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By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/84
FURTHER GAINS ON PELELIU DURING 27 SEPT. BROUGHT ENTIRE ISLAND UNDER OUR CONTROL WITH EXCEPTION UMURBROGOL HILL ON NORTHEASTERN TIP OF WESTERN ARM. OUR CASUALTIES KIA 599 WIA 3793 MIA 369. JAPS KILLED 7517 POW’S 103. ANGAU Mopping UP continues. OUR CASUALTIES KIA 130 WIA 912 MIA 7. ENEMY KILLED 1020 POW’S 5. FOLLOWING RESULTS ACHIEVED BY TASK FORCE 38 STRIKE AGAINST VISAYAN GROUP PHILIPPINE ISLANDS 27 SEPT. SUNK: 1 LARGE AP 3 LARGE AO 2 LARGE AK 6 MEDIUM AK 5 SMALL AK 1 DD 3 DE 11 SMALL CRAFT, DAMAGED INCLUDING 18 SHIPS PROBABLY SUNK OR DESTROYED 1 SMALL AP 2 LARGE AO 1 MEDIUM AO 1 LARGE AK 15 MEDIUM AK 21 SMALL AK 10 SMALL SHIPS 100 TONS EACH 2 DE MANY SMALL CRAFT. ONLY 3 ENEMY PLANES ENCOUNTERED. THESE SHOT DOWN PLUS 4 SNOOPERS. IN ADDITION 29 PLANES DESTROYED AT NEGROS. SECRETE
CEBU-LEYTE AIRFIELDS. MUCH DESTRUCTION AND DAMAGE SHORE INSTALLATIONS. WE LOST 9 PLANES. NIGHT 24-25 SEPT. CATALINAS OVER NORTHERN CELEBES AND SOUTHERN MINDANAO REPORTED DESTROYING 2 MEDIUM AP DAMAGING 1 MEDIUM 1 SMALL AP. PT'S SANK 3 BARGES MOROTAI ISLAND AREA STRAFED SHORELINE TARGETS BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND AND NEW IRELAND. SAME NIGHT LAND-BASED AIRCRAFT HIT WAKE ISLAND PONAPE ROTA JALUIT AND TRUK.
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PRIORITY

From: CG, US Army Forces, Pacific Ocean Areas
     Ft. Shafter, T. H.

To: War Department
   CG, Southeast Asia Command, Kandy, Ceylon
   Rear Echelon, GHQ, Southwest Pacific Area
   Brisbane, Australia
   CG, US Army Forces, China, Burma & India
   Theater Headquarters, New Delhi, India
   CG, US Army Forces, China, Burma & India
   Forward Echelon, Chungking, China
   CG, South Pacific Base Command, New Caledonia
   CG, 20th Bomber Command, Kharagpur, India

DTG: 220159Z  22 September 1944

Richardson sends daily SITREP from FOACS to Sultan, COPIR, Marshall, Stilwell, Gilbreath and MacArthur.

Truk: Two Jima and Rota were targets for FOA aircraft
     on 19th September K time.

In Truk raid 69 tons were loosed on north Noen
     airfield and installations by 28 Army B24’s, 3-8 3/2
     and lone twin engine eunager interceptors dropped phosphorus
     bombs. Foyco offered meager heavy AA. 3 bombers were
     slightly damaged.

Iwo Jima was visited by a search plane which
     dropped 1.5 tons; flak was negative. No AA was encountered
     by Marine F6F’s which dropped incendiaries on Rota storage
     area.

Targets on 20th K time were Wotje, Rota and Pagan.

CM-IN-20690 (22 Sep 44)
From: CO, US Army Forces, Pacific Ocean Areas
        Ft. Shafter, T. H.
DTG: 220159Z 22 September 1944

Wotje radio station, shelter area and food dumps received 27 tons from Marine Dauntlesses and Corsairs; 3600 rounds of 50 caliber machine gun fire. Probable oil dump on Rota produced large explosions and fires when strafed by Corsairs.

Pagan gun positions took 7.5 tons and strafing from Army P-47's.

On 20th September K time, Navy searchplanes spotted 4 U-1 planes at position 25-20 north 138-30 east, course 330 true.

Comes now Palau activity with time in Zone I:

    Enemy aircraft causing alert evening 19th apparently did not reach our shores.

On Peleliu night 19-20 was quiet. Our left took intermittent ineffective mortar and MG fire.

On 20 September 1st Marine Division on Peleliu resumed attack. Remaining Nip resistance on east coast was being cleaned up. On our left our forces being held up by very rugged terrain honeycombed with reinforced caves, pillboxes and dugouts from which determined enemy resisted stubbornly. Our counter battery fire destroyed several Nip pieces and reduced enemy arty fire.
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DTG: 220159Z  22 September 1944

On Angaur 81st Inf Div engaged in mopping up
activities during 20 September. Many defensive positions
encountered on Angaur beaches but majority were not manned.

By 1800 hours on 20 September our Palau casualties
totalled:

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By same hour total of 6445 enemy dead counted on Pe-
leliu and total of 600 enemy dead counted on Angaur.

End.

ACTION: OPD
INFO: CCS
CG AAF
G-2
ADM KING
COL PARK
LOG
CM-IN-20590 (22 Sep 44) 1500Z mcs

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From:  
OG, U.S. Army Forces in the Pacific Ocean Areas
       Ft. Shafter, Territory of Hawaii

To:    
War Department
       Supreme Commander, Southeast Asia Command
       Kandy, Ceylon
       Rear Echelon, General Headquarters, Southwest
       Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia
       OG, U.S. Army Forces, China, Burma, India
       Theater Headquarters, New Delhi, India
       OG, U.S. Army Forces, China, Burma, India
       Forward Echelon, Chungking, China
       OG, South Pacific Base Command, Noumea, New Caledonia
       OG, 20th Bomber Command, Kharagpur, India

No.   RJ 32420 21 September 1944

Richardson sends daily SITSUM from FOACS to Mount-
battein, AMGDEL, AMNISCA, Gilbreath, Wolfe, CINCPAC and
WDOSA through CINCPAC msg sr 1 nr RJ 32420.

Wotje personnel areas worked over by Marine dive
bombers and F4U's on 18 Sept X time; several fires
started. Nips threw up meager flak.

On 19th X time our planes hit Wotje, Fonape, Marcus,
Pagan and shipping off Chichi Jima. In Wotje mission per-
sonnel areas were target again as Marine F4U's and dive
bombers packed 27 tons through meager antiair fire. In
Fonape raid 13 Mitchells dropped 11 tons on airfields and
gun positions through meager flak. Two Army B24's were
Marcus assailants; 2.5 tons were unleashed through intense
ground fire. Pagan supply areas and AA installations were
bombed and strafed by Army P47's; small fires were started.

CM-IN-19906 (21 Sep 44)
From: CO, U.S. Army Forces in the Pacific Ocean Areas
Pt Shafter, Territory of Hawaii

No. RJ 32420  21 September 1944

Over Chichi Jima 29 Army Liberators sighted two large cargo ships or DD's, two medium AK's and 25-30 Lighters at Futami. 11.5 tons were dropped; one AK left burning and 8-10 Lighters destroyed. 30 additional tons were delivered to Chichi Jima barracks area, shore installations and small shipping. Meager flak was thrown up. Other sightings included four Lighters in SE end of Chichi Jima harbor, two Emilys at Chichi Jima seaplane base and two small coastal AK's at Baha Jima.

Results of searches by Navy planes during 19 Sept K time follow: many fires seen Pomape. Betty sighted and chased at position 27-00 north 138-56 east course 310; searcher could not close. Small AK sighted at position 20-32 north 132-11 east, course 015. Two large landing craft seen at position 25-35 north 140-00 east course 130. Small AK bombed and strafed at position 30-30 north 143-10 east, course 310; small fires started.

Palau activity follows with time in Zone I:

On Peleliu night 18-19 was quite except for sporadic mortar and small arms fire.

Our advance resumed morning of 19th. On our left slow progress was made. Terrain in this sector rugged and Nips with arty and mortar support resisted stubbornly from trenches and pillboxes. On our right advances of approx 1000 yds and 1500 yds made to north and east respectively; village of Ngardolok was captured.

On Anguar after quiet night our forces attacked morning of 19 Sept. Only light resistance offered consisting

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No. RJ 32420 21 September 1944

principally of sporadic fire from mortars and pillboxes. Japs on northwest shore were isolated and gains of approx
800 yards made to south.

On 20 Sept at 1034 hours all organized resistance
on Anguar ceased.

Evening of 19th our Palau forces were on air alert
from 1855-19 24 hours; no damage was reported.

As of 1800 on 19 Sept our Palau casualties were:
First Mar Div (Peleliu) killed 423, wounded 2622, missing
302; 81st Inf Div (Anguar) killed 22, wounded 167, missing
none. By same total of 173 enemy dead counted on Anguar.

Information from prisoner advises 1st Bn 59th Inf
Regt on Anguar; 2nd and 3rd Bns left Anguar for Babelthuap
in June. FW advises further that 1000 Army troops on Anguar;
no Navy present.

On Peleliu Airfield following Hip planes were counted:
77 single engine fighters, 8 twin engine light bombers, 26
twin engine medium bombers and 4 transports. Excepting five
fighters all planes badly damaged.

By 19 Sept total of 249 mines swept from Kossol
passage.

ACTION: OPD
End

INFO: CG AAF, G-2, ADM. KING, COL. PARK, LOG

CM -IN-19906 (21 Sep 44) 1834Z by

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To: War Department
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    Rear Echelon, General Headquarters, Southwest
    Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia
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No. RJ 32130  19 September 1944

Message serial number RJ 32130 from POASC comes
Daily SITSUM for Marshall, Mountbatten, ANAJUK, AMMICA,
Gilbreath, CINCSWA and AMNORD.

Wotje was an additional target attacked by Marine
dive bombers on 16 September E time. 26.5 tons were deposed-
ited on motor pool. 1 Countless was downed by meager
accurate flak; crew was rescued.

During night 16-17th E time lone Navy Catalina
harassed Nauru with two-quarter tonners.

On 17th E time Wotje hit again by 37 Marine Corsairs.
18.5 tons were parked on CP area.

Resume of activity in Palau Group with time in Zone

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On Peleliu little activity occurred night of 16th-

CM-IN-17697 (19 Sep 44)

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No.   RJ 32130    19 September 1944

17th. Morning of 17th, following one hour of Naval and
     air bombardment, 1st Marine Division resumed attack. Sup-
     ported by numerous mortars and arty Nips offered strong
     resistance on all fronts. Our aerial bombardment and counter
     battery fire destroyed many enemy mortars and arty pieces.
     Gains of approx 500 yards were registered during day and
     villages of Nagarekkouk and Omaok taken. By 1800 we held
     that part of Peleliu south from these villages excepting
     Peninsula on extreme southern tip of Island.

     During night 17th-18th on Peleliu Nips launched coun-
     terattack in some strength against our left; attack was repul-
     sed successfully. Nip mortar and arty fire was received on
     our left throughout night.

     Morning of 18th, 1st Marine Division launched coordinat-
     ed attack. Heavy resistance encountered particularly on
     our left. By 1800 Asias town was captured and we held all of
     Peleliu south from Asias. 2 enemy planes bombed 1st Marine
     Division area at 1920 hours; no casualties suffered.

     On Angaur good progress was made on 17th September
     against light opposition. By 1800 hours the 81st Inf Div
     had pushed inland from NE shore approx 1,000-1500 yards.

     Intermittent Nip mortar fire was received on our
     Angaur beach during night of 17-18th.

     Commencing at dawn of 18th Nips on Angaur launched
     three counter-attacks against our lines; all attacks were...
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Pt. Shafter, T. H.
No. RJ 32130 19 September 1944

repulsed.

During days operations 81st Inf Div made good progress
against light opposition. By 1800 we controlled the northern
half of Angaur. 8th Engr Corps arty in position on Peleliu
supported Angaur attack.

Our Palau combat casualties as of 1800 on 18th were:

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By same hour enemy killed totalled 5495 on Peleliu
and 48 on Angaur. 3 prisoners had been taken.

56 mines were swept from Kossol Passage and addi-
tional moored mines were located off Angaur on the 17th. By
same date sea plane tenders were based in Kossol Passage
for proposed seaplane operations. By 18th supply vessels
being berthd in Kossol Passage. Estimated that Peleliu airfield
will be rendered operational for our fighters by 21st.

Following units identified on Peleliu:

5th Squad of 33rd Machine Cannon Company
31st Bntai and 22nd Bntai of 30th Base Force.

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CG AAF, G-2, Adm. King, Col. Park, Log

CH-IN-17697 (19 Sep 44) 15382 mk

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FROM: CINCSWPA (VIA COM 7TH FLT)

RECEIVED BY:

DATE: 18 SEPT 1944

TOR CODEWORD: 181408

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PARAPHRASED BY:

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CINCPOA

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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(CX 17956) COM SEVENTH FLT SENDS FOR CINCSWPA ACTION CINCPOA INFO COM THIRD FLEET CAF CAAF LATTER TWO BY HAND.

PHOTOGRAPHY AS DESCRIBED OUR CX 16671 LEYTE AREA REQUIRED URGENTLY, RADIO INFORMATION REQUIRED REGARDING EXTENT OF COVERAGE OBTAINED IF ANY AND WHEN DELIVERY MAY BE EXPECTED THIS HEADQUARTERS MACARTHUR.

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ACTION F-2

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/94
HONO INTERCEPT

CTF 32 SENDS. ACTION COM 3RD FLEET. INFO CINC PAC, COMSOWESPAC, COM 7TH FLEET, COMAF 5, CTF 57, CTF 17, CTG 39.3, ALL TFC'S 3RD FLEET, COM 3RD PHIB (ADMIN). RADIO HONOLULU PASS TO ALL.

THESE ARE TASK FORCE 32 NIGHT MOVEMENTS 18TH-19TH:
2 BB, 2 CA, 4 DD ENROUTE AREA FUDGE TO PELELIU THROUGH AREA CARRIAGE. 1 CA, 1 DD, 2 APD FROM PELELIU THROUGH AREA CARRIAGE TO POINT FUDGE. 3 CVE, 4 DD ENROUTE FROM AREA VELOCIPede TO POINT FUDGE. SAMARIAN USING FULL HOSPITAL SHIP PROCEDURE DEPArTS PELELIU PRIOR DARK, PROCEEDING ON COURSE DUE EAST UNTIL CLEAR RETIREMENT AREAS; THENCE HEADS SOUTHEAST ON TRACK 30 MILES NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO ROUTE PREAKNESS. TASK GROUP 32.3 RETIRES IN AREA SULKY. TASK GROUP 32.13 IN AREA WAGON.

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32.7 IN AREAS SLED AND SCHOONER. ORIGINATOR AND OTHER DESIGNATED UNITS REMAIN AT OBJECTIVE. WENDOINCE ON STATION 26 MILES DUE WEST OF POINT FLOSS.
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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

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RELEASED BY

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18 SEPT 1944

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

180230

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HONO-INTERCEPT

(CTF 31 SENDS ACTION CTF 59 INFO COM 3RD FLT CTF 57 CTF 32 HAS INFO)

COW 3RD FLT 16H632 REQUEST CONTINUED NEUTRALIZATION OF YAP TO ASSURE NON-INTERFERENCE, AND OBSERVATION VISUALLY AND PHOTOGRAPHICALLY OF UWEIHI. WITH DISPATCH REPORT TO CTG 32.2 TO DETERMINE ANY NEW EVIDENCES OF ENEMY ACTIVITY OR SHORE OR UNDERWATER DEFENSES.

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By NLR 101

By RT, NARA, Date 8/12/1944

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OON 19-67

180230
CTF 31 SENDS TO COM 3RD FLEET. INFO TO CINCPAC AND ALL INTERESTED CURRENT OPERATIONS. RADIO HONOLULU PASS TO ALL.

OPERATION SUMMARY 1800 SEPTEMBER 17TH.

LITTLE ACTIVITY PELELIU DURING NIGHT. FIRST MARDIV RESUMED ATTACK 0800 FOLLOWING ONE HOUR PREPARATION BY AIR AND NAVAL GUNFIRE. HEAVY RESISTANCE CONTINUED ON ALL FRONTS SUPPORTED BY NUMEROUS MORTAR AND ARTILLERY PIECES MANY OF WHICH DESTROYED BY OUR AIR AND COUNTER BATTERY. NGAREKEUVL* AND ORKLDQ QJKUA* OUR POSSESSION. 4 OF OUR 105 MM HOKITZERS HAVE BEEN LOST. 1 BY ENEMY ACTION. FRONT LINES AT END OF PERIOD 1400 PU-134AFGLMRST-135PUVM-136CHGLOVU-126AF-125JINSRW-123CGLMRSTIX-121DC-123KRP0U-122Y-120E-121AFK-1200JE-122YXR.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/2/64
81ST INFANTRY DIVISION LANDED ON BEACHES RED AND BLUE ANGUAR AT 0830 FOLLOWING EXCELLENT AND WELL COORDINATED NAVAL GUNFIRE AND AIR PREPARATION. LANDING AND ADVANCE INLAND MET WITH LIGHT OPPOSITION. CASUALTIES WERE LIGHT. FRONT LINES AT END OF PERIOD 118RW-114CDI-11OTY-115U-111AFG-07CDIJ.

OUR CASUALTIES FIRST MARDIV KIA 229 KIA 1655 MIA 44 TOTAL 1923. 81ST DIV KIA 3 MIA 75 MIA NONE TOTAL 78 GRAND TOTAL KIA 232 MIA 1725 MIA 44 TOTAL 2001. POW 3. ENEMY KILLED 414 KIA.

ADDITIONAL MOORED MINES LOCATED WITHIN 100 FATHOM CURVE SOUTH AND EAST OF ANGUAR. 56 MINES SWEPT IN KOSSL PASSAGE TODAY. WHILE ENGAGED IN MINE DETONATION HAD LEIGH BADLY HOLED AMIDSHIPS FROM UNTUCHED MINE NEAR EAST ENTRANCE KOSSL. DAMAGE EXTENSIVE BUT UNDER CONTROL. REFERENCE MY 161217 OPERATIONS SUMMARY SUBSTITUTE PERRY FOR NOA IN LAST SENTENCE. SEAPLANE TENDERS NOW BASED KOSSL PASSAGE AND SEAPLANE OPERATIONS BEGINNING ACCORDING TO PLAN.

**PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO BY RADIO HONOLULU AS 180220.**
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By DBS Date May 21, 1973
DD HOPEWELL ENROUTE MOROTAI ATTACKED BY 2 DIVE BOMBERS. 1 SHOT DOWN. NO DAMAGE SUFFERED BY SHIP. A TOTAL OF 6 OF OUR FIGHTER PLANES FROM CSE ESCORT CARRIER GROUP WERE LOST IN THE STRIKE ON HALMAHERA THE 16TH. 3 ENEMY PLANES WERE DESTROYED. STRIKE ACCOUNTED FOR DESTRUCTION OF 1 LARGE BARGE DAMAGE TO 10 OR 12 POUNDING OF FUEL DUMPS BUILDING AND ANTIAIRCRAFT POSITIONS. ESCORT CARRIER GROUP TO REMAIN IN AREA. CRUISER COVER FORCE NOW WITHDRAWING TO WOENDI. 12 LST 4 DD 2 PF DUE WOENDI TOMORROW FROM MOROTAI. 12 LST 4DD DUE MOROTAI TOMORROW FROM WOENDI. BLACKCATS NIGHT 15TH - 16TH DAMAGED AND BEACHED SMALL AK SOUTHWEST CERAM. SANK MEDIUM AK NORTH-WEST.
WEST TIP CELEBES. BOELA OILFIELDS BOMBED EMI R AU PTS NIGHT
16 AND 15 SHELLED SOUTHMAN NEW IRELAND CAPE. MACARTHUR.

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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(CTF 31 SENDS ACTION COM 3RD FLT INFO CINCPAC AND ALL INTERESTED IN CURRENT OPERATIONS. ROO HONOLULU PLEASE PASS)

FLASH REPORT.

AFTER HEAVY PREPARATORY NAVAL GUNFIRE AND AIR STRIKES 81ST INFANTRY DIVISION LANDED AT 0300 ON BEACHES RED AND BLUE ON NORTHEAST AND EAST COASTS OF ANGUAR AGAINST LIGHT OPPOSITION. LANDING EFFECTED BY LVT's FOLLOWED BY BOATS. TANKS LANDED ALSO. TROOPS HAVE ADVANCED TO APPROXIMATELY O-1 LINE 400 YARDS INLAND. CONTACT BETWEEN ELEMENTS FROM RESPECTIVE BEACHES EXPECTED SHORTLY.

ON PELELIU ADVANCE COMMENCED AT 0800 WITH MATERIAL GAINS ON NORTH AND ADVANCES ON SOUTH TO WITHIN SOUTHERN PENINSULAS. PROGRESS SATISFACTORY.

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DIED OF WOUNDS RECEIVED IN ACTION
PAUL RAY BURNETTE S1/C 641-91-28 USNR
DONALD OTTHNYCHOMER S1/C 871-90-34 USNR SERIOUSLY BURNED
CONDITION CRITICAL.

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/64
(CTG 38.1 SENDS TO CTF 38 FOR ACTION AND TO COM 3RD FLT, COM 7TH FLT AND CINC PAC FOR INFO)

DAILY SUMMARY.
A. 15 SEPTEMBER.
B. 36.
C. 34.
D. 32.
E. 179 ROCKETS ONLY.
W. 1 BETTY NEAR FORCE BY SNAASP.
P. 30 PLANES CONSISTING OF 7 OPERATIONAL SINGLE ENGINE PROBABLY OSCARS, 3 OPERATIONAL TWIN ENGINE INCLUDING 1 TEST, 1 LIL AND 1 PROBABLE SALLY, PLUS 20 DAMAGED PLANES TWO THIRDS TWIN ENGINE, PHOTOS.
V. OPERATIONAL TOWER AND BUILDINGS LANGOAN CELEBES, ON ORDER CSA VF STAFED VILLAGE MIROD AM STARTING FIRE. BETTY ONLY AIRBORNE SEEN, REFER MY REPORT 141523, WOLLE FIELD NON OPERATIONAL, ALL PLANES ON NEW ZAMBOANGA FIELD.
*RODO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 180920

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3rd Mid Pac 161910

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/94
CINCPAC SENDS ACTION CINCSOWESPAC. INFO COMGENPOA COMGEN 24TH CORPS COM 3RD FLEET COMFWDAREA COMSRVVPAC COM 3RD PHIBFOR CTF 36 COMAIRPAC COMGENFMFPAC COMCHIPSPAC COMGEN 5TH PHIBCORPS COMINCH COMSOCP.

THIS IS

YAP FORCE WHICH LEAVES PEARL TODAY FOR ENIWETOK INCLUDES

HQTRS 24TH CORPS. CORPS TROOPS WITH FOLLOWING MAJOR UNITS

(A) CORPS ARTY CONSISTING OF 2 BNS 155 MM GUNS 2 BNS 155 MMH'S AND 1 FA OBSN BN (ARTY HQTRS AND 2 BNS OF ABOVE BEING MARINE CORPS UNITS)

(B) 1 DUKW CO (C) 1 SIG BN (D) 4 SIG AN CO

(E) 1 ORD HV MAINT CO (TK) (F) 2 STATION HOSPITALS

(G) 1 MED BN WITH 2 COLLECTING COS 1 CLEARING CO AND 1 AMBULANCE CO. 7TH AND 96TH INFANTRY DIVISIONS WITH FOLLOWING ATTACHMENTS TO EACH DIVISION.
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(A) 1 JASCO  (B) 1 ENGR COMBAT GROUP CONSISTING OF 3 ENGR

COMBAT BNS  (C) 1 AMTANK BN  (D) 2 AMTANK BNS

(E) 1 TANK BN  (F) 2 DUKW COS  (G) 1 AAA GUN BN (90 MM)

(H) 1 AAA AW BN  (I) APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF SERVICE UNITS TO SUPPORT OPERATION INCLUDING PORT COS, SERV COS, QM AND ENGR DEPOT COS FIELD AND PORT SURG HOSP GRAVES REGISTRATION UNITS ETC. ALSO AMPHIBIOUS BOAT POOL OF 150 LCMS AND LCVPS.

77TH INF DIV NOW AT GUAM IS AWAITING TRANSPORTS TO BE RELEASED FROM PHASE 1 STALEMATE. 77TH DIV HAS FOLLOWING ATTACHMENTS

(A) 3 ENGR COMBAT BNS  (B) 1 JASCO  (C) 1 AAA AW BN

(D) 1 TANK BN  (E) 1 FIELD HOSP  (F) 1 PORT SURG HOSP

(G) 1 ORD MED MAINT CO

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MAJ GEN WOODRUFF ARMY WAS DESIGNATED AS 1ST COMAND AND HAS ORGANIZED STAFF TO CONDUCT ADMINISTRATION OF GARRISON ON COMPLETION OF ASSAULT PHASE. PART OF THIS COMMAND IS SAILING WITH ASSAULT ECHELON AND REMAINDER IN SUCCEEDING ECHELONS TO MEET ANTICIPATED REQUIREMENTS. SUGGEST SHIPPING THIS 1ST ORGANIZATION WITH 24TH CORPS AS PLANNED. ANTICIPATE THIS ORGANIZATION WILL BE USEFUL TO TAKE OVER HOUSEKEEPING AND DEVELOPMENT REAR AREAS THEREBY RELIEVING ASSAULT COMMANDER OF THESE Responsibilities.

GARRISON FORCES AVAILABLE TO FOLLOW IN FIRST AND SECOND ECHELONS TO ARRIVE W PLUS 5 AND W PLUS 20 AS FOLLOWS:

(A) REAR ECHELON SIG AM BN (B) NAVY AND MARINE AVIATION UNITS:

1 AND 1/2 NAVY CONSTR BN, 1 ACORN, 1 MARINE MEDIUM BOMBER SQ

(C) OTHER UNITS: SUCCEEDING ECHELONS OF SERVICE UNITS ACCOMPANYING ASSAULT ECHELON, HARBOR CRAFT CO, ADDITIONAL QM TRUCK CO, ORD COS,

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MAINTENANCE COS, DEPOT COS, LAUNDRY COS AND OTHER SERVICE UNITS.

2 CA (SC) BNS (155 MM). NAVAL BASE FACILITIES COMPOSED OF CUB

12 MOUNTING FROM SOPAC PEARL AND WEST COAST. THIS IS ESSENTIALLY

A STANDARD CUB WITH EXTRA CAMP AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AND

OTHER RELATIVELY MINOR MODIFICATIONS.

3RD AND 4TH ECHELONS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE W PLUS 36 AND W

PLUS 65 CONTAIN SUCCEEDING ECHELONS OF UNITS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED.

ALSO INCLUDED FOR YAP WERE THE FOLLOWING CARRIER AVIATION

LOGISTIC ACTIVITIES: PILOT REPLACEMENT CAMP, SUPPLY DEPOT, REPAIR

AND OVERHAUL UNIT, REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT POOL FACILITIES. RECOMMEND

THESE ACTIVITIES BE ASSIGNED TO 7TH FLEET AND INCLUDED IN

ACCUMULATION BASE DEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR

CARRIER OPERATIONS.

24TH CORPS AND ARMY COMPONENTS CORPS TROOPS AND 7TH AND 96TH

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OSI Letter, May 1, 1972

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| INF DIVISIONS WERE SCHEDULED TO REHABILITATE NEW CALEDONIA. 77TH INF DIVISION SCHEDULED TO REHABILITATE GUADALCANAL AND MARINE ARTY UNITS TO RETURN HAWAIIAN AREA. REAR ECHELONS ABOVE UNITS NOW BEING HELD PEARL FOR THE PRESENT. DETAILS OF LOGISTIC SUPPORT STELAMATE 2 CONTAINED ANNEXES B AND C CINCPAC OP PLAN 6-44 SERIAL 000563 JULY 21. CINCPAC PREPARED TO CONTINUE LOGISTIC SUPPORT IN ACCORDANCE THERewith UNTIL RELIEVED BY CINCSWPA.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/94
(CINC SWPA SENDS ACTION COMINCH INFO CNO COMSOPAC CINCPAC)

SITUATION MOROTAI. 2 OF OUR AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN SHOT DOWN. ONE BY ENEMY FIGHTER AND ANOTHER BY ACK ACK WHILE STRAFING LOROBATA BAY IN NORTHWEST HALMAHERA. 7 LST S FROM 1ST ECHELON REMAINED OVERNIGHT UNLOADING.

SCHEDULED TO DEPART AT NOON TODAY. 1 ENEMY PLANE WAS SHOT DOWN BY OUR FIGHTERS. ECHELON OF 5 DD 19 LCD 12 LST 8 LIC 4 XAK I.ovianE AT ARRIVED ON SCHEDULE. ALL D DAY OBJECTIVES ACCOMPLISHED AND CAPE GILLA CLEARED. OUR CASUALTIES 3 WOUNDED. JAPS KILLED COLON 21. CAPTURED COLON 11. NATIVES REPORT 200 JAPS FLED TO HILLS ON APPROACH OF INITIAL TASK FORCE. FAST CARRIER FORCE HAS BEEN RELIEVED RESPONSIBILITY SUPPORT MOROTAI OPERATION. 1 CA 2 DD DUE HOLLANDIA TOMORROW. EXCEPT FOR THESE CRUISER TASK FORCE REMAINS IN AREA.

ALSO REMAINING IN AREA ARE ESCORT CARRIER GROUP. 1 AGC 8 DD ARE THE SPECIAL SERVICE CRAFT OF THE ATTACK GROUP.
ECHELON OF 30 PTS 2 AGP ARRIVED MOROTAI FROM SANSAPOR.
A 12HDTH ECHelon of 12 MKW 4 DD DUE MOROTAI SEPT 18
FROM MAFFIN BAY. BLACKCATS NIGHT 13/14 SCORED PROBABLY
HIT MEDIUM SGMVADO HARBOR. SAME NIGHT AMSTERDAM
PTS DESTROYED BEACHED BARGE SOUTH COAST VOGELKOP.
RETRIEVED SCOUTS FROM SBOEKOIS. SHELLED SARON3 AREA.
NORSOLS PTS STRAFED POINTS CHOISEUL AND EAST CENTRAL
BOUGAINVILLE, AND NORTHEAST NEW IRELAND. NIGHT 14/15
TREASURY PTS PROCEED KIETA AIRFIELD AND GREEN PTS
STRAFED EAST COAST XIXILLE PENINSULA.

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By DBS Date MAY 21 1973
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CTG 32.2

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16 SEPT 1944

TO

CTG 32.7; TG 32.2
CTG 38.4

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CTF 32 COMINCH

INFORMATION FOR ACTION

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FROM CTG 32.2 ACTION TG 32.2 CTG'S 32.7 AND 38.4 INFO TO CTF 32

THIS IS

FOX DAY IS 17TH SEPTEMBER. MY ATTACK ORDER A 264-44 EFFECTIVE AT 1600 I TODAY 16 SEPT. USE PREFERRED PLAN LANDING ON RED AND BLUE BEACHES. G HOUR 0830I. UNIT COMMANDERS PASS TO NON-HOLDERS THIS SYSTEM.

*PASS TO COMINCH FOR INFO BY RDO HONO AS 160550.

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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

CTG 38.4 requests RDG HONO (NPM) to give action to COM 3RD FLT and CTF 38 info CINCPAC COM 7TH FLT CTF 31 and CTF 32. DAILY OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

(A) 15 SEPTEMBER.
(B) 224.
(C) 16.
(D) 12.
(E) 65 PLUS 307 ROCKETS PLUS 18 NAPALMS.
(F) 1 VT.
(H) PILOT 1 VT CREWMEN 2 VT.
 UW FLAMES SMOKE AND DISINTEGRATION JAPS MADE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT IMPOSSIBLE. SUPPORTED LANDINGS BY STRAFING ROCKETING AND BOMBING ENEMY CONCENTRATIONS AND POSITIONS.
IN AREAS BEHIND PELELIU LANDING BEACHES. GUN POSITIONS AND
INSTALLATIONS NORTHERN TIP PELELIU AND NGESEBUS* WELL WORKED
OVER. HIGHLY RECOMMEND NAPALM BELLY TANKS FOR APS WITH NO
STORAGE FOR FIGHTING. 05001 RENDEZVOUS POSITION 07-50 NORTH
134-00 HOST.

W FRAY**.

*AS RECEIVED
**GARbled GROUPS

COPY TO 20G
CTF 77 SENDS. COM 7TH FLT PASS CINCNWPA.

ALL LCTS HAVE RETRACTED AFTER UNLOADING INITIAL ANGAUR LOAD. 4 VF SEARCHED THE COAST OF MOROTAI FROM SABATAI TO POINT SOPI AND FOUND NOTHING OF INTEREST. ENTIRE DISTANCE FLOWN AT 1500 FEET. LSTS ARE NOW BEACHING. UNLOADING MANOORA AND KANTIBLA. BATHMAN SPECIAL B 25 OENKPV V* D T HAVE NOT BEEN CONTACTED BY RADIO AND WE CAN NOT RAISE THEM. BARBEY. AND HALL.

* AS RECEIVED
COPY TO 24G
(CTF 31 SENDS ACTION COM 3RD FLT INFO CINCPAC AND ALL PJ CURRENT OPERATIONS. RDO HONO PASS TO ALL)

UNFLASH REPORT FROM AIR AND SURFACE OBSERVATION ONLY.

AFTER HEAVY PREPARATORY BOMBARDMENT FIRST MARDIV LANDED

EARTHWARE AT 0330 AGAINST STIFF OPPOSITION ON ALL WHITE AND ORANGE BEACHES WITH LOSS OF A NUMBER OF LVT'S AFTER

LANDING. TANKS NOW ASHORE AND TROOPS REPORTED FROM 200 TO 400 YARDS INSHORE. NO ESTIMATE OF CASUALTIES YET. ENEMY

MORTAR FIRE HARASSING BEACHES.
HONOR INTERCEPT

CTF 77 SENDS CCM 7TH FLEET PASS CINCWSCPA.

ALL WAVES ON RED AND WHITE BEACH HAVE LANDED ON SCHEDULE. TROOPS FROM ALL LCP'S LANDING RED AND ON WHITE BEACHES RAIST DEEP. AMPHIBIOUS TANKS WENT IN ALL THE WAY. ALL MESSAGES ARE BEING PREPARED COLXOBOEJOXXCGE BY ADMIRAL BARBEY AND GENERAL HALL. LCP'S (R) RETURNING TO APD AND BEING HOISTED ABOARD. CARTER HALL LAUNCHED ALL LCP'S RHGEVHO* AND IS CLEARING HARBOR.

*AS RECEIVED
From: Rear Echelon General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia

To: War Department

Nr: CX 17697 14 September 1944

TOPSEC from HQ SWPA signed MacArthur to Joint Chiefs of Staff and CINCPOA for Action and Com 3rd Fleet for information CX 17697 and CINCPOA 130613 and Joint Chiefs of Staff OCTAGON 24 are references.

Com 3rd Fleet 130300. Reports from Air and Ground sources of carrier air attacks on Philippines have been awaited eagerly with a view to the creation of the opportunity to eliminate one or both operations scheduled prior to K 2 and its consequent acceleration. This has been anticipated as stated in EWG and MUSKETEER and plans have been antic-ipated have been prepared accordingly. No information yet available beyond Com 3rd Fleet 130230. Report by rescued carrier pilot incorrect according to mass of current evidence from our local agents. Curcur in elimination of Yap attack. Present limited intelligence indicates prob-ability of elimination prior steps and direct movement against Leyte but consider further information of current air action necessary before final decision. 1st Cavalry and 24th Infantry Divisions immediately available with Service elements sufficient to support entire operation. Air elements available. Logistic support practicable. If executed will stage personnel only of XXIV Corps for rest during final preparations.

End

Note: This message has been relayed to OCTAGON

OCTAGON 24 is CM-IN-12198 (13 Sep 44) JC/S 130613, 130300 and 130230 are not in WDWMC files.

ACTION: JC/S
INFORMATION: Adm Leahy, Gen Arnold, Gen Handy, Adm King, Cofs
CM-IN-12656 (14 Sep 44) 0704Z bjm
COM 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION CINCPAO INFO COMINCH CINCWPAC
ALL TASKFORCOS 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLEET, COM 7TH FLT PASS
CINCOWESPAC.

RESULTS VISAYAS STRIKES 12 TO 14 SEPTEMBER INCLUSIVE.
FIRST DAY DAMAGE: ENEMY PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND 123
AIRBORNE 75. SUNK 2 LARGE AK, 1 MEDIUM TRANSPORT, 2 DE,
22 SMALL SHIPS. DAMAGED SOME POSSIBLY SUNK 5 AK 1 MEDIUM
AO, 30 SMALL SHIPS, 2 MTB AND MANY SAMPANS. FIRST NIGHT A
FEW TIMID BOGIES, NO ATTACK ON SURFACE FORCES. ENEMY
APPARENTLY REINFORCED VISAYAS AIR DURING NIGHT.
SECOND DAY: PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND 139 SHOT DOWN 81,
13 SMALL SHIPS SUNK 6 DAMAGED.
TOTAL DAMAGE ENEMY INSTALLATIONS 2 DAYS: AT CEBU DESTROYED
MANY BUILDINGS, 3 AMMUNITIONstorages BURNED, ABOUT 8 OIL
TANKS MANY BUILDINGS DESTROYED AT SHELL AND TEXAS PLANTS.
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AT MACTAN BURNED 3 LARGE OIL TANKS DESTROYED 7 BARRACKS. BARRACKS AND BUILDINGS AT TACLOBAN AND FUEL STORAGE AT SEVERAL AIR FIELDS DESTROYED. PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE OWN LOSSES RELATIVELY VERY LIGHT. BELIEVE PILOT ESTIMATES OF PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND EXCESSIVE BUT PHOTO ESTIMATE TOTAL 150 TO 175. EXPLOITED ENEMY WEAKNESS BY PRESSING CLOSE TO COAST WITH SAMAR IN SIGEL, AND EXTENDING AIR OPERATIONS TO PANAY AND FIGHTER SWEET TO LEGAZPI. ENEMY AIR AT OBJECTIVES ROSE TO FIGHT BUT NIL ATTEMPT TO HIT SURFACE FORCES. SECOND NIGHT COMPLETELY QUIET. ENEMYS NON AGGRESSIVE ATTITUDE UNBELIEVABLE AND FANTASTIC. PRELIMINARY REPORT 3RD DAY: NO AIRBORNE OPPOSITION AND ONLY MEAGER AA ENCOUNTERED. APPROXIMATELY 10 TO 15 PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND. FEW SERVICEABLE PLANES IN THIS AREA LEFT TO JAPS. MOST OF THE BULK OIL SUPPLIES DESTROYED. THIS AREA IS WIDE OPEN. ALL AIR FIELDS ILOILO AND EAST THEREOF WELL HIT, NO SHIPPIING LEFT TO SINK. RESCUED PILOT OFF SAN FRANCISCO ISLAND NEAR NORTHERN CEBU REPORTS WELL TAKEN CARE OF BY GUERRILLAS WHO ARE WELL ORGANIZED AND CENTERED IN HILLS IN BOTH LEYTE AND CEBU. AM NOW ENROUTE AREA CLEL IN COMPANY TASK GROUP 38.2 AND 38.3 IN ACCORDANCE ORIGINAL SCHEDULE ANNEX E MY OPPLAN. TG 38.1 STRUCK MINDANAO 14TH, WILL LAUNCH FIGHTER SWEET ON MENADO AREA ON 15TH THEN SUPPORT MORAL AS NECESSARY 16TH. 

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From: OCTAGON
To: War Department
Rear Echelon General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia
Nr: 24 13 September 1944

OCTAGON 24 [redacted] book message to MacArthur for action, to Nimitz, Halsey, and AOWAR Washington for information, from Joint Chiefs of Staff, War pass to Navy for transmission to CINCPOA and Com Third Fleet.

CINCPOA 130813 and Com Third Fleet 130300 in regard to omission of operation against Yap and utilization of that force for occupation of Leyte are the references.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff are of opinion that this operation is highly to be desired and would advance the progress of the war in your theater by many months as well as simplifying the arrangements for further operations.

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FOOTNOTE: References not filed in WDCMC

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ORIGINATED BY CHL TASK UNIT 32.15.6.

UDT NUMBER 6 CLEARED LARGE BOULDERS FROM 2 DUKW LINES

OVER ORANGE 31 SMALL BOULDERS TOO NUMEROUS FOR BLASTING

REMAIN AND MAY INTERFERE WITH PASSING OF DUKW'S. CAN

BE REMOVED BY BULLDOZERS. RAMP BLASTED FOR 2 LST'S AND

LARGE BOULDERS BLASTED FROM ROADWAY ACROSS DRYING REEF.

ROAD SHOULD BE SMOOTHED BY BULLDOZER. WILL WORK TONIGHT

REMOVING OBSTACLES FROM ALL ORANGE BEACHES. INCOMPLETE

HYDROGRAPHIC DATA TENDS TO CONFIRM TIDE TABLES.CURRENT

12% YARDS OFF REEF SETS SOUTHWARD ABOUT 6.4 KNOTS. EX-

PECT TO CLEAR OBSTACLES FROM WHITE BEACHES TOMORROW

NIGHT.

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INFORMATION RELATIVE TO LEYTE GRADED B2.

NIPS CONTINUALLY IMPROVING COAST DEFENSES ABUYOG TO TANAUAN CONSISTING OF PILL BOXES AND GUNS EMPLACED ON HILLS. ROADS UNDER CONSTRUCTION COAST TO INTERIOR POSITIONS. TROOP CONCENTRATIONS IN DULAG TOLOSA JANGAN LAPAZ BURAEN DAGAMI JARO ORMOC DOLORES VALENCIA AND TACLOBAN. NIP HUTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION FOR TROOPS OUTSIDE TACLOBAN. 1,000 MARINES AND AIR FORCE PERSONNEL BARRIO SAN JOSE SOUTH AND ADJACENT TO CATAUMAN LANDING FIELD. NO FILIPINO CIVILIANS THERE. ARMORED FORCES IN TACLOBAN DULAG BURAEN DAGAMI ORMOC. GUNS MOUNTED IN HILLS AROUND TACLOBAN.

RDO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH AS

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FIGHTER SWEEP ON 6 SEPTEMBER AGAINST PALAU FOUND NO AIRBORNE AIRCRAFT OR SHIPPING AND MEAGRE AA. FEW OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT SEEN ON GROUND. THESE DESTROYED BY BURNING. 8 SAMPANS 3 MOTOR LAUNCHES 6 BARGES BURNED BY STRAFING. AMMO OR FUEL DUMP BURNED ON BABELTHAUP. EARLY STRIKES ON 7 SEPTEMBER FOUND AA STILL MEAGRE AND INACCURATE. BOMBING AA POSITIONS, BIVOUAC AND SUPPLY AREAS. PHOTOGRAPHS SHOW FOLLOWING CHANGES IN DEFENSES AT PELELIU. 4 AUTOMATIC AA TARGET AREA 125M EMPTY. 1 AUTOMATIC AA TARGET AREA 125L INSTEAD OF 2. 5 AUTOMATIC AA TARGET AREA 1251 NOT PRESENT. ALL OBSERVATIONS SEEEN TO INDICATE MATERIAL REDUCTION PERSONNEL SINCE OUR LAST VISIT. ARMY
BOMBING VERY EFFECTIVE.
WEATHER GOOD GOT 7TH POSITION 05-57 N 134°11'14" E
43°33'1153.'

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THIS IS

IN OPERATING CARRIERS IT IS GENERALLY INADVISABLE TO EMPLOY THEM IN SMALL NUMBERS AGAINST SHORE OBJECTIVES WHERE THE ENEMY HAS NUMEROUS AIRCRAFT AND MANY SUPPORTING AIRFIELDS. HOWEVER, SINCE THE FORCE OF GENERAL MACARTHUR HAVE BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL IN BEATING DOWN ENEMY AIR STRENGTH IN THE HALMAHERA CELEBES MINDANAO AREA, IT IS CONSIDERED THAT THE OPERATIONS OUTLINED IN YOUR 

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O 42339 NQR 1638
NIGHT 31 AUGUST PT'S STRAFED BIVOUAC AREA KARIENSORI WEST NEW GUINEA. 1 SEPTEMBER THUNDERBOLTS ROCKETED AND STRAFED AA INSTALLATIONS PAGAN ISLAND. RECCE LIBERATOR BOMBED YAP WOLEAI ISLANDS. PB4Y FIRED OIL BARGE NORTH OF PALAU. LIBERATOR DAMAGED AND BEACHED SMALL FREIGHTER NORTH CENTRAL CELEBES. MITCHELL DESTROYED BUILDING SANK SMALL MOORED VESSEL AT KAPARI ZAKI PARAMUSHIRU. 2 SEPTEMBER LIBERATOR DAMAGED SMALL AK SOUTHEAST OF SULU ARCHIPELAGO. PB4Y ATTACKED AND FORCED ASHORE SEVERAL SMALL AK'S OFF CAPE SAN AUGUSTIN MINDANAO. NIGHT 2-3 SEPTEMBER CATALINA STRAFED MEDIUM FREIGHTER NORTHEAST CELEBES WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

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By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

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COM 7TH FLEET CTF 77 CMAAF SOWESPAC COMINCH CTG 38-1. Original ADEES were action CINCPAC INFO CTF 38.

TOPSECRET. REFER TO THIS AS 310442.

REFERRING CINCPAC 217741 SEAMEL FROM MITSCHER STATES COM 7TH FLEET REPRESENTATIVE INFORMS THAT KENNEY'S FIGHTERS CANNOT ARRIVE OVER INTERLUDE PRIOR 0900 D DAY AND DIRECT SUPPORT BY 38-1 MOST DESIRABLE. MITSCHER THEREFORE RECOMMENDS DAWN D DAY FIGHTER SLEEP ON KITCHENMAID FROM POSITION BETWEEN INTERLUDE AND TALAUD, AND I CONCUR.

UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED MITSCHER IS INSTRUCTED BY THIS DISPATCH TO EXECUTE HIS KITCHENMAID SLEEP PLAN AT DISCRETION AND THEREAFTER GIVE DIRECT SUPPORT TO INTERLUDE BY 38-1.

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OPERATIONS IN THE INTERLUDE AREA D AND D PLUS 1 AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY CTF 77.

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28 AUGUST ITOGIMA VOLCANO ISLANDS BOOMED. PAGAN ISLAND MARIANAS AIRFIELDS HIT BY LANDBASED PLANES. SMALL FIRE STARTED. MILLE NAURU TARA KOTJE STRUCK BY CORSAIRS DAUNTLESS VENTURAS. LARGE FIRES STARTED ON MILLE. NIGHT 28-29 AUGUST NIGHTFLYING CATALINAS SCORCHED HITS ON LARGE FREIGHTER IN MINDANAO BAY. PB4Y SET ON FIRE SMALL FREIGHTER AND LUGGER OFF MINDANAO COAST. 29 AUGUST CORSAIRS DAUNTLESS ATTACKED TAROA MILLE GUN EMLACEMENTS. 12 MITCHELLS STRUCK PONAPE AIRFIELDS.

16 THUNDERBOLTS STRAFED PAGAN ISLAND MARIANAS AA POSITIONS. NO AA FIRE ENCOUNTERED. 21 LIBERATORS BOOMED AIRFIELDS AT MOEN TRUK ATOLL. GROUNDED ENEMY PLANE DESTROYED. 7 AIRBORNE JAP FIGHTERS DAMAGED LIBERATOR. NIGHT 29-30 AUGUST PTS SHELLED TARGETS SOUTHWEST COAST BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND STRAFED SHORELINE AREAS NORTHWEST COAST OF NEW GUINEA.
From: CG US Army Forces Pacific Ocean Areas
Fort Shafter, T. H.

To: War Department
CG, Southeast Asia Command, Kandy, Ceylon
Rear Echelon General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific
Area, Brisbane, Australia
CG, US Army Forces, China, Burma and India,
Theater Headquarters, New Delhi, India
CG US Army Forces China Burma and India
Forward Echelon, Chungking, China
CG South Pacific Base Command, New Caledonia
CG, 20th Bomber Command, Kharagpur, India

No: RJ 29374

28 August 1944

Mag srl nbr RJ 29374 from POACS Richardson sends
daily SITREP to Marshall, Wolfe, CINCPAC, Gilbreath, COFIR,
AMMCEL and Stilwell

Story of activity in Marshall-Caroline comes now
as part one with time in zone K: Late report tells of strike
against Nauru Airfield installations and Fk position on
22 Aug by Army Mitchells. Nips offered no AA. Same day
Army B 25's craters both Ponape Airfields through meager
anti-air fire.

Concerning operations in Marianas-Nampo Shoto with
time in zone K1: Delayed dispatch advises of aerial strikes
against Kota on 21 Aug and Pagan on the 22nd. In Kota
assault Marine Corsairs loosed quarter tonners and strafed
the airfield. Pagan assailants were 20 Army Thunderbolts
releasing seven tons plus fire bombs on heavy AA installations

CM-IN-25923 (28 Aug 44)
From: CG US Army Forces Pacific Ocean Areas
Fort Shafter, T. H.

No: RJ 29374 28 August 1944

and runways; direct hit made on gun position. Intense
accurate ground fire damaged three P 47's and injured
one pilot. One additional Thunderbolt down at sea; pilot
missing.

Summary of casualties in mopping up operations during
19-21 August follows: Enemy casualties on Guam were killed
304, prisoners taken 20; on Saipan killed 31, prisoners
taken eight; on Tinian killed 24. During same time our
casualties on Guam were killed four, wounded 30; on Saipan
killed two; on Tinian killed one, wounded three.

By 21 Aug total enemy casualties on Guam were killed
14480 and prisoners taken totaled 141. By same date enemy
killed on Saipan totaled 25111.

During operations 17-21 Aug K time total bomb tonnage
dropped on enemy bases by FQA planes follows:

Truk 118,
Yap 78,
Mille 100,
Nauru 37,
Wotje 16,
Wake 2.25,
Taroa 0.5,
Ponape 16,
Pagan 28,
Iwo Jima 45.

CM-IN-25923  8 Aug 44)
From: CG US Army Forces Pacific Ocean Areas
Fort Shafter, T. H.

No: RJ 29374
26 August 1944

Navy fighter plane pilot observed superstructure of possible Nip SS 11½ miles south of Oahu at 260200Z.
Reliability assigned was C-4. Follow up hunt instituted.

End

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INFO: CG AAF
G-2
Adm King
Col Park
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CM-IN-25923 (28 Aug 44) 1145Z

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/84
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CTF 59
RELEASED BY
DATE 18 AUGUST 1944
TOR CODEROOM 1130
DECODED BY KURTZ
PARAPHRASED BY KURTZ

TO CTF 57

CTF 59 HURLS ACTION CTF 57. INFO CTF 59.1, CTF 59.2, CTF 59.3 ALL 4 BY LOCAL MEANS. RDO HONO PASS INFO CINCPOA CONSOPAC COMAIRSOPAC COMAF 2 ALL TFC'S CENPAC COM 5TH FLT COMAIRPAC COMAF 7. RDO KRAJALEIN PASS INFO CTF 59.4. RDO APAMAMA PASS CTF 59.5.

ADDITIONAL MISSIONS FOR 16TH.
24 MARINE CORSAIRS STRAFING ROTA AIRSTRIP AND GUN
POSITIONS FOUND NO ACTIVITY 01 AM AA. STRIKES LOCAL
DAMAGE 17TH. 1 ARMY LIBERATOR OVER IV0 JIMA LITE 16TH-
17TH DROPPING FRAGS NAT NO INTERCEPTION AA OR SEARCH-
LIGHTS. MARINE CORSAIRS AND DAUNTLESSES HIT COASTAL
DEFENSE POSITIONS MILLE. 21 ARMY THUNDERBOLTS PASSED
AA POSITIONS PAGAN WITH 53 1/4 TONS. ENEMY FIRE HAS
INTENSE. 3 VENTURAS CREATING CRATERS NAURU AIRSTRIPS
MET MEAGER AA. OVER IV0 JIMA 170044Z 19 ARMY LIBERATORS
POUNDING BUILDING AND STORAGE AREAS AND AIRFIELD INSTALL-
ATIONS WITH 117 1/4 TONNERS PLUS 315 FRAG CLUSTERS.

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/64
AA WAS WEAGER AND 4 ENEMY FITERS DAMAGED. NO DAMAGE OUR AIRCRAFT. 25 OTHER LIBERATORS OF 7TH AF STRUCK AT DUBLIN WAREHOUSE AND STORAGE AREAS (TRUK) TO CAUSE FIRES AND LARGE EXPLOSIONS. 62 1/4 TONS WERE DROPPED. INTERCEPTION BY 6 ZEKES 1 DESTROYED 3 DAMAGED. MINOR DAMAGE 2 LIBERATORS. FLAK MODERATE INACCURATE.

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Originator: CTF 50
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THE CAPTURE OF THE ISLAND OF GUAM HAS ENDED THE NAVAL GUNFIRE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LANDING FORCE. I WISH TO EXPRESS TO YOU, YOUR FIRE SUPPORT UNIT COMMANDERS, AND THE FIRING SHIPS THEMSELVES MY APPRECIATION FOR THE CONTINUING AND EFFECTIVE SUPPORT RENDERED. THE ENEMY WAS NEVER ABLE TO RALLY FROM THE INITIAL BOMBARDMENT AND THE CONTINUED GUNFIRE SUPPORT KEPT HIM IN A STATE OF CONFUSION TO THE END OF THE CAMPAIGN. NAVAL GUNFIRE CONTRIBUTED LARGELY IN KEEPING LOSSES OF THE LANDING FORCES TO A MINIMUM AND IN BRINGING THE GUAM CAMPAIGN TO AN EARLY AND SUCCESSFUL CLOSE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THIS CAMPAIGN HAS
SET A NEW MARK FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF THE FIRE POWER OF
OUR SHIPS AND IT IS HOPED THAT IN FUTURE OPERATIONS OF
THIS FORCE NAVAL GUNFIRE MAY DO AS MUCH FOR US.
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By DBS Date MAY 21, 1973

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**Operation Crimson. Following information supplements that given in my communique concerning bombardment of Sabang:**

1. **Force consisted of 4 battleships, HMS Queen Elizabeth, HMS Valiant, HMS Renown, BB Richelieu, 7 cruisers, HMS Cumberland, HMS Nigeria, HMS Kenya, HMS Gambia, HMS Ceylon, DS Tromp, HMS Phoebe, 10 destroyers, 2 fleet carriers, HMS Illustrious and HMS Victorious. Each of the Flight's fighters supplemented to an (group omitted) total of 40 each. Carriers escorted by HMS Phoebe and 2 destroyers.**
OPERATED ABOUT 30 MILES NORTHWEST OF SABANG.

(3) TO ACHIEVE SURPRISE BY FIGHTERS ON ENEMY AIRFIELD, BOMBARDING FORCE KEPT OUTSIDE 20 MILES OF SABANG RADAR UNTIL FIGHTERS STRUCK. FIGHTER APPEARED TO ACHIEVE COMPLETE SURPRISE. AA DID NOT OPEN UP UNTIL FIGHTER OVERHEAD AT 0600. HEAVY AA NOT VERY ACCURATE AS OBSERVED FROM SHIP.

(4) CRUISER LESS DS TROMP FIRED FROM 0630 TO 0730 ON COAST DEFENCE BATTERIES AND FLOATING MINES EXPENDING 13\(\frac{3}{4}\) ROUNDS 8 INCH 232 OF 6 INCH AND 123 OF 4 INCH. CRUISER FIRE FROM 0616 TO 0715 ON BARRACKS COMMERCIAL DOCK WHARF DOCKYARD WORKSHOP AND COAST DEFENCE BATTERIES EXPENDED 29\(\frac{1}{4}\) OF 15 INCH 92 OF 6 INCH.

(5) BOMBARDMENT TOTAL RANGES WERE BATTLESHIP 18,000, CRUISER 8000 DESTROYER 6000 TO 3000.

(6) FIGHTER SPOTTED FOR BATTLESHIPS 3 OF WHICH USED INDIRECT FIRE SOME DIFFICULTY EXPERIENCED IN LATTER STAGES Owing TO HEAVY SMOKE AND DUST BUT SHOOTING WAS VISIBLE GOOD.

(7) AN INSHORE FORCE CONSISTING OF HMS QUILLIAM HMS PORCUPINE HMAS QUICKMATCH AND DS TROMP COMMENCED TO ENTER THE HARBOUR SOON AFTER BATTLESHIPS OPENED FIRE AND SUBJECTED TARGETS IN HARBOUR TO CLOSE ARTILLERY BOMBARDMENT. ENTRY OF THIS GROUP INTO SABANG HARBOUR WAS SPECTACULAR AND INSPIRING; WAR SHIP WAS OBVIOUSLY DETERMINED TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITY AFFORDED FOR CLOSE RANGE ACTION AND EXPENDED 208 ROUNDS OF 5.9
INCH, 717 OF 4.7 INCH 51 OF 3 INCH. ALSO FIRED 8 TORPEDO.

THE FORCE WITHDREW UNDER COVER OF FIRE FROM HMS GAMBIA AND
HMS KENYA DIRECTED AGAINST SHORE BATTERIES AT ENTRANCE.

IN SPITE OF THIS THE FORCE CAME UNDER FAIRLY HEAVY FIRE FROM
ENEMY 5 INCH COASTAL BATTERIES AND A 3 INCH A/A BATTERY.

DS TROMP SUSTAINED 4 HITS NO CASUALTIES, HMS PORCUPINE 1 HIT
WHICH CAUSED DEATH OF WAR CORRESPONDENT AND WOUNDED 1 OFFICER
AND 6 RATINGS, HMS QUILLIAN 1 HIT WHICH KILLED 1 PETTY OFFICER
AND WOUNDED 1 OTHER.

(8) REMAINING DESTROYERS BOMBARDED RADAR STATION EXPENDED 232
ROUNDS OF 4.7 INCH, THOUGH TARGET WAS DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY
THE BOMBARDMENT COUPLED WITH STRAFING BY FIGHTERS PROBABLY
CAUSING CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE.

(9) WEATHER DURING BOMBARDMENT THE SKY .9 HIGH MEDIUM CLOUDS
.4, AT 1500 FEET, WIND VELOCITY OF 20 KNOTS, SEA MODERATE,
SLIGHT SOUTH CLOSE SWELL.

(10) 1 CORSAIR WITH CAMERA EQUIPMENT FORCE LANDED IN SEA ABOUT
10 MILES OFF SABANG THE PILOT PICKED UP UNINJURED. 5 OTHER
CORSAIRS DAMAGED, RETURNED CARRIERS, NO CASUALTIES. 2ND
CORSAIR WITH CAMERA EQUIPMENT FOLLOWED THE FIRST, WHEN LATTER
DITCHED TO BRING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE CONSEQUENTLY NO PHOTO-
GRAPHS OBTAINED.

(11) AT 0937 1 ENEMY AIRCRAFT SALLY INTERCEPTED AND SHOT DOWN
BY FIGHTERS AND AT 1130 1 ZEKE SHOT DOWN AFTER A PROLONGED GAME
OF HIDE AND SEEK IN THE CLOUDS.

(12) AT 1730 WHILE CARRIERS WERE TURNING INTO WIND TO LAND ON FIGHTERS, A VERY HEAVY RAIN SQUALLS OCCURRING AND PROSPECTS OF STILL FURTHER BAD WEATHER AHEAD, A GROUP OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT WAS DETECTED APPROACHING TO ATTACK. FIGHTERS WERE SENT TO INTERCEPT AND AFTER A DIFFICULT CHASE IN CLOUDS SHOT DOWN 3 ZEKES AND DAMAGED 2 OTHERS. CONSIDERING WEATHER CONDITIONS AND DISTANCE FROM SHORE AND SUNSET AT 1840 POSSIBLY THESE MAY HAVE BECOME CASUALTIES ALSO. FROM AVAILABLE EVIDENCE IT APPEARS THIS FORCE CONSISTED OF 1 SALLY AS LEADER ACCOMPANIED BY 8 ZEKES ARMED WITH BOMBS. TO JUDGE BY APPROACH SALLY MUST HAVE HAD GOOD RADAR. NONE OF OUR FIGHTERS SUFFERED DAMAGE IN THIS ENCOUNTER AND ALL LANDED ON SAFELY AT OR AFTER SUNSET.

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PART 4 AS 282034
PART 5 AS 282032
PART 7 AS 282029.

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Operations summary 1800 August 12:

Mopping up continuing, caves mentioned by 1800 summary.
11 August, occupied by enemy, all entrances located and sealed today will be investigated later. Our casualties 11 August, 3rd MarDiv KIA 1 WIA 6; 77th Inf Div KIA 7 WIA 20. Totals KIA 1217 WIA 5722 MIA 327. Grand total 7266. Counted enemy dead 11502. POW 102. JAP CIVILIANS INTERNED 8. CIVILIANS IN CAMPS 14532.

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MILLE 102205 AND 110305 A TOTAL OF 91 CORSAIRS AND 65 DAUNTLESS DROPPED 48 2/10 COASTAL DEFENSE GUNS 1 DAUNTLESS MINOR DAMAGE 1 PILOT MINOR INJURIES AA LIGHT MEAGRE POSSIBLE DAMAGE COASTAL DEFENSE GUNS. AGAIN AT 112100Z AND 120330Z A TOTAL OF 32 CORSAIRS 36 DAUNTLESS BOMDED WITH 33 TONS NORTH TIP MILLE. WOTJE 6 ARMY LIBERATORS 110305 TO 110435 SINGLE FROM 20000 PLACED 18 TONS. SINGLE LANDCATS DROPPED 1 TON TAROA AND 1/2 TON EMIDJ IN NIGHT HARASSMENTS. PONAPE 12 MITCHELLS 112220 WITH 12 TONS FROM 6000 OLD AIRFIELD AA MEAGRE. TRUK NAVY LIBERATOR 111630 NO BOMBS DROPPED DUE WEATHER INTERCEPTED BY 1 TO 2 FIGHTERS NO AA. ROTA 23 THUNDERBOLTS 120012 WITH 11 1/2 TONS AND 8 THUNDERBOLTS 120403 STRAFED GUN POSITIONS. PAGAN 10 MITCHELLS AT 120030 FROM 4000 HIT RUNWAY AND GUNS WITH 10 TONS AA MODERATE
1 LIBERATOR 112318 DROPPED 1 1/2 TONS. CHICHI JIMA 16 ARMY LIBERATORS
120150 HIT SHIPPING SEAPLANE BASE AND AIRFIELD WITH 12 TONS AND
450-120 POUND FRAGS 3 NEAR MISSES LARGE AK AA MEAGRE NO INTERCEPTION
SIGHTED 1 DD LARGE AK 15-20 BARGES CHICHI 1 LARGE AK WEST BAY ANI JIMA.
ALL TIMES Z.

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OPERATIONS SUMMARY 13 AUGUST 12TH.

MOPPING UP CONTINUING. CAVES MENTIONED BY 100% SUMMARY 11TH AUGUST OCCUPIED BY ENEMY, ALL ENTRANCES LOCATED AND SEALED TODAY WILL BE INVESTIGATED LATER.

OUR CASUALTIES 11TH AUGUST. 3RD MAR DIV - KIA 1, WIA 6.

77TH INF DIV - KIA 7, WIA 27.

TOTALS KIA 1217 - WIA 5722 - WIA 327. GRAND TOTAL 7266.

COUNTED ENEMY DEAD 11542. PROM 1/2 JAP CIVILIANS INTERNED 8.

CIVILIANS IN CAMP 14532.

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OSD letter. May 1973

Date: May 21, 1973

By DBS
COMMAND POST 5TH AMPHIBIOUS CORPS OPENED GUAM 1430K 13 AUGUST 1944.

MARCORPS......ACT
COMINCH....19...19C...20M...20F...CNO......NAVAIDE......
200P.....NCRWO.....20K......
(CTF 53 SENDS. NPM (RDO HONOLULU) PASS ACTION CINCPAC AND INFO COM 5TH FLEET ALL TFC'S 5TH FLEET AND ALL TGC'S FIFTH FLEET)

GUAM PICTURE 1800K-12 AUGUST. NO ACTIVITY LAST NIGHT. MOPPING UP CONTINUING. OUR TOTAL CASUALTIES TO DATE

KIA 1227 WIA 5752 MIA 327. GRAND TOTAL 7306. COUNTED ENEMY DEAD 11502. POW 102. JAP CIVILIANS INTERNEED 8.

CIVILIANS IN CAMPS 14532. MAJOR GENERAL GEQDER DEPARTED GUAM 0623K THIS DATE. MAJOR GENERAL TURNAGE ASSUMED COMMAND SOUTHERN LANDING FORCE THAT TIME.

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* RDO HONOLULU PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 121915
ORGANIZED JAP RESISTANCE GUAM CEASED 10 AUGUST. THE FIRST PROVISIONAL MARINE BRIGADE THIRD MARINE DIVISION AND 77TH INFANTRY DIVISION ENGAGED MOPPING UP OPERATIONS SEEKING TO PREVENT SCATTERED ENEMY GROUPS REORGANIZING.

GUAM CASUALTIES TO 9 AUGUST: KIA 1214 VIA 5764 MIA 329. ENEMY COUNTED DEAD 1971. POWS 86. JAPS CIVILIANS INTERNED 7. FINAL FIGURES OUR TINIAN CASUALTIES: VIA 199 VIA 1515 MIA 24. ENEMY DEAD BURIED 5544. MORE THAN 400 POWS TAKEN. VENTURAS LIBERATORS HARASSED NAURU 9 AUGUST CREATING LARGE EXPLOSION. ARMY FIELD HELLERS BLASTED PONAPES

AIR STRIPS ADJACENT INSTALLATIONS 9 AUGUST. 2 NAVY PHOTO LIBERATORS AND PATROL PLANE BOMBER PERSONNEL AREAS TAROA

9 AUGUST. DURING NIGHT 8 9 AUGUST AMSTERDAM AND AITAPE PTS STRAFED ENEMY COASTAL TARGETS NORTHERN NEW GUINEA AND ENEMY SPOTS WEST OF KEWAK RESPECTIVELY. EMIRAU PTS SHELL ED ENEMY COASTAL POSITIONS NORTHEAST WEST CENTRAL COAST NEW IRELAND. DURING NIGHT 7 AUGUST DDS BOMBED ENEMY SPOTS EAST AITAPE.
(CTF 53 SENDS. NFM (RDO HONOLULU) PASS ACTION CINCPAC)

GUAM PICTURE 1800 K 11 AUGUST. 300-400 DEAD JAPS FOUND IN CONCRETE CAVE STRUCTURE, TA 793, BETWEEN ANAO AND LAFAC POINT. CASUALTIES TO DATE KILLED IN ACTION 1219 WOUNDED IN ACTION 5726 MISSING IN ACTION 327 TOTAL 7272. ENEMY DEAD COUNTED 11121 POW 87 CIVILIANS INTERNEP 7. 14862 CAPTIVES NOW IN CAMPS, THE OTHERS HAVING RETURNED TO THEIR HOMES.

*RDO HONOLULU PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 112201

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COMTASKFORCE 53 SENDS.

GUAM SUMMARY 1800K 10 AUGUST.

AT 1131K COMTASKGROUP 56.2 REPORTED ORGANIZED ENEMY RESISTANCE ON GUAM ELIMINATED. OUR FORCES CONTINUING AGGRESSIVE COMBAT PATROL ACTION TO MOP UP REMNANTS AND PREVENT SCATTERED GROUPS FROM ORGANIZING.

OUR CASUALTIES 9 AUGUST

3RD MARDIV  KIA 11  WIA 47.
77TH INF DIV  KIA 17  WIA 30.
1ST PROV BRIG  KIA 2  WIA 1.
TOTALS  KIA 1214  WIA 5704  MIA 329

GRAND TOTAL  7247.

ENEMY DEAD COUNTED 10971. POW 86. JAP CIVILIANS INTERNEP 7.

SUPPLY AND LOGISTICS CONTINUE SATISFATORILY.

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RADH REIFSNIDER IN GEORGE CLYMER RELIEVED RADH CONOLLY
AS COMTASKFOR 53 AT 1200K 10 AUGUST.

*COMINCH RECEIVED FOR INFO AS RDO HONO 110440.
DELIVERED TO 20-G.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CTF 59 (ADVON) TO CTF 57

RELEASED BY

DATE 11 AUGUST 1944

TOR CODEROOM 1454

DECODED BY HOFNER

PARAPHRASED BY HOFNER

ROUTED BY

CTF 59 (ADVON) ORIGINATES. RDO MAHINA PASS ACTION TO CTF 57 INFO TO CINCPAC, COMFAIRWING 2, ALL TFC'S CENPAC, OTHER INFO ADDRESSES ARE CTG 59.1 CTG 59.2 CTG 59.3 COMAF 7 COM 5TH FLEET.

18 ARMY LIBERATORS HIT IWO JIMA 100219-100225Z WITH 449 120 LB FRAGS 84-56% FROM 11,000 ON AIRFIELDS AND INSTALLATIONS. 49 TO 5% SINGLE AND TWIN ENGINE AND 14 ENGINE AIRCRAFT OBSERVED. SEVERAL FIRES STARTED ON AIRFIELD 1 AIRCRAFT DESTROYED AND SEVERAL PROBABLY DESTROYED ON GROUND. INTERCEPTED BY 5 TO 7 UNAGGRESSIVE FIGHTERS DROPPING PHOSPHOROUS BOMBS. AA MODERATE TO INTENSE 3 LIBERATORS SLIGHT DAMAGE. AO SIGHTED 36 MILES SOUTH IWO JIMA. 20 THUNDERBOLTS 100120Z OVER PAGAN AIRFIELD AREA WITH 40-500 POUNDERS. HEAVY AND MEDIUM AA INTENSE 1 PLANE MINOR DAMAGE. 3 THUNDERBOLTS ASSISTED CLEAN UP FORCES SOUTH TINIAN WITH ALL FIRE BOMBS 100142Z WITH APPARENTLY SATISFACTORY RESULTS.

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*RIDO HONOLULU AS IN M/ON AS 110854

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

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FROM       CTG 56.2
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DATE       11 AUGUST 1944
TOR CODEROOM A739
DECODED BY HARTZELL
PARAPHRASED BY HARTZELL/BOBEL

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NIP ORGANIZED RESISTANCE ON GUAM ELIMINATED.
PROCEEDING WITH MOPPING UP ACTIVITIES.

* PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO BY RADIO HONOLULU AS 142221

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
NPM (RDO HONO) PASS TO ALL ADEES. ACTION TO CINCpac INFO COM 5TH FLEET AND ALL TF AND TG COMMANDERS 5TH FLEET.

GUAM SUMMARY, 081800K.


CASUALTIES TO DATE KIA 1154 WIA 5497 MIA 326. COUNTED ENEMY DEAD 10100. UNLOADING HAS BEEN SLOWED BY SHORTAGE OF SHIP TO SHORE TRANSPORT BUT PROBLEM WAS EASED TODAY BY...
RETURN TO SERVICE OF 17 LCM's WHICH HAD BEEN DOCKED SIMULTANEOUSLY IN ARD 17 FOR REPAIRS TO DAMAGE SUSTAINED IN ASSAULT AND SUBSEQUENT UNLOADING.

ARRIVALS TISDALE GEAR YF 385 MOTIVE ALKES BARGE 1325 MATACO YOCL'S 3 AND 5 LST 24 YMS 295, 385 AND 302.

DEPARTURES GRAPPLE AND O'FLAHERTY FOR ENIWETOK.

*PASSED BY RDO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 082020, DELIVERED TO 20G.
CTG 55.4 SENDS ACTION COM 5TH FLT INFO CTF 58
CINCPAC CTF 53. NPM PASS TO ALL

SUMMARY

(A) 8
(B) 32
(C) 16
(D) 16
(E) 13.4 PLUS 44 ROCKETS
(U) MO IN 896 LM
(V) UVWXY OF 900 AND 901, STRAFING AND ROCKETS
SILENCED INTENSE LIGHT AA IN 895 896 900
921.

COMMENTS. NO NIPS SEEN.
CONGO CANCELLED LAST STRIKE.

NPM (RDO HONO) PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 090517

SEC. 580 MID PAC

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From: CG, US Pacific Ocean Areas Fort Shafter TH
To: War Department
Commander-in Chief Southwest Pacific Area,
Brisbane, Australia
CG, South Pacific Area Command, Noumea New Caledonia
CG, US Army Forces, China, Burma and India Forward
Ketalon, Chungking, China
CG, US Army Forces, China Burma and India Theater
Headquarters, New Delhi, India
CG, 20th Bomber Command Kharagpur, India
Supreme Commander, Southeast Asia Command Kandy, Ceylon

No: RJ 25152 8 August 1944

Here ends 1st part paragraph/from EDGCs comes Daily Operational Summary for Sultan, Marshall, COPH, MacArthur, Wolfe, AMMPOA and CG SORC BA Com, thru CINCPAC, RJ 25152.

Tale of Marshall-Caroline activity follows now as Part 1 with time in zone Li Nauru harassed and reconnoitered evening of 5 Aug and morning of 6th by total of 4 Navy Ventura sorties. Total of 3.25 tons were deposited on runways through meager medium flak. During afternoon of 6th Nauru hit again by total of 3 Navy Venturas in 2 strikes. Total of 2 tons parked on runways through moderate accurate flak which damaged 1 PV.

Single Navy PB4Y reconnoitered Truk during afternoon of 8 August and dropped 2 centuries on Param. Same afternoon 2 Liberators visited Ponape individually and dropped total of 3.25 tons. 1st bomber drew no AA; 2nd bomber received light inaccurate ground fire.

CM-IN-7682 (9 Aug 44)
Truk attacked night 6th Aug by 10 Navy strike PB4Y's plus 8 Navy and 3 Army photo liberators. 29.5 tons released over targets. Inaccurate meager heavy AA was thrown up. Of 8-10 interceptors Airborne 2 were probably destroyed; interceptor fire damaged 2 bombers. Summary of Mariana- Nampo photo operations follows now with time in zone K on Guam during 6 Aug our forces continued to advance. Strong defensive positions and stiffening Nip resistance encountered principally along roads. By 1800 our left (west) had advanced approx 4500 yards; our right (east) showed no substantial change. By same hour our line ran generally from point on west shore approx 2400 yards north of Hilaan Pt generally southeasterly to point on east shore approx 1200 yards north of Pagat Point.

During 6 Aug on Guam 2 Nip tanks, several personnel laden trucks and 9 enemy field guns were destroyed by our ground forces; field guns were of 3 inch or larger caliber. By same date our land based Marine air group was performing support missions.

By 1800 on 6 Aug our Guam troops killed in action totaled 1119. By same date 8622 enemy dead counted.

During 6 and 7 August our combat troops on Tinian being replaced by garrison troops.
From: CG, US Pacific Ocean Areas Fort Shafter, TH
No: RJ 25152 8 August 1944

On Tinian as of 1800 on 7 August our combat casualties were killed 291, wounded 1520, missing 24. By same date 5527 enemy buried, 178 prisoners taken and 9703 civilians interned.

On 4 and 5 Aug a friendly carrier task force raided Nampo Shoto. Summary follows: On 4 August our carrier planes attacked Nip convoy approx 20 miles NW of Moko Jima in the Bonin Islands. Convoy consisted of 4 DDs or destroyer escorts, 5 AKs (4-5 thousand tons), 1 new type destroyer, and 8-10 luggers or barges. Of these vessels our planes sank 3 destroyers or destroyer escorts, 4 cargo vessels and 4 barges and damaged remaining AK and escorts. That night our surface vessels continued attack sinking remaining cargo vessel, large DD, large sampan and several barges. 1 damaged destroyer of DE believed to be only survivor. Lone small oiler also sunk this night by our surface vessels.

On 5th Aug attack continued. Our surface vessels damaged Nip shipping and installations at Chichi Jima. Our carrier planes sank 1 destroyer or AM and 2 small ships; probably sank 2 small AKs and 3 coastal luggers; possibly sank a 3 stack GI; damaged 1 DE, 1 landing ship, 1 large AK, 4 sampans, 4 luggers, 5 barges of which 2 were loaded with personnel, 1 small interisland steamer, 2 small AKs, 1 subchaser; and left grounded 2 landing ships. Our planes also attacked ground installations at Haha Jima, Moko Jima, and Jima, Iwo Jima and Chichi Jima. At Chichi Jima, Ocura town was completely devastated and 1 Betty destroyed on ground. At Iwo Jima of not more than 25 possibly operational planes.

CM-IN-7682 (9 Aug 44)
From: CG, US Pacific Ocean Areas Fort Shafter, TH
No: RJ 25152 8 August 1944

seen at airfields 7 twin engine planes were destroyed and 5 damaged. 2 Zekes and 1 Judy intercepted at Iwo Jima; both Zekes shot down. Additional Nip aircraft destroyed were 3 Emilys by our air patrol and 1 Betty and 1 Emily by our search planes. Our combat losses were 16 planes, 12 pilots and 7 crewmen; all losses due enemy flak.

CTF 58 advises that enemy is apparently evacuating air personnel from outlying islands to empire.

End

FOOTNOTE: Corrected copy of CM-IN-7320 (8 Aug 44) OPD

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CG AAF
G-2
Col. Park
Log

CM-IN-7682  (9 Aug 44)  O449Z gko

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 11/5/94
SUBSTANTIAL ADVANCE GUAM SEVEN AUGUST REDUCED REMAINING AREA
HELD BY ENEMY ONE THIRD, HEAVILY FORTIFIED POSITIONS
VILLAGE OF YIGO TAKEN AND ENEMY STOCKS THERE WOOD AMMUNITION
TWENTY THREE PIECES OF TRANSPORTATION SEIZED. IN AREA
COVERED BY ADVANCE LARGE GRAVEYARD INDICATING RECENT MASS
ENEMY BURIALS WAS FOUND. LINE NOW ANCHORED ON THE WEST AT
HAPUTO POINT AND ON EAST COAST LUMUNA POINT. SUPPORTING 7
GROUND TROOPS CARRIER BORNE AIRCRAFT BOMBED STRAFED ENEMY
POSITIONS TROOPS CONCENTRATIONS NEAR MT. SANTA ROSA.
ENEMY COUNTED DEAD 2833. OUR CASUALTIES TO DATE:
KIA 1128 WIA 5373 MIA 331. PATROLS SOUTHERN PART GUAM FIND
NO MORE ENEMY. DURING 6-7 AUGUST REEMBARKATION ASSAULT
ELEMENTS UNLOADING OF GARRISON TROOPS EQUIPMENT PROCEEDING
CONCURRENTLY SAIPAN TINIAN AREA. TO DATE OUR CASUALTIES
TINIAN: KIA 291 WIA 1520 MIA 24. ENEMY DEAD BURIED 5527.
CIVILIANS INTERRED 9703. POW'S 178. ARMY NAVY LIBERATORS ATTACKED TRUK 6 AUGUST. 2 OF 8 TO 12 ENEMY INTERCEPTORS PROBABLY DAMAGED. NAVY SEARCH PLANES BOMBARDED TRUK ATOLL ALSORAINING PONAPE 5 AUGUST. NAURU ATTACKED 5 AND 6 AUGUST BY AIRCRAFT. ALL PLANES RETURNED SAFELY FROM THESE MISSIONS. DURING NIGHT 5-6 AUGUST PT's FROM AIATAPE NORTHEAST NEW GUINEA AND AMSTERDAM ISLAND VOGELKOP STRADED ENEMY COASTAL POSITIONS NORTHEAST NEW GUINEA NORTHERN VOGELKOP.
COL 5TH FLEET SPEAKS ACTION ALL TASK Force C CGS AND TASK GROUPS 5TH FLEET INFO CINC PAC COL 7TH FLT COUS PAC COUS P AC CINCS O PAC CINCS O E S PAC RE cellphone PASS TO INFO ADEEES.

CAPTURE AND OCCUPATION PHASE SAIPAN AND TINIAN COMPLETED. CTG 56.1 PASS ORDER TO ALL FORCES SAIPAN TO ISCOM SAIPAN ALL FORCES TINIAN TO ISCOM TINIAN AT 1200 16 AUGUST. CTG 51 PASS RESPONSIBILITY DEFENSE AND DEVELOPMENTS SAIPAN TINIAN TO CTG 57 AT 1200 16 AUGUST. OP PLAN NUMBER GEN 11-44 WHICH IS ANNEX I BY OP PLAN NUMBER GEN 10-44 EFFECTIVE FOR SAIPAN AND TINIAN AT 1200 16 AUGUST.

* PASSED TO COM PAC FOR INFO AS RED HONOLULU 26126.

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OSD Letter, May 1, 1972
By DBS
Date May 26-03-73

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From: CG, US Army Forces, Pacific Overseas Area,
      Fort Shafter, T. H.

To: War Department.
    Supreme Commander, Southeast Asia Command,
    Kandy, Ceylon.
    CG, Rear Echelon, General Headquarters, Southwest
    Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia.
    CG, US Army Forces in China, Burma and India,
    Theater Headquarters, New Delhi, India.
    CG, US Army Forces, China, Burma and India,
    Forward Echelon, Chungking, China.
    CG, US Army Forces in the South Pacific Area,
    Noumea, New Caledonia.
    CG, 20th Bomber Command, Kharagpur, India.

Nr: RJ 25040

7 August 1944

Richardson sends daily operational summary from
HQCS through CINCPOA to CG SOPAC BACOM, Mountbatten,
WDCSA, ANMOSCA, Sultan, CINCSWPA and AMAJUK this is msg
serial RJ 25040.

Story of Marshall-Caroline activity follows as
Part 1 with time in zone L:

Personnel areas, Taroa, Mille and Wotje harassed
night 4th-5th Aug by two Navy land Catalinas. Total of
two tons distributed through inaccurate intense medium flak.

Attacked by our aircraft on 5th Aug were Wotje,
Wake, Fonape, Jaluit and Nauru. Wotje raiders were 12
Marine Corsairs concentrating three tons on gun emplacements.

CM-IN-6586 (8 Aug 44)
From: CG, US Army Forces, Pacific Overseas Area, Fort Shafter, T. H.

Nr: RJ 25040 7 August 1944

Accurate light flak received damaging one F4U. Wake visitor was lone Navy F4B. 2.25 tons were parked on runway through light inaccurate ground fire. In Fornape hammering 12 Army Mitchells delivered 12 tons to old airfield. Nips threw up meager inaccurate fire. 12 Marine Corsairs and 20 Marine Dauntless over Jaluit aimed 13 tons at enemy gun positions. Medium flak was moderate and inaccurate. Total of four Navy Venturas over Nauru on RCM losened total of 3.25 tons on runways in two strikes. Enemy countered with moderate heavy AA of varied accuracy. Here ends first part.

Follows now summary of operations in Mariana-Nampana: On Guam during night 4th-5th Aug small enemy Naval force of about platoon strength launched counterattack which our forces repulsed. 11 enemy dead were left behind. On 5th Aug our troops continued their advance. 77th Inf Div on our right pushed ahead nearly three miles and reached point on east shore approx 1600 yards north of Pagat Point by 1800 hours. On our left in an advance of about 2700 yds our troops pushed approx 600 yards beyond Amantes Point by same time. From both flanks our line bent irregularly to the south to a greatest depth of about 3000 yds in the approx center.

Additional supplies and equipment unloaded at Guam on 5th Aug completed basic elements required for air operations from this island.

CM-IN-6586 (8 Aug 44)
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From: CO, US Army Forces, Pacific Overseas Area,
Fort Shafter, T. H.

Nr: RJ 25040 7 August 1944

By 1800 on 5th Aug our combat casualties were,
killed 1107, wounded 5286, missing 330. By same date 8129
enemy dead counted and 22,000 civilians were within our
lines. Of the civilians 5000 allowed to return to their
former homes and 17,000 being kept in camps.

On Tinian 5th Aug mopping up continued. Assault
elements of 4th Mar Div commenced reembarking. ASSTF 1800
on 5th Aug our revised Tinian combat casualties were,
killed 277, wounded 1491, missing 25. By same date 5124
enemy dead buried, 176 prisoners taken and 8492 civilians
interned.

On Saipan during period 15th July-5th August total
of 1748 enemy soldiers were killed, 155 prisoners were
taken and 850 civilians were killed or interned.

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CO AAF
G-2
Adm King
Col Park
Log

CN-IN-6586 (8 Aug 44) O108Z bjm

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OSD letter, May 1973
By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

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CTF 53 SENDS ACTION TO CINCPAC AND INFO TO COM 5TH FLEET AND ALL TFC AND TG COMDRS 5TH FLEET. NPM (RDO HONO) PASS TO ALL.

GUAM SUMMARY $713F1*.

SUBSTANTIAL ADVANCE ALL ALONG FRONT REDUCED BY 1/3 THE AREA WHICH THE ENEMY STILL HOLDS. VIGO WAS TAKEN AT 130% AND WITH IT WERE CAPTURED STOCKS OF WOOD AND AMMUNITION AND 23 PIECES TRANSPORTATION. SOME HEAVILY FORTIFIED POSITIONS WERE ENCOUNTERED AND TAKEN, MOSTLY IN VICINITY VIGO. ELSEWHERE A LARGE GRAVEYARD SHOWING EVIDENCE RECENT PASS BURIALS WAS IN AREA COVERED BY ADVANCE. LINE RUNS 678 L 692 XA 748 UE 725 TQH 724 01 746 WND 757 UA 772 ICA 786 VI 785 E 861 R 816 MA 815 EBF.

REPORT ENDS.

CASUALTIES TO DATE KIA 1126 WIA 5373 MIA 331. COUNTED ENEMY DEAD 2333. BOTH DIVISIONS AND BRIGADE ARE NOW IN

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
LI ** REAST. PATROLS THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN PART OF ISLAND FIND NO MORE ENEMY.

ARRIVALS: AANSAR BASHAW

DEPARTURES: BOUNTIFUL FOR KWAJALEIN, HELVIN MCHAIR CONV AULICK FOR ENIWETOK.

*PASSED BY RDO HONOLULU TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 571016. **
** CODE GROUP MISSING, WILL SERVICE ON REQUEST.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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EXTENSION NUMBER

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FROM: CTF 52 (INDEF CALL)

RECEIVED ON: 8 AUGUST 1944

TOR CODE: 0907

DECODED BY: KNAPP

PARAPHRASED BY: KNAPP/MCCOMB

FOR ACTION

PRIORITY

INFORMATION

PRIORITY

PRECEDENCE

CFI 51*

ALL TFC'S FORAGER

COM 5TH FLEET

ALL TFC'S 5TH FLEET

CINC PAC

COMINCH

CFI 51*

ALL TFC'S FORAGER

COM 5TH FLEET

ALL TFC'S 5TH FLEET

CINC PAC

COMINCH

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RECOMMENDATION ELEMENTS OF 4TH MAR DIV AND TRANSFER OF

UNITS OF 2ND MAR DIV TO SAIPAN CONTINUE. UNLOADING GARRISON

TROOPS AND EQUIPMENT PROCEEDING CONCURRENTLY. COMPLETED

LOADING 8 TRANSPORTS WITH CORPS AND 4TH MAR DIV PERSONNEL.

CASUALTIES AS OF 1800K AUGUST 7. KIA 291. WIA 1520. MIA

24. ENEMY BURIED 5527. CIVILIANS INTERNED 9703. POWS

178.

*GARbled BEING SERVICED; POSSIBLY CTF 51.

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OSD letter, May 1, 1973

By DBS

MAY 21, 1973

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(CTF 53 ORIGINATES. NMP (RDO HONOLULU) PASS ACTION TO CINCPAC INFO TO COMDT FIFTH FLEET AND ALL TASK FORCE AND TASK GROUP COMMANDERS FIFTH FLEET)

GUAM SUMMARY 061800K GENERAL ADVANCE CONTINUED AGAINST STIFFENING C/P SOUTHERN WHICH CENTERED MOSTLY ALONG ROADS WHERE MANY STRONG DEFENSIVE POSITIONS WERE ENCOUNTERED AND REDUCED. TWO ENEMY TANKS AND 9 FIELD GUNS OF 3"

OR LARGER CALIBER WERE DESTROYED BY GROUND FORCES, ARTILLERY DESTROYED SEVERAL ENEMY TRUCKS LOADED WITH PERSONNEL. LINE RUNS 663 I 689 D 687 U 735 V 733 E 781 P 780 L. OWN KIA TO DATE 1119 ENEMY COUNTED DEAD

8622. MARINE AIR GROUP WELL SET UP ON OROTIE FIELD AND BEING ASSIGNED MANY FUNCTIONS HERETOFORE PERFORMED BY SHIPBASED AIR. FIRST PROV MAR BRIG COMPLETED MOVEMENT INTO ASSEMBLY AREAS PREPARATORY TO TAKING POSITIONS ON LEFT OF LINE. NO ARRIVALS. DEPARTURES PC 549 SC 727 AND 1325 YMS 195 AND 242 FOR SAIPAN.

* RDO HONOLULU PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 070125

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By DBS

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 9/1/94
(CTG 58.4 SENDS TO NPM (RDO HONQ) FOR FURTHER RELAY TO COM 5TH FLT FOR ACTION AND TO CTF 58 CINCPAC AND CTF 53 FOR INFORMATION.)

REPORT

(A) 6
(B) 95 INCLUDING 48 TARGET
(C) APC 16
(D) 16
(E) 17,85 PLUS 205 ROCKETS
(U) 14 BUILDINGS 831 V, ONE HOUSE FIRED 872 H
V 689 706 724 STRAFED BOMBED HIT WITH ROCKETS, 851 UV 870 883 MN 889.
COMMENT: OCCASIONAL LIGHT MEAGER AA OVER TARGET, STRAFAQED AT 872 J.
END.
RECEIVED AS NPM (RDO HONQ) 062218 FOR INFO TO CINCMH.

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By DBS, May 21, 1977

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**August 4th-5th Summary.**

**Times 2.** 8 Venturas fairing 4 each carrying a 500 pound GP bomb 700 pounds incendiary clusters 300 pounds frag.

Clusters over northern Kuriles as follows. 3 Venturas bombed Kikumabetsu 2358 August 4th until 0015 August 5th.

500 pound GP hit edge and frag cluster hit center of runway. AA meager inaccurate light. A Ventura bombed Kashinabara at 0010 August 5th by radar through overcast, results unobserved. This plane strafed boats and Personnel on beach.

**Daigo Zaki.** Copilot observed object believed partially surfaced submarine 1-2 miles west Daigo Zaki. 2 Venturas.

Bombed and strafed a 90 foot picket boat and a 60 foot vessel from 042335 until 050020 at 50-35 N 159-05 E.

2 other Venturas bombed and strafed 2 picket boats (each about 100 feet long) 0000 August 5th lat 50-03 long 158-14 E.

AA moderate accurate light from all picket boats. 3 of the Venturas attacking picket boats received minor battle damage. All planes returned safely.
DRATTER: CTF 53
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 6 AUG 1944
TOR CODEWORD: 2115

FROM: CINCPAC
COUNTRY: COM 5TH FLT.
TO: CINCPAC

INFORMATION: COM 5TH FLT, ALL TF AND TG CDRS 5TH FLEET COMINCH

PRECEDE NCE: PRIORITY

IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW: NO

ORIGINATOR: FILL IN DATE AND TIME:
DATE: 21
TIME: 10

(CTF 53 SENTS NPM (RDG MONO) PASS ACTION TO CINCPAC AND INFO TO COM 5TH FLT ALL TF AND TG COM BS 5TH FLT)

GUAM SUMMARY $51859K.
77TH DIVISION ADVANCED NEARLY 3 MILES UP COAST ON EXTREME RIGHT OF LINE. ELSEWHERE PROGRESS MARKED AND LINE PRESENTS IRREGULAR APPEARANCE. COUNTERATTACK OF ABOUT PLATOON STRENGTH WAS MADE DURING NIGHT BY ENEMY PERSONNEL IDENTIFIED AS NAVAL AND WAS REPULSED WITH 11 ENEMY DEAD LEFT BEHIND. COUNTED JAP DEAD NOT NUMBER 8129. OUR CASUALTIES KIA 1197, MIA 5286 MIA 336. 2299 CIVILIANS NOW WITHIN OUR LINES, 17745 BEING IN CAMPS AND 5750 AT THEIR FORMER HOMES. FRONT LINE 714F 698T 682(0) 669(0) 655Y 657Y 687U.
PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT FOR MAG 21 UNLOADED FROM SANTREE. THIS TOGETHER WITH SUPPLIES AND MATERIAL

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By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
ALREADY ASHORE COMPLETES BASIC ELEMENTS NEEDED FOR MILITARY AIR OPERATIONS.
NO ARRIVALS. DEPARTURES SC 1952 FOR SAIPAN Santee Cassin Steele FOR ENIVETOK

* RDO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 152025

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/94
SAIPAN-TINIAN SUMMARY OF AUGUST 5TH.

TINIAN TROOPS MOPPING UP, REORGANIZING, AND RELAUNCHING ASSAULT ELEMENTS OF 4TH MARDIV. AS ON 19TH REVELED CASUALTIES KIA 277 VIA 1491 VIA 26. ENEMY BURIALS TO DATE 5124. CIVILIANS INTERRED 8491. POW 178. UNLOADING CARRIER SHIPPING AND RELOADING ASSAULT TROOPS ARE PROGRESSING SATISFATORILY.

SAIPAN TROOPS REPORT THAT SINCE JULY 15TH A TOTAL OF 1748 JAP SOLDIERS HAVE BEEN KILLED 158 CAPTURED AND 850 CIVILIANS KILLED OR INTERNED.

*Passed by RDO HONOLULU TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 51828.

Delivered to 24-G.
COM 5TH FLT GETS ACTION FROM CTG 58.4 WITH INFO TO CTF 58 CINC PAC AND CTF 53. RADIO WAKANATA PASS TO ALL ADEES.

OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

(A) 5
(B) 79 OF WHICH 4 RETURNED WITHOUT BOMBING DUE TO WEATHER AND OF WHICH 45 TARGET CAP
(C) 16
(D) 16
(E) 7.5 PLUS 62 ROCKETS U HOUSE 816
(F) 4 ROAD INTERSECTION 816 IKOP BOMBED AND STRAFED.

42 CENTURIES 4 QUARTER TONNERS ON AND NEAR ROAD JUNCTIONS 881 KS XHOD, 679 K 672 D 769 761. NO NIPS SEEN. END.

PASSED BY RDO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 51128.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/19/94
CTF 59 SENDS ACTION TO CTF 57 INFO CTF 59,2 AT SAIPAN
CTG 59,3 (ADMIN) CTG 59,4 CTF 59,5.
Wahiawa puts on circuit and passes info to following ADEES:
CINCPAC COMSOPAC COMAIRPAC COMAIRSOPAC COMAF 7
COMFAIRWING 2 COM 5TH FLEET ALL TFCS CENPAC.

DIVEBOMBING AA POSITIONS MAGAZINES, AND COASTAL DEFENSE
BATTERIES 57 CORSAIRS OF 4TH MAN HOUNDED NOTICE WITH 52
HALF TONNERS AT 840.335. RECEIVING NO INTERCEPTION AND
MAGNIFICENT TO MODERATE INACCURATE AA, 27 LIBERATORS OF THE 7TH
AIR FORCE COUNTERED AWAY 270 QUARTER TONNERS HITTING AIRFIELD
SOUTH MOEN, AND NAVAL BASE, BARRACKS, AREA, AND DUAL PURPOSE
GUNS DUBLON AT 840751. 1 MEDIUM A. LEFT BURNING HERE.
SEVERAL EXPLOSIONS AND FIRES OBSERVED IN TARGET AREAS.

* NPM (RDO HONOLULU) HAS PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS
851850.
GUAM TROOPS DURING 2 AUGUST AVERAGED 2 MILE GAINS NORTHWARD. OUR LINE ON WEST COAST ADVANCED FURTHER ALONG TUMON BAY SHORELINE AND ON EAST COAST IS ABOUT 1 AND A HALF MILES FROM SASSAYAN POINT. ENEMY RESISTANCE STIFFENING. 7893 DEAD JAPS COUNTED, POW 68. OUR CASUALTIES KIA 1058 WIA 5066 MIA 306. CARRIER AIRCRAFT USING BOMBS AND ROCKETS SUPPORTING GROUND OPERATIONS. OROTE AIRFIELD NOW OPERATIONAL.

3 AUGUST AMERICAN FLAG FORMERLY RAISED OVER TINIAN. SCATTERED REMNANTS OF ENEMY IN CAVES DUGOUTS BEING LIQUIDATED. NOW ESTIMATED 5334 ENEMY KILLED. INCREASING NUMBER COMMITTING SUICIDE POW 53.

3973 CIVILIANS INTERNEO. OUR CASUALTIES KIA 235 WIA 1310 MIA 273. LAND BASED AIRCRAFT STRUCK PONAPE WOTE TAROA JALUIT RABAUL AREA NEW BRITAIN KAVIENG AREA NEW IRELAND. NIGHT 1-2 AUGUST CATALINA BADLY DAMAGED 1 DO OR DE

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NORTH BOEROE ISLAND AND 200 TON LUGGER OFF AMBOINA. ANOTHER CAT DAMAGED SC NORTH OF CERAM AND STRAFED 3 SUPPLY LOADED SAILBOATS. PT'S SHELLED TARGETS NEW IRELAND AND NORTHWEST NEW GUINEA.
(CTF 52 SENDS INFO ALL TFC FORAGER AND ACTION TO CTF 51)

SAIPAN AND TINIAN SUMMARY AUGUST 4.

TROOPS ON TINIAN STILL ENGAGED IN CLEANSING OPERATIONS.

JAP MILITARY REPORTED MOVING INTO CIVILIAN CLOTHES AND HUNGRING WITH CIVILIANS. AS OF 1800H CIVILIAN CASUALTIES KIA 262 VIA 1399 VIA 25. ESTIMATED ENEMY KILLED 5734. CIVILIANS INTERNED 726.

PLANS FOR WITHDRAWAL AND REHABILITATION OF ASSAULT TROOPS PROGRESSING. UNLOADING SATISFACTORY DURING DAY WITH PONTOON CAUSEWAY INSTALLED AND LST LOCKED AT IT THIS AFTERNOON. AT SAIPAN FINAL CLEANSING OPERATIONS IN WTH 168 JAP MILITARY KILLED AND ADDITIONAL 91 CAPTURED IN LAST 24 HOUR PERIOD.

COMPLETED CLEANSING ALL WATERWAYS ADJACENT TO COAST OF TINIAN WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS EXCEPT LINES IN ASIABA BAY PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. NO HONO PASSED TO CO/INCH AS 642646.

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**From:**

**To:**

**Subject:**

**Date:** 5 August 1944

**Priority:** PRIORITY 

**Action:** Pass action to CINCPAC to CONDR 5TH FLT and to COMMANDERS 5TH FLEET. CTF 57 pass pertinent info to SCOA.

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**Summary:**

Progress on left of line was slight but furthered our control of road junctions around Finegayam. On right of line we occupied all of point Barrigada against light opposition. Line runs 666 B 667 E 655 X 643 B 618 Q. Casualties to date KIA 1091 WIA 5211 MIA 315. Counted enemy dead 7945 POW 71. Garrison aircraft of MAG 21 landed on Orote airfield from Santee, which then entered harbor to discharge personnel and equipment. Unloading accelerated with better sea conditions and harbor is being worked to limit of its present capacity which is being expended as rapidly as possible.

**Arrivals:**

TG 50.17 Santee O’Flaherty Shaw LST 447 SC 1052

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/73
PENNANT, BRITISH VICTORY, MARSHFIELD VICTORY, WELTEVREDEN, HAWAIIAN SHIPPER, WILLIAM PEPPER, S HALL YOUNG, SEA BARB, E A CHRISTIANSON, CASSIN, STEEL, CAPPS, SOLACE.

DEPARTURES TG 50.17 PLUS MARIAS AND CAPPS. TERROR HELM JOHN RODGERS ZANE CARAVAN PAKANA 6 LST'S 4 LCI SC 724 KITKUN BAY GAMBIER BAY NAHANTA BAY SIGSBEE, SCHROEDER, MCKEE, HARRISON ALL FOR ENIWETOK. IRWIN, CALLAGHAN, CASSIN YOUNG, PORTERFIELD FOR SAIPAN.

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OSD letter, May 1, 1972

By DBS Date MAY 2 1 1973

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
GUAM ISLAND TROOPS DURING 2 AUGUST FIGHTING THROUGH DENSE JUNGLE AND MOUNTING ENEMY RESISTANCE ADVANCED MORE THAN MILE NORTHWARD. TOWNS OF SAUCIO TOTO TIMONENG AND TIYAN AIRFIELD CAPTURED. OUR LINE ANCHORED ON WEST COAST ON SOUTHERN SHORE TUMON BAY AND ON EAST COAST ABOUT 3 MILES SOUTH OF SASSAYAN POINT. OUR CASUALTIES KIA 1022 WIA 4946 MIA 305. 7419 JAP DEAD COUNTED. CARRIER AIRCRAFT STRAFED TROOP CONCENTRATIONS AND ATTACKED GUAM INSTALLATIONS WITH BOMBS ROCKETS, MOPPING UP TINIAN CONTINUES. ESTIMATED ENEMY CASUALTIES 4858, 2075 JAPS BURIED MANY UNBURIED. OUR CASUALTIES KIA 208 WIA 1121 MIA 32. SAIPAN MOPPING UP OPERATIONS NETTED 147 JAPS KILLED PAST 24 HOURS. ABOUT 50 ENEMY KILLED EACH DAY SINCE ISLAND WAS SECURED. AFTERNOON 2 AUGUST PAGAN ISLAND HIT BY SAIPAN BASED PLANES WITH UNREPORTED RESULTS. 24 LIBERATORS STRUCK TRUK INSTALLATIONS AFTERNOON 1 AUGUST. OF 8 ENEMY INTERCEPTORS 3 DESTROYED 3 DAMAGED. 1 LIBERATOR DAMAGED. AA FIRE DAMAGED 4
MORE. 21 MITCHELLS BOMBED NAURU ISLAND. MILLE JALUIT WOTJE HARASSED
BY LAND BASED PLANES. NIGHT 31 JULY 1 AUGUST PT'S SANK 3 DAMAGED 3
BARGES ALONG NORTHWEST COAST NEW GUINEA AND SOUTHEAST BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND.
PT'S SHELLED TEOP ISLAND OFF NORTHEAST BOUGAINVILLE.
NAVAL MESSAGE

CTF 53

4 AUGUST 1944

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NCR 8515

(CTF 53 SENDS. NPM (RDO HONO) PASS ACTION TO CINC PAC AND INFO TO COMOR 5TH FLEET AND ALL TF AND TG COMORS 5TH FLEET. CTG 59.1 IS ALSO INFO ADEE)

GUAM SUMMARY 031800K ADVANCE OF NEARLY 2 MILES WAS MADE ALL ALONG FRONT BRINGING IMPORTANT ROAD JUNCTION IN FINEGAN AREA WITHIN OUR LINES, WHICH NOW RUN 668B 6820 667N 6540 6251 626A 6140 615D 596W. 3RD DIVISION BEGAN TO ENCOUNTER RESISTANCE. 77TH DIVISION ADVANCED AGAINST INCREASING RESISTANCE. OUR CASUALTIES TO DATE KIA 1058 WIA 5066 MIA 306. ENEMY DEAD COUNTED 7892 POW 68. 7000 CIVILIANS WITHIN OUR LINES AND BEING CARED FOR. OROTE AIRFIELD NOW SUITABLE FOR ALL TYPE PLANES AND LANDPLANE SHUTTLE SERVICE WITH SAIPAN ALREADY INSTALLED. SWELLS SUBSIDING AND UNLOADING ACCELERATING ACCORDINGLY. ARRIVALS LOUISVILLE HYDROGRAPHER CARAVAN DEPARTURES COLORADO PENNSYLVANIA ALSHAIN CLOUES APACHE WATERS SPEAR ALL FOR ENIWETOK. PASSED BY RDO HONO TO COMINCH AS

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PARAPHRASED BY

DUMM/T/FITZ

CTF 52 SENDS. RADIO HONOLULU GIVE INFO TO CINCPAC.

AT SAIPAN AND TINIAN AUGUST 3. TINIAN TROOPS CONDUCTED MOPING UP OPERATIONS AGAINST SCATTERED ENEMY GROUPS IN CAVES AND RAVINES. LATEST ESTIMATE OF ENEMY DEAD 5334. INCREASING NUMBER OF ENEMY TROOPS REPORTED COMMITTING SUICIDE. OWN TROOPS REPORT NUMEROUS CASES OF JAP MILITARY REFUSING TO PERMIT SURRENDER OF CIVILIANS AND SEVERAL CASES IN WHICH CIVILIANS HAVE BEEN KILLED BY TROOPS RATHER THAN PERMIT THEIR SURRENDER. USE OF LOUD SPEAKER SYSTEM CONTINUES TO GIVE EXCELLENT RESULTS IN PERSUADING CIVILIANS TO SURRENDER, BUT PRISONERS ESTIMATE LARGE NUMBERS STILL REMAIN IN CAVES. TOTAL 3973 CIVILIANS INTERNED.

POW REPORTS INDICATE THAT BOTH VICE ADMIRAL KAJUTA (COMMANDER 1ST AIR FLEET) AND COLONEL OGATA WERE KILLED BY ARTILLERY FIRE TWO THREE ON NIGHT OF J DAY. AS OF 1800K OWN CASUALTIES KIA UP TO 80,000. ENEMY BURIED 2683. POWS 53. IM-
PROVED WEATHER CONDITIONS TODAY PERMITTED EFFECTIVE UNLOADING OPERATIONS. FORMAL FLAG RAISING CEREMONY HELD AT 1500. RE-EMBARKATION OF ASSAULT UNITS FOR RETURN TO PEARL COMMENCES TOMORROW. AVIATOR DOWNED OFF PAGAN YESTERDAY WAS RESCUED BY DESTROYER.

*CINCPAC PASSED TO COMINCH AS 031740 FOR INFO

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CTG 58.4 ORIGINATOR, COM 5TH FLEET ACTION. CTF 58, CINCPAC, CTF 53 INFO. RADIO WAIHIMA PASS TO ALL.

SUMMARIZING:

A. 3
B. 47
C. 20
D. 20
E. 19.2 PLUS 77 ROCKETS
U. 2 SMALL BUILDINGS 839 LARGE HOUSE 855 E
V. AREAS 689 690 723 725 WELL BOMBED FROM LOW ALTITUDE,
   GAS FIRE AT 426, STORAGE BUILDING AND HUTS 839, VEHICLES
   IN GROVE 840 DE.

COMMENTS:

MEAGER LIGHT AA FROM 839 M. CAMOUFLAGED SHELTERS RESEMBLING

GARAGES REPORTED AT 3/4 MILE INTERVALS ALONG ROAD PARALLELING

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SOUTHEAST GUAM SHORE. MEAGER AUTO AA ROTA TOWN AND AREA 125.
REPEATED FLIGHTS AT 100 FEET. NO NIPS TARGET AREAS GUAM. NEW
SUBJECT FOR RADIO WAHIWA. UNABLE TO EFFECT DELIVERY CINCPAC
300154 (JIG 76).

*CINCPAC PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 031717

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RDO SAIPAN PASSED AS 022142Z TO COM 5TH FLEET AND CINCPAC FOR INFO; RDO HONO PASSED FOR INFO TO COMINCH AS 030256 FROM 1SCOM SAIPAN TO CTG 56.1

SUCCESSFUL MOPPING UP OPERATIONS CONTINUE ON SAIPAN.

27TH INF DIV CONTINUES SWEEPING ISLAND FROM LINE TA 227L-TA215 T TO THE NORTHEAST.

AGF UNITS CONTINUE PATROLS IN VICINITY OF THEIR INSTALLATIONS OUR OPERATIONS FOR THE 24 HOUR PERIOD RESULTED IN THE KILLING OF 145 JAPANESE SOLDIERS AND CAPTURE OF 6 MILITARY POW. 40 CIVILIANS WERE KILLED AND 51 WERE INTERNED.

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CTF 52 SENDS. NPM (RADIO HONOLULU) PASS TO CINCPAC.

SAIPAN-TINIAN SUMMARY AUGUST 2.

TINIAN'S TROOPS ENGAGED DURING DAY IN MOPPING UP ENEMY POCKETS AND CLEARING OUT CAVES AND RAVINES ON SOUTHERN TIP OF ISLAND. PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM BEING USED TO GOOD EFFECT TO TALK CIVILIANS OUT OF HIDING PLACES. CAPTURED CENSUS REVEALS 16,730 CIVILIANS ON ISLAND IN APRIL. TOTAL NOW INTERNED 2468. ENEMY BURIALS TO DATE TOTAL 2675 WITH VERY LARGE NUMBERS STILL UNBURIED. 12% DEAD REPORTED IN SOUTHWEST PORTION OF TARGET AREA 51% ALONE. ESTIMATED ENEMY CASUALTIES AS OF 18/0K AUGUST 1 4858. REMAINING ENEMY AND CIVILIANS HOLED UP IN CAVES ALONG BEACH AND CONSIDERABLE MOPPING UP REMAINING. OWN CASUALTIES AS OF 18/0K TODAY KIA 206, WIA 1121, MIA 32. WEATHER CONTINUES UNSATISFACTORY FOR UNLOADING OVER EXPOSED

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BEACHES AND ALL WHITE BEACHES HAVE BEEN SECURED. ONLY SMALL QUANTITIES OF SUPPLIES UNLOADED TODAY ALTHOUGH 2000 GARRISON PERSONNEL PUT ASHORE FROM TRANSPORTS OFF TINIAN TOWN BY USE OF LCT'S. SAIPAN BASED PLANES HIT PAGAN THIS AFTERNOON WITH UNREPORTED RESULTS. 1 P-47 MADE WATER LANDING OFF PAGAN AND DESTROYER NOW ENROUTE TO ATTEMPT RECOVERY OF PILOT SEEN ON RAFT. MINESWEEPING OPERATIONS CONTINUE INSIDE 200 FATHOM CURVE. EXPECT COMPLETE TOMORROW.

ON SAIPAN MOPPING UP CONTINUES WITH A TOTAL OF 147 JAP SOLDIERS KILLED IN LAST 24 HOURS. AN AVERAGE OF ABOUT 50 A DAY HAVE BEEN KILLED SINCE ISLAND WAS SECURED. INTENSIVE CLEAN UP NOW IN PROGRESS EXPECTED TO CLEAR UP ALL REMNANTS OF ENEMY.

*GARBED CALL, PROBABLY CINCPAC.*

PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO BY NPM (RADIO HONOLULU) AS 22145. DELIVERED TO 250.
CTF 53 SENDS. NPM (RADIO HONOLULU) PASS TO ADEES. ACTION TO CINCPAC INFO TO COMDR 5TH FLEET AND TFC AND TG COMMANDERS 5TH FLEET.

GUAM SUMMARY 021800K

ADVANCE WAS SUBSTANTIAL ALL ALONG LINE DESPITE DENSE JUNGLE IN WESTERN SECTION AND FIRST APPRECIABLE RESISTANCE SINCE PRESENT ADVANCE STARTED. THIS WAS MET IN BARRICADE AREA AND WAS QUICKLY OVERCOME. LINE RUNS 651 N 637 K 622 O 621 G 591 O 572 F 594 R 548 H. THIS INCLUDES TIYAN AIRFIELD COMPLETE. CASUALTIES TO DATE KIA 1022 WIA 4946 MIA 305.

ENEMY DEAD COUNTED 7419. CONSIDER THAT PHASES 1 AND 3 OF THE OPERATION ARE NOW COMPLETE AND THAT PHASE 2 IS WELL UNDER WAY. HEAVY SWELLS CONTINUE TO HINDER UNLOADING BUT IT GOES FORWARD IN HARBOR AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE LATTER IS

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PROGRESSING PER SCHEDULE. ARRIVALS KITKUN BAY NEHANTA BAY GAMBIER BAY PORTERFIELD CALLAGHAN CASSIN YOUNG IRWIN YP 56 PC 1127 SC 1325 CALIFORNIA TENNESSEE AND 2 ESCORTS. DEPARTURES SHAW TO RENDEZVOUS WITH Santee.

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*COMINCH RECEIVED FOR INFO AS RDO HONO 022147
CTG 56.4 IS ORIGINATOR. NPM (RADIO HONOLULU) PASS ACTION COM 5TH FLEET WITH CTF 58 CINCPAC CTF 53 INFO.

TODAYS SUMMARY.
A. 2 AUGUST
B. 32
C. 16
D. 16
E. 12 PLUS 47 ROCKETS
U. BUILDING 724 QR, SEVERAL HOUSES 724 QRS
V. BOMBED AND STRAFED SUPPOSED TROOP CONCENTRATIONS 639
654 667 723 724 725, 1 BUILDING 816 OR 817, RESERVOIR 727
* BOMBED RESULTS UNOBSERVED, RESERVOIR 724 KINGFISHER 5 FOOT
NEAR MISS.

COMMENTS. MOST TARGET AREAS HEAVILY WOODED NO NIPS SEEN
AT 100 FEET. SOME REPAIRS ROTA BUT STILL INOPERATIONAL
FIELD.

*AS RECEIVED
PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS NPM (RADIO HONOLULU) E22011.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CTF 52 (INDEF CALL)

RELEASED BY 2 AUGUST 44

TOR CODEROOM 2252

ROYAL

DECODER

PARAPHRASER

JOHNSON/STRONG

ROUTE BY

(0 STATES CTF 52 RDH HONO GIVE INFO TO CINCPAC)

ORGANIZED RESISTANCE ON TINIAN CEASED AT 1855K
AUGUST 1. MOPPING UP CONTINUES.

PASSED BY RDH HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 020620

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300 Mid Pac 012155
CTF 53 SENDS ACTION TO CINCPAC AND INFO TO COMDR 5TH FLEET AND ALL TF AND TG COMDS 5TH FLEET. NPM (RIO HONDO) PASS TO ALL.

GUAM SUMMARY 01180OK LINES ADVANCED CONSIDERABLY TO NORTHWARD DURING DAY WITH LITTLE OPPOSITION AND NOW RUN 6073 5420 5450 4940. MOPPING UP COMPLETED ON OROTE AND IN PROGRESS IN SOUTH OF ISLAND WITH 6773 ENEMY DEAD BURNED TO DATE. 1900 MORE CHAMORROS FOUND SAFETY BEHIND OUR LINES DURING DAY. LARGE CONCENTRATION OF ENEMY REPORTED AND OBSERVED IN MT. SANTA ROSA AREA AND ATTACKED BY NAVAL BOMBING AND NAVAL GUNFIRE DAY AND NIGHT. CHAMORRO REPORTS INDICATE FROM 10 TO 12,000 ENEMY IN THAT AREA AND BADLY DEMORALIZED. HEAVY SWELLS EXPERIENCED BUT UNLOADING CONTINUES IN HARBOR. ARRIVALS COMSERON 12 IN W W BURROWS VEGA AGNOR LST 341 STOCKHAM TISDALE TERROR CLUES PAKANA TUPELO ARD 17. DEPARTURES INDIANPOLIS EGERIA LST 447 TISDALE STOCKHAM FOR SAIPAN. SANGAMON SWANNEE CHENANGO.
CORREGIDOR KALININ BAY ERBEN WALKER HALE ABBOT STEMBEL FOR ENIWETOK.

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PASSED BY RDO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 012141

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SAIPAN-TINIAN SUMMARY AUGUST 1.

TROOPS ATTACKED AT 0600 AFTER A NIGHT MARKED BY NUMEROUS SMALL COUNTERATTACKS ALONG THE LEFT SECTOR OF OUR LINES. ESTIMATE OF JAPS KILLED DURING NIGHT WEPT WHICH WAS ALSO THE ESTIMATED STRENGTH OF HEAVIEST COUNTERATTACK. PROGRESS THROUGHOUT DAY SATISFACTORY AGAINST LIGHT TO MEDIUM ENEMY RESISTANCE AND DIFFICULT TERRAIN. AS OF 1600 OUR FRONT LINES GENERALLY ALONG CLIFFS OVERLOOKING BEACH IN TARGET AREAS 523 W TO 524 W TO 517 W TO 531 W TO 525 A. CASUALTIES AS OF 1600 KIA 172 WIA 964 WIA 31. NO JAP CASUALTIES BUT 195 BURIED TO DATE WITH LARGE NUMBERS REMAINING UNBURIED 2272 CIVILIANS INTERRED. LEATHER FORCETE STOPPAGE OF ALL UNLOADING ON WHITE BEACHES AT 1400 BUT SUPPLY SITUATION ASHORE REMAINS SATISFACTORY. COMMENCED UNLOADING OF LCT'S ON BEACHES AND AT PIER IN TINIAN TOWN THIS AFTERNOON AND WILL CONTINUE

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GENERAL UNLOADING GARRISON FORCE TOMORROW. COMMENCED WORK OF CLEARING LARGE NUMBER OF HULKS FROM BEACHES AND PIERS INSIDE HARBOR. MINESweepING OF HARBOR COMPLETED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. HARBOR PROVIDES EXCELLENT ANCHORAGE FOR SMALL CRAFT INCLUDING LCT'S AND PROBABLY FOR LST'S.

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RDO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS C11821.
(CTG 58.4 SENDS TO NPM (RDO HONO) WHO WILL RELAY TO COMTHFLT FOR ACTION AND TO CTF 58 CINOPAC AND CTF 53 FOR INFO.)

SUMMARY

A 1 AUGUST
B 38
C 16
D 16
E 9.5 PLUS 28 ROCKETS
V SUPPOSED TROOP CONCENTRATIONS AREAS 724 725 726 AS ORDERED BY CONGO.
COMVENT. HITS WELL DISPERSED IN TARGET AREAS BUT WOODS PREVENTED OBSERVATION DAMAGE. 1 PLANE 100 FEET SAW NO PERSONNEL. RECONNAISSANCE ROTA NO REPAIRS.

PASSED BY CINOPAC TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 012135.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CTG 56.2 (CTF 53)
RECEIVED BY 2 AUGUST 1944
TOR CODEROOM 1152
RECEIVED BY D SMITH
PARAPHRASED BY DUMMIT/WOLF

ADDRESS
CTF 56
ISLAND COMMAND SAIPAN

COMINCH
CTF 53

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CTF 53, INFO ADDEE, ENCRYPTS AS 011059 CTG 56.2 011059Z DESPATCH AND SENDS TO CTF 56 FOR ACTION. POKOMOKA, NOT AN ADDEE, GIVE TO ISLAND COMMAND SAIPAN FOR INFO.

** RADIO HONOLULU PASSED TO COMINCH, CTF 56 AND POKOMOKA FOR INFO AS 020644.

SUMMARY OPERATION 1800 AUGUST 1: 3RD MAR DIV ON LEFT AND 77TH DIV ON RIGHT CONTINUED ADVANCE UNOPPOSED TO LINE TA 607 B 542 D 545 U 494 D. WILL RESUME ADVANCE TOMORROW AT 0630. 306 CT REVERTED TO 77TH DIV AT DAYLIGHT AND VACATED SOUTHERN PORTION OF FBL. 2ND BN 306 CT LATER ASSIGNED TO FORCE RESERVE AND ORDERED TO ASSEMBLY AREA TA 467. 77TH ARTY MOVING 3 BNS TO PAGO BAY AREA. 22ND MARINES LESS 3RD BN REVERTED TO 1ST PROV BRIG AT DAYLIGHT AND DURING MORNING MOVED INTO POSITIONS PREVIOUSLY OCCUPIED BY 306 CT. 3RD BN 22ND MARINES PASSED TO FORCE RESERVE DAYLIGHT AND COMPLETED MOPPING UP OROTE PENINSULA. 1ST BRIG CONTINUES DISTANT P.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/1944
TROLLING IN SOUTHERN PORTION OF ISLAND. AIR SUPPORT TODAY 1
STRIKE OF 50 PLANES ON ENEMY CONCENTRATION MT SANTA ROSA AREA.
CORPS ARTY OPERATING BY PLANES FROM WEST AIRFIELD, DISPLACED
2ND 155 BN FORWARD. NATIVES REPORT 1 ENEMY BN OF ABOUT 800 MEN
WITHDREW FROM PAGO BAY AREA TO NORTH LAST NIGHT. MR UNDERWOOD
(CIVILIAN) ENTERED LINES TODAY AND REPORTED 10 TO 12,000 BADLY
DISORGANIZED ENEMY MOVING INTO VICINITY MT SANTA ROSA PAST 2
DAYS. HEAVY SWELLS INTERFERRED WITH UNLOADING ON EXPOSED COAST,
SMALL CRAFT OPERATIONS LIMITED TO APRA HARBOR. SUPPLIES, RATIONS
12 DAYS, PETROLEUM 20 DAYS EXCEPT 13 DAYS DIESEL INVENTORIED AMMO
IN DUMPS 2 1/2 UF SMALL ARMS AND MORTAR 4 ARTY AND 6 1/2 AA. ESTI-
MATE MORE ASHORE NOT INVENTORIED. SALVAGE, ESSENTIAL SPARE
PARTS ARE BEING SALVAGED FROM LVT'S AND MOTOR VEHICLES. 3RD
MARDIV ESTABLISHED DUMPS IN AGANA. CASUALTIES 31 JULY 3RD MAR-
DIV KIA 23, WIA 58, MIA 1 1ST PROV BRIG KIA 5, WIA 8, MIA 2 CORPS
TROOPS WIA 1. GRAND TOTAL 6215. EVACUATIONS TO DATE 3110. AP-
PROXIMATELY 1900 CIVILIANS ENTERED OUR LINES TODAY. ENEMY BURIE
6773 TO DATE POW 50.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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FOLLOWING FROM ISCOM SAIPAN

"1 OF 3 60 TON STOCK PILES OF DYNAMITE LOCATED ON CORAL ISLAND AT JAP SMALL BOAT BASIN IN TANAPAG HARBOR EXPLODED AT 300023.
2 SAILOR GUARDS MISSING. 3 JAP BODIES WERE FOUND ALONG WITH
4 JAP RIFLES, A PISTOL AND SABER. 3 RIFLES WERE STACKED NEARBY
AND 1 JAP BODY WAS LYING ON THE OTHER. JAPS APPARENTLY KILLED
BY EXPLOSION AS NO MARKS FOUND ON THE BODIES."

WEATHER CONDITIONS SAIPAN HAVE STOPPED UNLOADING AND TRANSFER
AMMUNITION AND STORES OUTSIDE. CONDITIONS INSIDE TANAPAG EXCELLENT.
2 YOGI WENT ON REEF 1 SALVAGED OTHER CAN BE AFTER WEATHER
MODERATES.

SUPPLIES GOING TO TINIAN BY AIR EXPECT SOON, BEGIN MOVEMENT INTO
SUNHARON HARBOR WHERE CONDITIONS REPORTED GOOD. IMPORTANT TO
NOTE THAT DUKWS AND LVTS ARE MOVING ACROSS WHITE BEACH 1 UNDER
SEA CONDITIONS THAT PREVENT LANDINGS BY LCS AND LANDING

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BOATS.
EXPECT BEGIN LAYING ADDITIONAL NETS AT SAIPAN AND NETS OFF SUNHARON 2ND OR 3RD AUGUST.
EXPECT BEGIN EMBARKING TROOPS FOR HAWAII ABOUT 4 AUGUST ON RAPS.

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OPERATIONAL SUMMARY 1200 AUGUST 1ST.
ADVANCE RESUMED AT 0730' AS SCHEDULED NO OPPOSITION.
FRONT LINES TA 6/6 S 567.1 539 0 469 X 446 A, PATROLS WELL TO FRONT. 77TH DIV ARTY (LESS 1 BN) MOVING TO PAGO BAY AREA THIS AFTERNOON. STARTED UNLOADING OPERATIONS IN APRA HARBOR TODAY, CAPE MARTIN UNLOADING ON PITI BEACH.

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SUMMARY OF OPERATION 26 TO 31 JULY INCLUSIVE:

BOMB TONNAGE ON ENEMY BASES: TRUK 217, JALUIT 64, WOTJE 44; NIULÉ 36, PONAPE 19, NAURU (BY SEARCH VENTURAS) 4, TAROA 1 1/4. NIGHT HARASSMENT MARSHALLS BASES CONTINUED.

INTERCEPTION AT TRUK BY AVERAGE OF 6 FIGHTERS ON EACH OF 3 DAYLIGHT STRIKES OF WHICH ARMY LIBERATORS GOT TOTAL 3 SURE 2 PROBABLE 5 DAMAGED.

OUR CASUALTIES: 1 LIBERATOR AND CREW OF 11 SHOT DOWN BY TRUK INTERCEPTORS, 1 CORSAIR AND PILOT LOST WOTJE.

22 PLANES DAMAGED.

SEARCHES: LONE NAVY LIBERATOR HIT SMALL AK WITH 1 TON AND 10-12 LANDING CRAFT WITH 1 1/2 TONS TRUK LAGOON.

2 DAYS LATER 2 NAVY LIBERATORS ON SHIP HUNTS STRAFED 4 SMALL COASTERS TRUK THEN DROPPED 3 1/2 TONS PONAPE.
DE WYMAN IN SPECIAL ASW TASK GROUP GOT PROBABLE SUB KILL APPROXIMATELY 330 MILES EAST OF SAIPAN EVENING 27TH.

NEW SUBJECT, MY 280240, C-54 UNDER CASUALTIES SHOULD READ C-47.

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