Box 41
Map Room
INTERCEPTED 312

X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X

ALL SHIPS FROM CHAIN MAST RADIO

SUBMARINE ATTACK RIGHT OFF HALIFAX LIGHT SHIP

SUB GREYLOUGH 31 32 OUT

DOMINION ACTION

05 10 19 20 20A 20K OG OBR 37

16 0BA 28G 3B HYDRO FWD(1) ONO(2)

OPDD
INTERCEPTED 544

URGENT FC

ALL SHIPS FROM CHATHAM MASS RADIO DT

SSS SSS CLEARED FROM SS GREYLOUCK

[Handwritten notes]

REWRITE FC

CWO(2) OPDO
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**REPORTS THAT SMALL COAST GUARD MOTOR**

**BOAT INVESTIGATING DISTRESS FLARES WAS FIRED UPON BY**

**SUBMARINE SURFACED AT BETHEL SHOAL BUOY X NO DESTRESSED**

**VESSEL WAS LOCATED X TIME WAS 0800 ZED.**
PATROL PLANE REPORTS TWO SHIPS BURNING FIRST POSITION
LAT 25-13 LONG 64-47 SECOND POSITION LAT 26-39
LONG 64-47 X FURTHER DETAILS WHEN AVAILABLE
USAT JACK ATTACKED 2300Z 30TH LAT 17-61 LONG 66-03 TORPEDO MISSED. WAKE CLEARLY VISIBLE. ARMED GUARD AND PLANE COVERAGE DURING NIGHT PREVENTED FURTHER ATTACK. FOUR SHOTS FOUR INCH FIRED AT PERISCOPE.

DISTRIBUTION:
COMINCH...ACTION
12/11...RRRR 37...16...20G...23...39...BAD...QQ...PIA...
20P...FILE...

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URGENT FC

SUBMARINE SIGHTED FROM SS ALCOA LEADER

POSITION 48 38 N 72 48 W AT 1350 GMT ALCOA LEADER TORPEDOED

COMINCH ACTION

25 1P 19 20 28A 28K 69 1MK 08 NOV 37
16 B/A 21G 38 01A HYDRO FWD(1)
\CHW0(2)

1348815PO 1 MAY
RECEIVED FROM FCC VIA FONE

RECEIVED BY BALTIMORE UNIT DIRECT AT 1315 GMT ON 500 KCS

DISTRESS SENT BY SS ALCOA LEADER POSITION 40° 30' NORTH 72° 40' WEST

TORPEDOED AT 1355 GMT

COMINCH ACTION

05 10 19 20 2A 2B K 00R 37 16
00A 01A 20G 38 HYDRO FWO 000(2)

TOR 1355/01 LN/RT
CANCEL DISTRESS AND SUBMARINE SIGHTED FROM SS ALGOA LEADER
1431

1435 J1 1 MAY 42 NM 5 OK UA

COMINCH ACTION
05 19 20 20A 20K OG Q3R
37 16 0A 20G 39 HYDRO FND(1)
CWO(2)
URGENT ZY

DEPRESS FROM SS ALCOA LEADER POSN 40°00' N 29°40' W TORPEDOED

COMINCH ACTION

Ø5 19 2Ø 2ØA 2ØK OG OOR 37
16 Ø6A 2ØG 3Ø HYDRO FMO (1)
CNO (2)

1940 J1 01 MAY 42 NW

V DN R
LBP V HAD P18 T M1C KIVU

MAC V HAD P2

Z WIND / ARW INCH L9X M1C CRAB M1C KIVU

Z QUAF / WIND Q TEAM CRAB 2 NMF / QUAF BT

FROM: BOSTON (TRURO) MASS.
ACTION: COM BOSTON DIST BOSTON MASS
PASSED BY: COM BOSTON DIST TO: COMBINE FOR ACTION TO
COM INSHORE PAT BOSTON MASS FOR INFO:
PASSED BY: COMBINE TO: COMSCHORON 101 (VS-101) NY
PORTS NW CIOMUTRON 4 (VJ-4) SOP AFOAT AT
BOSTON MASS SOP AFOAT AT PORTLAND ME

FOLLOWING INTERCEPTED ON 505 KCS AT 1349 GCT
DISTRESS FROM SS ALCOA LEADER POSITION 4955 N 7240 W
1356 GMT ALCOA LEADER TORPEDDED

TOT 1418/1Maykr
FROM: COM EASTSEAFRON
ACTION: COMINCH

FOLLOWING Rcvd on 500 CARCEL 505 505 on SS ALCOA LEADER PROCEEDING TO PORT

COMINCH ACTION
URGENT RT

CALLING ALL SHIPS AND STATIONS FROM SS ALCOA LEADER
CANCEl DISTRESS PROCEEDING TO PORT

COMINCH ACTION

05 10 19 20 20A 20K CG 09R 38
37 16 09A 20G HYDRO FWO 000(2)

COPY/RT
CH29 FOR COMINCH URGENT

SS ALCOA LEADER FROM *NVM DID YOU ACTUALLY SIGHT SUBMARINE

*NVM FROM SS ALCOA LEADER NO HAD SEVERE SHOCK (VESSEL)

*NVM --NOT LISTED

1530 J1 1 MAY 42 NM OK UA

COUNCIL ACTION

REWRITE FC
At 1432 on SMKCS 38 ALCOA LEADER (KEVT) called NAV (NAVY RDO NORFOLK) with his 1432 transmission cancelling both SSS and SOS, however NAV did not answer up immediately; KEVT gave the msg to US (GO ROCKAWAY) from above the fact he called NORFOLK first, assume ALCOA LEADER proceeding to NORFOLK.

CQG COMINCH
(RECEIVED BY MESSENGER FROM BAD)

FOLLOWING RECEIVED INTERCEPT 2155 GMT 8-5-45. (WUXT) - FLORENCIA - (UBA) POSITION 17 DEGREES 51 MINUTES N 66-35W ATTACKED NOT HIT BUT EXPECT ANOTHER.

BAD PASS TO COMINCH AND OPHAY.

NOTE: TELEPHONED TO COO OPHAY AND COMINCH.

COMINCH..... ACTION
0000....37......16......18/11...... FILE.
RECD BY PHONE FROM BAD
FROM BERMUDA IMMEDIATE
TO BAD

PRIORITY/GR

FOLLOWING RECEIVED INTERCEPTED 2159 GMT SIGHTED SUBMARINE
UOHT (NOT LISTED) POSITION 17°1 N 66°09' W ATTACK NOT
HIT BUT EXPECT ANOTHER

1922P/30

PLAIN LANGUAGE

COMMUNICATION
Ø5 1Ø 19 2Ø 2ØA 2ØK C.G. ØØR 37 16
Ø1A 2ØG HYDRO FWO(1) QWO(2) OPDO
FROM CINCPAC TO COMINCH

THRESHER RETURNED FROM PATROL OFF TOKYO DUE SLIGHT DAMAGE TO PIPING RECEIVED FROM DEPTH CHARGE ATTACK BUT REPORTS SINKING ONE MEDIUM FREIGHTER X FORCE 16 DEPARTING TOMORROW AS SCHEDULED X SUBMARINE REPORTED SIGHTED LAT 21 SOUTH 176 EAST X
The following information received in the Office of Naval Intelligence by teleprinter circuit (TWX) at 1440 22 April 1942

From: District Intelligence Officer, Third Naval District
Action: District Naval Intelligence

Text: Reference your teletype today requesting brief summary re torpedeoing of SS Victoria. On April 17 about 275 miles due east Cape Henry vessel sustained damage to bow and stern resulting from two contacts about one hour apart. First occurred just before dusk. Not certain whether torpedoes or mines struck. Vessel was abandoned. U.S. Destroyer on April 19 sent part of its crew aboard Victoria and attempted to repair vessel. Another U.S. Patrol vessel picked up crew of Victoria and returned them to Victoria. Thereafter vessel was put in commission and proceeded to New York under escort arriving April 21 about 2200. Victoria had Argentine flag painted on hull. Investigation being made by this Office and District Material Office to determine if possible whether torpedoed or mined. Will advise when investigation completed.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: NOB BERMUDA
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 22 APRIL 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 2635/4358
DECODED BY: FINKELDEY/BERRY

USS CREER
USS TARBell
PRIORITY
ROUTINE
DEFERRED

CINCLANT
SSMIRCH
PRIORITY
ROUTINE
DEFERRED

PARAPHRASED BY:

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

224230 OCR 67

UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE.

ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME

TEXT

MY 21/745 X WEATHER PERMITTING VICTOR PREP FOUR CALL AFIRM SIX JIG ROGER YOKE KEY AFIRM YOKE VOICE WILL DEPART MIKE AT 1100 ZED FOR SCENE OF PIPESTONE COUNTY TORPEDOING TO COORDINATE WITH DESTROYERS IN SEARCH AND ATTACK ON SUBMARINE.

BERMUDA

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REPORT RECEIVED FROM ARMY THAT AT 1815, 21 APRIL, AN ARMY BOMBER DROPPED ONE SIX HUNDRED POUND BOMB AT SUBMARINE TAKING CRASH DIVE IN APPROXIMATE LATITUDE 39-10 NORTH LONGITUDE 92-50 WEST. NO RESULTS OBSERVED. POSITION OF SUBMARINE CORRESPONDS TO THAT OF USS FLYING FISH ENROUTE TO HONOLULU AND WELL WITHIN AREA OF TOTAL BOMBING RESTRICTIONS. FLYING FISH HAS ORDER TO GUARD HONOLULU SCHEDULE AND HAVE NOT YET SUCCEEDED IN ESTABLISHING COMMUNICATIONS WITH HER.
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212322 CCR 46

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME |
DATE | TIME | OCT

TEXT

MY 211445 CORRECTION X BOMBING WAS 1810 ZED TWENTIETH X COMMUNICATION ESTABLISHED SINCE BOMBING AT 1125 ZED TWENTY FIRST X AT THAT TIME FLYING FISH REPORTED HER POSITION AS OF 1810 GCT TWENTIETH WHICH POSITION CORRESPONDS TO POSITION IN WHICH ARMY REPORTED DROPPING BOMB X SUBMARINE NOTICE WAS SENT

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221355 CCR 6122

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME

DATE
TIME
QCT

MY DISPATCH 212322 FLYING FISH WAS ATTACKED X NO DAMAGE
A REPORT HAS JUST BEEN RECEIVED FROM NIAGOGOHIN
STATING THAT THE WASHINGTONIAN WAS TORPEDOED APRIL 6TH
IN EIGHT DEGREE CHANNEL.

ACTION...16

COMINCH...10/11/12/13/37/38/P1A...22/23 OP...OP...OP...OP...
NSS V NAH P89
P89 T S4G
Z ASIR 241713 A60 BUNK S4G P GR 27
FROM: COM EASTSEAIRON
ACTION CINCLANT....NOB BERMUDA....COMINCH

PRIORITY PT

FOLLOWING INTERCEPTED ON 505 KCS AT 1703 BY NAS NEW YORK
DISTRESS FROM SS PIPESTONE COUNTY TORPEDOED LAT 37 43 N
66 16 W FROM RADIO TUCKERTON NJ

COMINCH ACTION

Ø5 1Ø 19 2Ø 2ØA 2ØK CG 37
16 ØØR ØØA Ø1A 2ØG 38 HYDRO FWO

CWO(2)

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RELEASED BY 21 APRIL 1942

TOP CODEROOM 1918/1998

decoded BY SLADE/SLADE

PARAPHRASED BY

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211745 COR 10302

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME

TEXT

JUST RECEIVED SOS X KIMZ PIPESTONE COUNTY TORPEDGED 170°Z 37-43 NORTH 66-16 WEST X PROCEED IF PRACTICABLE TO ASSIST X VP BEING SENT TO SCENE BEARING 346 FROM FLATTS BERMUDA

SECRET

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33
ACTION BUSANDA

IN VDY HR 19 T MUSK
CHMSY IMPORTANT

REFERENCE ADMIRALTY MESSAGE AF

POSITION 37 DEGREES 43 MINUTES N 66 DEGREES 16 MINUTES W
AT 1647 CAT

COMMENC ACTION
16sh 21sh 260 SHFL 38 HDRO FWO
CWO(2) BUSHIPS

TOD 16047/21/4/42 CHD
RECD FROM FOC BY PHONE AT 0302/21 APR42

PRIORITY/SR

INTERCEPTED BY FALLS CHURCH UNIT ON 5ΦΦ KC AT Φ256/FROM
RDO Φ/Φ CHATHAM, MΔS - CHATHAM SENT OUT AUTO ALARM AT
Φ254 XM GTM 5751 TONE

DISTRESS FROM SS WEST IMBODEN LAT 41 14 N LONG 65 55 W
TORPEDOED

COMINCH ACTION
Φ5 10 19 2Φ 2ΦΑ 2ΦΚ C.G. ΦΦR 37 16 ΦΦΑ
Φ1Α 2ΦG HYDRO FNO(1) CNO(2) OPDO
BUSHIPS

RECNVCOMΦ302/21APR42/SR/DE
SS WEST IMBODEN TORPEDOED AT 2200Z IN LAT 41-14 LONG 68-55
PROCEED AT BEST SPEED RESCUE SURVIVORS SEARCH FOR ENEMY
SUBMARINE CONTINUE PRESENT RADIO GUARD.
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192215 COR 14438

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TEXT

AMERICAN TANKER AZTELL J BYLES TORPEDGED BUT NOT SUNK
WHILE IN NORTHBOUND CONVOY APRIL 18TH 1942 AT 1835 EASY
WILLIAM TARE POSITION 34-32 NORTH 74-19 WEST. 37 IN
CREW 31 AMERICAN 5 FILIPPINOS 1 NORWEGIAN. NO CASUALTIES.
CONFIDENTIAL PUBLICATIONS SECURE ABOARD. SHIP ARRIVED
HAMPTON ROADS APRIL 19TH 1700 EASY WILLIAM TARE UNDER
OWN POWER.

COPY DELIVERED TO OPNAV CODE ROOM

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FROM COH15
INFO: EASTSEAFRON GULFSEAFRON CARIBSEAFRON COMINCH
URGENT/WD
RADIO PUERTOCABEZA MM REPORTS 1412 BUT HEARD SOS SIMULATING ATTACK
UNABLE IDENTIFY CALL LETTERS LAT 26.25N LONG 87.15W X 171645

COMINCH COG
05 15 19 28 26A 28G 28K CG WBR
00A 01A 37 16 38 BUSHIPS OPDO
HYDRO CWO(2) FNO(1)
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: ASTALUSNA MANagua NICARAGUA
Released by:

DATE: 17 APRIL 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 1091
DECODED BY: BRODING/LEEF
PARAPHRASED BY: C. ALLEN

FOR: COM 15
OPNAV INFORMATION

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

ROUTE BY FULTON 171742 NOR 1341
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Text:

SOS HEARD BY RADIO OPERATOR PUERTO QABEZAS, SHIP BEING ATTACKED BY SUB. LATITUDE 25-25 NORTH, LONGITUDE 87-18 WEST.

ACTION: COMINCH........
10/11...23...37...38...16...BAO........

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Indicate by asterisk address for which mail delivery is satisfactory.

LT KELLY 173245 NCR 1352

Unless otherwise indicated, this dispatch will be transmitted with deferred precedence.

ORIGINATOR FILE IN DATE AND TIME

ESTIMATED POSITION REQUESTED ALCOA GULF REPORTED BEING SHELLED 1213Z
11TH BEARING 290 FROM BERMUDA.

\[\text{Signature}\]

37 ACTION

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173245
W36 37/36 IMP ETAUSA BERMUDA 0125 APR 17 1942

ADMIRALTY IMMEDIATE OPNAV WASHINGTON DC PRIORITY FC

DISTRESS RECEIVED BY MARINE AT BALTIMORE 0704 04/17 1942
FROM: HEINRICH V RIEDEMANN POSITION 15 53 NORTH 63 43 WEST

FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM GEOFERTOWN RADIO INTERCEPTED AT
0337 GMT BEGINS DISTRESS FROM HEINRICH V RIEDEMANN (PANAMANTAN)
11 55 N 63 47 W TORPEDOED ENDS OPNAV PLEASE PASS TO COINICH
1637P 17

COMMUNICATION
115A

35 19 19 20 20 20 KG S0R 37
16 S0A 19 1 2 36 HYDRO FW0(1)
FW0(2) BUSHIPS OPDO
DISTRESS RECEIVED ON 5øø KC BY BALTIMORE UNIT AT ø336 GMT
FROM: 88 HEINRICH V RIEDELMANN  POSITION 11 53 NORTH 63 4ø WEST
TORPEDOED

COMINCH ACTION
ø5 1ø 1ø 2ø 2øA 2øK CG øøøR 37
16 øøøA ø1A 2øG 38 HYDRO
CWO(1) FWO(2) OPOD

TOR ER/RT ø415/17
THE FOLLOWING WAS RECEIVED ON 532 KCS, SS HEINRICH V
RIEDEMANN POSITION 11-55 NORTH 63-47 WEST TORPEDOED.

CINCLANT

COMINCH.....ACT.

16.....37.....33.....29C.....FILE....
MESSAGE

F-35

COMINCH
CARLUOD
17 APRIL 1942
STG 0451/4663
EGGEMAN/WINTER

COMARJGSBEAPRON
ADMIRALTY CINC AR 4000 FONF NSHQ 50(1) JAMAICA

PPPPPP PPPPP PPPPP PPPPP
RUTINE DEFERRED RUTINE DEFERRED

TO ORDER ADDRESSES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

170439 CCR 1744

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TEXT

AT $3962/17 POSIT 11-53N 63-4W SS HEINRICH V RIEDEMANN TORPEDOED.

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**TEXT**

ABOUT 2215Z APRIL 16TH, ALCOA COUDE SHELLED AND ON FIRE, CREW TAKING TO LIFE BOATS. BEST PROBABLE POSITION 38-18 NORTH 71-33 WEST. AIR SEARCH WILL CONTINUE DAYLIGHT 17TH. INFORM HOCS ELK MAINTAIN LOOKOUT FOR SURVIVORS.

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23
URGENT

FCC PHONE

FOLLOWING RECEIVED BY FALLSCHURCH UNIT FCC ON 500 KCS FROM RADIO TUCKERTOWN 95 ALCOA GUIDE SHELD BY SUBMARINE AFIRE ABOVE BRIDGE BOUND NORFOLK TO MARTINIQUE TAKING TO LIFE BOATS 4834 TONS

FOLLOWING RADIO BEARINGS GIVEN

CAMPER DOWN 216
CANSO GOING 214
CAPE RACE 233
S. PAUL NS 222

TOR COMM OFF
PREPARED BY DE

COMINCH ACTION

5 19 21 23 249 25 K CG 00R 37 16 00A 01A 25G 38

HYDRO BUSHIPS FWO(1) CWO(2) OPDO

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LT. KELLY 162348 HCR 1/25
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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME  

TEXT

INFORMATION CONCERNING 23, CONTASKGCRP 23-2 (PASSED BY CODE ROOM)
NOTES ON THAYER BRUSH ATTACKS FROM HUTCH SURREY CONVERSATIONS.
IN BOTH SUBS OPENED ON ONE QUARTER, THEN CONTINUED ON OTHER. HAD
APPEARENTLY 1 GUN 4 OR 5 INCHES AND SHELLS FREQUENTLY SHOWN BLUISH
GREEN TRACERS. NO STAR SHELLS AS FIRST REPORTED. OPENED ABOUT
2,400 YARDS CLOSED TO 2/3. NO MACHINE GUNNING OF BRUSH WHICH
HAS STOPPED AT OUTSET BY TORPEDO. MACHINE GUNNING OF THAYER WHICH
TRIED TO ESCAPE WITH BURSTS COINCIDING WITH GUN FIRE. GUN FIRE
THAYER RAPID AIM POOR, BRUSH SLOW AIM GOOD. DISTINCTIVE FEATURE
OF BOTH TENDING OF SUB RUNNING CLOSE ABOARD AND SHELLING FOR
HOURS SHIPS FIRES CLEARLY ILLUMINATING SIDE ADJACENT AREA ALL DAY.

REFERENCE BY 131755, 142347.

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ORD LETTER, 0-3-72
DEC 26 1972

CONFIDENTIAL

16-441 ACT. 1/11 COLOMBIA 19-27-26 OP-29 FIL
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**TOR CODE:** 029-17

**DECODED BY:** FLYNN

**PARAPHRASED BY:** CL Tucker

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**LT (JG) WATSON**

161923 NOR 1952

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(EPNAV INFORM COMINCH FROM CGNCAPAC)

**TEXT**

At 0615Z/ submarine attacked SS Firethorn in latitude 45-27, South longitude 174-13 West. All US ships Pacific informed.

**COMINCH.....ACT.**

Record copy to: 16.....2G.....38.....37.....BADC.....OPDC.....CNO..FILE

**SECRET**

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161923 DEC 26 1972 33
ESBD BOSTON STILL AFLOAT AND AFIRE IN 21-15 NORTH 65-13 WEST 1400Z 15TH. COMMANDING OFFICER BIDDLE STATED UPON ARRIVAL FROM SHIP SINKING SLOWLY NUMBEROUS SHELL HOLES IN HULL NEAR WATERLINE. IF STILL AFOAT WHEN FIRE DIES OUT WILL ATTEMPT SALVAGE.
SD WASHINGTON DC APRIL 7 1942.
FROM DEPARTMENT OF STATE
FOR ONNAV.

THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM HAS BEEN RECEIVED
FROM ACCRA DATED APRIL 6 1942:

"6 APRIL 6, 4 PM."

"AMERICAN STEAMSHIP WEST IRMO OF THE BARBER
LINE TORPEDOES APRIL 3RD BETWEEN MARSHALL AND TAKORADI.
LATITUDE TWO DEGREES 12 MINUTES NORTH
LONGITUDE FIVE DEGREES 45 MINUTES WEST ON OUTWARD
VOYAGE. ALL ON BOARD UNINJURED AND LANDED TODAY
TAKORADI EXCEPT 10 LIBERIAN NATIVE LABORERS OF WHOM
3 DEAD, 7 MISSING. ARRANGEMENTS MADE REPATRIATE
AMERICAN SEAMEN ON FAIRFAX SAILING FROM TAKORADI
IN A FEW DAYS. IRMO WAS AFLOAT BUT SINKING SLOWLY
WHEN LAST SEEN EVENING OF APRIL 4TH. BRITISH
 AIRCRAFT NOW SEARCHING FOR IRMO WITH A REMOTE
POSSIBILITY SALVAGE. WILL TELEGRAPH DEVELOPMENTS
AND SUBMIT AIR MAIL REPORT. MASTER REQUESTS THAT
BARBER LINE NEW YORK BE NOTIFIED."

(SIGNED) ANDERSON.

TOD 592 PM APRIL 7 1942. X. 38 OPDO 200P 70G 30

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State Dept. letter, 1-11-72
By DIA Date DEC 26 1972
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: ORIGINATOR NOT INDICATED
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: APRIL 5, 1942
TOK: CODEROOM 1516/1429
DECODED BY: BUSH/BELL
PARAPHRASED BY: 

ADDRESSEES: COM EASTERN SEA, COM 6, COM 6 FOR ACTION
PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY, ROUTINE, DEFERRED

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME
TEXT

VESSSEL TORPEDOED WAS SIM OIL MOTOR TANKER BIDWELL. NOW PROCEEDING NORFOLK ABOUT 8 KNOTS UNDER OWN POWER. ONE MAN LOST. ONE INJURED. X SHIP REPORTS NO ASSISTANCE NEEDED AT PRESENT. X AM STANDING BY TENTORIALLY X 1139 ZED POSITION TWO ONE. FIVE DEGREES TRUE FOUR. ONE MILES FROM DIAMOND SHOALS BUOY.

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OSD Letter, 5-5-72
DEC 26 1972

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TELEPHONE

RECIPIENT FROM BALTIMORE UNIT WHO RECEIVED FROM "MH"

HIGH RECEIVED DIRECT ON 500 KC. AT 0215 EKT VIA "NTRK" AT 0300 MWT.

ACTUALLY ATTACKED BY ERELY SUBMARINE "DE-196".

SUSPICIOUS 8 MILES 54 DEGREES FROM BODIE ISLAND LIGHT.

SHOWING BRIGHT MAST AND SIDE LIGHTS CHASING US MAKING

15 KNOTS

*MHRR - RADIO BALTIMORE

*NTRK - SS ESSO AUGUSTA

CO: BURR 07-10 208 2F8 256 2H4

HYDRO: OPDO FNO(R) OHO(S) ORD(S)

RECIPIENT/COMINCH/247RE/MC

T 35
RECEIVED FROM BALTIMORE UNIT ON 500 KCS VIA WMH AT 0118 GMT
WQBR 88 DAVID H ATWATER BEING SHELLED FOOT OF CAPE HENRY AT NOT BOUND FOR NEW YORK MAKING EIGHT SHOTS

*WSC SENT THE AUTO ALARM

*WCO- RADIO TUCKERTON NJ
*WMH- RADIO BALTIMORE MD

COMINC HACTION

05 10 19 20 20A 20B 20K
CG 0HR 37 16 0BA 01A 20G 38
HYDRO OPDO FWD(2) CWO(3)
RECD BY PHONE FROM FCC AT 1212 GCT

RECEIVED BY LAUREL UNIT VIA WSL AT 1203 GMT

SUBMARINE ATTACK

.Packet

SUBMARINE 5 MILES SSW SAND KEY

• RDO AMAGANSETT
** SS PAN RHODE ISLAND

COMM RCS ACTION

05 16 19 20 20A 20B 20K C.G. OOR 37

16 00A 01A 20G 38 HYDRO

FNO (2) UWO (3)

REONAVCOM 1212/3 APR 42 8R/GH
FOINED FROM FG  FL/CP AT 1615 GUT

INTERRUPTED ON 1500 KG BY LAUREL MONITORING UNIT AT 1600 GUT

SUBMARINE ATTACK

SS

IDENTIFIED

STARTED SUBMARINE 37,53 N  75,58 W FOUR MILES 300

INTERQUARTER STEAMING 223 TRUE 1600 GUT

COMING ACTION

05 10 19 20 20A 208 20K C.G. 00R 37

3 APR 16 09A 01A 20G 38 HYDRO

FNO(2) CWO(3)
FROM FCC
INTERCEPTED BY BALTIMORE UNIT 0425-03 GHT ON 595 KC
NDD BALTIMORE
BY W/ W FROM VTC { ES50 AUGUSTA }

SUBMARINE ATTACK

* * *
ATTACK BY ENEMY SUBMARINE 35.54 NORTH 75.26 WEST 0211-03 GHT

PHONE DOWDY BR 039500

COMMUNICATION
04 18 19 28 29 088 240 248 234 440 966 119 104
37 16 38 HYDRO BUSHIPS OPDO 000 (3) FRU (2)
RECD FROM BALTIMORE UNIT ON SS KCS AT 0532 QUT FROM WMH (BALTIMORE RDO)

DISTRESS SNS SS TIBRE OFF LOOKOUT SHELLED BY SUBMARINE

PHONED TO O'BRYN 02545

COMINCH ACTION

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**Routed by:** FULTON

**ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME**

**TEXT**

85 ESSO BAYOINE ENROUTE PHILADELPHIA SIGHTED SUBMARINE AND RAIDER IN POSITION LAT 21-30 NORTH 73-52 WEST. SENT RADIO MESSAGE READING "SHOOTING AT US AT 2200 THREE SHOTS FIRED OVER NO OTHER ACTION." UNRECORDED

**CODE: COMINCH**

| 11/01 | 2/26 | 37 | 38 | 16 | 280P |

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O&D Letter, 6-8-78

**DEC 2-6 1972**

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM NOB TRINIDAD
RELEASED BY
DATE 31 MARCH 42
TOR CODEROOM 2221/31
DECODED BY MORGAN
PARAPHRASED BY GILKER

CONCARIBSEAFRON

DOCUMENT OP'D
RUTINE
DEFERRED
PRIORITY
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INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

ROONEY 3121@3 NCR 1953
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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME

TEXT (PASSED BY CONCARIBSEAFRON TO OPNAV FOR INFO)

FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM POIC QUOTE RECEIVED AT 1935 G M T NEAR 38S 50S TO MC COBB POSITION LAT 97-1½ NORTH LONG 45-2½ WEST SUBMARINE FIRING ON US XXXX000 W 0 G UNIT DEMERRA RADIO UNQUOTE. NO ACTION TAKEN.

DISTRIBUTION

COMINCH...COG
L/11...37...38...39...16...
FILE: 290P...GEN....

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DEC 26 1972

3121@3

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AT NINETEEN THIRTY ZED RECEIVED SSSSS SIGNAL ON DISTRESS FREQUENCY FROM TARE CAST MCCOBB REPORTING SUB FIRING ON HER IN 37-10 NORTH 45-20 WEST DISTANT 142 MILES. MOFFET PROCEEDING TO INVESTIGATE. OPNAV PASS TO ALUSNA RIO

COPY DELIVERED TO OPNAV CODE ROOM
(OPNAV PASS TO ALUSNA RIO)
REC FROM FCC ON FONE AT Ø353/29MAR42

PRIORITY/SR

INTERCEPTED BY LAUREL UNIT ON 50° KS AT Ø345 GMT

SSS DE WSC* 36 35 N 75 44 W. SUBMARINE C.HASING
US BT DELAWARE SUN

COMINCH ACTION

Ø5 10/11 19 2Ø 2ØA 2ØB 2ØK G.G. 00R 37
16 ØØA Ø1A 2ØG 38 HYDRO

BUSHIPS OPDO FWO(2) CWO(3)

RECNAVCOMØ353/29MAR42/SR/ER 33
FOLLOWING IS A PARAPHRASED CORRECTION TO THIS ANSWER
211417 COURT OF INQUIRY NOT COMPLETED BUT FOLLOWING
FACTS RELIEVED ESTABLISHED AT 230 QUEEN MARCH 19 WHILE
PATROLLING OFF NORTH CAROLINA COAST CLOSED TO IDENTIFY
VESSEL LATER ASCERTAINED TO BE SS LIBERATOR WAS STRUCK
CHARTHOUSE BY EXPLOSIVE SHELL FIRED BY ARMED GUARD ON
SUPPOSITION TARGET WAS SUBMARINE ALL INJURED EXPECTED
RECOVER UNEVENTFULLY ESTIMATED DAMAGE 20 DAYS ONE EIGHT
THOUSAND DOLLARS BETTER READING.

R. "Dickerson"
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SENT BY FULLER 211621Z NCR 6-176

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TEXT

(OPIAV ADMIRALTY 230 CINCINNI 501 JAMAICA COAC 467 FROM USNQ)

SANTA MONICA U.S. (EX RED JACKET) INTERCEPT 1 BUZ 20TH

SS Ship TORPEDDOED NEAR POSITION 15 MILES NORTH EAST

SINTER QUARTER SHOAL BAY.

ACTION: COMMISH....

RECORD CODES: 10...12...230...37...53...39....

CHO...LPHA...07...250P....

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**TELEPHONIC**

**US COLONEL AMERICAN HAVANA LINES TRENDED NEAR CAYO VERDE MARCH**

**TRENTH IS AFLOAT ANCHORED NEAR CAYO VERDE X ABANDONED AND NOW UNDER SALVAGE BY BAY LAY DEBATE CUBAN REGISTRY X SURVIVORS LANDED HAVANA**

**FIND NEUTRALS BY BAY LAY DEBATE X AMISHA HAVANA ADVISES FIRST DATE**

**SHAVE CODES AND PAPERS TO CONSULT NEUTRALS X CAPTAIN MESSING LEFT PAPERS**

**BEING WHEN HE DEPARTED X FOURTEEN MARCH FLYING OVER COLONEL ENGINEER**

**BAY LAY DEBATE LONDON X AND PERSONS ABOARD X FIFTEEN MARCH DATE AND ENGINEER NEAT ON BOARD SAFE DIAL BROKEN OFF BUT PAPERS NOT DISTURBED X**

**THERE IS POSSIBILITY CODES HAVE FALLEN INTO UNAUTHORIZED HANDS**

**DISTRIBUTION**

- 37. OCM
- 38. COCH
- 39. OPDO
- 30. FILE

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191617 NOR 4118 DEC 2 6 1972

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMCULESEAERON
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 18 MARCH 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 2264/1948
DECODED BY: KNOWLTON/SMITH

ADDRESSEES: COMINCH

FOR ACTION: NAVAL ATTACHE HAVANA
INFORMATION: DEFERRED

PRIORITY: DEFERRED

PRECEDEANCE: DEFERRED

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171831 CCR 5/6
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TEXT

SS COLOBEE AMERICAN HAWAIIAN LINE AFLOAT AND ANCHORED NEAR CAYO VERDE BOARDED MARCH SIXTEENTH X NO CREW OR ANY SHIPS PAPERS ABOARD X SS ORIENTE CUBAN REGISTRY ALONGSIDE WHEN BOARDED X ORIENTE STATES COLOBEE TORPpedo OFF CAYO VERDE MARCH TWELFTH DRIFTED TO PRESENT POSITION ANCHORED BY ORIENTE AND SALVAGE COMMENCED X ORIENTE PICKED UP EIGHTEEN SURVIVORS FROM SHORE LANDED THEM AT HAVANA X ORIENTE STATES US CONSUL NEUVITAS ADVISED OF THESE EVENTS X

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L.T. HEINTSTOCK 150747P NCR 2505
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TEXT

(ADIRMLTY (R) NSHQ OPHAV BAD RND ST. LUCIA SO(1) JAMAICA FO TRINIDAD "NONAMBOY" FROM CINCARI)

"ACACIA REPORTS BEING SHELLED AND MACHINED GUNNED BY S/M IN POSITION 1617 NORTH 6344 WEST AT 2942Z 15TH. POSITIVE SHIP.

BAD PASS TO OPHAV.

CONTROL.....C06.

RECORD COPY TO...16...36...20G...NAVAIDE...30...37...FILES.

CNO...OP-22..."
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L. COPELAND 141/53 RN 1822
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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME DATE TIME OUT

TEXT

ORIGINATOR: ALGOHASS.

AT 0015Z 14TH, 15 UNLISTED WITNESSES REPORT TORPEDO MAKE CLOSE ASTRON 3332 NORT 7444 WEST.

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OSD Letter, 6-8-72
DEC 26 1972
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**TEXT**

ADMIRALTY CINCAWI OPNAV COAC FROM NSHQ OTTAWA

**SULFTRADE (US) REPORTED TORPEDOED 2 MILES OFF BARNEGAT GAS BUOY.**

**RECOMMEND UNCLASSIFIED**

SECRET

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TO DNC. MARCH 2'42
FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION COMMUNICATIONS WATCH OFFICER
FOR IMMEDIATE RELAY TO COMINCH
FOR IMMEDIATE RELAY TO OPHAV.
FOR IMMEDIATE RELAY TO MR G E STERLING, FCC
THIS IS MSG FROM FCBA
* FIELD CENSOR BALTIMORE
# RADIO BALTIMORE

QUOTE:
THIS MESSAGE PICKED UP BY STATION WMR AT 1340 1:1:
* ATTACKED BY ENEMY SURFACE RAIDER
ARR. RBBR (SURFACE RAIDER) 38.45 N 72.15 W COURSE 40
SPEED TEN KNOTS SOS RBR GERTHBE KELLOG KDEV
RAIDER FIRING ON US X
COMINCH ACTION
THIS IS FCBA MSG NO 0736
05 10 11 19 20A 20B 20K CG 00R
37 16 00A 01A 20G 39 HYDRO BUSHIPS
1346 00G 14379
OPDO FWO(2) CWO(3)
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ON 500 KCS AT ABOUT 1345Z, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION RECEIVED. SS GERTRUDE KELLOG BEING FIRED ON BY [RAIDER?]. FAIDET LAT 3845 NORTH, LONG. 7215 WEST. COURSE 040 SPEED 10.

COMINCH...COG.
10/11.....OR-2P......FILE.
TO DNC MARCH 2 '42
FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION COMMUNICATIONS WATCH OFFICER
FOR IMMEDIATE RELAY TO COMINCH
FOR IMMEDIATE RELAY TO CPNAV
FOR IMMEDIATE RELAY TO MR. G. E. STERLING, FCC

THIS IS MSG FROM* FCBA

QUOTE

THIS MESSAGE PICKED UP BY STATION WMH AT 1340 :

* ATTACKED BY ENEMY SURFACE RAIDER

RRR RRRR (SURFACE RAIDER) 36.45 N 72.15 W COURSE 40

SPEED TEN KNOTS S9S RRR GERTRUDE KELLOGG KDEV

RAIDER FIRING ON US X

COMINCH ACTION

THIS IS FCBA MSG NO 0730

QUOTE

1346 CCC 14379

OPDO FWO(2) CWO(3)
FOILED FROM FOG

RCD FROM BALTIMORE UNIT ON 6/10 KG 1802 GMT

KDEV (SS GERTRUDE KELLOG) SENDING TO WNM (RADIO CHATHAM MASS) IT WAS ARMED MERCHANT VESSEL FOLLOWED SUSPICIOUSLY FOR HALF HOUR THEN CAPT HEARD SHOTS WE UNHIT

COMINCH ACTION

Ø5 19/11 2Ø 2ØA 2ØB 2Ø K CG
ØDR 37 16 ØFA Ø1A BUSHIPS
2ØG 38 HYDRO FNO(2) CWO(3)
DNC MARCH 242
FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION COMMUNICATIONS WATCH OFFICER
FOR IMMEDIATE RELAY TO COMINCH
FOR IMMEDIATE RELAY TO OPMNAV
FOR IMMEDIATE RELAY TO Mr. G. E. STERLING FCC
FLMG 10*PCBA NO 0732
FIELD CENSOR BALTIMORE
RADIO BALTIMORE
QUOTE
THIS MESSAGE RECEIVED BY WNH AT 1402 FROM THE SS GERTRUDE KELLOGG:
QUOTE IT WAS ARMED MERCHANT VESSEL FOLLOWED SUSPICIOUSLY FOR HALF
HOUR THEN CAPTAIN HEARD SHOTS WE UNQUOTE UNQUOTE
COMMENCING ACTION
1407 CCC 14383 05 10 11 15 20A 20B 20K CG VHR
36 hydro busses OPDO FRO(2) GRO(3)
DDN MAR 2 1942

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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED FROM FCBA THEIR NO. G75

QUOTE:

SS GERTRUDE HELLOGG NOW ADVISES SHE IS ATTACKED BY AN ARMED MERCHANT.

VESSEL X

UNQUOTE

1405 CCG 14382

FIELD CENSOR BALTIMORE MD
FROM: COM WSF       ACTION: CINCPAC, COMINCH

$11:20$ CCR 3280       ROUTINE

TANKER WILLIAM HYPO BERG ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE AT $5:22$ COT IN LAT 37-25 NORTH LONG 123-28 WEST X BERG RETURNED FIRE X DD KING IN VICINITY PROCEEDING TO INVESTIGATE WAS LATER FIRED ON APPARENTLY BY BERG X NO DAMAGE KING OR BERG X NO ENEMY SIGHTED BUT STRONG PRESUMPTION ATTACk WAS GUNFIRE FROM SUBMARINE

ACTION

F-35

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RESTRIC TED
PASS TO ORNAV K509
GETA FROM ORAC
RECEIVED 1945 GHT ATTACKED BY SUBMARINE 41 DEGREES 31° 51' N
51° 24' E OR ORAR SIGHTED TORPEDO AT 1931 GHT FROM
RADIO CAMPERDOWN TO VCB
CA 52 29392 /27/445 CES
COMINCH ACTION
25 10 11 10 29 2DA 2DG 2DK CG 37 16 4DA 4DG
39 HYDRO CNO(3) BUNKERS OPDD FNO(2)

PRIO. PRIORITY

55
POSTAL 95

PRIORITY

46/38 IMP XCO BG 42/48 CTF BERMUDA 27-1019

IMMEDIATE ADMIRACIRC

OPNAV WASHN

SUBMARINE ATTACK FROM ATHLETENPLAR EIGHTEEN DEGREES

TWENTY THREE MINUTES NORTH Nought SIX THREE DEGREES FIFTY

SIX MINUTES WEST AT 1815/27 OPNAV PASS TO COM TEN ABOVE

HAS BEEN PASSED TO NSHQ ADMIRALTY OPNAV FO1/C TRINIDAD

1543P/27 NAVYCOM BERMUDA

453P/27 COMINCH ACTION

BB 19 19 19 20 20A 20B 20K CQ 37 37 37A 37 37A

29G 39 HYDRO CMD (3) BUSHIPS OPDO FWO (2)

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270637 CCR 3669

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TEXT

STANDARD OIL TANKER VALPARISO TORPEDOED FIVE MILES DUE EAST MANESQUON AT 0340 QUEEN FEB 27

COPY DELIVERED TO OPNAV CODE ROOM

ACTION: ..., F-35

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5 ATTACKS LAST NIGHT INDICATE CONCENTRATION OF SUBMARINES IN THIS AREA. POSITION 44° 07' NORTH 43° 25' WEST AT 0000 2 Course 255. REQUEST AIR SUPPORT.

COMINCH...COG.

RECORD COPY TO... 37... 38... 16... 28G... FILES... CNO... OP-28...

SECRET

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Z CHOB 241636 LARK TEAM CLIP TEAM ROCK VAIL VENT

FROM: SECTION BASE, MAYPORT FLA.
ACTION: NAVSTA NEW LONDON, CONN - COM INSHORE PATROL CHARLESTON COM INSHORE PATROL KEY WEST FLA - COMBIX - COMSEVEN
URGENT/GR

USS EMERALD ATTACKED BY ENEMY SUBMARINE ELEVEN THIRTEEN
QUEEN FEBRUARY TWENTY FOURTH X POSITION
LAY 25.56 LONG 66.21 BOMBERS EXP DISPATCHED NAVAL AIRSTATION
JACKSONVILLE

COMINCH ACTION

16/11 19 20 24A 20B 20K CHO(3) C.G.

TOT 1787 24 FEB KB 00R 37 16 00A 01A
20G 38 HYDRO FW0(2)

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241924 USN 2833

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME DATE TIME OCT

TEXT

PYC 1 - Ex Savannah

USS EMERALD ATTACKED BY SUBMARINE ELEVEN THIRTY QUEEN
TODAY POSITION TWENTY EIGHT DASH FIFTY SIX NORTH EIGHTY DASH ONE WEST.

(off Charleston)

ACTION

COFF DELIVERED TO OPNAV CODEROOM

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: NO1/C TRINIDAD
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 22 FEB 42
TOR CODEROOM: 1127/22
DECODED BY: MAIL
PARAPHRASED BY: GLTUCKER

ADDRESSSES
CINCANI
ADMIRALTY BAD
R&I KINGSTON
HMS DIOMEDE

PRECEDENCE
PRIORITY
ROUTINE
DEFERRED
PRIORITY
ROUTINE
DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

M A SHELLABARGER 211538Q NOR 9799
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE.

ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME

RECEIVED BY MESS ENGER FROM BAD

IMMEDIATE

CIRCE SHELL SHELLED AND TORPEDDOED IN 11°53 NORTH 62°53 WEST.

16......00G
15/11...37....30...001NCH...00...12...13...56...01A...00-25...FILE.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: BERMUDA
RELEASED BY: 26 FEB 42
DATE: 1435/26
TOR CODEROOM: BRAY/UNKNOWN
DECODED BY: GLUCKER
PARAPHRASED BY: SHELLABARGER

TEXT:

HMS DESPATCH HMS DIOUELLE TRINIDAD NO12, OPNAV ADMIRALTY 50 NSHQ
COAG BAD WABHN. COMMON. STAFF OFFICER INTELLIGENCE KINGSTON,
FROM: CINCAR

DELPLATA (US) REPORTED 1012 GMT TORPEDOED POSITION 14-55 NORTH
LONGITUDE 62-19 WEST. ASSISTANCE BEING SENT BY CIN 19TH NAVAL
DISTRICT.

(OPNAV PASS TO COMINCH)

COMINCH....ACT.

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