. REQUEST IMMEDIATE STEPS TO CHARTER ADDITIONAL SHIPS AS ABOVE NOTED PREFERABLY OF 80,000 BARREL SIZE. FIGURES INCLUDE PRESENT AND PREDICTED AVIATION GAS FOR ARMY AND NAVY BUT NO OTHER ARMY REQUIREMENTS. SUFFICIENT CLEAN VESSELS IN PRESENT ALLOTMENT. TANKERS TO BE FURNISHED MAY BE DIRTY. CALLAGHAN HAS SUPPORTING DATA AND CONCURS. OPNAV GIVE TO COMINCH FOR INFO.

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MY 0743 Z/9 SENT TO COMANZAC FOR ACTION X REQUEST YOU ARRANGE HAVE ESCORT FROM ANZAC FORCE TAKE OVER CONVOY THREE 18 KNOT TROOP SHIPS FROM PORTLAND NEAR TONGATAPU ABOUT 29 FEBRUARY X PORTLAND CANNOT CONTINUE TO XRAY ACCOUNT FUEL X ADVISE X THIS IS PASSED TO COMINCH AND COM WEST SEA FRONTIER FOR INFORMATION

ACTION
F-31
YOUR 080204 NOT APPROVED X ESSENTIAL PORTLAND COMPLETE WORK IN NAVY YARD AND THAT DELIVERY FUEL SAMOA BE EXPEDITED X

CARRY OUT FOLLOWING X PUT CONCORD KASKASKIA WITH TWENTY THIRTY THREE X ONE DD WILL MEET AT RENDEZVOUS DAISY ONE

HUNDRED MILES NINETY DEGREES FROM BIRCH TO COVER JAPARA AT HOLLY AND BIRCH X CONCORD FUEL FROM KASKASKIA ENROUTE

AND CONTINUE WITH CONVOY TO XRAY X OILER DETACHED VICINITY SAMOA PROCEED THERE AND DELIVER CARGO THAT PORT THEN RETURN

SAN PEDRO BY ROUTE FURNISHED BY YOU X PUT PORTLAND WITH TWENTY THIRTY FOUR X BECAUSE SHE CANNOT MAKE ENTIRE TRIP

TO XRAY AT EIGHTEEN KNOTS WITHOUT REPUELING CINCPAC WILL ENDEAVOR ARRANGE ANZAC ESCORT FROM RENDEZVOUS NEAR TONGATABU

PORTLAND RETURNING PEARL VIA SAMOA FOR FUEL X CONTASKFOR 15 COMBASEFOR AND CONTRAINRON 8 HAVE THIS BY MAIL

F-31 ACTION

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RELEASED BY
DATE 8 FEB 1942
TOR CORDERON 2441/842
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PARAPHRASED BY PORTER

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FOR ACTION
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$81632 CCR 1124

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TEXT

AIDAC

GRiffin will depart base George February fourteen for
Bay's Love via Mona Passage arriving Feb twenty first.
Depart love for Bobcat March ten arriving April five.
Fuel requirements Bobcat bunker Baker five thousand
Barrels Diesel twelve thousand Barrels. Lube Gallons.
Forty thousand symbol thirty sixty five. Six thousand
dog tare easy double Baker gargoyles. Thirteen thousand
Dan Tess Ernest extra Heavy gargoyles. fuel requirements
BAE Love Diesel fifteen hundred Barrels and three thousand
gallons dog tare easy extra heavy gargoyles. Your
$41515. By hand to COMTASKGROUP five point three.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM COMTASKFORCE 1 (LANT)

RELEASED BY

DATE 8 FEBRUARY 1942

TOR CODEROOM 2/34/1722

DECODED BY SMITH

FOR ACTION

ADDRESSES USS LIVERMORE

PRECEDENCE PPPPP

ROUTINE

DEFERRED

INFORMATION COMINCH

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PRIORITY

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USS GRIFFIN

PARAPHRASED BY SMITH

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$81825 CCR 1132

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TEXT

REPORT GRIFFIN AT BASE QUEEN ON THIRTEEN FEBRUARY

SUBMARINE

ESCORT AS FAR AS CARIBBEAN X NEW LONDON/SANCTUARY

LONG ISLAND AND BLOCK ISLANDS SOUNDS BETWEEN LONGITUDE SEVENTY TWO FIFTY FIVE AND LINE POINT JUDITH

BLOCK ISLAND NORTH LIGHT MONTAUK POINT X WHEN RELEASED PROCEED TOWARD BASE HYPO REPORT ORIGINATOR

BY DESPATCH.

ACTION... 

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FROM: CONTASKFORCE 5 (LANT)
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 8 FEB 1942
TOR CODE ROOM: 207/1812
DECODED BY: SMITH
PARAPHRASED BY:

CONTASKFORCE 1 REQUESTED HAVE DESTROYERS REPORT COMTASKGROUP 5.3 IN GRIFFIN AT BASE GEORGE FOURTEEN FEBRUARY X
COMTASKGROUP 5.3 INFORM COMCARIB AND COMPANAMA NAVAL COASTAL FRONTIERS TIME AND PLACE ENTRANCE
CARIBBEAN SEA FRONTIER X CINCLANT ZERO SEVEN ONE SEVEN DOUBLE ONE X TO COMTASKGROUP 5.3 BY HAND FOR ACTION.

ACTION...

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23
Prospective transfer to Pacific of one heavy one new light cruiser probably at least one new desdiv plus considerations premised on British dispositions against heavy enemy raiders make advisable examination of practicability of merging your task forces one and two para. I now have under serious contemplation transfer also of new battleships and slant or new carrier with appropriate destroyer detachments to Pacific.

F-O-Chic.
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LANTFLY DAILY LOCATION SHEET NUMBER FIVE. NOON GCT FEBRUARY EIGHTH.

ICELAND TEXAS QUINCY THREE DDS. CASCO BAY PHILADELPHIA WASP THREE

DDS. BERMUDA AUGUSTA NASHVILLE RANGER THREE DDS. TASK FORCE FIFTEEN

IN FORTY DEGREES NORTH SIXTY EIGHT DEGREES FORTY MINUTES WEST FOR NEW YORK SPEED TWELVE POINT FIVE. REQUEST STEPS BE TAKEN TO FURNISH ME WITH PERIODIC SIMILAR INFORMATION. FROM CINCLANT ACTION ADMIRALTY INFO SPENAVO LONDON; CPNAV DELIVER TO BOTH ADDRESSES.

PASSED TO SPENAVO LONDON AND TO ADMIRALTY AS CPNAV ø81121

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INFORMATION FROM COMINCH RAIDS AGAINST PACIFIC COAST DETACHED ENEMY UNITS MAY POSSIBLY OCCUR WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS; ADDRESSEES RETAIN AVAILABLE UNTIL 10 FEBRUARY APPROXIMATELY 5% PERCENT AIR AND SUCH SURFACE FORCES AS NOT ENGAGED SPECIAL MISSIONS FOR IMMEDIATE AND DETERMINED OFFENSIVE ACTION AGAINST ANY ENEMY FORCE LOCATED COASTAL WATERS; BY HAND TO COM 12, COMMANDER NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SECTION COASTAL FORCE, SOWA SAN FRANCISCO.

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PROCEED ACCORDING TO FOLLOWING ROUTE INSTRUCTIONS:
FROM YOUR REPORTED POSITION 196 DEGREES 18.5 MILES FROM
SECRET POSITION COCONUT PROCEED TO LAT 38-47 N LONG
63-22 W SECRET LETTER U. THENCE TO LAT 39-17 N LONG
67-3 W SECRET LETTER V. THENCE TO LAT 39-24 N LONG
77-24 W SECRET POSITION W. THENCE TO LAT 44-17 N LONG
79-18 W SECRET LETTER X. THENCE TO LAT 46-13-25 N LONG
72-46 W THENCE VIA SWEEP CHANNEL TO DESTINATION.
RUN COMPLETELY DARKENED. ZIGZAG DURING BRIGHT MOON-
LIGHT AND DAYLIGHT HOURS. TO MASTER WICHITA FALLS.
FROM PORT DIRECTOR NEW YORK.

(NAH PASSED THIS TO NAO NAD NAM NSS)

ACTION... F-35
GIVE THIS DESPATCH IMMEDIATELY TO ADEES IN PERSON X THERE ARE DEFINITE SIGNS OF A WIDESPREAD AND COORDINATED JAPANESE OFFENSIVE IN ARDA AND ANZAC AREAS WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS WHICH MAY BE ACCOMPANIED BY STRONG RAIDS AGAINST MIDWAY OAHU NEW HERBIDES NE AUSTRALIA AND POSSIBLY WEST COAST OR CANAL X EXPEDITE DISPOSITIONS AND OPERATIONS OF YOUR FORCES TO SEIZE THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR MAKING DETACHED ENEMY VENTURES COSTLY FOR HIM X CONTASKFOR 11 PACFLT CONTINUE TOWARD ANZAC AREA FOR COOPERATION WITH COMANZACFOR X INFORM ARMY AND AUSTRALIANS X MORE WILL FOLLOW

NOTE  IMMEDIATELY DELIVER COPY THIS DESPATCH TO  CNO AND COR ARMY IN PERSON

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FOR COMINCH. YOUR $42233 IN VIEW OF FACT ADMIRAL SOMERVILLE HAS REQUESTED SERVICE COMMANDER A.D. CLARK SIGNAL NUMBER 1552 AS HE IS A KEY MAN IN MY ORGANIZATION WITH GREAT RELUCTANCE I NOMINATE HIM FOR THIS DUTY. REQUEST REGULAR LINE OFFICER, LIEUT. COMMANDER OR JUNIOR COMMANDER BE ORDERED AS HIS RELIEF AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE.

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PASS TO OPNAV
ADDRESS OPNAV
REPEATED NSHO 205

IMPORT ANT FROM COAC

OPNAV IS IN 10/7
MY 2030Z/7 PASSED CONTASK 4. UP1H3 WOMXX SC 67 SEE MY
1821Z/30 NDUNT RESCUE TUG FROM ST JOHN'S NEWFOUNDLAND

SECRET
OF 311-ACTION

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: ALUSNA LONDON
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 6 FEBRUARY 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 1934
DECODED BY: DOSH
PARAPHRASED BY: GRAYDON

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TEXT

FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED AS OF POSSIBLE INTEREST IN PRESENT SITUATION.
Free French ships now at Noumea are LE TRIOMPHANT, LIGHT CRUISER, CHEVREUIL, SLOOP, CAP DES PALMAS, MERCHANTMAN, ZOISEAU DES ILES, AUXILIARY SCHOOER IS AT TAHITI. SOURCOURS, SUBMARINE IS ENROUTE NOUMEU VIA TAHITI AND LEOPARD, DESTROYER, WILL PROCEED LAST NAMED PORT IN APRIL. THESE SHIPS ARE UNDER CINC EASTERN FLEET BUT ADMIRALTY CONSIDERS PROPOSING THAT ALL THESE FREE FRENCH WARSHIPS BE PLACED UNDER DIRECTION COMINCH WITH ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL UNDER FREE FRENCH HIGH COMMISSIONER IN TAHITI CAPTAIN DARGENLIEU OF FREE FRENCH NAVY. BAD IN 1615/28 HAS ALREADY SUGGESTED THAT US TAKE OVER RESPONSIBILITY MARQUESAS FROM NEW ZEALAND.

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(See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)
OPNAV DELIVER THE FOLLOWING TO SENIOR NAVAL OFFICER, LONDONERRY:

NUMERICAL DESIGNATION 7.11 HEREBY ASSIGNED SOPA LONDONERRY AND 7.11.1 TO NOB LONDONERRY.

(CINCLANT ORIGINATOR)

NOTE: (RELAYED TO SEN NAVAL OFFICER LONDONERRY BY NAV DEPT CODE ROOM)

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FROM CINCPAC
RELEASED BY
DATE 5 FEBRUARY 1942
TOR CODE ROOM 2247/2230
DECODED BY PORTER
PARAPHRASED BY SLADE

FOR ACTION COMINCH SECNAV
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TEXT FROM STANDPOINT SECURITY IMMEDIATE RELEASE FOR PUBLICATION STORIES
PICTURES MARSHALL GILBERT RAID DISCLOSES RETURN TO BASE UNITS OF
RAIDING FORCES WHICH IS CONTRARY TO OUR ALLIED INTERESTS X PROPOSED
TO GRANT EYE WITNESS INTERVIEWS BUT DELAY RELEASE ALL STORIES
PICTURES UNTIL FIFTEEN FEBRUARY

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TO ASSIST TASKFORCE 11 IN COMERING CONVOYS 6 PATROL PLANES WILL BE OPERATED FIRST FROM CANTON THEN FROM SUVA XL CURTIS AND PLATTE DEPARTING TOMORROW FOR SUVA AND SAMOA RESPECTIVELY WILL JOIN AND PROCEED WITH CONVOY 203 AS FAR AS PRACTICABLE; INDICATIONS ABOUT TWO SUBMARINES NOW IN THIS AREA

COG... F31

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CHANGES TO MY 271801. HOME FLEET, CUMBERLAND AND CLEOPATRA AND DUKE OF YORK ARRIVED SCAPA 31 JAN. LONDON AT SCAPA. SUFFOLK AT SEA. KENYA
AT HVALFORD. TRINIDAD ARRIVED CLYDE ONE FEBRUARY FOR SCAPA. SHEFFIELD, LEFT HVALFORD. TRINIDAD ARRIVED CLYDE ONE FEBRUARY FOR SCAPA.

SHEFFIELD LEFT HVALFORD. MEDITERRANEAN. PENELOPE ARRIVED MALTA 27 JAN. EAST INDIES, HERMES LEFT SIMONSTOWN, 2 FEB. CALDON LEFT COLOMBO 30 JAN. COLOMBO ARRIVED ADEN 28 JAN, CORKWALL ARRIVED COLOMBO 1 FEB.

EMERALD LEFT COLOMBO 26 JAN, ENTERPRISE LEFT SINGAPORE 26 JAN, GLASGOW PROCEEDING COLOMBO, MAURITIUS ARRIVED FREETOWN 30 JAN JAN. EASTERN FLEET, ROYAL SOVEREIGN ARRIVED ADDU ATOLL, INDOMITA ARRIVED TRINCOMALEE 1 FEB. DORRE LEFT SINGAPORE 26 JAN, DRAGON AND DURBAN

ARRIVED SINGAPORE 29 JAN. NORTH ATLANTIC, ARGUS LEFT GIBRALTAR 27 JAN. S OUTH ATLANTIC, BIRMINGHAM LEFT FALKLANDS 27 JAN, NEWCASTLE ARRIVED SCAPA 29 JAN. AMERICA AND WEST INDIES, DESPATCH AT BERMUDA JAN 25. AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND NAVIES, ADELAIDE LEFT

SYDNEY 24 JAN, CANBERRA LEFT FRENCHLE 1 FEB, ACHILLES LEFT SUVA 30 JAN

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PREVIOUS ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION ORDERS FROM CONTASK FOR FIVE HEREBY CANCELLED. FOLLOWING ORGANIZATION U.S. NAVAL FORCES SOUTHWEST PACIFIC EFFECTIVE AS OF ONE FEB. TASKFORCE 1 DIRECTLY UNDER COMSONESTPAC COMPOSITION CRUISERS ASSIGNED DESRON TWENTY-NINE LESS BLACKHAWK, ISABEL, SUBMARINES ASIATIC FLEET CAPTAIN WILKES COMPOSITION HOLLAND GTUS ALL SUBMARINES ASIATIC FLEET. PATHING 1% COMMANDER MERTSON COMPOSITION CHILDS PRESTEN HERON ALL PLANES PATHING 1% BASE FORCE ASIATIC FLEET CAPTAIN DOYLE COMPOSITION PECOS TRINITY GEORGE G HENRY GOLD STAR FLORANCE P LANGLEY BLACKHAWK. ALL RADIO TRAFFIC EXCEPT ADMINISTRATIVE TRAFFIC FOR COMMANDERS OF SUBMARINES AND PATHING 1% WILL BE ADDRESSED TO COMSONESTPAC AND MESSAGES ORIGINATING FROM THESE COMMANDERS WILL BE SENT FROM COMSONESTPAC. IF REQUIRED NAME OF ACTION COMMANDER MAY BE INSERTED IN TEXT OF MESSAGE. COMSONESTPAC AT SHORE HEADQUARTERS SURABAYA. FORMAL OPERATION ORDERS X SAIL X PREP KING DOG INSHORE RADIO STATION FOR COMSONESTPAC.

ACTION...F-1

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ADMITYS 1420/1 NOT TO ACNB AND NZNB. ADMITYS 1250/2 WHICH IS BEING
PASSED TO CINCANI. ADMITY HAS REQUESTED THAT MINNER MINISTER
WEDEL NOW ENROUTE CURACAO TO BALBOA AND WELLINGTON BE ORDERED TO
PROCEED TO TAHITI AND FILL TANKS THERE TO MAXIMUM CAPACITY WITH
BOTH GRADES. AFTER TAHITI BALANCE OF HER CARGO TO BE AT DISPOSAL
OF US NAVY AND CINMAC REQUESTS THAT SHIP SHOULD THEREFORE PROCEED
TO BORA BORA 16°30' S 151°45' W AND DISCHARGE INTO USS RAMAPO OR OTHER
VESSELS. ARRANGEMENTS TO RECEIVE THIS FUEL ON OR AFTER 19 FEB ARE
BEING MADE. WHEN EMPTY MINISTER WEDEL IS REQUIRED TO RETURN TO
CURACAO. REQUEST YOU WILL ISSUE NECESSARY ORDERS FOR MINISTER
WEDEL AND INFORM BAD AND ALL ADDRESSES OF HER ETA AT TAHITI AND WHAT
CARGO SHE CARRIES.

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CONTASKFOR 4  super 9 WHEN READY COMDT HOB ICELAND ASSUME DUTIES AND TASK DESIGNATION 4.6 X ESTABLISHMENT TASK GROUP 4.7 IN LONDONDERRY AS RECOMMENDED PARAS BAKER AND CAST AUTHORIZED

F-35...

**ACTION**

COPY TO NCR.

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**TEXT**

CINCLANT ORIGINATOR. UNITY EXERCISE OF COMMAND COMBINED LOCAL DEFENSE FORCES BERMUDA UNDER COMMANDER IN CHIEF US ATLANTIC FLEET ESTABLISHED AS OF 1800 GCT FOUR FEBRUARY IN ACCORDANCE JOINT BOARD 318 SERIAL 725. SENIOR US NAVAL OFFICER AFLOAT AT BERMUDA OR SENIOR US OFFICER OF THE COMBINED LOCAL DEFENSE FORCES, ELIGIBLE TO COMMAND, WHICHERever is senior, will assume command and act as my deputy. The senior US officer of the combined local defense forces, eligible to command, will prepare and submit to me for approval the combined local defense plan and will normally direct routine operations, in connection with local defense force senior US naval officer afloat, if senior for the commander of the combined local defense forces, may issue any directive to the latter to fit existing circumstances and may call upon the local defense forces to assist fleet units if the situation requires. On the other hand, if the senior US naval officer afloat is junior to the commander of the combined local defense forces, the latter may assign fleet units tasks in connection with local defense, so long as these tasks do not prevent the execution of their fleet tasks.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

Telephone Ext. No. ..............................................

From ...........................................................

Released by .....................................................

Date .............................................................

TO: ALL SHIPS AND SHORE RADIO STATIONS

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TEXT:

SOUTHEAST PACIFIC FORCE DESIGNATED AS TASK FORCE EIGHTY ONE.

COPY DELIVERED TO OPNAV CORDERoom

THIS SPACE IS FOR ABSTRACT OF PREVIOUS REFERENCES. IF THIS IS A REPLY, REFERENCE NUMBERS OF INCOMING DISPATCH MUST BE SHOWN HERE.

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NAVAL MESSAGE
FROM: NAVO LONDON
RELEASED BY: 3 FEB 1942
DATE: 3 FEB 1942
TOR CORDERoom:
DECODED BY: ROONEY
PARAPHRASED BY: ROONEY

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$30952 NCR #591

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME

TEXT
FIRST WRITTEN SEA LORD INFORMS ME ADMIRAL SIR JAMES SOMERVILLE HAS BEEN APPOINTED COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF EASTERN FLEET TO DATE FROM FEB 12. ADM SOMERVILLE LEAVES LONDON ABOUT MIDDLE OF FEBRUARY. ADM POUND CONCURS WITH ADM SOMERVILLE IN SUGGESTION THAT AN AMERICAN NAVAL LIAISON OFFICER BE APPOINTED TO SOMERVILLE'S STAFF IN ORDER TO FACILITATE COOPERATION WITH AMERICAN FLAG OFFICERS ABDA AND ANZAC AREAS.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CINCPAC
RELEASED BY __________
DATE 2 FEB 1942
TOR CODEROOM 756/3
DECODED BY BERRY
PARAPHRASED BY BERRY

FOR ACTION
INFORMATION
COMINCH

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$3428 CCR557

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME

FUEL FROM TANKER NOT REQUIRED BY HALSEY X HE REPORTS ENTERPRISE DAMAGE ONLY SUPERFICIAL X TASK FORCE ELEVEN PROCEEDING TO CANTON AREA THENCE TO COVERING OPERATION YOUR THREE ONE ONE SIX ZERO SIX X FOUR SUBMARINE CONTACTS THIS AREA ALL DOUBTFUL.

TEXT

ACTION........F35

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REFERENCE CINC E1'S 1533/30 JAN.
WEST POINT AND WAKEFIELD ARE RETURNING FROM SINGAPORE TO SUEZ.
THEY WILL SAIL THEREFROM ABOUT MARCH 4TH FOR ABDA AREA ARRIVING
ABOUT MARCH 21ST WITH AUSTRALIAN TROOPS. AFTER DISEMBARKATION
THEY WILL BE READY TO RETURN TO USA.
REQUEST REPORT WHETHER THEY AND ALSO MOUNT VERNON SHOULD RETURN
WEST OR EAST COAST OF AMERICA.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMTASKFORCE 4
RECEIVED BY:
DATE: 2 FEBRUARY 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 1163/0310/
DECODED BY: BELL
PARAPHRASED BY: GAINING

ADDRESSEES:
- CINCLANT
- COMINCH
- NOB ICELAND
- OPNAV

INFORMATION:
- COMTASKGROUP 4,6

FOR ACTION:
- ROUTINE

PRECEDENCE:
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TEXT

OPNAV 312305 AND 311613(311630?) CINCLANT Ø11715 CONNECTION.

ESTABLISHMENT ESCORT CONTROL AND MAINTENANCE LONDONDERKY RECOMMEND AS FOLLOWS:

(a) TRANSFER IMMEDIATELY 4,6 TASK DESIGNATION AND DUTIES FROM COMDESRON 13 TO COM NOB ICELAND.

(b) TRANSFER COMDESRON 13 AND STAFF TO LONDONDERKY BY FIRST AVAILABLE TRANSPORTATION.

(c) DESIGNATE COMDESRON 13 AS ESCORT CONTROL LONDONDERKY WITH TASK DESIGNATION 4,7 WITH DUTIES SIMILAR TO THOSE NOW PERFORMED ICELAND.

(d) ESTABLISH AS A LANTFLEET UNIT THE NAVAL OPERATING BASE LONDONDERKY TO INCLUDE DESTROYER REPAIR BASE, ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF COMMUNICATIONS, INITIATION OF REQUESTS FOR LOGISTIC REQUIREMENTS, LOCAL ADMINISTRATION OF LOGISTICS, PERSONNEL AND RECREATION AREAS, HOSPITAL FACILITIES.

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**TEXT**

(0) ORDER CAPTAIN W J LARSON AS COMMANDER NOB AND DESTROYER REPAIR BASE. NOB PERSONNEL AS NOMINATED BY CAPTAIN CORN CPHAV TO REPORT TO COM NOB FOR DUTY NOB.

COPY TO 0PNBV

SECRET

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FURTHER EXAMINATION OF BOISE USING BEST TALENT OBTAINABLE STRONGLY INDICATES THAT VOYAGE AS PER YOUR THIRTY FIFTEEN THIRTY WOULD BE TOO DANGEROUS LONGITUDINAL STRENGTH PROBABLY NOT MATERIALLY REDUCED BUT THE THREE EIGHT INCH INNER BOTTOM NOW OPEN TO SEA OVER CONSIDERABLE LENGTH HAS APPEARED UNDULY STRAINED BY WATER PRESSURE WHEN SHIP WORKS IN A SEA WAY X THE TWO THOUSAND MILE VOYAGE TO COUIMBO IS THROUGH NORTH SEAS AND RELATIVELY SAFE X CAN THREE REPAIR SUFFICIENTLY TO MAKE OUTER BOTTOM TIGHT ESTIMATE ONE TO TWO MONTHS AFTER WHICH SHIP SUITABLE FOR WAR SERVICE X AM THEREFORE SAILING BOISE FOR CALUMET AND MAKING NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS X REQUEST APPROVAL AND THAT MOVEMENT ORDERED FOR PHOENIX REMAIN UNCHANGED.

SECRET

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THE BRITISH NAVAL CONTROL SERVICE REPORTS THAT THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS ARE IN EFFECT FOR BRITISH MERCHANT SHIPS QUOTE ANY AIRCRAFT NOT RECOGNIZED AS FRIENDLY WHICH APPROACHES WITHIN 1500 YARDS MAY BE ENGAGED. US AIRCRAFT ARE LIKELY TO BE MET NORTH OF EQUATOR AND WEST OF 30 WEST. THESE HAVE BEEN WARNED TO AVOID CLOSE APPROACH TO MERCHANT VESSELS. IN THIS AREA MERCHANT SHIPS ARE NOT TO OPEN FIRE ON AIRCRAFT UNLESS ACTUALLY ATTACKED UNQUOTE.
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(Passed by COM NACF to Action CINCLANT Info COMINCH OPNAV MARCOR)

THIRD BATTALION SIXTH MARINES EMBARKED INDIGO 27 JAN FOR RETURN TO US. PLAN EXPEDITE MOVEMENT THIS BATTALION TO MARBASE SAN DIEGO IMMEDIATELY UPON DEBARKATION. IN ORDER TO PERMIT TIMELY ARRANGEMENTS FOR RAIL TRANSPORTATION REQUEST MARCORS BE ADVISED OF SCHEDULED TIME OF ARRIVAL 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE

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INFO.......OPNAV ....MARCOR

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM
OPNAV

TO
CINCPAC COMBAT FOR
COMDESBAT FOR COMS CO FOR
COMBASEFOR COMCLANT
CONTR AIMNT CINCAF
CNH CF CPNCF COM
COM 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9

RELEASED BY
31 JAN 1942

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FOR ACTION

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TEXT

WPSC-46 HEREBY PLACED IN EFFECT. BRITISH NAVAL CONTROL SERVICE OFFICERS WILL CONTINUE ROUTE AND REPORT BRITISH AND BRITISH CONTROLLED SHIPPING IN AREAS OF US STRATEGIC CONTROL UNTIL THE US NAVAL SHIPPING CONTROL ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AND IS OPERATING.

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RECOP...12...16....23....38....39....30....BUNAV....SANDA....BUDOCKS

33....UPD ARMY....GEN STAFF ARMY....BAD....CANADIAN LEGATION....FILE

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From: Commanding Officer Atlantic Coast (Canadian) 
COAC 
To: ADMIRALTY 
31 JAN 42 
Info: NSHQ CINCMI BAD FORF CINCMI GLTUCKER 

292037Z OR 8864

IMMEDIATE 

HA 2 NY 83247/29.

BOARD OF 9 EXPERT ENGINEERS HAVE SURVEYED BOILERS OF THE GEORGE, WASHINGTON AND THEIR UNANIMOUS CONCLUSION IS THAT SAID BOILERS ARE IN A BAD STATE OF REPAIRS AND THE SHIP IS NOT FIT TO PROCEED. BOTTOM HALF OF END PLATE OF DOUBLE ENDED BOILERS SHOWING SIGNS OF FATIGUE. THIS BOARD RECOMMENDED TEMPORARY REPAIRS TO BOILERS REQUIRING 5 WEEKS TO COMPLETE. INTEND TO SAIL LARGUS BAY AND VOLENDAM 2000Z/30 JANUARY.

37.....COC. 
RECORD COPY TO COMINCH...39.....FILE. under British Flag

(Handwritten note: Old passenger liner recently overhauled and now operating)

34
U.S. NOTICES OF ALLIED SUBMARINE; SURCOUF DEPARTS HALIFAX
1400 GCT 1 FEBRUARY SPEED 1 knot THROUGH 44°00'N 63°00'W,
34°00'N 63°00'W, 32°00'N 64°00'W. SURFACE ESCORT DURING DAYLIGHT
1 FEBRUARY. TOTAL ATTACK RESTRICTIONS REQUESTED 20 MILES
EITHER SIDE OF TRACK AND 60 MILES AHEAD AND NNNNNEASTERN
ESTIMATED POSITIONS.

F-35 ORIGINATOR
RECORD COPIES: COMINCH...F-3...OP 37...DOO... OPDO......

P/A

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AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED WITH U.S. NAVY DEPARTMENT PERMITTING DIRECT EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN AUTHORITIES BRITISH AND U.S. BY SIGNAL SUBJECT TO FOLLOWING LIMITATIONS:

(A) INFORMATION IS TO BE LIMITED TO THE ESSENTIAL. INTENDED MOVEMENTS MAY BE INCLUDED.

(B) THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION IS ONLY TO BE MADE BETWEEN AUTHORITIES IN FUTURE OF APPROXIMATELY EQUAL STATUS OPERATING IN ADJACENT AREAS.

(C) ON NO ACCOUNT IS ANY MATTER TO BE INCLUDED WHICH COULD BE CONSTRUED AS ORDERS.

(2) THE GENERAL INTENTION IS TO UTILIZE THE BRITISH AND U.S. COMMUNICATION NETWORKS SO AS TO GIVE SPEEDIEST POSSIBLE DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION TO THOSE CONCERNED.

(3) INTER COMMUNICATION WILL NORMAL BE ON FLAG OFFICERS LEVEL BUT OTHER ESSENTIAL INTER COMMUNICATION IS PERMISSIBLE, FOR EXAMPLE BETWEEN SENIOR OFFICERS OF BRITISH AND U.S. ESCORTS REGARDING TURN OF CONVOY.

(4) THIS SIGNAL CANCELS PREVIOUS INSTRUCTIONS FORBIDDING DIRECT INTER COMMUNICATION.

COMINCH....COG.
10/11...12...13...16...37...38...39...24...OP-29...FILE.

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JCS MEMO, 1-17-73
BY DBS, DATE 10/24/73

CONFIDENTIAL
CONVINCE TWENTY-EIGHT, EIGHTEEN ELEVEN ASSUMING NO MARKED CHANGE EXISTING SITUATION PRACTICABLE TASK FORCE THREE EXTEND PATROL TO LATITUDE FORTY DEGREES SOUTH. MAINTENANCE OF PATROL MAY REQUIRE BASING SOME VESSELS SOUTH OF BAHIA. EXISTING COMMITMENTS STRIKING FORCES IN OTHER AREAS INCREASED ESCORT REQUIREMENTS AND POSSIBLE DETACHMENT OF VESSELS NAMED YOUR TWENTY-SIX, SEVENTEEN TWENTY PRECLUDE ASSIGNMENT OF HEAVY CRUISER AS RECOMMENDED BY CONTACT FORCE THREE X. DOES POLITICAL SITUATION NOW PERMIT BASING ON A URUGUAYAN OR SOUTHERN BRAZILIAN PORT XX
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CINCPAC
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 29 JAN 1942
TNX CODEROOM: 4642/29
DECODED BY: BERRY
PARAPHRASED BY: CLINT

ADDRESSES: COMINCH
PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY-Routine-Deferred

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TEXT
CONSIDER MOST ECONOMIC AIR COVERAGE AND SURFACE ESCORT CAN BE PROVIDED IF CONVOYS COMPOSED OF SHIPS OF EQUAL SPEED BUT WITH THAT CAREFUL COORDINATED CONTROL UNDER ONE RESPONSIBLE COMMAND ESSENTIAL DASH MY DIS ONE EIGHT ZERO FOUR ONE ONE COMPACONF ONE NINE ONE EIGHT ZERO FOUR URGES TWO SIX TWO ZERO SEVEN X ROUTING SHIPS INDEPENDENTLY WILL COMPLICATE RATHER THAN SIMPLIFY AIR AND SURFACE COVERAGE WHILE AT PRESENT NO JAPANESE RAIDERS OR SUBMARINES BELIEVED TO BE EAST OF LONGITUDE 150 WEST DASH THIS SITUATION SUBJECT TO SUDDEN CHANGE X WRT BETWEEN 29 AND 40 SLOW FREIGHTERS AT SEA ENEMY ACTION WOULD PROBABLY RESULT IN EXCESSIVE LOSSES X NAVY AUXILIARIES AND NEW CARGO SHIPS CAPABLE 15 KNOTS OR BETTER CONSIDERED REASONABLY SAFE UNESCORTED BUT THESE SHIPS ABLE TO TRAVEL WITH 14 KNOT TRANSPORTS WHICH MUST BE ESCORTED REGARDLESS X NAVAL AUXILIARIES ADD MATERIALLY TO OBTAIN GUN POWER OF SUCH CONVOYS AND ABRUPTION IN RETURN SOME ANTISUBMARINE PROTECTION X RECOMMEND AGAINST BAILING SLOW SHIPS UNESCORTED AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION MY DIS REFERENCED ABOVE.

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REFER GENERAL WAVELL'S REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PROJECTED NAVAL
REINFORCEMENTS. WASTAGE OF RECONNAISSANCE PLANES IS RAPID. NEED
TWO LONG RANGE PATROL SQUADRONS NOW AND PROBABLY MORE LATER.
SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to communication watch officer in person. (See Art. 78 (4) NAVREG.)
FOR ACTION COMMANDER TASK FORCE EIGHT - ESTIMATE ENEMY FORCES MARSHALL HAVE BEEN CONSIDERABLY RELAXED IN ORDER TO SUPPORT OPERATIONS TO SOUTHWESTWARD. NOW IS OPPORTUNITY TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES AND INSTALLATIONS GILBERTS MARSHALLS AND IT IS ESSENTIAL THIS ATTACKS BE DRIVEN HOME. EXPLOIT THIS SITUATION BY EXPANDING OPERATIONS UTILIZING BOTH TASK FORCES IN SUCH REPEATED AIR ATTACKS AND SHIP BOMBARDMENTS AS DEVELOPMENTS AND LOGISTICS MAKE FEASIBLE. IF PRACTICABLE EXTEND OFFENSIVE ACTION BEYOND ONE DAY.

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Kalos (Enterprise, 3CA, 900)

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OFFENSIVE ACTION BEYOND ONE DAY.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM ADMIRALTY
RELEASED BY
DATE JANUARY 28, 1942.
TOR CODEROOM
DECODED BY ROBINSON
PARAPHRASED BY

ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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TEXT

CONVOY C.T. 16, COMPOSED OF HIGHLAND BRIGADE, BRITISH, AND US TRANSPORT CHATEAU THIERRY CARRYING R.N. AND R.A.F. PERSONNEL FOR HALIFAX IS TO LEAVE THE UNITED KINGDOM ON FEB. 3RD.

2. HIGHLAND BRIGADE IS TO LEAVE AVONMOUTH ON FEB. 2ND TO RENDEZVOUS WITH CHATEAU THIERRY WHO IS TO LEAVE CLYDE ON FEB. 3RD.

3. SPEED 14 KNOTS. 4. ADMIRAL WILL PROMULGATE ROUTE.

5. CINCWA IS REQUESTED (A) TO DETAIL 2 DD'S TO PROVIDE THROUGH ANTI-SUBMARINE ESCORT TO HALIFAX AND (B) TO ARRANGE SAILING OF SHIPS TO RENDEZVOUS AS NECESSARY.

ONO........

COG: 37........

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SUBMIT BY CONFIDENTIAL DESPATCH MONTHLY SUMMARY OF
ENEMY SUBMARINE CONTACTS GIVING NUMBERED TOTALS UNDER
FOLLOWING SUBHEADS COLON AFTER ALL REPORTED BAKER SURE
CAST PROBABLE DOG POSSIBLE EASY NUMBER REPORTED IN
BAKER OBTAINED BY SIGHT FOX CONSIDERING BAKER AND CAST
NUMBER BY SOUND GEORGE THOSE ON WHICH ACTION WAS TAKEN
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INDICATION CHARACTER OF SUBSTANTIATING EVIDENCE EACH
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COMINCH 271445 AND CINCLANT 272023, PROCEED IMMEDIATELY WITH TASKGROUP 2.6 SEARCH FOR AND DESTROY ENEMY SURFACE UNIT

Cancelled by

CINCLANT 28027

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PREPARE TO ALLOCATE TO ANZAC AREA ONE HEAVY OR ONE NEW LIGHT CRUISER FITTED AS FLAGSHIP ALSO AT LEAST TWO MODERN DESTROYERS PARA PRESSURE IS INCREASING FOR ALLOCATION MORE SHIPS TO ABDA COMMAND
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TEXT

CONSIDER WHAT CHANGES IN DISPOSITIONS ARE INVOLVED IN CASE ONE HEAVY AND ONE NEW LIGHT CRUISER AND ONE MODERN DESDIV ARE DETACHED YOUR COMMAND AS NOW SEEMS LIKELY TO BE NECESSARY.
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MAKE AVAILABLE AT NEW YORK FEBRUARY 5 FOR LOADING PRELIMINARY TO ARMY TROOP MOVEMENT TO MAGNET 6 AFIRM PREPS AND 3 AFIRM KINGS X MAKE NECESSARY ADJUSTMENT TO SATISFY CARIB COMMITMENTS X OPNAV REQUESTED SIMILARLY MAKE AMERICAN LEGION AVAILABLE MAGNET MOVEMENT

6 Troop Transports
3 Store ships

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FOLLOWING MODIFICATIONS IN PLANS FOR MOVEMENTS TO BOBCAT AND XRAY EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY X CONVOY BAKER TARE TWO HUNDRED NOW ENROUTE CANAL ZONE LEAVE PANAMA ABOUT ONE FEBRUARY ARRIVE BOBCAT ABOUT THIRTEENTH UNDER ESCORT ONE CRUISER ONE DESTROYER SEPACFOR ONE CRUISER ONE DESTROYER OF TASK FORCE THREE LANT FURNISHED ACCORDANCE MY 2618¢124. CONVOY BAKER CAST ONE HUNDRED DEPART CHARLESTON TWENTY SEVEN JANUARY UNDER ESCORT TO BE FURNISHED TO CANAL ZONE BY CINCLANT X DEPART CANAL ZONE SOON AS POSSIBLE ABOUT THREE FEBRUARY UNDER ESCORT ONE CRUISER ONE DESTROYER OF SEPACFOR ARRIVING BOBCAT ABOUT EIGHTEEN FEBRUARY XX SHIPS OF TASK FORCE THREE LANT RETURN TO REGULAR STATION AS SOON AS REFUELED AT BOBCAT
NAVAL MESSAGE

PHONE EXTENSION NUMBER
FROM RADIO BALBOA
RELEASED BY
DATE 21 JANUARY 1942
TOR CODEROOM 1118
DECODED GRAYDON
PARAPHRASED BY PURDY
ADDRESSEES CINCPAC
INFORMATION FOR ACTION
PRIORITY ROUTINE PRIORITY
MESSAGE PRECEDENCE DEFERRED DEFERRED

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DATE TIME GCT

TEXT

COMPLETED TRANSIT WILL PROCEED 1130 21 JANUARY SPEED OF ADVANCE
14.5 ETA MORNING JANUARY 21 FOLLOWING APPROXIMATE ROUTE TASKGROUP
18.1 COMTASKGROUP 18.2 ORIGINATOR.

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COMINCH...COC.

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**TEXT**

PROCEED DIRECTION NEW YORK. REFERENCE GINCLANT 172220. REPORT C.O. GEORGE WASHINGTON BY DESPATCH FOR DUTY.

COM MAND...COG.

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REFERENCE CINCLANT 191450 ESTIMATED TIME 1700 GCT JAN 27 IN
LAT 23-38 N, LONG 82-55 W. COM TASK FOR 16 ORIGINATOR.
RELEASE AMERICAN FLAG SHIPPING WHEN BRIT AUTHORITIES BERMUDA RELEASE THEIR VESSELS, MY 151547.
SARATOGA WILL ENTER DOCK EARLY TOMORROW. ONLY FEW INDICATIONS
SUBMARINES THIS AREA TODAY. NO CHANGES IN TASK ASSIGNMENTS.

CONINCH.....ACT.

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CNO.....OP-23.....FILE.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CINCPAC
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 14 JANUARY 1942
TOR CODE: 0941
DECODED BY: HEINE
PARAPHRASED BY: PURDY

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TEXT

SARATOGA REFUELING PEARL PREPARATORY TO DOCKING. SIX MEN UNACCOUNTED FOR. FIVE MEN MINOR INJURIES. AIRCRAFT UNDAMAGED. NAMES AND DETAILS LATER.

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MY 06257 AND MY SERIAL 263 OF 6 JANUARY MODIFIED AS FOLLOWS. (AFFIRM)
DELETE ARKANSAS VINCENNES. (BAKER) RELEASE ALL TASKFORCE 4 DESTROYERS TO
ARRIVE NEW YORK AT TIME TO BE DESIGNATED BY COMMANDER TASKFORCE 16 BUT
NOT PRIOR TO JANUARY 28. (CAST) CONVOY REDUCED TO FOUR SHIPS BORINGUEH,
AND MONARDO FOR BASE CAST STRATHAIR AND CHATEAU THIERRY FOR WOMP.
ORIGINATOR CINCLANT.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMINCH
RELEASED BY: R.S. EDWARDS
DATE: JAN 12 1942
TOR CODEROOM: SPENAVO
DECODED BY: ROBINSON
PARAPHRASED BY: ROBINSON

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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TEXT

SERIAL 4: NEW USN LOCATIONS JAN 12TH, ATLANTIC. BB'S TEXAS AT NEW YORK.
IDaho READY JAN 16. NEW YORK READY JAN 31ST. CV'S NO CHANGE. CA'S,
QUINCY VINCENNES AT NEW YORK. CL'S SAVANNAH AT RECIFE. MEMPHIS DUE
RECIFE JAN 15TH. OMAHA AT SANJUAN. MILWAUKEE AT NORFOLK. PARA
PACIFIC. BB'S MISSISSIPPI NEW MEXICO LEFT BALBOA JAN 12TH. CV'S
YORKTOWN LEFT SANDIEGO JAN 7. CA'S LOUISVILLE LEFT SANDIEGO
JAN 7TH. PENSACOLA ENROUTE PEALR. NEROREANS DUE SAN FRANCISCO
JAN 14TH. CL'S, ST LOUIS LEFT SANDIEGO JAN 7TH. HELENA DUE SAN
FRANCISCO JAN 14TH. PHOENIX LEFT SAN FRANCISCO JAN 12. RICHMOND
TRENTO DUE BALBOA JAN 15TH. DETROIT AT PEALR.

ASIATIC: MARBLEHEAD BOISE AT SOURABAYA. HOUSTON DARRIN AREA.
24 VP'B'S NOW IN AREA OF NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES.

ORIG: 30-N.....

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**NAVAL MESSAGE**

**FROM:** COB SANTA JUANA P ILE, SANTA JUANA P R CH

**RELEASED BY:** 

**DATE:** 19 JANUARY 1962

**FOR CODEROOM:** 

**DECODED BY:** 

**PARAPHRASED BY:** J. T. MCKEE

**INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY:**

**PASSED BY COM 19 TO RADIO QUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA**

**RKENBERG TO OPNAV FOR ACTION:**

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**TEXT**

2045:00:00 GMT 29 JAN 62 BT BEGIN 0047 GMT 29 JAN 62 IMMEDIATE FOR AREA SEVEN DEC 6 BT FROM ADMIRALTY ONS FOR SHIPS UNDER 15 KNOTS IN AREA 7 NO SHIP NORTH OR WEST BOUND IS TO APPROACH WITHIN 50 MILES OF NANTUCKET ISLAND SHIPS IN OR APPROACHING THIS AREA PROCEED FORTHWITH TO NEAREST PORT NEGATIVE SHIPS FROM FAMED HEAD AND BRITISH BRANDS CONVOYS WHICH ARE BEING GIVEN SEPARATE INDIVIDUAL INSTRUCTIONS.

**NOTE:** NOT RELAYED.

**NOTE:** RECEIVED PLAIN LANGUAGE.

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- 10/11/62
- SECOM, COMINCH, 209
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WITHOUT ANY REPLY TO MY 060445, HAVE BEEN CONFERRING WITH WAVELL AND MANY OTHER OFFICIALS WHOLLY WITHOUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS OR KNOWLEDGE OF PLANS FOR PACIFIC FLEET OR OF REINFORCEMENTS. HAVE TAKEN OVER AS WAVELL'S NAVAL CHIEF OF STAFF INCLUDING OPERATIONAL COMMAND OF BRITISH AND DUTCH FORCES AND AM CONTINUING TO COMMAND OUR ASIATIC FLEET THROUGH WM PURNELL AT SOERABAYA WHERE ALSO IS LOCATED SUBMARINE AND AIR COMMAND POSTS. DOYLE AT DARWIN COMMANDING BASE FORCE AND ACTIVITIES. GLASSFORD IN BOISE DIRECTLY COMMANDING US SURFACE COMBATANT FORCES.

COMINCH....ACTION

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FLIGHT 66 ARRIVED.

**PHONED OP-38E AT 1912/11-8

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FLIGHT 66 OUT DUE 520 PRESIDENTS COMMISSION LT CMD TAYLOR USNR AND ONE OTHER PASSENGER 1744 POUNDS MAIL 32 POUNDS EXPRESS ESTIMATED TIME TRANSIT 15 HOURS.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF, CANADA (OTTAWA)
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 8 JAN 42
TOR CODEROOM: 
DECODED BY: OHARA/MCKOWN
PARAPHRASED BY: GLTUCKER

PRINCE HENRY
OPNAV - CINCLANT
ADMIRALTY - CINCANI
COAC

PRECEDENCE: PRIOR PRIORITY
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TEXT: (PRINCE HENRY) OPNAV CINCLANT ADMIRALTY CINCANI COAC FROM CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF CANADA (OTTAWA)

MY 1526Z 6TH AND OPNAV 1939 7TH.

1. REPEATED CS PRINCE HENRY IS TO COME UNDER OPERATIONAL ORDERS OF CINCLANT AS FROM 1200Z 13 OF JANUARY.

2. CINCLANT IS REQUESTED TO ISSUE NECESSARY ORDERS DIRECT TO PRINCE HENRY REPEATED NSHQ AND OTHER AUTHORITY.

38....00G.

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**FLIGHT 61 DEPARTED 1121 JAN 5 ESTIMATED TRANSIT 24 HOURS 6 MINS**

5 PASSENGERS: LYNN RUMBAUGH, GRANT DIBLEE, CHARLES Kearney PHYSICISTS;

GEORGE Hornbeck ELECTRICAL Engineer; Howard Nurse LTGOL US ENS.

367 LBS FREIGHT 5%/8 LBS MAIL, INCLUDING ONE POUCH OFFICER MAIL.

| 38.....COG. | 10/11.....13.....2OP.....16.....OPDO.....33A.....BUORD.....BUNAV..... |

FILES: 2%OP....

*VERIFICATION OF ACTION ADDEE HAS BEEN REQUESTED.*

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: OPNAV
RELEASED BY: HORNE
DATE: 5 JAN 1942
TOR CODE: 2024
DECODED BY: GERMAN
PARAPHRASED BY: SHAYKEN

ADDRESSEES:
- COMONE
- NAS QUONSET
- CINCPAC
- COMFORT
- COMDT NOB NEWPORT

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TEXT:

GLASSFORD NAV YARD SATISFACTORY CONFERENCE TODAY DISCUSSED GENERAL SUBSEQUENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES.

THE GOVERNMENT IS REQUESTED PROVIDE SIX OS2U-3 AIRPLANES AS OPERATING ALLOWANCE AND TWO ADDITIONAL AS SPARES.

THE NAVAL VESSEL AT QUONSET FOR TRANSPORTATION TO TROPICAL LOCATION FOR OPERATIONS.

ACTION: TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO PROVIDE EQUIPMENT INCLUDING AMMUNITION AND BOMBS FOR OPERATIONS ON SELF SUSTAINING BASIS FOR THREE MONTHS PERIOD.

AUTHENTICATED ____________________________

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ENSIGN USNR

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GLASSFORD HAD SATISFACTORY CONFERENCE TODAY, THIRTIETH, WITH GENERAL BRETT. BRETT LEAVING FOR DARWIN TONIGHT. NO ACTION ENEMY LAST TWENTY-FOUR HOURS. BOISE CONVOY AND SEADRAGON SAILING TODAY. STAFF REPRESENTATIVES PROCEEDING DARWIN TONIGHT.

ACTION.....38
COMINTC.....12.....16.....OPDO.....RECORD COPY
FILES: CNO.....250P.....P1A.....SECONAV.....WAR DIARY.....GEN
OPNAV 29182S and 232225 DEC X PATRONS 84 X 91 X AND 92 IN OPERATIONAL TRAINING STATUS AT ALAMEDA REQUIRE ALLOWANCE POINT THIRTY AND POINT FIFTY CAL AMMUNITION IN ORDER CONDUCT TRAINING VITAL TO PREPARATION THESE SQUADRONS FOR ACTIVE DUTY IN FLEET X REQUEST ALLOCATION AND DELIVERY VIA DESPATCH AMMUNITION ORDER

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MINOR TASKS ASSIGNED PORTLAND 2 DD'S ENROUTE TO AUGMENT ESCORT LARGE WESTWARD BOUND CONVOY FROM COAST. COMDESRON 5 IN PORTER LEAVING TO ESCORT ARMY SUPPLIES AND RE-ENFORCEMENTS IN WAILEALE TO CANTON AND CHRISTMAS. UNIT WHICH REENFORCED PALMYRA RETURNED TODAY. 1B-17 ENROUTE RECONNAISSANCE OF WAKE TODAY. SOURCE OF RAID ALARM REPORTED YESTERDAY WAS NOT JARVIS OR CANTON. SUBMARINES IN THIS AREA BELIEVED ABOUT 5, BEING HUNTED AND ATTACKED VIGOROUSLY. MCFARLAND AND THORNTON REPORT MOST FAVORABLE INDICATION FROM ATTACK CONDUCTED YESTERDAY 200 MILES SOUTH OF OAHU.

36.....ACT.

RECORD COPY TO 12......16......COMINCH......SECNAV......NAVAIDE......

CNO.....OP-DO......WARDIARY......OP-20......FILE....

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM
CINCINNATI

RELEASED BY
2 JAN 1941

TOR CODEROOM

DECODED BY

PARAPHRASED BY

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

OP PRIORITY

ROUTINE

DEFERRED

GROUP 6.5

CINCUS NOB BERMUDA

OP PRIORITY

ROUTINE

DEFERRED

TEXT

REPORTING VANKINSBERGEN COMPLY COMINCH #12252

COMINCH ... ACTION RECORD COPY TO 12 ... #2556X ... DOO

NAVIAIDE ... 11 ... 200P

*WAR OP

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM
COMPATIBILITY 2

RELEASED BY

DATE
2 JAN 1942

TOR CODEROOM
1743/12

DECODED BY
GRAYDON

PARAPHRASED BY
GLUNT

INFORMATION

OGRAY
CINCPAC
COMAIRSCOFOR

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21530 CR 21535

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME

TEXT
PATRONS NOW BASED HANCOKE 11, 12, 14, 71 AND 72. AT PEARL 21, 23, 24, AND 51. YOUR Dispatch 242292. HAD TENTATIVELY ASSIGNED AVERAGE 8 PLANES THOSE PATRONS PLUS PATRON 22. IN COMPLIANCE COMINCH 391821 AND CINCPAC 312233 HAVE EQUIPPED PATRON 22 ACCOUNT SPECIALIZED KNOWLEDGE OF ROUTE WITH 12 PLANES ORIGINALLY ASSIGNED PATRON 51. RESULTANT RE- ORGANIZATION PATRON 21 AND 23 EQUIPPED WITH 9 AND 8 PST3. REMAINING PBVS PLANES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED EQUALLY BETWEEN PATRONS 11, 12, 14, 24, 51, 71, AND 72. TOTAL PATROL PLANES NOW IN PATRIEW ONE AND TWO LESS PATRON 22 ARE 36. AN ADDITIONAL SIX ARE COMING FROM MAINLAND WHEN WEATHER PERMITS.

DIS TRIBUTIONS
30...ACTION
RECORD COPY....11....12....COMINCH....NAVBASE...
FILES....29 OP....

SECRET

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EFFECTIVE BRITISH NAVAL STRENGTH IN MEDITERRANEAN THIS DATED
BASED MALTA FOUR CRUISERS 11 DESTROYERS BASED ALEXANDRIA 3 OR 4
CRUISERS 14 DESTROYER S ABOUT 10 SUBMARINES. RECENT REINFORCEMENTS
INCLUDE CRUISER DIDO AND 12 DESTROYERS SOME OF WHICH MAY NOT YET
HAVE ARRIVED. COMPARES VERY UNFAVORABLY WITH EFFECTIVE AXIS UNITS.
AGAIN EMPHASIZE DISCREPANCY COULD BE OFFSET BY AIR SUPERIORITY
WHICH DOES NOT EXIST AT PRESENT. SITUATION CONSIDERED CRITICAL.

DISTRIBUTION
39...ACTION

RECORD COPY: 11...12...OPDO...COMINCH (2)...DOO(1)...NAVSE...
REAR ADM COOK HAULED DOWN FLAG IN AUGUSTA AT 1530 JANUARY 1.
COMTASKFORCE 2 IS ORIGINATOR, DELIVERED BY HAND TO CINCLANT.
WHILE IN TRAVEL STATUS ENROUTE RANGER OPERATION COMMAND OF TASK
FORCE 2 WILL BE EXERCISED BY REAR ADM HEWITT IN PHILADELPHIA.
ADMINISTRATION REMAINS IN RANGER. OPNAV DELIVER TO COMINCH FOR
INFO.

DISTRIBUTION
38... COG.

RECORD COPY: 38W... 12... 13... 16... BUHAV... OPDO... COMINCH... 19C...
FILES: 260P... SEGNAV... P1A... CNO... GENERAL...

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**TEXT**

WEATHERMAN SAYS NO TODAY. ON JANUARY 2 FLIGHT 8 WILL TRY AGAIN.

**DISTRIBUTION**

36...CGO...
18/11...OPDO...COMINCH...BUAER...02 AER....
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NAVAL MESSAGE

CHAPTER: EXTENSION NUMBER
FROM: ADMIRALTY
Released by:
DATE: 31 DEC 41
TOR CORDERIIN: 839H/81ST
DECIDED BY: LARSEN
PARAPHRASED BY: ODBORN

ADDRESSEE: 7
PRIORITY: FOR ACTION
ROUTINE: FOR ACTION
DEFERRED: FOR ACTION

DIRECTED TO COURIER FOR ACTION.

RECOMMENDED ORIGINATOR: NAVY DEPARTMENT

DEPARTMENT: NAVY DEPARTMENT

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3/19232 OR 8137000

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TEXT

(OPNAV RPTD SPENAV FROM ADMIRALTY)

DEPARTING CANTON CICILIA 1750 MT 30 DEC.

READ IN FOUR COLUMNS. SHIP POSITION COURSE SPEED.

1750 MT 30 DEC.

MARSHALL
MARON
ANCHOR
ALBERT
ALBATROSS
ATUAS

40-50 N 43-50 W PATROL BLANK
38-50 N 43-90 W PATROL BLANK
40-50 N 74-50 W 228 12
18-50 N 41-50 W 273 12
18-50 N 35-50 W PATROL BLANK
18-50 S 35-50 W PATROL BLANK

CONVOY CTB ROCKINGHAM
40-50 N 54-50 W 275 12

CORRECTION TO AT 1733Z/20 ALBATROSS 00-30 N 37-90 W 273 10.

SECRET

RECORD COPIES TO 12...13...18...18...HARDIARY...COMDR...SECNAV...

PIA...CPO...OP-21...FILE

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CINCLANT
RECEIVED BY: OPNAV
DATE: 31 DEC 41
TOR CODEROOM: 8462/81
DECODED BY: LUNDBERG
PARAPHRASED BY: GLTUCKER

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TEXT

REGARDING COMTASKFOR 4 261950, RECOMMEND APPROVAL SUBJECT TO
AVAILABILITY ADEQUATE COMMUNICATION FACILITIES LONDONDERRY.

OPNAV DELIVER TO COMINCH FOR ACTION.

COMINCH ......ACT.

RECORD COPY TO 38-0.....12.....38.....OPDO.....28T.....38W.....CMOFILE.....OP-28...
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMPACOF
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 30 DECEMBER 1941
TOR CODEROOM: 2339/29
DECODED BY: ROONEY
PARAPHRASED BY: V. TUCKER

INFORMATION: PACSONOF CINCPAC

FOR ACTION: OPNAV

PRECEDENCE:
- PRIORITY Routine
- DEFERRED

PUBLICITY:
- PRIORITY Routine
- DEFERRED

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292218 OR 3:3

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TEXT

MARYLAND WITH COMBAT FOR AND TENNESSEE ALSO CASE AND BLUSHER
ARRIVED NAVY YARD PUGET SOUND. FIRST INFO ADDRESSEE INFORM
COMMANDING GENERAL WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND.

DISTRIBUTION

38... ACTION
8/11...38W...OPDO...BUNAV...BUORD...BUSHIPS...
FILES: 2020P...SECONAV...PIA...GENERAL...

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**TEXT**

- ESTIMATED POSITIONS. HMS 16.00 GMT 27 DEC.
- AVG ASHER OFF CAPE HENlopen FROM NORFOLK.
- XCL MARON 36 NORTH 43 WEST ON PATROL.
- AVG ALBATROSS 15 NORTH 36 WEST 273 14.
- CANTON AND CILICIA 35 NORTH 34 WEST ON PATROL.
- DEVONSHIRE 37 NORTH 21 WEST 26N 15.
- ASTURIAS 18 SOUTH 35 WEST ON PATROL.
- BRAZILIAN CL BAHIA TO BASE AT RED 2E AFTER JAN. 2ND AND CL RIO GRANDE DO SUL TO JOIN IN FEBRUARY.
- DISTRIBUTION.
- 38W...ORG..NATOR
- RECORD COPY...16...38...380...380...
- FILES...ONG...WAR..DIARY...SECNAV...PIA...20 OP.......

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TEXT

DECEMBER 29  BRITISH ESTIMATED POSITIONS 1800 GCT X

XCL MARSDALE 39 N 43 W ON PATROL X
XCL MARAN 38 N 43 W ON PATROL X
XCL PRINCE HENRY APPROACHING BERMUDA FROM NORTHWARD X
AVG ALBATROSS 16-31 N 48 W 273 X 14 X
DEVONSHIRE XCL S CANTON AND CILICIA 51 N 35 W ON PATROL X
XCL ASTURIAS 18 3 35 W ON PATROL X
CONVOY CT-8 WITH BERGEATFJORD XCL MORETON BAY ODDS ROCKINGHAM AND BEVERLY 45 N 50 W 262 X 14 X
XCL QUEEN OF BERMUDA VICINITY 35 N 70 W ENROUTE BERMUDA X
PG BITTERSWEET VICINITY 41 N 68 W ENROUTE CHARLESTON X

38W.....ORIG

RECORD COPY:16.....38.....38S.....380.....COMINCH(2)....

FILES: GENERAL...CNO...200P....WAR DIARY....SECONAV....PIA....

DELD TO.....BY.....AT.....

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REFERENCE YOUR 28T631 AFFIRM LULITE MONTEREY MATSONIA. UNDERSTAND COMBASE FOR (SUBORD) LOADING JUPITER CASTOR AND TANKER. YOUR 29T621 ARMY TROOP MOVEMENT COOLIDGE MARIPOSA TO AUSTRALIA DEPARTING SAN FRANCISCO APPX JANUARY 7. USAT SCOTT WITH TROOPS WILL ACCOMPANY COOLIDGE M MARIPOSA AS FAR AS SUVA LANDING TROOPS THERE AND RETURNING EMPTY.

38S... ORIG... 

RECORD COPY TO 12... 16... 23... 38... 380... 38W... COMINCH... MARCORPS... COS ARMY... BUDDOCKS... BUSANDA... GENERAL,... FILES: OPC... 210G... SECNAV... PIA... GENERAL.

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29T637

SEE ART 76(4)

NAV REGS

54505
DATE 29 DEC  
CODEROOM - NOTICE OF CHANGE OR CORRECTION (PT 3904)
ON (SECRET) (CONFIDENTIAL) (RESTRICTED) (INCOMING) (OUTGOING) XX
DISPATCH,

ADMVTY

FROM

DATE/TIME

CORRECT HEADING ( ) TO READ AS FOLLOWS
FROM: FOR ACTION:
FOR INFO:

CORRECT TEXT ( ) PORTION INDICATED (CORRECTION UNDERLINED) TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

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NAVCOM 9
REFER UR CONF SERIAL 5754 OF DECEMBER 17TH. COMMISSION PATRON 92 AT ALAMEDA WHEN READY. APPROVED IS RETENTION OF PATRONS 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, AND 92 AT ALAMEDA IN TRAINING STATUS UNDER COMPATWING EIGHT UNIL READY FOR ACTIVE OPERATIONS. ASSIGNMENT THESE SQUADRONS IS RESERVED FOR FUTURE DECISION BY COMINCH. DESIRE SQUADRONS OF PATRONS FOUR BE EXPANDED TO NINE PLANES EACH AS SOON AS PRACTICAL AND TO TWELVE WHEN PERSONNEL CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE. NO REDISTRIBUTION PLANES BETWEEN SQUADRONS AUTHORIZED AT YOUR DISCRETION TO ACCOMPLISH ABOVE. PURPOSE IS TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO EACH PACIFIC COASTAL FRONTIER COMMANDER TWO PATROL SQUADRONS OF TWELVE PLANES EACH. AT PRESENT OPERATIONAL TRAINING SHOULD BE CONDUCTED AS PRACTICABLE IN COURSE NORMAL PATROL OPERATIONS.

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COMINCH...OPNAV...BUFF...BUER...BORD...BUSHIPS...SANDA...BURE.

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GREEK SHIPS AGAVLIANI, ARTEMISPITTA, CONSTANTINOS, LOULoudIS, EBSI, HOLLANDIA, PETRAKISOMIKOS TANKER, POPIS AND TETI FORMERLY SUNK DURING WAR OPERATIONS IN GREEK WATERS REPORTED NOW IN SERVICE AGAIN AFTER BEING RAISED AND REPAIRED. BRITISH TANKER BRITISH SAILOR ONCE REPORTED OVERTUE HAS ARRIVED AT TJILATJAP JAVA. KG43 NOT ACTIVE. ONE ENEMY AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN ATTACK ON CONVOY FS84 AT 2215 YESTERDAY OFF HARTLEPOOL.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: NAV ATTACHE GUATEMALA

Released BY:

DATE: DEC 28 1941

TOR CODEROOM:

DECODED BY: KOBBERSTEIN

PARAPHRASED BY: READ

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TEXT:

DEPARTURE CEIBA DEC 27 0000 GATUN HONDURAN FOR NEW YORK DUE JAN 1. PAA PILOT SIGHTED SHIP OF DESTROYER SIZE TODAY IN BAY OF MS FONSECA WITH SEAPLANE ALONGSIDE.

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UPON COMPLETION OF UNLOADING LARGO REQUEST HEYWOOD REMAIN ARMY PORT

OF EMBARKATION BROOKLYN YOUR** (COM 1) 271362. TO COMTRANSLANT BY

MAILGRAM FOR INFORMATION.

* THERE IS NO OPNAV 271362 ABOUT THE HEYWOOD BUT THERE IS AN INCOMING

SECRET FROM COM 1 TO WHICH THIS DESPATCH PROBABLY REFERS.

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OUR SUBMARINE ACTIVITIES CONTINUING AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED BY CINCAF. ADDITIONAL REPORT, 1 ENEMY SUPPLY SHIP SUNK 27TH AND 1 TRANSPORT 25TH. DUE COMPLETE ENEMY CONTROL OF AIR, INCREASED BOMBING ACTIVITY AND ALMOST COMPLETE LACK OF OVERHAUL AND SUPPLY FACILITIES CONSIDER CONTINUANCE OF SUBMARINES OPERATION FROM MANILA BAY NOW IM- PRACTICABLE.

11......ACT.

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SECNAV.....FILE...
ON THE 27TH OF DECEMBER AT 16 HOURS, WEST POINT, WAKEFIELD
LEONARD WOOD J.T. DICKMAN ARRIVED BOMBAY.

38-0-..ACT.

RECORD COPY 3BW...38...12...SECNAV. .P1A...OPDO...COMINCH..OP-20..FILE.
INTERCEPT STATED FOLLOWING SHIPS (FRENCH) BEING OPERATED IN MEDITERRANEAN BY GERMANS: KER KENA, ILE ROUSSE, GRAND-QUEVILLY, MOSTAGNEM, CAP PINEDE, BONIFACIO, ESPIGUETTE, BOUGARONI, LEZARDRIEUX.
**NAVAL MESSAGE**

**FROM**
ALUSNA SINGAPORE

**RELEASED BY**

**DATE**
DEC 27, 1941.

**TOR CODE ROOM**

**DECODED BY**

**PARAPHRASED BY**
ROBINSON

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**FIVE FIGHTER SQUADRONs AND LARGE NUMBER HEAVY BOMBERS REPORTED IN INDO-CHINA.**

**WAR DIARY**

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REFERENCE OPNAV 262143. PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO NEW YORK
IN COMPLIANCE WITH SUBJECT REFERENCE.

THE ABOVE DESPATCH TO THE USS HEYWOOD, BY HAND.

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27 DEC 41

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ADMIRALTY AND MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT ASKING MANY QUESTIONS IN REGARD TO THE GENERAL QUESTION OF ARMING MERCHANT VESSELS INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: (A) APPROXIMATELY HOW MANY VESSELS WILL BE ARMED MONTHLY FOR THE NEXT 4 MONTHS. (B) WHAT ARMAMENT WILL BE INSTALLED? (C) HOW MANY VESSELS WILL BE DEGAUSSED MONTHLY DURING THE NEXT 4 MONTHS. (D) AT WHAT PORTS WILL VESSELS BE ARMED AND DEGAUSSED. (E) WILL THERE BE A METHOD OF DESIGNATING VESSELS TO BE ARMED AND DEGAUSSED SO THAT THOSE CONTROLLED BY BRITISH IN OVERSEA AREAS SUCH AS TANKERS IN INDIAN OCEAN CAN BE ORDERED TO AN ARMING PORT FOR A CARGO AT A TIME WHEN EQUIPMENT WILL BE READY FOR THEM. (F) WILL U.S. ARM ANY SHIPS OTHER THAN U.S. FLAG? (G) WILL AMUN REPLACEMENTS AND SPARE PARTS BE AVAILABLE AT FOREIGN PORTS? (H) WILL TRAINING SCHOOLS BE ESTABLISHED AND WILL THEY BE AVAILABLE TO BRIT SEAMEN? IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF THERE COULD BE CABLED HERE AN OUTLINE OF THE PLAN TO BE PUT INTO EFFECT AND APPROXIMATE DATES WHEN THE VARIOUS PARTS THEREOF WILL BE EFFECTIVE.
9 Planes Flight 17 arrived. 2 on water. Estimated position 240 miles bearing 155 from Barbers Point. Assistance underway.
**NAVAL MESSAGE**

**NAVAL ATTACHE SINGAPORE**

**OPNAV**

**26 DECEMBER 1941**

**1535/26TH**

**MELVIN/HILL**

**CINOPAC**

**CINCAF**

**GLTUCKER**

**THE FOLLOWING ARE OBSERVATIONS OF JAPANESE FIGHTER TACTICS:**

**AGAINST OTHER AIRCRAFT, USUAL APPROACH FROM ASTERN, OPENING FIRE AT SHORT RANGE, PULL OUT IN EITHER DIRECTION. FEW BEAM ATTACKS BUT NOT PRESSED WITHIN 400 YARDS.**

**ATTACKS AGAINST GROUND TARGETS, TYPE 0 FIGHTER, PEEL OFF ABOUT 6000 FEET, CARRY OUT ORGANIZED ATTACK ON FIRST DIVE OPENING FIRE ABOUT 1500 FEET PULLING OUT LOW THEN CARRY OUT SUBSEQUENT ATTACKS INDEPENDENTLY.**

**TYPE 86 FIGHTER VERY MANEUVERABLE, ABOUT 75 DEGREE DIVE TO JUST UNDER 1000 FEET, SHARP PULL OUT AND STEEP CLimb TO 1500 FEET RECOVERING WITH HALF ROLL FROM INVERTED POSITION.**

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REQUEST INFORMATION AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE ON JAPANESE USE OF RADIO IN
SUBMARINE WARFARE. INCLUDE INTELLIGENCE REGARDING TRANSMISSIONS BY THEIR
SHORE STATIONS. PROCEDURE TAKEN BY THEIR RECONNAISSANCE PLANES. THE
SIGHTING AND SHADOWING OF OUR SUBMARINES. THEIR HOMING SIGNALS TO
ADJACENT ATTACKERS AND OUR COUNTER TACTICS. AS INFORMATION ACCUMULATES
REQUEST ALSO JAPANESE SUBMARINE GENERAL ATTACK TACTICS.

DOUGLAS

TOR 0815
27 Dec

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ALL PLANS FOR THE MOVEMENT OF MARINE AIRCRAFT WING 1 TO WESTWARD ARE IN ABYANCE. IT WILL REMAIN AT SAN DIEGO FOR THE PRESENT.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: ADMIRALTY
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 26 DEC 61
TOR CODE ROOM: 14TH/26TH
DECODED BY: MILL
PARAPHRASED BY: GL AUGER

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TEXT (OPNAV REPTD SPENAVO FROM ADMIRALTY)

ESTIMATED POSITIONS OF HM AND ALLIED SHIPS AT 1928 GMT 26TH DECEMBER.

MARON, 38-15, 42-26 W PATROL BLANK
NEW CASTLE, 47-05, 32-26 W 8714
NATOLIN & LORD GOREY APPROACHING FAYAL FROM NORTH 7 KNOTS.
ALBATROSS, 29-10, 31-26 W 27314
CANTON, 28-20, 33-20 W PATROL BLANK
CILICIA, 28-26, 32-26 W 26114
IMDOMITABLE, 24-15, 26-26 W 17117
ASTURIAS, 18-26, 35-20 W PATROL BLANK
PRINCE DAVID DUE SAN DIEGO,
CONVOY CT-B BERGENSFJORD MORETON BAY ROCKINGHAM AND BEVERLEY.
52-30, 29-30 W 25014.

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TOK 0815
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IF TARAZED AND KEARNY ARE READY WHEN CHATEAU THIERRY IS READY FOR SEA ABOUT 25 DECEMBER UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED WILL INCLUDE THEM IN TASKFORCE 19 FOR RETURN TO THE U S. KEARNY EXPECTED TO BE SEAWORTHY XX AND ABLE TO MAKE UP TO 20 KNOTS TO CTG 7.5 BY HAND FOR INFO.
AG 400.3295 (12-20-41)MSC

FROM: CHUNGKING

TO: ADJUTANT GENERAL

115 AMMISCA DECEMBER TWENTIETH

MSG FOR PRESIDENT Period last night Generalissimo requested me to inform you of his regret at his inability to report results of deliberations of joint preliminary military conference by the date desired period General Wavell not expected before twenty second or twenty third period General Brett who is in Rangoon will arrive December Twenty First stop Governor of Netherlands Indies has been asked to send representative period pending his arrival the London Dutch Govt. has authorized Chief of its Mission to attend stop Chief Soviet military mission has no instructions period because of communications difficulties there has been no secure way to inform Gen. Brett in detail of orders and instructions now awaiting him but I have urged him to reach Chungking as quickly as possible period copies this message to Secretary War and Chief of Staff Magruder

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: SPANO-LONDON
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 21 DEC 41
TOR CODEROOM: 2856/20TH
DECODED BY: OLSON
PARAPHRASED BY: GLUCKER

ADDRESSEE: ORNAV
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TEXT
REGARDING THE FOLLOWING IS THE LATEST AND MORE ACCURATE RESUMES OF COMMERCIAL OIL SITUATION IN UNITED KINGDOM, AFRICAN MIDDLE EAST, INDIA OCEAN AND AUSTRAL ASIA AREAS. FOR SEVERAL MONTHS BRITISH HAVE BEEN BUILDING STOCK IN UK AND AUSTRALASIA WHILE MAINTAINING CONSUMPTION IN AFRICA, MIDDLE EAST AND INDIAN OCEAN. AT OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES WITH JAPAN, STOCK SITUATION WAS VERY GOOD IN UK, SATISFACTORY IN AUSTRALASIA AND UNSATISFACTORY IN OTHER MENTIONED AREAS, BUT PARTICULARLY IN MIDDLE EAST. XXXX IMMEDIATELY AFTER OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES ALL LOADED TANKERS IN UK NOT NEEDED FOR SPECIAL VOYAGES BY LOCAL BRITISH AUTHORITIES WERE SENT TO AUSTRALASIA AND HAVE PRESUMABLY DISCHARGED THERE. AS THESE INCLUDED SOME CARGOES FOR SOUTH AFRICAN AND MIDDLE EAST AUSTRALASIAN STOCK POSITION IS PROBABLY EVEN BETTER THAN ANTICIPATED. AT SAME TIME BRITISH DIVERTED 18 TANKERS FROM UK ROUTES TO FEED SOUTH AFRICA AND MIDDLE EAST AND TAKE UP SLACK WHICH WOULD BE CAUSED THROUGH DELAYS IN PORTS, REROUTING AND LONGER ROUTING OF TANKERS IN OR PROCEEDING TO AFRICAN INDIAN OCEAN-AUSTRALASIAN AREA.

XXX GENERAL SITUATION HAS NOT ENTIRELY CLARIFIED AND IT IS REALIZED THAT DAY TO DAY DEVELOPMENTS MAY CHANGE IT MATERIALY. NOR IS POSITION AND FUTURE MOVEMENTS OF EVERY TANKER IN THE AREA DEFINITELY KNOWN. HOWEVER PRESENT PROSPECT IS THAT AUSTRALASIAN STOCK POSITION CAN BE MAINTAINED AND SOUTH AFRICANS, THE MIDDLE EASTS AND INDIAS IMPROVE WITHOUT ANY IMPORTANT ADDITIONS TO PRESENT NUMBER OF TANKERS EMPLOYED IN UK, VOYAGING TO OR NOW DESIGNATED FOR THOSE AREAS. BELIEVE...
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**TEXT**

There is no immediate prospect of KKMNVX requesting additional American assistance. British believe there is no necessity for any other governmental unit in areas mentioned asking for individual arrangements. If and when further American assistance is requested it will probably be for UK trade. When effect of present or possible future diversions causes stock position to begin to fall unreasonably low, though above statements and estimates are based on assumption that there will be no further fuel supplies from NET.

British believe prospects of further loading are not hopeless, meanwhile Admiralty instructions for routing of ships in Indian Ocean are not causing unexpectedly long voyages. If NET loading becomes impossible fuel jetties at Arabian will probably be working to capacity.

British Purchasing Commission in US can furnish Navy Department with stock positions by weekly consumption for all areas mentioned. Please pass to Maritime Commission and Ayliff Harriman for use of Navy Department only. XX Admiralty fuel position in these areas, will follow in a separate despatch.

12... AOA.

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**NAVY DEPARTMENT**

**MARITIME COMMISSION**

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SEE ART 76(4)

NAV REGS

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SMALL AUXILIARIES MENTION MY 101330 WERE TULSA ASHEVILLE LARK WHIPPORWILL ISABEL. ADDED COLDSTAR ALSO WITH WHICH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION YOU NOW KNOW COMPOSITION TASK FORCE 5, ALL EXCEPT GULMER AND CHILD'S NOW WELL WITHIN NEI WATERS. SWORDFISH II SANK TRANSPORT OFF HAINAN AND SAILFISH PROBABLY A DESTROYER AT NIGHT OFF CAPE BOLINAO. PURNELL AT SOERABAYA.
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During conference on December 16 with British assistant chief naval staff, foreign, Dutch minister of marine and plans division of Admiralty for eastern situation was thoroughly discussed. Assistant chief of staff pointed out that British had two commitments in Far East, namely, security of communications around Cape of Good Hope to Middle East and to Persian oil fields, secondly support of defense of Australia and New Zealand. British plan to concentrate in Indian Ocean to meet these commitments.

Four aircraft carriers and four roger class battleships now escorting troop convoys around Cape of Good Hope. Troop convoy now in Indian Ocean had been diverted to Bombay instead of Middle East. If choice was forced upon British they would defend Australia and New Zealand. At present time they are apprehensive that Japanese forces now attacking Malay Peninsula might seize Northern end of Sumatra which would close communications through Malacca Straits to Singapore and would be a stepping stone for...
AIRCRAFT MOVING SOUTHEAST. EVEN THOUGH JAPANESE DID NOT ATTACK SUMATRA THE MALACCA STRAITS WOULD BE MENACED BY AIR, WINES AND SUBMARINES IF JAPS ESTABLISHED THEMSELVES IN NORTHERN MALAYA, IN EITHER CASE MOST SECURE LINE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO SINGAPORE WOULD BE VIA SUNDA AND PERHAPS BANKA STRAIT. DEFENSE OF MALAY BARRIER DEPENDED IN A LARGE MEASURE UPON ABILITY OF ALLIED FORCES TO DENY DAVAO-WAIGIU AND NATUNA ISLANDS LINES TO JAPANESE. DEFENSE OF MALAY BARRIER DUTCH FEEL NEXT PROBABLE POINT OF ATTACK IS EAST COAST BORNEO PROBABLY TARAKAN ISLAND OR SANGKILARAN BAY WHERE JAPANESE HAVE HAD CONCESSIONS. BRITISH POINTED OUT THAT IF OIL FIELDS IN BORNEO AND SUMATRA WERE DESTROYED AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND WOULD BE FORCED TO DEPEND UPON PERSIAN OIL FIELDS FOR FUEL WHICH WOULD REQUIRE ABOUT FIFTY TANKERS. THESE TANKERS COULD BE SPARED WITH DIFFICULTY UNDER PRESENT TIGHT TANKER CONDITIONS. DUTCH MINISTER OF MARINES STATED THEY WERE NOW PATROLLING DAVAO-WAIGIU LINE, THAT

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MAJORITY OF DUTCH AIR AND LAND STRENGTH WAS IN JAVA AND AROUND JAVA SEA AND THAT VERY LITTLE WAS AVAILABLE FOR DEFENSE OF NORTHERN SUMATRA. BRITISH STATED FIGHTERS AND MEDIUM BOMBERS WERE IMMEDIATE NEEDS IN MALAY PENINSULA. NECESSITY OF FIGHTER UMBRELLA WAS EMPHASIZED. DUTCH MINISTER OF MARINE SAID THEY HAD ABOUT TWO HUNDRED FIGHTERS AROUND JAVA SEA. A BRITISH ARMY STAFF OFFICER FROM WAR OFFICE SAID THAT FIGHTING IN KEDAH DISTRICT OF MALAYA SEEMED TO INDICATE THAT JAPANESE HAD SUCCEEDED IN PART IN DRIVING TWO WEDGES BETWEEN THREE BRIGADES STATIONED THERE. KOTABARU DID NOT PRESENT ANY PARTICULAR DIFFICULTIES AND THERE WERE NO SIGNS AT PRESENT OF JAPANESE XXXX XXXX LANDING FARTHER TO SOUTHWARD ALONG EASTERN MALAY COAST. NOR HAD BRITISH RECEIVED ANY FURTHER INFORMATION OF REPORTED PRESENCE OF LARGE NUMBER OF JAPANESE TRANSPORTS OFF INDOCHINA COAST. DUTCH AND BRITISH BOTH BELIEVED AND I CONCUR THAT IF PRACTICABLE PROMPT AND UNEXPECTED ALLIED NAVAL AND AIR OF-

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Fensive would upset Japanese present plans and would be of
great benefit. I feel that vigorous attack by Russian planes
and submarines and by U.S. planes using Russian air fields
would be great assistance if Russian attack would not reduce
their strength in Europe.

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**Message Text**

DURING CONFERENCE ON DECEMBER 12 WITH BRITISH ASSISTANT CHIEF NAVAL STAFF FOREIGN, DUTCH MINISTER OF MARINE AND PLANS DIVISION OF ADMIRALTY, FAR EASTERN SITUATION WAS THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED. ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF POINTED OUT THAT BRITISH HAD TWO COMMITMENTS IN FAR EAST, NAMELY, SECURITY OF COMMUNICATIONS AROUND CAPE OF GOOD HOPE TO MIDDLE EAST AND TO PERSIAN OIL FIELDS, SECONDLY SUPPORT OF DEFENSE OF AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND. BRITISH PLAN TO CONCENTRATE IN INDIAN OCEAN TO MEET THESE COMMITMENTS.

FOUR AIRCRAFT CARRIERS AND FOUR ROGER CLASS BATTLESHIPS NOW ESCORTING TROOP CONVOYS AROUND CAPE OF GOOD HOPE. TROOP CONVOY NOW IN INDIAN OCEAN HAD BEEN DIVERTED TO BOMBAY INSTEAD OF MIDDLE EAST. IF CHOICE WAS FORCED UPON BRITISH THEY WOULD DEFEND AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND. AT PRESENT TIME THEY ARE APPrehensive THAT JAPANESE FORCES NOW ATTACKING MALAY PENINSULA MIGHT SEIZE NORTHERN END OF SUMATRA WHICH WOULD CLOSE COMMUNICATIONS THROUGH MALACCA STRAITS TO SINGAPORE AND WOULD BE A STEPPING STONE FOR

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TEXT

AIRCRAFT MOVING SOUTHEAST. EVEN THOUGH JAPANESE DID NOT ATTACK SUMATRA THE MALACCA STRAITS WOULD BE MENACED BY AIR, MINES AND SUBMARINES IF JAPS ESTABLISHED THEMSELVES IN NORTHERN MAYLAYA. IN EITHER CASE MOST SECURE LINE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO SINGAPORE WOULD BE VIA SUNDAS AND PERHAPS BANKA STRAIGHT. DEFENSE OF MALAY BARRIER DEPENDED IN A LARGE MEASURE UPON ABILITY OF ALLIED FORCES TO DENY DAVAO-WAIGIU AND NATUNA ISLANDS LINES TO JAPANESE. DEFENSE OF MALAY BARRIER DUTCH FEEL NEXT PROBABLE POINT OF ATTACK IS EAST COAST BORNEO PROBABLY TARAKAN ISLAND OR SANGKILAN BAY WHERE JAPANESE HAVE MADE CONCESSIONS. BRITISH POINTED OUT THAT IF OIL FIELDS IN BORNEO AND SUMATRA WERE DESTROYED AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND WOULD BE FORCED TO DEPEND UPON PERSIAN OIL FIELDS FOR FUEL WHICH WOULD REQUIRE ABOUT FIFTY TANKERS. THESE TANKERS COULD BE SPARED WITH DIFFICULTY UNDER PRESENT TIGHT TANKER CONDITIONS. DUTCH MINISTER OF MARINES STATED THEY WERE NOW PATROLLING DAVAO-WAIGIU LINE, THAT (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)

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MAJORITY OF DUTCH AIR AND LAND STRENGTH WAS IN JAVA AND AROUND JAVA SEA AND THAT VERY LITTLE WAS AVAILABLE FOR DEFENSE OF NORTHERN SUMATRA. BRITISH STATED FIGHTERS AND MEDIUM BOMBERS WERE IMMEDIATE NEEDS IN MALAY PENINSULA. NECESSITY OF FIGHTER UMBRELLA WAS EMPHASIZED. DUTCH MINISTER OF MARINE SAID THEY HAD ABOUT TWO HUNDRED FIGHTERS AROUND JAVA SEA. A BRITISH ARMY STAFF OFFICER FROM WAR OFFICE SAID THAT FIGHTING IKEBAH DISTRICT OF MALAYA SEEMED TO INDICATE THAT JAPANESE HAD SUCCEEDED IN PART IN DRIVING TWO WEDGES BETWEEN THREE BRIGADES STATIONED THERE. KOTABARU DID NOT PRESENT ANY PARTICULAR DIFFICULTIES AND THERE WERE NO SIGNS AT PRESENT OF JAPANESE XX X XXL X XX LL LANDING FARTHER TO SOUTHWEST ALONG EASTERN MALAY COAST. NOR HAD BRITISH RECEIVED ANY FURTHER INFORMATION OF REPORTED PRESENCE OF LARGE NUMBER OF JAPANESE TRANSPORTS OFF INDOCHINA COAST. DUTCH AND BRITISH BOTH BELIEVE AND I CONCUR THAT IF PRACTICABLE PROMPT AND UNEXPECTED ALLIED NAVAL AND AIR OF- (CONCLUDED ON PAGE 4)
TEXT

FENSIVE WOULD UPSET JAPANESE PRESENT PLANS AND WOULD BE OF
GREAT BENEFIT. I FEEL THAT VIGOROUS ATTACK BY RUSSIAN PLANES
AND SUBMARINES AND BY U.S. PLANES USING RUSSIAN AIR FIELDS
WOULD BE GREAT ASSISTANCE IF RUSSIAN ATTACK WOULD NOT REDUCE
THEIR STRENGTH IN EUROPE.

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TEXT

POSTS OF JAP FLEETS; ESTIMATES COMPILED BY BRIT OIFFRLY FROM RADIO SOURCES DATES DEC. 13TH. BATTLE FLEET IN AREA BETWEEN JAPANESE MAN-DATED ISLANDS AND JAPAN: 6 BB'S, 4 8-INCH CRUISERS, 1 5.5-INCH CRUISER, 16 5-INCH DESTROYERS, 15 SUBS.

SOUTHERN FLEET DIVIDED INTO 2 FORCES; MALAYAN FORCE (GULF OF SIAM, SAIGON) ONE BATTLESHIP, 2 8-INCH CRUISERS, 3 AIRCRAFT CARRIERS, ONE 5.5 CRUISER, 16 5-INCH DD'S, 8 SUBS; PHILIPPINES FORCE: 2 BB'S, (KONGO REPORTED DAMAGED), 5 CARRIERS, (IT IS POSSIBLE THAT EITHER THIRTY OR ISORYU IS STILL WITH BATTLE FLEET), 2 6-INCH CRUISERS, 2 5.5-INCH CRUISERS, 32 5-INCH DD'S, 16 SUBS. IN HAINA-FORMOSA AREA (IN POSITION TO REINFORCE SOUTHERN FLEET OR BATTLE FLEET AS REQUIRED AND AVAILABLE FOR CONVOY ESCORT) 4 6-INCH CRUISERS, 4 6-INCH, THREE AIRCRAFT CARRIERS. (POSSIBLY OPERATING AGAINST AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDS) BLOCKADE OF HONGKONG: 1 8-INCH CRUISER, 1 5.5-INCH CRUISER, 8 1.7 DD'S, MANDATED ISLANDS (THIS FORCE PROBABLY, CONCERNED WITH ATTACKS ON GILBERT ISLANDS AND MAY BE BASED ON TRUK); 3 5.5-INCH CRUISERS, 2 TRAINING CRUISERS, 8 1.7 DD'S, 9 SUBS, 1 SEAPLANE CARRIER, NOT ACCOUNTED FOR AND POSSIBLY BELONGING TO 5TH FLEET WHICH IS POSSIBLY ENGAGED AGAINST AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDS: 6 5.5-INCH CRUISERS, (ONE REPORTED SUNK OFF WAKE ISLAND), 21 DD'S. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2)
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Paraphrase:

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE SUBS, 44 SUBS ARE PREVIOUSLY AVAILABLE FOR DETACHED OPERATIONS.

NAVAL AIR UNITS (DEC 11TH) AKAGI, 60 AIRCRAFT; KAGU, 60 AIRCRAFT;
SORYU, 72 AIRCRAFT; HIRYU, 72 AIRCRAFT; SHOKAKU, 60 AIRCRAFT;
ZUIKAKU, 60 AIRCRAFT;
TWO ATTACK GROUPS HAVE NOT BEEN LOCATED BUT ARE PROBABLY ON
BOARD THE SMALL CARRIERS KOSHO AND RYUJU WHICH WOULD CARRY
ONLY GROUP OF ABOUT 30 AIRCRAFT EACH.

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**TEXT**

CANCEL MY 112236. ON ARRIVAL RECIFE ABOUT 20 DECEMBER EMBARK ARMY OFFICERS IN SOMERS IN ACCORDANCE OPNAV 051625 AND PATROL TO ASCENSION, WHILE INVESTIGATION IS IN PROGRESS, PATROL IN VICINITY. REEMBARK OBSERVERS RETURNING TO BASE VIA BASES AND PATOKA DELIVER ALUSNOB RECIFE. CLEMSON ADVISE ARMY OFFICERS OF NEW EMBARKATION PORT AND DATE.

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AT 163643 ARMY BOMBER DROPPED 4 BOMBS NEAR USS TRIPPE.
INVESTIGATION INDICATES FAILURE TO SEE OR UNDERSTAND
RECOGNITION SIGNALS. NO DAMAGE. ARMY PILOT MISTOOK FLASHING
LIGHT FOR GUNFIRE WHICH CAUSED HIM TO CLASSIFY SHIP AS
ENEMY AND ACTED ACCORDINGLY.

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**Subject:**

**Message:**

FOR FUEL, BROOKLYN AND WILSON ARRIVED BASE (C)

AT 1845 ZONE & EXPECT TO DEPART FOR MARTINIQUE AREA.

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UNITED STATES SUBMARINE NOTICE. THREE SUBS SAIL TENTYTWX.

FORTYTHREE, FORTYSEVEN DEPARTING NEWLONDON 1/121 ZONE PLUS 5
DEC 17 FOR CANAL ZONE VIA CROOKED ISLAND AND WINDWARD PASSAGES.
WILL PROCEED IN COMPANY ESCORTED BY CHEWINK UNTIL DARK 17TH.

THEN SUBS DEPLOY IN LINE 12 MILES INTERVAL AND PROCEED SIMULY
AT BEST INDIVIDUAL SPEEDS PASSING FOLLOWING POINTS AT 1700 GCT
ON DATES INDICATED (ALL LATS NORTH, LONG WEST):

18TH: 37-28 / 72-18    21ST: 26-42 73-57
22ND: 23-13 / 74-30    23RD: 19-34 74-30
24TH: 16-23 / 75-65    26TH: PT MANZANILLO PANAMA.

REQUEST TOTAL BOMBING RESTRICTION BE ESTABLISHED IN LANE 30
MILES EACH SIDE OF ROUTE INDICATED AND FOR 24 HOURS AHEAD AND
BEHIND ESTIMATED TIMES, ESTIMATED SPEED SUBS 9 KNOTS. SUBMARINES
INFORM ADDRESSEE AT DEP FOR ARRIVAL IN EXCESS OF 24 HOURS.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: NAVY YARD NORFOLK
RELEASED BY: 
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TOR CODEROOM: 
DECODED BY: 
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ORIGINATOR CONTASKFOR 18 OPNAV TRANSMIT FOR ACTION CON 15, CINCPAC, INFORMATION OPNAV, CINCPAC, CONTASKGROUP 6.3.

"TASK GROUP 18.5 COMPOSED YORKTOWN SIMS RUSSELL HUGHES WATKINS DEPARTING BASE 16 NIGHT 16 17 DECEMBER ARRIVING OFF CRISTOBAL DAYLIGHT 21ST. PROCEEDING DIRECT ROUTE VIA CROOKED ISLAND.

PASSAGE SPEED OF ADVANCE 18 KNOTS. ACTION ADDRESSES REQUESTED NOTIFY PROPER AUTHORITIES INCLUDING ARMY AND TO PROVIDE AIR

COVERAGE ENROUTE. CON 15 REQUESTED TO HAVE NAVIGATIONAL LIGHTS

TURNED ON FOR ARRIVAL TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR IMMEDIATE

TRANSIT CANAL, AND TO BE PREPARED FUEL YORKTOWN AND DESTROYERS

AT BALBOA, TOTAL FUEL REQUIRED APPROXIMATELY ONE AND ONE HALF

MILLION GALLONS. THIS GROUP MAINTAINING ABSOLUTE RADIO SILENCE.

REQUEST CINCPAC DELIVER INSTRUCTIONS FOR THIS GROUP TO CON 15

FOR DELIVERY YORKTOWN UPON ARRIVAL".

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PASSED BY OPNAV FOR ACTION TO CON 15, CINSF, CONTASKGROUP 6.3

CINCPAC; FOR INFORMATION TO CINCPAC.

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ACCORDINGLY TO HIGHLY RELIABLE INFORMATION RECEIVED: GERMAN
DECISION JUST REACHED TO STRONGLY INTENSIFY SUBMARINE WARFARE
INCLUDING DEFINITE PLANS FOR EXTENSIVE MINING IN THE NEW YORK
AREA.

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IN ADDITION TO SQUADRON OF MODERN DESTROYERS ORDERED TO PACIFIC WITH YORKTOWN IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE HAVE AT LEAST ONE MORE SQUADRON IN ORDER TO ACCOMPLISH ESSENTIAL TASKS. OLD DESTROYERS HAVE SUCH LIMITED CRUISING RADIUS THAT THEIR USEFULNESS IS EXTREMELY LIMITED IN THIS OCEAN. THIS NEED IS REAL AND EXTREMELY URGENT.

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TO: OCREA, 997

DECODER: TUCKER

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

THE WHITE HOUSE

ARRIVED SAFELY SANDIEGO THIS MORNING LEAVE IMMEDIATELY FOR
WASHINGTON WILL REPORT ON ARRIVAL AM GIVING OUT NO
STATEMENTS PRIOR TO MY REPORT TO YOU

FRANK KNOX.

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"YOUR 1947/7 ADMIRALTY INFORMED AT 2214 GCT ON 7TH. YOUR 81503 DUTCH INFORMED AT 1652 GCT TODAY."

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SANDIEGO; T.F.2;
CINCPAC.

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(PASSED TO NAS SANDIEGO AND BUAER FOR INFO BY SENAV COMAIRBATFOR, SANDIEGO)

HAVE CEASED ALL OPERATION UNTIL ENEMY CONTACT BECOMES IMMINENT.
THREE MORE F2A-38 MAIN LANDING STRUTS FAILED ON NORMALLANDINGS.
SEVENTEEN FIGHTERS AVAILABLE WITH PROGRESSIVE FAILURE STARTED IN TWELVE. MAKE EXPEDITIOUS DELIVERY REENFORCED STRUTS FROM SANDIEGO. ABSOLUTELY VITAL.

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From: OPNAV

Released by: CAPT. T.S. WILKINSON

Date: 12 DECEMBER 1941

To/Coderoom: GLUNT

De/Coded by: COM-10: COM-14: COM-15

Paraphrased by: RRRR

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UNTIL FURTHER ORDERS CONTACT ALL U.S. CAPTAINS PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS PLANES STOPPING AIRPORTS YOUR AREA PURPOSE OBTAINING INFORMATION AS TO NAME OR DESCRIPTION, POSITION, COURSE AND SPEED HOSTILE OR SUSPICIOUS VESSELS AND AIRCRAFT SIGHTED BY PLANE.

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**Naval Message**

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**Released By:**

**Date:** 12 Dec 1941

**Tor CodeRoom:** 1349

**Decoded By:**

**Paraphrased By:** G Allen

**Addressees:**
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- COM TASK UNIT 6.3.8

**Information for Action:**
- Urgent
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**Text:**

**EU**

Locate Barflibdr. Direct planes to turn her back. If she fails to comply, capture or sink her.

**Orig:** 12........

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ON THE 1\(^{\circ}\) FROM PARA AND FOR AKKRA, 1 B24 CARRYING EMBASSADOR BULLITT, 1 ARMY L83\(^{\circ}\), 1 DC2 FOR BATHURST. 6 NAVY PBY5\(^{\circ}\)S LEFT PARA TODAY ARRIVING 163\(^{\circ}\) GREENWICH TIME AT NATAL.

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TEXT

REGARDING YOUR 111857, BOTH PLANES HAVE ARRIVED PEARL.
A NICE TRIP WAS HAD.

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SHOW OPDOL....

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IF ANY FRENCH NAVAL VESSELS LEAVE PORTS IN FRENCH WEST INDIES WHERE THEY ARE NOW LOCATED YOU ARE DIRECTED TO CAPTURE OR TO DESTROY THEM. THE ARMY HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO SUPPORT THE NAVY. THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO SMALL NUMBERS OF SEAPLANES ON THEIR USUAL FLIGHTS IN THAT VICINITY. COM CNO KEEP THE ARMY AIR FORCE FULLY INFORMED AS TO US NAVAL VESSELS AND AIRCRAFT IN THAT GENERAL REGION NOTIFYING THEIR MOVEMENTS AND GIVING DESCRIPTION OF THESE VESSELS AND AIRCRAFT.
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TEXT

WILL JAPAN RESPECT A HOSPITAL SHIP? CAN WE SEND SOLACE PEARL TO WEST COAST TO EVACUATE WOUNDED IF AND WHEN THIS BECOMES ADVISABLE?

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DOES SECEANV $92358 CANCEL OPNAV $72252?

NOTE: $92358 - RESTRICTED,
$72252 - SECRET.

Max acts effect immediately Instructions governing Maritime Warfare and Aerial Warfare May 1941 except as modified by CNO's supplementary Instructions received from time to time.

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REGARDING POSSIBLE DEPARTURE SHIPS FROM PORT AS DISCUSSED
BY TELEPHONE YESTERDAY TUESDAY KEEP CLOSEST POSSIBLE
SURVEILLANCE BY PLANE OBSERVATION AND THE DESTROYER WE
ASSUME CONTINUES HER VIGIL OFF PORT. EARLIEST INDICATION
OF SORTIE MUST BE IMMEDIATELY REPORTED HERE. MAKE PREPARATIONS
WITH ARMY ASSISTANCE TO TAKE FURTHER ACTION PROMPTLY IF
REPEAT IF LATER DIRECTED.

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**TEXT**

INTERROGATORY OPNAV 81646 CONFLICTING WITH INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED BY ACNB TO HOLD U.S. SHIPS SAILING FOR PACIFIC COAST PORTS.

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### MESSAGE

**FROM**  
Com Carib Nav Coastal Forces

**RELEASED BY**  

**DATE**  
9 DEC 1941

**TOR CORDEROO**

**DECODED BY**  
Alensworth

**PARAPHRASED BY**  
Canning

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**TEXT**

The following sent for action to TRINIDAD NOB GTMO BAD STTHOMAS ComSub Base STTHOMAS MARIT ANT GUAMARDET STLUCIA: Be prepared for strong Axis effort against Navy shipping and raid on coast. Cooperate with Army and civilian authorities. Blackout. Discontinue all lighter and radio aids to navigation.

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TEXT

SEND TWO SUBMARINES PRINCE RUPERT BAY DOMINICA.
CONTEMPLATE USE THESE VESSELS OBSERVE FRENCH VESSELS AT MARTINIQUE. INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING POSITIONS TO BE MAINTAINED AND ACTION TO BE TAKEN WILL BE SENT LATER. DESIRE AIRPLANE OBSERVATION BE MADE OF MARTINIQUE AND GUADELOUPE TWICE DAILY AS EARLY IN MORNING AND LATE IN AFTERNOON AS OPERATING CONDITIONS PERMIT.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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FROM OPHNAV

RELEASED BY ADM STARK

DATE DEC 9 1941

TOR CODEROOM 1732

DECODED BY HUTCHINSON

PARAPHRASED BY HORD

ADDRESSEES COM NORTH ATL NCF COM SOUTHERN ATL NCF COM CARIBBEAN NCF

MESSAGE PRECEDENCE URGENT PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED

INFORMATION FOR ACTION COM PAN NAVCF COM 1; COM 4; COM 5 COM 7; COM 8; CINCLANT

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$91732 CR09239

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TEXT

PRESS NEWS OF GERMAN DECLARATION OF WAR EXPECTED TO BE FOLLOWED BY ONE BY ITALY. IN VIEW OF JAPANESE SUCCESS IN PACIFIC IT IS PROBABLE GERMANY AND ITALY MAY MAKE STRONG EFFORT IMMEDIATELY AGAINST US NAVY AND SHIPPING OF ASSOCIATED POWERS WITH POSSIBLE RAIDS ON COAST. TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES IMMEDIATELY IN COOPERATION WITH ARMY AND CIVILIAN DEFENSE AUTHORITIES. ARRANGE FOR DISCONTINUING RADIO AND VISUAL AIDS TO NAVIGATION AND FOR BLACKOUTS AS MAY BE DESIRED. GIVE THIS MATTER YOUR MOST URGENT ATTENTION.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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FROM SECNAV

RELEASED BY

DATE 9 DECEMBER 1941

TOR CODEROOM 1548

DE/CODED BY HUTCH

PARAPHRASED BY REISS

ADDRESSSES
COM 1, 3, 4, 5, 6,
7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13.

INFORMATION FOR ACTION
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TEXT SECNAV 072455 REQUEST REPORT WHETHER SATISFACTORY
PROTECTION INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED.

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**TEXT**

MARBLEHEAD WITH 2 DDS IN BALIKPAPAN. BLACKHAWK NEARING SOURABAYA. HOUSTON BOISE 2 DDS PICKING UP TRINITY PECOS AND LANDLEY OFF PANAY EARLY TOMORROW MORNING THEN PROCEEDING SOUTHWARD. DEBBY 57 WILL ARRIVE SINGAPORE 9TH. SIX LARGE SUBMARINES DEPARTED ON OFFENSIVE MISSIONS SAIGON TO FORMOSA. SIX OTHERS AT SEA ON DEFENSIVE MISSIONS. DAMAGE STILL CONFINED TO LOSS OF TWO PLANES AT DAVAO.

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NAVAL MESSAGE
NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FROM CINCLANT COM TASKFORCE 8 PPRRPP
RELEASED BY
DATE 8 DECEMBER 1941
TOR CODE ROOM 2016 ROUTINE
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PARAPHRASED BY RE188

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TEXT OPNAV 081740 COMPLY. DESRON 2 DESIGNATED.
COMPATRINGS LANT DESIGNATE AND TRANSFER 3 PATROL PLANE
SQUADRONS TO PACIFIC FLEET.
OPNAV DELIVER TO CINCPAC FOR INFO.

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SUBMARINE WARFARE. CINCF A INFORM BRITISH AND DUTCH. INFORM
ARMY.

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OPNAV WASHINGTON DC =

URGENT 072136 ADMIRALTY HAS ORDERED ROYAL NAVY TO COMMENCE
HOSTILITIES AGAINST JAPAN REPEAT JAPAN IMMEDIATELY X INFORM
WAR DEPARTMENT =

SPENAVO-

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10/11 - 12/13 - 16 - OPDD - 36W

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NPM 844 TO NPG

FOR INFORMATION

T Z M1L 071936 NAMF NELZ NUMM PP GR 14 PRIORITY/HE
FROM: COMSUBSCOFOR GUDGEON
ACTION: USS THRESHER - USS/XXXXX - USS LITCHFIELD
ASSUME SERVICE AMMUNITION READINESS CONDITION ONE X REMAIN IN PRESENT POSITION X REPORT POSITION

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NPM 843  ZRU   NPL ZRG2  T Z M1L 071529 L8X 0  GR 14

FROM: NAM CONSUBSC FOR
ACTION: COUNTER IV 48

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FOR INFO

ASSUME SERVICE AMMUNITION READINESS CONDITION ONE BE PREPARED TO
ATTACK ON INFORMATION FURNISHED LATER

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EXECUTE AGAINST JAPAN UNRESTRICTED AIR AND SUBMARINE WARFARE. CINCAF INFORM BRITISH AND DUTCH. INFORM ARMY.

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DOES SECNAV 92256 CANCEL OPNAV 972252?

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