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NAVAL MESSAGE

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	CTF 24 <i>(Van Allen Bristol)</i>	CINCLANT	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE RRR DEFERRED
DATE	7 APRIL 1942	COMINCH	PRIORITY
TOR CODEROOM	1047/1025		ROUTINE RRR DEFERRED
DECODED BY	TIERO/TIERB		
PARAPHRASED BY			

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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TEXT

*Bristol
cc.*

COMINCH 2006/03 DORCHESTER IS NOW QUARANTINED FOR MEASLES. STILL HAS CIVILIAN PERSONNEL AND SUPPLIES ON BOARD FOR BLUE WEST ONE. DEPARTURE DATE FROM GREENLAND INDEFINITE.

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RELEASED BY _____		COMTASKFORCE 24	ROUTINE RRRRRR DEFERRED
DATE <u>7 APRIL 1942</u>		COMTASKGROUP 24.3	
TOR CODEROOM <u>0249/0110</u>	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY <u>EDWARDS/SMITH</u>			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY _____			DEFERRED

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TEXT

PRESENT PATROL PLANE SITUATION ICELAND AS FOLLOWS

(A) US NAVY FOUR CATALINAS; RAF EIGHT WHITLEYS, FIFTEEN HUDSONS; NORWEGIANS TWELVE NORTHRUP SEAPLANES FOR INSHORE WORK. WHITLEYS DUE TO INCREASING UNRELIABILITY RESTRICTED TO 100 MILE RADIUS

(B) IN ADDITION TO AIR COVERAGE REQUIRED FOR CONVOYS DAILY PATROL OVER APPROACHES FLEET BASE IS MADE, FREQUENT ICE PATROL DENMARK STRAIT TO GREENLAND, RECONNAISSANCE PATROL REQUIRED BY FREQUENT REPORTS OF ENEMY SURFACE CRAFT AND SUBMARINES

(C) AS OF THIS DATE INCREASE OF RAF PLANES ^{IN ICELAND} /NOT CONTEMPLATED, DATE UNCERTAIN ARRIVAL LIGHT AND MEDIUM BOMBERS AND MEDIUM AND LONG RANGE RECONNAISSANCE PLANES REQUESTED BY US ARMY ICELAND

(D) IN ORDER PROVIDE ADEQUATE AIR COVERAGE INCREASED SHIPPING TO ICELAND AND RUSSIA URGENTLY RECOMMEND IMMEDIATE

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DECODED BY _____			ROUTINE
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TEXT

EIGHT

DISPATCH ICELAND REMAINING/PLANES VP 73 AND UPON COM-
 PLETION ADDITIONAL CAMP FACILITIES ABOUT JUNE ONE RE-
 QUEST ADDITIONAL VP SEAPLANE SQUADRON WITH NEW AVP.
 SEAPLANES CAN BE OPERATED EFFICIENTLY BETWEEN ONE MAY
 AND ONE NOVEMBER

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FROM: <u>NDB ICELAND</u>	FOR ACTION	OPNAV UNCLAS	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY: _____			ROUTINE
DATE: <u>1 APRIL 1942</u>	INFORMATION	CINCLANT BUNAV	DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM: <u>312300</u>			PRIORITY
DECODED BY: <u>WOTTLA</u>			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY: <u>LELAND</u>			DEFERRED

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ROUTED BY FULTON

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TEXT

OPNAV 282030 AND 301050.
 FUNCTIONS OF OFFICES PORT DIRECTOR, NAVAL SHIPPING CONTROL AND WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION ARE INTIMATELY INTERWOVEN. BRITISH PERFORM SIMILAR FUNCTIONS UNDER OFFICE TITLES SEA TRANSPORT, MINISTRY WAR TRANSPORT, NAVAL CONTROL SERVICE, EXAMINATION AND PERMIT. ~~BRITISH~~ ICELAND SET UP CASE GIVEN IN ANNEXES OF COMDESDIVS 13 REPORT DATED APRIL 29, 1941. WITH INCREASES IN SHIPPING TO AND PASSING THROUGH ICELAND ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL IS REQUIRED TO EXERCISE CONTROL IN ACCORDANCE 1ST REFERENCE. CONCERNING 2ND REFERENCE PORT DIRECTOR ICELAND CAPTAIN BOYD R ALEXANDER USN NOMINATED AS WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATOR. ~~PROPOSE~~ PROPOSE SETTING UP 4 SECTIONS UNDER PORT DIRECTOR (A) NAVAL SHIPPING CONTROL: 1 LIEUT COMDR USNR AND 1 LIEUT USNR, (B) PORT OFFICE: 1 LIEUT COMDR USCG, 2 LIEUTS IM USNR FOR PILOTS, 1 BOARDING OFFICER, 1 MAIL B OFFICER, 1 CARGO OFFICER, 2 OFFICER DISPATCHERS AND 2 WAREHOUSE OFFICERS, (C) WAR SHIPPING: 1 LIEUT COMDR USNR AS ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT,

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TOR CODEROOM _____			PRIORITY
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(D) EXAMINATION AND PERMIT SERVICE: 1 LIEUT AND 2 JUNIOR OFFICERS USNR. THE ABOVE ORGANIZATION IN SEPARATE OFFICE FROM NOB1 HEADQUARTERS AND ESCORT CONTROL ICELAND. ALL PERSONNEL FOR PORT OFFICE HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED, PERSONNEL REQUIRED ADDITIONAL TO PREVIOUS REQUESTS 2 LIEUT COMDRS, 2 LIEUTS, 2 JUNIOR OFFICERS ALL USNR OR USN RETIRED.

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FROM	NOB ICELAND	OPNAV	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE	30 MARCH 42		DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM	1858/30	CINCLANT	PRIORITY
DECODED BY	FLYNN		ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY	GLTUCKER		DEFERRED

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LT. KELLY

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TEXT

MY SECRET SERIAL 006 OF JANUARY 20TH PARAGRAPH 4, WHEN WILL
REPLACEMENT OF STRATFORD BE EFFECTED. THIS REQUIRED DUE EARLY
STATIONING U.S. FORCES ON NORTH AND EAST COASTS ICELAND.
THE ABOVE IS MY 291044.

CONST GUARD CUTTER -

38.....ACT.

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FROM <u>COMGREPAT</u>	FOR ACTION	CTF 24 <i>SECRET</i> <i>OPNAV</i>	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY _____			DEFERRED
DATE <u>14 MARCH 1942</u>	INFORMATION	CINCLANT COMINCH	PRIORITY
TOR CODEROOM <u>0225/0018</u>			DEFERRED
DECODED BY <u>SLADE/SLADE</u>			
PARAPHRASED BY _____			

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TEXT GREGOVT OFFICIALS AT NEW YORK X AMCONSUL TO GREENLAND NOW IN STATES AND COMGREPAT PLANNING TRANSPORTATION ANNUAL SUPPLIES TO NORTHEAST GREENLAND GOVT STATIONS ESKIMONAES AND ELLA ISLAND BY ICE PROTECTED UNITS GREPAT X RECOMMEND HOWEVER THAT ANNUAL SUPPLIES FOR SCORESBYLAND AND ANGMAGSSALIK (ONLY REMAINING SETTLEMENTS IN EAST GREENLAND) BE TRANSPORTED IN ONE VOYAGE BY CARGO STEAMER FROM UNITED STATES CHARTERED BY GREGOVT WITH SPACE RESERVATION FOR ARMY SUPPLIES ANGMAGSSALIK X IF ICE CONDITIONS IN JULY INDICATE BAD SEASON COMGREPAT WILL PROVIDE EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION X EAST GREENLAND STATIONS STOCKED IN GENERAL FOR TWO YEARS X OPTIMAL PERIOD EAST GREENLAND NAVIGATION IS MID AUGUST TO MID SEPT X RECOMMEND ABOVE OPERATIONS THIS SUMMER UNDER NAVAL SUPERVISION AND GREGOVT AND ARMY OFFICIALS BE REFERRED TO COMGREPAT THRU REGULAR CHANNELS FOR COORDINATION OF PLANS

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FROM COMTASKFOR 32		SECNAV OPNAV	PRIORITY RRRRR
RELEASED BY			DEFERRED
DATE 12 MARCH 1942		COM NOB ICELAND	PRIORITY RRRRR
TOR CODEROOM MAR 12/0830			DEFERRED
DECODED BY EDWARDE			
PARAPHRASED BY JERMAN			

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LT WEINSTOCK

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TEXT

Re "Iceland"

TO COMINCH FIRST MARBRIG PROV BY HAND X OPNAV PASS TO COMINCH
 CINCLANT COMMARCORPS X COMNOB! PASS TO IBC X FIRST MARINE
 BRIGADE PROVISIONAL GEN MARSTON COMMANDING RETURNED UNDER
 NAVAL JURISDICTION AT TWELVE HOURS MARCH EIGHT AND EMBARKED
 IN TRANSPORTS OF TASKFORCE THIRTYTWO

COMINCH.....ACTION

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 20P.....FILE.....

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FROM <u>USS MOHAWK</u>	FOR ACTION	COMTASKFOR 24	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY _____			ROUTINE
DATE <u>14 MARCH 1942</u>	INFORMATION	USS BEAR {----?}* OPNAV COMINCH	DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM <u>0049/</u>			PRIORITY
DECODED BY <u>BINKELDEY/BERRY</u>			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY _____			DEFERRED

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SOPA GREENLAND NOW IN MOHAWK AT BASE ONE X ICE REPORT
 TEN MARCH X HEAVY PACK STORIS SIGHTED ^{DEGREES} 59/NORTH 50 DEGREES
 WEST LIGHT PACK STORIS TO FIFTEEN MILES OFF SHORE TO
 60 DEGREES 40 MINUTES NORTH X ARSUKFJORD AND BEXVK ICE
 FREE X NUMEROUS BERGS AND GROWLERS IN WEST GREENLAND
 CURRENTS

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FROM <u>CINCLANT</u>			PRIORITY
RELEASED BY _____		NOB ICELAND	ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE <u>10 MARCH 1942</u>			
TOR CODEROOM <u>0424/0140</u>		COMTASKFORCE 32	PRIORITY
DECODED BY <u>GLUNT/BERRY</u>		COMINCH	ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY _____		COMBATDIV 5 OPNAV	DEFERRED
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		COMBATDIV 6	
		COMCRUDIV 3 COMCRUDIV 7	

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TENATIVE ARRANGEMENTS MEMORANDA USB ONE DATED FEBRUARY FOUR CONCLUDED BY COMMANDER TASK GROUP SEVEN POINT FIVE AND YOUR REPRESENTATIVES AND WHICH I AM INFORMED HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY YOU LIKEWISE MEETS WITH MY APPROVAL X DISTRIBUTION IS BEING MADE TO INFO ADEES OF THIS DESPATCH X SUGGEST FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION THE EMPLOYMENT OF THESE MEMORANDA AS A BASIS FOR COOPERATION AND MUTUAL SUPPORT IN THE EVENT OF COMBINED ACTIONS NOT ONLY IN THE VICINITY OF ICELAND BUT ALSO IN OTHER PARTS OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC X NOB ICELAND DELIVER TO CINC HOME FLEET XX ORIGINATOR CINCLANT

F-1.....ACTION

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FROM <u>COMDT NOB ICELAND</u>	FOR ACTION	CINCLANT	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY _____			ROUTINE ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE <u>6 MARCH 1942</u>	INFORMATION	COMINCH	PRIORITY
TOR CODEROOM <u>0229/2240</u>			ROUTINE DEFERRED
DECODED BY <u>BELL/CLUNT</u>			
PARAPHRASED BY _____			

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TEXT	(Not rec'd)			

YOUR 261405 FEB (A) SITUATION ICELAND NOT CONFUSED BUT COMPLICATED DUE COORDINATION NECESSARY TO PROVIDE FOR REQUIREMENTS AND ACTIVITIES US ARMY, US NAVY, BRITISH ARMY, ROYAL NAVY, RAF INCLUDING NORWEGIANS AND ICELANDIC GOVERNMENT, THE LATTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH US GOVERNMENT POLICY AS DICTATED BY ORIGINAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS (B) ABOVE COORDINATION BY MILITARY FORCES FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH POLICY OF MUTUAL COOPERATION AND PRINCIPLE OF UNITY OF COMMAND TACTICALLY AND THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS WITH ICELANDIC GOVERNMENT WHEN NECESSARY. BRITISH GENERAL COMMANDING IS STILL THE THEATRE COMMANDER OF ICELAND. BRITISH ADMIRAL UNDER CINCPAC COMMANDS NAVAL LOCAL DEFENSE FORCES AND CONTROLS APPROACHES. ICELANDIC GOVERNMENT ISSUES REGULATIONS FOR THE PORT OF REYKJAVIK QUOTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DESIRES OF THE BRITISH NAVAL AUTHORITIES UNQUOTE.

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TOR CODEROOM _____	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
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TEXT

(C) US NAVY HAVING NO LOCAL DEFENSE FORCES EXCEPT ONE PREP YOKE AND ONE AFIRM ROGER SAIL OPERATIONS ARE LIMITED TO SUPPORTING ICELAND DEFENSE, PROVIDE THROUGH COMMANDING OFFICER FOR AIR COVERAGE FOR CONVOYS AND COORDINATE AIR ACTIVITIES. AS CTG 4.6 DIRECT ALL OPERATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH CONVOYS AND ESCORTS TO AND FROM US. PROVIDE COMMUNICATION LINK AND LIAISON BETWEEN US FORCES AND OTHER FORCES ASHORE.

(D) I CONTROL ALL US FLAG SHIPPING CARRYING SUPPLIES FOR US FORCES. US ARMY GETS PRIORITIES FOR UNLOADING AND HAS FULL CHARGE OF ALL HANDLING OF CARGO AND DOCK SPACE. FUELING AND PROVISIONING OF US FORCES DIRECTED BY ME AFTER CONSULTATION WITH US ARMY REGARDING THEIR REQUIREMENTS

(E) INSIDE HARBOR REYKJAVIK UNDER DIRECTION HARBOR COMMITTEE WITH REPRESENTATION AS FOLLOWS ONE ICELANDER ONE US ARMY

ONE US NAVY ONE BRITISH ONE BRITISH SEA TRANSPORT ONE BRITISH WAR TRANSPORT URJOR TRANSPORT 2 BRITISH ARMY 1 BRITISH RAF.

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RELEASED BY			RR
DATE	FEB 14 1942	OPNAV CTF 1 COMDESBANT	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM	1558		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	GILKER		PRIORITY
PARAPHRASED BY	HORD		RR
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TEXT

COLLISION BETWEEN ERICSSON AND SMALL ICELANDIC TRAWLER AT
0215Z/13TH FEBRUARY WHILE ON PATROL OFF REYKJAVIK. NO DAMAGE TO
ERICSSON. TRAWLER SANK WITH PROBABLE LOSS OF ONE MAN. NOB
ICELAND HAS BEEN DIRECTED CONDUCT INQUIRY.

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