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That part of New London Submarine Sanctuary which includes Block Island Sound and all waters to the south and east of a line from Race Point to Little Gull Island now lifted. No friendly submarines will operate there until further notice.
ADMIRALTY REPORT GRADED AFIRM 3 SAYS GERMANS HAVE ESTABLISHED METEORLOGICAL STATION EAST COAST GREENLAND ABOUT LATITUDE 77° X IF ACTION IS TAKEN BY U.S. OR FURTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED ADMIRALTY REQUESTS BE INFORMED
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TEXT:

DEPARTING 0500 QUEEN 5 MAY SIX ARMY BAKER DASH TWO FIVE
FROM MITCHELL FIELD, BEING TRANSFERRED JACKSONVILLE,
FLORIDA TO SUPPORT ANTI-SUBMARINE WARFARE, FLORIDA EAST
COAST. PLANES WILL CONDUCT ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROL ENROUTE WITH
STOPS, LANGLEY FIELD AND CHARLESTON. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THESE
AIRCRAFT WILL BE USED CONJUNCTION FOUR, PREP BAKER MIKE NOW
AVAILABLE BANANA RIVER TRANSITIONAL TRAINING.
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TEXT

(CON 24 REPEATED XIXXIXXIXX CCNF, COAC 657 FROM NSHQ)

CINCSA 2954 25TH APRIL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO RECEIVE 99 CASES OF GOLD IN H.M.S. VISCOUNT AT HALIFAX BY BANK OF CANADA FOR UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES. IF H.M.S. VISCOUNT IS NOT PROCEEDING TO HALIFAX REQUEST ONWARD SHIPMENT OF CASES BE MADE TO HALIFAX OR UNITED STATES PORT IN A SUITABLE WARSHIP.

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HALIBUT WILL BE READY FOR INSPECTION 13 MAY. THIS TO HALIBUT AND COMSUBDIV 141 BY HAND.
COAC 1434 38TH. TEAKWOOD HAS BEEN SENT TO MONTREAL TO LOAD A CARGO OF FUEL FOR HALIFAX. WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR A U.S. TANKER TO UNLOAD A CARGO NAVAL FUEL AT HALIFAX. MY 1658 1ST TO COMINCH GIVES THE SITUATION.

39........ACTION

RECORD: COMINCH........37........BAD0........GND........260P........FILE.
COMINCH COMEASTSEAFRON REPEATED OPNAV BAD BARM CINCAWI ADMIRALTY 4 FONF COAC 612 BURNHAM CINCLANT FROM NSHQ

CANCEL MY 1656Z/1ST BRITAMER AND ALAR DELAYED ANTICOST WITH CREW TROUBLE. VANCOLITE BEING HELD NEW YORK TO SAIL WITH BRITAMER AND ALAR. REQUEST COMEASTSEAFRON SAIL BURNHAM AT BEST POSSIBLE SPEED TO NEW YORK TO ESCORT THESE THREE TANKERS AND ARRANGE FOR HER TO REFUEL AT NEW YORK. REFERENCE BAD'S 1723Z/29TH. BRO NEW YORK IS BEING INSTRUCTED TO ROUTE CONVOY TO CARTAGENA VIA CHARLESTON WHERE POLYCASTLE WILL JOIN CONVOY. NSHQ AND CINCAWI WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DIVERSION IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS.

COMINCH DELIVERETO BAD (2)

COPY DELIVERED TO OPNAV CODEROOM

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TEXT

REMOVAL OF CONNING TOWER ARKANSAS NOT APPROVED X INSTALL SECONDARY BATTERY CONTROL STATION IN FOREMAST ACCORDING TO BUSHIPS PLAN X YARD INFORM SHIP X

ORIG: 23....

RECORDED COPY: COMINCH...BUSHIPS...BUORD...12...10/11...

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CON ONE 301658. ANCHOR THORPKINSVILLE. REPORT PORT DIRECTOR ONE SEVEN BATTERY PLACE NEW YORK FOR ROUTING INSTRUCTIONS BEYOND NEW YORK.

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ACTION NSHQ DELIVER TO CNS FROM COMINCH.

YOUR 29222Z/28. I TRUST YOU APPRECIATE THAT REQUESTS FOR PROTECTION FAR BEYOND ABILITY TO SUPPLY ARE BEING RECEIVED FROM MANY SOURCES. ONLY ASSISTANCE IN PROSPECT LIES IN COASTAL CONVOYS WHICH ARE EXPECTED TO START IN ACCORDANCE MY SERIAL Q253 OF 2 APRIL.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM  C.N.S CANADA
RELEASED BY
DATE  APRIL 28 1942
TOR CODEROOM 2056/2048
DECODED BY EDWARD FIELD
PARAPHRASED BY

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COMINCH FROM C.N.S. CANADA.

FOR YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION THE OIL SITUATION AT HALIFAX AND ST JOHNS Nfld HAS BECOME DANGEROUSLY ACUTE AND THERE IS TODAY ONLY 21 DAYS STOCK AT THESE PORTS.

(2) REFERENCE NSHQ 19087/28 INTEND USING "CALDWELL" AS AN EMERGENCY MEASURE ONLY TO ESCORT TWO TANKERS ON CHARTER TO CANADIAN GOVERNMENT FROM PUERTO LA CRUZ AND CARIPITO TO HALIF'X.  (3) REQUEST ANY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE YOU ARE ABLE TO GIVE EITHER IN ASSISTING IN FUTURE ESCORT OF TANKERS OR IN ALLOCATION OF TANKERS TO TRANSPORT CRUDE OIL TO HALIFAX.

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EXPIRED DATE  NOV 12 1973
IN VIEW OF EXTREMELY SERIOUS OIL SITUATION HALIFAX
AND ST JOHNS IT IS PROPOSED BURNHAM SHOULD BE SENT
CARIBBEAN TO CONVOY CANADIAN AND NORWEGIAN
FLAG TANKERS ON CHARTER TO CANADA TO HALIFAX.
(2) BARM IS REQUEST TO CONFIRM THAT BURNHAM WILL
BE READY FOR SERVICE ON THIRD MAY.
(3) FONF IS TO REPORT IF A DELAY APPROXIMATELY
FOURTEEN DAYS COULD BE ACCEPTED IN RETURN BURNHAM
TO MIDOCEAN ESCORT FORCE

COMINCH DELIVER TO BAD (2)

COPY DELIVERED TO OPNAV CODEROOM
REPORT OF AIR ACTIVITY FOR PERIOD ENDING NOON GMT 22 APRIL:
ATTKS BY FRIENDLY PLANES DASH ONE, BY DASH 46 PLANE AT 1929 GMT POSITION 36-20N 75-20W.
ATTACK MADE ON WHITE OBJECT OBSERVED ON SURFACE OF WATER, TWO 1/2 POUND DEMOLITION BOMBS SET FOR ONE TENTH SECOND WERE DROPPED, BOTH DETONATED, NO EFFECT OBSERVED.
MISSIONS RECONNAISSANCE 73, OBSERVATION 91, CAS 73, OTHERWISE NEGATIVE.
INSHORE WEATHER GENERALLY GOOD EXCEPT OVER NEW ENGLAND SECTOR
CAUSING CANCELLATION OF DAWN PATROLS THERE, OFF SHORE FAIR.
NEWFOUNDLAND NEGATIVE EXCEPT FOUR RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS
CEILING ZERO TO 1500 FEET

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FROM: CINTRE
ATTN: SUBASSE NEW LONDON COIN

SPEEDFLIGHT HEADING TOWARDS NEW YORK PRESENT POSITION
RISING 600.

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TWO ATTACKS BY FRIENDLY PLANES ARE INCLUDED IN REPORT 
OF AIR ACTIVITY FOR PERIOD ENDING NOON GMT 21 APRIL: 
ONE ON OBJECT THOUGHT TO BE ENEMY SUB BY 0-46 PLANE 
AT 1345 GMT AT 35-28 NORTH 75-17 WEST WITH TWO DASH 
100 POUND BOMBS, ONE TENTH SECOND FUZE, BOTH DETONATING. 
THIS TARGET PROVED TO BE TOW TARGET WHEN BLOWN TO SURFACE. 
OTHER ATTACK MADE AT 1453 GMT BY S-25 WITH TWO 
DEPTH CHARGES, 25 FEET FUZE SETTING ON SMOKE FLARE DROPPED 
BY NAVY BLIMP AT 38-29 NORTH 74-30 WEST, RESULTS NEGATIVE. 
MISSIONS RECONNAISSANCE 70 OBSERVATIONS 93 CIVILIAN 81. 
REST NEGATIVE WEATHER CONDITIONS GENERALLY GOOD SLIGHT 
HAZE OFF MITCHELL FIELD, LIGHT RAIN INSHORE OFF NEW 
ENGLAND, OFFSHORE FROM WILMINGTON TO JACKSONVILLE CONDITIONS 
POOR, VISIBILITY THREE MILES TO UNLIMITED, NEWFOUNDLAND 
REPORT LATER. (S) DRUM
FROM: RDO NEW YORK
ACTION: RDO NEW LONDON

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SPECIALIST ASSISTANT REQUESTED TO BE SENT ARGENTIA CTF 24 19J313.

PLEASE ARRANGE, OCNNAV PROVIDE AER TRANSPORTATION.

ACTION: BUNAV

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CIN CJ CMNCH
RELEASED BY: ADM KING
DATE: 19 APRIL 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 4736/4727
DECODED BY: TIER/ CANNING

THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMY AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF US FLEET HAVE AGREED ON THE FOLLOWING PLAN UNDER WHICH UNITY OF COMMAND WILL BE EXERCISED AS TO DEFENSE COMMANDS, COASTAL FRONTIERS, AND SEA FRONTIERS OF THE ATLANTIC, GULF AND PACIFIC COASTS:

(A) THE CHIEF OF STAFF AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF MAY JOINTLY DECLARE THE EXISTENCE IN SEA FRONTIER AND DEFENSE COMMANDS, OF EITHER A "STATE OF NON-INFRINGEMENT", OR A "STATE OF FLEET OPPOSED INVASION", OR A "STATE OF ARMY OPPOSED INVASION".

(B) WHEN A STATE OF NON-INFRINGEMENT IS DECLARED UNITY OF COMMAND WILL BE EXERCISED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE JOINT DESCRIPT OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF MARCH TWENTYFIFTH.

(C) WHEN A STATE OF FLEET OPPOSED INVASION IS DECLARED, UNITY OF COMMAND IS VESTED IN THE NAVY, AS REGARDS...
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**TEXT**

Fleet forces and sea frontier forces, excluding naval local defense forces, with sea frontier forces continuing in status of unity of command for operations over the sea against enemy sea-borne activities as under a state of non-invasion; unity of command is vested in the Army over all naval local defense forces and over all Army forces, except air units allocated by Defense Commanders to sea frontiers for operations over the sea.

When a state of Army opposed invasion is declared, unity of command is vested in the Army over all Army forces, sea frontier forces, and naval local defense forces.

Unity of command in all cases will be exercised in accordance with paragraph 19 of Joint Action of the Army and Navy 1935. Existing Instructions and

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AGREEMENTS IN CONFLICT WITH THE ABOVE ARE CANCELLED.
PARA. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE PLAN, A "STATE OF NON-INVASION" IS HEREBY DECLARED.

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SUBSTITUTE FOR MY 162129 FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS WHICH APPLY ONLY TO US FLAG AND US OWNED AND CONTROLLED FOREIGN FLAG COMMERCIAL TANKERS. MOVEMENTS STOPPED ARE BETWEEN GULF OR CARIBBEAN AND US ATLANTIC COAST INCLUDING CANADA, FROM GULF OR CARIBBEAN TO EAST COAST SOUTH AMERICA. MOVEMENTS PERMITTED ARE TANKERS ALLOCATED TO OR CARRYING CARGOES FOR ARMY AND NAVY THOSE WITHIN LIMITS GULF OR CARIBBEAN VOYAGES TO PACIFIC INCLUDING WEST COASTS CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA SHIPS ENGAGED IN MOLASSES TRADE AS FAR NORTH AS PORT EVERGLADES FLORIDA BARGE MOVEMENTS TO MIAMI RELATIVELY SHORT HAULS BY COASTAL TANKERS ANY AREA, ALSO RELEASED TO ORIGINAL DESTINATIONS ARE LOADED TANKERS HELD ON ATLANTIC SEABOARD AND THOSE IN BALLAST HELD IMPORTS THAT COAST WHICH WISH PROCEED TO PLACES WHERE REPAIRS CAN BE MADE.

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IN ORDER REACH DECISION AS TO CANADIAN STATION COMPLEMENT, CANADIAN AIR STAFF HAS REQUESTED INFORMATION OUR PLANS FOR USE SHORE FACILITIES SHELBURNE BY PATROL PLANES X YOUR COMMENT DESIRED Bearing IN MIND DESIRABILITY AVOIDING POSSIBLE MISUNDERSTANDING IN CANADA AS TO COMMITMENTS TO OCCUPY FACILITIES.

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NAVIY DEPARTMENT

FROM: OPNAV
RELEASED BY: RADIO WETCALF
DATE: 17 APRIL 1942

TO: COMGULF SEAFRON
PORT-DIRECTOR PORT ARTHUR
PORT-DIRECTOR GALVESTON

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PARAPHRASED BY SHEPARD

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FULTON
1717/4 NCR 54/3

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DOES NOT APPLY TO COMERCIAL TANKERS OPERATING BETWEEN POINTS IN GULF OF MEXICO BY US 102128

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COMMERCIAL OIL TANKERS FOR GULF CARIBBEAN AND US ATLANTIC PORTS SHALL BE HELD IN PORT PENDING FURTHER ORDERS. X WGLASSES TANKER TRAFFIC PERMITTED IN GULF PORTS BUT NOT NORTH OF PORT EVERGLADES, FLORIDA. X FOREGOING NOT TO APPLY TO TANKERS ALLOCATED TO US NAVAL SERVICE.

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181930, April.

From: OPNAV

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SUBJECT: Cabo De Buena Esperanza departed

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C.R. # 5784

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THE FOLLOWING AS TRAWLERS DEPARTED NEW YORK AT 1200Q FOR DUTY COM 5 HMS STELLA POLARIS SENIOR SHIP, BEDFORDSHIRE LADY ELSA COVENTRY CITY LINGPTON CEYLONITE X HMS NORTHERN DAWN WILL ACCOMPANY UNTIL OFF CHESAPEAKE AND THEN PROCEED REPORT COM SIX X AS SWEEP OFF COASTAL LANE ENROUTE X GROUP GUARDING 500 AND 2716 KCS X SPEED NINE

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UNIT 83 WANDANK EXPECTED TO ARRIVE AT NEW PORT MORNING 15TH APRIL 1942. NOB NEWPORT REQUESTED TO MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE WANDANK TO TOW THE CAPELLA TO NAVY YARD NEW YORK ASISTED BY COMMERCIAL TUGS TO BE PROCURED IN NARRAGANSETT BAY AREA. NAVY YARD NEW YORK IS REQUESTED TO:

1. SEND YARD PILOT TO REPORT TO NOB NEWPORT BY 1800 15TH APRIL 1942 THEN TO PROCEED WITH CAPELLA TO NEW YORK.

2. HAVE 2 NAVY YARD TUGS WITH HELL GATE PILOT MEET THE CAPELLA 2 MILES EASTWARD OF EXECUTION ROCKS. NOB NEWPORT ARRANGE FOR SURFACE AND AIR COVERAGE FROM NEWPORT TO LONG ISLAND SOUND.

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EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE BEST POSSIBLE DEFENSE INITIATIVES DURING NEXT FEW MONTHS CONCENTRATING UNITS THERE WHEN NOT OTHERWISE NEEDED X KUNGNAIT BAY TOO REMOTE WHEN ONLY ONE VESSEL AVAILABLE X WHERE PRACTICABLE INCREASE SHORE SENTRIES AND MACHINE GUNS
SACAMORE WITH YR34 DEPARTED GRAVESEND BAY FOR NORFOLK VIA INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM COM SIX

RELEASED BY

DATE 11 APRIL 1942

FOR CODEROOM 0635/0609

DECODED PORTER/PORTER

PARAPHRASED BY

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110537 CCR 8750

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TEXT

KEEP CLEAR OF AREA BETWEEN SAVANNAH AND SAINT AUGUSTINE UNTIL DAYLIGHT ELEVENTH APRIL FROM COMDT SIXTH NAVAL DISTRICT XX

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DUE TO PRESENT CRITICAL SUBMARINE SITUATION AND NECESSITY OF ESCORTING MERCHANT SHIPPING FROM LOOKOUT TO CHESAPEAKE STRONGLY URGANCE AND RECOMMEND THAT AN ADDITIONAL DIVISION OF DESTROYERS BE ASSIGNED THIS COMMAND IMMEDIATELY.
DESTROYER SITUATION AT PRESENT HERBERT AND NOA ON STATION DICKERSON WITH TASKFORCE 38 UNTIL ELEVENTH APRIL.
ROPER BOILER REPAIRS UNTIL THIRTEENTH APRIL.

answer by cominch was "no" - could not be spared from other equally important tasks.

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URGENT

FROM: RDO NY, NY
TO: RDO NEW LONDON

STAND BY TO REPEL AIR ATTACK. UNIDENTIFIED PLANE OR PLANES
VICINITY FREEPORT HEADING WEST COMING OUT OF THE EAST.

TOD 1957 GC 7 APR
R INI
(464130)

Comm'n Info
10/4 38 20 19 16 39 ord02

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URGENT

FROM: RADIO NEW YORK
TO: RADIO NEW LONDON, CONN

ALL CLEAR 0733 Q

TOD 1138 M APR 7

Commence Act

10/11 38 20 19 16 39 0 P D O
NAVY MESSAGE

FROM: HALIFAX-CO ATLANTIC COAST (CCG)
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 7 APRIL 1942
TOR CODE: 872032
DECODED BY: OLSON/ORMOND
PARAPHRASING BY: HUTCHINSON

ADDRESS TO: Contasur 437
OPNAV
CINCLANT

INFORMATION FOR ACTION

PRECEDENCE

PP
PRIORITY

ROUTINE

Deferred

ROUTE DU TEL NON SATISFACTORY.
Routed-Fulton

062020z NCR 5257

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TEXT

CINCLANT REPEATED COMINCH OPNAV CTF 37 CTF 24 FROM

CCAG.

YOUR 1345Z 29TH. REFERENCE H O CHART NUMBER 25.34.

AREA NORTH AND SOUTH OF GEORGE ISLAND WILL BE KEPT CLEAR FOR

ANCHORAGE.

DESTROYERS FUEL AT IMPERIAL OIL WHARVES NUMBER 3 AND 4, 2 ABREAST

AT EACH WHARF SECOND 4 FUEL ON COMPLETION FIRST 4.

PILOTS AVAILABLE CHEBUCTO HEAD AND WILL BOARD SHIP FLYING G FLAGS.

PRATIQUE GRANTED.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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TEXT

COMINCH, CINCLANT, FURIOUS (R) CINCA, FOCNA, CINCAB, KEPRE, LEAMINGTON, VOLUNTEER FROM ADMIRALTY.

OPNAV PLEASE PASS TO COMINCH AND CINCLANT.

CINCLANT'S 1715/5. BRITISH DESTROYERS WILL MEET FURIOUS AS ARRANGED IN MY 1856/27* (NOT TO ALL ADDRESSEES) IN POSITION 46°32' N 35°02' W.

SPEED OF ONWARD PASSAGE MUST BE BUMPED TO ACCOUNT DESTROYERS FUEL SITUATION. FURIOUS IS TO SIGNAL EXPECTED TIME OF ARRIVAL AT R/V IN ORDER THAT DESTROYERS MAY ADJUST TIME OF DEPARTURE FROM PONTA DEL GARDA. CINCA IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH ONWARD ROUTE TO CLYDE.

* NOT IN NCR FILES.

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FIRST SEA LORD REGrets UNFORTUNATE WORDING OF ADMIRALTY DESPATCH. YOUR Ø51435. STATED HIS UNDERSTANDING IS THAT YOU DESIRE SUITABLE VESSELS TO INCREASE ANTI-SUBMARINE EFFORT ON ATLANTIC COAST AND HE DESIRES TO HELP IN ANY PRACTICAL MANNER.
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ADIRALTY §41326. THE FOLLOWING TRAILERS HAVE NOT YET REPORTED AT NEW YORK: PENTLAND FIRTH, SAINT LOMAN, ARCTIC EXPLORERER, NORTHERN PRINCESS. NO FURTHER NEWS IN REGARD TO THE LAST NAMED. SAINT LOMAN EXPECTED ARRIVE SHORTLY.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CINC AWI

RELEASED BY

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TOR CODE Grupo 1911 /

DECODED BY / BUSH

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TEXT

MY 1252P/5TH.

HMS FURIOUS ESCORTED BY US DESTROYER GREER AND US DESTROYER TARBECK LEFT BERMUDA 0930P/6TH APRIL Routed IN ACCORDANCE WITH COM EASTERN SEA FRONTIER 1609 4TH.

SPEED OF ADVANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH MY 0942P/6TH.

BAD PASS TO COMINCH AND CINCLANT.

GROUPS PASSED TO NAVY DEPT FOR CINCLANT

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TEXT

MY 1252P 5TH AND C. IN C. U.S. FLEET 21/4 5TH.
PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS FROM ADMIRALTY REGARDING
R/V YOU SHOULD ADJUST SPEED OF ADVANCE SO AS TO
CONSERVE DESTROYERS FUEL AS FAR AS PRACTICABLE.
BAD PASS TO COMINCH AND CINCLANT.
GROUPS PASSED TO NAVY DEPT FOR CINCLANT
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ONE B DASH TWO FIVE ATTACKED AT ONE TWO THREE FIVE GMT ON MAST OF SUNKED VESSEL THOUGHT TO BE PERISCOPE AT THREE FOUR FOUR FIVE DASH SEVEN SIX ONE FIVE WITH TWO CHARGES, FIVE NOTH FUSE SETTING NO EFFECT OBSERVED PERIOD MISSIONS RECONNAISSANCES SIX FIVE OBSERVATION SIX NINE CIVIDIAN FOUR FIVE OTHERWISE NEGATIVE WEATHER NEW ENGLAND LATE MISSIONS CANCELLED DUE TO FOG AND Icing CONDITIONS, NEW YORK DASH PHILADELPHIA INSHORE FLYING CONDITIONS GOOD OFF SHORE POOR CMA CHESAPEAKE UP BAY AND SOUTH GOODAR

(S) DRUM
REFERENCE COMINCH DESPATCH Ø3215 Ø CONTACT LOST AFTER
TEN HOURS X PLANE BOMBED AND KILLED LARGE WHALE IN
VICINITY X HAMILTON REMAINED AT SCENE THIRTY ONE HOURS X
REPORTED RESULTS NEGATIVE X BELIEVE NO SUBMARINE PRESENT
INCOMING MESSAGE

From: BBC
To: Milid

No. 50, March 31st.

Wind poor Visibility thirtieth date patrol cancelled.

Strong WVDH

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REL BY: WE LIBBY
MARCH 25 1942
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CANNING / BUSH

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COMEASTERN, GULF,
WESTERN, NORTHWESTERN
SEAFRON, COM NORTHEAST,
SOUTHERN, WESTERN DEFENS COMMAND

INFO:
OPNAV

251745 CCR 1119

PENDING THE REACHING OF AGREEMENTS AS TO THE TERMS UNDER
WHICH UNITY OF COMMAND WILL BE EXERCISED AS TO DEFENSE COM-
MANDS COASTAL FRONTIERS AND SEA FRONTIERS AND AS AN IN-
TEGRAL PART THEREOF UNITY OF COMMAND AS SET FORTH IN PARA
NINE BAKER PAREN TWO PAREN AND PARA TEN OF JOINT ACTION OF THE
ARMY AND NAVY NINETEEN THIRTYBIVE S HEREBY VESTED IN SEA FRONT
COMMANDERS OVER ALL NAVAL FORCES DULL ALLOCATED THERETO AND
OVER ALL ARMY AIR UNITS ALLOCATED BY DEFENSE COMMANDERS FOR
OPERATIONS OVER THE SEA FOR THE PROTECTION OF SHIPPING AND
FOR ANTISUBMARINE AND OTHER OPERATIONS AGAINST ENEMY (CONT. P 2)

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SEABORNE ACTIVITIES PARA DEFENSE COMMANDERS WILL ALLOCATE ARMY AIR UNITS ON FULL TIME BASIS BUT MAY ROTATE THEM IS NOT LESS THAN TWO WEEK PERIODS AS REQUISITE FOR ESSENTIAL TRAINING.

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DOD DIR. 5200.9 (9/27/88)
INTEGRATION OF FLEET AND BUNAV SCHOOLS HAMPTON ROADS AREA FOR COORDINATION UNDER SINGLE BUNAV COGNIZANCE CONSIDERED TO OFFER CERTAIN ADVANTAGES AND UNDER CONSIDERATION X REASONS AFFIRM INCREASING IMPRACTABILITY FURNISHING LARGE SCHOOL QUOTAS FLEET PERSONNEL BAKER PRINCIPAL SOURCE PERSONNEL COMMON TO ALL SCHOOLS NOW SELECTED RECRUITS X ANY SOLUTION ARRIVED AT TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE QUOTAS FOR LANT FLEET PERSONNEL ON FLEXIBLE BASIS AS MAY BE REQUIRED TOGETHER WITH CONTROL OF REASSIGNMENT AFTER COMPLETION X COURSES OF SUCH MEN BY COMSEVICE FOR LANT X PARA CONFERENCE RELATIVE FOREGOING TO BE HELD THIS HEADQUARTERS ON FRIDAY TWENTYSEVEN MARCH AND CONSIDERED DESIRABLE YOUR AND INFO ADEES REPRESENTATIVES ATTEND XX

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DATE 21 MARCH 1942

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REF URDIS §91527. SUBJECT TO SATISFACTORY TRIALS ON MARCH 25 NYBOS EXPECTS COMPLETION AND READINESS TO SEA AMERICAN LEGION 24% MAR 27 AMERICAN LEGION BY HAND.

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MAILGRAM
3/28/42
FROM: SUPSHIPS USN KEARNY, NJ
ACTION: BUSHIPS
INFO: COMDT NYNYK...SUPSHIPS USN NEW YORK

U.S.S. BUCHANAN DELIVERED TO COMMANDANT NAVY YARD, NEW YORK

COMINCH ACTION 38
10/11 Ø5 BUSHIPS 23 3Ø BUNAV 39 ØØA Ø1A
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TOR211922MARMC
(PASSED BY EASTSEAFRON TO COMINCH FOR ACTION AND COM 5 FOR INFO)

REFERENCE COMINCH Ø7175% CINCLANT Ø91451 NAS BANANA RIVER 192915. CONDUCT SEARCH FOR TRIANA BETWEEN LATITUDES JACKSONVILLE AND SAVANNAH 15° MILES TO SEAWARD BEGINNING DAYLIGHT MARCH 29. IF LOCATED DIRECT REFERENCED VESSEL INTO NEAREST PORT. OBTAIN DESCRIPTION THIS SHIP FROM BANANA RIVER.
YOUR 051719 MAR X VESSEL RESEMBLING TRIAN S SIGHTED 29-30 N 
80-46 W COURSE 34° SPEED 12 12000/19 X A/C SEARCH BEGINNING 
DAYLIGHT 23 MAR BETWEEN LATITUDES 36-15/32-35 N 150 MILES 
SEAWARD FROM US COAST
SPANISH VESSEL PROBABLY TRIANA LEFT CADIZ 22 MD FEBRUARY BELIEVED BOUND FOR USA PAINTED GREY.

(2) ABOVE 600 TONS, TWO MASTS CARGO, EIGHTEEN, PORTUGUESE, 12, SPANIARDS AND 15 PASSENGERS OF WHOM SEVEN ARE SUSPECTED GERMAN AGENTS WITH SPANISH PASSPORTS. CARGO ALLEGED COTTON BUT BALEX MAY CONTAIN ARMAMNET AND/OR WIRELESS SETS. OBJECT OF TRIP MAYBE SABOTAGE.
MEMORANDUM for Captain John L. McCrea,
Naval Aide to the President.


1. Mr. Hoover's letter of February 25, 1942, to General Watson concerned a delay in acting on a report by pilot of Eastern Air Lines that he had observed two ships about ten miles apart, one proceeding North and the other South, and a submarine located about midway between them, approximately ten miles off Fort Pierce, Florida.

2. Investigation shows that the Eastern Air Lines ground radio in Miami advised the Miami Army Information Center by telephone; 18 minutes thereafter the municipal airport at Miami reported that bombers were taking off now to investigate reports by Eastern Air Lines pilot; 27 minutes after Eastern Air Lines at Miami had telephoned the Miami Army Information Center, this information had been put in the hands of the Commandant, Seventh Naval District, Key West, who had evaluated the above report, and who had sent to Task Forces afloat and to the Naval Air Station, Banana River, the substance thereof. Upon receipt of this message, the Task Forces addressed immediately took up the search for the enemy submarine.

3. It is true that the pilot was interviewed upon his arrival in Charleston, but the actions described above preceded this interview.

cc: Admiral Stark
Admiral King

T. S. Wilkinson

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Major General Edwin M. Watson  
Secretary to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear General Watson:

I thought the President and you would be interested to know that information has been received from a reliable source that on February 22, 1942, a pilot of the Eastern Airlines, flying north from Miami, radioed the Office of Naval Intelligence at Miami, while ten miles off Fort Pierce, Florida, that he had just observed two ships about ten miles apart, one proceeding north and the other south, and a submarine located about midway between them.

It is reported that instead of sending a bombing plane or help by water, the Office of Naval Intelligence at Miami wired a Naval Intelligence officer at Charleston, South Carolina, and requested that he interview the Eastern Airlines pilot upon his arrival at the Charleston airport to get further information concerning this report, in order that the Navy at Miami might then take appropriate action.

The Eastern Airlines pilot was interviewed, but was unable to give any additional information than that furnished in his radio message. The Office of Naval Intelligence at Miami was notified of the result of this interview, and it was indicated they were apparently awaiting this call before taking any action to locate the submarine. It was noted a period of several hours had passed in the interim.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
REPORT IMMEDIATELY ALL VESSELS YOUR DISTRICT SUBJECT TO
PURCHASE AND CAPABLE OF CARRYING DEPTH CHARGES AND GUNS
AND CAPABLE OF PARTOLLING AT SEA X APPOINT BOARD TO
APPRAISE VALUE AND ESTIMATE COST AND TIME OF CONVERSION

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PRESENT ATLANTIC ESCORT OF CONVOY ARRANGEMENTS
MAKE NO PROVISION FOR ESCORT OF SHIPPING IN GULF AND RIVER ST. LAWRENCE.

2. IT IS CONSIDERED THAT WITH PRESENT TREND OF U-BOAT SITUATION THIS ADDITIONAL COMMITMENT MUST BE FACED BEFORE THE OPENING OF NAVIGATION WHICH WILL BE ABOUT THE LAST WEEK IN APRIL.

3. WEATHER ENCOUNTERED IN THE GULF MIGHT NECESSITATE ESCORT BY BANGOR CLASS MINESWEEPERS OR ABOVE, OF WHICH NOBE ARE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FROM CANADIAN NAVY.

4. REQUEST YOUR COMMENTS.

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U.S.S. AARON WARD PLACED IN COMMISSION 11/20 THIS DATE LT COMDR ORVILLE F GREGOR ASSUMED COMMAND X THE AARON WARD HAS BEEN INFORMED BY YARD.

TEXT

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REFERENCE YOUR EIGHTEEN THREE FOURTEEN DECEMBER
WHAT VESSELS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR PROTECTION OF
FLEET ANCHORAGE X WHAT MEANS ARE EMPLOYED FOR GUARD
AND EXAMINATION PURPOSES IN APPROACHES TO PORTLAND
HARBOR X WHAT ADDITIONAL VESSELS ARE NEEDED TO PROVIDE
SECURITY OF FLEET ANCHORAGE X WHAT IS PRESENT STATE
DEVELOPMENT OF APPROVED UNDERWATER DEFENSES AND OF
SHORE SEARCHLIGHTS.

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**DATE**

3 MARCH 1942

**(CR 4779)**

**ADDRESS**

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COAC HALIFAX - CINCLANT
BAD WASHINGTON
NHQ OTTAWA

**ORIGINATOR**

**TEXT**

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FOLLOWING ARE SAILINGS OF Trawlers FROM ST JOHN'S FOR NEW YORK:

CAPE WARWICK, SENATEUR DUHAMEL P'EM 1ST MARCH

(A) 46-36 N 53-25 W
(C) 45-10 N 58-00 W

(D) 34-10 N 62-50 W THENCE

DIRECT. ETA NEW YORK 2300R/26TH MARCH.

NORTHERN DAWN P.M. 2ND MARCH

(L) 46-36 N 53-25 W

(M) 45-20 N 57-00 W THENCE

DIRECT. ETA NEW YORK 1830R/6TH MARCH.

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ADmiralty HQ CINC A AND W1 HMS BADGER OPNAV FOWF BAD
SO KINGSTON, JAMAICA FROM SO HALIFAX, N.S.
H.M.S. SEVERN ARRIVED.

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The following received from His Excellency the Governor of Newfoundland quote. I have just returned from visit to the west coast and regret delay.

In acknowledging your messages of February 24th and 25th, I would like to extend to you on behalf of myself and people of Newfoundland very deep sympathy in the recent disaster to two of the United States ships at Saint Lawrence, Newfoundland but I am extremely happy to note that the people of that place were of so much help in rescuing so many men as possible. Your generous message and that of the President of the United States are being communicated to the people of St. Lawrence who I know will greatly appreciate your thanks. I would be grateful if you would convey to the President of the United States my deep sympathy for himself, Comma, the United States Navy and the bereaved relations for their great loss and to thank him for his kind message to the people of St. Lawrence.

Governor Newfoundland

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WASHINGTON ASSIGNED REVISED DATE AVAILABILITY FOR THREE DAYS BEGINNING TWO MARCH FOR DOCKING AND SHIFTING PROPELLERS

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**TEXT:**

ANTICIPATED NORTHBOUND MOVEMENTS TO GREENLAND. INFORM ARMY COMDR GREENLAND AND NEED TO KNOW PORT INTO FFAX NORTHLAND AND NORTH STAR DUE PHONE ON 17 AND 25 MARCH RESPECTIVELY. DORCHESTER UNEESCORTED LAST PART OF VOYAGE DUE PHONE MARCH 8. AZARA AND LARAMIE DUE PHONE ON 17TH ESCORTED BY TAMPA. MOHAWK DUE IVICTUT MARCH 25(NORTHBOUND VOYAGE TEMPORARILY DISCONTINUED TO ESCORT BISGAYA AND JULIUS THOMSEN BASE ROGER TO BOSTON) THE NORTHLAND WITH RARITAN PLANS TO ATTEMPT BREAKOUT BLUEWEST EIGHT FJORD ABOUT MARCH 20 IN HOPES SAFE FOR LARAMIE TO ENTER THERE WITH FUEL. UNITS IN GREENLAND MAY ORDER URGENTLY NEEDED SUPPLIES FROM SCOO FIRST NAVAL DISTRICT IMMEDIATELY.

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FOLLOWING INFORMATION APPEARING TO INDICATE LACK OF SECURITY
AT PHILADELPHIA NAVY YARD RECEIVED FROM CONGRESSMAN PLUMLEY
OF VERMONT X QUOTE STORY IN GENERAL IS THAT STEAM YACHT WAS
TO BE DELIVERED TO PHILADELPHIA YARD ON SUNDAY FEBRUARY TWENTY
FIRST X YACHT ARRIVED AT YARD APPARENTLY UNCHALLENGED AND
MAN HAD DIFFICULTY FINDING ANYONE TO TAKE BOAT X HE EVENTUALLY
WENT ABOARD BATTLESHIP COMMA AS HE STATES COMMA AND FOUND A
JUNIOR LIEUTENANT WHO TOLD HIM TO PUT THE BOAT ANYWHERE
COMMA AND FINALLY TO ANCHOR THE BOAT OUT IN THE STREAM AND
LET THE FIRES DIE OUT WHICH WAS ENTIRELY IMPRACTICAL IN THE
FREEZING WEATHER X UNQUOTE X EXPLANATION REGARDING THIS
INCIDENT REQUESTED

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TEXT

(OORIGINATOR COMBATSHIPSLANT)( BY HAND TO WASHINGTON FOR INFO)

WASHINGTON ASSIGNED RESTRICTED AVAILABILITY NAVY YARD NORFOLK WHEN DOCK IS READY FOR PROPELLER CHANGES. REQUEST YARD EXPEDITE PREPARATION AND DOCKING. ADVISE.

23.....ACT.
10/11.....3B....COMINCH....SHIPS....OPDO....FILE.

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COAC 1323Z 23 AFTER HALF KARS SALVAGED AND TOWED INTO HALIFAX 25TH FEB.
SPECIAL HIGH FREQUENCY MONITORING STATION ESTABLISHED AT ATLANTIC CITY REPORTS FOLLOWING INTERCEPTED ON 65 MEGACYCLES BETWEEN 1200 AND 1300 SIGNALS S2 TO S4 FIRST CODE SWITCHING TO VOICE USING CALL SIGN DFJ APPARENTLY IN COMMUNICATION WITH ANOTHER UNHEARD STATION. ON VOICE PLAIN LANGUAGE GERMAN WAS USED INTERSPERSED WITH ENGLISH. CONVERSATION REFERRED TO QUOTE POINT MAY DASH JA DAS IST GUT DASH KORRECT DASH DOLLARS UNQUOTE. CONSIDERED ABOVE STATION WITHIN RADIUS 20 TO 25 MILES ATLANTIC CITY CONSIDERING FREQUENCY AND HEIGHT OF RECEIVING POSITION. CONTINUING MONITORING ALSO EFFORTS TO TAKE HIGH FREQUENCY DIRECTION FINDER BEARINGS.
YOUR 261930 AVAILABILITY NASHVILLE ORIGINATOR AND VINCENNES AT NYBOS TERMINATES ZERO HOURS 1 MARCH WITH USUAL LAST MINUTE ITEMS WHICH MAY NARROWLY FAIL OF COMPLETION. SOME OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE INCLUDING RADARS. CAN REACH NEW YORK BEFORE MIDNIGHT 1 MARCH IF NECESSARY BUT AUTHORITY TO DELAY ARRIVAL UNTIL 0800 2 MARCH WOULD PERMIT REMAINING NYBOS UNTIL NOON 1 MARCH WITH GREAT ADVANTAGE IN ULTIMATE FIGHTING EFFICIENCY BOTH SHIPS. ADVISE. INFORMATION ALSO DESIRED WHETHER DESTROYER ESCORT WILL BE PROVIDED BETWEEN NEW YORK AND BOSTON. TO VINCENNES BY HAND.
SUBMARINE ACTIVITY SOUTH OF LONG ISLAND OFF THE JERSEY COAST AND WIMBLE SHOALS ADANT. SHIPS IN THESE AREAS SHOULD MAKE RAIN PORT BEFORE DARK AND RESUME VOYAGE AT DAYLIGHT RESUMING.

BELIEVED BY NCR TO BE "AND SHIPS" OR "URGENT"

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N C. SCHULTHEISS

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YOUR 251312 DUKE OF WINDSOR PLANS TO ARRIVE MIAMI 1300 FRIDAY. COM 7 WILL MEET HIM FOR CONFERENCE. AN INFORMED GENERAL DRUM EXPECTED TO BE IN MIAMI SAME DAY.

13.....ACTION ...OPDO.....16/11...16.....36.....COMMON....FILE

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DUKE OF WINDSOR ARRIVING MIAMI PROBABLY TODAY WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 25TH CONFIRMS WITH YOU RELATIVE PATROL OF BAHAMAS X HE CONSIDERS POSSIBLE THAT SUBMARINES ARE OPERATING FROM THERE
**NAVAL MESSAGE**

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**DATE** 25 FEB 1942

**TO** COCCHI 0813/0717

**DECODER** PORTER

**PARA-PHRASED BY** EODSHEAN

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

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TANKER, OBSERVED BY BANANA RIVER PLANES ACTING SUSPICIOUSLY MONDAY AND TUESDAY, UNABLE TO INVESTIGATE BY SURFACE CRAFT. DESCRIPTION ABOUT EIGHT THOUSAND TONS, SMOOTH DARK GRAY PAINT, LOW IN WATER, FLUSHDECK, DISPLAYED HAND BOARD FROM BRIDGE NAME KATY FRESH GOLD PAINT, THREE C-STEM MASTS, STERN ONE SHORT, ONE STUBBY SINGLE STACK, STERN CUN. SPEED NINE, HEADED NORTHEASTERLY FROM MATANILLA SHOAL POSITION 8400/24 LAT 28-30, LONG 77-30.

F-11 ACT

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DEC 12 1972
35 menhaden fishing vessels registered in this district expected to be available on voluntary basis during summer fishing season. X boats at present laid up stop as shipping lane is close ashore and as small fishing vessels have already contacted enemy submarines but were not equipped or organized to give alarm. It is proposed to utilize about 100 of these boats for this service. Stop possibility of utilizing New England trawlers and druggers now operating in this district being investigated. Stop progress reports will be made X Urdis 182215.
CIMARRON TO BE FULLY READY FOR EXTENDED SERVICE MARCH FIRST. COMINCH PASS TO CINCINNATI IN WASHINGTON. BY 21 FEB 1942.

ARRANGE NAVY YARD AVAILABILITY AS NECESSARY. COMINCH WILL ESCORT TO PORT DESIGNATED BY YOU NOW SOUTH OF BASE HYPO. (Norfolk)

NORFOLK.

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RECENT OPERATIONS NORTHWESTWARD KEY WEST INDICATE DEPTHS VICINITY TEN FATHOM CURVE MAY BE FOUR FATHOMS LESS THAN CHARTED PROBABLY DUE CORAL HEADS X ADVISE QUEEN MARY

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6 SURVIVORS OF SS BLINK NORWEGIAN FREIGHTER TORPEDOED 2050 SHIPS TIME FEB 11TH 1942 AT 35-00 NORTHERN 72-27 WEST LANDED AT BALTIMORE TODAY AFTER BEING PICKED UP 1455 SHIPS TIME 14 FEBRUARY 1942 BY SS MONROE AT 33-34 NORTH AND 71-41 WEST. FULL REPORT FOLLOWS.
REQUEST IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE BE SENT TO HM SUBMARINE "RECENT" WHOSE SPEED IS REDUCED TO 3 KNOTS Owing TO PROPELLOR TROUBLE. POSIT AT 1644P/12 WAS 34-30 N, 71-12 W PROCEEDING TOWARDS POSITION 38-19 NORTH. TOWAGE MAY BE REQUIRED.

ACTION: COMINCH....

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