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TO: COM 3RD FLEET  
ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT  
DECODER: 241953  
DECLED BY: MONROE  
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CHECKED BY: POWLEY  
DITTOED BY: MONROE  
TIME CODED: 7:12-53  
FOR ACTION:  
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(ULTRA FROM CINCPAC)

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(TO CTU 73.2.1 USS ORCA ACTION: INFO TO CTF 73 USS TANGIER FROM COMAF 5 FOR 5276 RESCUE GROUP "0165134")

FOLLOWING PLAN DIRECTED BY COMAF 5 TO PROTECT AIRCRAFT STRIKING ENEMY TASK FORCE IN OR NEAR MINDANAO SEA:

310 BOMB WING WILL DISPATCH FLIGHT P 38'S TO ARRIVE OVER ILIGAN REEF IN TIME FOR REPLACEMENT. VP DAYLIGHTS NOT AT ORBIT RELIEF WILL CONTACT TO DETERMINE POSITION.

REAR PROTECTION WILL BE PROVIDED BY DAYLIGHT 3 ORBITING OVER WATER S BETWEEN SALEBAMBE ISLAND AND KABOERANG ISLAND QALAUD* GROUP FROM 11001 UNTIL DEPARTURE TO LANCORR

LAND AT DUSK OR UNTIL SOONER RELIEVED. SO FLIGHT 23 WILL REMAIN ON ALERT AT MFLITAI* SUBJECT TO RESCUE OR

TXGTMDOTTER* RESCUE FACILITIES AT MOAOTAI MAY BE DIRECTED THROUGH ADV DET AIR SEA RESCUE AS CONDITIONS REQUIRE. SEAPLANE PILOTS MUST EXERCISE DISCRETION UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES AS FOUND TO EXIST. DAYLIGHT 21 AND 22 WILL RENDEZVOUS AT 08451 WITH 4 P38'S PROVIDED BY 310 BOMB WING FIRE OCELS NORTH OF VILLAGE OF PACOAL ON SHORE

MAKE ORIGINA IY DELIVER TO CODE ROOM WATCH OFFICER IN PERSON. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREG USRD letter, May 1, 1972)

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ILIGAN GBYCORR* BAY AT 12½ DEGREES KTOEMGT0HABXGCEED* TO ILIGAN REEF WHERE THEY WILL ORBIT IN ABSENCE OF QMTCJ0RNG*.

FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. COLONEL WETTUS 43RD GROUP CALL SIGN "DOJOR 1" AS RESCUE CONTROLLER WILL CONTACT DAYLIGHTS 21 AND 22 AND INSTRUCT FUTURE MOVEMENTS OF DAYLIGHTS.

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CTF 77 SENDS.

OUR SURFACE FORCES ARE ENGAGING ENEMY SURFACE FORCES IN SURIGAO STRAIT AND SOUTH OF LEYTE GULF.

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(CTU 3051 SENDS ACTION TO COM 3RD FLEET AND INFO ALL TASKFORCOMS 3RD FLEET RADIO HONO PASS TO BOTH. INFO ALSO GOES TO CTF 57 CTF 59 AND CTG 305 CTF PASS TO CTF 59)

Y 44 SEARCHES DAY 24. ALL FULL COVERAGE AND DISTANCE EXCEPT 20 Y 3 50 MILES DUE ENGINE TROUBLE AND 28 V 4 75 MILES. NEGATIVE

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FROM
USS SCHROEDER

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CTG 78.3

CTF 76
CONDES DIV 50

CTG 70.2

HONO INTERCEPT
(SCHROEDER SENDS ACTION CTG 78.3 INFO CTF 76
CONDES DIV 50 AND CTG 70.2)

YOUR 240849. NO CONTACT SINCE 0544. PLANES ASSISTED
ALL DAY BUT NO PLANES IN STATION TONIGHT. AM
CONTINUING SEARCH IN GENERAL AREA.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/84
(CF 77 sends action CINCSWPA info COMINCH CINCPAC COM 3RD AND 7TH FLTS ALL TFC AND TGC 3RD AND 7TH FLTS)

90 Fighters from covering CVEs intercepted approximately 40 enemy shore based Zekes, Bettys, Vals attacking our Forces Leyte from 0750 to 0825. 15 to 20 shot down. Our losses 2 fighters no pilots. Sonoma hit by bomb. LCI 1065 hit by plane abandoned and burned. Freemont strafed minor casualties. AT 11201 approximately 40 shore based planes attacked. No details of interception. 1 Liberty ship hit severly damaged. CVE strikes hisaya area. 25 planes destroyed on ground 30 damaged. 1 Airborne sVL shot down. Our losses 2 fighters total, 1 pilot lost.

7 Luggers 1 sc sunk. 5 Luggers 4 barges 1 sc and 1 tug damaged. 190 sorties in support of ground troops.

Cruisers and DDS continued day and night support of forces ashore. Resupply echelons including 20 liberty ships.

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ARRIVED. UNLOADING ASSAULT ECHELONS PRACTICALLY COMPLETED.
ALL DISPOSITIONS MADE FOR POSSIBLE RAID BY STRONG ENEMY SURFACE
FORCES SIGHTED WESTERN CENTRAL PHILIPPINES BY SUBS AND AIR.
LIEUT GENERAL KRUCHEL COMMANDING 6TH ARMY ASSUMED COMMAND ASHORE
AT 14001 TODAY.

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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(CTU 30.5 sends Action COM 3rd Flt Info CTG 30.5 CTF 57 CTF 59 All TFC 3rd Flt.)

Ventura in 10v 30v and 53 v 212 got full tack 80 to 95 coverage negative.

53v picked up homing beacon in 6 10400 KCS located somewhere in lower Bonins. Have no identification. Also experienced JAFUCIP FTOF VENMINE 20 when attempting transmission from JQ 0 AINY hundred 1 to 14001.

All v 221 searches full track diiking ve* and 100% coverage except 45 v went ur F* 375 for 85% due engine failure. All negative. Yap Recco observed fire in dock south of Yap town at 12101. Cropped 6x 100 on gail toml* but Bombs did not explode. No AA observed.

20-G
(CTG 30.5 sends action CTU 30.5.1 via Pocomoke and Chandelier. RDO HONO PASS INFO COM 3RD FLT ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT)

Or 3 days beginning 26th extend sectors 5 and 35 V 448 as close to 758 miles as possible without bombs. Double up if desired using 135 V 4Y UAS.

This is NOGB* IMPORTANT HVHXDAGE*

*AS RECEIVED.
HONO INTERCEPT

YOUR 232335. 3 WESTERN SECTORS START TONIGHT. SEE MY 0325. 2 EASTERN SECTORS FROM LEYTE WILL BEGIN AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE. SEARCHES TO WEST USING ONLY PLANES AVAILABLE.
CTF 77 sends.

Additional info this mornings air attack. Estimated total 40 enemy planes, apparently all shore based, mainly Zenes and Sallys with possibly 4 or more Vals. Estimated destroyed by CAP 15 to 25 plus several by ships gun fire. 1 Liberty ship damaged. 1 LCI burning and sinking. 1 DD strafed minor damage. Believe this shore based attack was for purpose of covering entry enemy ships into Mendoño Straits and Coron Bay.

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**HONO INTERCEPT**

(CTG 30.8 ORIGINATES. ACTION COM 3RD FLT CTG 30.9. INFO ADEES CTF 57 COMNAVBASE ULITHI ALL TFC'S AND ALL TGC'S 3RD FLT ALL TUC'S OF TG 30.8. RDO HONO PASS TO ALL UPON NPM SKEDS*)

CANCEL MY 231226. COMMANDER TG 30.8 WITH TUC'S 30.8.4, 30.8.8, 30.8.11 AND NEHENTA BAY COMPLYING WITH COM 3RD FLT 232350 AND 240141. CTG 30.8 WILL REMAIN WITH THESE UNITS UNLESS DIRECTED OTHERWISE.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COM 3RD FLT

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 24 OCTOBER 1944

TO: CTG 38.4

FROM ACTION: URGENT

INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION COMTASGROUP 38.4 INFO COMTASFOR 38.

ASSUME CTG 38.4 IS STRIKING LARGE ENEMY FORCE NEAR MINDORO, ADVISE RESULTS OF STRIKES EARLIEST POSSIBLE.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM
CONT 3RD FLEET

TO
CINCPAC

ACTION
CONTINUED CINCOSPEAC

FRENCH CONVOY ABORTED

AS OF 1230...CIRCUMSTANCES OF ABORTelman.

DON'T LET THIS GET INTO THE HANDS OF THE JAPS.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: OTF-77 (INDEF GALL)

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 24-Oct-44

TOR CODEROOM: 9949

DECODED BY: FISHER

PARAPHRASED BY: JOHNSON/ SCHMIDT

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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ASSIMRIS (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESS

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TROOP PORT GOMDR
ALL TFG 3RD FLT
GTJMPAC CTRG 31.12
ALL TGQ 3RD FLT
ALL TGQ 3RD FLT
COWINCH ALL TFG 3RD FLT
CINC SWPA COM7THFLT

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ACTION

(CTF 77 SENDS ACTION COV3RDFT)

1 LARGE GROUP ENEMY PLANES, 1 MEDIUM SIZED GROUP,
1 UNDERTMINED SIZE GROUP, APPROACHING LEYTE AT
1130. 1. FIGHTERS INTERCEPTING.

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By AT, NARA, Date 4/12/44
THE FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM CHENNAULT AND PASSED FOR INFO:

"THE FOLLOWING INFO IS REVEALED BY EXCLUSIVE INFO LEAKING OUT FROM ENEMY AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS. THE ENEMY SUSTAINED THE FOLLOWING LOSSES AT LUZON ON 22 AND 21 SEPTEMBER WHICH ADDS UP TO 750 PLANES, SEVERAL 12,000 GALLONS OF AVIATION OIL AND 600 OLD PERSONNEL."

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TF 38
COM 3RD FLT

COM 7TH FLT

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(FROM GINCPAC ACTION TF 38 COM 3RD FLT INFO COM 7TH FLT)

ULTRA FROM GINCPAC.


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CTF 77 SENDS.

AIR ATTACK SHIPPING LEYTE GULF DEVELOPED $75%$ LARGE NUMBER PLANES INCLUDING TONYS ZEKES BETTYS VALS • MINOR DAMAGE. ALL CLEAR 0945. DOUBLE FIGHTER CAP. INTERCEPTION EFFECTIVE. SCORE UNKNOWN. 16 FIGHTERS ENROUTE SWEEP FIELDS WESTERN VISAYAS.

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TO:
War Department

No:
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Chief of Staff War Department. From GHQ SWPA
1500Z/22 to 1500Z/23 signed MacArthur.

Formosa:

Aircraft carrier 120 miles West South West Takao
midnight October 21st with four warships course Southeast;
seven vessels on southern course next morning 190 miles
Southwest Takao.

Philippines:

Medium tanker, two large freighters sighted passing
south through Balabak Strait (South Palawan) morning
October 22nd; 11 ship convoy, including three battleships,
two heavy cruisers, one probable carrier sighted moving
northeast up West Coast Palawan dawn October 23rd; late
that night 15 vessels including three battleships reported
moving southeasterly through Mindoro Strait; two heavy
moving along. Two destroyers, large destroyer heading Manila Bay before dawn
October 23rd; nine unidentified ships reported South Cebu
town, 40 barges and boats in harbour October 22nd.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

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Borneo:

Light cruiser and destroyer sighted by aircraft heading northeast off east coast October 23rd.

Part 2.

Naval:

Naval bombardment continued in support of Allied Ground Forces Leyte Island through October 23rd.

Air:

Enemy action: Leyte Gulf: 4 enemy fighters destroyed by Allied patrols over escort carriers, another shot down by anti-aircraft fire October 21st; 6 enemy planes attacking Allied vessels shot down by fighter patrols and anti-aircraft fire October 22nd/23rd.

Operations October 20th:

(1) Refer Paragraph 16, preceding report: 7th Fleet Carrier based strike destroyed 2 grounded fighters upon airdrome, Cebu.

(2) Patrol planes shot down Betty southeastern Luzon, destroyed 4 grounded fighters and damaged 4 more on Negros Airdromes, sank two laden barges exploded docks and

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bombed barracks Sanga Island, Tawi Tawi.

Operations October 21st:
(3) Three Venturas sank two barges Bohol Island, Central Philippines.

Operations October 22nd:
(4) 50 RAAF P-40 and A-20's operated against targets Western New Guinea and Ceram.

(5) 16 P-47's attacked Ambae Airdrome; 46 P-47's glide bombed Kraitoe runways and dispersals; 24 B-25's struck Firoe Bay installations, caused fires amongst supply dumps and gun positions.

(6) 24 A-20's bombed Kraitoe and Laha Airfields, damaged shipping around Ambon/Ceram and attacked targets Firoe Bay area, 2 A-20's lost.


(8) Two B-25's swept Halmahera and attacked barge near Miti.

(9) Patrol B-24 damaged small freighter and seatruck

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Hollandia, New Guinea

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northeastern Borneo.

(10) Patrol planes shot down transport aircraft,
sank one lugger and damaged two others, Palawan Island.

(11) Refer Paragraph 14, preceding report: 24
P-38's escorted B-24 strike.

(12) 267th Fleet Carrier based sorties gave
highly effective support to Allied Ground Forces Leyte
Island; sweeps through Visayas destroyed 22 enemy planes.

(13) 2 Dutch B-25's bombed village Babar Islands,
est Timor.

Operations October 23rd:

(14) 45 A-20's bombed and strafed enemy positions
Sarmi area in support of ground forces.

(15) 18 P-38's and P-40's swept Halmahera and
bombed bivouacs.

(16) 10 B-25's destroyed floatplanes, scored near
misses on two seatrucks and two barges Sulu Archipelago.

(17) 44 B-24's struck enemy Headquarters near
Cotabato town, destroyed many buildings and left town ablaze;

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11 P-38's covered central Mindanao, hit 20 motor trucks and
set three small vessels afire at Macajalar Bay; 2 predawn B-24's
raided Busanga Island Airbase, southwest Mindoro.

(18) Six Beaufighters swept southeastern Timor
and destroyed nine motor trucks; 3 Darwin B-24's attacked
Dili, Lautem and Cape Chater.

(19) 11 RAAF B-25's attacked supplies, silenced
guns, exploded buildings and damaged fuel barge near Kauemre,
Flores Island.

Weather. Above operate over Philippines.

Solomons forces.

Air. Operations October 22nd:

(20) 14 Corsairs, two New Zealand Venturas bombed
Kavieng; four B-25's, 12 Dauntless and 15 Corsairs attacked
New Ireland bivouac; remaining strikes weathered out.

Land.

Leyte: Effectively supported by air and naval
bombardment our troops made substantial gains; unfavourable
terrain impeded advance in zone of 95th Division.

Northern sector: 10th Corps Area to 07502/23rd
as follows:

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First Cavalry Area included 5464, North East Corner 5563, all 5463 and 5462, North East Half 5462, all 5561, East Half 5560 and 5565, North East Quarter 5565, all 5562, East Half 5655, East Half 5654.

Southern sector: 24th Corps Area:

96th Division holds south west half 6833, Southeast 6133, all 6032, South East Half 5932, South West Quarter 5832, all 5732, South West Half 5733, South Half 5634, South East Tip 5533, All 5532, 5531, 5431, 5530, 5630, North West Quarter 5629, all 5729, 5628 less North West Quarter.

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South East Quarter 5527, all 5527, 5528, 5426;
North East then line follows river to 6024 and includes 6023 and 6124.

Patrol reported reached 5817. Commander 24th Corps assumed command ashore.

Part 3.

Paragraphs 1 through 4 no details.

(5) Dropped 12 500 lb bombs from 6,000 feet, met slight inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Amahai; 39 same type from 12,000 to 8,000 feet, met slight medium inaccurate fire Kairatoe; B-25's dropped 100 500 lb bombs.

(6) Dropped 48 500 lb, 120 100 lb bombs, fired 22,000 rounds 50 calibre, met accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(7) A-20's dropped 44 500 lb bombs from 9,000 feet; P-47's dropped nine similar bombs.

Paragraphs 8 through 12 no details.

(13) Dropped 8 300 lb bombs.

(14) Dropped 15 tons 100 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

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(15) Dropped 36 500 lb bombs.

(16) Dropped unstated number 300 lb bombs.

(17) Dropped 110 tons 1,000 lb bombs, three tons 500 lb bombs Busanga Island.

(18) Beaufighters fired 2,945 rounds 20 mm, met slight light accurate anti-aircraft fire; B-24's dropped 8 300 lb, 16 250 lb bombs all 1/10 second delay from 13,000 to 8,000 feet.

(19) Dropped 48 500 lb bombs .025 second delay, 20 500 lb bombs eight seconds delay from 9,000 feet to minimum altitude, fired 4,000 rounds 50 calibre, met slight light, moderate heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

Refer preceding report:

Paragraph 11: P-47's dropped 8 1,000 lb and 8 500 lb bombs; 15 P-40's dropped 20 500 lb, 4 100 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

ACTION: OPD

INFO : GC/S, CG AAF, G-2, Adm King, Col Park, Log, FM Dill

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In answer to Admiral Halsey's request for help, Admiral Halsey replied as follows:

"Am now engaging enemy carrier force. Task Group 38.1 with 5 carriers and 4 heavy cruisers has been ordered to assist you immediately. My position with other three carrier Task Groups latitude 17-18 North longitude 126-111 East.

Later dispatches indicate that the attack on our CVE's occurred about 60 miles east of Samar. Admiral Halsey's above position is approximately 325 miles due north of this position.

Shortly after Admiral Barbey sent his first request for help he sent another dispatch to Admiral Halsey, saying: "Fast Battleships are urgently needed immediately at Leyte Gulf. Although Admiral Nimitz has asked Admiral Halsey where the fast Battleship group is, nothing has yet been received from Admiral Halsey on the question.

No further details have been received on the statement by Admiral Halsey that he was engaging the enemy carrier force east of Luzon.

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COM 3RD FLEET SENDS TOP SECRET TO CTF 38. INFO ON TASK GROUP 38.3.

ENEMY CARRIER STRENGTH NOT LOCATED. KEEP ARMY TO NORTH UNDER OBSERVATION.

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EARLY COVERAGE OF SEA AREA TO NORTHEASTWARD LEYTE VITAL TO COVER OUR FLANK. REQUEST INFORMATION ACCOMPLISHMENT PLANNED SEAPLANE SEARCH.

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Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (c) NAVREC.)

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(CINC PAC SENDS ACTION TO TF 38 AND COM 3RD FLEET INFO TO COM 7TH FLEET)

SUPER BY CINC PAC.

JAP PLANE MADE CONTACT AT 24°54'0" IN POSIT 14°57'4" 123°18'E.

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ACTION COMINCH INFO CNO, CINCPAC, COMSOPAC FROM COM 7TH FLT

ADVANCE ON LEYTE CONTINUES AGAINST SPOOTY RESISTANCE FROM STRONG POINTS TACLOBAN AND DULAJ.

AIR STRIPS IN OUR HANDS. UNLOADING AND RETURNING OF ECHELONS PROCEEDING ON SCHEDULE. HONOLULU AUSTRALIA ESCORTED BY 2 DD ENROUTE MANUS FOR REPAIRS.

VARIOUS REINFORCEMENT ECHELONS ENROUTE LEYTE. BOMBARDMENT AND TASK SUPPORT GROUP COVERING SURIGAO STRAIT. NORSOLO PEETEES MORTARED NEW IRELAND ON 22ND.

ON 21ST MARINE FLIERS IN RAEVAU AREA SANK 5 BARGES AND KILLED MANY LIPS IN 20 OTHER BARGES ADDITIONAL
SHORE TARGETS WERE HIT.

MACARTHUR
T. J. SECRET DISPATCH

FROM CTF 77
RELEASED BY
DATE 23 OCTOBER 1944
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ACTION COM 3RD FLT COM'S 5 AND 13 AIRFOR INFO ALL TFC AND TOC
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I REGARD THE APPROACH OF ENEMY CONBATANT SHIPS AND TANKERS TOWARD CORON BAY AS THE FIRST PHASE OF THE BUILD UP OF MAGNIFIED TOKYO EXPRESS RUNS AGAINST LEYTE. BELIEVE HIGHLY PROBABLE THAT A TANKER GROUP ARRIVED CORON BAY AREA BETWEEN 02501 23 AND 030123 FOR PURPOSE OF REFUELING MAJOR TASK FORCE OF ENEMY FLEET WHICH HAS BEEN ASSEMBLING FOR SEVERAL DAYS IN SOUTHERN FORMOSA. SUBMARINE REPORTS INDICATE 3 PROBABLE BATTLESHIPS APPROACHING FROM THE SOUTHERN POSITION TO ARRIVE CORON BAY TONIGHT MONDAY. ANOTHER GROUP OF 11 ENEMY SHIPS WITH MANY RADARS COULD ARRIVE ABOUT SAME TIME. THERE ARE INDICATIONS OF A CONCENTRATION OF LARGE NUMBER OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT IN THE LUZON AREA. IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT EARLY PREPARATIONS FOR ENEMY OPERATIONS BE DISRUPTED.

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CON 5TH AIRFORCE AND 13TH AIRFORCE REQUESTED CONTINUE THOROUGH
RECONNAISSANCE CORON BAY AND APPROACHING ROUTES AND TO STRIKE AS
PRACTICABLE DAY AND NIGHT. CON 3RD FLEET REQUESTED STRIKE CORON
BAY EARLIEST PRACTICABLE AND EXTEND SEARCH AS FAR AS PRACTICABLE
TO WESTWARD AND NORTHWESTWARD. PRIMAL OBJECTIVE ENEMY COMBAT
SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT ENEMY CARRIERS WILL
SUPPORT SURFACE FORCES AND STRIKE FROM WEST ON PALAWAN. TASK
GROUP 77.4 IS STRIKING IN WESTERN VISAYAS TWICE DAILY.
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"TOT"
OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia New Guinea.

To: War Department

Nr: C 19922 23 October 1944

To Chief of Staff War Department from GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur C 19922, Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/21 to 1500Z/22

From OSS:

Photographs October 17 and 18 show 75 small four medium planes Tainan Airdrome, 69 small five medium 10 large planes Okayama,

Leyte:

Enemy reported strongly entrenched Catmon Hill (north of Dulag) and holding high ground northwest Palo October 21.

Borneo:

Destroyer and medium freighter transport sighted off Tarakan October 20. one light cruiser, one destroyer, three medium, four small freighters observed 110 miles south east Tarakan heading northwest morning October 22; three tankers indicated same area.

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Flores:
Catalinas reported 5000 ton vessel heading south
90 miles north Nomere October 21.

Celebes:
Gulf of Bone: five small freighters sighted off
Kolaka Jetty night October 20, large vessel indicated in
area following night; Masamba Airdrome reported extended
to 4000 feet.

Amboina/Ceram:
Runways on Leba Kairatoe and Amahi Airdromes
shown serviceable in photographs October 20.

Part 2. Air.
Operations October 20:
(1) 34 more RAAF P 40's swept western New Guinea
and Ceram
(2) Four more P 40's attacked Tobelo, Halmahera.

Operations October 21:
(3) 31 RAAF P 40's attacked bivouacs, villages and
guns southern MacDonnell Gulf and cratered runways Utarom;
81 RAAF P 40's on practice mission bombed Waren and Moemi
Manokwari.

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(4) 11 A 20's also bombed Warren and Moeni;
31 P 47's cratered runways and dispersals Bebo, 27 more
P 47's struck nearby airfields Sagan and Mongosah.

(5) 19 P 47's bombed airdrome Boele; 12 A 20's
and one B 24 exploded fuel tanks and demolished buildings.

(6) Two B 25's damaged schooner northern Ceram;
12 A 20's attacked town and airdrome Amahai.

(7) 16 B 25's bombed Kaiu and Geloio; 23 P 38's
 cratered Kaiu runways; 4 P 40's attacked villages Halmahara.

(8) Predator B 24 caused fires Balikpapan; two
patrol B 24's sank one seaplane, forced another seaplane
ashore off northeastern Borneo and bombed warehouses.

Operations October 22:

(9) 10 B 24's bombed Wewak Point; 5 A 20's bombed
and strafed Dagua; 12 Beauforts attacked bivouacs Maprik
Village and Danmap River.

(10) 42 A 20's demolished pillboxes and huts and
heavily strafed Saiki area Maffin Bay.

(11) Six B 25's started fires Ternate; Eight
P 47's and 23 P 40's swept Halmahera, fired supply dumps
and attacked villages.

(12) 12 B 25's followed eight P 38's against
shipping Zamboanga and Jolo Harbour in Sulu Archipelago,
destroyed one Floatplane and damaged five luggers and five
medium freighters.

(13) Two predawn B 24's bombed Matina Airdcme
and fired warehouses near Davao; 12 B 24's attacked Cagayan
Town on northern Mindanao, caused fires and explosions.

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demolished buildings.
(14) 49 B 24's bombed runways and dispersals
Leahug and Opon Airdromes, Cebu Island area.
(15) One Darwin B 24 attacked beached lugger Banggai
Archipelago and small vessel off northeastern Timor; another
B 24 bombed Cape Chater.
(16) Seventh Fleet carrier based planes on
October 20th shot down six enemy aircraft, destroyed seven
luggers plus barracks and warehouses, damaged two patrol
raft around Cebu and Panay; demolished gun emplacements;
fired fuel dumps, hit 36 motor vehicles and damaged buildings
Leyte Island.

Solomons Forces.

Naval:

PT boats mortared targets northern New Ireland.

Operations October 21:

(17) 16 Corsairs demolished buildings, sank five
barques and killed many personnel Keravia Bay; 29 Dauntless
12 Corsairs destroyed gun positions and buildings Tawui Point;
12 New Zealand Corsairs caused damage Gazelle Peninsula.
(18) Four B 25's, six Corsairs, one New Zealand
Ventura hit Kavileng and Hunter Point; 15 Dauntless, 22 New
Zealand Corsairs attacked Bougainville targets.

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Land.

Leyte: X Corps: meeting continued stubborn resistance in strength Mount Guinhandang area (target area 5752) on highway number two just west of Palo (target area 5651) and enemy strong point south of Palo; enemy holds San Joaquin (target area 5849). Tacloban airfield reported suitable for fighters; Corps Commander assumed command ashore.

XXIV Corps: stubborn resistance Catmon Hill area (target area 6035) with enemy mortar and artillery positions remaining active; vigorous enemy patrol activity south of Daguitan River (target area 6224).

Front lines as of 0700Z/21st:

X Corps: Nacabong 5662, 5661M, 5660L, 5659M, 5658N, 5657T, 56560X, 5656AX, 5754 OOA, 5654 J/table, 5753 ABQU, 5752 AGRV, 5651 EMEhw, San Joaquin 5949;


Estimated total enemy casualties 664 killed, eight captured.

Weather October 22: fair weather over northern Philippines but low clouds with moderate to heavy showers in south; favourable conditions through Carolines, over Borneo, Celebes and Netherlands East Indies; overcoast with heavy rain along northern New Guinea.

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Part 3.

(1) No details.

(2) Dropped 8 500 lb. bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

(3) Dropped 17 500 lb., 169 250 lb., 15 300 lb. and 80 100 lb. bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

(4) A 20's dropped 48 500 lb. bombs; F47's dropped 60 500 lb. bombs from 6000 feet.

(5) F 47's dropped 18 500 lb. bombs from 4000 feet; A 20's dropped 48 500 lb. bombs; B 24 dropped 6 1000 lb. bombs from 10,000 feet.

(6) A 20's dropped 120 100 lb. bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

(7) B 25's dropped 78 250 lb. bombs; P 38's dropped 35 500 lb. bombs from 6000 to 3000 feet and met intense heavy accurate anti-aircraft fire; F 40's dropped 6 500 lb. bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

(8) Dropped 10 250 lb. bombs from 9,500 feet, met intense heavy accurate anti-aircraft fire Balikpapan; one B 24 dropped 5 500 lb. bombs from 7900 feet at warehouses, no details against shipping.

(9) B 24's dropped 80 1000 lb. bombs from 5000 feet; A 20's dropped 18 300 lb. eight to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 8,000 rounds 50 calibre; Beauforts dropped 24 500 lb. medium capacity bombs from 7000 and 3000 feet.

(10) Dropped 296 100 lb. bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

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Paragraphs 11 and 12 no details.
(13) Dropped unstated number 260 lb. frags Matina;
27 tons 500 lb. bombs Cagayan.
(14) Dropped 45 1000 lb., 141 500 lb. bombs from
11,000 feet, neither interception nor anti-aircraft fire.
(15) First B 24 dropped 8 250 lb. bombs one-tenth
second delay, second B 24 dropped eight 300 lb. bombs same
delay from 12,700 feet.
(16) No details. Refer report operations October 20:
(11) six P 40's dropped 11 500 lb. bombs.
(12) Catalina dropped 2 500 lb. bombs.
(14) B 25's dropped 45 500 lb. bombs.

End

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21 OCTOBER PACFLEET CARRIER PLANES CONTINUED ATTACKS AGAINST ENEMY AIRCRAFT AND SHIPPING TARGETS IN PHILIPPINES WITH FOLLOWING REPORTED RESULTS SANK 1 AK 1 SMALL COASTAL AK 1 SMALL ESCORT VESSEL 4 PT AND DESTROYED SEVERAL AMMUNITION BARGES. DAMAGED 2 AK 2 LUGGERS. SHOT DOWN 13 JAP PLANES DESTROYED 37 ON GROUND SOME OF WHICH PREVIOUSLY DAMAGED. OUR LOSSES 3 PLANES 1 PILOT 1 AIRCREWMAN.
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Hollandia New Guinea

To: War Department

Nr: C 19873
22 Oct 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 19873. 1500Z/20 to 1500Z/21 signed MacArthur.

South China Sea:
China based plane sighted 1 carrier 3 heavy cruisers 4 destroyers approaching southern entrance Formosa Strait afternoon October 21.

Philippines:
7 ships reported 95 miles north west Lingayen Gulf night October 20; Attacking planes reported 25 to 30 ships Manila Bay October 18; 3rd Fleet planes October 21 report few targets remaining southern Luzon Coron Bay areas; Large twin stack aft vessel sighted off North Point Panay October 20; TWT Destroyers reported off west coast Palawan same day.

Celebes:

Photographs October 19 show Sidate Tanamon serviceable, new strip Tomani, southeast Tanamon.

Macassar Strait:
Aircraft sighted southbound convoy reported as 1 battleship 3 light cruisers 3 destroyers 6 other vessels 60 miles east north east Tarakan midday October 21.

Part 2.

Naval:

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Hollandia New Guinea

Nr: C 19873 22 Oct 1944

PT boats cooperated with fighters against shore positions Galela Bay, Halmahera, demolished jetty morning October 21.

Air.

Operations October 18:
(1) 7th Fleet Carrier based planes sank 1 medium tanker and 3 PT boats, damaged 4 small 2 medium freighters 4 large freighters 1 medium tanker 1 medium ammunition ship, 2 subchasers and many small craft; shot down 2 enemy aircraft, destroyed 14 grounded planes and damaged 8 others around Cebu and Leyte Islands.

Operations October 19th:
(2) Same force struck Visayan area, sank small freighter transport and 3 small craft, fired buildings and ammunition dumps, destroyed over 50 motor trucks (many troop filled) on Leyte Island, destroyed 16 grounded bombers and 22 fighters and damaged 20 other planes.

Operations October 20:
(3) 12 A 20's destroyed buildings and started fires Warren and Moemi Airdromes, South Manokwari.
(4) 4 RAAF P 40's destroyed 1 barge, damaged 2 barges and coastal buildings through western New Guinea to Ceram.
(5) 32 P 47's cratered runways Bebo and Mongosah; 2 B 25's attacked Doom Island Sorong.
(6) 24 A 20's, 1 B 25 fired fuel and airdrome installations Boela; 9 P 38's, 1 B 24 and 2 more B 25's

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attacked Samehargets.
(7) 28 P 47's cratered Amahai, 14 P 47's bombed
Kairatoe Airdrome.
(8) 11 P 38's damaged Rako Station AP buildings
Axon Bay entrance; 22 B 25's started large fires Ambon town,
1 B 25 lost; 6 RAAF A 20's struck Wasi northeastern
Ambone.
(9) 6 Beaufighter patrolled Ceram to central Halmahera,
damaged a barge and probably destroyed 3 motor trucks.
(10) 11 P 38's bombed old Namlea airdrome.
(11) 4 B 25's destroyed barge Batjan Island, south
west Halmahera.
(12) 1 patrol B 24 attacked medium freighter off
Tarakan; another caused large fire Balikpapan.
(13) 1 B 24 destroyed 2 coastal vessels Sarangani
Strait, Southern Philippines; 2 B 24's shot down 3 float
planes Mindoro Island.

Operations October 21:
(14) 6 A 20's bombed and strafed Brandi Plantation
and Wewak Point; 6 B 24's, 6 Beauforts demolished
buildings southwest But.
(15) 4 P 38's fired supplies Kau Bay; 12 P 40's
bombed radar station Galela, attacked villages and dumps
Western Halmahera; 2 P 40's cooperated with PT boats.
(16) 31 B 24's demolished buildings and started
large fires Cagayan, Northern Mindanao; 6 B 25's destroyed
barracks and floatplane Masamia, Iligan Bay; 14 P 38's
probably destroyed 23 of 50 truck convoy near Kibawe,

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Central Mindanao.
(17) 6 B 25's sank 3 seatrucks, probably sank 2 more seatrucks off Cebu Island and fired 2 fuel dumps.
(18) 17 Darwin B 24's bombed warehouses and jetties, hit seatruck Pore Pore, southwestern Celebes; another B 24 salvaged bombs on Atamboca Barracks, Timor.
(19) Patrol B 24 attacked seatrucks southwest Boeaceng Island, Celebes.
(20) 8 Beauforts caused large fires Labne village near Dili; 2 patrol B 24's bombed Lautem and Lehame Village.
(21) 2 Dutch B 25's bombed Larat Village, Tanimbar Islands. Enemy action:
(22) 3 enemy bombers over Leyte Gulf shot down by ship anti aircraft fire.

Solomons Forces. Naval:
PT boats attacked targets northern Choiseul and New Ireland.

Air.
Operations October 20:
(23) 2 B 25's bombed Panapal Airdrome; 2 New Zealand Venturas, 16 Corsairs attacked targets New Ireland.
(24) 40 Marine and New Zealand Corsairs attacked bivouacs Northern Bougainville; 24 Dauntless, 8 New Zealand Corsairs, 1 Avenger, 2 TDR Drones attacked guns and personnel areas Southern Bougainville.

Land. Leyte: Southern sector: Counter attack by 6 enemy tanks against 3rd infantry along Dulag/Buraun Road at 2030Z/20 repulsed by anti tank, artillery, and small
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Arms fire. Both divisions resumed attack at 0300Z/20
against light to moderate opposition; from 0500Z/21 to
0600Z/21 96th Division encountered heavy artillery, mortar
and machine gun fire from Catmon Hill (TA 6035), where air
observations confirm enemy strongly entrenched. Our casualties
moderate, 26 killed 78 wounded 12 missing of 7th Division,
8 killed 6 wounded 6 missing of 96th Division according to
incomplete reports, enemy casualties unknown, 3 medium tanks
lost vicinity Dulag. Front lines 24th Corps as of 0900Z/21:
7th Division extended over following points:
593025, 585260, 587271, 601269, 604281;
96th-Division extended 593283, 602293, 595296,
595307, 594308, 596316, 610321, 620320, 629321;
7th Division in contact with 96th Division at point
603283; Division Commanders assumed command ashore. Dulag
(TA 6226) and nearby airdrome (TA 6026) reported captured.

Northern Sector:
Cebu Island entire Ceban Ibendian Peninsula in our hands,
Falco Town taken, resistance encountered Mount Guinhandang
(5752) and Mount Manganaga (5558).
Area held by 10th Corps:
5860, 5759, southeast quarter 5659, northeast quarter
5658, southeast 5557, eastern half 5656, 5755 less southwest
eighth, 5754 less northwest tip, southeast quarter 5654,
5653 less western quarter, 5752 less Mount Guinhandang.

Part 3.
Paragraphs 1 and 2 no details.

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(3) Dropped 48 by 500 lb bombs, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.
(4) No details.
(5) P 47's dropped 30 by 500 lb bombs from 7000 to 4000 feet.
(6) A 20's and 1 B 25 dropped 50 by 500 lb bombs from 12000 feet to minimum altitude, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire; P 38's dropped 9 by 500 lb bombs; B 24 dropped 6 by 1000 lb bombs from 10500 feet, met slight heavy inaccurate fire.
(7) Dropped 42 by 500 lb bombs from 7000 feet, met slight to moderate medium and heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.
(8) B 25's dropped 132 by 250 lb bombs from 11000 feet, met intense heavy accurate anti aircraft fire; A 20's met moderate light some accurate fire.
(9-11) No details.
(12) Dropped 5 by 500 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds, met moderate light to medium accurate anti aircraft fire from vessel; dropped 12 by 250 lb bombs from 9000 feet, met slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire Balikpapan.
(13) No details.
(14) 24 by 300 lb bombs dropped, 10,900 rounds fired by A 20's; 48 by 1000 lb bombs dropped by B 24's, 10 by 500 lb and 16 by 250 lb by Beauforts.
(15) 4 by 1000 lb bombs dropped by P 38's, 12 by 500 lb bombs by P 40's.

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(16) 94 tons of 1000 lb and 500 lb bombs dropped
Cagayan, 16 by 500 lb bombs Misamis.

(17) No details.

(18) 120 by 250 lb, 48 by 300 lb one tenth second delay
bombs dropped from 15000 to 13000 feet.

(19) No details.

(20) 300 by 20 lb frags 1070 by 4 lb incendiaries
dropped by Beauforts, 15 by 250 lb bombs by B 24's.

(21) 4 by 300 lb bombs dropped. Refer preceding
report paragraph 13 (*) 500 lb bombs dropped, moderate
heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

End

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COM 3RD FLT ALL TFC AND TOC 3 AND 7 FLTS.

HARASSING BUSH AND DAWN ATTACKS ON SHIPS IN UNLOADING AREAS
CAUSED NIL DAMAGE PAST 24 HOURS. 3 TONIES ATTACKED CVE GROUP
ENGAGED LAUNCHING PLANE 21G392/1.  ALL SHOT DOWN. 1 TONY
BY SHIPS GUNFIRE 2 BY OWN FIGHTERS. STRADDLED BY 4 SMALL
BOMBS NO DAMAGE. VERY MINOR DAMAGE SANGAR BY INEFFECTIVE
SKIP HIT NEAR WATERLINE. 2 OTHER PLANES SHOT DOWN BY FIGHTERS
WHILE APPROACHING CVES. PLANES FROM CVES CONTINUE HIGHLY
EFFECTIVE SUPPORT OF OUR ADVANCING TROOPS DAMAGING BUILDINGS
FUEL AND AMMUNITION DUMPS TRUCKS GUN EMPLACEMENTS AND TROOPS
TRENCHES. CVE SHEEPS CEBU AND PANAY DESTROYED 4 BARRACKS
1 WAREHOUSE 7 LUGGERS PLUS 2 ZEKES ON OPEN AIRSTRIP CEBU.

SOME TTUDAFT* BOATS. SCATTERED LEAFLETS. UNLOADING PRO-
GRESSING SATISFACTORY. MAJORITY TRANSports AND LISTS HAVE

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DEPARTED. 24 AK AND APS AQMAON*. TENNESSEE AND WAR HAWK (AP168)
IN COLLISION. MINOR DAMAGE TO BOTH SHIPS. MAJOR GENERAL SULIB* ASHORE AND HAS ASSUMED COMMAND OF THE 1ST CORPS.

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(A) REPORTED WIDESPREAD MOVEMENTS OF JAP FLEET UNITS

(B) PARAGRAPHS 3(A), 3(X)(1) AND 3(X)(2) OF CINCPAO OPPLAN 8-44,

(C) UNDESIRABILITY ROUTING OILERS NORTH OF LUZON AT PRESENT AND

(D) LOOKING AHEAD TO THE CARRIER OPERATIONS PRECEEDING AND

SUPORTING SANTORIAL. YOUR 211552 IS ACKNOWLEDGED.

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To: War Department

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From GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department cite C 19811.

Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1500Z/19 to 1500Z/20.

Philippines:

Attacking submarines report 10 large ships, 3 destroyers, 1 Queen ship off Manila October 18; 6 seatrucks moving down west coast Mindanao October 20; photographs October 16 showed 3 bombers on 7 Davao Airdromes, runways serviceable; local report states small camouflaged vessels regularly bring troops from Basilan from Sandakan and Kudat in Borneo;

Leyte Gulf:

Naval units report only 4 enemy aircraft over area during October 20.

Celebes:

Small freighter transport reported stationery in Bagka Strait October 18; photographs taken by B24's attacking Pare Pare midway October 19 show 6 small
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vessels numerous coastal craft.

Borneo:

Catalinas reported 4 medium vessels at Tarajan Island night October 18.

Part 2.

Naval:

PT boats cooperating with fighters attacked gun positions and jetties Galela Bay, destroyed beached barge Boeli Bay, Halimahera.

Air: Operations October 18:

(1) 16 P47's bombed Sagan.

(2) 11 P47's fired supplies and 4 motor trucks along Valencia-Agusan road, Central Mindanao.

Operations October 19:

(3) 30 P47's, 3 A20's attacked Sagan airdrome 2 P47's hit Bebo; single B25 caused large fire Doom Island near Sorong.

(4) 20 additional RAAF P40's attacked targets around western New Guinea and Ceram.

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(5) 33 A20's, 1 B25, 1 B24 and 15 P47's caused fires amongst fuel installations, runways and dispersals Boela.

(6) Patrol B24 scored direct hit set afire seatruck Macassar Strait.

(7) 12 B25's caused fires and explosions Malabang airdrome, Mindanao.

(8) Refer paragraph 20 preceding report:
Substitute for P38 results Jolo Island:
Set afire 1 medium transport, 2 seatrucks 
2 luggers and several landing craft.
Operations October 20:

(9) 5 A20's bombed *B25's and 24 A20's attacked runways and gun positions Babo.

(11) 12 P38's, 2 P40's bombed and strafed Djalolo, Kau and Wasile Bay bivouacs and villages;
2 P40's cooperated with PT boats against gun positions Halmahera.

(12) Patrol B24 shot down Betty off Palawan Island, Southwestern Philippines; night Catalina 
set lugger afire and bombed waterfront Puerto Princesa.

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(13) 43 B-24's caused many fires and explosions
in Davao Headquarters area.

(14) 12 B-25's fired fuel dumps Negros Island.
14 P-47's attacked Bacolod airfield on Negros, strafed targets
along Cotobato/Makar road, Mindanao, and set seafire
afire.

(15) Patrol B-24 downed Betty north San
Bernado Strait.

(16) 6 Beaufighters swept Timor roadways
destroyed large fuel truck Cape Ore.

(17) 2 Darwin B-24's bombed Autem revetments
and fired Dili barracks in Timor, also attacked
barge and seafire in Celebes.

Solomons Forces: Air.

Operations 19:

(18) 6 New Zealand Corsairs destroyed huts
Buka Island; 14 Marine Corsairs, 2 New Zealand Venturas
attacked New Ireland targets.

(19) 6 B-25's 24 Dauntless 11 Corsairs bombed
concentrations Open Bay: 20 Marine and New Zealand
Corsairs hit similar targets Wide Bay; 20 B-25's, 20
Corsairs caused fires damaged buildings and motor trucks
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Rabaul area. 1 Corsair lost; 18 Dauntless, 22 Corsairs fired Rabaul supplies; 11 New Zealand Corsairs swept Gazelle Peninsula.

Land:

Leyte:

1st Cavalry Division landed 0100Z/20 without opposition White Beach (TA6156), troops walking inland; 24th Division (less 21st Infantry) encountered heavy mortar fire when landing Red Beach (TA5953); at last report was inland 300 yards, no return fire being experienced; 96th Division (less 381st Infantry) landed south of San Jose (TA6329), 7th Division landed Dulag (TA6226) at 0100Z.

Landing by 21st Regimental Combat Team Pancon Strait (TA7533 and TA7629) at 0030Z encountered no opposition. Beachheads being consolidated supplies unloaded. Counter-attack by approximately 200 enemy at 0400Z/20 against 96th Division elements vicinity San Jose repulsed. As of 0600Z/20 right flank 96th Division reported extending inland 1500 yards along Labiranon River (TA6131); 7th Division line extending from east end Dulag airfield (TA6026) to Marabang River including Dao (TA 610242).

Part 3.

(1) Bombload included in Paragraph 7 preceding report.

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(2) Fired 93000 rounds 50 calibre, met slight light inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(3) Dropped 39 500 lb bombs Sagan; 4 500 lb bombs Babo; 10 100 lb bombs Sorong.

(4) No details.

(5) 24 A20's, 1 B25 dropped 28 tons 500 lb bombs
from 7500 feet; remaining A20's dropped 36 500 lb bombs;
B25 dropped 6 1000 lb bombs; P47's dropped 15 500 lb bombs.

(6) No details.

(7) Dropped 10 tons 500 lb bombs.

(8) No details.

(9) Dropped 16 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 5360 rounds 50 calibre.

(10) Dropped 25 tons 500 lb bombs.

(11) P48's dropped 1000 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds, met intense heavy anti-aircraft fire.

(12) thru (15) No details.

(16) Fired 1035 rounds 20MM.

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(17) Dropped 16 300 lb bombs .025 second delay, fired unstated number rounds; slight heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire from Dilli.

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FOR GENERAL MACARTHUR FOR ADMIRAL HALSEY.

REPLYING HIS 21645. BASIC PLAN FOR THIS OPERATION IN WHICH FOR THE FIRST TIME I HAVE MOVED BEYOND MY OWN LAND BASED AIR COVER WAS PREDICATED UPON FULL SUPPORT BY THIRD FLEET. AS PLANNED EVERY POSSIBLE MEASURE IS BEING TAKEN TO EXPEDITE THE INSTALLATION IN THIS AREA OF LAND BASED AIR FORCES BUT PENDING ACHIEVEMENT OUR MASS OF SHIPPING IS SUBJECT DURING THIS CRITICAL PERIOD TO RAIDING ENEMY ELEMENTS BOTH AIR AND SURFACE. 2 CRUISERS ALREADY HAVE BEEN DAMAGED BY AIR ATTACK IN LEYTE GULF. I CONSIDER THAT YOUR MISSION TO COVER THIS OPERATIONS IS ESSENTIAL AND PARAMOUNT. THE METHOD BY WHICH YOU FULFILL THAT RESPONSIBILITY RESTS OF COURSE ENTIRELY

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IMPOSED BY NECESSITY TO COVER FORCES OF THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

ARE ACCEPTED.

MOVEMENT OF MAJOR UNITS OF THE 3RD FLEET THROUGH SURIGAO OR

SAN BERNARDINO STRAITS WILL NOT BE INITIATED WITHOUT ORDERS

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ADDITIONAL FOR 20. SNOOPER LIBERATOR LOOSED FRAg CLUSTERS OVER lWO JIMA, RESULTS WERE NEGATIVE. MARINE CORSAIRS SCORED NEAR MISSES ON BABELTHUAP LIGHTHOUSE CAUSING NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE.

FOR 21ST. 28 LIBERATORS OF 7TH AIR FORCE BOMBED AIRFIELD, REVETMENT, AND FLAK AREAS AT lWO JIMA RELEASING 49 TONS ESTIMATING 82 PERCENT ASSIGNED AREAS. B-24'S DESTROYED 2 OF 8 INTERCEPTING ZEKES WITH 1 PROBABLE 1 DAMAGED. 1 LIBERATOR LOST WHEN ZEKE SHEARED OFF TAIL ASSEMBLY OF BOMBER, CREW PRESUMED LOST IN CRASH. AA MODERATE WITH VARIED ACCURACY. 16 7TH AIR FORCE THUNDERBOLTS RENDEZVOUSED 30 MILES SOUTH OF IWO WITH RETIRING LIBERATORS AND DESTROYED

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THEIR ONLY TARGET, A GUY NAMED IRVING. 1 DD, 3 AK'S OFF WEST COAST OF IWO, 1 AK HEADING FOR SCENE OF BOMBER CRASH.

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**AFTEK LANDING ON 20TH FORCES MOVED INLAND ON LEYTE AGAINST LITTLE RESISTANCE. ALL AP'S AND APA'S UNLOADED. LST'S BEING UNLOADED AROUND CLOCK. OUR PLANES STRAFED ENEMY GUN POSITIONS TROOP LADING TRUCKS. DESTROYED 22 SINGLE SEATERS 16 MULTIPLE ENGINE PLANES. SANK FOUR MISCELLANEOUS SMALL SHIPS DAMAGED 11 OTHERS. FLIGHT OF 3 ZEKE'S SHOT DOWN ATTACKING ESCORT CARRIER GROUP. SANGAN SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY SMALL BOMB. 1 NIP PILOT RESCUED. YUS 7K FOUNDERED DURING STORM NIGHT 17/18. AIR TORPEDO HIT HONOLULU FORWARD. DOWN 4 FEET BY BOW NO LIST EVAPORATORS DAMAGED REPAIR PROCESS IN ENGINEERING INTACT. NO REPORT OF ACTIVITIES ON 21ST. NORSOLS AIR AND SURFACE HARRASSED THE ENEMY IN NEW IRELAND**

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LEYTE OPERATIONS CONTINUE ACCORDANCE SCHEDULE. MAJORITY TRANSPORTS UNLOADED AND DEPARTING. AK AND LST UNLOADING PROGRESSING SATISFACTORY. UNLOADING DIFFICULTIES RED BEACH BEING OVERCOME BY ADDITIONAL PONTOON DOCKS. SOME MORTAR OR ARTILLERY FIRE FROM UNLOCATED SOURCES ON RED BEACH. TROOPS AShORE MAKING STEADY PROGRESS WITH LIGHT CASUALTIES. BULLDOZERS WORKING ON TACLOBAN STRIP. DURING EARLY MORNING RAID BY SMALL NUMBER PLANES MOSTLY SINGLES SEVERAL CASUALTIES ON HONOLULU BY 2300M FIRE FROM OWN SHIPS WHICH WERE UNDER SMOKE COVER. CORRECTION MEASURES UNDERTAKEN. LOW FLYING PLANES UNDER FIRE MANY SHIPS CRASHED INTO FOREWARD STACK AND FOREMAST HMAS AUSTRALIA. FORWARD SUPERSTRUCTURE SHOWERED WITH BURNING GASOLINE. CONSIDERABLE STRUCTURAL DAMAGE. 0 KILLED. APPROXIMATELY

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50 CASUALTIES MANY SERIOUS. COMMODORE COLLINS AND CAPTAIN DECHAINEUX, RAN, AMONG LATTER. HONOLULU AND AUSTRALIA DEPARTED FOR REPAIRS MANUS UNDER ESCORT.

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RESULTS OF DAWN SWEPS AND 1ST STRIKES OCTOBER 21 BY 38.2 AND 38.3 AGAINST VISAYAS. SOUTHERN LUZON AND CORON BAY SHOW FEW TARGETS REMAINING THESE AREAS.

ONLY SHIPPING AT CORON BAY 1 PREVIOUSLY DAMAGED AK 1 SMALL COASTAL AK AND 1 48 FOOT ESCORT ALL OF WHICH WERE SUNK. 3 PT SUNK AT BATANG, 1 AT CEBU,

AMMO BARGES DESTROYED MOSOATE. 2 MEDIUM AK 2 LUGGERS DAMAGED. 13 AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN THE AIR INCLUDING 3 BY SEARCH AND CAP. 37 DESTROYED ON THE GROUND SOME OF THESE PREVIOUSLY DAMAGED. BARRACKS BUILDINGS POSSIBLE HANGAR DAMAGED AT RULAN. OUR LOSSES 3 PLANES 1 PILOT 1 CREWMAN. TOTAL 1 44 PLANES REMAINING AT MARVELA SAN JOSE RULAN LEGAUPI SERAVIA SOME PROBABLY DAMAGED.

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COM 7TH FLT SHOUTS.

PLANE IN FLIGHT 11151/21 REPORTS 1 BB 3 CL 3 DD 6 UNIDENTIFIED SHIPS 03-30N 115-40E COURSE 170 SPEED 15. TYPE AND SIZE SUBJECT TO DOUBT. SUMMARIES 20TH. 1 TIMES. 1145 DD AND AK 08-07N 117-10E. EARLY AFTERNOON 11-32N 123-15E 17000-19000 TON 2 STACKS AFT SHIP 1 SMALL AK. 5TH AIR FORCE PHILIPPINE STRIKES SUPPORTING LEYTE LANDINGS. 43 B 24'S HIT DAVAO HEADQUARTERS CAUSING SEVERAL EXPLOSIONS MANY FIRES. NIL INTERCEPTION INACCURATE ACK ACK. 12 B 25'S DROPPED 11 TONS NEGROS SETTING FIRE FUEL DUMPS. NO INTERCEPTION LIGHT INACCURATE ACK ACK. 1 P 47'S HIT BACOLOD DROME STRAFED TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY COTABATO-MAKAR ROAD AND FIRED SMALL STACK AFT VESSEL BALUT ISLAND SOUTH TIP.
MINDANAO. 17 MITCHELLS 13TH AIRFORCE 19TH HIT AMBON TOWNS. UCH HER SMOKE PREVENTED ASSESSMENT RESULTS. ACCURATE ACK ACK HOLED 2 PLANES. 1 LIBERATOR DESTROYED SMALL STACK AFT AK BY BOMB STRAFING VICINITY MAKAMEAJIN. PHOTOS 19TH SHOW KITI LANSOAN UNSERVICEABLE SIDATE TANAMON SERVICEABLE. ALL NE CELEBES. NEW RUNWAY LOCATED TOMINI OO-3ON 122-33E.

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**FOR MACARTHUR.**

**MY PRESENT OPERATIONS IN STRATEGIC POSITION TO MEET THREAT OF ENEMY FLEET FORCES ARE SOMEWHAT RESTRICTED BY NECESSITY TO COVER YOUR TRANSPORTS AND OTHER VULNERABLE OVERSEAS MOVEMENTS. I WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY ADVICE REGARDING WITHDRAWAL SUCH UNITS TO SAFE POSITIONS. THIS INFORMATION WILL PERMIT ME EXECUTE ORDERLY REARMING PROGRAM FOR MY GROUPS AND AT SAME TIME GIVE ME MORE FREEDOM FOR FURTHER OFFENSIVE ACTION.**

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CORON BAY APPROXIMATE POSITION LATITUDE 12-00 NORTH LONGITUDE 120-00 EAST AND HARBORS IN ITS VICINITY APPEAR TO BE HIGHLY LIKELY CONCENTRATION OR FUELING AREAS FOR IMPORTANT ELEMENTS JAP FLEET THAT MAY ATTEMPT STRIKE AGAINST OUR LEYTE FORCES. REQUEST THAT ABOVE AREA BE KEPT UNDER CLOSEST PRACTICABLE AIR OBSERVATION AND SEARCH WITH VIEW OF ATTACK AND REPORT ANY ENEMY SHIPS SIGHTED. IF NO ENEMY SHIPS AT CORON BAY REQUEST ATTACK ON ICBSHR* FLYFLIGHT** IN ORDER TO DISCOVER ITS POSSIBLE USE***

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LANDINGS ON LEYTE AND NORTHERN TIP PANAON ISLANDS MADE AS SCHEDULED MORNING 20TH AGAINST MINOR OPPOSITION AS OF 1400. TROOPS INLAND GENERALLY 1,000 - 1400 YARDS. WEAK AIR OPPOSITION. 2 DO SIGHTED IN 1435/20 POSIT 10-10 N 118-30 E COURSE 90 SPEED 15, 2 OTHERS 0900 COURSE 80 AT 03-15 N 118-30 E. NIGHT 18/19. 5,000 TON EACH ANCHORED TARAUPAI HARBOR. 6 LUGGERS 300 - 500 TONS EACH MOVING SW 08-19 N 122-45 E 1000/20. PB4Y SEARCHER DESTROYED 2 100-TON CRAFT 05-30 N 125-20 E SAME DAY 1820. PHOTOS SHOW PREVIOUSLY REPORTED 16 LARGE NAVAL VESSELS PARE PARE BAY ARE 6 SMALL AK TOTALING 2500 TONS NUMEROUS SMALL COASTERS 4 FLOAT PLANES. 2340/19 SUBMARINE SIGHTED NW HIRI ISLAND WEST HALMAHERA. BUAIR CARC. EXPLOSIONS ON SPECIAL.

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MISSION TOWARDS MANILA SHOT DOWN 3 PETES ATTEMPTING INTERCEPTION OVER SAN JOSE (*) 20 PLANES DOUBTFUL SERVICEABILITY ON LIPA DROME NORTHERN LUZON. BACOLOD STRIP SERVICEABLE SOME PLANES PRESENT. 2 P38'S SIGHTED 2 UNIDENTIFIED SHIPS DAVAO GULF SET FIRE BARGE POLLOC HARBOUR SAW MANY TRUCKS POLLOC - DIGOS ROAD. SAW P-47'S FIGHTER SWEEP BACOLOD HAD NIL INTERCEPTION ACK Ack. BLACKCAT OVER PALAWAN NIGHT 19/20 FOUND ONLY 2 POSSIBLE LUGGERS PUERTO PRINCESA HARBOR DAMAGED WHARVES WITH 2 - 500 POUND 2 - 100 POUND BOMBS NIL ACK Ack OR SEARCHLIGHTS. 19TH BOELA OIL STORAGE AREAS HIT BY 36 HAVOCS 15 P-47'S 1 B25 1 B24 13TH AIRFORCE. 1 DERRICK DESTROYED. MANY FIRES STARTED. PT'S NIGHT 19/20 DESTROYED 1 TYPE A BARGE BOELI POINT HALMAHERA. RECEIVED 3 INCH SHORE FIRE MAMOEIA POINT 2 BLUE SUBS 18TH SANK 7 AK 1 DEYHIV**. ANOTHER AK CONVOY 10(*) SHIPS 3 DE 1 QUEENSHIP POSIT 14-08 N 119-41 E. ANOTHER 14TH SANK SMALL AK OFF CAPE BOLINAO WEST CENTRAL LUZON. BRITISH SUB SANK 3 COASTERS 300 TONS EACH 9 NICALL LADEN SCHOONERS GULF (*) 7TH. 7TH FLEET CARRIER BASED PLANES 19TH STRIKES (*) AF AREA SANK 1 EACH SMALL FREIGHTER - TRANSPORT LUGGER PT BOAT OIL BARGE DAMAGED MINE- SWEeper SCHOONER 3 LUGGERS 6 BARGES DESTROYED ON GROUND 22 FIGHTERS 12 BOMBERS. 20 OTHERS DAMAGED BY STAFING. FIRED NUMEROUS AMMUNITION DUMPS SEVERAL BUILDINGS. ON LEYTE DESTROYED OVER 5 (*) TRUCKS MANY CARRYING TROOPS. SAME PLANES PREVIOUS DAY OVER (*) LEYTE SHOT DOWN 2 AIRCRAFT DESTROYED 14 ON GROUND DAMAGED 8 OTHERS. ALSO DESTROYED 3 ENEMY PT'S DAMAGED 3 OTHERS WEST CEBU. SANK 5,000 TON AO BOGO BAY NE CEBU DAMAGED ANOTHER SAME SIZE AND PLACE. DAMAGED
5,000 TON AMMO SHIP MAGellan BAY (*) 4 LARGE 2 MEDIUM 4 SMALL AK
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20 October 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 19773. Operations report SOWESAPAC area 1500Z/18 to 1500Z/19 of Philippines:

Reconnaissance Army reported 5 large freighter transports anchored off Bohol Island, another proceeding northeast Bohol Strait October 17th; medium freighter transport 7 seatrucks reported off Ilang (Davao) by attacking B-24s October 17th.

Celebes:

Catalinas reported 2 naval vessels, 7 merchant vessels including 2 of 4000 tons at Macassar night October 18th; next and ASA airdromes (Samalinda), 21 aircraft, at Manggar (Balikpapan) 46 fighters, 8 bombers.

South China Seas:

China based plane reported 1 carrier, 2 cruisers 3 destroyers course 330 degrees 90 miles southeast Hainan midday October 19th.

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Part 2. Naval:

October 27th fleet heavy units and cruisers covering Allied landings bombarded west shore Leyte Gulf, aircraft from supporting carriers attacked shore targets minesweepers October 19th cleared 186 mines.

Air S GOP operations October 17th:

(1) 12 A-20s cratered Sagan Airdrome, MacCluer Gulf.

(2) 16 P-47s destroyed flying boat and exploded fuel dumps Ambon.

(3) 12 A-20s hit installations caused 2 large fires Boela; 4 P-38s strafed sailboat Boana Island, northwest Ceram.

(4) 23 B-25s attacked Namlea airfields, started fires.

(5) 12 P-38s bombed Hatetabako Airdrome causing fires; 2 patrol B-25s strafed 2 barges south Salambers.
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(6) Single B-24 bombed beached seatruck Cape Kandi, northwestern Celebes; predawn B-24 caused fires Balikpapan Oil Refineries.

Operations October 18th:

(7) 32 P-47s hit barracks and dispersals Babo; 21 A-20s, 1 B-25 caused fires Sagan Airdrome; 12 A-20s, 1 B-25 bombed Otsawin; 3 patrol B-25s attacked Babo, Sagan and islands near Sorong; 16 P-47s bombed runways and dispersals Timika.

(8) 1 B-24, 6 B-25s started many fires amongst fuel installations Boela.

(9) 16 P-47s bombed Liang Airdrome, 6 B-25s hit Ambon town.

(10) 12 B-25s caused numerous fires Namlea.

(11) 2 Beaufighters strafed target Central Halmahera.


(13) Darwin B-24 attacked Dilli, Timor.

Operations 19th:
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(14) 6 B-24s bombed Wewak Airdrome; 6 Beauforts, 6 A-20s and 6 B-25s attacked Boiken plantation and targets further west.

(15) 16 RAAF P-40s destroyed 2 barges and damaged another near Manokwar, cratered Bebo runways and fired fuel dumps MacCluer Gulf.

(16) 18 A-20s attacked Utarom Airdrome, starting 3 fires.

(17) 4 RAAF P-40s, 2 Beaufighters strafed dumps and coastal vessels Ceram.

(18) 6 RAAF A-20s bombed Letifoear Airdrome, Kair Islands.

(19) P-38s and P-40s from Korotai attacked Djailolo and barracks Miti and Hatetabako.

(20) 16 P-38s set afire 1 medium transport, 2 seaplanes, 2 floatplanes and several landing craft Bolo Island, Sulu Archipelago; also sank 2 barges, 3 luggers, set afire 3 other barges and damaged seaplane Zaqsbanga.

(21) Patrol B-24 destroyed floatplane off Destacado Island in Samar Sea; 13 P-47s strafed Cebu airdromes, damaged grounded planes, set afire 1 seaplane and 2 luggers.
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offshore, 3 P-47s shot down by anti aircraft.

(22) 18 Darwin B-24s hit buildings and started
fires Pare Pare waterfront, southwestern Celebes.

(23) Patrol B-24 attacked small seaplane and
damaged schooner South Salajal Island.

(24) 1 B-24 bombed Filiporo, another attacked
Cape Chater, Timor.

(25) 2 Dutch B-25s bombed and strafed targets
Kai Islands.

Weather.

Heavy showers Southern Luzon, clear over Min-
danao; frontal activity scattered showers northern Celebes and
Bornéo area.

Land.

Preliminary report major amphibious assault on
East Coast Leyte by United States 9th Army October 20th;
preceded and supported by Air and Naval bombardment, landings
were made by 10th Corps along coast from TA 6156 to TA 5952
by 1st Cavalry Division (north) and 24th Division (south), by

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area,
Hollanda, New Guinea

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24th Corps from San Jose TA 6330 to Dulag TA 6226 by 96th
Division (north) and 7th Division (south); at Panay Strait
TA 7536 and TA 7629 by 21st Infantry Regimental Combat Team.

Opposition reported slight and progress satisfactory. Maps referred to are 1 to 25000 Central Philippines
with target area overprint.

Solomons Forces. Naval:

PT boats bombarded shore targets Choiseul,
Bougainville and New Ireland.

Air. Operations October 18th:

(26) 12 New Zealand Corsairs sank 1 barge and
fired buildings Bougainville; 14 Corsairs, 4 B-25s plus
patrol planes hit targets New Ireland.

(27) 3 predawn B-25s harassed Rabaul; 12
Dauntless, 42 Corsairs attacked Dauinna barge hideout and
buildings Gazelle Peninsula; 20 Dauntless 20s Bay.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 48 500 lb bombs from 6500 feet.

(2) Dropped 16 500 lb bombs, fired unstated
number rounds, met slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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(3) A 20s dropped 100 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude, met slight inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(4) Dropped 230 100 lb bombs from 8000 feet.

(5) Dropped 24 500 lb bombs from 13000 feet.

(6) 1 1000 lb bomb dropped at vessel, 10 250 lb bombs dropped from 9500 feet Belikpapan.

(7) Dropped 16 1000 lb, 16 500 lb bombs from 10000 to 7000 feet Bebo; dropped 60 500 lb bombs, 110 100 lb Paradesmos from 13000 feet to minimum altitude, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire Sagan; dropped 52 500 lb bombs from 8000 feet Otavira; patrol B-25a dropped 6 500 lb bombs; dropped 16 1000 lb bombs from 6000 feet Timika.

(8) B-24 dropped 6 1000 lb bombs from 8400 feet, B-25a dropped 66 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft.

(9) Dropped 16 500 lb bombs from 9000 feet, met slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire Liang; dropped 50 100 lb bombs from 11000 feet Ambon.

(10) Dropped 120 100 100 lb bombs from 11500 feet, met intense heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.

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(11)

(12) Dropped 6 500 lb bombs from 7400 feet.

(13) Dropped 4 300 lb bombs from 11300 feet.

(14) B-24s dropped 72 1000 lb bombs from 8700 feet; Beauforts dropped 12 500 lb medium capacity bombs from 3500 feet, fired 400 rounds 50, 500 rounds 30 calibre; A-20s dropped 24 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay, fired 6200 rounds 50 calibre; B-25s dropped 24 300 lb bombs from minimum altitude, fired 1900 rounds 50 calibre.

(15) 8 P-40s dropped 16 500 lb, 8 250 lb bombs, met slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(16) Dropped 16 tons 500 lb bombs.

(17) No details.

(18) Dropped 24 250 lb bombs, met slight light accurate anti aircraft fire.

Paragraphs 19, 20 and 21 no details.

(22) Dropped 20 500 lb, 140 250 lb bombs .025 second delay plus incendiary clusters from 13500 feet.
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(23) Dropped 8 250 lb bombs .025 seconds delay, fired 1100 rounds 50 calibre.

(24) Dropped 16 250 lb bombs.

(25) Dropped 4 300 lb bombs 5 seconds delay from 2000 feet, fired 500 rounds 50 calibre.

Refer preceding report:

(6) 10 P-40s, 7 more P-38s dropped 9 1000 lb, 20 500 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds, met slight to intense medium and heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

End.

*Being serviced.

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CO/S
CO AAF
ASP
G-2
Statistics
Adm. King
Col. Park
Field Marshal Dill
Log

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UNCONFIRMED RUMOR THAT SPANISH ARE INITIATING WITHDRAWAL FROM INTERNATIONAL ZONE BY TRANSFERRING CONTROL OF TERRITORY FROM ARMY TO DIPLOMATIC AUTHORITIES PARTIALLY SUBSTANTIATED BY FOLLOWING EVENTS OCCURRING IN PAST WEEK. FORMAL DEPARTURE OF GENERAL URIARTE LOCAL MILITARY GOVERNOR AND DELEGATE OF HIGH COMMISSARIAT. MOVING SEVERAL LARGE BODIES OF TROOPS TANGER TO SPANISH CONTINENT. PERMANENT APPOINTMENT OF SPANISH CONSUL GENERAL AS DELEGATE OF HIGH COMMISSARIAT FOR TANGER. AND VARIOUS COMMENTS AND ACTIONS BY LOCAL SPANISH OFFICIALS INDICATIVE OF WITHDRAWAL. REPORT FOLLOWS.
FROM CTF 77.

AMPLIFYING MY 200755. PANAON TASK GROUP EXPECTS COMPLETE UNLOADING 18001. SITUATION SOUTHERN BEACHES AS OF 14001. ASSAULT AND RESERVE BATTALIONS LANDED. PART OF CORPS RESERVE REGIMENT OF 7TH DIVISION. ARTILLERY BEING LANDED. NO CASUALTIES TO SHIPS ALTHOUGH SOME MORTAR FIRE ON LCI'S ON LANDING. SEVERAL LST'S BEACHED AND UNLOADING. GROUND SITUATION. TROOPS GENERALLY 1,000 TO 1400 YARDS INLAND. RESISTANCE FAIRLY LIGHT. STILL ADVANCING EXCEPT IN TO 6127 WHERE ENEMY ENRENCHED AND USING MORTARS. LIGHT CASUALTIES ON LANDING BEACHES. LITTLE EVIDENCE OF ENEMY MOVEMENT.

SITUATION NORTHERN BEACHES AS OF 14001. RED BEACH. APA'S AND AP'S 25% DISCHARGED. AKA'S ABOUT 15%. DISCHARGE OF LST'S SLOW DUE FLAT BEACH PREVENTING CLOSE APPROACH EXCEPT AT 2
POINTS. LCT'S AND PONTOONS BEING OBTAINED FROM SOUTHERN ATTACK FORCE TO EXPEDITE UNLOADING LST'S. ASSAULT TROOPS LANDED EXACTLY AS SCHEDULED. MORTAR FIRE SANK 1 LCVP AND DAMAGED 3 LST'S. TROOPS OCCUPY LINE ABOUT 1800 YARDS FROM BEACH AND WITHIN 100 YARDS OF HILL 522. CASUALTIES REPORTED. NAVY: 7 KILLED 10 WOUNDED IN LST 171. ARMY: 6 WOUNDED IN SUNKEN LCVP. WHITE BEACH. UNLOADING PROGRESS SAME AS RED BEACH. TROOPS LANDED AGAINST LIGHT OPPOSITION AND HAVE ADVANCED THROUGH SAN JOSE AND HALF OF CATAYSAN PENINSULA. NO CASUALTIES REPORTED. ALL TRANSPORTS RED AND WHITE BEACHES EXPECT READY TO DEPART 1900.

DELIVERED TO 20G.
| TASK GROUP 38.1 | Upon completion strikes Visayas area on 21ST proceed to point ready. Rendezvous with Task Group 38.1 and 38.4 at 0600 22 October. Launch morning and afternoon search on 22 October in section 290-360 for a distance of 300 miles. |
| TASK GROUP 38.3 | Upon completion Visayas strikes on 21 October proceed point Mick at 0700 22 October fuel. Ctg 38.1 assume tactical command task groups in company on 22 October unless otherwise directed. |
CTG 38.4 SENDS ACTION CTF 38 INFO CINCPAC COM 3RD FLEET COM 7TH FLEET CINCSWPA CTG 38.1.

DAILY OPERATIONAL SUMMARY.

A  20 OCTOBER.
B  143 PLUS 4 VFN.
C  24.
D  28 SNASP.
E  40 RLUS130 ROCKETS.
F  1 VF FLAK CEBU.
M  1 JUDY FORCE.
R  STRAFED 5 SINGLE ENGINE PLANES BELIEVED PREVIOUSLY HIT ELBU FIELD. NIL ACTIVITY OBSERVED NEGROS FIELDS BY AFTERNOON SWEEP. 5 BETTYS OBSERVED UNDER TREES.

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BACOLOD AND 5 ZEKES ALICUNTE BUT ALL BELIEVED DUDS.
U BOMB HITS ON REVETMENTS SAN PABLO AND DULAG FIELDS.
V BRIDGE TARGET GRID 4640 K, TOWN OF DAGAMI TARGET GRID
4639 AND 4640 HEAVILY POUNDED ON ORDERS FROM CSA. NIL ENEMY AIR
OPPOSITION.
NEW SUBJECT. YOUR 140451 REQUIRE FOLLOWING WINDOW REPLENISH-
MENT. 20 CARTONS CAFJ 10271 (600). 5 CARTONS CAEJ 10270 A
(200).
wx 42710884

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NAVD 9561

24 OCTOBER 1944

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LANDINGS ON LEYTE MOST SUCCESSFUL. ALL OPERATIONS ARE
PROCEEDING ON SCHEDULE WITH EXTREMELY LIGHT LOSSES. SALE
Sweepers swept 196 mines. No heavy shore guns located.
MORTAR FIRE HEAVY. SUICIDE PILOT ATTACKED LOUISVILLE.

GOLDENHURST (APD32) STRUCK ON STACK BY SHELL DAMAGE.
NORTHERN AREA BOMBED BY 3 OBB, 2 CA, 2 CL, 19 DD.
SOUTHERN AREA BOMBED BY 3 OBB, 2 CL, 3 CA, 13 DD.

PLANES SUPPORTING OPERATION DESTROYED 23 GROUNDED PLANES ON
CEBU AND LEYTE, DESTROYED 3 PT BOATS EAST OF CEBU, AND CAME.

5500 TON OILER 1 SMALL AD 9 CARGES DAMAGED OTHER SHIP.

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By DBS

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NO ADDITIONAL DETAILS REPORTED. NEW IRELAND, SCUCAINVILLE, CHOISEUL RECEIVED MTB BOMBARDMENT ON 18TH. MACARTHUR.

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SPAY 19-67
CTF 77 SHOUTING. RDO HOLLANDIA PASS ACTION CINCMPA. RDO HONOLULU PASS INFO TO CINCPAC AND ALSO COM 3RD FLEET. RDO WASHINGTON PASS INFO TO COMINCH.

LEYTE OPERATION PROCEEDING ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE. TROOPS LANDED PANAON STRAIT 09301 WITHOUT OPPOSITION. AT SOUTH AND NORTH LEYTE BEACHES FOLLOWING HEAVY AIR AND SHIPBOMBARDMENT TROOPS LANDED AT 10301 AS SCHEDULED. ONLY MINOR OPPOSITION AT BEACH HEAD AND TROOPS NOW MOVING INLAND AGAINST MODERATE OPPOSITION. NUMEROUS FIRES ASHORE BY OUR AIR AND NAVAL BOMBARDMENT. PLANES STRAFFED ENEMY GUN POSITIONS. TRUCK CONVOYS AND TROOPS. DD 563 ROSS STRUCK 2 FLOATING MINES IN LEYTE GULF ABOUT 11351 19 OCTOBER. SALVAGE PROSPECTS GOOD. YMS 76 FOUNDERED DURING STORM NIGHT 17-18 OCTOBER IN LEYTE GULF. GOLDSBOROUGH APD 32 HIT WHILE COVERING UNDERWATER DEMOLITION TEAM. 2 KILLED, 16 WOUNDED. SOME DAMAGE TO LST'S AND LANDING CRAFT FROM MORTAR FIRE ON BEACHES.
BEACHES. - CASUALTIES APPEAR TO BE LIGHT. ONLY 4 PLANES REPORTED IN AREA WITH NO ATTACKS Pressed Here Until 1620 AT WHICH TIME WHAT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN A SINGLE PLANE TORPEDOED HONOLULU. AS YET EXTENT OF DAMAGE UNDETERMINED.

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HONO INTERCEPT

ACTION CTF 77 FROM COM 3RD FLT. INFO CINCPAO COMSOWESPAC ALL TFC'S AND TGC'S 3RD AND 7TH Fleets.

YOUR 191921 AND 191930. TASK GROUP 38.1 AND 38.4 ARE LOW ON BOMBS AND MUST RETIRE ABOUT 1700 20 OCTOBER TO FUEL ON 21ST. TASK GROUPS 38.2 AND 38.3 NOW IN STRATEGIC SUPPORT POSITION VICINITY 15-00 N 127-00 E WILL STRIKE VISAYAS ON 21ST FROM SAN BERNARDINO STRAIT AREA UNLESS CHANGE IN STRATEGIC SITUATION PREVENTS IN WHICH CASE YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED. REQUEST ECRWIEOT* INFORMATION TARGET PRIORITIES AND COORDINATIONS.

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Ocean Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

To: War Department

No: 19733 19 October 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur G 19733 to the Chief of Staff War Department. Operations report SWESPAOC Area period 1500Z/17th to 1500Z/18th signed MacArthur.

Philippines: Local reports state large number transports arrived Lingayen Gulf October 14th, disembarked troops with some artillery, beach defences under construction.

Celebes: Three large ships reported northern entrance Macassar Strait night October 17th; five bombers photographed Pomelia airstrip October 17th.

Borneo: 19,900 ton merchant shipping reported shown photographs Balikpapan October 16th.

Timor: Two seatrucks fourteen barges sighted Dilli October 17th.

Part Two. Naval

Leyte Island: Seventh Fleet Bombardment and Fire Support Group bombarded southern beaches Dulag town and airfields from 0500Z/18th to 0845Z/18th, wrecked town; machine guns, rifle and mortar fire reported from shore defences.

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3 Oct Pacific
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Ocean Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

Nr: 019733 19 October 1944

Air.

Operations October 16th:

1. Five training B-25's from Nadzab attacked Rabaul.

Operations October 18th:

2. Six Beauforts bombed bivouacs west But; six B-25's, five A-20's plus four P-38's and four P-47's escort raided Boiken guns and village near Dagua.

3. Eight RAAF P-40's silenced Manokwari guns, attacked villages and fires stores to south.

4. Eight RAAF P-40's bombed Utarom runways and nearby radio station, strafed machine gun post Kai Islands; two P-40's missing.

5. Two Beaufighters destroyed large motor truck and barge Amboina; four RAAF P-40's demolished fuel tank Boela, one P-40 lost.

6. Four P-40's plus others attacked bivouacs Wasile Bay and Ken/Dodins Bay roadway; seven P-38's fired stores Wasile Bay and bombed barracks Djailolo.

7. 34 B-24's hit Manado, caused heavy explosions and many fires, met nil opposition; two other B-24's bombed Mamanget.
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Ocean Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

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8. Eight B-24's penetrated heavy weather and bombed estimated target Balikpapan through clouds; fighter escort returned early.


10. Sixteen P-38's and four P-47's swept southwestern Mimanao, fired two luggers, strafed two troop filled barges and three fuel laden luggers Malabang, attacked small shipping Palolo harbour and motor convoy along Jotabato Sagonai Bay road, strafed five barges.

11. Darwin B-24 bombed Lautem, Timor; single Dutch B-25 attacked targets Kai Islands.

Weather: Conditions below average but improving in Philippines, frontal activity southern Celebes fair over northern coasts.

Solomons Forces:

Naval: PT boats strafed northeastern New Ireland.

Air: Operations October 17th:

12. 44 Dauntless, 47 Corsairs struck enemy concentrations wide bay and open bay; three TBF Drones caused large explosion Rabaul; 40 Corsairs swept Gazelle Peninsula, hit...
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Ocean Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

Date: 20 October 1944

Motor trucks and demolished buildings Rabaul area.

13. Twelve New Zealand Corsairs demolished huts around Bougainville, two Corsairs overdue.


Delayed reports October 16th:

15. Eight Corsairs fired buildings Rabaul; 24 Dauntless, 20 Corsairs attacked Bougainville targets; four B-25's, 28 Dauntless, ten Corsairs demolished buildings and started fires New Ireland.

Philippines: Land:

Two rifle companies 21st Infantry landed Dinagat 17 October in force reserve.

Operations 18th October: Patrons report enemy strong point north tip Dinagat. Equipment and papers captured. One company 21st Infantry re-embarked amphibious shipping. Documents captured installations destroyed Saluan Island; troops withdrawn mission accomplished. No further reports of landing Honshon Island.

Weather excellent sea moderate.

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Part three.

1. Dropped 20 300 lb bombs from 12,000 feet.

2. Beauforts dropped 12 500 lb bombs, B-25's dropped 24 300 lb bombs, A-20's dropped 20 300 lb bombs, fired 4,500 rounds 50 caliber.

3. Dropped 4 500 lb, 8 250 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

4. Dropped 12 100 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

5. P-40's dropped 6 100 lb bombs.

6. Four P-38's dropped 8 1000 lb bombs.

7. Dropped 5/4 tons 500 lb bombs Nadando, 18 500 lb bombs Mapanget.

8. Dropped 20 500 lb, 40 250 lb bombs from 17,500 feet.

9. No details.

10. No details.

11. Dropped 8 300 lb bombs from 13,500 feet Lautem,

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dropped 6 100 lb bombs .025 second delay from 2500 feet Kai.

Refer preceding report:

15. Dropped 24 1000 lb bombs, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

17. Dropped 107 additional 1000 lb bombs.

Refer report operations October 16th:

6. Sixteen P-38's dropped 29 1000 lb bombs, jettisoned three others; 304 rounds 20 MM, 3400 rounds 50 calibre fired by eight P-38's in Halmaheras.


ACTION: GEN RANDY

INFO: CCS
GEN ARNOLD
GEN SOMERVELL
GEN BISSELL
ADM KING
FIELD MARSHAL SIR JOHN DILL
LOC

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ROUTED BY: HUTCHINSON

TO: COMINCH
CNO CINCPAC
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ACTION: COMINCH
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ON 18TH ALL TROOPS AND CARGO LANDED BLACK BEACH 2 ON DINAGAT WITHOUT OPPOSITION NATIVES REPORT NO JAPS IN AREA. UNLOADING CONTINUES AT DINAGAT BLACK BEACH 1. TROOPS BEING EVACUATED FROM SULUAN. 60 MINES SWEEP AND DESTROYED. BOMBARDMENT AND FIRE SUPPORT GROUP DELAYED BY MINFIELD BUT ENTERED LEYTE GULF AT 0900. WRECKED DULAG TOWN. NO UNDERWATER OBSTRUCTIONS FOUND ON SOUTHERN BEACHES BUT HEAVY FIRE FROM SHORE EXPERIENCED. ONLY 2 LIGHT AIR ATTACKS NO DAMAGE. MOROTAI PT'S NIGHT 16/17 HAD POSSIBLE RADAR SUBMARINE CONTACT EAST MITSU ISLAND NORTHERN HALMAHERA. STRAFED HUTS SOUTH DOUE BAY.

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NORSOLS PT'S STARED NORTHEASTERN NEW IRELAND 17/18.
AIRNORSOLS ON 17TH BOMBED RABAUL KAVIENG AREAS. PBY 17/18
BOMBED SIMUNAL ISLAND AND BARGES NEAR N 00 TAWI.

MACARTHUR
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION MAJOR FMF UNITS IS AS FOLLOWS: ON COMPLETION DETACHMENT 5TH AMPHIBIOUS CORPS INCLUDING CORPS TROOPS 3RD AND 4TH MARDIVS WILL BE RETURNED GUAM FOR REHABILITATION AND 5TH MARDIV TO SAIJAPAN. ON COMPLETION ICEBERG 3RD AMPHIBIOUS CORPS INCLUDING CORPS TROOPS 1ST 2ND AND 6TH MARDIVS WILL BE RETURNED GUADAL-RUSSELLS AREA FOR REHABILITATION UNLESS STANDING AREAS HAVE BECOME AVAILABLE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

URDIS #82133 NOT TO ALL. NOT ANTICIPATED THAT MAJOR FMF UNITS WILL BE STACED IN HAWAIIAN AREA SUBSEQUENT TO MOUNTING FOR DETACHMENT.

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FROM
RE: SCHUERMANN

RELEASED BY
19 OCTOBER 1944

TO CODE ROOM
2127/2354

DECODED BY
DORSEY/THOMASSON

PARAPHRASED BY
HARTZELL/R. LEAVES

ROUTED BY

17 OCTOBER ARMY TROOPS LANDED WITHOUT OPPOSITION SULUAN DINAGAT HUMONNON ISLANDS SOUTH ENTRANCE LEYTE GULF PHILIPPINES
SAME DAY CARRIER FIGHTER SWEPT OVER SOUTHWEST LUZON NETTED 20 JAP PLANES SHOT DOWN AND 35 OR 40 GROUNDED PLANES DESTROYED OR DAMAGED.
RDO HONO INTERCEPT

CTF 77 ORIGINATOR

REFERENCE PAR 1 (A) ANNEX G AND PAR 1 (A) APPENDIX 6 TO ANNEX G MY OP PLAN 13-h:1.

PRESENT ORDERS INDICATE FAST CARRIER GROUPS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT OPERATIONS AFTER A-DAY, UNTIL SITUATION CLARIFIED AND IN ORDER TO BE PREPARED AGAINST ENEMY AIR ATTACKS AFTER A-DAY REQUEST ONE FAST CARRIER GROUP BE RETAINED OBJECTIVE AREA FOR PURPOSE KEEPING WESTERN VISAYAN AIR FIELDS NEUTRALIZED.

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COM 7TH FLT REENCYPHERS FOLLOWING FROM WX OWI TO TELESCY G 31 HOLLANDIA.

FORECAST PI FOR 20TH OCT:

PROBABLE DEPRESSION MOVING WEST INTO CHINA SEA AND OUT OF AREA. THICK BROKEN TO OLOIQ AT LEYTE OF ALTO CUMULUS OVER MINDANAO AND VISAYAN AREA. BECOMING SCATTERED OVER LUZON. SCATTERED CUMULUS OVER MINDANAO DURING MORNING PERIOD BECOMING BROKEN BENCH CUMULUS. SCATTERED SHOWERS IN AFTERNOON. CENTRAL VISAYAN MYILL KAVW SCATTERED CUMULUS KBNTNE PE YOS BECOMING OCCASIONALLY BROKEN DURING AFTERNOON WITH WIDELY KPINCCEF SHOWERS AND GOOD BUILD UP ALL RANGES SURF AND SWELLS SLIGHT ALONG EASTERN COAST OF SAMAR.
AND LEYTE. SURF AND WINDS LIGHT AND VARIABLE. 5 TO 7 KNOTS. LUZON WILL HAVE SCATTERED LOW CLOUD WITH BROKEN CONDITIONS ALONG EASTERN COAST DURING MORNING. INTERMITTENT RAIN. GENERAL CIRCULATION SOUTHERLY IN WESTERN PORTION OF ISLANDS BECOMING SOUTHWESTERLY IN EASTERN PORTION.
OP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: CTG 77.2
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 20 OCTOBER 1944
TOR CODE ROOM: 0251
DECODED BY: BECKMAN
PARAPHRASED BY: SJOSTEN CHECKED By: BENNETT
ROUTED BY: 

TO: CTF 77, CTF 78, CTF 79, CTF 78.1, CTF 78.2, COM 3RD FLEET, COMGEN 6TH ARMY
FROM: COMINCH

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(CTG 77.2 ASKS RDO MANUS TO PASS ACTION TO CTF'S 77 78 79 CTG'S 78.1 78.2 COM 3RD FLEET COMGEN 6TH ARMY FOR ACTION.)

HERE COMES A

RECONNAISSANCE REPORT OF NORTHERN BEACHES. NO MINES, EITHER FLOATING OR ANTI-BOAT, WERE OBSERVED AND NO MAN MADE BARS OR UNDERWATER OBSTACLES WERE NOTED. WATER WAS DIRTY AND VISIBILITY POOR.

RECONNAISSANCE OF AREA FROM SAN RICARDO SOUTH TO PALO RIVER SHOWS ENTIRE RED AND WHITE BEACH AREA SUITABLE FOR BEACHING SHIPS UP TO SIZE OF LST'S. SOUNDINGS TAKEN SHOW 260 YARDS FROM THE BEACH DEPTH IS OVER 15 FEET, AT 100 YARDS DEPTH IS 12 FEET, AT 50 YARDS 9 FEET, AT 25 YARDS 4 FEET. THE BOTTOM IS OF SAND AND CLAY AND WILL OFFER A FIRM BEARING SURFACE EXCEPT IN THE MANTEFAN RIVER AREA, WHERE UP TO 1 FOOT OF SILT COVERS THE SAND. CURRENT SETS NORTH EAST, WITH SPEED OF 1/2 TO 1 KNOT AT BOTH 1200 AND 1515. THE BEACH PROPER

No. 1 ADMIRAL. No. 2 FILE. No. 3F-1 OR CHARTROOM. No. 4 SPECIAL.

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IS SANDY, ABOUT 15 YARDS WIDE AND COVERED WITH STUMPS, FALLEN LOGS AND OTHER DEBRIS. THESE MAY BE OBSTACLES TO VEHICLES, BUT ARE TOO WIDELY SPACED TO BE EFFECTIVE.

THE CLOSEST APPROACH TO THE HIGH WATER MARK ON THE BEACHES WAS AS FOLLOWS:

(A) ON THE SOUTHERN THIRD OF THE LANDING BEACH AREA ABOUT 15 YARDS.

(B) IN THE MIDDLE THIRD AROUND THE NAVIFUNAN RIVER AREA 12 YARDS, AND

(C) IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE NORTHERN THIRD 25 YARDS AND THE EXTREME NORTHERN PART OF THE NORTHERN THIRD 10 YARDS.

MACHINE GUN FIRE AND MORTAR FIRE WAS RECEIVED IN VARIOUS DEGREES OF INTENSITY FROM THE ENTIRE BEACH AREA AND FROM DIO ISLAND. UDTS 6 AND 10 COMPLETED RECONNAISSANCE IN EARLY AFTERNOON BUT UDTS 9 IN
NORTHERN THIRD ENCOUNTERED TOO STRONG OPPOSITION AND RETIRED. AT 1500 AFTER HEAVIER BOMBARDMENT THAN BEFORE UDT RECONNAISSANCE WAS SUCCESSFULLY AND EASILY MADE. TOTAL CASUALTIES 1 KILLED, 11 INJURED. 1 LCPR WAS LOST.

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COMMANDER TASK GROUP 38.1 SENDS ACTION
COMMANDER TASKFORCE 38 INFO COMMANDER 3RD FLEET.

DAILY OPERATION REPORT.
A. 19 OCTOBER.
B. 191.
C. 91 INCLUDING 16 SNasp.
D. 15.
E. 85 TONS AND 129 ROCKETS.
F. 3 VT 1 VB FLAK.
H. 2 VT PILOTS 1 VB PILOT 4 VT CREWMEN OTHER
VT CREW RESCUE.
L. 1 MEDIUM AK SAN FERNANDO.
P AND Q. 7 TWI ENGINE NIELSON 3 TWINS 1 TESS 1
SINGLE CLARK NORTH 4 VF PASEG 1 VF ANGELES.

SECRET
R. 12 SINGLES CLARK 3 TWINS NIELSON 2 SINGLES 2 TWINS
ANGELES SOUTH 7 SINGLES PLUS UNKNOWN NUMBERS STRAFED AND
BOMBED.

U. 2 BARRACKS CLARK 3 HANGARS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
AND 2 FUEL DUMPS NIELSON PHOTOS.

V. INSTALLATIONS AND DISPERAL AREAS CLARK FIELDS
NIELSON PASIG AND NICHOLS FIELDS. 4 VF RECCO MISSION TO SAN
FERNANDO SAW 3 LARGE AK'S 1 AO 46 BARGES AND 15 LUGGERS.
AND YESTERDAY MS OSCAR TARGET.

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FROM CTG 38.4 ACTION CINCSOWESPAC INFO CINCPAC COM 3RD FLEET CTF 38 COM 7TH FLEET.

STRIKES ON 19TH CONCENTRATED ON MANILA BAY SHIPPING WITH FINAL BOX SCORE AS FOLLOWS: 1 AO SUNK, DIRECT BOMB HITS SERIOUSLY DAMAGING 2 SMALL 2 MEDIUM 1 LARGE AK WITH LATER LEFT BURNING FIERCELY, DAMAGING NEAR MISSES ON 2 SMALL 3 MEDIUM AND 1 SMALL AK, TORPEDO HITS ON YHT BN* 1 MEDIUM 2 LARGE AP 1 MEDIUM AK AND 1 MEDIUM AO. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE SHIPPING VICINITY MANILA SOUTH HARBOR 1 AO IN NORTHEASTERN MANILA BAY RECEIVED DAMAGING NEAR MISS. FLOATING DRYDOCK STILL AFLOAT. EARLY MORNING FIGHTER SWEEP INTERCEPTED OVER MANILA AREA BY 16 TONYS AND OSCARS WHICH MADE AGGRESSIVE AND PERSISTENT ATTACKS. 3 NIP PLANES DESTROYED. NO ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION DURING REMAINDER OF DAY. MORNING AND LATE AFTERNOON RECONNAISSANCE SAN BERNARDINO STRAIT.
NEGATIVE. PILOTS OF LATTER FLIGHT RESORT RAIN AND HEAVY WEATHER OVER NORTH SAMAR AND SOUTH EASTERN LUZON.

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**STRIKES ON 19TH TPLUNKRM TED ON MANILA WAR SHIPPING WITH**

**FGNAHIOX SCORE AS FOLLOWS:** 1 AO NJSSIJGK DIRECT BOMB HITS SERIOUSLY DAMAGING 2 SMALL 2 MEDIUM 1 LARGE AK WITH LATTER LEFT BURNING FIERCELY, DAMAGING NEAR MISSES ON 2 SMALL 3 MEDIUM AND 1 LARGE AK, TORPEDO HITS ON 1 MEDIUM 2 LARGE AP 1 MEDIUM AK AND 1 MEDIUM AO. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE SHIPPING VICINITY MANILA SOUTH HARBOR 1 AO IN NORTHWESTERN MANILA BAY RECEIVED DAMAGING NEAR MISS. FLOATING DRYDOCK STILL AFLOAT. EARLY MORNING FIGHTER SWEEP INTERCEPTED OVER MANILA AREA BY 16 TONYS AND OSCARS WHICH WERE AGGRESSIVE AND PERSISTENT ATTACKS. 3 NIP PLANES DESTROYED MINO ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION DURING REMAINDER OF DAY. MORNING AND LATE AFTERNOON RECONNAISSANCE SAN BERNARDINO STRAIT NEGATIVE.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/30/67
PILOTS OF LATTER FLIGHT REPORT RAIN AND HEAVY WEATHER
NEAR NORTH SAMAR AND SOUTH EASTERN LUZON.
WX FIBOIY 171132.

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CTG 38.4 ORIGINATES ACTION TO CTF 38 INFO TO COM 3RD FLEET CINCPAC CTG 38.1. RDO HONO PASS TO ALL.

DAILY OPERATIONAL SUMMARY.
(A) 19 OCTOBER.
(B) 201.
(C) 32.
(D) 16.
(E) 36 PLUS 8 TORPEDOES 115 ROCKETS.
(F) 1 VF 1 VB 1 VT ALL FLAK 1 VF. DAMAGE 1 VF.
(G) 1 PILOT VF 1 PILOT VT 2 CREWMEN VT.
(H) 1 AO MANILA HARBOR.
(I) DIRECT BOMB HITS ON 2 SMALL 2 MEDIUM 1 LARGE AK LATTER LEFT BURNING FIERCELY AMIDSHIPS AND DAMAGING NEAR MISSES ON 3 MEDIUM 2 SMALL 1 LARGE AK, TORPEDO HITS ON 2 LARGE 1 MEDIUM AP 1 MEDIUM AK 1 MEDIUM AO. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE SHIPPING

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MAKE ORIGINAL ONLY. DELIVER TO CODE ROOM WATCH OFFICER IN PERSON. (SEE ART. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)
VICINITY MANILA SOUTH HARBOR 1 AO WAS DAMAGED BY HALF TONNER NEAR MISS NORTHWEST SIDE OF MANILA BAY.

(M) 2 TONY'S 1 OSCAR MANILA AREA 1 BETTY FORCE.
(N) 1 OSCAR TARGET.
(R) 1 TOJO..RLPV.**
COMMENTS RESULTS RECCO SAN BERNARDINO STRAITS MORNING AND AFTERNOON NEGATIVE. RECCO NIGHTS REPORT RAIN AND HEAVY WEATHER OVER NORTH SUMAR AND SOUTHEAST LUZON. MORNING FIGHTER SWEEP ENCOUNTERED 16 AGGRESSIVE 6 FIGHTERS. LATER STRIKES STW** NO AIRBORNE ENEMY AIRCRAFT. ALL EXCEPT 2 PILOTS AND 2 CREWMEN VT OF PERSONNEL REPORTED MISSING IN SUMMARY FOR 10 OCTOBER HAVE BEEN RESCUED.
WX 5270 1132.

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HEAVY AIR AND SURFACE STRIKES TACLOBAN-AGUILOC AREA 18TH AND 19TH. RESULTS NOT YET REPORTED. 18TH PLANES BOMBED AND STRAFED 2 JAP LAUNCHES AT HINUNDAYAN LOADED WITH 150 REINFORCEMENTS AND SUPPLIES. BOTH LAUNCHES TOTAL LOSS GUERILLAS BUSY HAAPVANG SURVIVORS. COAST MARCH IN CETFVOCAST REPORTS 2 VESSELS IN FLAMES BETWEEN CEBU AND LEYTE 16TH-18TH. WEATHER CONTINUES GOOD SEA SMOOTH WIND LIGHT THREE. OCCASIONAL LOCAL SHOWERS. 16. COLOR.

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A PARTIAL COVER OF TAINAN DROUE AT 1310 SHOWS THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONAL PLANES: 1 LARGE, BLANK MEDIUM AND 75 SMALL. DESTROYED PLANES THAT WERE VISIBLE WERE A TOTAL OF 72 PLANES. IN THE HANGAR AREA THERE WERE 5 BUILDINGS DESTROYED. ROKKO FIELD, 15 SMALL OPERATIONAL PLANES, NO DAMAGE. AT 1330 OKAYAMA DROUE HAD THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONAL PLANES: 1 LARGE, 5 MEDIUM AND 68 SMALL, RUNWAY WAS FIXED. TAKAO HARBOR SHOWED 14 SHIPS ADDING UP TO 30,600 TONS. THERE WAS NO COVERAGE OF THE AIR DROUE. THE ABOVE IS THE RESULT OF PHOTOS FROM MISSION 4 MB 25%, DTD 18 OCTOBER.

(SECRET)

E. O. 11652, Sec. 3(D) and 4(D) or (F)
OSD Letter, May 1, 1973
By DBS Date MAY 21, 1973
THIRD FLEET SENDS TOP SECRET ACTION CINCPOESPAC
COM 7TH FLEET INFO CINCPOC COMINCH ALL TASK FORCES
3RD AND 7TH FLEETS

SUBSIGHTING 33° 18'N, 180° 36'E, COM 7TH FLEET 18036',
SUGGESTS POSSIBILITY ENEMY MAY ATTEMPT DEPLOY HIS FLEET
IN SMALL DISPERSED GROUPS ALL NEAR TO OUR LANDINGS IN
SUCH MANNER THAT THEY CAN QUICKLY CONCENTRATE FOR SHORT
FAST UNHERALDED TOKYO EXPRESS RUN. SUCH PLAN COULD INVOLVE CAREFUL HIDING AND CAREFUL TIMING OF ATTACK TO
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF WEATHER COVER.

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COMMANDER TASK GROUP 38.1 SENDS ACTION TO COMMANDER TASK FORCE 38.

DAILY OPERATION REPORT.

A 16 OCTOBER
B 11.
C 97 PLUS 16 SHRAP.
D 16.
E 1F TONS 4C ROCKETS.
F 2 VF.
G 2 VF.
H 2 VF PILOTS.
I 1 VF PILOT.
J TORQ Vicki VF TARGET.
N 1 VF TARGET.

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300 Pacific
LEGASPI* ALL PILOTS,

R 4 VF HABALACAT.

U 201KGFX*KURNED* HABALACAT.

V INSTALLATIONS HABALACAT AND CLARK AIRFIELDS.

NO ATTACKS ON FORCH*. ABOUT 30 ENEMY VF MET FIRST 2 SHEEPS
OVER CLARK MANILA AREA. MANY PLANES IN FIELDS IN CLARK AREA.
CONTINUING JAP AIR ELIMINATION TOMORROW. 30,4 REPORT LATER.

END.

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**PASSED BY COM 3RD FLT TO COMINCH FOR ACTION AS 27555G.

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**TOP SECRET Dispatch**

**Action to CTF 77 Info CTF 78 and CTF 79, ComGen 6th Army, Com 3rd Fleet Original is CTF 77.2.** (HDO STAS PASS TO ADEES)

**Operations 18 October.**

**Weather Excellent. Sea Moderate to Smooth Ceiling 8000 Feet.**

Dinegot Attack Force Unloading Continued Black Beach 1, landing made Black 2 without opposition friendly natives said no Japs present all troops and cargo landed. Evacuating troops from Suluian.

**Vinesweeping unit channel from area Sweep to westward completed.**

**Exploratory Sweeps Areas Drum and D completed clearance sweeps.**

**Transport areas commenced. All Sweeps Negative.**

**Last Report concerning area sweep in error. This area 95% complete.**

**With 60 mines swept and destroyed.**

**Bombardment and Fire Support Group entered Leyte Gulf at.**

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**CIT 77**

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**ComGen 6th Army**

**Com 3rd Fleet**

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ENTRY IN FIELD: Bombarded Southern Beaches Dulag Town and Air Field from 1400 to 1745. Town a wreck. UDTS made reconnaissance all Southern Beaches results negative regarding mines and underwater obstructions. Considerable opposition from shore defenses, machine gun rifle and mortar fire was experienced. Casualties 2 killed 16 wounded. Detailed report separately.

Remainder of bombardment group entered Gulf before sunset when reports from minesweepers indicated Gulf free of mines except area sweep. Paravanes of this group swept 2 mines which were destroyed 2 others were sighted while F/S Group remaining in Gulf for night because of time lost in passing.

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THROUGH WINE FIELD.

ONLY 2 DESULTORY AIR ATTACKS NOTED OR REPORTED BOTH BY VAUS* 1 ON A WINE SPEEING GROUP IN FORENOON OTHER ON HYDROGRAPHIC GROUP AT DUSK.

NO DAMAGE FROM EITHER ATTACK.

PORTLAND AVIATOR ON RESCUE MISSION NORTH OF BOHOL ISLAND NOTED ABOUT 300 SMALL BOATS ALL HEADED FOR LEYTE EACH BOAT CONTAINING FROM 3 TO 15 PERSONS AND APPARENTLY ATIREINX* GUERRILLAS VISITED THE CRANDLER* WITH MESSAGE FROM COLONEL CAUJINP* ON SAMAR STATED NEARLY ALL JAP AIRCRAFT ON LEYTE DESTROYED AND NOT VTBRS IN GULF SINCE RECENT BLUE RAID.

SAID JAP TROOPS CONCENTPATED TAGUSAN AND OCCUPY REACH FROM

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By DSS

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ABUYOG TO TAOLOBAN. NO JAPS PANO. ON SAMAR THEY ARE CONCENTRATED NEAR LIPATA. COMPLETE LACK OF AIR OPPOSITION DUE TO PROTECTIVENESS OUR SUPPORT CARRIERS AND RECENT ACTIVITIES TF 38. EXPECT CONVENIENCE A-1 SCHEDULE AT DAYLIGHT AND COMPLETE RECONNAISSANCE NORTHERN BEACHES DURING FORENOON.

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DAILY OPERATIONAL SUMMARY.

A. 16 OCTOBER.
B. 215.
C. 28.
D. 32 DPSPP.
E. 68.4 PLUS 16 TORPEDOES 76 ROCKETS.
F. 3 VF 1 VB.
G. 2 VF 1 VB 5 VT.
H. 3 PILOTS VF 1 PILOT VB 1 CREW VN VB.
I. 2 PILOTS VB 3 PILOTS VT 2 CREW VN 4 CREW VN UNACCOUNTED FOR. ENTERPRISE FLIGHT IN LAST STRIKE SPENT TOO MUCH TIME OVER TARGET RETURNING LOW ON FUEL AFTER DARK.
J. FLOATING DRYDOCK 4 MEDIUM AK 1 AO ALL JUST OUTSIDE MANILA SOUTH HARBOR, DIRECT BOMB HITS 3 LARGE AND MEDIUM AK MANILA BAY AND 1 LARGE AO MARIVALES HARBOR.

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M. 30 SINGLE ENGINE TARGET 1 TWIN ENGINE FORCE.
N. 2 SINGLE ENGINE TARGET.
O. 3 SINGLE ENGINE TARGET.
P. 10 TO 15 CLARK 3 TWIN ENGINE NICHOLS.
Q. ESTIMATED 20 CLARK AND NICHOLS FIELDS.
U. LARGE HULL TANK CLARK.
V. HANGARS AND SMALL BUILDINGS CLARK AND NICHOLS FIELDS.
WX 4234 1124.

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AFTER FURTHER EVALUATION BUT STILL INCOMPLETE FOLLOWING

DAMAGE INFLICTED UPON ENEMY BY CARRIER BORNE AIRCRAFT 3RD

LEET DURING PERIOD 10 OCTOBER-16 OCTOBER ENEMY PLANES

DESTROYED 915. ENEMY SHIPPING SUNK 55 PROBABLY SUNK 32

DAMAGED 112. OUR LOSSES FOR AIR STRIKES 12 OCTOBER: PLANES

COMBAT 43 OPERATIONAL 5, PILOTS 31 PERSONNEL 21. FURTHER

EVALUATION INDICATES ADDITIONAL DAMAGE INFLICTED FORMOSA

RAILWAYS AIRFIELDS STORAGE FACILITIES FACTORIES BARRACKS

AREAS. CARRIER AIRCRAFT 3RD FLEET CONTINUING TO ATTACK OB-

JECTIVES IN PHILIPPINES. ARMY LIBS 14-15 OCTOBER BOMBED

TRUK IOWIMA. PROGRESS REPORTED BY 2 MEDIUM SIZE WARSHIPS

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED DAMAGED. ARMY LIB 16 OCTOBER STRAFED

2 SMALL ENEMY VESSELS SERIOUSLY DAMAGING 1 EAST SIDE SHIMU-

SHIPO ISLAND SOUTHERN KURILE.

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LANDINGS MADE ACCORDING TO PLAN ON DINAGAT HOMONHON AT ENTRANCE TO LEYTE GULF AND OFFENSIVE REACHED ON SULUA WITHOUT OPPOSITION. NO DETAILS REPORTED. NORTHERN SOLOMONS AIR AND SURFACE UNITS MADE REGULAR STRIKES AT TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. PB4Y ON 17 PROBABLY DAMAGED 1 OF 2 JAP PT BOATS IN TOLITOLI BAY NORTHWEST CELEBES.

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HONO INTERCEPT

STRIKES 18 OCTOBER. 13 MITCHELLS 7TH AIR FORCE DROPPED 40 500 AND 36 100 GP ON NAURU. 25% ON

AA POSITIONS AND ON RUNWAYS. AA HEAVY MODERATE ACCURATE. 1 B-25 MINOR. 12 CORSAIRS HIT PONAPE

RUNWAYS STORAGE AREAS AND AA POSITIONS WITH 24 500 GP. 400 RDS HAFTYGCAL* STRAFING AA POSITIONS

2 SMALL FIRES IN STORAGE AREAS. AA HEAVY AND MEDIUM MODERATE TO INTENSE ACCURATE. 16 CORSAIRS

OVER WOTJE STRAFING AND BOMBING CD GUN AND AA POSITIONS WITH 10 2000 GP. 11 1000 GP. 6 6 7 5

ROUNDS. NO AA. 55% IN TARGET AREAS. 12 CORSAIRS OVER ENYBOR 110PND JALUIT ATOLL LOOSED 16 500 GP

ON HEAVY AA POSITION CAUSING SMALL EXPLOSION AND LARGE FIRE AT 11:10. INTENSE ACCURATE. 2
CORSAIRS MINOR F ANL* CORSAIRS OF 4TH MARINE AIR WING.

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RDO HONO PASS INFO TO CINCSPAC COM 3RD FLEET CTF 38, COM 7TH FLEET AND ACTION TO CINCSOWESPAC VIA BELLS. CTG 38.4 ANNOUNCES.

4 EARLY MORNING HELLCATS OVER LEGASPI ON 17TH OBSERVED NO ACTIVITY. LATER STRIKE IN BICOLS CONFIRMED ENEMY AIR INACTIVITY LEGASPI AND NAGA. 5 PLANES NORTH OF LEGASPI FIELD OF WHICH 2 BELIEVED DUMMY AND SOME POSSIBLY IN TREES SOUTH OF FIELD. FIGHTER SWEEP CLARK AIRFIELDS ENCOUNTERED 30 TO 40 JAP FIGHTERS MOSTLY TONY'S WHICH MADE AGGRESSIVE AND DETERMINED ATTACKS. ESTIMATED 20 PLANES DESTROYED IN AIR. CLARK FIELDS STRIKE REGISTERED HITS IN CONCENTRATIONS OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT ON GROUND PROBABLY DESTROYING OR DAMAGING 30 TO 40 PLANES. NUMEROUS PLANES SOME CAMOUFLAGED AND RETVEDD INCLUDING TONY'S BETTY'S OBSERVED CLARK FIELDS.

MANY WELL HIDDEN IN WOODS ADJACENT TO NORTH FIELD. RECON.
NAISANCE OF SAN BERNARDINO STRAITS IN MORNING AND AFTERNOON NEGATIVE. UNFAVORABLE WEATHER OVER CENTRAL LUZON CANCELLED AFTERNOON STRIKE AND PROBABLY ACCOUNTS FOR ABSENCE OF ENEMY AIR ATTACKS AGAINST GROUP; 2 SNOOPERS IN EARLY FORENOON WERE DESTROYED. HAVE NOT RECEIVED COMAIRPAC SERIAL 001258 REGARDING AIR SEA REFERENCE POINTS AND CALLS. REQUEST PERTINENT POINTS AND CALLS BE FORWARDED BY DESPATCH. WX 5882 0925.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM
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TO
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(ACTION TO CINCPAC CINCSOVEDESPAC INFO TO COMINCH COMMTHTFLT ALL TFC'S 3RD FLEET FROM COM3RDFLT)

3 GROUPS STRIKING LUZON TODAY IN GOOD WEATHER. PRELIMINARY RESULTS 18TH OF TG 38.2 FIGHTER SLEEP AND 1ST STRIKE ONLY. THE 1 AIRBORNE PLANE REPORTED WAS SHOT DOWN AT SAN VICENTE. PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND 15 AT LAOAG AND 3 OTHERS. GUIN ISLAND SUNK 2 MEDIUM AP 1 LARGE AP BEACHED AND BURNING. ANOTHER LARGE AP AFIRE FORE AND AFT. 1 SMALL AO LEFT BURNING. AT APARRIRONE COASTAL AK AND FUEL STORAGE BURNING.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/64
# CINCPAO ZONE NOTICE 44.

**Effective immediately reclassify areas as follows:**

- KITCHEN, CLOSET, MARU MORGUE and 11-C are submarine patrol zones.
- PARLOR, DEFER, that portion of VESTIBULE lying north of LATITUDE 21-00 N, that portion of DETECT and DEPART LYING EAST OF 123-00 E LONGITUDE are joint zones. DETAIN, that portion of DELETE LYING EAST OF 123-00 E LONGITUDE, and that portion of VESTIBULE LYING SOUTH OF LATITUDE 20-30 N are air-surface zones.

**This supersedes notice 43. Now effective are 34, 37, 39 and 44.**

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**RDC HONOLULU INTERCEPT**

(This is ultra from CINCPAC. Action TF 38 COM 3RD FLEET INFO COM 7TH FLEET)

At 181238 (minus 9) JAP PLANE SIGHTED SOMETHING IN POSIT 22-27 N 127-TRXCTEEN E.

M. F. Layon

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM
COM 3RD FLEET

RELEASED BY

DATE
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TOR CODEROOM
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DECODED BY
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TYPE

BY
WALFORD

ROUTED BY

INFORMATION

FOR ACTION

AFTER
COMING CINCPAC ALL TFC'S 3RD FLEET CTG 30.3 CTG 30.5 COM 7TH FLEET CINCSOWESPAC

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FOR ACTION

180326 NCR 7007

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(COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION CTG 30.8 CTG 38.2 CTG 30.7 INFO COMING CINCPAC ALL TFC's 3RD FLEET CTG 30.3 CTG 30.5 COM 7TH FLEET INFO PASS INFO CINCSOWESPAC)

ESTIMATE TYPHOOON FORMING IN LAT 1400 NORTH LONG 13600 EAST MAY PASS VICINITY OCTANE ON 20 OCTOBER NOT LATER THAN

COMPLETION FUELINGS TODAY SHIFT ALL UNITS NOW IN OCTANE TO AREA MICK MODIFY MY 170348 AS FOLLOWS

FUEL TASK GROUP 38.2 AT RENDEZVOUS NORTHWEST CORNER AREA MICK LAT 1500 NORTH LONG 12920 EAST AT 0900 19 OCTOBER ON

22ND OCTOBER FUEL TASK GROUP 38.3 IN MICK INSTEAD OF OCTANE ON 23 OCTOBER FUEL TASK GROUP 38.2 IN MICK INSTEAD OF OCTANE

MAINTAIN OILERS IN MICK UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE INSTEAD OF OCTANE NO OTHER CHANGES AT PRESENT CTU THIRTY POINT 7

REPORT WEATHER YOUR PRESENT POSITION SHIFT WITH OILERS AND CONDUCT ANTI SUB OPERATIONS VICINITY AREA MICK

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By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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RELEASED BY:
DATE: 18 OCT 1944
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(FROM COM 3RD FLT SENTS ACTION CINCPAC. COM 7TH FLT INFO PASS ACTION CINCPAC. ALSO INFO ALL RFC'S 3RD FLT COMINCH)

FURTHER EVALUATION BUT INCOMPLETE REPORTS FOR PERIOD 10TH THROUGH 16TH SHOW 565 PLANES SHOT DOWN, 256 OF THEM BY AIRCRAFT AROUND THE FORCE 40 BY GUNFIRE 269 OVER TARGETS. ESTIMATED DESTROYED ON GROUND SAME PERIOD 350.

REVISED SUMMARY STRIKES OF 12TH. ADDITIONS TO MY 130052, PLANES DESTROYED INCLUDED IN ABOVE. ADDITIONAL SHIPPIING. SUNK 3 MEDIUM 2 COASTAL AK AND 15 SMALL CRAFT, PROBABLY SUNK 1 LARGE AK EXPLODED 3 MEDIUM 3 SMALL

5 COASTAL AK 1 AO 1 AM 2 ESCORTS. DAMAGED 1 LARGE AO 7 SMALL 11 COASTAL AK AND 34 SMALL CRAFT. HEAVY ADDITIONAL DAMAGE TO RAILWAY AIRDROME STORAGE FACILITIES FACTORIES AND BARRACKS. OUR ADDITIONAL LOSSES 21 PLANES

IN COMBAT AND 5 OPERATIONAL. TOTAL OF 31 PILOTS AND 21 CREW LOST IN COMBAT ON 12TH.

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By LAS, May 1972
TO SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: PARSONS

RECEIVED BY:

DATE: 18 OCTOBER 1944

TOR CODEROOM:

DECODED BY: MCKEEL

PARAPHRASED BY: MCKEEL CHECKED BY POWLEY

ROUTED BY: MCKEEL

URGENT

TO: COMDR 3RD FLT.

ALL TGS OF TF 38.

HONOLULU INTERCEPT

WEATHER IMPROVING COLOD BAROMETER RISING. 15. 7 OF OUR SHIPS NOW IN LEYTE GULF AT 23 HOURS ADRGS 17TH.

"ASSUME ORIGINATOR TO BE PARSONS. RECEIVED AS Z4M MSG.

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DECIMAL 6-20

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HONO INTERCEPT

CINCPAC TELLS TF 38 COM 3RD FLT. INFO COM 7TH FLEET. HANDLE AS ULTRA.

Mr. Sugim

IN POSITION 19-36N 126-16E TIMED 180445 (MINUS 9)

JAP FLYER MADE A CONTACT.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area Hollandia, New Guinea
To: War Department
No. C 19687 18 October 1944

Chief of Staff War Department C 19687 signed MacArthur.

Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1500Z/16 to 1500Z/17.

Philippines:

Luzon: 3rd Fleet pilots reported 21 large to medium merchant vessels 5 destroyers or destroyer escorts Manila Harbour, 12 to 15 vessels Subic Harbour.

Mindoro: Photographs October 13 show nil aircraft San Jose Airdrome, runways serviceable.

Bohol: Medium freighter transport 2 seatrucks 20 barges sighted October 16 off southwest point.

Borneo:

B24's reported 3 merchant vessels, 7 barges approaching Balikpapan from northeast morning October 14.

Celebes:

Photographs Macassar October 16 showed 6 fighters, 13 bombers Limboeng airdrome, 2 sub-chasers, 1 patrol craft 18 other vessels totalling 4000 tons; attacking CM-IN-17104 (18 Oct 44)

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Date MAY 21 1973

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18 October 1944

B24's reported 12 fighters airborne over Macassar, 4 sea-
trucks near Sindjal in Gulf of Bone.

Manokwari:

P40's report many barges some serviceable
Mansinam Island.

Part 2. Naval:

PT boats shelled targets south Manokwari; also
destroyed 2 beached barges and supplies, strafed small
armed tank and personnel Boeli Bay, Halmahera.

Air. Operations October 16:

(1) 6 A20's bombed and strafed Boram airdrome.

(2) 12 RAAF P40's strafed radio station and
fired fuel dumps Manokwari, strafed stores Moeni.

(3) 16 P47's bombed Sagan; 1 B25, 11 A20's
cratered runway Mongosah; 13 P47's attacked Timika airdrome.

(4) 1 Beaufighter strafed buildings Firoe
Bay; 16 RAAF P40's destroyed 2 luggers and damaged 6
barges around Ceram, also bombed Sagan airdrome, MacCluer
Gulf.

(5) 4 P47's bombed Boela, 16 P47's attacked

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Amahai and 47 P47's cratered runways Kairatoe.

(6) 10 P38's destroyed 2 seatrucks and set barge afire Binnen Bay, 24 B25's caused explosions and fires Ambon Town; 14 P47's bombed Naroekeo.

(7) 1 B25, 23 A20's attacked Langgoer airfield, Kai Islands.

(8) 34 P38's damaged numerous barges sweeping Amboina and Bimaheara.

(9) 34 B24's on practice mission started fires both airdromes Nebles.

(10) Patrol B24 left large barge burning, met 3 intercepting floatplanes north Toli Toli Bay.

(11) Pre-dawn B24 started fires Balikpapan.


Operations October 17:

(13) 6 B25's bombed designated targets Muschu Island; 6 A20's attacked guns and small boat Kairiru; 6 Beauforts demolished huts near Naprik village.

(14) 13 RAAP P40's strafed stores and bivouacs

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western Geelvink Bay, destroyed barge and fuel dumps, attacked
town and airfield Manokwari.

(15) 12 P38's bombed supplies and guns near Kau, demolished buildings around Halmahera.

(16) Patrol B24 destroyed floatplane Toli Toli Bay.

(17) 59 B24's struck Ilang barracks and waterfront installations near Davao, destroyed buildings, caused
large explosions and fires.

(18) 15 P38's set seaplane on fire and damaged another off Zamboanga, attacked seaplane base and destroyed
flying boat Caldera Bay.


Weather:

Equatorial front through Central Philippines
with intense tropical disturbance centered Samar Island
with heavy rain and rough seas, disturbance moving west.

Solomons Forces.

Naval:

PT boats attacked coastal targets New Ireland

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and eastern Bougainville.

Air. Operations as yet unreported.

Land.

Philippines:

Landings effected eastern Leyte Gulf area on Dinagat Island at point 10 degrees 26 minutes north 125 degrees 35 minutes east by 6th Ranger Battalion less 2 Companies, no resistance reported up to time of this report; and on Sulu Island (10 degrees, 46 minutes north 125 degrees 56 minutes east) by 1st Ranger Company; Sulu objective reached without opposition. Heavy rain ceiling zero, rough weather experienced, prevented landing Homonhon Island (10 degrees 44 minutes north 125 degrees 44 minutes east). For major amphibious assault reports, reference will be made to Central Philippines operational maps series of 17 sheets, scale 1 to 25,000 with target area grid system overprint Leyte area.

Part 3.

(1) 20 300 lb bombs dropped, 1200 rounds 50 calibre fired.

(2) 4 500 lb, 12 250 lb bombs dropped, 10,100 rounds spent in strafing.

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(3)  29 500 lb bombs dropped Sagan and Timika
48 500 lb bombs at Mongosah.

(4)  17 100 lb bombs dropped, 10,200 rounds 50
calibre fired by 12 P40's, 1300 rounds 30 calibre by
Beaufighter.

(5)  67 500 lb bombs dropped.

(6)  24 500 lb bombs, 66 100 lb magnesium clusters
dropped from 12,000 to 9,000 feet by B25's, moderate heavy
accurate anti-aircraft fire encountered.

(7)  48 500 lb bombs, 118 100 lb parasimco
dropped; intense medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(8)  No details.

(9)  120 1000 lb bombs dropped from 19000 feet
slight heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(10) No details.

(11) Dropped 10 250 lb bombs, reported 16
searchlights, moderate heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(12) 8 500 lb bombs dropped, 1000 rounds 50 calibre
fired.

(13) 24 300 lb bombs dropped by B25's, 22 300 lb 8
to 15 seconds delay bombs dropped, 10,300 rounds 50 calibre

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spent by A20's, 12 500 lb bombs by Beauforts.
(14) 4 500 lb, 14 250 lb bombs dropped
by 11 aircraft.
(15) No details.
(16) No details.
(17) 424 500 lb bombs dropped, moderate to intense
medium and heavy anti-aircraft fire.
(18) No details.
(19) 8 250 lb bombs dropped Lingat, 4 300 lb
1/10th second delay bombs Lahane.

Supplementary paragraph:

Additional 5th Air Force fighter sorties flown
October 9 through October 14:
25 by P38's
59 by P47's
5 by P61's

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CCS, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, STATISTICS, ADM KING,
       COL PARK, FIELD MARSHAL DILL, LOG

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(CWTHIRD FLEET SENDS ACTG 30.3 INFO CTO 30.8 CTO 30.9 CTO 30.5 COMINCH CINCPAC ALL FTC'S THIRD FLEET)

TYPHOON APPARENTLY FORMING AT LAT 14.00 NORTH LONG 136.00 EAST AND WILL MOVE NORTHWEST AT ABOUT 10 KNOTS SOA. UPON COMPLETION FUELING TODAY COME TO COURSE SOUTH. REPORT YOUR POSITION AT THAT TIME. YOUR 170658. TRANSMIT YOUR REPORT OF DAMAGE WHEN CONVENIENT.
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(RELAY CINCPAC FROM ALUSLO XX BOMBER COMMAND V 2336 D)

PRELIMINARY MISSION REPORT READS 15 AIRCRAFT VISUALLY BOMBED EINANSHR AIRFIELD FROM 24,000 FEET WITH GOOD RESULTS, ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION MODERATE OUR CLAIMS 7 DESTROYED 8 DAMAGED, WEAGRE INACCURATE AA, 5 BARRAGE BALLOONS AT 23,000 FEET. 13 PLANES HIT 5 SHIPS IN TAKAO HARBOR 1 BEING 405 FOOT AQ, DOCKS AND WHARF AREA ALSO HIT. 1 AIRCRAFT HIT AMOY SHIPPING UNOBSERVED RESULTS. BOMB LOAD PER AIRCRAFT 7 TONS. TODAY'S PHOTO SHIP GOT COVERAGE SHIQIITO, TAIHOKO, GRIAM, OKAYAMA WITH BAD WEATHER OVER OTHER TARGETS. 9 OIL STORAGE TANKS OBSERVED ON CHINA COAST AT 24-25 NORTH - 116-54 EAST ALSO 20 SMALL VESSELS IN TAKAO HARBOR WITH HARBOR WATERS OIL COVERED THIS OVER AN HOUR AFTER OUR ATTACK. WORKING ON PHOTOS NOW MORE LATER. AS RECEIVED.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/67
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OHONO INTEPCT

(CTG 38.4 SENDS ACTION CTF 38 INFO COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT CINCPAC RDC HONOLULU PLEASE PASS.

**DAILY OPERATIONAL SUMMARY.**

(A) 17 OCTOBER

(B) 113 GG*

(C) 63

(D) 17 UX*

(E) 20 PLUS 89 INCENDIARIES 66 FRAGS 36 ROCKETS.

(F) 1 VT

(G) 1 VF 1 VT

(H) 1 PILOT 2 CREWMAN VT

(I) 1 PILOT VF

(J) 1 LUGGER LEGASPI

(M) 2 FRANCES FORCE 12 TONYS 9 ZEKES MANILA

CLARK FIELD AREA. PQR ESTIMATED 30 TO 40 SINGLE AND TWIN ENGINE MABALACJIT APD CLARK NORTH.

V 1 HANGAR CLARK FIELD NORTH, WILL BE GLAD TO HAVE COMPANY IN OUR HITHERTO PRIVATE WAR.

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RDO HONO INTERCEPT
WEATHER CHANGED RADICALLY LAST NIGHT. ROY*CONTINUOUS RAINS STRONG WINDS BAROMETER DROPPING. REPORT FROM DINAGAT:
47 US NAVAL UNITS SHELLED DINAGAT THIS MORNING, SWEEPERS ARE ACTIVE WITHIN LEYTE GULF. 3 ENEMY PLANES IN VICINITY DINAGAT NOON BELIEVED ON RECO MISSIONS. 14

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See Pacific
OPNAV 19-78
(EBERT FROM MCNEELY 2314D)

COMPOSITE HIGH ALTITUDE SIGHTINGS AMOY HARBOR 10A, 10 SMALL AK'S, IN TAKAO 9 LARGE AK'S ANCHORED WITH 3 MORE TIED UP ALONGSIDE OUTER DOCKS AND 3 MORE TO INSIDE DOCKS, TOTAL 15 SHIPS IN TAKAO WITH CLAIMS 5 SHIPS HIT AS WELL AS DOCKS AND WHARF AREA BOMBED. PHOTO CONFIRMATION BEING PROCESSED. BAD WEATHER OVER FORMOSA STRAITS PREVENTED SIGHTINGS, SAME FOR PHOTO SHIP OVER LUZON.

*PASSED BY COMNAVGROUP CHINA TO CINCPAC FOR ACTION AND COMINCH FOR INFO AS 171231.
OP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM  CTF 77.2
RELEASED BY
DATE  18 OCTOBER 1944
TOR CODEROOM  1635/16

DI SPATCH

TO A T T R I B U T E

CTF 79
CTF 78
CON 3RD FLT
CINCPAC
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BASEGRAM

RECEIVED FROM NMP (RDO HCNO) AS 194614 WITH COMINCH INFO
THIS IS

RDO MANUS PASS TO ALL ADEES. CTF 77.2 SHOOTS ACTION CTF 77 INFO CTF 79 CTF 78 CON 3RD FLT CINCPAC.

October 17 landings effected as follows: Black 1 no opposition.
Black 2 landing delayed 2 hours failure steering gear.
Black 3 (Suluan) 2 casualties 1 died. 32 enemy captured about
15% natives all friendly. Sweep of southern islands made, 2
floating mines discovered. Operations in area sweep completed
with negative results. Main channel sweep commence no reports.

Weather delayed operations and caused late arrival YMS and
hydrographic groups. Expect to proceed according to plan.
Contrary to expectations weather improving slightly.

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**(asterisk) AIRGRAM ADDRESSEE**

CINCPAC, COM 3RD FLT CTF's 77, 78, 79, 38 ALL TCGS OF TFS 77, 78, 79 AND 38 COMAF 5, BLUE RIDGE PASS INFO TO COMGEN 6TH ARMY

IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW

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CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM 7TH FLT ACTION COMAAF CAND WHO HAVE INFO CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT, CTF'S 77, 78, 79, 38, ALL TCGS OF TFS 77, 78, 79 AND 38 COMAF 5, BLUE RIDGE PASS INFO TO COMGEN 6TH ARMY

**EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1944 2 DAY ALLIED AIR FORCES WILL IN ADDITION TO NEUTRALIZING HOSTILE AIR FORCES ON KININHAO ATTACK HOSTILE AIR AND SHIPPING IN THE VISAYAS WEST OF THE LINE, CNAUAYOR ISLAND, 69 DEGREES NORTH 124-60 EAST, EAST COAST CAPIGUIN ISLAND, EAST COAST BOHOL, OLANO ISLAND, NORTHEAST TIP CEBU, SE T EAST TIP NASBATE, FOR CX 19642, COORDINATION OF NAVAL AND AIR ACTION, COMMANDER ALLIED AIR FORCES WILL NOTIFY COMMANDERS TASK FORCES AND TASK GROUPS 77, 78 AND 79, COM 3RD FLEET AND COMMAND TASK FORCES AND TASK GROUPS TASK FORCE 38 OF THE APPROXIMATE TIME OF STRIKE WESTWARD OF THE ABOVE LINE GIVING 24 HOURS NOTICE AS PRACTICABLE PRIOR TO STRIKE, SUBSEQUently 38 ABLE PLUS 1 DAY COMMANDER ALLIED NAVAL FORCES WILL INFORM COMMANDER ALLIED AIR FORCE**

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FORCES OF OUR NAVAL SURFACE UNITS OPERATING WESTWARD OF THE
ABOVE LINE GIVING AT LEAST 24 HOURS NOTICE OF PROBABLE LOCATIONS.

MACARTHUR.
**Naval Message**

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**To:** COMMUNIVR CHINA CINCPAC  
**For Action:** COMINCH  
** FOR CODEROOM:** 1561  
**Decoded By:** HOFNER  
**Paraphrased By:** HOFNER/SCHMICK  
**PRESENTED BY:** DSM-11  
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**TEXT: (FOLLOWING FROM VINCENT TO CHENNAULT PASSED BY COMMUNITN 14TH TO COMMUNIVR CHINA)**

quote at 1540 hours local on 16th at hongkong harbor 36 ships afloat adding up to 96,350 tons, 16 naval vessels 1 cruiser had left the harbor in drydock were 3 ships totalling 15,550 tons. 6 ships sunk, largest 430 feet, 7 damaged. probably damaged 5 ships. this above is a report of photos from mission 4m244.

Communivr china passed to cincpac for action and commin for info as 17-206.

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By DBS  
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FROM COM 3RD FLT.  COM 7TH FLT  INFO  PASS  ACTION
CINCSOWESPAC.  INFO  CINCPAC  ALL  TFC'S  3RD  FLT.

EFFECTIVE SUPPORT BY THIRD FLEET AGAINST TOKYO
EXPRESS WILL DEPEND ON TIME INFORMATION ON APPROACH.
DETECTION PRIOR TO ENTRY INTO SULU OR CELEBES SEA
WILL GIVE BEST CHANCE OF EARLY ACTION.  FROM MY
STANDPOINT OBSERVATION OF THE APPROACHES TO
BALABAC AS FAR TO THE SOUTHWEST AS POSSIBLE IS
MOST IMPORTANT AS IS ALSO THE APPROACHES TO
MINDORO STRAIT.
**TOP SECRET DISPATCH**

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**DATE** | 18 OCT 1944 | CTF 27.1.2 | 3
**TOR CODE旅游业 | 2231/17 | CTF 27 | 4
**DECODED BY** | SEVAD | CTF 28 | 5
**PARAPHRASED BY** | DORSEY | CTF 38.2 | 6
**CHECKED BY** | WOODMAR | CTF 38.1 | 7
**DITTED BY** | DORSEY | CTF 38.3 | 8
**ROUTED BY** | COM 7TH FLT | CTF 77 | 9

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**17/616** | **NCR 6563**

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**HONO INTERCEPT**

*(CON 7TH FLT GIVES IN SECRET. CINCPAC ALSO ACTION)*

**PARSONS REPORT.**

**SHELLING AT ENTRANCE STRAITS THIS MORNING.**

**SWEETED INSIDE. WEATHER OVERCAST. OCCUPIED AREAS SAPNYU. JAPS MAY PREVENT EVACUATION TACLOBAN.**

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COM 3RD FLT
RELEASED BY: CINCPAC
DATE: 18 OCT 1944
TOR CODEROOM: 0448
DECODED BY: ELY
TYPED BY: D SMITH
ROUTED BY: 

PRECEDENCE: 1
PRIORITY: PPPPRP
TIME: 
DEFERRED: 

ADDRESS: COMSUBPAC
Asterisk (*) Mailgram Address

TO: CINCPAC
CF: 38
COMINCH

INFORMATION:

COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION COMSUBPAC PASS INFO CINCPAC. ALSO INFO CTF 38

WORKING ON LUZON STRAIT ANTI SUBMARINE PATROL TASK GROUP 38.1 DESTROYED 80 FOOT PATROL BOAT OFF NORTHERN TIP SABTANG ISLAND AND 5 SINGLE ENGINE PLANES ON BASCO FIELD BATAN ISLAND ALL ON 13 OCTOBER.

*DOOO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 171611
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By DBS Date Jan 21 1973

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

FROM: COM 7TH FLT
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 18 OCTOBER 1944
TOR CODEROOM: 180205
DECODED BY: SEVALD
TYPE BY: FRUIN
ROUTED BY:

ALL COMMANDERS CONCERNED WITH COM 7TH FLT'S INTELLIGENCE SUMMARIES

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HONO INTERCEP'T

COM 7TH FLT SENDS,

NOON 15TH 19 SHIPS HONGKONG HARBOR TOTALLING 1 WH ED 8100 TONS INCLUDING 12 NAVAL CRAFT. 1 POSSIBLE BB 1316 16TH

23-00 \ N 115-32 E COURSE 130. SAME DAY 1130 2 BB 1 CV 1 CA 2 CL 8 DD COURSE 252 SPEED 20 POSIT 26-27 N 130-20. AT 1300

2 LARGE 8 SMALL SHIPS TAKEN FORMOSA. ALSO 1 DD 13 MILES UP COAST FROM TAIPEI HEADED SOUTHEAST SPEED 20. POSSIBLE

CONVERTED CARRIER LARGE AO 1 CA ANCHORED 11-31 N 123-20 E 16H01/16. 1820 15TH 2 LARGE AO 2 SMALL GUNBOATS 1 DD

SOUTHBOUND 11-46 N 123-08 E. ALL 1 TIMES. SAME DAY 1300 2 LARGE AK PASSED BROOKES POINT SE PALAWAN NORTHBOUND.

BLACK NIGHT 15/16 BY BOMBING STRAFING DROVE 1 SMALL STACK AFT VESSEL ON Y PF* AND CAUSED CREW ABANDON ANOTHER DENTHAVEN NE BORNEO. EARLY HOURS 16 1 MEDIUM FREIGHTER TRANSPORT 6 UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS IN SAVAO JET DAVAO GULF. NOON SAME DAY

1 SMALL FREIGHTER TRANSPORT 1 SMALL AK CAGAYENER BOR*. SECTOR 5 SEARCH 16TH EXTENDED TO VIJFXBH SURIMAO SEAS SAN

BERNARDINA STRAIT. ONLY SIGHTING 12 BARGES 11-25 N 124-05 E COURSE 190. SPECIAL OBSERVATIONS MIN best SAV MEDIUM FREIGHTER
TRANSPORT 2 SMALL AK 20 BARGES ANCHORED PANGLAO BAY SOUTH BOHOL, 1155/16 B 24 SAW SURFACED SUB 02515 129-00 E. SEARCH PLANE ATTACKED UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL 1560/16 01-10 N 123-00 E. NIL RESULTS REPORTED. PHOTOS 15 SASSA DALYAO LIBBY MATINA DRONES CAVAY AREA SERVICEABLE.

NIL PLANES PRESENT EXCEPT 2 BOMBERS 1 TRANSPORT MATINA. UNIDENTIFIED FIELD UQDAYAF 07-55 N 123-50. RUNWAY 7400 WY 408 AREA SERVICEABLE.

CILOI ANPKKOR M FENCYS.*

*AS RECEIVED

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TOP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: CTF 77
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 16 OCTOBER 1944
TOR CODEBOOK: 16542
DECODED BY: KNAPP
PARAPHRASED BY: MONROE
ROUTED BY: MONROE

TO: CTG 77.4
CTG 77.2

FOR ACTION: URGENT
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FROM CTF 77. RDO WASHINGTON GIVE COMINCH AND RDO HOLLANDIA GIVE 7TH FLEET REAR ECHelon BOTH INFD)

MY 150542. COM 3RD FLEET 165224 AND ASSOCIATED DISPATCHES CONTAIN FOLLOWING GENERAL PLAN. PRESENT ORDERS TO 36.1 BE OFF SAMAR 18 OCT STRIKE LEYTE SAMAR CEBU NEGROS AREA 18TH AND 19TH. IT IS POSSIBLE TO 36.1 WILL NOT BE THERE 18TH BECAUSE OF SEARCH CONDUCTED MORNING 17TH AND POSSIBLE FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. TG 38.4 STRIKE CENTRAL LUZON DAWN 17TH OCTOBER. STRIKE LEGASPI AS REQUIRED. REPEAT ON 18TH AND 19TH. ON 26 OCT TO 36.1 AND TO 38.4 RENDEZVOUS AND PROVIDE DIRECT SUPPORT FOR LEYTE OPERATION IN ACCORDENCE CONF 7TH FLEET 861829.
TG 36.2 AND TO 36.3 IN COVERING POSITION VICINITY POINT N LAT 18-30 N LONG 126-30 E.

NEW SUBJECT FOR CTG 77.4. STRIKE WESTERN VISAYA 18TH AND ADJUST COVERING SUPPORT ON FOLLOWING DAYS ACCORDING TO DEVELOPMENTS

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(COM 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION CINCPAC INFO COMINCH ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT. COM 7TH FLT INFO PASS ACTION CINCSOWESPAC)

CTG 38.4 RESULTS 14-15 OCTOBER AS PER HIS 160348.
FROM 13TH THROUGH 15TH, CTG 38.1 WHILE OPERATING NEAR
TG 30.3 SHOT DOWN 95 OUT OF 101 PLANES ATTACKING BOTH
DAY AND NIGHT. OWN LOSSES WERE 5 VF COMBAT AND 2 VF
OPERATIONAL. ON 16TH CAROT AND COMPS, COVERING 30.3
SHOT DOWN 50 OUT OF 60 PLANES OF ALL TYPES ATTACKING
THE CRIPPLES. SEARCHERS AND CAP OF 38.2 AND 38.3 SHOT
DOWN 15 ASSORTED NIPS ON 16TH, ENEMY FLEET RELENTLESS
AND ENEMY AIR FORCES SEEING TO BE HAVING TROUBLE SCRAPPING
UP ATTACK GROUPS. ALL 3RD FLEET SHIPS REPORTED BY
RADIO TOKYO AS SUNK HAVE NOW BEEN SALVAGED AND ARE
RETRACING TOWARDS THE ENEMY.

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SECRET

YESTERDAYS STRIKE PHOTOS OF OKAYAMA ASSEMBLY PLANT REVEAL EXCELLENT RESULTS WITH HITS OBSERVED ON ALL BUT 2 OF REMAINING UNDAMAGED LARGE BUILDINGS INCLUDING HITS ON THE AIMING POINT COMPLEX. HITS OR NEAR MISSES OBSERVED ON PRACTICALLY ALL REMAINING SMALL BUILDINGS. SCRATCH 1 JAC ASSEMBLY PLANT WITH OVER A HUNDRED AIRCRAFT DESTROYED OR DAMAGED. ADDITIONAL HITS ON RUNWAYS STILL UNUSABLE. PHOTO SHOWS DIRECT HIT ON 4 HANGARS, 4 LARGE WAREHOUSES, MAIN OFFICE BUILDING AND ADMINISTRATIVE AREA. RUNWAY STILL USABLE.

*COMNAVGROUP CHINA PASSED ACTION CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT AND INFO COMINCH AS 17324*
OP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM CTG 77.2
RELEASED BY
DATE 17 OCTOBER 1944
TOR CODE WORD PERRY

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PARAPHRASED BY ROBERTS
CHECKED BY JOHNSON
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FOR ACTION CTF 77
 INFORMATION CTF 79

FOR ACTION CTF 77
 INFORMATION CTF 79

OPAQUE INTERCEPT

RDO MANUSPASS THIS, ACTION TO CTF 77 INFO TO CTF 78, 79
COM 3RD FLT. CTG 77.2 ORIGI NATES.

OPERATIONS 17 OCTOBER LANDINGS DATE ACCORDING TO PLAN OBJECTIVES
REACHED ON SULUAN WITHOUT OPPOSITION. COMMUNICATIONS VERY BAD.
TROPICAL DISTURBANCE NEAR TYPHOON INTENSITY EXPECTED TO CONTINUE
FOR 48 HOURS INCREASING IN INTENSITY NEXT 24. CENTER BELIEVED 75
MILES TO NORTH MOVING 290 DEGREES 15 KNOTS. DOUBLING BY NIGHTFALL.
HEAVY RAIN CEILING ZERO ROUGH SEA. CARRIERS AND SMALL SHIPS MAKING
HEAVY WEATHER. AIR OPERATIONS IMPOSSIBLE CARRIERS RETIRING ON 126.

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RAWOLLE REPORTS. COM 7TH FLT SENDS.

FOLLOWING STRENGTHS AS OF 1 OCTOBER INCLUDE THOSE ALREADY REPORTED IN PREVIOUS MESSAGES.

TACLOBAN 32,500. PALO 4,500. TANAUAN 13,000. TOLOS A 17,000. DULAG 50,000. DAGAMI 45,000. BURAUN 20,000. LAPAZ HAS 25,000 TROOPS.

ABUYOG AREA 55%. JARO 44%. ORNOC HAS 1700 MAPS INCLUDING SOME MARINES NO TANKS. DOLORES 150%. VALENCIA 25%. KANADA AND VICINITY 60%. LOUMON 50%. CARIGARA 25%. ABOVE FIGURES ARE FOR GENERAL AREAS NAMED AND ARE NOT STRENGTH IN TOWN PROPER. 1175 MM GUN ON ENAPONGH HILL WEST OF BURAUN.

1 1705 MM GUN NEAR RESERVOIR TACLOBAN. 1 AA GUN ON TOP OF PURISIMA MAG Hill 1 HALF MILE NORTH PALO. ALSO 2 AA GUNS ON RIGHT SIDE VUNGA HILL. 2 AA GUNS ON WEST SIDE 2 MILES OUT ON TACLOBAN UBIN ROAd. 4 AA VICINITY PALO. 1 AA AT

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/44
LEYTE HIGH SCHOOL IN TACLOBAN. THESE INSTALLATIONS BELIEVED IN ADDITION TO THOSE ALREADY REPORTED IN PREVIOUS MESSAGES. TOTAL OF 26 LIGHT AND MEDIUM TANKS ARE ON EAST SIDE LEYTE. MAJORITY OF THESE BELIEVED IN BURAEN BURI AREAS. SOME TANKS TRUCKS AND FUEL DUMPS HIDDEN 175 FEET SOUTH WEST OF BURI.

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RAICOLLE REPORTS, FOLLOWING STRENGTHS AS OF 1 OCTOBER INCLUDE THOSE ALREADY REPORTED IN PREVIOUS MESSAGES. TACLOBAN 3200. PALO 430, TANJUN 1800, TAPOSA 1700, DULAG 5000, DACAMI 4500, BURAUN 2900, LAPAX HAS 25% TECOPS, ANUYOD ARVA 500, JARO 430. ORMOC HAS 1700 JAPS INCLUDING SOME MARINES, 80 TANKS.

DOLORES 150, ALENCLA 250, KANAGA AND VICINITY 650, LIMON 50, CARICARA 250. ABOVE FIGURES ARE FOR GENERAL AREAS NAMED AND ARE NOT STRENGTH IN TOWN PROPER. 1 75 MM GUN ON ENAPSONG HILL WEST OF BURAUN. 1 155 MM GUN NEAR RESERVOIR TACLOBAN. 1 AA GUN ON TOP OF PURISIMA IMAGE HILL ONE HALF MILE NORTH PALO, ALSO 2 AA GUNS ON RIGHT SIDE YUNCA HILL. 2 AA GUNS ON WEST...
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SOME TANKS TRUCKS AND FUEL DUMPS HIDDEN IN 75 FEET SOUTH WEST
OF BURI IN BAMBOO GROVE.

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FROM COM 3RD FLEET, ACTION CINCPAC COMINCH ALL TFC'S 3RD AND 7TH FLEETS CTG 30.3 CTG 30.5 CTG 30.7 CTG 30.9 CINCINHESPAC (VIA COM 7TH FLEET)

STRIKING FORCE SIGHTED. TRAP FAILED. NIP SURFACE FORCES LOST INTEREST AND RETIRED. GENERAL PLAN 38.4 STRIKE LUZON 17TH, 38.1 REINFORCE 38.4 BOTH STRIKING LUZON 18TH AND 19TH, 38.2 AND 38.3 IN GENERAL SUPPORT UNTIL SITUATION CLARIFIES. NO CHANGE IN GENERAL PLAN FOR OTHER GROUPS AND UNITS. MOVEMENT ORDERS BY SEPARATE DESPATCHES.

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FROM
CINCPAC
Released by

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17 OCT 1944

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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

ACTION TF 30.3 COM 3RD FLT. INFO COM 7TH FLT FROM CINCPAC

AT 170235 JAP AIRCRAFT SPOTTED SOMETHING AT 20-42 N
125-13 E AND AT 0250 THE SAME PLANE REPORTED POSIT
20-12 N 124-28 E. ALL TIMES MINUS 9
THIS FOR CONSUBPAC.

AT 161449Z SAURY OBSERVED MUCH HEAVY CALIBER BUNFIRE PE VICINITY 26-10 NORTH 126-49 X EAST INTENPE FORCED DOWN WITH UNIDENTIFIED NIGHT AIRCRAFT. REMAINING IN VICINITY BUT ATTEMPTING TO KEEP CLEAR OF ENGAGEMENT. 17 FISH REMAINING.

* AS RECEIVED

1 COPY TO 29-6
HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(COMBO FLG SENDS ACTION CTG 38.1 INFO CTF 38)

INTEBO* CLOSE YOUR 0500 POSITION AFTER SEARCH IS ABOARD ABOUT 0230. ADVISE IMMEDIATELY SECTORS YOU WILL COVER IN YOUR DAWN SEARCH AND YOUR ESTIMATED 0700 POSITION.

*AS RECEIVED
COMNAVUNIT 14TH AF SENDS FOR CHENNAULT TO CINCPAC AND MACARTHUR.

FLASH PRELIMINARY REPORTS IN SUPPORT PAC-AIR BOMBING MISSION HONGKONG 16 OCTOBER. MITCHELL AT LOW LEVEL B24'S AT HIGH LEVEL MUSTANGS DIVE BOMBING. CLAIMED BY MITCHELLS 2-400 FOOT FREIGHTERS SUNK, 2-400 FOOT TANKERS SUNK, 1-350 FOOT FREIGHTER PROBABLY SUNK, 1-350 FREIGHTER AND 1-400 FOOT TRANSPORT DAMAGED. CLAIMED BY MUSTANGS 2 DIRECT HITS ON 1-400 FOOT TYPE UNKNOWN AND DIRECT HIT AND NEAR MISS ON 1-350 FOOT TANKER. THESE 2 ARE PROBABLY SUNK. MITCHELLS OBSERVED DOCKS WELL COVERED BY BOMBS FROM B24'S 1 MEDIUM SHIP AT DOCK SEEN TO BREAK IN TWO. MORE LATER WHEN PHOTOS AND INTERROGATION IS COMPLETE. VISUAL SIGHTING BY PHOTO PILOT SAME DATE 5 NAVAL VESSELS AT TAKAO. LIGHT FIGHTER INTERCEPTION. NO LOSSES 14TH AF.

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ACTION: F-30
HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(CTU 30.5-3 SENDS, RDO HONO PASS ACTION COM 3RD FLT AND INFO ALL TASK FORCE COMMANDERS 3RD FLT. ALSO INFO CTG 30.5 CTF 57 CTF 59)

ALL V 223 FULL TRACK 85 TO 95 COVER EXCEPT 36 V WENT ONLY 915 DUE CIRCUMVENT FRLNT* 300 MILES OUTBOUND.

2 V 9 27 V ALL TO 1150 MILES IN EXCELLENT VISIBILITY NEGATIVE EXCEPT 9 V SIGHTED POSITIVE JAP SUB W/GIDBGUSOSHI*

DIVED ON COURSE 210 TRUE AT 22-10 N DASDISH* 130-40 E AT 1250 I SURFACE SPEED 10-12 KNOTS. IDENTIFIED BY MEATBALL IN FORE PART OF CONNING TOWER. NO BOMBS CARRIED BY 2 V.

14 V SIGHTED 1 JAP DD 1 DE 1 AO 27-15 N 141-40 E COURSE 150 SPEED 12 KNOTS AT 1000 I. ALSO AT 1055 I 1 DD 2 DE 28-55 N 141-20 E COURSE 330 SPEED 15 KNOTS

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20G
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CTG 38.4
RELEASED BY
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PARAPHRASED BY SAMSON, A.

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COM 3RD FLT
CINC PAC
COM 7TH FLT
ALL TFCS 3RD & 7TH FLTS

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ON OUTGOING DISPATCHES PLEASE LEAVE ABOUT ONE INCH CLEAR SPACE BEFORE BEGINNING TEXT

HONO INTERCEPT

RADIO HOLLANDIA PLACE ON BELLS ACTION CINC SWAP RND PASS TO NPM FOR BROADCAST ON HF TO INFO ADES WHO ARE COM 3RD FLT CINC PAC COM 7TH FLT ALL TFCS 3RD AND 7TH FLEETS. CTG 38.4 PUTS THIS OUT.

PHILIPPINE

FIGHTER SWEEP ON APARRI MORNING OF 14TH DESTROYED ON GROUND 3 SINGLE AND 2 TWIN ENGINE PLANES REPRESENTING TOTAL OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT OBSERVED. NO AIRBORNE ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED. NIL AIRCRAFT SEEN CAMALANJUGAN. WEATHER PREVENTED LAOAG SWEEP FROM REACHING TARGET. HEAVY STRIKE LAUNCHED MORNING OF 15TH AGAINST MANILA BAY AIRFIELDS INTERCEPTED BY ESTIMATE 50 ZEKES OSCARS AND TSONYS WHICH MADE AGGRESSIVE ATTACKS ON OUR FIGHTERS IN 2, 3 AND 4 PLANE FORMATIONS. ESTIMATED 30 TO 50 AIRBORNE ENEMY AIRCRAFT AND 15 TO 20 AIRCRAFT ON GROUND DESTROYED. OUR LOSSES 2 VF. PILOTS REPORT NUMEROUS PLANES NEILSON NICHOLS LATTER MOSTLY REVETTED. 12 SINGLE AND TWIN ENGINE PLANES WELL

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By RT, NARA Date 4/18/94
CAMOUFLAGED REVETTED EAST AND SOUTH END BALARA. PILOTS REPORTED 21 MEDIUM TO LARGE AOS AND AKS 5 DDS OR DES PLUS NUMEROUS SMALLER CRAFT IN MANILA HARBOR. 12 TO 15 SHIPS MOSTLY AKS VARIOUS SIZES SUBIC BAY. PERSISTENT ATTACKS ON THIS GROUP DURING DAY CANCELLED DESPATCH OF OTHER STRIKES. 30 NIP PLANES SHOT DOWN VICINITY OF TASK GROUP. SUPERFICIAL DAMAGE ONLY TO SHIPS.

DELIVERED TO 20G.
This is from CINCPPOA. Action CINCSWPA. Info.

Following replies to lettered queries your 100743:

(A) 57 DQ'S and 18 DE'S will be increased by the addition of 9 DD but early return to POA will be necessary as indicated in (C) below in order to implement detachment.

(B) Allocation herein may be considered final except insofar as battle damages unanticipated material breakdowns or unforeseen military exigencies may introduce unavoidable changes. CA'S now reduced to 3 as indicated my 101935 which also covers temporary release CA'S to COM 3RD FLT FOR HOTFOOT DURING INTERVAL BETWEEN K-2 AND M-1. CVE'S reduced to 18 as indicated my 112018. AKA'S reduced to 19 due to recent material deficiencies ALCHIBA. APO.

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INCREASED TO 17 BY INCLUSION 5 APD COMINCH 191317. AGC REDUCED TO 4 DUE TO URGENT EARLY REQUIREMENT FOR 1 IN CONNECTION TRAINING LARGE NUMBER NEW SHIPS AND PREPARATION AND REHEARSALS FOR DETACHMENT. ADDITIONAL COMMAND FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE SINCE 4 APA ASSIGNED YOU CAMBRIA FREMONT CAVALIER AND LEONARD WOOD ARE FULLY EQUIPPED RAGC OF WHICH ONLY 2 WERE PREVIOUSLY SO DESIGNATED. IN REDEPLOYMENT SCHEDULE WHICH FOLLOWS 2 RAGC REFER TO CAMBRIA AND FREMONT.

(c) DATES AND LOCALITIES OF RELEASE OF ASSAULT SHIPPING TO POA FOLLOWS. GUAM 4 JANUARY 13 APA OR AP 1 LSV 1 RAGC 3 LSD 6 AKA OR AK 6 APD. GUADALCANAL 20 JANUARY 10 APA OR AP 3 APH 1 LSV 1 RAGC 5 LSD 2 AGC 60 LST 15 LSM 5 APD. LEYTE 25 JANUARY 29 APA OR AP 1 LSV 2 LSD 12 AKA OR AK 2 AGC 60 LST 15 LSM 6 APD. PEARL 20 FEBRUARY FOR OVERHAUL.
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10 APA OR AP 1 AKA OR AK TO BE DESIGNATED LATER. DATES AND LOCALITIES OF RELEASE OF FIRE SUPPORT AND ESCORT SHIPS TO POA FOLLOWS. ULITHI 30 DECEMBER 7 OBB 3 CA 2 CL 18 DD 18 LCI(6) 9 CVE 9 DD 6 DE. GUAM 4 JANUARY 12 DD. GUAM 11 JANUARY 6 DMS. GUADALCANAL 20 JANUARY 9 DD 6 PC 3 PCS 8 YMS. LEYTE 25 JANUARY 9 DD 4 DMS PLUS ALL REMAINING SMALL CRAFT. ULITHI 1 FEBRUARY 9 CVE 9 DD 12 DE. THIS REDEPLOYMENT SHOULD PERMIT 1 TURN AROUND OF AT LEAST 2 TRANSGROUPS AND HALF OF LSTS.

(D) CURRENT TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT OF SARANAC ASHTABULA SUAMICO WINDOSKI SEVERN AND AOG KISHWAUKEE CONTINUED. APPROXIMATELY 500,000 BARRELS FUEL WILL BE AVAILABLE ULITHI FOR REPLENISHMENT FLEET OILERS LISTED ABOVE TO MEET REQUIREMENTS FIRE SUPPORT GROUP. CINCPAOWill PROVIDE INITIAL AND REPLACEMENT AMMUNITION FOR PAC FLEET FIRE SUPPORT.

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**GROUPS AND 3RD FLEET COVERING FORCES. AMMUNITION SHIPS WILL BE ROUTED WESTERN CAROLINES AND MARIANAS. DISPOSITION YOU DESIRE FOR THESE AMMUNITION SHIPS SHOULD BE ARRANGED DIRECT WITH COM 3RD FLEET.**

(E) AUXILIARY VESSELS FOR REPAIR MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLY OF ALL POA FORCES, INCLUDING 3RD FLEET AND THOSE TEMPORARILY ASSIGNED 7TH FLEET; ARE AVAILABLE UNDER COMSERON 10 AT ULIATI AND MANUS. ANY SPECIAL DISPOSITIONS OF AUXILIARY VESSELS DESIRED SHOULD BE ARRANGED DIRECT WITH COM 3RD FLT.

(F) 22 LST TRANSPORTING 2 SIDE LOAD PONTOON ASSEMBLIES EACH MAKING TOTAL OF 44. THIS REPLIES COM 7TH FLEET 080653.

(G) NEGATIVE EXCEPT THOSE ALREADY LOADED IN UNITS ENGAGED IN K-2.

ANTICIPATE NO REQUIREMENTS FROM SWPACIFIC FORCES IN SUPPORT OF DETACHMENT OR ICEBERG EXCEPT STRATEGICAL SUPPORT FROM...
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SHORE BASED AIRCRAFT WHICH WILL BE MADE THE SUBJECT OF LATER COMMUNICATION AND POSSIBLE REDEPLOYMENT TO LEGUMINOUS OF 1 MARINE MEDIUM BOMBARDMENT GROUP AND 2 ARMY HEAVY BOMB GROUPS IN THE EVENT POA ARMY AIR FORCES HAVE NOT BEEN AUGMENTED PRIOR TO TARGET DATE.

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__TURN AROUND AND PROCEED TO POSITION TO STRIKE CENTRAL LUZON AREA COMMENCING AT DAWN 17 OCTOBER. STRIKE LEGASPI AS REQUIRED AND MAINTAIN RECONNAISSANCE WESTERN APPROACHES TO SAN BERNARDINO STRAITS UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED CONTINUE STRIKES DURING 16TH AND 19TH. OBTAIN REQUIRED PHOTO COVERAGE AS PRACTICABLE WITH PRIORITIES AS FOLLOWS: 1ST PRIORITY AREA ASIGNED TO 38.1, 2ND AND 3RD PRIORITY AREAS ASIGNED TO 38.3 AND TG 38.4 RESPECTIVELY ALL BY CTF 38. ORDER 11-44. DEPART LUZON AREA IN TIME TO RENDEZVOUS WITH TG 38.1 0800 25 OCTOBER POSITION LATITUDE 11-25 N LONG 126-20 W AND PROVIDE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT FOR LEYTE OPERATION ON THAT DAY AS DIRECTED BY CTG 38.1 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMTHFLT 38.329. PRESENT INTENTION FUEL YOUR GROUP 21 OCTOBER.**

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JAP MORNING SEARCHES NEGATIVE. DAYLIGHT SNOOPERS ACTIVE.

GENERAL PLANS TASK GROUP 36.1 ARRIVE SAMAR 18TH FULLY FULFILL K-2 COMMITMENTS GUARD SURIGAO STRAITS. TASKGROUP 38.4 ATTACK LUZON BEGINNING 17TH AND GUARD SAN BERNADINO STRAITS. TASKGROUPS 36.2 AND 38.3 REENFORCED FROM TASKGROUP 36.3 OPERATE VICINITY REFERENCE POINT LAT 18-36 NORTH LONGITUDE 126-36 EAST IN POSITION TO DEAL WITH JAP FLEET NORTH OF REFERENCE LATITUDE OR TO REENFORCE GROUPS TO SOUTH.

STREAMLINED BAIT DIVISION CONTINUE TOWARD ULITHI. MOVEMENT ORDERS BY SEPARATE DESPATCHES.

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TASK GROUPS 38.2 AND 38.3 ARE PROCEEDING AT 12001 16 OCTOBER TO REFERENCE POINT N LAT 18-30 NORTH LONG 126-30 EAST. TO ARRIVE 0600 17 OCTOBER AND WILL OPERATE IN VICINITY THAT REFERENCE POINT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.