Army Dispatches
From
February 16, 1942
to
March 21, 1942.

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OSD Letter, 8-3-79
5/7 PP.
Filed: 3/20/42.---
From: Navy, DIO SMD
THE COMMANDER OF US NAVAL FORCES AT OURuguay HAS CLOSED
THE PORT OF LA PIEDRAS TO OCEAN TANKERS UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE.

Filed: 3/20/42, 1316
From: Quarry Heights
FREIGHTER CREWS OF 2 CHILEAN VESSELS HAVE BALKED AT
SAILING A New VOYAGE UNLESS THEIR WAGES HAVE BEEN
TRIPLED. THIS CONDITION IS AN OUTCOME OF THE FREIGHTER
TOLLON SINKING. 1 FREIGHTER IS NOW ON ITS WAY TO CHILE
BUT THE NEW YORK BOUND CARRIER LIES IDLE WHILE ITS
CREW RETURNS TO MAN.
THEY EXPORTED PROJECTILES SIGHTED REACHED AT POOGI
PROVINCE OF LOS SANTOS WAS ADRIFT MARKER USED BY THE AIR
CORPS.
NEGATIVE RESULTS CULMINATED A CHECK-UP OF A SUB OFF
CALDERA POINT, COSTA RICA.

Filed: 3/20/42, 1342
From: London (H)
U-BOAT SITUATION (1800 EET March 19)
1 IN AREA 5000 N OF GEORGETOWN, NOT FIXED.
2 IN CARIBBEAN NOT FIXED
3 IN FLA STRAIT OR BAHAMAS, NOT RECENTLY REPORTED.
BRIGHT HOOD WITHIN 500 KI OF EACH OF FOLLOWING
POSITIONS:
1 2100 N 4900 W (780 MI NW OF MARTINIQUE ISLAND)
2 3/20/42, 1500 GMT
AT 1140 EET SUSPICIOUS PERISCOPE SIGHTED BY S.S.
DEL RIO AT 1025 N, 4626 W (450 MILES NW OF CAPE
ORANGE, BRAZIL).

From: Com Caribseafront IJ #130, 3/20/42
Filed: 3/20/42, 1735 GMT
S SMALL SUB ON SURFACE AT 0200 EET MAR. 19TH 5 MILES
OFF PISTA LUCERNA, CUBA REPORTED BY MONTCALM.

From: Collins - San Juan, P.R. IJ #3, 2/31/42
Filed: H.P.T.
NOTHING UNUSUAL TO REPORT AS OF NOON GMT MARCH 30TH.
From: Pratt - Trinidad
Tel: 49, 3/21/42
Filed: 5/20/42, 2347 GCT

NOTHING OUT OF THE ORDINARY TO REPORT FROM THE TRINIDAD SECTOR ON MARCH 20.

PRATT
Filed: 3/20/43, 1115
From: Watkins, ETO
2 FLARES SIGHTED ON HORIZON BY CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR
PATROL APPROXIMATELY DUE EAST OF VIRGINIA BEACH AT 0930
G.M.T.

Filed: 3/20/43, 0712
From: Watkins, ETO
FOLLOWING DISTRESS SIGNAL BY 18F INTERCEPTOR COMMAND
AT 0600 G.M.T SS ARGON 0445 G.M.T 34-06 N, 70-00 W CHASED BY
SUBS WHICH SENT UP LARGE FLARES.

Filed: 3/20/43, 0449
From: Watkins, ETO
A SUB WAS SIGHTED 70 MI SW OF CAPE FEAR ON A 240 DEGREE
COURSE ACCORDING TO MESSAGE FROM AN UNKNOWN SHIP PICKED UP
BY CHESAPEAKE SECTOR AT 0310 G.M.T MARCH 20 ON 2716
KILOMETERS.

Filed: 3/20/43, 0437
From: Watkins, ETO
AT 0610 G.M.T SS GULF OF MEXICO GAVE DISTRESS CALL FROM
8 MI S CAPE LOOKOUT, WAS SUBJECTED TO MACHINE GUNS AND
SHELL FIRE.

Filed: 3/20/43, 1711
From: 18F A.P.
PERIODIC REPORT FOR MARCH 20, 1200 G.M.T:
OBSEVATION - 76 MISSIONS
RECONNAISSANCE - 50 MISSIONS
CIV. AIR PATROL - 48 MISSIONS
2 S-17'S ATTACKED SUB 10 MI S. OF CAPE MATTARAS.
ATTACK LASTED FROM 1200 TO 1245 G.M.T. AIR & OIL BUBBLES
SEVERAL FEET IN DIAMETER. 9 CHARGES DROPPED. ENTIRE
COASTAL AREA WETHER GOOD, SLIGHT MACK, CAVU.
Filed: 3/20/42, 0940
From: Navy, Ottawa
A SUB IS PLACED BY D/F WITHIN 100 MI OF 45-00 N, 68-00 W (330 MI NW OF CAPS RAGS) AT 23345 (0046 EWT) MAR 19.

Filed: 3/20/42, 9050
From: East Sea Frontier
THE SB DAVILLA REPORTS BEING ATTACKED BY A SUB AT THE POSITION 27-03 N, 60-39 W (350 MI NE OF BERMUDA) AT 1425 GMT (1026 EWT)

Filed: 3/20/42, 0916
From: Drew, EDC
1 B-17 BOMBER FROM 1ST BOMBER COMMAND DROPPED DEPTH CHARGES ON OIL SLICK POINT IN OCEAN 3 MILES S. OF RATTRAS. AT 2205 GMT AND 2310 GMT ON MARCH 19. REPORTS INDICATE還有 OIL IDENTIFICATION PENDING. RESULTS OPTIMISTIC. ATTITUDE OF BOMBER 200 FT. SPEED 107 MPH PERS.

Filed: 3/20/42, 1656
From: EDC
ESM'S AIR ACTIVITY REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING NOON, MARCH 20:
61 RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS
19 OBSERVATION MISSIONS.
WEATHER: GOOD OVER ENTIRE AREA
1 ATTACK BY FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT AS PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED IN SPOIL
NEWFOUNDLAND AIR REPORT DELAYED.

Filed: 3/20/42, 1657
From: Grant, Newfoundland Base Command

Filed: 3/20/42
From: EDC
AIR ACTIVITY REPORT FOR MARCH 19:
NEGATIVE
WEATHER: GOOD WITH UNLIMITED VISIBILITY
SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

Filed: 3/20/43, 2046
FromFile: Jno
OVERALL REPORT OF 1BG RN: ATTACKS ON ENEMY SUBS FROM
DECEMBER 7:
9 ENEMY SUBS ATTACKED FROM AIR.
9 ATTACKS ON SHIP BOMBS AND SHELLS SHOT BY NAVY AFTER
ESTABLISHING SOUND CONTACT.
11 ATTACKS ON OIL SHIPS.
RESULTS: NO POSITIVE PROOF AS TO SINKINGS, BUT 4 SUBS
RECEIVED SHEER OR DAMAGED.

Filed: 3/20/43, 1800
FromFile: Newfoundland Base Command
1400 GMT BEA Position 33°30'N, 60°39'W (900
MI N OF BOSTON) WAS ATTACKED BY SUB REPORTED BY SPOT
INTELLIGENCE R. I.

Filed: 3/20/43, 2200
FromFile: Jno
ONE LIKELY INTERPRETATION OF SEVERAL MACHINE-GUNNING
AND SHELLING ATTACKS LAST NIGHT ON MERCHANT SHIP IS THAT
THAT IT INDICATES POSSIBLY THE PROLONGED UNDERWATER
OPERATIONS IN THE CATHEDRAL ZONE HAS DEPLETED
TORPEDO STOCKS. REMAINING TORPEDOES ARE perhaps being
CONSIDERED FOR THE RETURN VOYAGE. THESE INDICATIONS
LIKEWISE POINT TO THE POSSIBILITY OF AN ATTACK AT THE
FUTURE.
SUB POSITIONS: NO CHANGE, AND CONTINUING ACTIVE OFF
AND SOUTH OF CATHEDRAL.
ATTACKS ON SURFACE SHIP FROM OPPOSITE ZONE: 2
VEHICLES ATTACKED BY SHELL AND MACHINE GUN FIRE, BUT BOTH
ESCAPED. AMER. DESTROYER ASSAULTED BY AN UNEAKED TANKER
HAS BEEN REPORTED IN SPOT MESSAGE OF MARCH 19.
SUBS SIGHTED: 6 OFF JMO ONE IS Doubted. ATTACKS ON
JOURNAL #97, 3/20 CITED.
U-BOATS: NO RESULTS ACHIEVED FROM COMBINED NAVY AND
COAST GUARD ATTACK OFF CAPT HENLOPEN BAY. 1 ATTACK WAS
CONDUCTED BY AN ABMT 3-17'S OF CATHEDRAL FOR WHICH SIX
SIX SWIM TODAY'S SPOT AIR REPORT.

Filed: 3/20/43 ---
FromFile: Jno
From Chesapeake Bay Sector IT IS REPORTED THAT THE
PANAMA CLIPPER SIGHTED A U-BOAT AT 1632 GMT AT POSITION
(36°30' N 69°24' W) (250 MI E NORTOL). SUB WAS MOVING
ON A COURSE OF 205 DEGREES.

Filed: 3/20/43, 2222
FromFile: Jno
NEWFOUNDLAND'S AIR ACTIVITY REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING
NOON (GMT) MARCH 20:
NEGATIVE EXCEPT FOR 5 ENCOM MISSIONS.
WEATHER: CLEARING 900 FEET, VISIBILITY ABOUT 7
MILES.

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OSS Letter, 6-3-72
Summary of Important Official Messages

Atlantic #5

Filed: 3/20/42, ---
From: ENO, Watkins
A SUB WAS SIGHTED BY THE OAKMAR AT 1840 GWT TODAY NEAR
POSITION 36-22 N, 68-50 W (600 MI N CAPE HATTERAS).
INFORMATION WAS PICKED UP AND FORWARDED BY INTERCEPTOR
COMMAND.

THE TONNELOG TANKER SANTA MONICA, HIT 10 MI SS OF
WINNER QUARTER GUMS BE OF OCEAN CITY, MD. WAS REPORTED
EXHAUST TO PROCEED TODAY AT 1810 GWT. THE NAVY IS SENDING
AN EAGLE-TYPE RESCUE VESSEL. THIS FROM NEW YORK &
PHILADELPHIA SECTOR.

8:00 A.M. 3/20/42
20
8:00 A.M. 3/21/42

Filed: 3/20/42, 1620
From: Bensheil, Indigo
AIR ACTIVITY REPORT FOR MARCH 19: NO ENEMY ACTION.
NO AIR ALERT PATROLS.
WEATHER: CEILING 2000 TO UNLIMITED; VISIBILITY 2 TO 9
MILES. VARIABLE WINDS CALM TO TO MPH.
FLIGHT HOURS: 20 HRS., 30 MIN.

Filed: 3/20/42, ---
From: ENO
FROM NAVY COMES WORD OF TANK SHIP SANTA THEREA IN
TROUBLE AT POSITION 34-59 N, 75-04 W (90 MI SS CAPE
HATTERAS) AT 1826 GWT THIS DATE. CAUSE OF DISTRESS NOT
STATED.

Filed: 3/20/42, 1242
From: London (N), ONI
U-BOAT SITUATION:
1 - 34-06 N, 77-00 W (60 MI N CAPE HATTERS, N.C.) 0345Z
MARCH 20.
1 HEAVILY ATTACKED S OF CAPE HATTERS MARCH 19
S BETWEEN DELAWARE BAY AND LONG ISLAND.
1 OR 4 IN AREA N OF 40° AND BETWEEN LONG. 65-00 AND
70-00 W OF WHICH 1 APPROX. 43-00 N 59-00 W (WHICH IS 305
MI N CAPE BARTLE, NOVA SCOTIA.)
1 WEST BOUND APPROX AT 47-00 N, 39-00 W (600 MI N OF
CAPE RACE, NEWFOUNDLAND)
HOMeward BOUND WITHIN 100 MILES OF EACH OF FOLLOWING
POSITIONS:
1 31-00 N, 54-00 W (540 MI N OF NEWBURY)
1 31-30 N, 60-30 W (710 MI N OF NEWBURY)
1 36-30 N, 61-30 W (800 MI S OF CAPE RACE, NFD.)

From: NTO (Watkins)
IJ #68, 3/20/42

Filed: 3/20/42, 1313 GWT
SUB SEEN ON SURFACE AT 1109 G.M.T. LOCATION 3223
NORTH - 7346 WEST, 55 MI SS OF SAVANNAH, REPORTED BY
S.S. PORT HALIFAX TO SOUTHERN SECTOR.

Watkins

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OSD Letter, 5-8-78
SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

From: Ottawa (N)  LJ #118, 3/20/42
Filed: 3/20/42, 1347 GMT
ADMIRALTY REPORT LOCATES SUBMARINE AT 38.39 N 60.04 W (300 MILES SOUTHEAST OF CAPE SABLE, NOVA SCOTIA)

From: Radio Buckerton (N)  LJ #123, 3/30/42
Filed: 3/30/42, 1818 GMT
S.S. HALIFAX CONFIRMS 10 MILES HE WINTER QUARTER SIGNALS MUST (10 MILES NE CAPE CHARLES, VA.)

From: Cinc, AAWI (N)  LJ #126, 3/30/42
Filed: 3/30/42, 1006 GMT
S.S. PORT HALIFAX REPORTS BEING ATTACKED BY A SUB IN 33-28 N, 79-46 W (50 MILES SW OF CAPE REMAIN, S.C.) AT 0706 EWT OR 1106 GMT ON MAR. 30.

From: Navy  LJ #119, 3/30/42
Filed: 3/19/42, 2033 GMT
A 20 PLANE SIGHTED A SUB 6 MI S OF CAPE BARTEREAU.
TIME OF CONTACT NOT STATED IN DISPATCH, BUT WAS PROBABLY JUST PREVIOUS TO 1223 ON MARCH 19.
AN ARMY BOMBER, 3 NAVY PLANES, AND A 20 VESSEL ATTACKED WITH DEPTH BOMBS AND CHARGES. CONSIDERABLE OIL AND AIR BUBBLES WERE EVIDENT.

From: Ottawa (N)  LJ #124, 3/30/42
Filed: 3/30/42, 1010 GMT
D/F INDICATES A SUB WITHIN 50 MILES OF 32-30 N, 40-00 W (50 MILES NE OF BERMUDA) ON MARCH 20TH AT ABOUT 0630 EWT.

From: EDC (Drum)  LJ #10, 3/21/42
Filed: 3/21/42, 0912 GMT
FIRST AIR FORCE BOMBER COMMAND HAS BEEN GIVEN NOTICE OF NAVY REPORT OF A SUB 1 1/2 MILES SOUTH OF 45 FROM BLOCK ISLAND LIGHT. SUB IS ON TOP OF THE WATER. RESULTS OF DEPTH CHARGE ACTION NOT APPARENT. LOCATION WAS 3832 NORTH 7425 WEST AND TIME WAS 2100. THE ARGU HAS BEEN SENT.

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OSS Letter, 5-8-72
FOR 11H EHS ALL FREQUENCIES USED BY THE THREE GUNS LAYING POSITIONS WERE COMPLETELY BLANKETED DURING THE ESCAPE OF GERMAN WARSHIPS FROM BRIST. SOME FORM OF MODULATED CW WAS COMBINED WITH SOME FORM OF FREQUENCY MODULATION FROM STATIONS IN THE CALAIS-CAPF GREIZE AREA TO JAM THE BANDS OF THE BRITISH GUN LAYING STATIONS.

DONOVAN SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT WHILE ONLY A FEW HIGH PLACED BRIT & PORTUGUESE OFF. ARE COGNIZANT OF THE MATTER, THERE IS RELIABLE INFORMATION THAT WITH SALAZAR'S APPROVAL THE SECRET TALKS WITH THE BRIT FOREIGN OFFICE WHICH WERE INITIATED LAST AUGUST ARE BEING CONTINUED BY PORTUGUESE GOVE.

APPLICATION OF SCORCHED EARTH POLICY, GUERRILLA WARFARE, AND TURNING THE COLONIES AND THE AZORES ISLANDS OVER TO ALLIES IN EVENT OF AN AXIS INVASION ARE COVERED IN PLAN UNDER DISCUSSION.

THE BRIT. HERE HAVE BEEN ASKED BY A STRONG SECTION OF PORTUGUESE LEGION FOR ARMS AND AMMUNITION FOR USE IN THE EVENT OF AN AXIS INVASION. ON INQUIRY, THE BRIT. LEARNED OF SALAZAR'S DISAPPROVAL AND DID NOT GRANT THIS REQUEST AS THEY DID NOT WISH TO JEPARDIZE THE ABOVE NEGOTIATIONS WHICH ARE NOW BEING CARRIED ON IN LONDON.

THE LEGION CONTAINS NUMEROUS ELEMENTS FRIENDLY TO THE ALLIES ALTHOUGH THE PATTERN OF EVENTS WHICH USUALLY PRECEDES AXIS PENETRATION IS NOTED.

BY MID SUMMER THE PORTUGUESE LEGION WHICH NOW NUMBER 108,000 EXPECTS TO INCREASE TO 150,000. ORDERS HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO BRIT SECRET ORGANIZATIONS HERE THAT THE MAJOR POLICIES LISTED ABOVE WILL CONTROL THEIR ACTIVITIES.

ON MARCH 18 THE ARTOURING, BOURGES AND THE GARONNE (AN ARMED NAVY TANKER) ESCORTED BY THE AVISO BODINIERE DEPARTED FOR THE NORTH. THE GARONNE IS REPORTED TO BE GOING TO TOULON.
From: Legge - Bern
Filed: N.F.T.
NOTHING ALTERED.

From: Eager - Madrid
Filed: N.F.T.
REPORT IS ABSOLUTELY NIL.

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OSD Letter, 5-2-72
From: Navy
SUB SITUATION:
2 OFF LIBERIA OR TAKORADI (THE GOLD COAST) OF WHICH 1 WAS
WITHIN 200 MI OF 05-30 N, 05-00 W (160 MI NNW OF CAPE PALMAS)
AT 2009Z MAR 18 (1658 WST)

Journal #20, 3/20

From: Fellars, Cairo
ARRIVAL OF 69TH AND 249TH SQUADRONS WITH 16 SPITFIRES
INCREASED THE NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT AS OF MARCH 13 IN MALTA
TO 136 OF WHICH 39 WERE SERVICABLE.
TOTAL OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT IN PALESTINE, SUDAN AND EGYPT IS
2,077 WITH 553 SERVICABLE AIRCRAFT IN THE OPERATIONAL SQUADRONS.

Journal #39, 3/20

From: Fellars, Cairo
A CRITICAL REPORT OF THE MECHANICAL CONDITION, STATE OF
TRAINING AND CONDUCT OF THE 2ND ARMORED REGIMENT. ALSO A
COMPARISON OF BRITISH CRUISER TANKS AND AMER. LIGHT TANKS

Journal #61, 3/20

From: Maxwell, Cairo
INQUIRY REGARDING EQUIPMENT OF THE 72 B-25 WHICH THE
FERRY COMMAND WILL DELIVER TO BASRA FOR RUSSIANS.
STATEMENT REGARDING NO AMER. AIR FORCE PERSONNEL AT
BASRA AND CONDITION OF FIELD THERE.
DISINFORMATION OF RAF TO PERMIT B-24'S TO USE AIR-
PORT AT HELIGOLIS CAIRO AND REASONS.

Journal #71/3-20

From: McGuire, London
AXIS ARTILLERY AND BRIT PATROLS EXCHANGED FIRE NEAR
BIR THEROD ON THE 16TH. NO OTHER GROUND ACTIVITY TOOK
PLACE ON THAT DATE.
THEROD IS 13 MI SW OF GAZALA.

Journal #69, 3/20

From: London, n
U-BOAT SITUATION:
1 BETWEEN TAKORADI (GOLD COAST) AND CAPE PALMAS, LIBERIA
1 AT 05-42 N, 10-44 W (130 MI NNW OF CAPE PALMAS,
LIBERIA) 1700Z
1 WESTBOUND APPROX AT 45-30 N, 30-30 W (540 MI NW Of
SAN MIGUEL, AZORES)
1 BOUND TO SW AT APPROX 33-00 N, 38-00 W (600 MI S Of
SAN MIGUEL, AZORES)
1 SW BOUND AT APPROX. 38-00 N, 26-00 W (20 MI NW Of
SAN MIGUEL, AZORES)
HUMMARD BOUND WITHIN 150 MI OF EACH FOLLOWING POSITIONS:
1 41-00 N 40-00 W (640 MI NW OF SAN MIGUEL, AZORES)
1 45-30 N 26-30 W (550 MI NW SAN MIGUEL, AZORES)
1 48-00 N 37-00 W (670 MI NW SAN MIGUEL, AZORES)
1 36-30 N, 33-30 W (355 MI SW SAN MIGUEL, AZORES)
JOURNAL #78, 8/20 CONT.
6 OR 7 IN AREA NE. OF AZORNE.
AREA EAST OF 30° W ED CHARGE.

From: Amcon - Casablanca Via ONI IJ #125, 3/30/42
Filed: 3/30/42, 2200 GMT

FRENCH NAVAL CRAFT AT CASABLANCA AS OF MARCH 16TH:
JEAN BART, BATTLESHIP.
PRIMAVERA, CRUISER.
ALABASTER, MILAN, AND EPERNAY, DESTROYERS.
BOULOGNE, ALCION, AND TEMPEST, TORPEDO BOATS.
CONTOSTE, ACTION, PERCEVAL, AND ANTO, 1600 TON SUBS.
VENUS, IRIS, GERDE, POCHE, PAREAS AND GRESNE, 600
TON SUBS.
SARGENT COHIBA, VICTORIA, ALSHEBISSE, SANTIMILLE, AND
TOULON Raiser (latter under repair), Armed Trawlers.
AMIRAL Kouchez, GUN BOAT.
SUMONT, SOUTILLES, AND GRANDIEN, SLOOPS OF WAR.
GRACIEUX, SUB-CHASER, (under repair)
SHANDON, SABLEBAND, AND KONOMA, MINESWEEPERS.

From: Engel - Beirut IJ #15, 3/21/42
Filed: 3/21/42, 0827 GMT

ON MARCH 16TH TWO OFFICERS AND THREE NON-COMS WERE
KILLED BY A NUMBER OF SENEGALESE MORGHEBDAN TROOPS OF
THE FREE FRENCH FORCES WHO HAD MUTINIED. THE CIRCULA-
TION OF FALSE ALARMING ROMORS APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN THE
CAUSE FOR THE OUTBREAK. THE SOURCE OF THE ROMORS HAS NOT
YET BEEN TRACED. THIS INCIDENT IS NOT BELIEVED HERE TO BE
A SYMPTOM OF UNEEAST OR INSUBORDINATION AMONG FRENCH
TROOPS IN SYRIA ALTHO DUE TO PROLONGED INACTIVITY DISCI-
PLINE HAS ADMITTEDLY BEEN SOMEWHAT LAX. THIS CONDITION
IS ONE REASON FOR DESIRE OF FRENCH AUTHORITIES THAT CON-
TINGENTS BE SENT TO LIBYA AS MENTIONED IN MY TELEGRAM OF
JANUARY 12 NUMBERED SEVEN.
There was an evening air attack with bombs on Tulagi (in Solomons) on 17th. Both Tulagi and Gavutu were bombed on 16th. On March 16th moving from Marshall Is to Oman Is was a Jap Navy unit with air force.

There have been eight plane losses, of Torres Straits Is, plus Thursday Is and Huelwa Is on March 16th and of New Guinea region on same day. In Torres Straits the commercial vessel Canberra was attacked by machine gun.

There is animated movement from Sunda Island (W of Timor) zone to Flores Sea zone on March 17 of the Southern Expeditionary Fleet's flagship.

Moving in direction of Nissan (50 mi W of Buka) on Mar. 17 was 'my series' No 66 at Kessa (Buka) is heavy Navy force.

Some heavy combat planes were seen over Darwin region.

Journal #40, 3/20 Contd.

On March 18, but there was no attack.

Enemy vessels in Rabaul harbor were bombed by 2 B-17's.

There are at Yavakameru seven enemy bombers and six flying boats.

Near Cape St. George (S. of New Ireland) a 6,000 ton ship was headed toward Rabaul. At Gashayra another vessel was seen at Rabaul. 9 commercial vessels, a light cruiser, a destroyer, and a heavy cruiser were observed.

On March 18 our planes bombed Finsays at Komand. 1 of the 6 Hudsons did not come back. There was much antiaircraft.

File: 2/30/42, 1146
From: McG Ice, London

Report of limited production capacity in United Kingdom India and Aust. For aerial bomb nodules of large sizes unable to meet own requirement for RAF even with existing present production capacity in Britain.

Apparently no plans for increasing the small production of aerial bombs in India and Australia.
From: Navy

There are increasing indications of offensive operations by the Japs from the Malay Peninsula into the Indian Ocean, but as yet there is very little tangible evidence other than aircraft movements toward Rambouillet and an air patrol established on March 18 with a 600 mi radius from bases at Perlak and possibly Rambouillet. This suggests that the available Jap fleet units will move into the Indian Ocean with some caution.

From: British Navy - Washington

Filed: 3/30/42, 1223 GMT

I. AIR RAID DARWIN 0212Z 19TH BY 7 TYPE 96 HEAVY BOMBERS (NAVY). TARGET APPEARED TO BE NAVAL HQ. AND RESIDENTIAL AREA. EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO NAVAL QUARTERS. CASUALTIES 2 KILLED, FEW INJURED.

II. RAID NUMBER 14 PORT MORESBY 0003Z 19TH BY 8 TYPE 96 HY BOMBERS (NAVY). AA FIRE ENGAGED JAPS AT APPROXIMATELY 23,000 FEET AND CLAIM ONE BOMBER. NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES REPORTED. TARGET APPEARED TO BE THE HARBOUR AND R.A.A.F. STORE SHIP VANAK.
PRESIDENT OF UNIDENTIFIED PLANES TO MI 3 OF SAN DIEGO
CAUSED CIVILIAN DEFENSE ALERT IN SAN DIEGO AT 3:39 PM PWT
AND RADIO SILENCE. AT 2:40 PM PWT ALL CLEAR AT 3:50 PM
PWT ON IDENTIFICATION OF PLANES AS FRIENDLY AND RADIO
BROADCAST RESUMED AT 3:50 PM PWT.

8:00 A.M.
3/20/42
TO
8:00 A.M.
3/22/42
From: Beaulac - Madrid
Filed: N.F.T.
I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO CONFIRM THE RUMOR REGARDING MILITARY PRESSURE BEING BROUGHT TO BEAR ON SPAIN BY GERMANY AND WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF REQUEST FOR INCREASE IN BLUE DIVISION I DOUBT THAT PRESSURE EXISTS.

From: Navy Via Ensign Shufro
Filed: 3/21/42, 1450 GMT
LARGE GERMAN CRUISER, PROBABLY HIPPER, ESCORTED BY THREE DESTROYERS AND ONE TORPEDO BOAT OBSERVED AT SEA OFF BERGEN (60 50 N, 04 00 E) AT 1450 GMT, 3/20

From: London Via Navy
Filed: N.F.T.
A LARGE ENEMY UNIT WAS REPORTED BY AIRCRAFT AT 1130 MARCH 20 WITH FOUR ESCORTS IN POSITION 60-50 N, 04-00 E. (33 MILES ENE OF BERGEN, NORWAY)
From: Album - Cairo
Filed: N.N.T.

AXIS ACTIVITIES IN AEGEAN HAVE BEEN VERIFIED BY AN
OBSERVER JUST RETURNED FROM THAT AREA.

AN ESTIMATED 25 ROUND TRIPS BY TRANSPORT PLANES ARE
BEING MADE DAILY FROM ATHENS TO THE SOUTH, CRETE BEING
THE PROBABLE DESTINATION.

THREE ENEMY TROOP TRANSPORTS OF 3, 5 AND 7,000 TONS
WERE OBSERVED ENTERING SUDA BAY ON FEB. 26.

THERE IS GREAT CAIQUE AND SCHOONER ACTIVITY BETWEEN
ATHENS AND SALONICA, CARRYING TROOPS AND CARGO, ALSO
BETWEEN LEMBOS, MELOS, CRETE, KHIOS AND NITTELLE ISLANDS.
IT IS ESTIMATED THERE IS ABOUT 100 VESSELS OPERATING 30
OUTFIELD TRIPS DAILY.

 IT IS BELIEVED THAT RADAR HAS BEEN INSTALLED BY THE
AXIS ON SEVERAL OF THE CYCLADES ISLANDS, AS SUB WAS

(IJ #30, 3/21/42, CONT'D)
LOCATED BY RADAR ON TWO OCCASIONS.
From: Koutbychev

Filed: 2/19/1942, 1929 GMT

GERMAN BATTLE ORDER ON GERMAN-SOVIET FRONT FOLLOWS:

1. DISPOSITION OF GERMAN ARMIES AND COMMANDERS (APPROXIMATE DISPOSITIONS)

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(UNIDENTIFIED) KURSKUN
SOUTHERN KHARKOV

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THERE ARE THOUGHT TO BE FIVE ADDITIONAL ARMIES WHOSE LOCATIONS ARE NOT KNOWN.

2. TOTAL NUMBER OF GERMAN DIVISIONS ON SOVIET FRONT. OF THIS DATE, AS THE RESULT OF FOUR MONTHS ANALYSIS OF RUSSIAN REPORTS, 192 NAZI DIVISIONS HAVE BEEN SPOTTED. TOTAL NUMBERS OF VARIOUS TYPES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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| YGACH | ONE (NO NUMBER) |
| SS GERM. INF. | 256th, 3d, 256d |
| " | 31st, 59th, 110th, 251st |
| " | 91st, 96th, 206th, 41st |

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- **HUNGARIAN**
  - GERMAN INF.
  - GERMAN MOTORIZED
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  - TEGER
  - GERMAN MOUNTAIN
  - GERMAN INF.
  - SS VIKING
  - SS ADOLF HITLER
  - GERMAN ARMORED
  - GERMAN INF.
  - GERMAN INF.

#### DIVERS & OTHERS IDENTIFIED BUT LOCATION NOT KNOWN

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- **NAME**
  - GERMAN INFANTRY

#### GERMAN MOTORIZED

- HUNGARIAN MOUNTAIN
- HUNGARIAN INFANTRY
- FLANDSIA
- WALLOCHA VOLUNTEER
- BELGIAN BATTALION
- CROATIAN TROOPS

### NUMERICAL DESIGNATION OR OTHER

- 50th, 72d, 132d, 170th, 25th, 900th, 333d, 293d, 291st, 14th, 21st, 26th, 27th, 29th, 42d, 56th, 70th, 78th, 77th, 249th, 222d, 213th, 212th, 207th, 203d, 172d, 168th, 79th, 36th, 68th, 100th, 101st, 123d, 160th, 157th, 164th, 301st, 119th, 47th

### CUSTOMER ADVISORY

- OBJ
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd

### BATTALION

- 3rd REGIMENT

### COMPLIMENT UNKNOWN

- TORINO
- BLACK SHIRT LEGIONS
- PAZUBIO
- CHELCHI

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GSD Letter, 5-3-72
From: Brett - Australia  IJ $104, 3/20/42
Filed: 3/20/42, 1455 GMT

ENEMY RAID ON DARWIN ON 19TH BY NAVY T-96 HY ALPHA BOMBER CAUSED SEVERAL CASUALTIES AND HEAVY DAMAGE TO NAVAL HQS. IN RAID ON PORT MORESBY ON 19TH BY T-96 HY BOMBER, ONE WAS POSSIBLY SHOT DOWN, NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES CAUSED. RAID ON TULAGI SAME DAY BY ONE T-97 FIGHTER-BOMBER -- ONLY DAMAGE WAS TO ONE CATALINA.

AIR RECONNAISSANCE ON 19TH INDICATES MADANG (NEW GUINEA) DESERTED -- HOLE ON RUNWAY STILL UNFILLED. AT LAE FOUR T-96 HY BOMBER, 18 "O" (HY BOMBER OF UNIDENTIFIED TYPE) AND 5 HY BOMBER, POSSIBLY FIAT BR-20'S WERE OBSERVED. SIMILAR RECONNAISSANCE AT SALAMANIA SHOWED NO AIRCRAFT, SHIPPING OR OTHER ACTIVITIES ON THE 19TH.

ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY ON THE 20TH: ATTACK ON BROOME REPORTED. AIRDROME AT MORESBY BOMBER BY 4 "O"S AND 1 HY BOMBER, NO DAMAGE. A T-97 FLYING BOAT ATTACKED TULAGI WITHOUT CAUSING DAMAGE.

ALLIED AIR ACTIVITY ON 20TH: APBY PATROLLED AREA TULAGI, MISIMA ISLAND AND ROGSEL ISLAND (LATTER TWO ISLANDS IN LOUISIAD GROUP). FOUR B-17'S ATTACKED TULAGI AT DAWN, AND A PBY PATROLLED THE REGION WEST OF HORN ISLAND.
From: Admiral Via Navv
Filed: 3/17/43, 2400 GMT

SURVIVORS OF THE U.S. NAVY REPORT THAT U-BOAT WHICH
SANK SHIPS IN 08-25N, 52-50W (200 MILES NW OF PARA-
MARIBA) AT 1623 MARCH 3 EXCHANGED VISUAL SIGNALS WITH
ANOTHER SHIP (TYPE UNKNOWN) DURING THE NIGHT MARCH 4-5,
HAVING PREVIOUSLY SIGNALLED DURING THE NIGHT MARCH 3-4
WITHOUT RECEIVING REPLY.

ROMER PRESSUL GASCONY REPORTS HEARING AT 0130 FEB. 26
A PARTLY INTELLIGIBLE RAIDER DISTRESS MESSAGE FROM UNKNOWN
SHIPS IN 00-27N, 40-24W (500 MILES N OF THE MOUTH OF THE
AMAZON).

MASTER USA SHIPS REPORTS TWO UNIDENTIFIED SHIPS APPAR-
ENTLY EXCHANGED V/S IN 13-00S, 36-15W. (270 MILES N OF
BAHIA, BRAZIL) AT 0000 FEB. 26.

THESE INCIDENTS INDICATE PRESENCE OF SUPPLY SHIP OR

(IJ #75, 3/19/43, Cont'd)
RAIDER OFF BRAZIL-GUINEA COAST. NO SHIP IS YET OVERDUE
FROM THIS AREA. GERMAN TANKER CHARLOTTESCHLUMANN
SAILED LOS PALMAS FEB. 23 WITH 9,000 TONS DIESEL OIL AND
COULD THEREFORE BE CONNECTED WITH INCIDENT.

*DUCH GUINEA

From: Lang, Buenos Aires
Filed: 3/19/43, 2120 GMT

PRESIDENT OF ARGENTINA'S EFFORTS TO RELIEVE CONDITIONS
AMONG JAPAN'S MILITARY AND CIVIL PRISONERS MEETS WITH
Favorable Press Reaction.

From: Alusna - Mexico City Via Navv
Filed: 3/20/42, 1600 GMT

THE DISPATCH REFERRED TO STATED THAT A VIOLENT EXP-
LSION AND WATER BURST INTO THE AIR WHEN SEEN AND
HEARD FROM A RAFT IN 25-03S, 67-57W. THIS SEEMED TO
INDICATE THE EXPLOSION OF A SHIP, IN A POSITION W OF
CHILE.

THE LAST SHOULD HAVE READ 26-03N, WHICH WOULD HAVE
PLACED THE EXPLOSION 400 MI. W OF PUERTO RICO.
From: Culcifbron (N) Via ONI 12 3/18/42
Filed: 3/18/42, 19:07 GMT

AFTER BEING TORPEDOED IN VICINITY OF CAYO VERRU (IN BAHAMAS) AN AMERICAN HAWAIIAN LINE STEAMSHIP, THE COLONNE IS NOW FLOATING AND MOORED IN THAT AREA.

From: Admiralty Via Navy
Filed: 3/19/42, 24:53 GMT

MASTER JIA SHIPS REPORTS TWO UNIDENTIFIED SHIPS APPEAR TO BE SHOWN FROM 13:00 S 36-16 W (270 MILES E OF BAHIA, BRAZIL) AT 2000 ZED 26.

SURVIVORS OF THE 5.5 MARY REPORT THAT U-BOAT WHICH KILLED SHIPS IN 08-25 W, 55-30 W (200 MILES N OF PARE- MARINO) AT 1635 MARCH 3 RECHARGED.

LOWER VIEN LASSON REPORTS HEADING AT 0130 FEB 26 A PARCHMENT IN TuINSHIP IN 02-27 W, 30-34 W (500 MILES E OF THE MOUTH OF THE AMASON.

THREE INCIDENTS INDICATE PRESENCE OF SUPPLY SHIP OR RAIDER OFF BRAZIL-GUIANA COAST. NO SHIP IS YET OVERDUE.
Filed: 3/19/42
From: Watkins, ETO

NAVY UNABLE CONFIRM TORPEDOING OF SHARNO OFF DIAMOND SHAL AT 1800 GMT ON MARCH 11.

DAILY REPORT TO NOON GMT MARCH 19 CONCEIVED SUB DATA AS FOLLOWS: U-BOATS SIGHTED: 3 OFF CAPE HATTERAS; 1 OFF CAPE HATTERAS; 1 OFF NEW JERSEY. SEVERAL U-BOATS OR VARIOUS PACKS REPORTED MOVING WEST-NORTHWEST IN MID-ATLANTIC FROM BAHAMAS DIRECTION. A PACK TO N. OF THIS POINT WAS REPORTED HEADING SW. U-BOAT ACTIVITY AROUND CAPE HATTERAS HAS GENERALLY HEIGHTENED.

SHIPPING ATTACKS: 2 ATTACKS REPORTED IN WATERS OFF CAPE LOROIN, N.C. TORPEDOING OF PATRONIA MARCH 13 WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY WHAT ARE THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN ITALIAN SUBS.

ATTACKS AGAINST SUBS: A NAVY LIGHTER-THAN-AIRRAFT DEPTH BOMBED A SUB OFF NEW JERSEY WHICH PROCEEDED TO JOURNAL #107, 3/19.

CHARGES CLOSED BUT OTHER RESULTS WERE NOT ACCOMPLISHED OFF CAPE KELLOG, DEL. AN ARMY AIRPLANES RELEASED A DEPTH BOMB WITH UNKNOWN EFFECT.

Filed: 3/19/42, 2115
From: Watkins, ETO

TODAY BETWEEN 1700 & 1800 GMT SHELL OF UNKNOWN CALIBER LANDED IN FIELD NEAR OCCOMARIN IN OFF MONHEGAN. SHELL IS AT HEAD OF OCEAN Hand IN OCEAN HAND IN HEAD OF TANGIER ISLAND 37° 32' N., 76° 45' W. SHELL DID NOT EXPLODE BUT MELTED IN GROUND. GUARD HAS BEEN POSTED..RECEIVED NAVY SHELL FROM TARGET PRACTICE VICINITY OF TANGIER SOUND REPORTED BY CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR.

Filed: 3/19/42, 0238
From: HERE, Navy

REPORT OF 2 SUBS: 1 40 MI NW OF CAPE FIAL, NEWFOUNDLAND, 1 900 MI NE OR BRIDGETOWN.

Filed: 3/19/42, 0417
From: Navy, ONI

FISHING BOAT SIGHTED SUB ON SURFACE 35° 16' 120 DEGREES TIME FROM BLOCK ISLAND SOUTH EAST LIGHT 2045 QUEEN(SIG) MAR 18. SUB TURNED SEARCHLIGHT ON FISHING BOAT. MEDMURDO TO HAVE HIM COME ABOARD.

Filed: 3/19/42, 0326
From: Navy

TANKER ACROSS SOUTH BOATED WAS TORPEDOEDAT 1255Z VICINITY DIAMOND SHAL. ADJACENT MEDMURDO TO TOW ACROSS TO NORFOLK. SAIL SAIL OUL DAWN PULLED OFF DIAMOND SHAL AND PROCEEDING NORTH UNDER OWN POWER.

Filed: 3/19/42, 2131
From: ETO

COAST GUARD PATROL BOAT ATTACKED ON SIGHT CONTACT OFF CAPE KELLOG, DEL. AT 1726 GMT MAR. 19. AFTER ASSISTANCE CAME FROM OTHER NAVY SHIPS. 3 ARMY DIV BOMBERS WERE IN VICINITY BUT HAVE NOT BEEN HEARD FROM.
From: ETO (WATKINS)  IJ #116, 3/19/42
Filed: 3/19/42, 2245 GMT
A SUB WAS REPORTED TO HAVE Risen TO THE SURFACE 4 OR 5 MILES OFF ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY, BY A CIVILIAN AT 1830 GMT.

From: Watkins - ETO  IJ #117, 3/19/42
Filed: 3/19/42, 2338 GMT
AT 2028 GMT MARCH 19, SUB WAS SIGHTED 8 MILES SOUTH OF CAPT HATTERAS BY CHEAPAKEE BAY SECTOR.

From: Commander Eastern Sea Front.  IJ #4, 3/30/42
Filed: 3/30/42, 1243 GMT
SUB SIGHTED 1 MI FROM OVERFALLS. (LIGHT SHIP SOUTH OF DELAWARE BAY) HEADING 45°. PATROL BOATS ATTACKING.

From: Watkins - ETO  IJ #124, 3/19/42
Filed: 3/30/42, 0132 GMT
TANKER REPORTED SEEN BY TWO MOBILE FLIGHT OBSERVERS AND TWO CAP OBSERVERS IN AREA OF PREVIOUS REPORT. DECKS WASH AND SUPERSTRUCTURE ONLY SHOWING SO HAS APPEARANCE OF SUB BUT IS MOVING AND DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE HAVING TROUBLE. THE ABOVE WAS REPORTED AT 2245 GMT BY NEW YORK-PHILADELPHIA SECTOR IN REGARD TO A PREVIOUS REPORT OF A SUB SIGHTED NEAR ATLANTIC CITY BY A CIVILIAN.
From: Leahy - Vichy Via St.  IJ #22, 3/30, 42
Filed: 3/19/42, 1800 GMT
THERE IS NOTHING NEW TO REPORT TODAY.

From: Leahy - Vichy Via St.  IJ #16, 3/30/42
Filed: 3/19/42, 1800 GMT
INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED TO THE EFFECT THAT A SECRET MEETING RECENTLY TOOK PLACE BETWEEN GENERAL MERRICK, MERRICK, KETTLE AND MARSHALL PERTAINING TO THE SUBJECT OF THE MEETING ARE YET AVAILABLE. IT IS SAID THAT THE MARSHAL ARRANGED TO MEET KETTLE DURING THE FORMER'S VISIT TO THE SOUTH. THE MEETING TOOK PLACE AT THE HOUSE OF THE PARENTS OF OUR INFORMANT WHO IS CONSIDERED RELIABLE.

LEAHY

From: Nager - Madrid Via St.  IJ #25, 3/30/42
Filed: 3/19/42, 1900 GMT
GERMANY STRESS ATTACHMENT OF S SPANISH ARMY IN BERLIN. SITUATION IN SW FRANCE WITH REGARD TO GERMAN PRESSURE IS UNCHANGED.
PORTUGUCCSE GOVT HAS CHARTED FOUR TANKERS. NONE OF THESE SHIPS ARE GOING TO SUPPLY THE AZORES THAT I KNOW OF. BELIEVE THEY WOULD COME BACK FOR MORE CARGOES IF THEY COULD BE GUARANTEED OF GETTING THEM. AS BRITAIN HAS FOSTERED THESE CHARTERS WISHING TO HELP PORTUGAL AT THIS TIME, I DO NOT THINK THERE IS ANY POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE TO THE SAILING OF THESE SHIPS FROM AMER. WATERS.

From: Bonesteel - Iceland  
Filed: 3/19/42, 1544 GMT  
REPORT OF ENEMY CAPABILITIES AND HOSTILE TROOPS IN NORWAY NO CHANGE. TIRPITZ REPORTED BY ADMIRALTY TO BE NOW AT AASEJORD (25 MI N. TRONDHEIM).

From: Legge - Bern  
Filed: 3/19/42, 1853 GMT  
NOTHING NEW TO REPORT.
SECRET SERVICE AGENT OF OCCUPIED COUNTRY, AS REPORTED BY N/A FOR AIR OF SAME COUNTRY, STATES: BASIS HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM VIAZMA SECTOR TWO CORPS, LEAVING BUT 2 DIVS. THEREBY; GERMAN TROOPS CONCENTRATING IN NIKOLAYEV AREA, USING BARGES CHIEFLY. NEAR KOBINSBERG, TROOPS AND SUPPLIES BEING ACCUMULATED FOR OPERATIONS THROUGH RIGA; RUMANIAN BOMBINGS BY SOVIET NOT EFFECTIVE; LITTLE PROGRESS MADE BY RUSS IN PRESENCE ATTACKS. ABOVE N/A RELIEVED RELIABLE.

From: Bonnsteel - Iceland  
Journal #77, 3/19/42
Filed: 3/19/42, 1046 GCT
REPORT OF MINISTRY CAPABILITIES AND HOSTILE TROOPS IN NORWAY NO CHANGE. TIRPITZ REPORTED BY ADMIRALTY TO BE NOW AT AARFJORD (26 MI N. TRONDHEIM).

8:00 A.M.  
3/19/42  
TO  
8:00 A.M.  
3/20/42
SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

From: Navy Lodge - London
File: 2/19/42, 0022 GMT

1. IN PORTUGAL HARBOR THERE ARE A NUMBER OF SHIPS. ON MARCH 17TH THERE WAS NO VISIBLE ENEMY ACTIVITY.

From: Admiralty Via Navy
File: 2/17/42, 1615 GMT


VESSEL PURSUITS TO BE U.S. LIVERPOOL REPORTED IN 38-11 S, 20-06 W (570 MILES S OF CAPE TOWN) AT 1035 MARCH 14.

ONE VESSEL WAS SUNK PROBABLY BY A MINI OR CAPTAIN ON S 0100 MARCH 16. WHETHER THE LIVERPOOL OR LIVERPOOL WAS IN THE AREA AT THAT TIME.

THOSE INCIDENTS INDICATE A RAIDER OR SUPPORT SHIP IN THE CAPE AREA. POSSIBLE SHIPS ARE NAVAL X OR SPANTAND CAPTURED BY GERMAN JAPAN. 1942.

From: Astralwsa - Lisbon Via Navy
File: 3/20/42

THE FOLLOWING TROOPS SHIPPED FROM LISBON ON MARCH 18:
740 INFANTERI AND 100 ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY MEN, FOR POITIERS-DEI GADA, 5 BATTERIES, 100 HILLARIES, 2 HILLARIES, 2 HILLARIES AND 100 ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY MEN.

From: Capetown Via Navy
File: 3/18/42, 1040 GMT

SOME, FRENCH SHIP, ARRIVED TAMBASAI, MADAGASCAR, ON TUESDAY MARCH 20 FROM DAKAR REPORTED BY A FRENCH SLOP, D'ESTARCASTRAU, AND AN UNHANDED SUBMARINE.

From: Beaullac - Madrid Via St.
File: 2/19/42, 1800 GMT

THE HIGH COMMISSIONER IN SPANISH MOROCCO, GEN. ORZAL, IS AT PRESENT HERE IN MADRID.

IT IS REPORTED THAT INCREASED BY THE GERMAN DIVISION BE ENLARGED IS CONNECTED WITH SERIOUS DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE GERMAN DIVISION AND THE COMMANDER OF THE DIVISION, GENERAL HENOCHE, WHICH THE CHIEF OF STAFF MAY HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO SETTLE. FOR SOME TIME IT HAS BEEN PRESENTLY REPORTED THAT THE GERMAN WAS INSISTING ON THE INCREASE OF THE GERMAN DIVISION AND THAT HENOCHE GRANDE WAS DISAPPROVED.

From: Admiralty Via Navy
File: 3/20/42

1 SHIP HOMeward BOUND WITHIN 150 MILES OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:
800 MILES NE OF MARTIQUES.
900 MILES NW OF SAN MICHEL, AZORES.
SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

From: Stillwell - Chungking  IJ #66, 3/11/43
Filed: 3/19/43, 0330 GMT

ARRIVAL AT CHUNGKING THIS NIGHT OF THE 17TH. A MARCH 16 P.M. MESSAGE FROM THE GENERALISSIMO REPORTS 22ND AND 98TH DIVISIONS AT MANDALAY.

BECAUSE OF UNUSUAL TACTICAL CONCESSIONS ARE UNABLE TO GET CHANGE IN PRECONCEIVED PLAN. AS THE GENERAL STAFF IS CONSIDERING ON IT I HOPE TO GET A HEARING.

AS SUPPORTING ARMS ARE TOO WEAK AND THERE IS A FIXED GENERAL POLICY OF FELEING THE WAY WE CANNOT COUNTER POINT ON DIRECT AGGRESSIVE ACTION.

From: Brink - Burma  IJ #46, 3/19/43
Filed: 3/18/43, 1600 GMT

BRITISH CONCENTRATING ASTRIDE PROKE - OKPO ROAD (110 MI N RANGOON) TO PROTECT LAST REMAINING OIL FIELD IN BURMA AT THANG YANG (175 MI N. PROKE)

A DISCUSSION OF TERRAIN AND TACTICAL POSSIBILITIES OF COUNTRY AROUND PROKE.

From: Stillwell - Chungking  IJ #66, 3/19/43
Filed: 3/19/43, 0330 GMT

23RD & 66TH JAP DIVISION ARE IN THE RANGOON AREA.

THE FURDER ON THE PROKE ROAD, THE LATTER ON THE TOUGOOW ROAD. THEIR REINFORCEMENT IS SUSPECTED. ON THE 10TH TOUGOOW WAS BOMBED AND PYNIMA (65 MI N. OF TOUGOOW) BURNED. THERE IS NO TROUBLE YET FROM THE JAP AGENTS WORKING ON THE SO-CALLED BURMESE FREE ARMY. THE NATIVES AND CHINESE TROOPS GET ALONG WELL. THE DISCIPLINE IS GOOD.

SOON LABOR WILL BECOME A PROBLEM AS THE EXODUS OF INDIANS FROM SOUTH BURMA CONTINUES.

From: Stillwell - Chungking  IJ #122, 3/19/43
Filed: 3/19/43, 1130 GMT

PLAN FOR DIVISION OF COMMAND IN BURMA HELD IMPrACTICAL.

From: Stillwell - Chungking  IJ #130, 3/19/43
Filed: 3/19/43, 1130 GMT

STILLWELL HAMPERED IN ORGANIZING MEDICAL AND EVACUATION SERVICES BY LACK OF DOCTORS OR SUPPLIES. LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF TROOPS THAT CAN BE KEPT IN BURMA. GAS REFINERY NORTH OF PROKE IS VITAL SPOT. DIGOXI WITH NO ROAD CONNECTION IS ONLY OTHER SOURCE.

From: Stillwell - Chungking  IJ #129, 3/19/43
Filed: 3/19/43, 0135

LATE APRIL WILL BRING THE RAINS. ALL WAS QUIET ON THE 17TH OF MARCH. A SOUTH-WEST RANGE OF Densely Cov- ered Hills Lies Between PROKE AND TOUGOOW, WHILE EAST OF THE MANDALAY VALLEY LIES A VERY MOUNTAINOUS HEAVILY WOODED COUNTRY. THE BRIT ARE IN POSITION NEAR IX IX THARRAPADDY ASTRIDE THE ROAD FROM PROKE TO RANGOON. A FRONT OF 220 MILES IS COVERED BY THE 6TH ARMY AND THERE IS A WESTWARD GAP OF 100 MILES BETWEEN THE 6TH AND 5TH ARMIES. THE 6TH ARMY WITH FRONT AT TOUGOOW WILL COVER THE RANGOON-MANDALAY ROAD. IT IS 60 MILES FROM TOUGOOW TO PROKE.

THE EXTENT OF THE FRONT AND THE PECULIARITIES AND NATURE OF THE TERRAIN IS CALLED TO YOUR ATTENTION. AVG EQUIPMENT IS NOW IN SUCH A REDUCED STATE THAT OPERATIONS MUST NECESSARILY CEASE VERY SOON. IT IS REITERATED THAT I CONSIDER IMMEDIATE ACTION ESSENTIAL TO BUILD UP THE 10TH AIR FORCE.
Filed: 3/19/43, 0200
From: Stilwell, Chungking

CHINESE 22ND AND 96TH DIVS SENT TO MANDALAY BY GEN.
STILWELL. COMMUNICATIONS PREVENT PRIOR CONSENT OF
CHARIAN KAI-CHEK SUB COOPERATION ARRANGED WITH ALEXANDER.

BRIT. EFFECTIVE STRENGTH IN BURMA IS NOW 10,000.

Filed: 3/19/43, 0800
From: Navy, ONI

HANCE CONSENTS THAT JAPS ARE SHewing INTEREST IN SHIPPING
AT COLOMBO, CALCUTTA, MADRAS, AND VIZAGAPATAM ON THE N.E. COAST
COAST OF MADRAS PRINCIPALITY.

FORCE AVAILABLE TO GO INTO INDIAN OCEAN IS AS FOLLOWS:
3-4 BB, 4 AIRCRAFT CARRIERS, 4 HEAVY CRUISERS, 3 LIGHT
CRUISERS, 34 DESTROYERS, 12 SUB TIMBER AND 10 SUBS. PRO-
BABLY BE USED A LITTLE AT A TIME.

Filed: 3/19/43, 1409
From: MacKaye, London

W.O. BELIEVES LULL IN BURMA OPERATIONS DUE TO JAP
AWAITING TANK REINFORCEMENTS THINKS IT POSSIBLE ONE OF
3 TANK REGIMENTS LOCATED IN MANDALAY ARE BEING MOVED FROM
THAILAND TO BURMA.

TO SUPPLY ARMS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO DISAFFECTED BUMBAKSE
A JAP PARTY OF STRENGTH UNKNOWN LANDED BELOW MONTICO AND
LATER WITHDRAWN.

THERE IS A POSSIBLE RIVER-BORNE THREAT TO BRIT RIGHT
FLANK.

TOWN OF LEBAPRA (TO MI N. RANGOON) IS REPORTED PRE-
PARING JAP RESISTANCE.

THE MAIN STRENGTH OF JAP REMAIN S OF TAIIKII (40 MI N.
RANGOON) BUT A STRONG FORCE WHICH IS ADVANCING TOWARD
Tthickness HAS BEEN ENGAGED BY BRIT Troops S OF KANTURWIK

(45 MI N TIRGOO)
FILE: 2/19/42, 0800
From: Navy
JAP FORGE NORTH OF WAKK WITHDRAW TOWARD MIDWAY.
PATROL ACTIVITY HEAVY IN JAP HOME WATERS.

From: Enrons - Hawaii
LI #45, 2/19/42
FILE: 3/19/42, 1642 GMT
REPORT OF ACTIVITIES 17TH MARCH:
LAND ACTIVITIES NIL. SAME CONCLUSIONS AS BEFORE.
CONSIDERABLE DECREASE IN REPORTS OF SUB ACTIVITY.
SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

Filed: 3/19/42, 1346Z
From: A.G.N.B.

FOLLOWING FROM CENTRAL WAR ROOM, 17TH OF MARCH: ENEMY MIGHT OF PORT MORESBY ON 16TH AND SIFARAI ON 17TH.
2 DESTROYERS AND 3 (?) FLYING BOATS AT LAE ON 16TH;
DESTROYED DEPARTED TO EAST. NATIVE SOURCES, RELIABLE, REPORTS 3 LARGE SHIPS IN SWIKE ISLAND (NEAR SARIWAI IS) AREA ON 17TH.
KOPANG AIRDROME BOMBED BY ONE HUDSON ON 17TH. RUNWAYS HIT. HUDSON ATTACKED UNSUCCESSFULLY ON 10 ENEMY PLANES. INDICATIONS THAT LANDING PARTIES HAVE FORAGED FOR FOOD FROM LARGE NAVAL FORCE REPORTED AT KEHLA, NO MOVE MADE TO OCCUPY AREA. ON MARHEIM RIVER (NEAR LAE) LARGE ENEMY FORCE WITH ARM. VEHICLES REPORTED CROSSING RIVER IN SUREY BOATS. SUSPECT COOPERATION OF LOCAL NATIVES WITH ENEMY. 8 HEAVY BOMBERS REPORTED OVER PORT DARWIN ON 17TH. ATTEMPTED (TWO) ATTACK. ENEMY FORCE OF 1000 BELIEVED AT SITARINA.

Filed: 3/19/42, 1949
From: Navy

JAP FLIGHT AND AIR DISPOSITIONS & ACTIVITY:
JAP AIR PATROLS FROM MARSHALLS, WAKE AND MAKIN COVER RADIUS OF 500 MILES. THOSE FROM JAPAN 700 MILES. COMBAT FORCES CONTINUE TO MOVE TO THE ENEM, AMONG THEM ARE DESIGNS 2 AND 4, POSSIBLY ATAGO AND KAGA. KAGA HAS BEEN DIVERTED TO SAKAI.
OTHER THAN IN MALAY SEC. THERE IS NO INDICATION OF LARGE OFFENSIVE ACTION AT THIS TIME. OF THE MALAY FORCE ONE OR MORE UNITS ARE ON THEIR WAY TO JAPAN, FROM A LOCATION NEAR 32-00 N 160-00 E (550 MI NE MARGUS IS) AUXILIARY SHIP SENDS OUT UMPHRO AND THE BERRA HEAD, STILL NOTED IN NORTHERN AREA ARE WATCH OUTS CHICKENS 6 AND 16 AND DESIGNS 6. ALSO HERE GUARDIAN DIV. 8.

From: Australia (Brett) IJ 102, 3/19/42
Filed: 3/19/42, 0253 GMT
OVER NORTH ISLAND 20 TYPE O FIGHTERS WERE SEEN. THEY WERE ALSO SEEN OVER THURSDAY ISLAND AND CAPT. JOHN ON THE 18TH. 1 DIRECT HIT WAS SCORED ON A HYS CRUISER & 2 OTHER LARGE SHIPS EXPERIENCED NEAR MISSES. WHEN REAR U.S. WAS ATTACKED ON THE 18TH BY 2 B-17'S. 2 DESTROYERS, 2 CRUISERS, 2000 TRANSPORTS AND 6 FLYING BOATS WERE SEEN IN THE HARBOR, ALSO 7 BOMBERS AT THE AIRDROME.
4 HITS WERE SCORED ON RUNWAY OF KOPANG AIRDROME WHEN IT WAS ATTACKED BY THE HUS STAND ON THE 18TH. 1 HUS REACHED TO RETURN. ANOTHER RAID, THE 2ND, WAS MADE ON TULAGI ON THE 18TH BY 9 PLANES. THEY WERE MOST LIKELY HEAVY BOMBERS AND DID NO FURTHER DAMAGE.
AIR ACTIVITY OF ALLIES: 1 CATALINA SEARCHING W OF HEBN ISLAND. ROUTINE PATROLS AUSTRALIAN COAST. RECONNAISSANCE (IJ 103, 3/19/42, CONT'D)

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MORSEY TO SITARINA LAB MARHEIM HAMBAYK BY 1 HUS.
SEARCH BY 1 CATALINA W OF TULAGI TO ROSELL ISLAND.
ACTIVITIES OF JAP: IN THE NEW GUINEA AREA ON THE 18TH MANY RECONNAISSANCE MESSAGES. HOREXY WHARF, STOREM SHIP WAMAKA ATTACKED BY 8 TYPE-96 HYS NAVY BOMBERS ON THE 18TH. THEY DID NO DAMAGE. AN ANCHORED CATALINA WAS ATTACKED WITH CANNON AND BOMB BY A FLYING BOAT RECONNAISSANCE TULAGI ON THE 18TH.

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Letter, 3-3-78
From: WDG & 4th Army
Filed: 3/19/42, 2007 GMT

IJ 49, 3/20/42

WDG & 4TH ARM
HARRINGTON

JAP NAVAL LIST DOES NOT INCLUDE JYUJO ALTHO THE JAPS
HAVE A KYUJO AS A CARRIER. THE FORMER N Y K LINE SHIP
KANIKAWA MARU IS NOW A SEAPLANE TENDER. NAVY BELIEVES
THIS MAY BE THE SHIP REFERRED TO AS KAMICHA MARU (NOT
A JAP NAME) IN 0-3 REPORT NO. 4. A CHECK IS REQUESTED
ON NAMES OF JAP SHIPS PLACED IN MALAYA IN ABOV REPORT.
HARRINGTON
From: Admiralty Via Navy
Filed: 3/19/42, 1256 GMT
SUBMARINE SITUATION:
2 WITHIN 150 MILES OF CAPE HENRY.
2 ON 3 BETWEEN HAMPTON ROAD AND NEW YORK, 2 OF WHICH MAY
BE ABOUT 70-90 WESTBOUND (ABOUT 500 MI OFF THE COAST)
ABOUT 5 IN AREA JUST NORTH OF BERMUDA.
1 HOMewardbound WITHIN 150 MI OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING
POSITIONS:
(410 MILES ESE OF BERMUDA)
(570 MILES ESE OF BERMUDA)
(320 MILES NE OF BERMUDA)
(730 MILES S OF SAN MIGUEL, AZORES)
(440 MILES N OF CAPE SACHN, N.P.)
2 WESTBOUND AT APPROXIMATELY 710 MILES NW OF SAN MIGUEL
AZORES)

From: ETO (Watkins)
Filed: 3/19/42, 0859 GMT
OBSERVATION BEING MAINTAINED BY TWO MÔDLE FLIGHT
PLANES OVER AREA AT 3016 N, 7416 W WHERE THERE IS FRESH
OIL SPOT AND SLICK. HUKE DARK PATCHES FOUR IN NUMBER.
50 OBSERVATION SQUADRON REPORTED THE ABOVE TO NEW YORK-
PHILADELPHIA SECTOR AT 1650 GMT.

From: DIO 5 Via Navy
Filed: 3/20/42, 0632 GMT
S.S. PAPOOSE, AMERICAN TANKER, TORPEDOED THICK 9 MI.
SW OF CAPE LOCKOUT AT 2250, MARCH 18 AND REMAINS AFOAT.

From: Spenavo - London Via Navy
Filed: 3/19/42, 1605 GMT
ATTENTION IS CALLED TO SUCCESSFUL USE OF RECOGNITION
PROCEDURE BY ENEMY RAIDERS AND WARNS SHIPS THAT A SUCCESS-
FUL EXCHANGE OF SIGNALS DOES NOT CONSTITUTE PROOF THAT A
MERCHANT VESSEL IS FRIENDLY.

From: ETO Watkins
Filed: 0332, 3/20
CHARLESTON NAVAL OPERATIONS FIGURED LOCATION OF SHIP
TRINA AS OFF BRUNSWICK, GA., AT HOUR MESSAGE SENT (345800 GMT)
TRINA BELIEVED SIGHTED AT 1800 GMT AT 29-20 N 80-45 W.
THIS MESSAGE FROM KEY WEST NAVAL OPERATIONS STATED ORDERS
WERE TO STOP THIS SPANISH SHIP & SEND IT TO PERT USING
PRECAUTION TO PREVENT SCUTTLE. ENEMY NATIONAL & SUPPLIES
FREIGHT WERE POSSIBLY BEING CARRIED. KEY WEST ORDERING
ORDERS BE STOPPABLE.

From: ETO Watkins
Filed: 3/20
SSSH SENT BY TRANSHIPMENT ARMS AT 0445 GMT CANCELLED BY
LATER MESSAGE AT 0712 GMT BY 1st INTERCEPTOR COMMAND.

From: GILLES
Filed: 3/22, 3/30
ENEMY ACTIVITY REPORT FOR 18-19 MAR IS NEGATIVE.

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OSD Letter, 5-3-72
From: Admiralty Via Navy
Filed: 3/19/42, 1255 GMT
SUBMARINE SITUATION:
1 W OF GUIANA NOT FIXED.
2 IN THE CARIBBEAN OR PASSAGES, NOT FIXED.
2 OR 3 IN FLORIDA STRAIT, BAHAMAS OR TO NORTHEASTWARDS.
From: Admiralty Via Navy
Filed: 5/19/42, 1255 GMT
SUBMARINE SITUATION:
EAST OF 30-00 W NO CHANGE, BUT TWO U-BOATS WERE ATTACKED ON MARCH 10 TO THE SOUTHEAST OF ROCKALL.
From: Cinopac Via Navy
Filed: 0007, 3/20/42, GMT

THERE IS INCREASING INDICATION OF OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS FROM MALAY PENINSULA. THE KAIGA, NOW NEAR OKINAWA ISLANDS, IS ENROUTE SASEBO. THE ATAGO IS RETURNING TO JAPAN. UNITS OF CRITICK AIR GROUP ARE AT WAKE. THE HOSHO IS STILL IN THE AREA SOUTH OF TRUK. AIR SEARCHES FROM WAKE YESTERDAY INCLUDED SECTORS FROM NORTH TO EAST FOR A DISTANCE FROM 3 TO 400 MILES. AT 1900 MARCH 17 THERE WAS SIGHTED IN RABaul ONE HEAVY CRUISER, ONE FLYING-DECK CRUISER, ONE DESTROYER, 9 MERCHANT TYPE, AND THERE WAS ONE 6,000 TON VESSEL STANDING TOWARDS RABaul, SIX PATROL PLANES IN HARBOR AND 7 BOMBERS AT BUNAKAN AIRDROME. THERE WAS EXTENSIVE ENEMY RECONNAISSANCE OF PORT MORESBY. ONE THE 18TH IN THE NEW GUINEA. AREA GULAGI AND CAIUTU WERE BOMBED BY 9 THIN- ENGINE PLANE. NO SHIPS SIGHTED AT GASMATA.

ADMIRALTY VIA NAVY
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M.E. & AFRICA

0-2 WORK SHEET

3/20/42
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FROM: EXTENDS CRAFT

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

Filed: 0717 3/20
From: SS WATKINS
SS DAYILA SIGHTED SUB ON SURFACE AT 38°39' N, 60°04' W.
APPROX. 900 MILES DUE EAST OF BALTIMORE AT 0944 GMT MAR. 20.

Filed: 0502 3/20
From: HTO WATKINS
SUB WAS SHELLING AMER TANKER MERCURY SUN 16 MILES
SOUTH OF LOOKOUT ACCORDING REPORT FROM SHIP AT 0415
GMT MAR. 20.
Filed: 3/18/42, 2030
From: Cockrell, Quarry Heights

Disposal of situation to noon GMT today. About 300 miles SW Balboa on March 18 the captain of the Guantanamo Point. This sub did not acknowledge signals of recognition but flew American flag.

Filed: 3/18/42, 0740
From: Navy, Ottawa

D/F places enemy SS within 100 miles 15-30 N, 61-00 W, (20 miles E of Dominica Is. W.I.

Filed: 3/17/42, 2111
From: Navy

U.S. consul at Nassau reports that the recent sinking of Daytona 8 of the Providence Channel was by an Italian enemy vessel type SS. The ship was en route from Mobile to Halifax and evidently was not using the American route.

Filed: 3/15/42, 1601
From: Gondor, Montevideo

No disturbances have been reported in Montevideo as a result of the torpedoing of the SS Montevideo.

The populace murmers about violent vengeance against resident Nazis. Yelling students may cause incident. The police are maintaining mobile forces at strategic places near Nazi establishments.

As a protective measure the crew of the German vessel Tacoma was taken ashore.

Filed: 3/18/42, 1610
From: Pratt, Port of Spain

Following report as of noon GMT March 18:

Following Intel: was taken from master and coxswain of the tanker Penelope. Panama Registry, torpedoed and sunk March 13 at 19-00 N - 64-00 W. Hostile U-boat was identified as Remaux-la-Plage, guedder both and after with 2-inches and named by German crew. U-boat conn. had complete intelligence on destination, port of departure, crew, and armament of Penelope. Sub Conning
JOURNAL #58, 3/18 CONT.

Hatchet was inscribed with a coat under which was a Circle enclosing (omen)
No change in lines open to enemy action. GOG and MILD have been advised.
Attempting a break-out of the internment camp in Dutch Guiana brought about the wounding of two prisoners.

From: Cockrell - Quarry Heights IJ #79, 3/18/42
Filed: H.P.T.

Composite of situation to noon yesterday. About 300 miles sw Barbados on 18 March the captain of the CHAMONT
U.S.N.T. observed a sub which did not acknowledge signals of recognition but did fly an American flag.

1. (PROBABLY CHAMONT)

From: Admiralty Via ONI IJ #91, 3/18/42
Filed: 3/18/42, 084500

1 SS probably still between Paramaro & Barbados.
2 SSs unlocated in the Caribean or passages.
3 SSs N of the Bahamas: 1 of which is in 29-36 N, 74-00 W (310 mi SE of Cape Fear) at 17-18 WST or Mar. 16.
4 SS within 100 mi of 21-00 N, 57-00 W (450 mi WNW of Martinique) homeward.
5 SS within 100 mi of 22-30 N, 57-30 W, (430 mi ESE of Bermuda) homeward.
6 SS within 100 mi of 29-00 N, 62-00 W, (240 mi SE of Bermuda) homeward.
Filed: 3/18/42, 0621
From: Navy, Ottawa
D/F PLACES ENEMY SS WITHIN 100 MILES 41-30 N, 46-30 W
AT 2229 MARCH 17 (1629 W/3 MARCH 17) 430 MILES 38 OF
CAPE PINNER, NEWFOUNDLAND.

Journal #64, 3/18

Filed: 3/18/42, 1706
From: HNO, Down
EASTERN THEATER REPORTS SUSPECTED SS BOMBED BY ARMY
PLANE DEPTH CHARGE AT 36-33 N, 74-56 W (56 MI SE OF CAPE
MAYDELL) AT 1403 GMT MARCH 18. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

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OSD Letter, 5-8-78
From: Drum - ETO
Filed: 3/19/42, 0440 GMT
ABOUT TWENTY MILES SW CAPE LOOKOUT, N.C., THE W. E. 
HUTTON, A TANKER, WAS REPORTED STRUCK BY A TORPEDO AT 
0350 GMT THE 19TH.

From: Watkins - (WDDBI)
Filed: 3/18/42, 2110 GMT
AMERICAN TANKER MUSKOGEE SAW SUB SOUTH OF BARNEGAT 
LIGHT, N. J. MARCH 19TH. LOCATION 39-38 N, 74-00 W. 
THIS INFORMATION FROM CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR BY INTERCEPT 
AT 1945 GMT.

From: Drum - ETO
Filed: 3/19/42, 0406 GMT
SBM SENDS INFORMATION THAT AT 2250 GMT YESTERDAY K5 
FOUND A SUB FOLLOWING A TANKER. DISCOVERY MADE BY SOUND 
CONTACT AT 3914N, 7419 W. THE LOCATION WAS 9.2 MILES SSE 
FROM ATLANTIC CITY LIGHT ON A Bearing OF 160 DEGREES. 
COURSE OF TARGET SSN BUT TOOK NEW DIRECTION AFTER DARK.
FOUR DEPTH CHARGES DROPPED. TWO NAVY PATROL VESSELS IN 
AREA.

From: Drum - ETO
Filed: 3/19/42, 0431 GMT
SOS FROM TANKER PAPAGOE FIFTEEN MILES SOUTHWEST CAPE 
LOOKOUT PICKED UP ON RADIO BY SOUTHERN SECTOR AT 0241 
THE 19TH.
Filed: 3/18/42, 1410
Journal #61, 3/18

From: Lonesteel, Indigo

INDIGO'S AIR ACTIVITY REPORT FOR MARCH 17:
WEATHER: FOG AND LIGHT RAIN; VISIBILITY 2 TO 7 MILES, WITH VARIABLE WIND OF 10 MPH., TEMPERATURE AVERAGED 40 DEGREES.
ENEMY ACTIVITY: NIL.
PATROLS: 8 HRS., 30 MINS., AND 50 MINS., WITH CEILING OVERCAST TO 4500 FT.

Filed: 3/18/42, 1740
Journal #71, 3/18

From: Watkins, ETO

AIR ACTIVITY REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING NOON GMT MAR 18:
16 OBSERVATION MISSIONS, 8 RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS.
WEATHER: GENERALLY BAD IN CHERNAKAN RAY SECTOR NORTH, CAUSING CANCELLATION OF SOME FLIGHTS; GENERALLY FAIR IN SOUTHERN SECTOR.
NEWFOUNDLAND REPORT:
4 RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS.
WEATHER: CEILING 5000 FT. TO UNLIMITED; VISIBILITY 5 MILES TO UNLIMITED.

Filed: 3/18/42, 1815
Journal #63, 3/18

From: Watkins, ETO

IN VIEW OF YOUR INSTRUCTIONS OF MARCH 14 SIGNED WALEY TO FIRST AIR FORCE TO REPORT AIR ACTIVITY DIRECTION YOUR RQS. SHALL WE DISCONTINUE RECEIPT FROM NEWFOUNDLAND OUR DAILY PERIODIC AIR ACTIVITY REPORT WHICH DUPLICATES.

Filed: 3/18/42, 1756
Journal #63, 3/18

From: BLUE WEST - Giles

OWN RAY BOMBER ARRIVED FROM BLUE WEST NIGHT (SIG)
Filed: 3/18/42, 1830 IN CLEAR
From: Navy
IT IS REPORTED BY THE SS MOBILILIN THAT SHE SIGHTED A U-BOAT AT POSITION (39-36 N, 76-00 W) (50 MILES NE OF CAPE MAY) AT 1430 GMT ON MARCH 16, 1942.

Filed: 3/18/42, 0333
From: Navy, Ottawa
REPORT OF SUB 260 MI SSW OF CAPE RAGE, NEWFOUNDLAND (43-30 N, 56-00 W) AT 231455 WST MARCH 17.

Filed: 3/18/42, 1706
From: Navy
A SS SIGHTED 10 MI S OF BUSY AT ENTRANCE TO DELAWARE.

Filed: 3/18/42, 1822
From: Watkins, ETO
STEAMER CAPATULO OF VENEZUELAN REGISTRY ADVISED HAVING OBSERVED A SUB AT 1425 GMT THIS DAY. LOCATION GIVEN AS 35-14 N, 78-30 W (50 MI SS CAPE HATTERAS). IN VICINITY OF CAPE REYEN, N.E. A SUB WAS SEEN BY THE VESSEL LIBERATOR AT 1442 GMT, ACCORDING TO RADIO INTERCEPT. ORIGIN OF THESE REPORTS IK NTF.

Filed: 3/18/42, 1928
From: Watkins, ETO
THE M.W. CLARK WAS THE UNNAMED VESSEL TOPIPOLED IN VICINITY DIAMOND SHOALS THIS MORNING AT 0630 GMT. 15 MEMBERS OF CREW SAVED BY USE.

From: Admiralty Via ONI
Filed: 3/18/42, 0845 GMT
1 SS UNLOCATED IN THE BAHAMAS.
1 SS BETWEEN CHARLESTON AND CAPE HATTERAS.
1 SS AT 36-08 N, 76-19 W, (76 MI NE OF CAPE LOOKOUT, N.C.) AT 1745 WST ON MAR. 17.
1 OR 2 SS'S BETWEEN HAMPTON ROADS AND CAPE COD.
1 SS AT 34-46 N, 67-09 W, (240 MI SS OF CAPE COD) AT 1245 WST ON MAR. 17 W-BEND.
1 SS POSSIBLY OFF CAPE SABLE.
ABOUT 6 SS'S N OF 36-00 N, BETWEEN 65-00 W, AND 40-00 W OF WHICH 3 WERE W-BEND. WITHIN 100 MI OF THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:
1 SS - 37-00 N, 61-00 W (380 MI NE OF BERMUDA)
1 SS - 40-00 N, 54-00 W (290 MI NE OF BERMUDA)
1 SS - 40-00 N, 57-00 W (558 MI NE OF ST. JOHN)
(IJ #91, 3/18/42, Cont'd)
5 SS'S IN THE AREA BOUNDED BY 39-00 N, 46-00 W AS SS W 36-00 W, 26-00 W (APPROXIMATELY 500 MI NW OF SAN MIGUEL) 2-BEND.
THERE IS NO CHANGE IN THE AREA N OF 30-00 W.

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OSD Letter, 5-8-72.
ON RUSS FRONT, SEEMS THAT GERM. FEEL THEY MUST RETAIN AT ALL COSTS THEIR POSITIONS 2 OF ENOLAHEY BECAUSE THIS AREA IS VITAL TO SUMMER CAMPAIGN. SIGNS INDICATE GERM. PLANNING GIVE GROUND IN S BUT SENT ON MAKING ALL-OUT EFFORT TO FURNISH AN AIR DEFENSE THAT GUARANTEES HOLDING CENTRAL FRONT.

RUSS PRESSURE IN AREA FROM KUBNZI TO LONMEN IS GIVING GERM. CONCERN AS REINFORCEMENTS ARE SENT TO THIS AREA SO THEY ARE USING THEIR AIR FORCES DEFENSIVELY IN THIS AREA. THE IMPORTANCE WHICH THE GERMANS ASCRIBE TO THIS AREA IS EVIDENCED BY THE FACT THAT FROM BEGINNING OF YEAR THEY HAVE SENT NEW AIR FORCE REINFORCEMENTS TO SOUTHERN FRONT IN SPITE OF PROGRESS WHICH RUSS OFFENSIVE IS MAKING IN CRIMKA AND AGAINST KHABOY.

ON SOUTHERN FRONT, GERMAN AIR FORCE HAS GROWN. AS FAR JOURNAL #97, 3/18 CONTD.

AS RAIN IN THE CAUCASUS. IN TURN, THE RUSS AIR FORCE HAS CONDUCTED LONG RANGE BOMBING ATTACKS AGAINST GERMAN-HELD AIRFIELDS IN SPITE OF BAD WEATHER.

ON CENTRAL FRONT, DAILY LONG RANGE BOMBING ATTACKS AGAINST COLUMNS OF RUSSIAN REINFORCEMENTS AND AGAINST RUSS COMM. HAVE BEEN CHIEF EFFORT OF GERMAN AIR FORCE. PRINCIPAL RUSS RE SUPPLY LINE FROM RUSEN TO BOLGOOE AS REGULARLY RECON. CLOSE SUPPORT FORCES HAVE OPERATED CHIEFLY IN CENTRAL AREA FROM BASS NEAR VYAZMA.

THIS INFORMATION CONCERNING GERMAN AIR FORCE IN RUSSIA COME FROM AIR MINISTRY AND INCLUDES BELIEF THAT GERMAN AIR FORCE WILL REQUIRE FOR ITS SUMMER CAMPAIGN IN RUSS AT LEAST 2500 AIRCRAFT. THE ACQUISITION OF THIS TOTAL SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE UNLESS UNITS NOW IN NORD AREA OR ON WESTERN FRONT ARE TRANSFERRED, RETURN OF UNITS FROM NORD TO RUSS FRONT SEEMS MORE LIKELY POSSIBILITY SINCE SOME OF THESE UNITS HAVE ALREADY HAD EXPERIENCE IN RUSS WHERE THE STRENGTH JOURNAL #97, 3/18 CONTD.

OF GERMAN AIR FORCE ON WESTERN FRONT REGARDED AS BEING AT MIN.

IF OPERATIONS CAN BE DISCONTINUED DURING SPRING THEN, THE GERMAN AIR FORCE MAY BE IN POSITION TO REQUIP TO SOME DEGREE. THE RUSS OFFENSIVE, COMING AS IT DID AFTER 6 MONTHS VIGOROUS OPERATIONS, KEPT GERMAN AIR FORCE REQUIPPING. IT COMPLIED GERMAN AIR FORCE TO OPERATE DEFENSIVELY UNDER BAD WEATHER CONDITIONS. THIS CAUSED SERIOUS DECREASE IN SERVICEABILITY, REQUIRING MAINTENANCE OF 1500 TO 1900 AIRCRAFT IN ORDER PERMIT 800 TO 850 FIGHTERS A DAY. OPERATIONS IN BAD WEATHER INCREASED WASTAGE BOTH IN BATTLE AND NON-BATTLE LOSSES AND GREATEN STRAIN ON CREWS.

DURING PAST MONTH, GERMAN AIR FORCE ON RUSS FRONT HAS BEEN STRENGTHENED BY CLOSE SUPPORT FORCES CONSISTING CHIEFLY OF FIGHTERS AND DIV. BOMBERS WITH SOME RECON. PLANES FOLLOWING ESTIMATE OF GERMAN AIR FORCE ON RUSS FRONT PRESENTS INITIAL EQUIPMENT. IT IS THE ESTIMATED STRENGTH OF JOURNAL #97, 3/18 CONTD.

UNITED UP TO INITIAL EQUIPMENT WITH NO IMMEDIATE RESERVES. SERVICEABILITY IS NOT ESTIMATED TO EXCEED 20% OF INITIAL EQUIPMENT.

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1500 OF THESE AIRCRAFT ARE ON LENINGRAD AND CENTRAL FRONT. 650 IN AREA FROM KURSK TO CRIMKA, AND REMAINDER IN N HOLLAND AND FINLAND.

**9-2 CONCENTRATE:**

1: LENINGRAD, W OF MOSCOW
2: KURSK MIDWAY BETWEEN LENINGRAD AND MOSCOW.