MR 300, Sec. 11 — WARFARE — PACIFIC OCEAN AREA

November 1-15, 1944

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HONOR INTERCEPT

(RDO HOLLANDIA PASS TO COMAAF. COM 7TH GIVE CINCWSWA
COMAF 13 GETS BY HAND)

INTERLUDE SEARCHES 15TH. SECTOR 185° 100%. 1241 SIGHTED
1 CA AND 1 DD POSIT 08-00 N 115-25 E COURSE 220 SPEED
15. SECTOR 2850 100% DROPPED IN PUERTA PRINCESA FOR
LUNCH MADE 5 PASSES AT FIELD PRACTICALLY UNOPPOSED.

20 PLANES IN FIELD. BURNED 3 HAMPS 1 BETTY 1 TOPSY.
2 FIGHTERS AND JAKE DAMAGED. BUILDING NEAR SEAPLANE

BASE MARKED AMERICAN POW HAD NIP ON ROOF FIRING TOMMY
GUN, ALSO 3 SC HARBOR STRAFED AND DAMAGED. 2 PLANES
SECTOR 3850 100% ENEMY DEAD IN WATER 10-50 N 119-23 E
FIRE PLANE MISSED 61/4 CENTURIES ROOF HAD 40 MIL HITS

BUT NOL CASUALTY. 2ND PLANE STRAFED BUT COLLY NOT
RELEASE. MIL APPARENT DAMAGE. C TO 700 MILES 90% THAT

DISTANCE LOST ENGINE ATTACKING SC 1100 MISSED WITH
BOMBS BURNED AND SINKING HORM interacting with CREW JUMPED
AND RELIEVED.
RECEIVED HEAVY AA FROM BEACH CORON BAY 11-58 N 120-15 E

ATTACKING SC AND 2 LUGGERS. NUMBER HURT. 1200 FIGHTERS BURNING UNIDENTIFIED SHIP 12-35 N 120-04 E. 50 APPARENTLY SERVICEABLE PLANES LA CARLOTA STRIP 10-21 N 122-52 E OBSERVED AT 1030. SECTOR Y E1WBT* FWHGT* MILES 05%. 1220 ATTACKED FTC* 13-25 N

122-20 E DEAD IN WATER GOT UNDERWAY ON APPROACH. HIT WITH 5 OUT OF 6 1/4 CENTURIES REALLY BURNED, PLANE HOLED FREQUENTLY

LIGHT AND HEAVY INTENSE AA. 1230 SIGHTED 7 SC 12-53 N 122-20 E COURSE 310 SPEED 2. 2 SPECIALS COVERED FLORES SEA THOROUGHLY WITHIN LIMITS 05-45 S 119-45 E. 05-40 S 122-50 E. 08-00 S 121-00 E 08-02 S 118-10 E. NEGAT SIGHTING CV REPORTED BY BLACKCAT. MANY AIR STRIPS AND LARGE CONCENTRATIONS BARRACK SOUTHEAST CELEBES AND ADJOINING ISLANDS. AT 0730 SIGHTED

AIRSTRIP MANGOLL ISLAND 01-50 S 125-25 E WITH 1 PROBABLE BETTY. LEFT IT BURNING QG0VQGURNXYXER* 5 STRAFING ATTACKS 05-32 S 123-02 E. VENTURA RESULTS. SECTOR A OUT 600 MILES 100%. NEAR MALL ON 3 THOUSAND TON AQ ON BEACH POSIT 05-10 N

119-15 E AT 1110. LARGE EXPLOSION RESULTED. SECTOR B OUT 600 MILES ON 100% NEGATIVE. SECTOR D OUT 330 MILES 65%.

AT 1245 STRAFED 1 OF 3 BARGES POSIT 01-35 N 125-10 E. SMALL FIRES STARTED. SECTOR 5 OUT 600 MILES 90%. (GARbled GROUPS) DO SECTOR MD* OUT 600 MILES 95% NEGATIVE. ALL TIMES ITEM

* AS RECEIVED

COPY TO 20G
AT 06301 NOV 15 NAVAL FORCES UNDER REAR ADMIRAL BARBEY EFFECTED THE LANDING OF HUGO TROOPS ON THE SOUTHERN TIP OF PEGUN ISLAND IN THE PAPUA GROUP.

NIL OPPOSITION. APPROXIMATELY 1200 TROOPS ARE TO BE LANDED TO CLEAN OUT JAPS AND ESTABLISH LORAN AND WEATHER STATIONS. MOROTAI SEARCH PLANE SANK 2 SMALL FUEL BARGES. AIRNORSOLS POUNDED PERSONNEL CONCENTRATIONS AND DESTROYED MANY SMALL TARGETS.

OBERRENDER (DE 344) AND YMS 341 SEVERLY DAMAGED BY EXPLOSION OF HOOD (AE) AT MANUS.
**HONO INTERCEPT**

(CLASSIFIED INFORMATION)

**From:** CTF 59.6  
**Released by:**  
**Date:** 15 NOV 1944  
**TOR CODES:** 1655  
**Decoded by:** STEVENS  
**Typed by:** ZIMMERMAN  
**Submitted by:** USAF  
**Information:** COMAF 5  
**Priority:** URGENT

YHOT* 150847 NOT TO ALL. 2 SQUADRONS STRIKING LEGASPI AIRDROME AT 1170 15 Z. DAVAO IS SECONDARY TARGET.

EXPECT CONDUCT SIMILAR STRIKE EVERY OTHER DAY. 2 REMAINING SQUADRONS 494TH EXPECTED BE AVAILABLE ABOUT 20TH NOVEMBER. WILL ADVISE FOLLOWING CONTINUOUS CURRENT INFO URGENTLY REQUESTED:

1. SPECIFIC TARGETS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY.
2. TARGET INFORMATION
3. TARGET WEATHER.
4. DUMBO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES IN TARGET AREA.
5. DETAILS REGARDING FIGHTER ESCORT IF PROVIDED. WILL USE 5TH AF STRIKE AND RECONNAISSANCE FREQUENCIES.

**IFF Position Need Request Expedite Callsigns of Aircraft and Ground Stations Com AAF 132255 /1 not to all**

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*Handwritten Note:* 151051

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CTG 77.1 sends action CTF 77 INFO COM3RDFLT CINCPAC COMINCH CINCSHPA has for info.

Evening report 15th. Weather hindered boggies and CAP. No trouble. ** 10 Destroyers. Will provision 5 for 2 weeks from Mississippi and take 5 with me. Returning 4 to SOPA ADMN Leyte tomorrow.

** 2 Groups Missing; Will Service Upon Request.
RECEPIPHRASED AND PASSED BY CINCPAC TO CNO (DNTS) FOR INFO AS 170227.

RJ-39635

BEST AVAILABLE ESTIMATE OF TONNAGE REQUIREMENTS AND DESTINATIONS FOR MOVEMENT OF INITIAL EQUIPMENT OF ICEBERG ASSAULT AND AIRISON TROOPS TO MOUNTING AREAS IS SUBMITTED HERETIN. CHANGES IN THESE ESTIMATES WILL BE FORWARDED BY SUBSEQUENT RADIOS AS MAY BE NECESSARY. FIGURES AND DESTINATIONS ARE BASED ON ASSUMPTION THAT FOR ICEBERG 24 CORPS, INCLUDING 77, 7, 96 DIVISIONS, WILL MOUNT FROM LEYTE. 27 DIVISION WILL BE IN AREA RESERVE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC. ONE ADDITIONAL DIVISION WILL BE IN AREA RESERVE EITHER IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC OR THE CENTRAL PACIFIC. ADDITIONAL CORPS TROOPS AND ARMY TROOPS WILL MOUNT PRESUMABLY FROM OAHU.

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**TO BE LIFTED FROM SAN FRANCISCO BETWEEN 1 AND 7 DECEMBER WILL BE 75,000 SHIP TONS WITH DESTINATION LEYTE. FOR THE 27th DIVISION A TOTAL OF 25,000 SHIP TONS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR LIFT FROM SAN FRANCISCO BETWEEN 16 AND 17 DECEMBER DESTINATION SOUTH PACIFIC. FOR THE DIVISION IN AREA RESERVE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC OR AT OAHU 17,000 SHIP TONS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR LIFT APPROXIMATELY 25 DECEMBER FOR ARMY AND AIR FORCE TROOPS ESTIMATED 30,000 TONS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR LIFT TO OAHU APPROXIMATELY 15 DECEMBER. AS FURTHER INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE ON THE EQUIPMENT STATUS OF THE 24 CORPS IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOME REDUCTION MAY BE MADE IN THE LIFT FOR THAT UNIT. IT IS REQUESTED THAT EARLY ACTION BE TAKEN UPON THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN LETTER THIS HEADQUARTERS DATE: 12 NOVEMBER 1944 FILE AG 329.2/189 SUBJECT: DEPLOYMENT OF ARMY FORCES PACIFIC OCEAN AREAS.**

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**IN ORDER THAT FINAL PLANS MAY BE COMPLETED AT AN EARLY DATE.**

REQUEST NECESSARY ACTION BE INITIATED TO INSURE AVAILABILITY OF SHIPMENT FOR LIFTING THESE OPERATIONAL NEEDS, BASED ON PRESENT INFORMATION THESE FIGURES ARE MAXIMUM AND SOME REDUCTION MAY BE ANTICIPATED. IT IS POINTED THAT THIS ESTIMATED TOWAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE BASE DEVELOPMENT MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES.

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RDO MANUS GIVE ACTION TO CTF 77. RDO HONOLULU PASS INFO TO COM 3RD FLEET CINCPAC AND RDO WASHINGTON WHO PASSES TO COMINCH. CINCSWAHAS. CTG 77.1 SHOUTS.

FORENOON OPERATIONAL REPORT 15TH. FEW SCATTERED BOGEYS NONE WITHIN GUN RANGE. BENNION PROCEEDING ARMY JOIN COMCARDIV 29 AS FD SHIP. FD PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN REMOVED. CHANGE KILLEN READINESS TO PROCEED AT 10 KNOTS TO SATY 16TH.
CTG 36.5 SHOUTS ACTION TO COM 3RD FLT INFO CINCPAC CINCPAC OA CTF 57 CTF 59. RDD HONOLULU PASS TO COM 3RD FLEET CINCPAC CINCPAC OA CTF 57 PASS TO CTF 59.

RDD HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 151654.

MARINERS FROM KOSSOL FULL DISTANCE COMPLETE COVER. NEGATIVE FAM-1 SEARCH SUMMARY 14TH. SAIPAN V 212 FULL DISTANCE 99% COVER EXCEPT 53 V AND 23 V SAW ONLY 50% V 223 LIBERATORS ALL THE WAY FOR 85%. NEGATIVE EXCEPT FOR 14 V AND 36 V WHO DELAYED TAKE OFF FOR NIGHT SHIPPING STRIKES BONINS. 14 V FROM 2000 FEET DROPPED 3 550'S AT 3500 FOOT AK AND 2/500 AT ESCORTING DESTROYER 15 MILES NORTH WEST HAHA JIMA COURSE 330 TRUE SPEED 10 TO 15 KNOTS 18351. RESULTS UNOBSERVED.

36 V ATTACKED DD FROM 3600 FEET LATITUDE GARBLED LONGITUDE 141-59 EAST COURSE 335 TRUE SPEED 25 KNOTS AT 26551. OF 3/500 GPS 1 DROPPED ALONGSIDE AND 1 JUST OFF FANTAIL SILENCING AAA FROM ENEMY AFTER STATIONS. BOTH RADAR ATTACKS.
BOTH RECEIVED NO DAMAGE FROM MEDIUM AND HEAVY INTENSE AA. SHORE BATTERIES ACTIVE AT HAHA JIMA. VENTURA V 221 ALL NEGATIVE INCLUDING JAP RECO. FULL DISTANCE 85% COVERAGE BARRING 32 V HELD TO 280 MILES 30% VISIBILITY WEATHER. 24 HOUR ASV NEGATIVE.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COM 3RD FLT
RELEASED BY:

DATE: 15 NOV 44
TOR CODEROOM: 1116

DECODED BY: STEVENS
TYPED BY: SEVALD/STEVENS

FOR ACTION:

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HONO INTERCEPT

(ACTION CTF 38 FROM COM 3RD FLT. INFO COMBATPAC ALL TGC'S OF TF 38)

GIVE CONSIDERATION TO FOLLOWING DISPOSITIONS AS MEANS OF BREAKING UP SUICIDE ATTACKS WITH MAXIMUM GUN FIRE.

(A) COUPLE EACH CARRIER WITH A BATTLESHIP OR CRUISER AS A STATION UNIT.

(B) STATION ALL CARRIERS ON 2.5 CIRCLE WITH BATTLESHIPS AND CRUISERS INTERSEPARSED ON SAME CIRCLE AND 1 BATTLESHIP OR CRUISER (PREFERABLY BATTLESHIP) AT CENTER. NOTE THAT

(1) BATTLESHIPS ARE HIGHLY MANEUVERABLE AND

(2) THAT GUN SUPPORT AGAINST DIVE BOMBING MUST BE CLOSE TO CARRIERS WHICH ARE RELATIVELY WEAK IN AA FIRE.

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Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art 76 (4) NAVARMS.)

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NAVAL MESSAGE

(CTU 73.2.2 SENDS)

INTERVIEW CREW NIGHT MARINES SIGHTING CARRIED AIR **

3200Z SEARCH NEGATIVE THEN THRU TIBRO STRAIT UP
COAST TO POMELAA STILL NEGATIVE. ** MADE RADAR CONTACT LARGE
TARGET CLOSED HARD VISUAL CONTACT TOO LATE FOR DROP PASSED
CLOSE ABOARD LOW ALTITUDE ** OUT LARGE CARRIER NO AA FIRE.
** FOR POSITION FOR RUN. CAME IN ON COURSE A QUARTER TO BOW
RUN FOUND TARGET EVADING RESULTS. **** EAU RUN DROPPED
4 500'S MASTHEAD HEIGHT 40 FOOT INTERDAMETER* SETTING TOP
GUNNER OBSERVED STRADDLE. RECEIVED INTERSEXAA* ALL TYPES
DURING RUN. NIP ** TO PLANE. TIME OF ATTACK 0557 AT LAT
05-57 SOUTH LONG 121-50 EAST AVERAGE COURSE 215 SPEED
VARIABLE 12 TO 30. IDENTIFIED SEVERAL AS SHOKAHUQ* TYPES
TAILED UNTIL 0230 COURSE ** SOUTHWEST ESTIMATE EAST POSITION

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LAT 06-12 SOUTH LONG 121-34 EAST. ALL TIMES ITEM.
NO EVIDENCE FIRE COINSOL RADAR.
NO EVIDENCE ARE CONTROLED RADAR.

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**** GROUPS MISSING
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PRIORITY

From: CO, US Army Forces in the Pacific Ocean Areas, Ft Shafter, T.H.

To: War Department
Commander in Chief Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea
CO, US Army Forces in India-Burma Theater
New Delhi, India
CO, US Army Forces in China Theater, Chungking, China
CO, South Pacific Base Command, Noumea, New Caledonia
CO, 20th Bomber Command, Khargpur, India

No: RJ 39537

15 November 1944

Msg RJ 39537 from FOACS Richardson sends Daily
SITREP to ARMDEL, Wolfe, AMMISCA, Gilbreath, Marshall and
CINCPACWP with all dates in east longitude time.

Palau targets were strafed and bombed during 12
November by Marine Corsairs which sank a 120 foot ship.
Other strikes same date follow.

13 P-61's put centuries on Arakabesan, Koror and
Malakal. 7 B-24's bombed power station and bridge on
Koror. Yap airfield received scattered hits from 20 TRF's
dropping quarter tonners. Yap strip also took 3 tons from
P-40's. Engine trouble caused loss of 1 plane; pilot missing.

Iwo Jima took fragmentation clusters from snooping
liberator.

During afternoon 13 November 4 possibly 5 armed
Nips appeared on Tinian strip. Slightly wounded a enlisted

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PRIORITY

From: CG, US Army Forces in the Pacific Ocean Areas,
      Pt Shafter, T.H.

No: RJ 39537 15 November 1944

Man. Drove off mechanic and entered PV which they destroyed
by fire along with themselves.

Convoy escort vessels established SS contact 132032Z
NE Oahu 1230 miles. Attack of 2 hours duration was made by
escort vessels. SS sank after surfacing upside down. Many
articles bearing Jep inscriptions were picked up at scene.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CG AAF
      O-2
      ADM KING
      COL PARK
      LOG

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CTU 30.5.3 SENDS ACTION TO COM 3RD FLEET. HAMLIN PASS INFO TO CTF 30.5. RDO SALTAN GIVE INFO TO CTF 59. ALSO INFO ARE CTF 57 AND ALL TFCOMS THIRD FLEET. RDO HONOLULU PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 150633. ADD TO MY 140830.

14 V223 DROPPED 3 500 GP BY RADAR FROM 800 FEET ON 300 FOOT AK AND 2 500 GP ON ESCORTING DD AT 18351 15 MILES NORTHWEST HAHAJIMA COURSE 330 TUBE SPEED TEN TO 15 KNOTS. RESULTS UNOBSERVED. RECEIVED NO DAMAGE FROM MEDIUM AND HEAVY INTENSE INACCURATE AA. ALSO 36 V ATTACKED A DD FROM 300 FEET ALTITUDE USING RADAR AT 20551 POSIT 26-45N 141-59E ENEMY COURSE 035 TARG SPEED 25 KNOTS. DROPPED 3 500 GP 1 OBSERVED ALONGSIDE AND ANOTHER JUST OFF FANTAIL SILENCING AA ALL ENEMY AFTER STATIONS. MEDIUM AND
HEAVY INTENSE AA RECEIVED DID NO DAMAGE. SHORE BATTERIES ACTIVE AT HAHA.

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ROD HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(FROM CTF 59 TO CTF 57. ROD WAIKAA PASS INFO TO CHINEPOA COMSOPAC COMAIRSOPAC CJSNV 2 COMAF 7 ALL TFC'S CENPAC CONPROFLT COMAIRPAC CTG 30.5 CTG 59.5 CTF 96 AND CTG 59.6. INFO ADEES WHO HAVE ARE CTG 59.1 CTG 59.2 AND 21 BOMCOM.)

ADDITIONAL STRIKES 13 NOVEMBER. LIBERATORS CORSAIRS AND HELLCATS STRUCK AT NORTHER PALAU BASES DESTROYING VEHICLES AND WAREHOUSES. MARINE CORSAIRS ALSO HIT YAP AIRSTRIP AND ROTA PHOSPHATE PLANT. CORSAIR AND PILOT LOST DUE ROTA AIR FIRE. LIBERATORS ON PHOTO MISSION SCORED NEAR MISSES ON FTC AT CHICHI JIMA WHILE SNOOPER B 24'S BOMBED IVO.

FOR 14 NOVEMBER SINGLE MARINE MITCHELL SCORED ROCKET HITS ON SUB NEAR HANA JIMA WITH POSSIBLE HITS ON IVO. SUB BELIEVED SUNK. 22 B-24'S BOMBED WOLEAI AIRFIELD AND INSTALLATIONS. NO OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT OBSERVED AIRSTRIP NON OPERATIONAL. AVENGERS AND CORSAIRS BOMBED ROTA TOWN AREA WITH BOMBS SCATTERED IN BUILDING AREA.
COM TASKFORCE 38 BLOWS ACTION COM 3RD FLEET.
(PASS BY RDG HON TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 142302).

INCOMPLETE FLASH REPORT. RESULTS OF LAST STRIKE NOT IN.
6 OF ABOUT 20 ELUSIVE ZEKES SHOT DOWN ON 1ST STRIKE 1½
WHILE TAKING OFF ON 2ND STRIKE, 1 ZEKE JILL SHOT DOWN
BY CAP NEAR FORCE. 2 AO'S FOUND AT NOON MINODO STRAIT
UNDOUBTedly CARRYING AVIATION GASOLINE. 1ST STRIKE DAMAGED
Both AO'S THEN 2ND STRIKE LEFT 1 FLAMING WITH STERN SET-
TLING AND OTHER WITH HIGH FLAMES AND MUCH SMOKE. 4 ESCORTS
STRAFED AND STERN BLOWn OFF 1. ABOUT 25 SHIPS FROM 3000
to 10000 TONS IN MANILA HARBOR AND CAVITE. 1 LARGE AK SUNK
1 POSSIBLE AMMO SHIP BLEW UP. ABOUT 15 AK'S 1 AO 1 AP HIT
AND DAMAGED. BUILDINGS AND WAREHOUSES MANILA DOCK AREA
DAMAGED EXTENSIVELY WITH MANY FIRES BURNING. CAVITE OIL
TANK SEAPLANE HANGARS AND NAVY YARD FACILITIES HIT WITH

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MANY BOMBS. AIRCRAFT DESTROYED ON GROUND 2 TWIN ENGINES 1
SINGLE NEW LIPA 2 SINGLES NASUGBU 11 SINGLES BATANGAS 14 UN-
IDENTIFIED CLARK. NICHOLS AND NIELSEN STRAFED BUT NO PLANES
SEEN TO BURN. HORNET GANG BLEW UP 5 CAR AMMUNITION TRAIN WEST
SIDE OF LAGUNA DE BAY ON 13TH.
DELIVERED TO 20G.
NAVY MESSAGE

FROM: CTO 73-7
RELEASED BY
DATE: 14 NOV 1944
TOR CODEDOM
DECORATED: SEVALD
PARAPHRASED: STEVENS/SEVALD
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FOR ACTION
AS A GREY ("") MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE
ON INFORMATION

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COM 13 CINCSWPA
COM 7TH FLT CINCPA
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(CTO 73-7 SENDS ACTION COM 3RD FLT COMAAF COMAF 13 CINCSWPA
COM 7TH FLT CINCPA ALL TF AND TG CONS 3RD AND 7TH FLT'S AND
COMAAF 5 WHO PASSES TO ARMY ADEES)

LEYTE SEARCHES 14 NOVEMBER.

ALL RESULTS NEGATIVE.

SECTOR EASTERN 5. OUT 500 MILES 85% COVERAGE VISIBILITY
FAIR RADAR OUT.

SECTOR T. OUT 500 MILES 80% COVERAGE WEATHER HAZY.

SECTOR V. 500 MILES 75% COVERAGE VISIBILITY POOR HAZY

SEVERAL SMALL FRONTS.

SECTOR W NOT COVERED.

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By R.T., NARA, Date 11/8/74
CINCPAC SENDS ACTION ALL TASKFORCOMS THIRD FLEET ALL TASKFORCOMS SEVENTH FLEET; INFO COM 7TH FLT COM 3RD FLT

SUPER.

AT 141420 ENEMY PLANE REPORTS CONTACT IN 15-47 N 124-23 E.

COMINCH: COPIES #1 TO #8 INCLUSIVE.
(COM 7TH FLT SENDS)

BLUE SUB EARLY MORNING 13TH REPORTS HAYATAKA CV MIL. PLANES ON DECK 4 CA 3 DD 21-22 H 118-35 E COURSE 240

SPEED 16. MISSED CV WITH 6 TORPEDOES. TF 38 CARRIER PLANES MORNING 13TH SAW 1 C 7 DD 16 LARGE TO MEDIUM AK AND AO MANY SMALLER SHIPS MANILA BAY. RESULTS OF ATTACK

OIL BADLY DAMAGED 2 DD EXPLODED 1 A XFE NO AND AO SINKING OR BURNING 4 TORPEDOES IN FLOATING DRYDOCK

MANY FIRES MJBLW DOWNMBVT NAVY YARD. 13 OF 20 INTERCEPTORS SHOT DOWN. 130 TO 140 PLANES STRAFED CLARK MANILA LEGASRI FIELDS. NOON SAME DAY BLUE SUB SAW


SAME TIME 3 OL 3 DD SOUTHBOUND SPEED 14 POSIT 11-14 M 19-20 E. HALF HOUR LATER 4 DD 1 AP 1 AO TBOUND.
15 KNOTS AT 11-25 N 119-25 E. ENEMY SS OBSERVED BEARING 065 FROM CEBU TOWN DISTANT 18 MILES 1216/13. FRIENDLY
SHIPPING LEYTE GULF NOT BOTHERED BY ENEMY PLANES FORENOON
13TH. BLUE ECHelon UNDER ATTACK KNEAE* NOON 100 MILES
EAST GULF. NIL REPORT OF DAMAGE. DURING 3 ALERTS 12TH
DULAG TACLOBAN AREA 18 PLANES SOT DOWN BY AA AND 14
INTERCEPTORS. TOTAL 60 B-25 HIT VARIOUS TARGETS ASIA
ISLAND GROUP 12TH. SAME DAY 29 B-24'S HIT ALCALITE STRIP
NORTHERN NEGROS WITH EXCELLENT COVERAGE. BLUE SUB 8TH
SAMK RADAR EQUIPPED CHIDORI* TB XOSTV LUZON. MORNING 10TH
ANOTHER SS REPORTS SINKING GERMAN JSXTEASHOBO* NORTH
LOMBOK STRAIT

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(THIS IS COMGEN 14TH AIRFORCES 143433.)

(PASS BY COMNAVGROUP CHINA TO CINCPOA FOR ACTION AND COMINCH FOR INFO AS 143616.)

FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM P I D SUICHWA:

11 NOVEMBER MISSION FIRST PHASE PHOTO INTERP. NO AIRCRAFT UNIVERSITY FIELD. 28 SMALL BOATS WHAMPOA DOCKS, NO CHANGE SHEKING VICINITY. TIEN HO DROME 23 SMALL 3 MEDIUM.

54 SMALL WHITE CLOUD SATELLITE FIELD. 5 SMALL WAMPO AIRFIELD. WHITE CLOUD DROME 6 SMALL 2 MEDIUM PARTIAL COVER.
CINCPAC SENDS ACTION COM THIRD FLT INFO COMAIRPAC AND COMCARTRANSPAC

DUE TO BATTLE DAMAGE IT HAS BEEN NECESSARY TO WITHDRAW FOR REPAIRS A NUMBER OF ESCORT CARRIERS WHEN NEED IS MOST CRITICAL. PROPOSE TO REDUCE YOUR REPLENISHMENT CVES FROM 6 TO 4 IN ORDER TO MEET URGENT REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSPORT CVES. COMMENT YOUR 130127 REFERENCES.
CTU 73.2.2 ORIGIANATES. COMAF 5 PASS TO HQ NW AREA AIR COMMAND.

(UUNIDENTIFIED ACTION ADDED PASSED TO CINCPOA, ATFC'S AND ATOC'S 7TH AND 3RD FLTS FOR ACTION UNDER SAME D/T GROUP)

(ROO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 142250)

MARINER SEARCHES NIGHT 13/14 NOVEMBER. SECTOR 2750 MILES 90% COVERAGE. RADAR INDICATED 3 SMALL CRAFT. POSSIBLE STILL* AND 2 BOGEYS 20 MILES WEST OF BASILAN. UNABLE LOCATE VISUALLY. CLOSE SEARCH JOLLO REVEALED ONLY SEVERAL SMALL BOATS OFF JAPO TOWN. SECTOR 1750 MILES 85%.

SEARCHES ENTIRE CEASED JOLLO NEGATIVELY EXCEPT FOR MANY SMALL FISHING CRAFT TUTU BAY. HIL CONOULI 4TH MARINER HUNTED VAJNLY BORNEO COAST MATATOA-KOJTI RIVER. SECTOR 3760 MILES 90% NEGATIVE. 2 SEARCHLIGHTS FLASHED FROM CALAREAN 00401.

INTENT FOR 4TH MARINER TONIGHT IS KENDARI-BOETOING. NEW SUBJECT. ENEMY BOMBER CONTAINED MILK MILK RUN.

*STILL is an abbreviation for small, indistinguishable, low-level targets.
NAVAL MESSAGE

CRATER: CTU 73.2.2

RELEASED BY: 

DATE: 14 NOV 44

TOR CODE: 1249

DECODED BY: SEVALL

TYPES BY: SEVALL/ STEVENS

INFORMATION

CINCPAC
ALL TFC'S AND TGC'S 3RD AND 7TH FLTS COMAF 5
HQTS NW AREA AIR COMMAND

FOR ACTION

FOR ERASMUS (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

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FISHING CRAFT **. NIL CONOBMI*. 4TH MARINER HUNTED MAINLY BORNEO COAST MATATOA-KOJIT RISER*. SECTOR 37 60 MILES

90% NEGATIVE. 2 SEARCHLIGHTS FLASHED FROM CALAREAN*.

NEW SUBJECT. ENEMY BOMBER ** MOROTAI MILK RUN.

* AS RECEIVED.

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By DBS

140140

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E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4

NLR 101

By RT, NARA, Date
SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: CINCPAC
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 14 NOV 44
TOR CODEROOM: 
DECODED BY: PERRY
PARAPHRASED BY: JOHNSON
ROUTED BY: JOHNSON

ADDRESSEES: ALL TFC 3RD FLT ALL TFC 7TH FLT
FOR ACTION: COM3RD FLT COM7TH FLT

PRECEDENCE: URGENT PRIORITY

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Originator fill in DATE AND TIME GROUP

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(CINCPAC SENDS ACTION ALL TFC 3RD FLT AND ALL TFC 7TH FLT. INFO COM3RD FLT AND COM7TH FLT.)

SUPER,

NIP FLYER MADE CONTACT IN POSITION 10-57 N 125-03 E
TINED 140910 MINUS 2.

6 COPIES TO F341
1 COPY TO 20G
TOP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: CINCPAC

RELEASED BY: [Signature]

DATE: 14 NOV 1944

TOR CODEROOM: [Signature]

DECODED BY: STRONG

PARAPHRASED BY: DORSEY

ROUTED BY: STRONG

ADDRESS: ALL TFC 3RD FLT

COM 7TH FLT

FOR ACTION: URGENT

PRECEDECE: 1

UNITED STATES NAVY

11563

(Use G. C. T.)

HOMO INTERCEPT

(CINCPAC SAYS ACTION ALL TFC 3RD FLT AND ALL TFC 7TH FLT INFO COM 7TH FLT AND COM 3RD FLT)

NEAR 14-27N 124-58E JAP AVIATOR MADE SIGHTING REPORT AT 145315 (MINUS 0).

6 COPIES DELIVERED TO F 341.
1 COPY DELIVERED TO 289.

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By DBS

E. O. 11652, Sec. 3(D) and 6(D) or (E)

ORD letter, May 1, 1922

NLR 101

By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/46
WAR DEPARTMENT
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Incoming Classified Message

From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea
To: War Department

No: 0 52166   14 November 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department cite 0 52166 Operations report SWWPAC area period 1500Z/12 to 1500Z/13 sgd MacArthur.

French Indo China: 17 ship convoy sighted by China based aircraft heading down east coast November 13.

Formosa: One carrier identified as Taiho, one heavy cruiser, one destroyer sighted approaching from southwest midday November 13.

Philippines: Luzon: Battleship and heavy cruiser reported 180 miles northwest Lingayen Gulf course 30 degrees afternoon November 12; 130 planes strafed by Third Fleet aircraft on Clark and Nichols Fields without visible damage November 13.

Negros: Two tankers reported docked at Bacolod November 12.

Leyte: Large numbers enemy reported entering Limon by opposing forces November 12.

Palawan: 1 destroyer, 1 tanker, 1 transport on northerly course off northwest point November 13; 2 medium freighter transports, 1 tanker, 3 escorts southbound off west coast midday November 12; 1 heavy cruiser, 1 large

CM-IN-13773 (15 Nov 44)

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M. O. 11683, Sec. 3(3) and 3(4) or (3)
OSD letter, May 1972
By MBS
Date: May 21, 1972
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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/11/94
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

Nr: 0 52166 14 November 1944

transport, 1 tanker, 2 destroyers sighted on southerly course in Balabac Strait midday November 12.

Borneo: Kil shipping reported Brunei Bay by reconnaissance plane November 12.

Celebes: 7 seaplanes photographed Pare Pare, 4 Tiworo Strait November 12.

Part 2. Air.


Leyte: 9 enemy planes destroyed during moderate raids against shipping and shore installations November 13.

Operations November 11:

(1) 18 RAAF P-40's demolished buildings, destroyed barge and damaged schooner southeast Ceram; 4 more RAAF P-40's bombed Waal village, northern Ceram.

(2) 10 A-20's and 1 B-25 attacked Ambon town; 5 RAAF P-40's bombed Waal village on east coast.

(3) 15 P-38's and 4 P-40's started fires amongst villages Halmahera.

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OSD letter, May 4, 1972
By DBS Date: MAY 4, 1972

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

Date: 14 November 1944

(4) 45 A-20's and 11 B-25's cratered both Namaea airdromes, Boeoro Island.

(5) 8 F-38's swept Kendari and destroyed grounded bomber.

(6) 13 B-24's with 16 P-47's and 15 F-38's escort bombed Dumaguete airdrome, southern Negros Island.

Operations November 12:

(7) 27 RAAP P-40's hit Utarom gun positions, Dutch New Guinea.

(8) 12 A-20's attacked Halong seaplane base, Ambon, started fires barracks area; 12 A-20's bombed personnel areas Harekou aidrome.

(9) 4 P-38's strafed Djalolo airdrome from minimum altitude, destroyed 2 motor trucks and 1 grounded plane; 1 B-25 and 11 A-20's started large fire Galela town; 4 P-40's and 16 B-25's bombed Halmahera villages.

(10) 4 patrol B-24's bombed Napanget and Tentong airdromes, northeastern Celebes; 4 P-40's attacked briges along northern Celebes; patrol B-24 sank barge Macassar Strait.

(11) 15 B-25's with 16 P-47's escort scored.

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

Nr: C 52166

14 November 1944

excellent coverage Matina airdrome, Davao; 3 more B-25’s attacked nearby Dalico airdrome.

(12) 16 P-47’s exploded buildings and caused large fires Linao, south western Cebu; 16 other P-47’s swept Negro’s island and damaged 1 of 5 intercepting fighters.

(13) 29 B-24’s with P-38 escort bombed runways and revetments, destroyed 1 grounded plane Alicante, Negros Island.

(14) 12 RAAF B-25’s bombed harbour installations and silenced gun positions near Atapoepe, central Timor; patrol B-24 attacked Cape Chater airdrome.

(15) Single Beaufort attacked supply dumps Aroe Island.

Operations November 13:

(16) 4 A-20’s bombed and strafed personnel areas Muschu Island.

(17) Predawn Catalina bombed Ormoc town, Leyte Island.

(18) 4 Dutch B-25’s bombed gun positions and buildings Atapoepe, Timor; patrol B-24 demolished barge off shore; single Beaufort bombed south coast village.

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(19) 2 Beauforts bombed Larat headquarters area Tanimbars and village Kai islands.

Solomons Forces. Naval:

PT boats bombarded targets Choiseul and New Ireland.

Air. Operations November 12:

(20) 2 B-25's and 12 Corsairs harassed Rabaul; 32 Dauntless, 9 B-25's, 27 Corsairs and 2 New Zealand Venturas attacked Wewak and plantations New Ireland; 67 Marine and New Zealand Corsairs around Bougainville destroyed buildings.

Weather November 13: Favourable through Carolines, low broken clouds and showers northern and central Philippines, below average through Mindanao, equatorial front through Celebes Morotai Ceram, average conditions along northern New Guinea.

Lend. Leyte: November 13:

Sixth Army; X Corps; 1st Cavalry Division: 12th Cavalry consolidated positions on Mount Catatbaran pushed strong patrols toward highway number 2, established contact with elements 34th Infantry northwest Mount Badian and engaged enemy force this area.
First Squadron 5th Cavalry patrolled southwest from Mount Catungangan toward hill 1234 (1655); 2nd Squadron advancing southwest reached east slopes Mount Mamban (2050). First Cavalry Division Command Post opened Tunga (2862) on November 11.

24th Division: 21st Infantry continuing attack against strong positions just north of Limon advanced 2000 yards; 2nd Battalion 19th Infantry reached highway number 2 at point 2000 yards south Limon consolidated position on high ground east of highway. X Corps Command Post located Santa Rosa November 12.

XXIV Corps: 96th Division: List battalion 383rd Infantry advanced Southwest from Jaro reached line extending from Bonggayan to point 2000 yards south east of Alto Peak; 382nd Infantry engaged small enemy force 1000 yards south Kabayan (4339) advanced with artillery support.

Seventh Division: elements 32nd Infantry repulsed small enemy force attempting landing at Demulaen (2515).

1) Dropped 18 250 lb, 26 100 lb bombs.

2) Dropped 48 500 lb bombs Ambon, 10 100 lb bombs Waai; slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire both targets.

3) Dropped 11 500 lb, 16 300 lb bombs; 11 165 lb
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No: 052166

14 November 1944

Diesel fire bombs.

(4) Dropped 780 100 lb bombs from 9,700 feet to 8,000 feet.

(5) No details.

(6) Reported dropped 65 500 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.

(7) Dropped 26 500 lb, 22 250 lb bombs.

(8) Dropped 48 500 lb bombs, met intense medium accurate anti aircraft fire, Halong; 144 100 lb bombs Haroekeo.

(9) B-25's dropped 16 250 lb and 136 100 lb bombs, met moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire.

(10) 4 B-24's dropped 24 500 lb bombs.

(11) Dropped 70 500 lb bombs, met slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(12) 16 F-47's dropped 16 500 lb bombs.

(13) Dropped 145 1000 lb bombs from 12,000 feet.

(14) Dropped 88 500 lb medium capacity bombs from 9000 feet, met slight to moderate medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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(15 Nov 44)
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

Date: 14 November 1944

(15) Dropped 2 250 lb bombs from 10000 feet.

(16) Dropped 14 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 3300 rounds 50 calibre.

(17) Dropped 2 500 lb, 4 100 lb bombs.

(18) B-25's dropped 16 500 lb bombs from 7000 feet; B-24 dropped 8 250 lb bombs from 10000 feet; Beaufort dropped 2 250 lb bombs.

(19) Dropped 4 250 lb bombs.

Supplementary report: 50 additional sorties by fighter patrols of 13th Air Force November 11th and 12th.

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**CINCSCPA HAS INFO. CTF 77 HAS ACTION. COM 3RD FLEET CINCOPAC COMINCH ARE INFO ADEES. THIS FROM CTG 77.1. RADIO STATIONS PASS.**

For first half of 14th moderate number bogeys throughout night but none within 4 miles this group and no anti-aircraft fire necessary. Flares dropped near Homignon. Killen expects be ready for sea at 11 knots on 15th and will sail in first slow convoy thereafter.

Delivered to 28-6.
CTG 38.3 sends action COM 3RD FLT INFO CTF 38 COMINCH CINCPAC CINCSOWESPAC ALL TFC AND TGC 3RD FLT ALL TFC 7TH FLT.

Summary 1st days operation.

Attack apparently achieved complete surprise. 1 NATORI CL 7 DD'S 18 LARGE TO MEDIUM AK AND AO MANY SMALL AK AND HARBOUR CRAFT IN MANILA BAY. LIGHT CRUISER BADLY DAMAGED 2 DD'S EXPLODED ESTIMATE 11 LARGE TO MEDIUM AK AND AO'S SUNK OR BURNING BEYOND CONTROL. 4 TORPEDOES IN FLOATING DRYDOCK. MANY HITS ON MANILA DOCKS AND CAVITE NAVY YARD. LARGE FIRES STILL BURNING BOTH PLACES LATE AFTERNOON. ONLY ABOUT 20 PLANES AIRBORNE IN TARGET AREA 18 SHOT DOWN. ABOUT ZEKES 10 MORE FRAN'S BETTYS AND JUDYS SHOT DOWN NEAR FORCE. 130 TO 140 TWIN AND SINGLE ENGINE PLANES ON MANILA CLARK AND GASPI FIELDS STREADED BUT MAFS WOULD NOT BURN. 1 OF 10.
PLANES SHOT DOWN NEAR FORCE DEFINITELY SHOWED IFF INDICATIONS. OUR LOSSES FOR DAYS ABOUT 6 PLANES TO AA. NO DAMAGE TO SHIPS. SUFFICIENT TARGETS LEFT FOR TOMORROW.
CINCSWPA SENDS VIA CONSEVENTH FLT
ACTION COMINCH INFO CNO CINCPAC CONSOPAC

NIGHT 11-12: TWO JAP PLANES MADE HIGH LEVEL RAIDS ON MOROTAI. NIL DAMAGE TO SHIPPING. PB4Y FROM MOROTAI SHOT DOWN BY TONY ANOTHER PB4Y IN AREA THEN SHOT DOWN THE TONY. NO SURVIVORS, TASK UNIT OF ONE OFF THREE CL NINE DD IS FORBSNG ATK KOSSUL. WILL THEN PROCEED LEYTE TO RELIEVE COVERING FORCE. FIFTY FIVE MERCHANT SHIPS NOW IN LEYTE. MOVEMENTS CONTINUE. CAP SHOT DOWN FIVE BETTYS ON 12TH IN LEYTE AREA. SAME DAY NAVY SEARCH PLANE LEFT LARGE AK AND AO AFIRE EAST OF PALAWAN. 7 MERCHANTS 2 CRL PLUS UNDETERMINED NUMBER XSI DAMAGE BY...
ENEMY AIR USING SUICIDE TA BCS AT LEYTE ON 12 NOV. MACARTHUR.

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E. O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 5(D) or (E)
OSD letter, May 5, 1972
By DBS Date MAY 21 1973
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**DATE** 13 NOVEMBER 1944

**TOR CODEROOM** 946

**DECODED BY** BENNETT

**PARAPHRASED BY** BENNETT

**ROUTED BY**

**INFORMATION**

CINCPOA SENS ACTION CINCSPX COMMANDER THIRD FLEET INFO COMINCH COMMANDER SEVENTH FLEET. TOP SECRET.

IN VIEW MACARTHUR'S CAX 11620 CANCEL FIRST PARAGRAPHS OF MY 120965. SEE MY 130961 ALSO.

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NLR 101

By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/96

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TOR CODEROOM BENNETT

DECODED BY BENNETT JOSTEN

PARAPHRASED BY DOTTED BY

FOR ACTION COM 3RD FLEET COM 7TH FLEET

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135545 MCR 7/2

Originator fill in DATE AND TIME GROUP (Use G. C. T.)

RADIO HONOLULU INTERCEPT CINCPAC SENDS ACTION TO ALL TFC 18 3RD FLEET INFO TO COM THIRD FLEET COM 7TH FLEET.

CINCPAC ULTRA

JAP PLANE MADE CONTACT AT 13 191 IN POSIT 120 MILES E. TAJON 15-37 N 124-13 E.

6 COPIES TO F-341
1 COPY TO 24G

**ACTION:** F 20

E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4

By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/74

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/74

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OCT 19-78
(RDO HONOLULU PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 1/1203)
(RDO HONOLULU PASS CINCPAC.)

BRUNEI BAY AND JEFUELTON HARBOR BOTH OBSERVED CLOSELY
BY NAVY SEARCH PLANE YESTERDAY 12TH IN DAYLIGHT WITH
EXEMPLARY VISIBILITY.
COMPLETE ABSENCE ENEMY SHIPS REPORTED.
**NAVAL MESSAGE**

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**From:** LL30 (UNIDENTIFIED CALL)  
**Date:** 13 Nov 1944  
**TOR CODE ROOM:** 131045  
**Décodeur:** SAPP  
**EN:** NG CORMACK/ZIMMERMAN  
**Routé par:**  

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**HONO-INTERCEPT**

(RDO HONO PASS CINCPA)  
Bruneh Bay and Jemuelton Harbor both observed closely by Navy search plane yesterday 12th daylight with excellent visibility, complete absence enemy ships reported.

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OSD letter, May 1951.

By RT, NARA, Date 4/15/64.
TOP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: CINCSWPA
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 13 NOVEMBER 1944
TO: CINCPAC
DECODER: 4719
PARAPHRASED BY: KOHOUTEK
PARAPHRASED BY: SJOSTEN
PARAPHRASED BY: BENNETT
ROUTED BY:

GENERALLY, I AGREE THOROUGHLY WITH DESIRABILITY OF SUCH STRIKES AS BRUNEI. HOWEVER, THE COMPLEXION OF STRATEGIC SITUATION HAS CHANGED. IT IS NOW EVIDENT THAT THE ENEMY HAS DECIDED TO MAKE A DECISIVE STAND IN WESTERN LEYTE IN ORDER TO DELAY OUR FURTHER ADVANCE IN THE PHILIPPINES THEREBY GAINING TIME FOR PREPARATION FOR THE DEFENSE OF LUZON. ARMY AIR STRENGTH IN LEYTE IS NOT NOW SUFFICIENT TO NEUTRALIZE ENEMY AIR BASES IN PHILIPPINES AND UNTIL THAT AIR STRENGTH IS SUFFICIENT TO NEUTRALIZE THOSE AIR BASES I CONSIDER THE SUPPORT OF FAST
CARRIERS ESSENTIAL. PRESENT ESTIMATE OF DATE WHEN FAST CARRIER SUPPORT CAN BE DISPENSED IS DEPENDENT UPON INCIDENTS OF CAMPAIGN. FIELDS ON LEYTE ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN FULL OPERATIVE CONDITION FOR GROUND AIR BY FIRST WEEK IN DECEMBER. HOWEVER, EVEN THEN CARRIER AIR MAY BE NECESSARY TO SUPPLEMENT IT. REQUEST 3RD FLEET CONTINUE FOR PRESENT TO STRIKE LUZON AND VISAYAN AIR AND ANY SHIPPING THREATENING LEYTE OPERATION. WILL KEEP YOU ADVISED.

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TOP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: CINCPAC
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 13 NOVEMBER 1944
TO: CODE ROOM:

DECODED BY: ROBERTS
PARAPHRASED BY: HOFNER
ROUTED BY: 

ASTERISK (*) RADIogram ADDRESSEE: ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT
ALL TFC'S 7TH FLT

INFORMATION FOR ACTION: COM 7TH FLT
COM 3RD FLT

PRECEDENCE: URGENT

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REINICIPHERED BY CINCPAC AS 136307.

(CINCPAC REINICIPHERS HIS 136104 WHICH WILL NOT BREAK. ULTRA
ACTION ALL TFC'S 3RD AND 7TH FLT. INFO COM 7TH FLT
COM 3RD FLT.)

ULTRA.

NIP AVIATOR SENDS SIGHTING REPORTS AT 130710 POSIT
14-22 N 126-33 E, MINUS 9 TIME. AND AT 130810 POSIT
14-22 N 128-38 E AND AT 130400 POSIT 09-27 N 129-33E.

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1 COPY 23G.

ACTION F-2

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/84
**Naval Message**

**Originator Fill in Date and Time:**

**Date:** 13 Nov 1944

**Time:** 130045

**Navy Department**

**Draster:** CTG 77.1

**Address:** CTF 77

**Decoded By:** Stevens

**Typed By:** Slade

**Routed By:** Morris

**Extension Number**

**Precedence**

**Asterisk (*) Mailgram Address**

**Priority**

**Routine**

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(CTG 77.1 sends. CINCSWPA has for Info. Radio Manus pass Action CTF 77 and to radio hono for Info CINCPAC and COM 3RD FLT as well as to radio Washn for Info COMINCH)

**Bogies few and far away for first half of 13th.**

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Reference - see next 2 last 2 last pages.

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

To: War Department

13 November 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War
Department C-52112.

Philippines: Luzon:

Two convoys comprising total four medium freighter
transports two small freighters three subchasers on Wasterly
courses West Manila Bay midday November 12th.

Calamian group:

Reconnaissance plane reported two destroyers
three freighter transports one other vessel on Northoeasterly
course West Culion Island midday November 11th.

Celebes:

Photographs November 11th showed six bombers
Kendari two on Ambasia, in Macasstr area one bomber on Mande;
four floatplanes one flying boat in Harbour.

Soembaro:

Photographs Bima November 11th showed three coastal
vessels 37 barges.

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Flores:

15 small vessels and barges photographed Makomere November 11th, both runways serviceable.

Part 2. Naval:

Frigate shelled coastal installations Sarms, Maffin Bay: PT boats strafed coastal targets southwestern Geelvink Bay and Northwestern Morotai, attacked enemy destroyers Northwest Leste Island night November 10th.

Air. Enemy action:

Light ineffective raids Morotai predawn November 19th; harassing raids increased against Leyte shipping and shore installations November 11th and 12th, eleven planes shot down by allied fighter patrols and anti-aircraft.

Operations November 10th:

(1) Eight more Beauforts attacked gun positions Wawak.

(2) Refer paragraph six preceding report: 20 more B-25's, 13 F-40's and 15 P-47's against Ormoc Bay shipping.

(3) Fourteen P-38's destroyed barracks and buildings, Valencia, Leyte Island.

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Operations November 11th:

(4) 12 P-40's cratered roadways, damaged bridge and bombed barracks Valenjia.
(5) Fourteen P-38's swept Visayas, encountered enemy fighter groups totalling 50 planes, shot down 12 and probably destroyed four others, one P-38 lost.
(6) Patrol Ventura shot down transport plane Mindoro Strait, two patrol B-24's shot down intercepting fighter Comotes Sea, one B-24 lost.

(7) Reports covering operations November 11th and 12th are incomplete. Operations November 12th:

(8) Six Beauforts bombed assigned targets Wewak.
(9) 52 B-25's bombed and strafed Mapia Island, North Manokwari and started fires, one B-25 downed by anti-aircraft; eight B-25's attacked Asia Islands, North Sorong.
(10) Patrol plane attacked and left sinking large merchant vessel, also set tanker afire off Malampaya Sound, Northern Palawan Island.
(11) Fighters from Leyte sank three barges and destroyed floatplane North Ormoc Bay.
(12) Four RAAF Catalina's on mining mission Nacasser area at night.
(13) Two Darwin B-24's bombed LaHane and Leuten, Timor.

Solomons Forces: Naval:

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PT's continued coastal attacks Solomons and New Ireland.

Air: Operations November 11th:

(14) 26 B-25's caused explosions and large fires Rabaul buildings; eighteen Dauntless and 70 Corsairs fired Malum supplies and attacked motor transport.

(15) Twenty two Dauntless, four B-25's, two New Zealand Venturers and 34 Marine and New Zealand Corsairs bombed Kavieng, destroyed bridges and buildings New Ireland.

(16) Ten Marine Corsairs strafed huts around Bougainville; 39 New Zealand Corsairs caused explosions Tenekau bivouacs near Numa Numa.

Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/11 to 1500Z/12.

Land, Leyte: Sixth Army: November 12th:

X Corps: 1st Cavalry Division:

5th and 12th Cavalry Regiments encountered heavy resistance between Mount Badian and Mount Pina, sent strong patrols southwest to Mount Cataraban to link up with 2nd Battalion 19th Infantry; elements of 5th Cavalry moved to outflank strong enemy positions 4,000 yards Northwest of Jaro.
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24th Division:

21st Infantry supported by 11 tanks reduced enemy strong point 3,300 yards South of Pinemopos made good progress. West of highway number two, 1st Battalion 34th Infantry advanced South reached point 2,500 yards Southwest of Gayad (06/7); 2nd Battalion 19th Infantry occupied Mount Catabaran.

XXIV Corps: 96th Division.

38th Infantry contacted small enemy force 1,500 yards North of Malobago, continued to outflank enemy West of Dagem.

Enemy casualties to November 11th:

Killed 16,121 captured 154.

1) Dropped 16 500 lb medium capacity, 16 250 lb general purpose bombs, fired 700 rounds 30 calibre.
2) B-25's dropped unatated number 500 lb bombs, fighters dropped 44 500 lb bombs.
3) No details.
4) Dropped 24 500 lb bombs.

Paragraphs five through seven no details.

(5) Dropped 20 500 lb medium capacity, 12 250 lb general purpose bombs from 6,000 feet.
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To: C 52112

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(9) Dropped six 1,000 lb and 290 100 lb bombs from 5,400 feet; 16 250 lb and 240 100 lb bombs 8 to 11 seconds delay from minimum altitude; fired 46,000 rounds 50 calibre; moderate accurate machine gun fire Mapia Islands.

Paragraph 10 through 12 no details.

(13) Dropped 9 300 lb, 8 250 lb bombs one tenth second delay from 12,000 feet.

Report air units stationed forward areas November 13th:

At Leyte:

49th Fighter Group (P-38's),
67th Fighter Group (P-38's),
45th Fighter Group (P-47's),
421st Night Fighter Squadron,
416th Night Fighter Squadron,
Advance Echelon 91st Photo Wing.

At Morotai:

1 Fighter Squadrons,
1 Night Fighter Squadron,
4 B-25 Squadrons.

At Sansapor (Vogelkop):

1 Fighter Squadrons,
4 B-25 Squadrons.

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Air-drome status November 11th:

Tactoben strip 6,000 feet steel mat surface, 350 feet subgrade extension complete; Dulag 700 feet steel mat, 1,200 feet ready for mat; San Pablo 2,000 feet subgrade complete grading in progress; Bayug (#937) and Buri (#732) in use by fighters; work delayed by recent heavy rains.

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    CO, United Kingdom Base Section, London, England
    CO, US Army Forces in the China Theater, Chungking, China
    CO, US Army Forces in the India Burma Theater, New Delhi, India

No. CX 52090 13 November 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to AGWAR, COMGENPOA pass to JOPOA, Military Attaché, London, CO US Forces China Theater, CO US Forces India Burma Theater pass to GHQ India, SEAC, COPIR pass to Main Headquarters 11th Army Group. CX 52090.

Picking up all units suggested W001 60180 and 61210. Elements 12th Independent Infantry Regiment contacted Leyte and 1st Division order dated 6th November states 26th Division advanced elements arrived 4th will complete unloading 8th November. Some possibly sunk enroute but moving division from central Luzon to Leyte with strength undetermined pending clarification. 2nd Armored Division located central Luzon basis guerilla reports and fast unit including 14th Area Army distribution list dated 27th August 1944. Documents confirm Yamasaki Commanding 14th Area Army and guerillas report 4th/11th and southern Army Headquarters moved Formosa October 22. Not confirmed other sources.

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18th Independent Radio Platoon also on Leyte as are 20th Independent Anti Tank Battalions, 41st Infantry Regiment and 169th and 171st Independent Infantry Battalions.

Elements 30th and 102nd Division listed already contacted with other elements both divisions believed present. 1st Division orders mention only 1st Field Artillery Regiment, division tank unit likewise not mentioned.

End

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BLACKCAT SEARCH OF MABUHAY PASSAGE MARINDUQUE ISLAND

VERDE PASSAGE AND CORON BAY NEGATIVE EXCEPT SIGHTED 2 BARGES BABAYAN BAY.

PT COOP CAT 1Y THOROUGH COVERAGE CAMOTES SEA AREA HAD NIL CONTACTS. FOUND ARNOC BAY EMPTY. DROPPED 2 500 AND 4 100 POUND GP WITTH DAWN WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. NO AA. CEBU CITY BRILLIANTLY LIGHTED. WEATHER GENERALLY EXCELLENT.

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FROM CTF 59
RELEASED BY
DATE 13 NOVEMBER 1944
TOR CODEROOM 2158/12
DECODED BY STRONG
TIRED BY
ROUTED BY
UNIT: [illegible]
INFORMATION FOR ACTION
CTF 57

Op. Priority
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CTG 30.5 (Admin)
All TFC 59 CENPAC
CTG 59.1 COMAF 7
CTG 59.2 COM 3RD FLT
CINPAC COMAIRPAC
COMSOPAC CTG 59.5
COMAIRPAC CTG 96
COMW 2 CTG 59.6

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FROM CTF 59 TO CTF 57. CTG 59.1 CTG 59.2 HAVE INFO. RADIO WASHAWA ALSO PASSES INFO TO CINPAC COMSOPAC COMAIRPAC COMAIR 2 COMAF 7 ALL TFC CENPAC COM 3RD FLT COMAIRPAC CTG 59.5. CTG 30.5 (Admin) CTG 96 CTG 59.6.

ADDITIONAL FOR 11. 13 B-24'S HIT KOROR TO LEAVE LARGE FIRES. THIS AND OTHER ENEMY HELD ISLANDS NORTHERN PALLAS POUNDED BY NITE CATALINAS CORSAIRS AND AVENGERS. 2 FUEL DUMPS FIRED AT POINT BRADFORD. DD PREVIOUSLY DAMAGED NGARGOLTO NOW DEFINITELY SUNK BY CORSAIRS. YAP AIR STRIP STOPPED 10 QUARTER TONNERS.

ARMY LIBERATORS HEAVILY BOMBD BOTH AIRFIELDS IWO JIMA FROM 15000 FEET LEAVING SEVERAL LARGE FIRES DISPERSAL AREAS. 1 OF 6 UNEAGER FITERS DAMAGED. 8 BOMBERS DAMAGED BY FLAK. FOR 12 NOVEMBER. 29 B-24'S OVER IWO JIMA AT 18000 TO 20,500 FEET LOOSED FRAG CENTURIES AND QUARTER TONNERS 08 AIRFIELDS AREAS. INTERCEPTED BY 3 UNAGGRESSIVE FITERS AA UNEAGER MODERATE.

ATE INACCURATE. ARMY THUNDERBOLTS STREAFED PAGAN RUNWAY AND STORAGE AREAS. NAVAL AIR CORPS IWO JIMA HOTEL TOWN AND RUNWAY.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CTG 73.8 (LH30) (IDENTIFY CALL) SPECIAL SERVICE #1 (AMPH SNOOT)
RECEIVED BY COM 3RD FLT RFO HOLLANDIA TROOP PORT COM LLSD (IDENTIFY CALLS)

DATE 13 NOV 1944
TO CODED BY 130437
DECODED BY SEVALS
PARAPHRASED BY MC COMMAC/ ZIMMERMAN

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(CTG 73.8 SENDS COMPASS ERIE CINCPAC, RFO HOLLANDIA GIVE COMMAF, COMMAF 13 HAS LOCALLY)

CTG 73.8 RELATES INTERLUDE SEARCHES 12TH, ALL SECTORS FULL DISTANCE. SECTOR C 90%. AT 1210 SANK 50 FOOT BARRE
01-08 S 117-33 E. SECTOR 1 80%. 1100 1 TONE CLASS CA 2 DO 1 CA 1 SA POSIT 07-30 N 115-58 E COURSE 180 SPEED 11
1/4 BRUNEI BAY AND JESSFETON OBSERVED CLOSELY CLEAR RUM* (10 LETTERS MISSING) SHIPS. SECTOR 2 90% NEGATIVE. 2 PLANE
 IN SECTOR 3 BOTH 90%. 1230 2 TERUTSUKI DD 1 OLD TYPE DD 1 GUNBOAT 1 FT 1 FB TANAGER 5000 TONS POSIT Y I R
11-09 N 119-12 E COURSE 180 SPEED 10. MUST HYD ATTACK ON FTC 3 DIRECT HITS AMIDSHIPS PLUS STRAFING SET IT
AFIRE. LEFT SHIP BURNING AND COMING TO STOP. 2D PLANES IN SECTOR OBSERVED 2 EXPLOSIONS IN SHIPS AT 1300 SHIP
LOW TO WATER. SMOOTH DO 3000 FEET. DO TAKING OFF SURVIVORS. 2 PLANES SECTOR X 1 525 MILES 100% THAT DIS-
TANCE TURNED BACK ENGINE TROUBLE OTHER PLANE 850 MILES 95% NEGATIVE, SECTOR Y 850 MILES 95 PERCENT

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NEGATIVE. FUTURE SEARCHES WENT FULL DISTANCE EACH SECTOR.
ALL NEGATIVE. 100% COVERAGE SECTORS A AND D. 95% SECTORS
B SIXAHNU SIX. ALL TIMES ITEM
HONO INTERCEPT

FROM CTG 73-7 ACTION CTF 73 CTG 78.2 308
COMING INFO COM 3RD FLT CTF 77 COMAF 5 WHO PASSES
TO COMAF 13 COMFAF

REPORT OF
LEYTE SEARCHES 12 NOVEMBER.

SECTOR EASTERN S.
400 MILES 70% COVERAGE VISIBILITY FAIR TO POOR
NO SIGHTINGS.

SECTOR T.
OUT 450 MILES 95% COVERAGE IN GOOD VISIBILITY
NEGATIVE RESULTS.

SECTOR W.
500 MILES OUT 80% COVERAGE IS FAIR VISIBILITY NO
RESULTS.
SECTOR U.

500 MILES 75% COVERAGE FAIR TO POOR VISIBILITY RESULTS NIL.

SECTOR V
NOT COVERED.
CINCPAC PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 130855

(CONT 30.5.3 SENDS ACTION COM 3RD FLT INFO ATFC 3RD FLT VIA GDO HONDO. ALSO INFO CTG 30.5 IN HAMLIN CTF 57 CTF 59)

V 223 ROLL TRACK 90 TO 95 PERCENT COVER FOR ALL. 14 AND 114 V HAD 2 PHOSPHOROUS BOMBS EXPLODE NEAR THEM WITHOUT DAMAGE 100 MILES SOUTHEAST IWO JIMA AT 13301. 14 V SAW 3 X 7000 TON AND 2 X 4000 TON AK IN YUTANI KOTOE AT CHICHI JIMA AT 11301. 36 V DOWN AT SEA VICINITY 15-33 N 145-20 E REPORTED BY 114 V WHO BAD NO FUEL TO COVER. DUMBO AND 2 TBF PLUS 1 NAVY LIBERATOR COVERING. 214 V DROPPED 5 X 100 GP IN AIRCRAFT DISPERAL AREA IWO JIMA AFTER SPOTTING FOR BOMBARDMENT WITH 314 V. NO DAMAGE FROM CVE NITE FIGHTER OR LIGHT MEGGER AA. 4 DAY RECO REEF AT 133-04 N 15-18 TO 39 E NEGATIVE.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COM 7TH FLT

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DATE: 13 NOV 44

TOR CODEDOM: 0004

DECODED BY: STRONG

ROUTED BY: SEVALD/ STEVENS

1 SPECIAL CALL (24K) 1 GARBLLED CALL

\( (\text{COM 7TH FLT SENDS}) \)

CONVOY 10 VESSELS 4 AP 5 DO 1 DE ATTACKED BY 3RD FLT CARRIERS PLANES MORNING 11TH ENTERING ORMOC BAY. ALL AP 4 **

1 DE SUNK. REMAINING DD DAMAGED APPARENTLY GOT AWAY. 13 OF 30 AGGRESSIVE OSCARS ZEKES INTERCEPTING SHOT DOWN 5 PROBABLE. 1 FRANK 1 BETTY SHOT DOWN NEAR FORCE. 36 B-25'S 22 P-38's HIT SHIPPING DEPARTING ORMOC BAY ON 10TH.

2 DD 1 DE 7-9 OTHER SHIPS CLAIMED SUNK. 3 DD 2 DE 6-9 OTHER FE* SEEN DAMAGED OR PROBABLY SUNK. ** FORCE SIGHTED AROUND NOON 11TH AS FOLLOWS. 1 MUNIP* FREIGHTER TRANSPORT 4 DO APPARENTLY FUELING 13-25 NORTH 12-20 EAST. 4 UNIDENTIFIED SHIPS FUELING 13-40 NORTH 121-50 EAST. 2 DD WESTBOUND TOP SPEED 13-30 NORTH 121-20 EAST. 5 DD 1 LARGE AP POSITION 13-50 NORTH 120-35 EAST COURSE 285 SPEED 15. 2 GROUPS 2 PT'S EACH ATTACKED 3 DD 2 DE RESPECTIVELY DEPARTING ORMOC BAY. ** DAWN 10TH. 1 TORPEDO HIT 1 DO BELIEVED SUNK. 1 HIT DE WITH RESULTS UNOBSERVED. HEAVY RETURN FIRE FROM SHIPS. OTHER SIGHTINGS 11TH. 4 AK 2 DD 1335 POSITION

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OCEAN"
11-55 NORTH 119-15 EAST COURSE 40 SPEED 10. 1 AH 10-12 NORTH 121-00 EAST COURSE 40 SPEED 8 TIME 0615. ** FREIGHTER

TRANSPORT SQDMN* HUNDRED TONS DAMAGED FIRED CYITBF* SEARCHER PUERTO PRINCESA NIGHT 9/10. 3 OTHER SMALL VESSELS IN HARBOR.

OVER 100 NORSOLS DAUNTLESSES CORSAIRS MITCHELLS BOMBED STRAFED LAND TARGETS NEW IRELAND BOUGAINVILLE RABAUL AREA

11TH. PHOTO PLANE REPORTS NEW STRIP SOEMBAWA* ISLAND 08-00 SOUTH 117-05 EAST. RUNWAY 5000 BY 200 FEET ORIENTED NORTHWEST-SOUTHWEST*. 53 REVETMENTS 5 MILES DISPERsal LANES. BLUE SUB EARLY 6TH SANK LARGE AO WITH 3 HITS 13-35 NORTH 119-26

EAST. (Off N.W. tip Mindanao)

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REQUEST REPLY MY 111329 BY URGENT DISPATCH. UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED WILL STRIKE ACCORDANCE MY 111125.
CONTASKGROUP 77.1 SENDS 1ST OF 2 PART OPERATIONAL REPORT 12TH. RADIO MANUS PASS ACTION CONTASKFORCE 77. RADIO HONO GIVE INFO CINCPAC COM 3RD FLEET ALSO TO RADIO WASHINGTON TO COMINCH. CINCSPWA HAS FOR INFO.

OPERATIONAL REPORT 12TH.

SCATTERED BOGEYS COMMENCING DUSK AND CONTINUING THROUGHOUT NIGHT. NO DETERMINED ATTACKS. 2 APPROACHED CLOSE TO FORMATION AND WERE DRIVEN OFF BY GUNFIRE. SNOOPERS MADE LIBERAL USE INEFFECTIVE WINDOW. CAP INCREASED TO 12 PLANES THIS MORNING AND EFFECTIVELY INTERCEPTED GROUP OF BOGEYS APPROACHING FORMATION SHOOTING DOWN 5 BETTY'S OF WHICH FELL NEAR FORMATION. NUMEROUS BOGEY REPORTS SINCE DAWN INDICATE LARGE NUMBER ENEMY AIRCRAFT THIS AREA NONE OF WHICH HAS APPROACHED MY FORMATION SUFFICIENTLY CLOSE TO OPEN FIRE.

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Originator: Fill in date and time.

PT BOAT OBTAINED TORPEDO HIT ON JAP DD IN ORMOC BAY ON 10TH. BELIEVED SUNK. ANOTHER BOAT SAME AREA GOT TORPEDO HIT ON DE. RESULTS UNOBSERVED. AIRNORSOLS SENT APPROXIMATELY 100 PLANES TO ATTACK TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY WHILE PT BOATS MORTARED AND STRAFED COASTAL TARGETS. PBM SEVERELY DAMAGED 700 TON FREIGHTER AT PUERTO PRINCESS. 1 DD 1 CL 5 DD ARRIVED KOSSOL FROM MANUS. MACARTHUR

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By DBS

Date

MAY 31, 1973
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea
To: War Department
DTE: 12/10552 November 1944

Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/10 to 1500/11 signed MacArthur.

Philippines:
Luzon: Reconnaissance plane reported one large transport 5, destroyers heading West Verde Island passage midday November 11th.
Leyte: Four large merchant vessels six destroyers sighted southbound off west coast, reported eliminated by Third Fleet aircraft before reaching Ormoc morning November 11th.

Celebes:
Menado: New strip reported between Langoan and Lake Tondano.
Soembawa: 2000 ton freighter and four coastal vessels sighted near Bima November 11th.

Part 2. Naval:
Maffin Bay: PT boats shelled coastal installations Saruni Peninsula November 9th.
Leyte: PT boats exploded and believed sank one of three destroyers departing Ormoc Bay night November 9th; also scored torpedo hit one destroyer escort.
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To: "A"

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

Date: 12/1055Z

November 1944

Air. Rneoey Action:

Dutch New Guinea: Single plane raided Sansapor
Airdrome predawn November 10th.
Morotai: Light predawn raids November 10th and
11th, another plane claimed by anti aircraft fire November 9th.
Leyte: Anti aircraft fire claimed one plane prob-
ably destroyed during light predawn raids November 10.

Operations November 9th.
1. Single Beaufort bombed Maprik Village, west Wewak.
2. 36 A20s started numerous fires during low level
strike against Piroe, western Ceram.
3. Six predawn B25s bombed airdromes Halmahera and
north eastern Celebes; nine B25s bombed Galela airdrome;
14 B25s caused large explosion Amoeron and attacked Roemoong
Village near Langoan; six B25s hit new airdrome Panassen.
4. Single predawn B24 bombed Andakan, northern
Borneo; another B24 harassed San Jose airdrome; Panay Island.
5. 25 B24s weathered out from Carolina, bombed run-
way and revetments, caused large fires amongst buildings
Licamahan airdrome near Davao.
6. Refer paragraph 5 preceding report: minimum
22 B25s and 64 P38s against shipping Ormoc Bay. Opns Nov 10th:
7. 10 B25s bombed gun positions Boraon, one B25
dowed by anti aircraft; eight Beauforts destroyed buildings
Wewak and started fires near But.
8. Four B25a and 22 A20s attacked Piroe Town and
Karoeooe airdrome, strafed villages and two schooners southern
Ceram.

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November 1944

10. 25 B24s bombed Ormoc town buildings, Leyte Island; fighter patrols intercepted two enemy fighters South Dulag, shot down one probably destroyed other.
11. Six RAAF B24s sank small freighter, forced small sea-truck ashore set another afire Balik Island; left sea-truck carrying motor vehicles ablaze Soembawa Bay.
12. One Beaufort strafed barge in Banda Sea and bombed bivouacs Tenimbar Islands.

Operations November 11th:

13. Six Beauforts fired supplies near But; eight B24s and six B25s attacked gun positions Borem.
15. Allied fighters attacked shore installations Ormoc Bay, shot down 17 enemy planes.
16. 17 Darwin B24s caused fires amongst barracks and installations Pinrang, 90 miles north Macassar.
17. Patrol B24 probably destroyed lugger central Banda Sea; two Beauforts bombed targets Arco Islands and attacked Viqueque on Timor.
18. Two Darwin B24s bombed Lautem runways and set buildings afire Laheane near Dille, Timor.

Solomons Forces. Naval: PT boats bombarded coastal targets Solomons and New Ireland.

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Air. Operation November 10th

19. 16 Dauntless silenced Ravieng gun positions;
21 B25s, 30 Corsairs and two New Zealand Venturas attacked plantations New Ireland.
20. 20 Corsairs and two B25s bombed Rabaul and destroyed motor transport.
21. 30 Marine and New Zealand Corsairs, 15 Dauntless patrolled Bougainville and bombed Machtin Bay Headquarters area.

Land. Leyte: November 11th:

X Corps: 24th Division maintained pressure against determined enemy resistance 3300 yards south of Panamopaon. First Cavalry Division engaged on Mount Catingangan (division objective) and elements moved west to join First Battalion 34th Infantry in drive to south; patrol 4000 yards northwest Jaro received fire from estimated enemy Battalion.

XXIV Corps: 96th Division: 382nd Infantry gained 2200 yards in drive west of Dagami against light enemy resistance; 381 and 383 Infantry advanced west against light opposition west of Guinarana and north of the Binahuan River.

7th Division: 17th Infantry assembled at Burauen and Tanawan; 184th Infantry patrolled south and west of Dulag without contact. Our casualties to November 11th: 949 killed, 4219 wounded, 72 missing. End of part 2.

Part 3.

1. Dropped two 500 lb medium capacity, two 250 lb bombs.

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2. Dropped 135 100 lb bombs, 840 23 lb parafrag from minimum altitude, met moderate heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

3. Dropped 32 500 lb, 180 100 lb bombs, 10 500 lb magnesium clusters plus uncharted number parafrag from 8500 feet; intense heavy accurate anti aircraft fire Gelahe, moderate medium INDIKULPanesen.

4. Dropped 10 250 lb frags, 20 120 lb frags from 8000 and 5000 feet.

5. Dropped 30 1000 lb bombs, 510 120 lb frags, met moderate heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.

6. B25s dropped 73 500 lb bombs from medium altitude; 23 P38s dropped 22 1000 lb bombs from 12000 to 5000 feet.

7. B25s dropped uncharted number 300 lb bombs; Beauforts dropped 14 500 lb medium capacity, 13 250 lb general purpose bombs from 4000 feet.

8. A20s dropped 48 500 lb, 110 100 lb bombs from 9800 feet to minimum altitude.

9. Dropped 10 100 lb bombs from 8000 feet.

10. B24s dropped 125 1000 lb bombs from 10000 feet, met slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

11. Dropped 36 500 lb bombs one tenth second delay from 6000 feet, fired 16000 rounds 50 calibre from minimum altitude.

12. Dropped 200 250 lb general purpose bombs from 9000 feet, fired 900 rounds 30 calibre.

13. Beauforts dropped 12 500 lb medium capacity, 12 250 lb general purpose bombs from 5000 feet, fired 200 rounds 50, 5800 rounds 50 calibre; B24s dropped 64 1000 lb bombs from 8000 feet; B25s dropped 24 300 lb bombs from 7000 feet.
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14. Dropped three 500 lb bombs.
15. No details.
16. Dropped 340 100 lb bombs from 7800 feet.
17. Dropped 12 250 lb bombs, fired 500 rounds 30 calibre.
18. Dropped 16 250 lb bombs from 11000 feet.

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**RDO HONO INTERCEPT**

CTG 30.2 SENDS ACTION COM THIRD FLT, CTG 30.5 CTU 30.5.2 INFO TO CTF 57, CTF 59; RDO HONO PASS TO ALL.

**BOMBARDMENT IWO JIMA AIRFIELD SUCCESSFUL**

**ACCORDANCE SCHEDULE.** NO DAMAGE TO OWN SHIPS.

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CTF 57 SENDS ACTION CINCPOA INFO CTG 57.14
(RDO HONOLULU PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 112168)
ESTIMATED 200 JAPS LANDED NGERONGONG ISLAND PALAU
DURING STORM 8-9 NOVEMBER WITH MACHINE GUNS AND
KNEE MORTARS. OUR PATROL EVACUATED UNDER COVER OF
LCI (G) WITHOUT LOSS. DO AND 2 GUNBOATS KEPT DENGES
PASSAGE CLOSED AND SHELLED ISLAND SUBSEQUENTLY.
AIR STRIKES 10TH DROPPED 13 TONS AND STRAFED ISLAND SANK
1 BARGE. AIR STRIKES TO BE CONTINUED UNTIL ISLAND
REOCCUPIED.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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CTF 77

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COM 39 DFLT CTF 77 COMAF 5 WHO PASSES COMAF 13 COMFEAF.

CTG 73-7 SENDS ACTION CTF 73 CTG 78.2 308 BOMBING INFO COM 39 DFLT CTF 77 COMAF 5.

LEYTE VENTURA SEARCHES 11 NOVEMBER, WESTERN S SECTOR.

OUT 400 MILES 95 % COVERAGE WITH EXCELLENT VISIBILITY EXCEPT AT NORTHERN END. RESULTS NEGATIVE. SPECIAL SEARCH THROUGH VISAYAS. OUT 400 MILES WITH 100 % COVERAGE EXCELLENT VISIBILITY. SIGHTING AS FOLLOWS, 1 FTB AND 4 DD AT 13-25 N 122-20 E DEAD IN WATER APPARENTLY FUELING OR PROVISIONING TIME 1130/1. 4 UNIDENTIFIED SHIPS BURNING FIERCELY AND 121-50 E AT 12001. 2 DD POSIT 13-30 N SINKING POSITION 13-40 N/121-20 E COURSE 280 SPEED 25 AT 1220/1. 1 VERY LARGE TROOP TRANSPORT 5 DD POSITION 13-50 N 120-35 E COURSE 285 SPEED 15 AT 1300. SHOT DOWN 1 THU* IN POSITION 12-50 N 120-20 E AT 1400 PLANE SANK WITH NO SURVIVORS.

CONTINUAL SEARCH THROUGH SURIGAO STRAIT MINDANAO SEA AND SOUTHERN SULU SEA. OUT 350 MILES WITH 95 % COVERAGE VISIBILITY.

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GOOD EXCEPT FOR FRONT AT WESTERN END. RESULTS NIL.

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**TOR CODE: 110738**

**DECODED BY:** MG CORMACK  
**CHECKED BY:** MG GORMACK  
**ROUTED BY:** POWLEY

**INFORMATION FOR ACTION**

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**HONOLULU - INTERCEPT**

(CINCPAC SUPER ACTION TF 38. INFO COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT)

JAP AIRCRAFT REPORTS BLUE SURFACE FORCE POSIT 13-37N 125-03E. TIME 111400 (MINUS 9)

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(CTG 70.1 ACTION CTG 77.1 CTG 78.2 COMAF 5)

RESULTS 9/10 NOV

LEYTE BOATS 497 AND 492 FIRE 8 TORPEDO SPREAD AT LASTBOICIOF* 3 DESTROYERS IN COLUMN ORMOC BAY. 0113 1/10TH.
RANGE 1900 YARDS. AT LEAST 1 HIT. TREMENDOUS EXPLOSION AT CORRECT FLASPED TIME. 1 RADAR PIP DISAPPEARED TARGET NOT SEEN AGAIN. BER DOWTOHOF*. OTHER QM* DESTROYERS OPENED FIRE IMMEDIATELY WITH 5 GUN SALVOS AND CHASED BOATS.
524 AND 525 FIRED 4 TORPEDOES AT 2 SHIPS BELIEVED COG EADSYX0* 525 GOT 1 HIT AT 800 YARDS TIME 00321/10TH. RESULTS NOT FURTHER OBSERVED DUE IMMEDIATE HEAVY FIRE AND CHASE BY OTHER SHIP. BOOK PAGS SINDER* HEAVY GRE* WITH MANY STRAGGLERS 4.7 AND SMALLER FOR SEVERAL MINUTES. ALL ESCAPED WITHOUT CASUALTY USING SMOKE. MOROTAI AND INDENING* CONTACTS

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(COM 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION CTG 38.3 INFO COMINCH CINCIPAC CINCSOWESPAC COM 7TH FLT ALL TFC'S 3RD AND 7TH FLTS ALL TGC'S 3RD FLT.)

SUBMIT FLASH REPORT RESULT TODAY'S STRIKES BY URGENT DISPATCH ORIGINATED NOT LATER THAN 1900 11 NOVEMBER. AT SAME TIME MAKE RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING CONTINUING STRIKES ON 12 NOVEMBER. IF YOU ARE DIRECTED CONTINUE STRIKES ON 12TH YOU MAY EITHER FUEL 1 GROUP ON 12TH AND 2 ON 13TH OR ALL 3 GROUPS ON 13TH. USE CENTER ABDA CONDOR FOR FUELING ADVISING CTG 30.6 YOUR INTENTIONS. OILER GROUPS REMAIN IN EASTERN HALF CONDOR WHEN NOT REQUIRED FOR FUELING ON 12TH AND 13TH RETURNING TO ALCOHOL WHEN ALL GROUPS HAVE FUELED.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COM 7TH FLT (INDEF CALL)

TO: HQ SOPAC AREA LEYTE

SUBJECT: ALL COMS RECEIVING COM 7TH FLT INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

DRAFTED BY:

RELEASED BY:

12 Nov 1944

TOR CODEROOM:

120638

DECODED BY:

MC CORMACK

TYPED:

MC CORMACK/WALP

ROUTE BY:

HQ SOPAC AREA LEYTE

FOR ACTION:

ALL COMS RECEIVING COM 7TH FLT INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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ORAMAC BAY SHIPPING (10TH) 0630 CONCENTRATION MANY DD AK OR AK WITH 2 POSSIBLE CRUISERS IN BAY. ALL SHIPS SEEN DEPARTING

1100 BETWEEN 1100 AND 1630 4 GROUPS SHIPS TOTALING APPROX 2 POSSIBLE CRUISERS 5 TO 8 DD OR DE 7 FREIGHTER TRANSPORTS OBSERVED IN CAMOTES AND VISAYAN SEAS NORTHBOUND. NIL FURTHER REPORT THESE SHIPS. ORAMAC BAY CLEAR 1430. NIL REPORT AIR

STRIKES THIS SHIPPING EXCEPT 5 PT'S OVER ORAMAC 1510 10TH NEAR MESSAGES IN 2 DD 9 PT'S FORCED TO JETTISON BOMBS WHEN INTERCEPTED BY OSCARS HAMPS, AT 1445 ANOTHER CONVOY OBSERVED SOUTHBOUND CONSISTING 5 DD 4 AK 1 DE WITH 2 DD 10 MILES

ASTERN 12-57 NORTH 123-08 EAST SPEED 12. SAME FORCE REPORTED AS TEC* VESSELS AT 0723/11 POSIT 11-10 NORTH 124-10 EAST COURSE 180 UNKNOWN STLD*, NO OTHER SIGHTINGS 10TH 1 DD 1 SMALL FREIGHTER TRANSPORT STATIONARY OFF NE COAST MARTINDOUG ISLANDS NE OF MINDORO AT 1216. 1 MEDIUM FREIGHTER TRANSPORT AROUND 1940 SE MABATE. CORON BAY AREA. TYO* TU* HOSY* 2 LARGE 1 SMALL

AK 11-55 N 120-10 E COURSE 250 SPEED 5 AT 1110. 1 FTC 1 DD

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DE 1030 POSIT 11-46 N 119-54 E SPEED 8. NIL COURSE. SULU SEA
IT 1145/1 1 AH 08-05 N 120-34 E GEJOMIN • LATER WBVH• OIL SLICK
DOWN ANIN•. NIL REPORT SHRE• 0445/10TH FORCE 10 WARSHIPS LAST
TEECEFWOF• REPORT AT POSIT 08-02 N 117-55 E COURSE 220. NIGHT
9/10 5 UNIDENTIFIED SHIP 3000 TU 6 THOUSAND TONS EAST.

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NECESSARY STRIKES AND TAKING ALL POSSIBLE ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPROVE MATERIEL READINESS AND PREPARE FOR A SUSTAINED INSTRUCTION.

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REQUEST TF 38 BE INFORMED THAT 1 GROUP B 24'S WITH P 38

COVERAGE STRIKE ORMOC BEACH AREA AT 1100/11 NOVEMBER

MAB (RDO HOLLANDIA) PASSED TO CTO 38.1 CTO 38.3 CTO 38.4
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea
To: War Department

Chief of Staff War Department, Operations Report SOWESPAO Area. 1500Z/9 to 1500Z/10 signed MacArthur. C 51966.

Philippines:

Palawan: Naval force of 1 heavy cruiser 5 light cruisers 4 auxiliaries reported by reconnaissance plane 110 miles east northeast Balabac course northeast 1740Z/9, 2 hours later sighted returning Balabac Strait.

Visayas: 6 destroyers 2 destroyer escorts 3 medium freighter transports reported West Burias Island course southeast midday November 10.

Leyte: aircraft reported two possible cruisers 13 destroyers 20 troop carrying vessels (including 4 medium transports) early November 10, area reported clear of shipping by early afternoon following air attacks; 2 destroyers 4 freighters also reported heading northwest Biliran Strait same day.

Part Two. Air.

Enemy action: 3 enemy fighters bombed and strafed Mome Te Airdrome, Admiralty Islands, withdrew towards Rabaul afternoon November 9.

CM-IN 10458 (11 Nov 44)
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

No: 0 51966, 11 November 1944

Operations November 9:

(1) 4 P 40's destroyed 2 grounded planes Miti Airdrome, Halmahera; 4 P 40's hit Lolobata bivouacs and nearby radar station.

(2) 2 predawn B 24's bombed Opun Airdrome, East Cebu, and Puerto Princesa, Palawan Island; 2 day B 24's sank 1 seaplane off northeastern Palawan and destroyed another seaplane north of eastern Panay Island.

(3) 8 P 40's attacked barges and motor transport Ormoc Bay.

Operations November 10:

(4) 6 A 20's attacked Wewak gun positions, 1 A 20 downed by anti aircraft; 5 B 24's hit assigned targets further west.

(5) Preliminary reports of strike against shipping Ormoc Bay afternoon November 9 and following morning: B 25's and fighters sank 3 medium transports, 7 destroyers or escort vessels, fighter cover shot down 16 enemy planes probably 5 others; intense anti aircraft fire reported; 4 Allied bombers and 4 fighters lost.

(6) 4 Dutch B 25's attacked gun positions near Atarossa; 2 Darwin B 24's set buildings afire Cape Hero and bombed Lahane Barreksa, Timor.

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(7) 2 Beauforts attacked villages Tanimbar and Kai Islands; patrol B 24 bombed possible minelayer southwest Boege Island.

Solomons forces. Air.

Operations November 9.

(8) 20 Corsairs, 17 B 25's and 12 Dauntless demolished plantation buildings New Ireland; 23 Dauntless 12 B 25's, 46 Corsairs and 2 New Zealand Venturas caused explosions, fired supplies and destroyed buildings Rabaub Area; other Corsairs swept Gazelle Peninsula.

(9) 15 Dauntless, 70 Marine and New Zealand Corsairs patrolled Bougainville, hit Teop Island buildings and bombed headquarters are Matchebay.

Weather. Below average conditions with intermittent rain in the Philippines area.

Land. Leyte: November 10:

10th Corps: 24th Division: 21st Infantry continued slow advance along Pinaupoan/Ormoc Road; counter attacks vicinity hill 465 (1065) cost enemy heavy casualties.

24th Corps: 95th Division met continued stubborn resistance in hills southwest of Patok.

Enemy casualties to November 10:
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killed 15,528
captured 152.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 12 by 500 lb bombs from 8000 feet to
minimum altitude; slight light inaccurate anti aircraft
fire Miti.

Paragraphs 2 and 3 no details.

(2) A 20's dropped 24 by 300 lb bombs 8 to 15
seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 6500 rounds 50
calibre; B 25's dropped 40 by 1000 lb bombs from 8500 feet.

(5) No details.

(6) B 25's dropped 36 by 100 lb bombs 5 seconds delay
from 8000 feet; B 24's dropped 16 by 250 lb general purpose
bombs from 11,000 to 2,000 feet, fired 2000 rounds 50, 200
rounds 30 calibre.

(7) Beauforts dropped 4 by 250 lb general purpose
bombs; B 24 dropped 8 by 250 lb bombs from 8000 feet.

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ACTION: OPD
INFO: CCS
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**HONO INTERCEPT**

(TO COMAF 5 ADVON COMAF 5 CTF 73 FROM A3, 308 BOWLING CITE N420E)

NOW REQUEST THAT TF 38 BE INFORMED THAT 1 GROUP B-24'S WITH P-38 COVER STRIKES ORMOC BEACH FROM 1100L 11 NOVEMBER.

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CTF 77

CINCPAC
COM 3RD FLT
COMINCH
CINCSOWESPAC

OPERATIONAL REPORT 11TH. FIRST PART OF TWO.
PRESENT INTENTION TO CONTINUE FUELING PENDING CLARIFICATION OF AIRCRAFT SIGHTING OF 1½ LARGE SHIPS WEST OF LEYTE HEADING SOUTH.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: ADV GHQ SWPA
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 10 NOV 1944

ADDRESS: COM 3RD FLT

DECODED BY: STRONG

TYPED BY: DORSEY/HENKE HERMAN

ROUTED TO:

CINCPAC
CTF 38
CTG 38.4
GHQ SWPA
COM 7TH FLT
COMFEAF

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(24W (BASE SHIP CTF 75) PASS TO COM 3RD FLT FOR ACTION AND INFO TO CINCPAC CTF 38 CTG 38.4 ADV GHQ SWPA PASS TO GHQ SWPA FOR INFO AND GHQ SWPA TO PASS TO COM 7TH FLT AND COMFEAF FOR INFO FROM ADV GHQ SWPA SGD MACARTHUR CITE CAX CYRENE 596. TOPSEC)

AFLOAT IN VISAYAN OR LUZON WATERS. SEE MY 100624 NOT TO ALL ADDRESSEES. CONCUR YOUR 100215. REQUEST YOU STRIKE AT DISCRETION ANY TARGET.

*AS RECEIVED.

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(COM 7TH FLT SENDS)

REINFORCEMENT CONVOY SEEN IN VERDE ISLAND PASSAGE 1700/8TH
AGAIN SIGHTED NORTHWEST TIP LEYTE NOON 9TH MOVING SOUTH.
LAST REPORT 1710 MAJOR PORTION ROUNDING APALI POINT INTO
ORMOC BAY. MAKEUP APPROXIMATELY 6 DD'S 4 DE'S OR OTHER
TYPE ESCORTS 3-4 TRANSPORT TYPE VESSELS. AT 1220/9TH
SEARCH PLANE SAW 4 BB'S 3 CA'S 3 CL'S 3 DD'S POSIT 07-30 N
117-00 E COURSE 150 SPEED 20. DURING NEXT 3 HOURS COURSE
CHANGED FREQUENTLY. LAST REPORT 1510 POSIT 07-50 N 116-30 E
COURSE 300. THIS FORCE CONSIDERED SAME AS IN BRUNEI BAY 7TH
PHOTOS BRUNEI 7TH SHOW 1 PROBABLY FMHLKU* CV 1 YAMATO 1 NAGATO
2 KNOGO CLASS BB'S 1 TONE 1 MOGAMI 1 ATAGO CLASS CA 1
YAHAGI 1 NATORI CL 4 DD'S. SAME TIME PLWOA* 5 SHIPS UNDER
WAY SLOW SPEED 1 SHIP 5000 TONS ANOTHER 4600 TONS DEAD IN
WATER PLUS ANOTHER 2000 TONS CODEABLN* Aground.

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By DBB letter, May 21 1973
NIGHT PLANE 0210 THIS MORNING HAD RADAR CONTACT FORCE ESTIMATED AS
10 SHIPS POSIT 08-15 N 118-55 E COURSE 1/5 SPEED 15. MAXJ* FORCE
SIGHTED VISUALLY 0400 APPROXIMATELY SAME LATITUDE NIL LONGITUDE GIVEN.
NIL STRIKES AIR FROM HEAVIES REPORTED FOR NINTH. PROBABLY HAMPERED
BY WEATHER.
2 B-25'S CLAIM 2 HITS 2 NEAR MISSSES ON AK ORMOC BAY 8TH. SAME DAY 24
B-24'S BOMBED ALICANTE STRIP NORTHERN NEGROS WITH HITS NEAR 3 PLANES,
REVETMENTS. 15 ENEMY ARMY PLANES INTERCEPTED. 3 SHOT DOWN. 2 MITCHELLS
ON CERAF GLIPPING* SQWEY* OBSERVED NEW 4000 FOOT STRIPPING CONSTRUCTED
1 AND 1/2 MILES INLAND FROM CAROKEI ISLAND. 12 P-38'S FIRED 2 SMALL
STACK AFT AK'S 1 SCHOONER 11 BARGES SINKING IN AREA. 12 MOL* FIRED
5 SCHOONERS AND STRAFED NICKLE MINE AT POMELAA. BEFORE DOWN 9TH 1
NICK SHOT DOWN OVER MOROTAI CRASHED IN REVETMENT AREA DESTROYING 1 B-25
WAGED 4 OTHERS. NIL ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY OVER LEYTE SHIPPING 8TH AND
ONOGXOBRR* SUB SANK 1 A NETT* OFF MAKASSAR 2ND. 3RD AN0IEK* SUB
GOT 2 TIMED HITS IN 2 AO'S POSIT 05-55 N 111-05 E. 8TH 2 MORE SUBS
SANK 1 AO MACH* WEST MINDORO. GAND* SITUATION. NIL CHANGE IN LINES.
ORMOC TOWN EDDSY* SHOT UP BY ARTILLERY. LARGE FDDES* ALL DABI* P 60. 1
FM OVER ORMOC BAY 0630 TOYHDBSEW* 20 10TH REPORT 13 DD'S 2 POSSIBLE
CRUISERS 20-25 MFTOP* CARRYING VESSELS STATIONARY. SIGHTING
UNCONFIRMED.

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FROM: COM 3RD FLT
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 10 NOVEMBER 1944
TOR CODE: 00323
DECODED BY: MC CORMACK
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ADDRESS: CINCSOWESPAC
FOR ACTION: CINCPAC COM 7TH FLT
CTF 38 CTG 38.3
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HONO-INTERCEPT

(FROM COM 3RD FLT, ACTION CINCSOWESPAC INFO CINCPAC COM 7TH FLT CTF 38 CTG 38.3, COM 7TH FLT PASS INFO COMFEAF)

SUGGEST CARRIER GROUPS BE AUTHORIZED STRIKE ENEMY SHIPPING IN VISAYAS NOVEMBER 11TH, ADVISE.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area
       Hollandia, New Guinea
To: War Department
No. C 51913  10 November 1944

To Chief of Staff War Department, C51913 signed MacArthur.

Operations report SWESPAC Area period 1500Z/8 to 1500Z/9.

Philippines:

Luzon:

14 vessels sighted on southerly course off west coast south Lingayen Gulf mid-day November 8.

Visayas:

2 seatrucks reported off Ticao Island, 2000 ton freighter north Negros November 6th.

Leyte:

32 barges reported beached south of Ormoc jetty November 7, 11 destroyers, 4 freighters, 6 medium freighter transports sighted vicinity Ormoc Evening November 9; enemy lines 6000 yards west Dagami estimated held by 4,000 enemy.
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Borneo:

Photographs Brunei Bay November 7 showed 1
 carrier, 4 battleships, 3 heavy cruisers, 2 light cruisers
 4 destroyers, aircraft afternoon November 9 sighted 4
 battleships, 3 heavy cruisers, 3 light cruisers, 3 destroy-
 4ers on northwesterly course west Balabac Strait; 1 fighters
 and 6 bombers photographed Miri November 7, continued activity
 4 in area shown.

Flores Island:

Submarine reported off northeast point
morning November 8.

Part 2. Naval:

2 destroyers shelled coastal installations
and started fires Savai, West Maffin Bay. PT boats
strafed camouflaged barge southwestern Deoeyink Bay and
mortared gun positions Boeli Bay, Kelmahera.

Air: Enemy action:

Lone raider over Morotai hit by anti-aircraft
fire, crashed in revetments and caused slight damage pre-
dawn November 9.

Operations November 5:

(1) 10 F40's dive-bombed barges Ormoc Bay,

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Leyte Island.

Operations November 6:

(2) Patrol Venturas strafed 2 camouflaged planes Sidate airdrome, northeastern Celebes, and silenced gun positions Tawi Tawi; Patrol B24's sank 2 luggers northern Borneo, scored 3 direct hits and left burning medium troop filled freighter southwest Mindoro, sank small freighter and demolished dry dock southeastern Luzon.

Operations November 8:

(3) 9 Beauforts attacked and fired targets Suain and But, West Newak.

(4) 4 B25 patrolled Ceram and Boeroe Islands, strafed targets, Ipa Island and damaged motor trucks near Aracekoe.

(5) 4 P40's hit amongst warehouses Lebeha, Halmahera; 16 B25's bombed revetments and dispersals Kau and Heteabako.

(6) 8 B25's bombed runways and revetments Langowan, northeastern Celebes; 12 P38's set 2 seatrucks, 1 schooner, 1 oil-barge afire near Kendari and strafed 2 planes Old Namlea airdrome; 12 more P38's strafed Nickel mine installations and set 5 schooners afire Pomelas, strafed personnel constructing runway Kabaena Island.

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(7) 24 B24's scored excellent coverage run-
ways and revetments Alicante airdrome, Negros Island; shot
down 3 of 15 aggressive enemy fighters, 2 B24's lost; 8 P38's
escort turned back due weather.

Weather November 9th:
Heavy showers and below average conditions over
northern and central Philippines, equatorial front Ceram to
north Morotai.

Operations November 9th:
(8) 6 Beauforts bombed Susia bivouacs
west Wewak.

(9) 6 Darwin B24's on shipping reconnaissance;
3 planes attacked sub-chaser 30 miles northwest Macassar.

(10) 2 Beauforts attacked villages Tanimbar
and Kai Islands; single patrol B24's bombed Cape Chater
guns and Lutem airdrome, Timor.

Solomons Forces. Naval:
PT boats continued operations New Ireland and
Bougainville.
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Air:

Operations November 8:

(1) 19 Corsairs and 1 B25 harassed Rabaul,
damaged motor trucks and set troop filled barge afire;
2 B25's, 2 New Zealand Ventures and 14 Corsairs bombed
Kaveng; 4 B25's, 23 Dauntless and 14 Corsairs hit
New Ireland Plantations.

(12) 30 Marine and New Zealand Corsairs swept
Bougainville; 16 Dauntless, 36 Marine and New Zealand
Corsairs bombed Brigade Headquarters Area.

Land:

Leyte:

November 9: X Corps:

26th Division: 21st Infantry advancing south
toward high ground between (0361) and Mount Catabaran (0760)
encountered heavy resistance made slow progress. 1 battalion
forced to withdraw after counterattack against flank.
Elements 19th Infantry moving southwest from Daro reached
Lake Danac (2241).

1st Cavalry Division attacked west toward
high ground vicinity Mount Catungangan (1158); 5th Cavalry reached top this feature and area just west

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Mount Pina (1459); 12th Cavalry reached point (1461).

XXIV Corps:

96th Division: attack on enemy positions extending south from Patek to Guinarona (8635) by 382nd Infantry was prevented by flooded impassable roads and trails.

7th Division: 2nd Battalion 17th Infantry relieved 3rd Battalion 383rd Infantry as corps reserve at Telagrafo (6336). 2nd and 3rd Battalions 32nd Inf and 2nd Battalion 184th Infantry at Baybay.

Our casualties to November 9th:

X Corps:  
Killed 347  
Wounded 1300  
Missing 15

XXIV Corps:  
Killed 661  
Wounded 2601  
Missing 256

Location of front lines:

0770, 0866, 1166, 1058, 2265, 2858, 2552, 3248, 4445, 4327, 3515, 3300, 3398.

New Britain:

November 4th: Battalion 5th Australian Division

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affected unopposed landing Jacquinot Bay area.

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(1) No details.

(2) B24's dropped minimum 16 250 lb bombs from masthead height.

(3) Dropped 16 500 lb medium capacity, 18 250 lb general purpose bombs from 5000 to 2000 feet fired 200 rounds 50, 4600 rounds 30 calibre.

(4) Dropped 12 300 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

(5) P40's dropped 8 500 lb bombs; B25's dropped 16 100 lb bombs from 11,000 to 8,500 feet, met moderate intense heavy some accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(6) B25's dropped 84 100 lb bombs from 9000 feet, met moderate heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire; P38's met moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Pamela, no other details.

(7) Dropped 620 100 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.

(8) Dropped 12 500 lb medium capacity, 12 250 lb general purpose bombs.

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(9) Dropped and jettisoned 24 500 lb bombs
    1/10th's second delay from 15,500 feet.

(10) Beauforts dropped 4 250 lb bombs from
    10,000 feet; B24's dropped 16 250 lb bombs from 10,800
    feet.

End.

ACTION: OPD
INFO: CC/3
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EARLY MORNING 7 NOVEMBER 11 ENEMY AIRCRAFT RAIDED
SAIPAN AND TINIAN CAUSING NO DAMAGE. AA FIRE SHOT
DOWN 3 PLUS 1 PROBABLE. 7 NOVEMBER 14 LIBERATORS
BOMBED AIRFIELD INSTALLATIONS AT IWO JIMA STARTING A
LARGE FIRE AND PROBABLY DESTROYING TWO GROUNDED MEDIUM
BOMBERS. LBS ATTACKED MARCUS ISLAND INSTALLATIONS.
TOP SECRET DISPATCH

DATE: 13 NOVEMBER 1944

TO: CINCPAC

FROM: COM 7TH FLEET

RELEASED BY:

CINCPAC

COMINCH & CNO

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FROM COM 7TH FLEET TO COMINCH AND CNO INFO CINCPAC AND CINCLANT

STUDY ESCORT SITUATION MADE IN CONJUNCTION COMPHILSEAFRON INDICATES.

A. ALL DD AND DE. PF. CURRENTLY ASSIGNED REQUIRED FOR COMBAT OPERATIONS UNTIL COMPLETION PHILIPPINE CAMPAIGN.

B. NO AUSTRALIAN ESCORT VESSELS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN EXCESS REQUIREMENTS SOME PACIFIC SEA FRONTS DUE WITHDRAWAL US ESCORT TYPES AND CONVERSION OF BRITISH ESCORTS FORM (19 GROUPS MISSING FROM CODE). USE WITH BRITISH FORCES.

IN RESPONSE TO MY 181236 SEPT REQUESTING ADDITIONAL ESCORTS FOR PHILIPPINE SEA FRONTIER 2 DE CORTDIVS WERE ASSIGNED BY YOUR 232116 SEPT. YOUR 041326 OCT REPLACING FRIGATES WITH DES ASSIGNED CORTDIVS AS RELIEF 5 PF CORTDIVS IN OR ASSIGNED FOR THIS HAS RESULTED IN EARLIER ARRIVAL OF ASSIGNED FORCETS AND MORE

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Suitable type but an increase of only 1 CORTDIV plus 2 PF temporarily retained for submarine training authorized by your 151525 OCT.

For Ocean escort to the Philippines, inter-inland escort and harbor protection the following is a minimum requirement in addition to forces presently assigned.

A. 4 DE CORTDIVS with 5 inch 38 cal guns to arrive earliest date.
B. 2 DE CORTDIVS same type to arrive by 15 January.
C. 24 PCE and 24 SC to arrive not later than 1 February.

Philippine operations have evoked strong enemy reaction which undoubtedly will continue. Recent intelligence indicates that lull in enemy submarine activities for past several months was due to withdrawal of submarines for modernization and that Japs now ready undertake intensified submarine operations. Numerous recent submarine sightings and contacts in the Philippines area tend to confirm this.

No. 1 Admiral. No. 2 File. No. 3F-1 or Chartroom. No. 4 Special.

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SHORTAGE OF ESCORTS IN ALL THEATERS AS SETFORTH IN YOUR SERIAL 802748 OF 24 SEPT IS FULLY REALIZED. HOWEVER IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE ALLOCATION OF SHIPS REQUESTED HEREIN IS ESSENTIAL PROPERLY TO ESCORT CONVOYS CARRYING SUPPLIES TO THE PHILIPPINE AREA.

MACARTHUR CONCURS.

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
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To: War Department

Nr: C 51828 9 November 1944

Chief of Staff War Department. C 51828. Operations Report SOWESPAO Area. 1500Z/7 to 1500Z/8 signed MacArthur.

Philippines:

Luzon:

One heavy cruiser, 3 destroyers, 4 small merchant vessels, many barges reported off San Fernando on west coast November 7th; 2 large merchant vessels, 1 large transport, 9 escort vessels reported eastbound through Verde Island passage evening November 8th.

Panay:

One light cruiser, 2 destroyers, 1 medium transport, 1 tanker heading north off east coast morning November 7th.

Negros:

Photographs November 6th showed 57 planes on Fabrica Airdrome.

Mindanao:

Six aircraft photographed Buayan, 5 fighters on Sassa November 6th.

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Nr: 0 51828 9 November 1944

Leyte:
Approximately 50 enemy planes indicated in Tacloban/
Dulag area during six periods of alert from midnight November 6th
to daylight November 7th.

Bali:
Four fighters, 2 bombers photographed Den Pasar
November 7th.

Part 2.
Air.

Enemy Action:
Morotai:
Four planes bombed Allied positions predawn November 8th.
Leyte:
One raider shot down by fighter patrols November 8th.

Operations November 5th:

(1) 22 RAAF P-40's and four Beaufighters damaged
coastal defences and destroyed small shipping Ceram and
Ambon.

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Operations November 6th:
(2) P-47's covering P-40 strike Ormoc Bay, Leyte Island, shot down three
    of nine intercepting fighters.

Operations November 7th:
(3) Four predawn B-25's caused fires Namlea Town and Airdrome, Boeoro Island.
(4) Eight B-25's bombed Oba Airdrome, Halmahera; 27 B-25's cratered Kau Airdrome; 19 B-25's hit Galala;
    20 P-38's and 16 P-47's attacked Kau and Miti Airdrome.
(5) 24 B-25's attacked Langcan, Mapanget and Tanacon Airdromes, northeastern Celebes; 13 P-38's struck Madi Airdrome, near Macassar, destroyed 17 grounded twin engined planes and
    probably destroyed five others, shot down three intercepting fighters.
(6) Four squadrons B-24's bombed Alicante and Fabrica Airdromes, Negros Island, cratered dispersals and runways, destroyed six grounded planes and damaged another, shot down four
    probably two more of 11 aggressive interceptors, two B-24's lost.
(7) Three B-24's attacked Alicante and Fabrica Airdromes before dawn.
(8) 24 more P-40's plus P-38's divebombed and strafed installations and shipping Ormoc Bay, Leyte Island, demolished headquarters buildings, set supplies and motor trucks afire,
    sank two barges damaged others.

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(9) Eight B-24's from Nadzab bombed motor truck concentration Rabaul Township.

(10) Five A-20's and 2 Beauforts attacked Wewak targets, 1 A-20 downed by anti-aircraft fire.

(11) 5th Air Force bombers grounded due adverse weather; day and night fighters covered Leyte.

(12) Five Dutch B-25's hit gun positions Kai Island; three Darwin B-24's attacked Cape Chater, Lautem and Lahane barracks, Timor.

Solomons Forces.

Naval.

PT boats attacked coastal targets Choiseul, Bougainville and New Ireland.

Air.

Operations November 7th:

(13) 21 New Zealand, 8 Marine Corsairs destroyed huts around Bougainville; 8 B-25's, 24 Dauntless and 16 Corsairs silenced gun positions Borpop Airdrome, 14 Corsairs and 2 New Zealand Venturas attacked plantations New Ireland.

(14) 26 B-25's started large fires Lakunai Airdrome; 24 Corsairs and 18 Dauntless demolished buildings Talili Bay; 26 Corsairs swept Gazelle Peninsula.
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Weather.

Typhoon moving west towards Samar brought heavy rain and wind to southern Philippines, Equatorial front with light showers Ceram to Morotai.

Land.

Leyte:

November 7th:

XX Corps:

24th Division: 21st Infantry advance reached high ground 2,500 yards south of Pinamopoan without enemy contact; 1st Battalion 19th Infantry secured corps artillery area vicinity of Daro, other elements reached point near Alto Peak (2744) without contact.

1st Cavalry Division: 12th Cavalry being relieved by XXIV Corps elements at Tingib and Pastran.

Extensive patrolling Leyte and Samar.

XXIV Corps:

96th Division: 382nd Infantry continued attack 3,000 yards west of Dangani against strong resistance.

1st Battalion 381st Infantry attacking northwest from position vicinity (4538) overcame stiff resistance from prepared thousand yards southeast of Hiaibang (4439), 100
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enemy killed.

November 8th:

X Corps:

12th Cavalry concentrated Jaro following relief by
383rd Infantry; 21st Infantry continued advance south made
night attack.

XXIV Corps:

383rd Infantry pushed patrols south and southwest
from Tingib and Pasauna; elements 381st Infantry took up
positions at (4437), others attacked northwest toward Molobago
(4334), others attacked northwest reached Taglayan (4325).

Our casualties to November 7th: 884 killed,
3479 wounded,
263 missing.

Enemy casualties to November 8th: 15,324 killed

Part 3.

Paragraphs 1 and 2 no details.

(3) Dropped 40 100 lb bombs.

(4) B-25's dropped 72 500 lb, 32 300 lb, 108 100 lb
bombs plus unstated number parafrags from 9,000 feet to
minimum altitude, met intense light accurate and heavy inaccurate
anti-aircraft fire; fighters dropped 40 1,000 lb bombs, fired
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unstated number rounds.

(5) B-25's dropped 96 300 lb bombs from 11,500 to 9,000 feet; no details P-38's.

(6) Dropped 144 500 lb bombs, 516 120 lb fragmentation clusters from 9,500 feet.

(7) Dropped 108 120 lb frags from 4,000 feet, met slight medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(8) Dropped 48 500 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

(9) Dropped 64 1,000 lb bombs from 14,000 feet.

(10) A-20's dropped 20 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 3,500 rounds 50 calibre, met intense medium accurate anti-aircraft fire; Beauforts dropped 4 500 lb medium capacity, 4 250 lb general purpose bombs from 1,500 feet, met intense light and medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire from But.

(11) No details.

(12) B-25's dropped 60 100 lb bombs from 2,000 feet, fired 3,300 rounds 50 calibre; B-24's dropped 24 250 lb bombs from 16,000 to 8,000 feet, fired 1,500 rounds 50 calibre.

* Being serviced.

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INFO: CC/8 CC AAF ASF G-2 Adm King Col Park
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**TOR Code Room:** ZIMMERMAN

**Decoded by:** ZIMMERMAN/HC CORMACK

**Addressed to:** CTG 73-7

**Port of Destination:** COMAF 5

**Came From:** COMAF 13

**Along With:** COM 7TH FLT

**Com:** COM 3RD FLEET

**Naval Department**

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(CTF 73 SENDS ACTION CTG 73-7 INFO COMAF 5 COMAF 13 COM 7TH FLT COM 3RD FLT)

HAVE 1 VENTURA TAKE OFF WHEN WEATHER PERMITS. ORMOC ESTIMATED ABOUT 0800/09 NOVEMBER, OBSERVE ORMOC BAY THENCE PROCEED THROUGH MASBATE PASS- MOMPOG PASS-VERDE ISLAND PASSAGE TO 120TH MERIDIAN RETURN ISLAND AROUND MINDORO APO EAST PASS TO AMBULONG ISLAND THENCE NORTHEAST TO MARINDUQUE ISLAND THENCE TO BASE. BE ALERT FOR TRANSPORTS IN CONVOY PROBABLY WITH AIR COVER. AVOID FLYING OVER LAND AFTER DEPARTING ORMOC.

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OPERATIONAL REPORT 8TH.

LAST OF TWO PARTS.

NO ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY. GALE WINDS ROUGH SEA FROM TYPHOON RECURRING WEST OF LUZON.

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EARLY FORENOON EIGHTH FLYDE* CA 3 DD 4 SMALL FREIGHTER TRANSPORTS MANY BARGES AT PIER SAN FERNANDO NORTH LINGAYEN GULF.

FURTHER REPORTS BLUE SUB ATTACKS 2 C 1 OR MORE LARGE AP 6TH LNOVI TY* CAPE BOLINO. MOGAMI CA TOOK TOTAL 5 HITS ATAGO CA TAKED SAME NUMBER. FORMER BEACHED REHA POINT, 2 SUBS EACH A FITING* ONE HIT SANK LARGE AP. ON 30TH ONE OF SAME SUBS HIT ANOTHER LARGE AP TWICE. 31ST ANOTHER SUB SANK 3 LARGE AK, ALL WEST LUSON. OTHER SIGHTINGS 7TH. BEFORE DAWN 1 CL 2.

RJQKLI* 1 MEDIUM AP 1 MEDIUM STACK APT SHIP 1 MILE OFF PANDAN POINT SOUTHEAST MINDORO NORTHBOUND. 1 POSSIBLE AH COURSE.

THIRTY SPEED 5 POSIT 07-20 NORTH 117-05 EAST AT 1500 HOURS. SAME TIME 1 DO ANCHORED 07-10 NORTH 110-05 EAST. IN FLIGHT REPORT 1710 CONVOY 2 CL 1 DD 19 UNIDENTIFIED SHIPS 04-20 NORTH 114-00 EAST. 20 MINUTES LATER CONVOY 1 CV 3 CA 10 UNIDENTIFIED.

BRUNEI BAY. SOME MESSAGES CHALLENGED AND AUTHENTICATED. COMMENT. CONSIDERED TO BE 1 FORCE WITH WLCCS OF LARGE UNITS SUBJECT TO DOUBT. 13TH AF HEAVIES AND FIGHTERS POUNDED NORTHERN NEGROS DRONES 7TH. 25 LIBERATORS BOMBED ALVIANTE 180 UNOBSERVED REM 1151 521 BOMBERS SHOT DOWN.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94

**Notes:**
- ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
- IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW

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*FLYDE: FLYING DECK,*** CHIEF OF PRELIMINARY REPORTS*
23 P38'S SHOT DOWN 11 OSCARS TONYS HAMPS OF 15 INTERCEPTING OVER
FABRICA. OXSH PLANES STRAFED 2 SMALL STACK AFT AK IN VICINITY
SINKING 1. 14 P-47'S CONTACTED 8 HAMPS HMUYB OVER FABRICA DESTROYING 1 ANOTHER PROBABLE. P-38'S PI40 ATTACKED 8 OSCARS AFTER THEY
HAD BOMBED DULAG. 5 DEFINITE 2 PROBABLE SHOT DOWN. COMMENT.
WHEN NO PROTECTION PHILIPPINES OTHER CAPTURED ISLANDS WAS FORMERLY
RESPONSIBILITY JAP NAVAL AIR ARM NOW ARMY PLANES ARE INTERCEPTING
NAVAL PLANES USED FOR SEARCHES. ATTACKS. NIL ATTACKS SHIPPPING LEYTE
BULF 7TH. TF 38 CARRIER PLANES GRAND TOTAL FOR SWEEPS MANILA AREA
5TH 6TH. SHOT DOWN 113 DESTROYED ON GROUND 327.

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CTF 59 SENDS ACTION TO CTF 57: RDO WAIHAWA PASS INFO TO CINCPAC CONSOPAC COMAIRSOPAC COMAIRPAC COM FAM 2 ALL TFCs CENPAC COMAF 7 COM THIRD FLEET CTG 59.5 CTG 59.6 CTG 59.7 AND CTG 96. OTHER INFO ADEES ARE CTG 59.1 AND CTG 59.2. RDO WAIHAWA ALSO PASS INFO TO CTG 30.5.

ADD TO STRIKES FOR 6 NOV:
SNOOPER LIBERATOR BOMBED IWO JIMA DISPERAL AREA.
CORSAIRS ATTACKED SMALL SHIPPING IN NORTHERN AUS.
2 STRIKES WERE MADE BY THUNDERBOLTS AGAINST PAGAN ON NOV 7 USING ROCKETS AND 50 CALIBER. OTHERS FOR SEVENTH.
4 ARMY LIBERATORS BOMBER DISPERAL AREAS AND AIRFIELD NUMBER 1 AT IWO JIMA. LARGE FIRE STARTED, 2 BETTYS PROBABLY DESTROYED ON GROUND.
THREE OTHER LIBERATORS HIT FLAK AND RDO POSITIONS MARCUS. SAIPAN AND TINIAN ATTACKED BY ESTIMATED 11 ENEMY AIRCRAFT AT 061547 AND 061830. AA BATTERIES.
CLAIM 2 DESTROYED, WITNESSING A THIRD CRASH OFF SHORE SAIPAN, AND A FOURTH PROBABLY CRASHED SOUTH OF TINIAN. NO KNOWN DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES TO US.
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

To: War Department

No: 051764 8 November 1944

Chief of Staff War Department 0 51764 signed MacArthur.

Philippines: Luson; two heavy cruisers reported off * Gulf morning November 6.

Pasawan: Large tanker 3 warships opted on northerly course off north point of island November 5.

Wevak: Large submarine sighted course north off but* motor transport activity reported in vicinity November 6.

Part 2. Air. Enemy action: Light raid on Morotai predawn November 7. P 40's and P 38's shot down 5 probably 2 more of * planes raiding Dulag on Leyte Island November 7. Sixth Army reports total anti-aircraft claims from October * November 6 on Leyte 65 enemy aircraft destroyed 79 probably.

Operations November 4:

(1) 11 RAAP P 40's attacked personnel areas Noemi and Rensiki, south Manokwari.

Operations November 6:

(2) 23 Beauforts from Goodenough Island bombed gun installations Wide Bay, south Rabaul.

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(3) 15 Beauforts hit motor pool and supplies west Wewak.

(4) 4 P 38's left schooner Alist * Booroey Island.

(5) 8 P 40's strafed Mitia and * airstones, Halmahera; 16 B 25's bombed Galele and Hatetahako; 11 P 38's hit Mitia and Galela.

(6) 12 B 25's swept Macajalar Bay, northern Mindanao, scored 2 hits on destroyer demolished one grounded plane Del Monte Airdrome.

(7) 3 predawn B 24's bombed Masbate, Bacolod, Fabricia and Opon airstones; another B 24 destroyed 3 grounded planes and damaged 3 others Alicante airstone, Negros Island.

(8) 25 B 24's bombed Alicante Airdrome, destroyed 1 of 15 intercepting fighters, one B 24 missing.

(9) 27 P 47's, 23 P 38's plus additional fighters swept Fabricia and Carolina Airdromes, northern Negros Island, shot down 24 enemy planes, probably destroyed 4 and damaged 6 others; destroyed one grounded plane and strafed two seaplanes offshore sinking one; 3 Allied fighters missing.

(10) 12 Dutch B 25's bombed gun positions and radio stations, started fires Waingapoe, Soemba Island; 4 RAAF B 25's set small freighter afire offshore.

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(11) Patrol B 24 attacked coastal vessel Flores Island and bombed buildings Cape Hero, Timor.

Operations November 7:

(12) 7 Beauforts, 8 B 24's, 6 B 25's and 4 A 20's hit fuel dumps, bivouacs and villages west Wewak.

(13) 17 B 25's weathered out from Negros Island, bombed Gelaia Airdrome and bivouacs, Balabac.

(14) 8 P 40's bombed enemy headquarters area Valencia, Leyte Island, strafed motor transport along highways.

(15) Patrol B 24 sand coastal vessel and strafed 5 barges Bungay Strait, * Borneo.

(16) 12 Darwin B 24's bombed Rabia village, east Bima on Sumbawa Island, started large fires.

(17) 3 patrol B 24's bombed *, Cape Chater and Lahane bivouacs, Timor.

Operations Report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/6 to 1500Z/7.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations November 6:

(18) 2 Corsairs strafed enemy positions Bougainville 30 Corsairs, 9 Dauntless, 21 B 25's and 2 New Zealand Venturas

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Attacked plantations, bivouacs, guns and bridges New Ireland; weather *

Operations. Land. Leyte: November 7: X Corps:

Leading elements 21st Infantry met resistance 1,500 yards south Pinamopoan; three counter attacks repulsed with heavy enemy *; our long range artillery started fires in supply areas along Ormoc/Valencia road.

XXIV Corps:

Elements 96th Division reduced several pockets of resistance west * pursued enemy parties northwest towards Pushk (4243); enemy force unknown size engaged ten miles west north west Abuyog. Total enemy killed to November 7: 14,355.

Weather: Moderate to heavy showers * wind in *; * with scattered showers through Halmahas area.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 11 by 500 lb, 8 by 250 lb bombs, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(2) Dropped 113 by 250 lb general purpose bombs, by * 1b frags from 6,000 to 3,000 feet, met inaccurate

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machine gun fire.

(3) Dropped 28 by 500 lb medium capacity, 18 by 250 lb general purpose bombs from 3000 feet, fired 600 rounds 50, .30 calibre, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(4) Dropped 4 by 500 lb bombs.

(5) P 40's dropped 24 by 500 lb bombs from 1,000 feet; B 25's dropped 48 by 300 lb bombs from 9,000 feet; P 38's dropped 22 by 1,000 lb bombs from 4,000 feet; moderate light and medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(6) Dropped 100 by 100 lb paradesmos from minimum altitude, met moderate light accurate anti aircraft fire.

(7) Dropped 120* 1 lb frags from 2,500 feet to 1,500 feet, met light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(8) Dropped 750 by 100 lb bombs from 11,500 feet.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CG/S
CG AAF
O-2
Adm King

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COMAFF 5, CINCSPAWA; COM 3RD FL T
ALSO USS TANGIER

07571
RAHMORD-15 COVERAGE NEGATIVE RESULTS IN BAD WEATHER
NOVEMBER 7 PBAY INTERLPDGSEMECHOS* SECTOR C 600
MILES 90 PER CENT NEGATIVE. SECTOR 1 850 MILES
90 PER CENT. 1300 1 HOSPITAL SHIP 07-20 N 117-10 E
COURSE 030 5 KNOTS. 1315 1 DE ANCHORED 07-10 N
117 EAST. 1320 2 SC 1 PILOT BOAT ANCHORED 06-55 N
116-50 E. 1330 STRADDLE FROM STRING WF 62 50'S
STRAFFED SD SANK ON REEF 07-05 N 117-10 E STRAFFED

5 BARGES SAW POSITION 1 SHOWN CONFIDENTLY.

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SECTOR 2 850 MILES 95 PER CENT 1205 SIGHTED 2 DE
ANCHORED PORTO PRINCESSA 09-50 N 118-55 E. 2 PLANES
SECTOR 3 850 MILES 90 PER CENT NEGATIVE. SECTOR C 600 MILES
90 PER CENT NEGATIVE. SECTOR X 750 MILES 90 PER CENT
NEGATIVE. 2 PLANES SECTOR Y 1 TO 525 MILES 50 PER CENT
SECTOR SECOND ** 730 MILES 60 PER CENT BOTH NEGATIVE.
TIMES ARE 1. GENERALLY POOR RESULTS DUE WEATHER, NEW PILOTS,
AIGXAI* AND FIELD CONGESTION. CAN PROVIDE ONLY 1 PLANE PER
SECTOR TOMORROW. VENTURE RESULTS SECTORS A AND B OUT 575
MILES 50 PER CENT COVERAGE NEGATIVE RESULTS WEATHER POOR. DOG
OUT 775 MILES 90 PER CENT COVERAGE NEGATIVE. SECTORS 5 AND 6
OUT 600 MILES 60 PER CENT CLOVE. *

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** 1 GARbled GROUP

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PRELIMINARY REPORTS SHOW FOLLOWING RESULTS OF BLUE CARRIER PLANE STRIKES AGAINST LUZON DURING 5 AND 6 NOVEMBER: 113 JAP PLANES SHOT DOWN, 327 DESTROYED ON GROUND, MANY OTHERS REPORTED DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY STRAFING; SUNK 1 AO, 3 AK, 1 SC, PROBABLY SUNK 1 CA, 1 DD; DAMAGED 1 CL, 5 DD, 2 DE, 1 TRAWLER. HEAVY DAMAGE TO SHORE INSTALLATIONS. 5 NOVEMBER LAND BASED PLANES STRUCK HAHA JIMA, CHICHI JIMA, MARCUS, YAP AND THE northern PALAUS. MITCHELLS AND LIBERATORS BOMBED TARGETS IN THE KURILE ISLANDS.
NAVAL MESSAGE

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(CTG 77-1 SEDNS TO SAME ADEES AS PART 1 WHICH IS 070441.)

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RATIONAL REPORT 7TH.

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TO CINCPAC
SUBJECT: CINCPAC CTF 57 CTF 59 ALL TUC'S 30 RTOUVN* POCONOKE CHANDELIER

INCOMPLETE DTG
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COM 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION CINCPAC CINCSOWESPAC INFO COM 7TH FLT CTF 77 COMINCH ACTF 3RD FLT.

PRELIMINARY INCOMPLETE REPORT WITHOUT PHOTO CONFIRMATION OF SWEEPS STRIKES LUZON 6 NOVEMBER. ONLY AIRBORNE ENCOUNTER WITH NIPS IN TARGET AREA OCCURRED 1ST SWEEP OVER CLARK WITH 11 SHOT DOWN. OVER FORCE 5 OF ESTIMATED 13/18 SHOT DOWN BY CAP AND SCRAMBLED FIGHTERS BETWEEN 0800 - 0910 SOME WITHIN 5 MILES AT HIGH ALTITUDE BUT NO ATTACK MADE. ON 5TH AND 6TH TOTAL SHOT DOWN 113 AND TOTAL DESTROYED ON GROUND 327. MANY OTHERS REPORTED DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY STRAFING. LARGEST CONCENTRATION FOUND AT CLARK TAHLCB BAMBARO MABALACAT LIPA NEILSON AND NICHOLS. INTENSE AA AT CLARK AND MANILA. LOCOMOTIVE AND 5 TANK CARS NORTH OF MALVAR DESTROYED. TERRIBLE EXPLOSION AND FACE NORTHEAST CLARK. 3 FUEL FIRES NORTH CLARK FIELD. SHIPS

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SUNK ON 6TH 1 AO 3 AK PROBABLY 1 DD. SHIPS DAMAGED ON 6TH 2 DE 2 DD 1 TRAWLER. TOTAL OF 14 AK DAMAGED 5TH AND 6TH.
PILOTS STRAFING AO IN MANILA BAY ON 5TH REPORT RECEIVING AA FROM NEARBY VESSEL MARKED AS AH.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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SAME TIME PLACE ANOTHER

1 CA 1 CL 1 DO 1 LARGE AO REPORTED NORTHBOUND WEST NORTHERN TIPS MUERUXIID* AFTERNOON 6th. CONSIDERED TO BE A OILER

WITH ESCORTS SMALLER THAN THOSE REPORTED, OTHER SIGHTINGS 6th ITEM TIME. 1 DO 1900 SPEED KOAMEP* COURSE 325 POSIT

0740 NORTH 11620 EAST. 1 SMALL STACK AFT AK MACAJALAR BAY NORTHWEST MINDANAO 1030. 3 MINOR AIR RAIDS MOROTAI EARLY

MORNING 6th. CLOSEST BOGEOY 40 MILES. 2 PTs OVERDUE FROM PATROL NIGHT 45th NOW CONTACTED BY RADIO, RETURNING TO BASE.

WOENDI BOATS NIGHT 5th6th EVACUATED 56 JAPANESE FROM EMBORON ISLAND WEST GEELVINK BAY. 5th AIRFORCE REPORTS FOR 5th.

22 B24S DROPPED 55 TONS MACTAN ISLAND DRONE CRATERING STRIP HITTING DISPERAL AREAS. NIL AA. ** AIRBORNE INTERCEPTOR

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FAILED PRSF* ATTACK. 49 A-20'S SUPPORTED GROUND TROOPS SARM* AREA. P-38'S REPORT 10 EAN* 15 SMALL VESSELS/LARGE BARGES

80-200 FEET ON SHORE BETWEEN PORO AND PONSON ISLAND CAMOTES SEA. 13 HEAVIES HIT FABRICA DROME NORTHERN NEGROS DESTROYING 13 PROBABLY DESTROYING 4 DAMAGING OTHER PLANES ON GROUND. 1 OF 5 INTERCEPTORS DAMAGED. 20 MORE LIBERATORS HIT LAXUG* STRIP CEBU WRECKING BUILDINGS CAUSING FIRES. NIL INTERCEPTION. NIL AA. P-40'S DESTROYED BRIDGE LARGE BARRACKS VALENCIA CENTRAL MINDANAO THEN ATTACKED JAE* ORMOC BAY SINKING 1 PROBABLY DESTROYING 2 DAMAGING OTHERS. PRIME* DAY 25 LIBERATORS 13TH AIRFORCE HIT BACOLOD STARTING FIRES. P-47 COVER KNOCKED DOWN 3 OF 8 LANRTEN* INTERCEPTORS. 44 EMIRAU BASED AIRCRAFT BOMBED TARGETS NEW IRELAND CAUSING FIRES EXPLOSIONS. 36 FROM GREEN ISLAND HIT TARGETS NEW BARRACAN.

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ACTION:

- INFO COMING COM 7TH FLEET ALL TASKFORCES 3RD AND 7TH FLEETS.

INFO

- NO AIR OPPOSITION LUZON ON 6TH. OVER 400 PLANES
- DESTROYED MANY MORE DAMAGED IN 2 DAYS PLUS HEAVY
- DAMAGE TO INSTALLATIONS AND SHIPPING. DETAILS
- LATER. LEXINGTON HIT ON 5TH BY SUICIDE DIVER WITH
- MINOR DAMAGE BUT HEAVY CASUALTIES TO SHIP'S SIGNAL
- AND GUNNERY PERSONNEL. I AM WITHDRAWING BUT WILL
- MAINTAIN 3 GROUPS AT SEA FOR THE TIME BEING READY
- TO ADMINISTER FURTHER SEDATIVE IF PATIENT BECOMES
- VIOLENT. KEEP ME INFORMED OF ENEMY AIR SITUATION.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/90
CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM 7TH FLT ACTION COMINCH INFO CNO CINCPAC COMSOPAC.

NIGHT 4/5 ENEMY BOMBERS ATTACKED MOROTAI USED WINDOW DROPPED PHOSPHORUS CLUSTERS OF NEW TYPE HAD INVERTED CUPOLA SHAPE. HIL DAMAGE PB4Y SANK FREIGHTER CORON BAY AREA. 3 CVE DEPART HANUS TODAY FOR PEARL. MOVEMENTS IN SUPPORT OF LEYTE CONTINUE.

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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(OTF 59 GETS ACTION FROM OTF 57. INFO LOCALLY OTU 38.5.2. ALSO INFO COM 3RD FLEET)

COM 3RD FLEET 960237 COMPLY NO JIMA STRIKES. INCLUDE SHIPPING.
RDO HOLLANDIA PASS TO COMAAF. COM7THFLTF GIVE CINCSPWA,
COMAF 13 HAS LOCALLY.

INTERLUDE F SEARCHED 6 NOV. SECTOR C TO 840 MILES 95 %
NEGATIVE. SECTOR 1 850 MILES 85% SIGHTED DESTROYER AT
12-02/1 POSIT 07-32 N 116-20 E COURSE 325 SPEED 20 KNOTS
APPARENTLY PATROLLING STRAIT. AT 1150/1 DESTROYED LUGGER
BY DIRECT HIT AT 07-40N 117-11 E COURSE 060 SPEED 8. AT
1310/1 SET FIRE TO LUGGER LOADED OIL DRUMS POSIT 07-29 N
115-20 E COURSE 060 SPEED 8.

SECTOR 2 NO COVERAGE. SCHEDULED PLANE FAILED TO GET OFF
DAMAGE RECEIVED AIR RAID. NO OTHER PLANE IN COMMISSION.
COULD NOT DIVERT ESSEX PLANE SECTOR 3 DUE POOR COMMUNICATIONS.
SECTOR 3 1 PLANE TO 850 MILES 90% FOUND NIL SHIPPING BAGUIT
KIEVLE BAY. PROBABLE FIGHTER STRIP UNDER CONSTRUCTION YLAT
ISLAND OR STANLAKE ISLAND POSIT 10-15 N 119-20 E.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/1974
PLANE TO 500 MILES 90% RETURNED WITH ENGINE TROUBLE. SECTOR X
2 PLANES TO 850 MILES 95%. AT 1230/1 CITED 1 FTB LOADED WITH
TROOPS 2 UNIDENTIFIED 4000 TONNER STACKS AFT SHIPS POSIT 12-10 N
120-27 E COURSE 020 SPEED 10. IN MAST HEAD ATTACK THROUGH INTENSE
LIGHT AND MEDIUM ACK ACK 1 PLANE GOT 3 DIRECT HITS 3 NEAR MISSES
FROM STRING OF 6 250 POUNDERS. TRANSPORTS DEAD IN WATER SMOKING.
2ND PLANE XITUPY* WITH BOMBS FROM 5,000 FEET. UNDAMAGED SHIPS
CHANGE COURSE TO 090 SPEED 12. SECTOR Y DOUBLE COVERAGE TO 850
MILES 95%. AT 1030/1 FOUND 2 SC'S 2 LUGGERS SEVERAL BARGES ANCHORED
AT ORMOC BAY LEYTE. AT 1120/1 POSIT 12-10 N 123-35 E SIGHTED
2 CAMOUFLAGED ANCHORED SC'S. 1 SC ANCHORED POSIT 13 NORTH 123-20 E
AT 1120/1 AT 1145/1 MADE FAST HEAD ATTACK ON 2000 TON SB DOCKED
AT PASACAS LUZON 13-30 123-02 E. SUNK BY 3 DIRECT HITS 250 POUNDERS
AND 4TH BOMB DEMOLISHED DOCK. VENTURA RESULTS. SECTOR A TO
600 MILES 90%. AT 05405 N 119-50 E TAWI TAWI KNOCKED OUT 1 40 MM
POSITION WITH CENTURIES BOMBERD 2ND WITH UNOBSERVED RESULT. MINOR
DAMAGE FROM MODERATE MEDIUM ACK ACK M POSITION. SECTOR B WENT 600
MILES 93% NEGAT SIGHTINGS. SECTOR D OUT 330 MILES 95% STRAFED 2
CAMOUFLAGED AIRCRAFT AT SIDDLE AIRDROME RESULTS UNOBSERVED SLIGHT
LIGHT INACCURATE ACK ACK. SECTOR 5 AND 6 WENT 600 MILES 90%
NEGATIVE. THEIR PILOTS BEING RESTRICTED TO SHIPPING TARGETS.

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OSD letter, May 1, 1953

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
CTG 77.1 SAYS. RDO MANUS PASS ACTION CTF 77. RDO HONOLULU PASS INFO COM 3RD FLEET CINCPAC AND RDO WASHINGTON WHO PASSES COMINCH. CINCSWPA HAS FOR INFO.

(LAST OF 2 PARTS)

OPERATIONAL REPORT 5TH.

BOGIES FEW AND DISTANT. CLAXTON DD 571 DEPARTS WITH CONVOY 8TH. KILLEN DD 593 READY ABOUT TWKUTG* BOTH REQUIRE REAR AREA REPAIR. AMMEN DD 527 SIMILAR BUT CAN REMAIN WITH ME UNTIL GROUP GOES MANUS BUT CAN RETURN WITH KILLEN TO EXPEDITE COMPLETION REPAIRS MENTIONED IN AMMEN AIRMAILGRAM 030415.

*AS RECEIVED PROBABLY 12TH.
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(PASSSED BY COMNAVUR China to CINCPOA COMSUBPAC COMSUBWESTPAC USS Massachusetts and COMSUBWESTPAC FOR ACTION AS 361156.)

(PASSSED BY RDO HONOLULU TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 371936.)

(SAVAGE TO MILES.)

THIS...

BEGINNS TOMORROW 0630 LOCAL HOURS 2 PLANE TWICE DAILY SEARCH FROM LULIANY. APPROXIMATELY SAME AREA SOUTH CHINA SEA. SAME COMMUNICATIONS PROCEDURE. CONTACTS REBROADCAST FROM NANNING (QM 6) XXLH* SEARCH OF FORUMOSA STRAIT. IN ADDITION TO SEARCHES 3 PLANES WILL DEPART LULIANY 1530 DAILY TO STRIKE TARGETS IN BLIND BOMING ZONE. UNTIL FURTHRE NOTICE REQUEST CHUNGKING PASS URGENT TO KUNNING CONTACTS PICKED UP ON 5443.

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COMINCH: COPIES 1 TO 8 INCL.
HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(COM 7TH FLEET SENDS. RDO LEYTE PASS TO CINCPAC ADV)

PHOTOS HAINAN ANCHORAGES 4TH SHOW 9 MERCHANTMEN TOTALLING 31300 TONS AND 8 ESCORTS OR AUXILIARIES. 14TH AIR FORCE

SEARCHES SOUTH CHINA SEA DISCONTINUED DUE IMMINENT CAPTURE LETCHOW BASE. 1900/05 PBAY SIGHTED 1 MEDIT 2 SMALL AO

2 BY000XY COURSE 090 SPEED 12 POSIT 13-32 NORTH 120-25 EAST. 1 PC 1 AM OBSERVED ENTERING VERDE ISLAND PASSAGE FROM NORTH

1801/05 SPEED 10, 1700/04 11 MERCHANTMEN 9 BARGES OBSERVED CEBU CITY AREA. 4 SMALL AK'S ENTERED CEBU UHUVIBYTH. TAKTNURPOA SUBCHASERS REPORTED HIDDEN BAVAGO CREEK 3 MILES NORTH OF BACOLOD NEGROS 4TH. 0700/05 1 SMALL AK OBSERVED 08-59 NORTH 125-21 EAST. MIDDAY 5TH PBAY SIGHTED 2 CAT'S 2

DD'S ANCHORED 09-50 NORTH 118-55 EAST. (3 GROUPS MISSING) PROBABLY DE TRYXX ESCORTS. DAVAO 04/05 PBW FOUND NIP CA

BACUIT BAY NORTHWEST PALAWAN. PBAY ACTIVITIES 4TH. 4 SMALL AK'S REPORTED PUERTO PRINCESA PALAWAN 11301. MIDDAY 2 PLANES

SANK 1 FREIGHTER TRANSPORT NEAR CORON BAY AND FIRED FUEL DRUMS. 1 WRECKED CL OR DD SIGHTED 12-01 NORTH 121-00 EAST. CONCENTRATION OF LUGGERS REPORTED 8-0 8 NORTH 121-05 EAST 11-05 NORTH AT 090 AT (8) NNW.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/71
121/01 EAST AND ILOILO. MANY BARGES OBSERVED COURSE 330 POSIT 11-20
NORTH 121-3 EAST. 1 MEDIUM AO 1 TUG POSIT 02-30 SOUTH 118-10 EAST

AT NOON, SEARCHERS REPORT NIPS RECEIVED FOR PLANE MESSAGE BUT CANNOT
AUTHENTICATE. ENEMY AIR CONTINUES HEAVY NIGHT ATTACKS TACLOBAN DROME.

NIGHT 04/05 1 ENEMY PLANE DESTROYED, NIL DAMAGE ASHORE. 1 LIBERTY SHIP
HIT CAUSING AMMUNITION EXPLOSION. 02201/05 1 PT DESTROYED BY BOMB SAN
PEDRO BAY. ONLY 1 SURVIVOR. SAME NIGHT 2 PT'S OVERDUE FROM ORMOC BAY
MISSION. BAYUG AND BURI STRIPS SAN PABLO AREA NOW USED FOR NIGHT

JHULCAIPY*. MORNING AIR OPERATIONS. 12151/05 BLUE AO HAD SUB CONTACT
07-04 NORTH 133-32 EAST. PHOTOS 10 NEGROS DROMES 3RD SHOW 107 FIGHTERS
11 OR MORE BOMBERS LARGE CONCENTRATED ALICANTE AND FABRICA. 21
LIBERATORS BOMBED LAHG BTEGQ NEGROS 4TH CAUSING EXPLOSION. 21 LIGHT
NINGS COVERING LIBERATOR STRIKE ALICANTE SAME DAY DESTROYED 6 OF 11/12
INTERCEPTORS. 1 P 38 LOST. 22 LIBERATORS CRATERED UPON RUNWAY ZACTAN
ISLAND CEBU 5TH. NIL ACK ACK 1 HARMLESS INTERCEPTOR. SAME DAY 49 BOSTONS
POUNDED ENEMY INSTALLATIONS SARM AREA. NIGHT 04/05 SEVERAL ENEMY

PLANES RAIDED MOROTAI CAUSING NIL DAMAGE. RAIDERS USED WINDOW DROPPED
OSPHORUS CLUSTERS SHAPED LIKE INVERTED CUPOLA. 83 NORSOLS PLANES
SWEPT NEW IRELAND COASTS 4TH.

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By D.B.S. Date May 21, 1973
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COM3RDRT
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 6 NOV 44
TOR CODEROOM: 1947

TO: CINCSOWESPAC

FROM: COM5TH AIRFORCE
TO: CINCSOWESPAC
CTF 38

PARAPHRASED BY: JOHNSON

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ADDRESS: CINCSOWESPAC

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MASS HEAVY BOMBERS TO RETURN IN MANILA BAY TONIGHT.

MASSED SHIPS EXCELLENT TARGET FOR SAND BASED HEAVIES.

(From COM3RDRT, Action CINCSOWESPAC INFO COM5TH AIRFORCE COM7THFLT CINCPAC CTF 38.)

(Passed by RDO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 061353)

MORE THAN 25 SHIPS CONCENTRATED INSIDE BREAKWATER MANILA.

TASKFORCE 38 WITHDRAWING TONIGHT BUT LEAVING DECEPTION GADGETS TO KEEP LUZON ALERT AGAINST FURTHER STRIKE.

LUZON AIR OPPOSITION NEGLIGIBLE ALTHOUGH ACK ACK MANILA REPORTED INTENSE. MAssED SHIPS EXCELLENT TARGET FOR SAND BASED HEAVIES.
HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(FROM COM 3RD FLT. ACTION CINCSOWESPACE INFO COM 5TH AIR FORCE COM 7TH FLT CINCPAC CONTASKFOR 38)

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FROM CTF 59 ACTION CTF 57 WHO HAS. RADIO MAHIWA PASS INFO CINOPA COMSOPAC COMAIRSOPAC COMFAY-2 COMAF 7 COM 3RD FLT ALL TFO'S GENPAC CTO 59.5 CTO 59.6 CTO 30.5 (ADMIN) CTO 96. CTO 59.1 AND CTO 59.2 HAVE LOCALLY FOR INFO.

(PASSED BY RADIO NOHO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 061715.)

STRIKES FOR 5 NOVEMBER. 3 B-24'S BOMBED MARCUS AIR INSTALLATIONS, ACCURATE FLAK DAMAGED 2. 2 TONS ON 1 SB AND 2 SG'S RESULTS NOT OBSERVED, 1 TON OKIMURA 43 ARMY LIBERATORS OVER HANA JAH. 1 OF 2 INTERCEPTING ZEKES DAMAGED. 7 OTHER LIBERATORS BOMBED XWOMX. 10 FT AK'S AT CHICHI. SIGHTED 1 FTB 2 LSM 3 SG'S FUTAMI KO. MARINE CORSAIRS BOMBED AND STRAFED RUNWAYS AT YAP AND BABELTHUAP AND FIRED EQUIPMENT ENEMY BASES NORTHERN PALAUS.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/6/84

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HONO INTERCEPT

(FROM CTF 59 ACTION CTF 57 WHO HAS. RDO WAIHAIWA PASS INFO CINCPOA COMSOPAC COMAIRSOPAC COMAIRPAC COMFAW 2 COMAF 7 COM 3RD FLT ALL TFCIS CENPAC CTG 59.5 CTG 59.6 CTG 30.5 (ADMIN) CTF 56. CTG 59.1 AND CTG 59.2 HAVE LOCALLY FOR INFO)

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OPERATIONAL REPORT 6TH. FIRST PART OF 2.

2 BOGEYS ON SCREEN ABOUT 0100 I. OTHERWISE ONLY SCATTERED REPORTED BOGEYS NOT CLOSER THAN 40 MILES. FRIENDLY PT'S NEAR AMAGUSON FIRED ON BY PATROL DOG ACCOUNT UNFRIENDLY APPROACH AND FAILURE REPLY CHALLENGE. NO DAMAGE. CORRECTIVE MEASURES TAKEN PREVENT RECURRANCE.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM COM 3RD FLEET
RELEASED BY
DATE NOVEMBER 6 1944
TOR CODEBOOK 0631
DECODED BY KOTEEN
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INFO COM 7TH FLEET CTF 77 COMINCH ALL TGC'S OF TF 38

PRELIMINARY INCOMPLETE REPORT SWEEPS AND STRIKES LUZON 5 NOVEMBER. AT 0430 SUB CONTACT MADE AT 15-36N 123-19E.
JASASA TACTICS PROMPTLY COMMENCED. APPARENTLY SUB HAD NO CHANCE TO GIVE ALARM AND SURPRISE ACHIEVED OVER MANILA BY VF SWEET. 80 AIRBORNE PLANES MET OVER CLARK AREA 58 SHOT DOWN, AIRBORNE OPPOSITION OVER MANILA SLIGHT ALL DAY AND OVER CLARK DIMINISHED DURING DAY. TOTAL SHOT DOWN 83 OVER TARGETS AND 5 AT FORCE. PHOTOS OF 1ST STRIKE SHOW 143 SINGLE, 45 TWIN ENGINE AT CLARK, 64 SINGLE, 7 TWIN MABALACAT. PILOTS REPORT 43 PLANES MOSTLY BOMBER WEST LIPA, 15 LEGASPI, 23 TO 30 NIELSON, 10 TO 20 NICHOLS, 15 CONCEPTION, 2 LUCENA, 5 ON FIELD AT LUGANG ISLAND. 4 DUMMIES GRACE PARK AND MANY DUMMIES BATANGAS. OVER 15% DESTROYED ON GROUND. SHIPS SIGHTED

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REDACTED
1 CA 1 CL 2 AP 3 CR 4 DD'S 25 TO 35 AK MANILA BAY. 1 CA BURNING
FURIOUSLY IN SINKING CONDITION FROM SEVERAL BOMB AND TORPEDO HITS.
1 CL, AT LEAST 3 DD'S AND SEVERAL AK DAMAGED. 1 SUB CHASER SUNK
OFF LUBANG. AT CLARK FUEL DUMP, HANGAR, AND SHOPS FIRED. INSTALLATIONS
AT BATANGAS LIPA LEGASPI AND LUBANG DAMAGED. AT 1316 TG 38,3
ATTACKED BY SMALL GROUP OF BOGEYS. FEW OCT PAST CAP THROUGH CLOUDS.
OF 2 DIVING ON LEXINGTON ACK ACK GOT 1 AND OTHER CRASHED ON SIGNAL
BRIDGE CAUSING MINOR DAMAGE. 3RD SUICIDE MISSED TICONDERA. DURING
NIGHT OF 5/6 NOVEMBER INEFFECTIVE AIR ATTACKS AGAINST JASASA GROUP
OTHERWISE ALL QUIET. NIGHT HECKLERS KNOCKED DOWN 2 TOPSY AND 2
UNIDENTIFIED IN MANILA-CLARK AREA. CLARK NOT BLACKED OUT AT ANY TIME
NO ACK ACK OR INTERCEPTION.

DELIVERED TO 200.
*AS RECEIVED. 7 MACALAUAT.
**TOP SECRET DISPATCH**

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**DEPCOMAF 2B SENT 666285 ACTION CINCPAC CMGENPOA CMCSOWESPAC. CINCPAC REENCYPHERS FOR INFO COMINCH CMGENAAFPOA.**

"AAFPOA-9175"

Two JIMA AIRFIELDS 1 AND 2 WERE TARGETS FOR 34 BOMCOM 21 PLANES WHICH WERE OVER TARGET AT 3507262 BOMBING FROM 27000 FEET WITH PROBABLE 170 TONS. HITS ARE REPORTED ON RUNWAYS. 1 2/ENGINE AIRCRAFT PROBABLY BETTY WAS OBSERVED ON AIRFIELD NUMBER 2 WITH 2 SINGLE ENGINE ON TAXIWAY. AA WAS HEAVY TO MEDIUM WEAGER IN-ACCURATE. AIRBORNE WERE 6 OR 7 ENEMY FIGHTERS HEADING TOWARD JAPAN AND SIMILAR GROUP FOLLOWED SUPERFORTS ON BOM RUN MAKING NO PASSES. 1 PROBABLE HAMP WAS OBSERVED NEARBY."

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ATFC's & ATOC's 7th Flt

ATFC's & ATOC's 3rd Flt

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CONTASKGROUP 78.2 ORIGINATES. CINCWPA HAS ACTION BY HAND.

(POO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 060558)

EVENING. NIGHT AND EARLY MORNING AIR OPERATIONS TRANSFERRED FROM TACLOBAN TO BAYUG AND BARI STRIPS WHICH ARE OPERATIONAL DRY WEATHER ONLY. LCI SMOKES COVERED TACLOBAN STRIP LAST NIGHT. 10 ENEMY RAIDS NETTED NO DAMAGE ON STRIP. 1 RANDOM BOMB DESTROYED PT BOAT WITH HEAVY CASUALTIES. ECHELON L&S ARRIVED WITHOUT INCIDENT OR MAIL AND DEPARTED.

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By DBS, Date May 21, 1974
(COM 7TH FLEET SENDS)

LEYTE PT MORNING 3RD SHOT DOWN 1 LILY OFF TACLOBAN. 2300/03 JAP PLANE UNSUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED BLUE DD SOUTH SURIGAO STRAIT. NIL JAP AIR ATTACKS BLUE SHIPPING LEYTE DAYTIME 4TH BUT TACLOBAN STRIP HEAVILY RAIDED NIGHT 03/04. SOME INDICATIONS ENEMY REINFORCING LEYTE LAND FORCES THROUGH ORMOC. BLUE GROUND TROOPS 3RD PUSHED WESTWARD 5 MILES FROM CARIGARA TO PINAMPOAN NORTH LEYTE. 1855/03 4 SMALL AK 39 BARGES 2 SEAPLANES OBSERVED AT ANCHOR PORD POINT NORTH LINGAYEN GULF. 1 CA 2 CL 3 DD 2 LARGE AO ENTERED MANILA 1730/04 SIZE OF VESSELS CONSIDERED EXAGGERATED. 1 DD CONSTANTLY PATROLS SOUTH MARICABAN ISLAND VERDE ISLAND PASSAGE. 3 SMALL AK ENTERED SAME PASSAGE 1730/04 FROM NORTH. 1631/04 1 TONE CLASS CA REPORT ED BACUIT BAY

SECRET
11-05 NORTH 119-22 EAST. BLUE SUB SIGHTED 3 AP 3 ESCORTS COVERED
BY 5 PLANES 16-25 NORTH 119-45 EAST COURSE 185 SPEED 10. 3 ESCORT
VESSELS ANCHORED 11-31 NORTH 123-31 EAST 15151/03. NAVY PBAY LEFT
1 OF 2 SMALL AK DEAD IN WATER 11-15 NORTH 120-00 EAST MIDDAY 3RD.
SAME TIME 2ND PLANE ATTACKED 1 DO 1 SMALL AO 05-30 NORTH 119-02 EAST
COURSE 063 DAMAGING 1. BLUE PLANE SIGHTED ESCORT VESSEL 09-05 NORTH
125-25 EAST 07001/04. BLACKCAT HAD RADAR CONTACT POSSIBLE ENEMY
SUB 06-47 NORTH 123-(2 OR MISSING) EAST MIDNIGHT 4TH. 37 LIBERATORS
CAUSED EXPLOSIONS AND CRATERED RUNWAY CEBU CITY DROME 4TH. 2 OF
8/10 INTERCEPTORS DESTROYED. 51 PLANES ON GROUND. 3 P 38 SHOT
BOEFJYRE PF*3. XYJW* RAIDING TACLOBAN 4TH. NIGHT 03/04 2 LIBERATORS
BOMBER CEBU ALICANTE AND BACOLOD DROMES. 22 MITCHELLS 9 LIGHTNINGS
CAUSED FIRES ALICANTE DROME NEGROS 3RD. 1 MITCHELL LOST. BLUE
PLANES SHOT DOWN 3 OF 25 INTERCEPTORS OVER ALICANTE AND BACOLOD.
2 PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND. SAME DAY 52 PLANES HARASSED HALMAHERA
OBJECTIVE FRBLIV* SERVICEABLE AIRCRAFT PHOTOGRAPHED ANBOX CERAM
DROMES 3RD. MOST RUNWAYS SERVICEABLE EXCEPT BOELA. 82 NORSOLS
AIRCRAFT STARTED FIRES BORPOP NEW IRELAND 3RD.

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By RT, NARA, Date 12/18/94.
URDIS 042135. IF RADARBombing becomes necessary during
mission 4 against IWO JIMA carefully brief pilots to bomb land
targets only. Ships must not be attacked unless each target is
positively and visually identified as not a submarine.

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
       Hollandia New Guinea
To: War Department
Nr: C 51579 5 November 1944

Chief of Staff War Department from GHQ SWPA MacArthur
C 51579. Operations report SOWEPAC area. 1500Z/3 to 1500Z/4 sgd MacArthur.

Philippines:

Three transports, 3 escort vessels with 5 aircraft covering reported on southerly course from Lingayen Gulf afternoon November 3rd;

Manila: Convoy reported from local source as 2 light cruisers, 1 heavy cruiser, 3 destroyers, 2 tankers approaching from south morning November 4th;

Negros: One medium tanker, 2 small freighters sighted at Bacolod morning November 3rd;

Palawan: Heavy cruiser reported in Bacuit Bay by reconnaissance plane November 3rd.

Celebes:

Macassar: Photographs November 3rd showed 1 fighter on 3 airdromes, 3 floatplanes and some small craft in harbour.

Part 2.

Air.

Enemy action: One enemy fighter shot down during heavy raids Leyte night November 3rd.
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Hollanda New Guinea

No.: 0 51579 5 November 1944

Operations November 2nd:

(1) Three B-24's searched Sulu Sea area; 1 plane set 1 seaplane afire and damaged another near Coron Bay North Palawan Island; another plane attacked 2 freighters and 2 seaplanes near Tawi Tawi; damaged 1 freighter with near misses and strafed shore installations.

Operations November 3rd:

(2) 12 RAAF P-40's bombed Basai Airdrome South Mindanao and Sagan on MacArthur Gulf.

(3) 36 B-25's bombed barge hideouts and buildings Wasila Bay; 4 night B-25's harassed Lolobata and Galela; 16 P-40's swept Halmahera, bombed targets south Galela.

(4) 4 night B-25's harassed Mesada Town and nearby airfields northeastern Celebes.

(5) 22 B-25's destroyed 3 grounded planes, caused fires in dispersal areas Aliceville Airdrome, Negros, probably destroyed 1 and damaged 2 intercepting fighters; 9 P-38's escort shot down 4 damaged 2 of 25 enemy fighters; 1 B-25 downed by anti-aircraft.

Operations November 4th:

(6) 7 B-24's bombed gun positions Kairitu Island, Newak Area.

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Hollandia New Guinea

To: 51579 5 November 1944

(7) Two B-24's raided Bacolod, Alicante and Cebu Airdromes before dawn.

(8) 37 B-24's caused large explosions, damaged grounded planes, cratered dispersals and runways Cebu Airdrome, shot down 2 probably destroyed 1 damaged 4 of 10 enemy fighters.

(9) Darwin B-24 bombed beached seaturk southern Rororo Island.

(10) Four RAAF B-25's attacked gun positions and 2 camouflaged barges near Atapoepe, Timor, 1 B-25 lost; single patrol B-24's bombed runways Lautem and demolished buildings Fuiloror.

Land.

Leyte: November 3rd: X Corps: Battalion 34th Infantry which landed Pinamopoan encountered opposition from entrenched enemy, temporarily withdrew Carigara.

XXIV Corps: 382nd Infantry repulsed counter attack southwest of Dagsani night November 3rd, 165 enemy killed.

November 4th: X Corps: 34th Infantry captured Pinamopoan advanced 500 yards south on highway number 2 against light resistance; 1st Squadron 12th Cavalry contacted 100 Japanese east Canhandugan (3247); artillery shelled enemy vehicles on Omoo Road.

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XXIV Corps: 382nd Infantry 1st and 2nd Battalions
advanced 2000 yards northwest Dugami; 7th Reconnaissance
Troop Patrols operated 14 miles north and 4 miles south of
Bay Bay without opposition.

Sixth Army Command Post closed Yan Jose opened
Tanauan.

Enemy casualties to November 4th:
Killed  12,554
Captured  109

End of Part 2.

Part 3.

(1) No details.

(2) Dropped 500 lb bombs.

(3) 36 B-25's dropped 136 500 lb bombs from
11,000 feet, met moderate medium accurate anti-aircraft fire;
4 B-25's dropped 16 500 lb bombs; 8 P-40's dropped 16 same
type bombs from 9,000 feet and under, fired unstatd number
rounds, met slight light inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(4) Dropped 16 500 lb bombs, met slight medium
inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(5) No details bombload, met intense medium accurate
anti-aircraft fire.

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(6) Dropped 56 1,000 lb bombs from 7,000 feet,
    fired 18,700 rounds 50 calibre.

(7) Dropped unstated number 260 lb frags.

(8) Dropped 85 tons 1,000 lb bombs, met slight heavy
    inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(9) Dropped 8 250 lb bombs one tenth second delay
    from 6,000 feet.

(10) B-25's dropped 24 120 lb frags from 1500 feet,
    fired 1600 rounds 50 calibre, met moderate light accurate anti-
    aircraft fire; B-24's dropped 16 250 lb bombs one tenth second
    delay from 14,000 feet.

End

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
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FIRST OF 2 PARTS.

OPERATIONAL REPORT 5TH.

ROUTINE CRUISING COVERING BOTH ENTRANCES.

BOGEYS Seldom CLOSER THAN 30 MILES.

TACLOBAN AND SAN PEDRO BAY AREA ARE EXEIDENT TARGETS.

CONTINUING AMMO AND FUEL REPLACEMENT.
(CINCSWPA SENS VS VIA COM 7TH FLT TO COMINCH FOR ACTION AND CNO CINCPAC AND COMSOPAC INFO)

ON 2 NOVEMBER NAVY PB-4-Y DAMAGED ON AK OFF SOUTH COAST MASBATE. ANOTHER PLANE DESTROYED 1 JAKE OFF PALAWAN. AIRNORSOLS STRAFED AND BOMBED BOUGAINVILLE AND NEW BRITAIN. REINFORCEMENT MOVEMENTS TOLEYTE CONTINUE.

MACARTHUR
CTG 77.1 sends: RDO CANBERRA pass action CTF 77 RDO HONO pass info to CINCPAC COM 3RD FLt AND TO RDO WASH 'HO passes to COMINCH; CINCSWPA has for info

OPERATIONAL REPORT FOURTH. LAST PART OF 2
AMMO AND FUEL REPLENISHMENT 50 PER CENT COMPLETED WITH NO INTERRUPTIONS FROM ENEMY AIR. BOGEYS FEW AND DISTANT. 3 DESTROYERS ON EAST ENTRANCE PATROL. ONE ON POINT FINIRK JOIN RADAR PICKET. 2 ON SOUTH ENTRANCE AMAGUSON PATROL ** WITH ME. WILL CONTINUE REPLENISHMENT TOMORROW IF NO CHANGE IN SITUATION. JENKINS WITH ARMY FIGHTER CONTROLLER HAS JOINED ME IN PLACE OF MAHAN.

AS RECD. ** GROUP MISSING.

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FROM: COM 7TH FLT (HOUINA LA)
RELEASED BY:
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TOR CODEROOM: 041234
DECODED BY: SAPP
TYPED BY: MC GORMACK

COM 3RD FLT
COM LCT DIV 130

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HONOR-INTERCEPT

( COM 7TH FLT ORIGINATES )

ESTIMATE LUZON AIR STRENGTH 188 FIGHTERS, 68 DIVE / TORPEDO BOMBERS 77 MEDIUM BOMBERS 27 MISCELLANEOUS

MOST PLANES CONCENTRATED CLARK AND NICHOLS FIELDS AREAS. RECOMMEND SMALL SCAI'P OVER LEGAZPI BOTJE

BEING USED AS SEARCH TASK. PLANES WILL BE WELL MARKED NEAR LINIEU HILL FOR PROTECTION. 07001/3

BLUE SUB SIGHTED ORANGE 55 16 DEGREES NORTH

122-40 EAST

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FROM CINCPAC SGD MACARTHUR

RELEASED BY

DATE 4 NOV 1944

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HONO INTERCEPT

(FROM CINCPAC SGD MACARTHUR TO COMMANDER 3RD FLEET (GARbled GROUP) COMMANDER ALLIED AIR FORCES COMMANDER TF 38 CG 5TH AIR FORCE (4 AG PASS) CTF 173 CITE CX 51517)

REFER YOUR 030305. SEARCH PLAN F REvised AS MODIFIED OUR 230046 NOW IN EFFECT. 5 SECTOR 315 DEGREES TO 354 DEGREES IS FLOWN TO A DISTANCE OF 600 MILES AS PBY SEARCHES DUPLICATE THIS SECTOR NORTH OF ACCUMULATION.
CTG 77.1 SENDS. RDO CAMBERRA PASS ACTION CTF 77. RDO HONO PASS INFO TO CINCPAC.COM 3RD FLEET AND TO RDO WASHINGTON WHO PASSES TO COMINCH. CINCSWA HAS FOR INFO.

OPERATIONAL REPORT 4TH PART 1.

ALL TIMES 1. 2ND PART ABOUT 2000. AT 2300 THE 3RD LEUTZE ON AMAGUSAN PATROL (SOUTH SURIGAO STRAIT) WAS BOMBER BY UNIDENTIFIED JAP PLANE NEAR MISS NO DAMAGE. PLANE DEPARTED TO SOUTH. SINGLE BOGEYS FROM SOUTHWEST AND FROM NORTHWEST BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 10 MILES. OBSERVED AA IN DULAG AREA. MY CAP AIRBORNE AT 0635 NOT 1 HOUR BEFORE SUNRISE.

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
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To: War Department

Nr: 0 51528
    4 November 1944

The Chief of Staff War Department from GHQ SWPA sgd
MacArthur 0 51528. Operations report SOWE/SPAC area period 1500Z/2nd
2nd to 1500Z/3rd sgd MacArthur.

Philippines:
Luzon: One carrier with light cruiser and three
destroyers sighted 200 miles West Luzon course east afternoon
November 3rd;

Cebu: 23 seaplanes and small freighters reported
in vicinity November 2nd, concentration of enemy troops re-
ported Liloan, nine miles northeast Cebu City;

Palawan: One medium two smaller freighter transports
two tankers, four escort vessels sighted by reconnaissance
aircraft on northerly course West Linapacan Strait midday
November 3rd;

Leyte: Three medium freighter transports sighted
Ormoc Bay afternoon November 3rd following nil report by
P-38's in early morning.

Celebes:
Menado: Photographs November 2nd showed Langoan,
Mapangat, Sidate, Tanamon runways serviceable;

Bavikapoon: Aircraft sighted six cargo ships at
anchor November 2nd;

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Macassary: Photographs November 1st showed two small freighter transports, eight sea trucks, nil aircraft Mandalai.

Part 2.

Air.

Enemy action: During enemy raids against Leyte November 3rd, Allied fighters shot down five planes and anti aircraft fire claimed five others; one Allied fighter lost.

Operations October 30th:

(1) 12 A-20's bombed and strafed bivouacs Cape Noesanive, Ambon Bay entrance.

Operations November 1st:

(2) One B-25 bombed targets Southern Ceram.

(3) Seven B-25's and 15 P-38's cratered runways old Namlea, damaged lugger and small craft nearby.

(4) Single B-25 bombed Kau and Miti airdromes; 17 P-38's swept Malahera, Sangile and Talaud Islands, strafed pillboxes and enemy concentrations, sank one seatruck and eight barges, damaged other vessels.

(5) Sixteen P-47's swept Sulu Archipelago, strafed buildings Tawi Tawi and damaged 10,000 ton transport Jolo Island.

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(6) 32 P-38s attacked Carolina and Alicante Airdromes Negros Island, destroyed 48 grounded planes, probably destroyed 10 and damaged eight others, shot down four enemy fighters and one Dinah; three P-38s missing; seven P-47s escorting rescue Catalinas near Cebu shot down four attacking planes; one P-47 missing.

Operations November 2nd:

(7) Seven Beauforts bombed supply dumps Wewak.

(8) 55 B-25s unable locate shipping targets bombed Licuanan and Davao airfields, Mindanao; 36 P-38s missed rendezvous with B-25s' bombed San Enrique on Western Negros and destroyed grounded bomber Bacolod Air Field.

(9) One group B-24s's failed locate shipping and returned; another group B-24s' reachedOrmoc Bay, Leyte Island, sank freighter (7,000 tons) and left another freighter burning fiercely, scored near misses on cruiser; 19 P-47s and 12 P-38s' escort shot down four probably another of 15 enemy fighters attempting interception.

(10) Patrol B-24 damaged small freighter Masbate Island; another B-24 destroyed floatplane East Palawan Island.

(11) Darwin B-24 bombed Lahane Village near Dili; single Dutch B-25 attacked barge Sermata Island.

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Operations, November 3rd:

(12) Nine Beauforts attacked targets of opportunity at Wewak.

(13) Two B-25's and 35 A-20's bombed runways and dispersals at Rabo.

(14) Fifth Air Force B-24's held on alert for enemy shipping; 15 P-38's from Leyte scored near misses on seaplane and luggers Canaguayan Point North Ormoc Bay, attacked large motorized convoy extending Ormoc to Valencia destroyed 25 trucks set many others and two tanks ablaze.

(15) 24 Darwin B-24's hit Macassar waterfront before dawn, started large fires visible 90 miles, met several night fighters.

(16) Three RAAF patrol B-24's bombed Lahane barracks, Cape Chater and Lautem Airdromes, started fires; four RAAF B-24's swept Tanisbar Island and bombed barge hideout Saumlaki.

Weather:

Above average weather in Philippines, Frontal Zone with broken low cloud from Celebes to Ceram to Halmahera.

Sukarno Forces:

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

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Air.

Operations November 2nd:

(17) 16 Marine, 9 New Zealand Corsairs and 12 Dauntless demolished buildings around Bougainville; 4 Corsairs, 4 B-25's and 1 New Zealand Ventura sank barge and bombed plantations New Ireland; 4 Corsairs fired huts Gaselle Peninsula; weather curtailed operations.

Land.

Leyte: November 3rd: X Corps: 24th Division:
34th Infantry attacking west from Carigara River, advanced through Capoocan, reached Finamopon (969), meeting opposition; other elements made shore to shore landing at Finamopon from Capoocan.

19th Infantry patrol on Jaro/Carigara Road contacted small enemy force at Paragon (2465), two battalions 21st Infantry arrived Carigara occupied defensive positions.

First Cavalry Division: 1st Squadron 7th Cavalry consolidated Carigara, 2nd Squadron 8th Cavalry returned to Barugo, extensive patrolling other areas.

XXIV Corps: Patrol and mopping up operations continued; 96th Division in process relieving 7th Division and assuming responsibility for Corps beachhead.

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Our casualties to November 3rd:

X Corps: Killed 257
Wounded 1,074
Missing 28

XXIV Corps: Killed 583
Wounded 2,345
Missing 232

End of Part 2.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 110 100 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds, met intense medium accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(2) Dropped 4 300 lb bombs from 5,000 feet.

(3) B-25's dropped 20 300 lb bombs from 9,000 feet; P-38's dropped unstated number 500 lb bombs.

(4) B-25 dropped 12 100 lb bombs, met slight light inaccurate anti-aircraft fire; no details P-40's.

Paragraphs 5 and 6 no details rounds fired; intense medium accurate anti-aircraft fire from Carolina, slight light from Alicante.

(7) Dropped 10 500 lb medium capacity bombs from 3,000 feet.

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Mr: C 51526 4 November 1944

(8) B-25's dropped 148 500 lb bombs from 9,500 feet, jettisoned 69 others, met moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire; P-38's dropped 36 1,000 lb bombs.

(9) No details bombs dropped, met moderate heavy accurate anti-aircraft fire from shipping.

(10) Dropped unstated number 250 lb bombs.

(11) B-24 dropped 8 250 lb bombs from 13,000 feet, met moderate heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire; B-25 dropped 2 500 lb bombs five seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 200 rounds 50 calibre.

(12) Dropped 18 50 lb medium capacity bombs from 4,000 feet, fired 100 rounds 50, 400 rounds 30 calibre.

(13) Dropped 144 500 lb bombs.

(14) Dropped 6 1,000 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

(15) Dropped 144 250 lb bombs, 72 500 lb incendiaries from 14,000 feet.

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CC/S CGAASF G-2 Statistics Adm King
       Col Park Field Marshal Dill Log

CM-IN-3837 (4 Nov 44) 16152 bsm

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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(CINCPAC SENDS ACTION COMSOPAC CTG 57.14 COM 3RD FLT INFO COMAIRSOPAC CTG 59.6 CTF 59 CTF 57 COM 7TH FLT CINCSMPA COMFEAF CTG 30.5 COMAIRPAC)

ASSIGN 6 LANDCATS OF VP 54 FOR TEMPORARY DUTY WITH CTG 57.14 TO PROVIDE AIR SEA RESCUE AS REQUESTED BY COM 7TH FLT FOR COMFEAF 030039 NOT TO ALL UNTIL OTHER ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE. CTG 57.14 ADVISE WHETHER THIS REQUIREMENT IS IN ADDITION TO LANDCATS REQUESTED BY CTG 59.6 DISPATCH 310816 NOT TO ALL. COM 3RD FLT ADVISE AVAILABILITY PBM COMPONENT OF RESCRON 1
CTG 77.1 SENDS. RDO BELS PASS ACTION TO CTF 77. RDO HONOLULU PASS INFO TO CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT AND RDO WASHINGTON WHO PASSES TO COMINCH. CINCSWA HAS FOR INFO OPERATIONAL REPORT 3RD.

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RADIO WASHINGTON PASS INFO TO COMINCH RADIO
HONOLULU PASS INFO TO CINCPAC. COM AMPHIB GROUP 8
ORIGINATES ACTION TO CTF 77.

LEYTE SUMMARY TO 3 NOVEMBER.
ECHELON L7 PLUS ARETHUSA ARRIVED. SAILED PINKNEY
WITH 414 PATIENTS 285 PASSENGERS INCLUDING 333
SURVIVORS ABNER REID. 3 LIMBITIES. 4 CAMELS.
9 ARMY TUGS ESCORTED BY ANDERSON EUGENE ORANGE
PCE 850. DELIVERED ARMY RADAR DETACHMENT DINIGAT.
TRANSPORTED APPROXIMATELY 900 TROOPS AND GEAR TO
GREEN BEACH PANAON AND ABOUT HALF PREVIOUS GARRISON
BACK TO TANUAUN. LAST NIGHTS THREATENED TYPHOOON
PASSED LNAL CLEAR TO NORTHWARD. AMPHIBIOUS
OPERATIONS SERIOUSLY CURTAILED BY ENEMY AIR WHICH
NECESSITATES FIGHTER COVER FOR ALL MOVEMENTS OUTSIDE
IMMEDIATE VICINITY NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN BEACHES. MOONLIGHT
OFFERS LITTLE BETTER PROTECTION THAN DAYLIGHT.

*AS RECEIVED
(031201 ORIGINATED BY CERO ACTION TO CTF 72. READDRESS
BY RDO HONO TO CONSUBPAC FOR INFO LATTER READDRESS TO CINC
FOR INFO, CINC PAC NOW REENCRYPTS AND PASSES TO COMINCH
COM 3RD FLEET ALL TFC AND TCG 3RD FLT CTF 77 CINCSPAC FOR
INFO.)

MISSION COMPLETED. 4 EVACUEES. IMPORTANT URGENT G 2 DESPATCH
FOR CONSUBPAC. POSIT 17-20 NORTH 122-50 EAST. 50 A 14
KNOTS. ENEMY SUB 0600H(MINUS 8) 16-00 NORTH 122-10 EAST.
HAYNES
CERO 5TH FOR COMODORE HAYNES. ALL TORPS 62000 FUEL. WX
628052*.

*RECEIVED AS COMODORE HAYNES.
FROM CINCSWPA VIA COM7THFLT TO COMINCH INFO CNO CINCPAC AND COMSOPAC

TONT STRAFING 8 SURVIVORS OF CRASHED LIBERATOR DRIVEN OFF BY PB4Y SEARCH PLANE. ECHELON OF 22 TUGS ARRIVES LEYTE TODAY. ALL ECHELONS CONTINUE ON SCHEDULE. NOR-SOLS AIR HIT RABAUL AND BOUGAINVILLE. MACARTHUR

COMINCH...ACT
16...0P01....20G.....00.....
NAVY MESSAGE

FROM  CCMAF 13
RELEASED BY
DATE  3 NOVEMBER 1944
TOR CODEROOM  036618
DECODER  MC DORMACK
PARAPHRASED BY  MONROE/POWLEY
ROUTED BY

TO
COM FEAF
COM 3RD FLEET
COM 7TH FLEET

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

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

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HONO INTERCEPT

(FROM CCMAF 13 TO COM FEAF INFO COM 3RD FLEET AND COM 7TH FLEET)

KMG A8160 (THIS MSG A PARAPHRASE OF KMG DBR1*8160)

OUR A-24'S TRIED TO HIT JAP FLEET IN THE AREA
ON THE MINDANAO SEA. 4 SQUADRONS OF A-24'S LEFT FIELD
AT 0800/1. THE POSSIBILITY OF JAP SURFACE CRAFT BEING
IN THIS VICINITY WAS PROJECTED FROM THE LAST REPORT
AT 01-1428/1. THIS MSG IS IN REGARD TO OUR AD KMG A8153.

*AS RECEIVED.

64 Bombers

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E. O. 12355, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94

939062
HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(CTG 78.2 SENDS ACTION TO CTF 77 AND COM 3RD FLT)
ON LEYTE ARMY ADL • ENEMY STATION (SOUTHERN LUZON)
REPORTS AS OF 1 NOVEMBER NO LESS THAN 30 PLANES ON
FIELD. PLANES HIDDEN UNDER COCONUT GROVES. VERY
ACTIVE.

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**Naval Message**

(CTF 78.2 originates. CINCPAC has info by hand. COMINCH and CINCPAC have info.)

Following information from interrogation of Japanese naval survivors of engagements 24 and 25 October in Surigao Strait and east of Samar. All graded C2.

Jap naval force concentrated Singapore-Lingga area.

Anomalled* First diversion attack force departed for Leyte area 19 October upon report Orange aircraft that blue task force was headed for Leyte Island. Arrived Brunei Bay 21 and fueled. Force then separated into 2 groups, 1st group consisting of BatDiv 1 Yamato Musashi Nagato BatDiv 3 Kongou Haruna CruDiv 4 Atago Takao Chokai Maya CruDiv 5 Myoko Haguro CruDiv 7 Tote Yama Kuma Suzuya Kumano Plus about 15 DD's this group proceeded via Mindoro Strait, Sibuyan Sea, and San Bernardino Strait. Enroute Atago and Takao torpedoed by blue subs on 23rd. 1 believed sunk and 1 damaged.

Identification contradictory. Musashi damaged by aircraft torpedoed on 24th but sorted San Bernardino Strait with remainder of force Chikuma sunk by aircraft afternoon of 25th. No further information this force as only survivor this.
GROUP HELD HERE IS FROM CHIKUMA. SECOND GROUP COMPOSED OF
BATDIV 2 YAMASHIRO FUSO CA MOGAMI DD ASAGOMO YAMAGUMO NITCHISHIO
SHIGURE DEPARTED BRUNEY BAY ABOUT 1 DAY AFTER FIRST GROUP AND
HEADED FOR SURIGAO STRAIT VIA BALABAE STRAIT AND SULU SEA. FUSO
DAMAGED AFT BY BOMB HIT MORNNG OF 24TH. ALL SHIPS THIS GROUP SUNK
MORNING OF 25TH IN SURIGAO STRAIT BY TORPEDOES AND GUNFIRE. COMMENT
ONLY 1 SURVIVOR EACH FROM MOGAMI AND SHIGURE OTHER SINKINGS ARE
CONFIRMED BY AT LEAST 5 SURVIVORS EACH. PRISONERS FROM THIS GROUP
SO FAR INTERROGATED ALL DENY KNOWLEDGE OF ORANGE FORCE OF CRUISERS
AND DO REPORTED OFF SOUTHERN ENTRANCE SOGOO BAY BY WACHAPREAGUE
ABOUT NOON 25TH.
JAP AIRCRAFT SURVIVORS SHOT DOWN THIS AREA IDENTIFY AIR GROUP 293
(KATE PLANES) BASED NICHOLS FIELD. AIR GROUP 702 (TYPE 1 LAND
BASED ATTACK PLANES) BASED CLARK FIELD. LATTER GROUP ARRIVED FROM
EMPIRE 24TH OCTOBER. ALSO AT CLARK FIELD ARE ARMY FIGHTERS AND NAVY
CARRIER BASED ATTACK PLANES. SHORTAGE OF REPLACEMENT PLANES DUE
RECENT BLUE AIR STRIKES MANILA AREA.
NO FLOATING DRYDOCK OR NAVAL INSTALLATIONS BRUNEY BAY. PRACTICALLY
ALL FACILITIES SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE RESTORED INCLUDING DRYDOCKS.
CV'S AMAGI UNRYU BELIEVED READY FOR SEA KATSURUJI NOT YET COMPLETED.

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OSD letter, May 1, 1972
By DBS Date: aunt 4/2/1973

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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(COM 7TH FLT REENCYPHERS HIS 230748 WHICH WAS PASED FOR COMFEAF. ORIGINATOR. ORIGINAL ADEES WERE NCPOA FOR ACTION AND CTG 57.14 FOR INFO)

"AIR SEA RESCUE FACILITIES OF FEAF NOT ADEQUATE FOR COMPLETE PROTECTION OF BIAP PALAU LEYTE ROUTE*. TO BRIDGE GAP IT IS REQUESTED THAT CTG 57.14 ESTABLISH RESCUE STATION AT PALAU CONSISTING OF SEAPLANES AND RESCUE CRAFT. IF REQUEST GRANTED THIS HEADQUARTERS DESIRES TO DETAIL LIASON OFFICER WITH CTG 57.14. WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY REPLY."

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OSSCAP 20 OCT 1944

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By RT, NARA, Date 1/2/94

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea
To: War Department
No: C 51478
3 November 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department, C 51478. Operations report SOWEIPAC area period 1500Z/1 to 1500Z/2 signed MacArthur.

Part 1. Philippines:

Mindoro: Medium freighter transport, two small freighters entered Verde Island passage from north November 1st; local reports also state one battleship, three heavy cruisers, three light cruisers, two destroyers passed through strait heading Manila during following day.

Leyte: Two light cruisers, three large transports, four destroyers reported inOrmoc Bay November 2.

Negros: Large transport reported leaving Bacolod light morning November 1st, eight fighters, one bomber photographed Fabrica, 48 fighters, eight bombs Alicante Airdrome November 1st.

Mindanao: 11 Fighters photographed Daliou Airdrome, 13 on Libby November 1st.

Northern Borneo: One destroyer, four seaplanes sight-ed Marudu Bay November 1st, two medium merchant vessels, two seaplanes heading northwest west Tawi Tawi, three gunboats, three seaplanes 50 miles northwest Sandakan course east November 2nd.

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No: C 51478

3 November 1944

Part 2. Air:

Enemy action: During raids mainly against Allied
shipping in Leyte Gulf through November 2nd, Allied fighter
patrols intercepted and shot down 27 planes.

Operations November 1:

(1) Allied fighter sweeps hit small freighter and
shot down two enemy planes Ormoc Bay, west coast Leyte Island;
shot down two interceptors over Bacolod Airdrome, northern
Negros Island, and destroyed ten grounded planes.

(2) Two B25's destroyed five grounded planes Cebu
Airdrome; patrol B24 attacked and derailed train south-
eastern Luzon.

(3) 14 B24's bombed Alicante Airdrome, bivouacs
and supply dumps, shot down five and damaged another of
15 aggressive interceptors; four B24's lost.

(4) Darwin B24 bombed gun emplacements and beach
defences Cape Chater Airdrome.

Timor:

Operations November 2:

(5) Seven B24's hit ammunition dumps and started
fires near Maiprik village west Wewak; six B25's bombed and
strafed Wewak Point.

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(6) A20 strike forced back due weather; no other 5th Air Force bomber missions scheduled.

(7) Four RAAF B25's bombed Mina River bivouacs east Koepang; two B24's bombed airfields Cape Chater and Lautem. Solomons forces, Air.

Operations November 1:

(8) 15 Dauntless, 11 New Zealand and eight Marine Corsairs bombed plantations Bougainville; eight Corsairs, two New Zealand Venturas attacked Kavieng.

(9) 12 Corsairs and 30 Dauntless hit shipping Pondo Point; nine B25's bombed Tobara supplies; 38 Corsairs demolished huts and strafed motor transport Gazelle Peninsula.

Land. November 1:

Leyte: X Corps; 1st Cavalry Division, patrol contact maintained with enemy at Carigara;

24th Division: 34th Infantry outflanking enemy positions reached point three miles southeast of Carigara. Corps artillery including 155 MM guns and eight inch howitzers located vicinity Mainit River bridge at Cavite shelled Carigara area fired possible ammunition dumps.

XXIV Corps: 7th Division: 7th Reconnaissance Troop reached Baybay from Abyong. 3rd Battalion 32nd Infantry

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advanced 3000 yards west from Buraua/Dagami road encountered considerable flanking fire. 1st Battalion 32nd Infantry relieved 21st Infantry, which was released to X Corps control at Falu.

November 2:

X Corps: In coordinated attack on Carigara by 1st Cavalry and 24th Division, 1st Squadron 7th Cavalry and 2nd Squadron 5th Cavalry attacked southwest from Barugo while 1st and 2nd Battalions 34th Infantry attacked northwest from Dagat (2566); Carigara captured 03422; 34th Infantry advancing toward Capoocan (1567) occupied positions 1,000 yards west of Carigara River (1968).

XXIV Corps: 96th Division: Mopping up operations and patrol activity continued, 383rd Infantry assembled Dulag.

7th Division: 17th Infantry continued attack against enemy positions 2500 yards west of Dagami; 3rd Battalion 32nd Infantry resumed attack against enemy force 3000 yards west of Guinaroms (4735); 7th Reconnaissance Troop reached point six miles south of Baybay without enemy contact.

Our casualties to November 2 (reassessed):

X Corps:

- Killed 239
- Wounded 1,065
- Missing 27

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NO: 0 51478

XXIV Corps:

Killed  575 + 25s  8 14
Wounded  2,294 + 15s  35 57
Missing  219  27  4 6

Part 3. (1) No details
(2) No details
(3) Dropped 520 100 lb bombs from 9000 feet.
(4) Dropped eight 250 lb bombs one tenth delay from 12,500 feet.
(5) B24's dropped 56 1000 lb bombs .025 second delay, fired 2000 rounds 50 caliber;
     B25's dropped 24 300 lb bombs eight to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 500 rounds 50 caliber.
(6) No details
(7) B25's dropped 24 120 lb frags from 6500 feet;
     B24's dropped 16 250 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.

Refer preceding report:

(10) 40 B24's dropped 64 1000 lb, 168 500 lb bombs and 208 260 lb frags from 12,600 to 9500 feet;
     11 B24's dropped 27 1000 lb, 30 500 lb and 36 260 lb frags from 9500 feet.

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(11) Three B24's dropped 45 260 lb frags.
End
(COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION CINC PAC CINCSO WES PAC INFO COMIN CH COM 7TH FLEET CTF 77 ALL TFC'S 3RD FLEET.)

REPORT FROM CTG 38.4 FOLLOWS:

AT 1400 IN POS 10-20 N 126-40 E 3 TO 4 PLANE BOGEYS REPORTED CLOSING FROM DUE WEST AT 55 MILES LATER FOLLOWED BY ANOTHER GROUP OF SAME SIZE. COMBAT AIR PATROL VECTORED OUT IMMEDIATELY BUT FAILED TO INTERCEPT. MERGED PLOT BUT NO TALLY HO DUE PROBABLY TO FACT BOGEYS APPARENTLY STARTED LONG DIVE GLIDE APPROACH FROM 18,000 FEET AT 40 MILES REN\- DerED ACCURATE DETERMINATION OF ANGELS DIFFICULT. APPROACH GLIDE APPEARS TO FOLLOW NULL AREA IN SEARCH TYPE RADAR.

FRANKLIN AND ENTERPRISE COMPLETED LAUNCHING REQUESTED CAP FOR SARGENT BAY AND OILER GROUP REPORTED UNDER ATTACK AT 1410. 10 MINUTES LATER SUICIDE DIVE BOMBING ATTACK UNDERWAY. 6 PLANES ATTACKED ESTIMATED TO BE 4 ZEKES OR OSCARS AND

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2 JUDYS. OF 3 APPROACHING FROM PORT QUARTER IN SHALLOW DIVE AND ATTACKING FRANKLIN 1 CRASHED OFF STARBOARD SIDE, THE 2ND SUICIDE CRASHED ON FRANKLIN AND 3RD DROPPED BOMB ON STARBOARD SIDE FRANKLIN AND THEN SUICIDE CRASHED BELLEAU WOOD, 3 OTHER PLANES APPROACHED FROM STARBOARD. BOW 2 AIMING AT SAN JACINTO BOTH WERE SHOT DOWN BY SHIPS GUNFIRE. 3RD PLANE BARELY CLEARED ENTERPRISE FLIGHT DECK AND CRASHED IN WATER 50 YARDS OFF STARBOARD QUARTER; IT IS BELIEVED ALL 6 PLANES ATTACKING CARRIERS WERE DESTROYED. CAP DESTROYED 4 ZEKES 10 TO 15 MILES WEST OF THE GROUP AFTER THE ATTACK.

BELLEAU WOOD HOLE IN FLIGHT DECK 18 BY 20 FEET DECK STRUCTURE DISTORTED VICINITY FRAME 135. REPLANKING REQUIRED FRAME 125 TO Stern. ENTIRE 02 DECK ABAFT NUMBER 2 ELEVATOR GUTTED BY FIRE. MINOR DAMAGE MAIN AND 2ND DECKS AFT. NUMBERS 1 AND 2 ARRESTING UNITS REQUIRE RENEWAL. 1 TWIN 40 MM MOUNT AND ITS DIRECTOR TOTAL LOSS. PERSONNEL DEAD 38 MISSING 66 INJURED 100. PLANES TOTAL LOSS 11 HELLCATS 1 AVENGER. SALT WATER SOAKED ARE 5 HELLCATS 9 AVENGER.

FRANKLIN DAMAGE VERY CONSIDERABLE AND EXTENDS DOWN TO 3RD DECK DUE TO FIRES. 5 INCH MOUNTS 3 AND 4 OUT OF COMMISSION. DETAILED DAMAGE LATER.

SARGENT BAY ATTACKED BY 1 PLANE NIL HITS. 1 OF ZEROS ATTACKING 36.4 PAINTED JET BLACK. PILOT OF PLANE HITTING BELLEAU WOOD DRESSED IN CLOSE FITTING GREEN AND YELLOW SILK UNIFORM.
HONO INTERCEPT

(CON 7TH FLT SENDS)

1 SMALL FREIGHTER TRANSPORT 2 MEDIUM SQACK CFT* VESSELS OBSERVED FROM MANILA BAY THROUGH VERDE ISLAND PASSAGE

1500/1ST. SIGHTINGS SAME DAY ZONE ITEM USED. ENEMY TASK FORCE 2 BB'S 3 CARRIERS 8 DD'S 1420 POSIT 05-12 NORTH

118-15 EAST COURSE 110 SPEED 20. NIL LATER SIGHTING SAME FORCE PROBABLY DUE WEATHER. 0200 CAT HIT

3000 TON OILER PANADAN BAY 05-04 NORTH 119-47 EAST. EXPLOSION THREW DEBRIS FLAMES 400 FEET IN AIR. TTXAG*

8 UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS SEEN SULU SEA BETWEEN 0045 AND 0800. 1 SMALL FREIGHTER TRANSPORT ANCHORED 11-31 NORTH

123-15 EAST. 150 NIPS WENT ASHORE DURING DAY. 1 LARGE TRANSPORT OBSERVED DOCKED 0830 POSIT 10-40 NORTH 122-58

EAST, MOON 3 LARGE SHIPS SOUTHBOUND HIGH SPEED 11-05 NORTH 128-15 EAST. 5 HOURS LATER 4 LARGE AP 3 DD 2 DE 10

FIGHTERS ** @ EAST COURSE 120 SPEED 10. CAPTURED NIP PILOT STATED HIS MISSION WAS TO COVER AMPHIBO DURING

LEYTE. BLUE WARSHIPS LEYTE SUBJECTED HEAVY SUICIDE AND DIVE BOMBING DURING DAY. NONE WIDGET SS 30 METERS LONG

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E. O. 11652, Sec. 6(f) or (B)
By RT, NARA, Date 4/6/64

020317
Crew 5 Puth* 10 reported based Cebu town, patrol north and south during night returning daylight. 5th Airforce reports

Or Ykr* 30 B-25's hit Cebu town airdrome personnel area with 90 tons destroying 2 planes on ground hitting buildings

Starting large fires. ** Meager interceptors shot down. 2 B-25's over same area destroyed 5 planes on ground.

Fighters in sweeps over Bacolod drone shot down 2 destroyed 10 on ground. Similar sweeps over Ormoc hit.

Freighter in bay shooting down 2 of 3 planes seen. Recap shows 2594 planes destroyed since A** 30 by

3rd and 7th Flts.

*As received.

** Groups missing and badly garbled

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OPERATIONAL REPORT 2ND.

IN VIEW REPORTS ENEMY BATTLESHIP GROUP IN SULU SEA AND OF CRUISER GROUPS IN CAMEO STAR DEPLOYED ACROSS SUGIDAO STRAIT SOUTH SIMILAR TO DEPLOYMENT OF 25TH. AT DAYLIGHT RESUMED AIR DEFENSE FORMATION. BATTLESHIPS GROUPS NOT AGAIN REPORTED AND CRUISERS EVIDENTLY CONCERNED IN ORMOC BAY BAY LANDING. ARMIES CAP OF 4 MAINTAINED PART OF DAY BARRING TIME BUT FOR FUEL UNTIL ABOUT 1600 WHEN FIGHTER COMMAND INSISTED THEY RETURN TO LAGAN AND FINALLY LANDED THERE ABOUT 1700 ACCOUNT WESTHEATH. AT THIS TIME THERE WERE SEVERAL BOTTLE ON SCREENS IN THIS GROUP. DESRON 5 UNITS JOINED BY SMITH AND EDWARDS AND CONTINUE WITH ME. FRIGATES AT EAST ENTRANCE BEING RELEASED TOMORROW FOR ESCORT DUTY. CONDES DIV
48 and CO of Abner Read are both in Richard P Leary.

Preliminary report shows only 3 dead and 6 missing out of 345

Read was victim of Val suicide and not of a launched

Fish. Claxton free of water and claims real combat efficiency

Except speed limited to 15 knots and Starboard shaft probably

Out of line. Claims her damage was from Val suicide headed for

Shropshire and hit by Claxton Forties but bombs straddled

Claxton. Killem down at the head 6 feet but bulkheads

Satisfactory. 15 killed 13 seriously wounded. Ammen has

Continued to operate with me. Had one killed 4 missing 12

Wounded. Amagusan Patrol and Point Fin Picket being maintained.

Latter seldom bothered but former has been a favorite target.

Bush claims 2 certain and 2 probables out of 8 attacks yesterday

And Leutze who relieved Bush reports occasional attacks driven

Off today but a dry run by 4 Vals in afternoon after cap secured.

Total of 6 enemy planes destroyed by antiaircraft of all ships

This group includes the 3 who damaged our ships in crashing.

Believe suicide dives by planes heavily hit during orthodox dive

Bombing attacks.

*As received.

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Delayed due to tarbles.
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COMDESDIV 48 AND CO OF ABNER READ ARE BOTH IN RICHARD P. LEARY.

PRELIMINARY REPORT SHOWS ONLY 3 DEAD AND 6 MISSING OUT OF 345 ON BOARD.

READ *

*LAST 17 GROUPS GARbled, BEING SERVICED.
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**REFERENCE**

CINCPAC 021459 CINCPOAC 021459 NOT TO ALL. ARMY DOES NOT APPEAR TO HAVE CONTROL OF THE AIR IN LEYTE AREA. CAP HAS NOT BEEN PROVIDED AS PROMISED. NUMEROUS BOOGIES HECKLE THROUGHOUT DAY AND NIGHT. THERE IS CONSTANT DANGER OF FURTHER SERIOUS LOSS TO MY FORCE.

**COMINCH**: 1-8 INCLUSIVE.

### ACTION: F-30
TOP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: CINOPAC
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 2 NOV 1944
TOR CODE ROOM: 2348/12
DECODED BY: ELY
PARAPHRASED BY: MCKEEL
ROUTED BY: ELY

ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT

COD 3RD FLT

COM 7TH FLT

COD 7TH FLT

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CINOPAC SUGGESTS ACTION ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT INFO COM 3RD FLT AND COM 7TH FLT

ULTRA.

JAP. AIRCRAFT CONTACT AT 11-12 N 127-48 E WAS REBROADCAST AT 021530 I. TIME OF ORIGINAL REPORT UNKNOWN.

ACTION: F-20

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMAFDIRE 3

RELEASED BY: 2 NOV 1944

DATE: 1946

TO CODEROOM: BALDWIN

DECODED BY: SAPP/ROBERTS/HOFNER

PARAPHRASED BY:

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

TO: COMFEAF

FROM: 18TH & 13TH

Air Forces

COM 3RD FLEET
COM 7TH FLEET

ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME:

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TIME: 20

GCT: 19

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HONO INTERCEPT

(RADIO MANUS PASSES COMAFDIRE 3 URGENT DIS 2197291 ACTION TO COMFEAF INFO COM 3RD FLT AND COM 7TH FLT.)

THIS ANSWERS COM 3RD FLT DIS 219358, REGARDING YOUR ADVICE OF SQUADRONS OF HEAVIES TOOK OFF AT 06301 IN AN ATTEMPT TO STRIKE ENEMY FLEET SOMEWHERE IN MINDANAO SEA.

THIS POSSIBLE POSITION PROJECTIONS FROM LAST REPORT OF ENEMY FLEET AT 01-YK*4281. THIS REFERS COM 7TH FLT SERIAL K A 8167.

RECEIVED AS 219638

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HONOR INTERCEPT

(THIS FROM CINCPAC ACTION TO TF 38 INFO TO COM 3RD FLEET AND COM 7TH FLEET).

SUPER.

NEAR 10-37 N 126-53 E A NIP FLYER MADE CONTACT

REPORT FFWJN* 021100 (MINUB NNIN*) XTGMR AFPEATKERS OUT*.

*AS RECEIVED.

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(CTG 77.1 SENDS RDO MANUS PASS ACTION TO CTF 77 AND RDO HONOLULU PASS INFO TO CINCPAC AND RDO WASHINGTON WHO HANDS TO COMINCH FOR INFORMATION.)

CANCEL 011900. ADEQUATE CAP NOW AVAILABLE.

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By: DBS
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FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON SUICIDE BOMBERS FROM AST
TG 38.4 "JILLS APPARENTLY APPROACH FROM HIGH ALTITUDE IN A HIGH SPEED GLIDE TO CONFUSE RADAR DETERMINATION. AIRCRAFT PAINTED BLACK AND DIFFICULT FOR CHICKENS TO SEE FROM ABOVE. SECOND RAID TALXYHO (1D)
35 MILES ANGELS 18°. IN WO JEEP ANGELS OBTAINED OR ANGELS DOUBTFUL ADVISABILITY IF USING STACK FORMATIONS SHOULD NOT BE OVERLOOKED. ADEQUATE CAP AND ANTISNOOP FIGHTERS MUST BE MAINTAINED. ALL HANDS PLAY A HEADS UP GAME AND THIS SUICIDE BOGEY CAN BE LICKED.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea
To: War Department
No. 51420
2 November 1944

From GHQ SWPA, signed MacArthur, to Chief of Staff War Department cite 051420.

Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/31 to 1500Z/1.

Philippines:

Leyte:

4 large transports, 6 escorts with fighter cover reported approaching Ormoc Bay from North, evening November 1; previous landings reported from barges this area.

Cebu:

Freighter transport reported anchored Tagbilaran October 31.

Palawan:

Convoy reported by aircraft as 2 battleships, 3 heavy cruisers, 8 destroyers sighted 60 miles east Balabak Strait course 110 degrees 0520Z/1, no further confirmation.

CM-IN-1923 (2 Nov 44)
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area
        Hollandia, New Guinea
No: 0 51420
Celebes:
        Macassar:
        3000 ton freighter transport sighted November 1
Soembava:
        2 seatrucks sighted Bima November 1.
Part 2:
        Naval:
        PT boats strafed shore positions Mawi Bay, south
        Manokwari night October 30.
        Air:
        Enemy Action:
        18 enemy planes shot down during heavy raids
        against Allied shipping and beachheads Leyte Island October
        31 and November 1, 1 Allied fighter lost.
Operations October 30:
        (1) Night B24's strafed 2 seatrucks and left
        small freighter sinking near Sandakan, Northern Borneo.
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Operations October 31:

(2) 14 F38's weathered out from Namela
     bombed Samata airdrome; 8 F38's cratered Jefman; 6 F38's
     attacked Doom Island near Sorong; 12 A20's struck Sagan
     airdrome on McQuay Gulf from minimum altitude.

(3) 12 A20's attacked Saru coerce Village near
     Ambon; 8 P47's bombed runways Kairatou.

(4) 8 P40's demolished village buildings
     Northwestern Humbahera; 9 B25's bombed Wusile Bay supply
     dumps; 8 other B25's weathered out from same target.

(5) Night patrol plane exploded and sank
     medium tanker near Tawi Tawi.

(6) 5 Dutch B25's sweeping Lesser Sonda
     Islands strafed coastal craft and sank heavily laden
     sailboat Flores Island, bombed bivouacs near Koepang,
     Timor, and destroyed barge offshore.

(7) RAAF Catalina strafed coastal installations
     Sermata Island.

Operations November 1:

(8) 6 Beauforts bombed Maprik Village area,
     West Wewak.

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(9) 17 A20's and 2 B25's attacked Babo runways and installations.

(10) 51 unescorted B24's to attack Cebu air

drome, Central Philippines; 40 planes reached target, destroyed 9 grounded aircraft, started large fires and
wrecked buildings, shot down 1 of 7 enemy interceptors; 11 planes set supply dumps afire and destroyed warehouse
Del Monte, Northern Mindanao.

(11) 3 pre-dawn B24's bombed runways and
dispersals Bacolod airfield, Negros Island.

(12) Darwin B24 bombed Mansaleang Village on
Labobo Island, Banggai Archipelago.

(13) Single B24 bombed Dili Town; 4 RAAF
B25's heavily damaged barge off Timor coast and started
large fires Atauroea.

Delayed report October 29:

(14) 20 Beauforts from Goodenough Island
effectively bombed Rabaul.

Solomons Forces.

Air:

Operations October 31:

(15) 12 Corsairs attacked Bougainville targets;

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6 Corsairs, 6 New Zealand Venturas and 12 Dauntless demolished buildings New Ireland; 4 B25’s, 20 Corsairs and 18 Dauntless started large fires amongst supplies and scored direct hits on gun positions Rabaul area; 14 Corsairs attacked motor transport.

Land:

Lighter:

November 1:

X Corps:

1st Cavalry Division: 7th Cavalry reported sharp clashes with enemy in Carigara area.

24th Division: 34th Infantry repulsed dawn counter-attack, advanced 2 miles along Jaro/Carigara road against stubborn rearguard action.

XXIV Corps:

96th Division: 381st Infantry wiped out all remaining pockets of resistance Catmon Hill.

7th Division: 1st Battalion 17th Infantry advanced 2,500 yards west of Dagami, where it was pinned down by heavy mortar machine gun and artillery fire; by end of period some enemy artillery destroy but Battalion still

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receiving fire. Extensive patrolling all other areas continued.

Enemy casualties to October 31st:
Killed 9345, captured 93.

Other areas:
Total enemy casualties to October 31:
Morotai:
Killed 281, captured 16
Sansapor:
Killed 856, captured 94
Noemfoor:
Killed 1,979, captured 256
Biak:
Killed 6,517, captured 490
Maffin Bay:
Killed 3,987, captured 56

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/9/84
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area
Hollandia, New Guinea

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Aitape:
Killed 9,073, captured 146.

Cape Gloucester:
Killed 4,317, captured 344.

Part 3.

(1) No details.

(2) P38's dropped 500 lb bombs; A20's dropped 720 23 lb parafrag from minimum altitude, met moderate light accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(3) A20's dropped 120 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude, met intense medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire; P47's dropped 500 lb bombs from 6000 feet.

(4) * bombs 5 seconds delay, fired 1500 rounds 50 calibre.

(7) Fired 200 rounds 50 and 30 calibre.

(8) Dropped 12 500 lb bombs from 2000 feet.

(9) Dropped 72 500 lb bombs.

(10) Dropped 90 tons of 1000 lb, 500 lb bombs
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Hollandia, New Guinea

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and 260 lb frags, met moderate heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Cebu; dropped 25 tons same type bombs
Del Monte.

(11) Dropped 5 tons 260 lb frags.

(12) Dropped 8 250 lb bombs 1/10th's second
delay from 6000 feet.

(13) B24 dropped 8 250 lb bombs from 12,500
feet; B25's dropped 24 120 lb frags from 1,500 feet, fired
4,300 rounds 50 calibre.

(14) Dropped 38 500 lb, 19 250 lb bombs, 6 250
lb incendiaries and 72 20 lb frags from 11,000 feet to
7,000 feet.

Refer report operations October 28:

(11) Later details indicate 37 B24's
dropped 92 1/4 tons bombs Puerto Princesa; 6,900 rounds 50
calibre fired by 1 squadron.

* Being serviced.

End.

ACTION: OPD
INFO: OC/E; CAAF; SF; G-2; Statistics; Adm King; Col Park
Field Marshal Dill; Log
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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CTG 77.1
RELEASED BY
DATE 2 NOV 44
TOR CODEROOM 0235
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ROUTED BY

FOR ACTION
COM 3RD FLT

CTF 77 COMFEAF CINCSOMESPAC
CTG 38.2
CTG 78.2 CINCPAC

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(CTG 77.1 SENDS, RDO HONO PASS ACTION TO COM 3RD FLT AND INFO TO CTF 77 COMFEAF CINCSOMESPAC CTG 38.2 CTG 78.2 CINCPAC)

YOUR 011301. MY GROUP DISPOSED PRIMARILY TO PROTECT SOUTHERN ENTRANCE LEYTE GULF. HAVE PICKET DESTROYER IN STRAIT AT LTTFTDDN 10°-15 NORTH. AM DEPENDING ON SHORE BASED AIR FOR SEARCH TO SOUTH AND WEST.

AS RECEIVED.

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

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FROM CINCPAC

RELEASED BY

DATE 2 NOVEMBER 1944

TOR CODEROOM $336

DECODED BY BENNETT

PARAPHRASED BY BENNETT CHECKED MONROE

ROUTED BY

ASTERISK (*) HAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

TO TASKFORCE 38

COM 3RD FLEET
COM 7TH FLEET

FOR ACTION

URGENT PRIORITY

BASEGRAM

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TOP S"CET"
CTG 77.1 sends, RDO MANUS PASS ACTION CTF 77 and INFO TO CINCSWESPAC CINCPAC AND COMINCH.

IT APPEARS THAT ARMY CANNOT PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE CAP FOR ME TODAY.
HONOR INTERCEPT

(CTG 77.1 SENDS. CTG 78.2 HAS FOR ACTION. INFO CTF 77 CTG 36.3 AND CTG 38.4.)

INFORM GEN WHITEHEAD AND GEN MACARTHUR THAT MY FIGHTER DIRECTOR IS IN A COMBATANT VESSEL WHICH MUST RETURN WITH THE FORMATION. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT AN EFFECTIVE CAP BE PROVIDED OVER MY FORMATION AT DAYLIGHT.
RDO HONU PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 020416
(SIGNED MACARTHUR. SENT BY CTF 78.2. INFO CINCPAC.
GHQSWPA GETS INFO VIA COM 7TH FLT NOT ADOEE)

EVERY INDICATION THAT AN ENEMY AMPHIBIOUS FORCE WITH
FLEET COVERAGE IS MOVING EASTWARD FROM PALAWAN AREA
TOWARDS LEYTE. THIS FORCE WILL BE HIT BY ARMY AIR
AT APPROXIMATELY 10001 NOVEMBER 2ND. REQUEST IF
PRACTICABLE THAT YOUR CTF 38.3 ALSO STRIKE THIS ENEMY
FORCE, AS SOON THEREAFTER AS IS PRACTICABLE.

ALTERNATE TARGET WOULD BE ANY AIRFIELDS IN VISAYAN
AREA EXCEPT THOSE ON LEYTE.

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

REFERENCE YOUR Ø10821 SEE MY DISPATCHES TO NIMITZ AND HALSEY.

SIGNED MACARTHUR.

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FROM: CTG 78.2
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 2 NOVEMBER 1944
TOR CODEROOM: 225548
DECODED BY: MONROE
CHECKED BY: POWLEY
ROUTED BY: MONROE

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CTF 77
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CTG 38.2
COM 3RD FLEET
ALL CONCERNED CURRENT OPERATIONS SWPA

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ENEMY MESSAGE

(RDO HONO PASSED INFO TO COMINCH AS 828052)

GENERAL WHITEHEAD STATES HE HAS NOT SUFFICIENT FILTERS TO PROVIDE MORE THAN 4 FOR YOUR CAP AND SUGGESTS YOU MOVE CLOSER TO DACLAN WHERE ADEQUATE COVER WILL BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES. HAVE INFORMED HIM I CONSIDER 4 TOTALLY INADEQUATE.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/64

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FROM: COM 3RD FLEET
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 1 NOVEMBER 1944
TOR CODEBOOK: 1537
DECODED BY: HARTZELL
PARAPHRASED BY: DIEBEL
CHECKED BY: ROWLAND
ROUTED BY: HARTZELL

ADDRESSES:

CINCPAC
CINCSOWESPAC
CTF 77
COMINCH
CTF 38

AGENCY:

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COM 3RD FLEET SENDS SECRET ACTION CINCPAC INFO CINCSOWESPAC COMTASKFOR 77 COMINCH COMTASKFOR 38.

ANTICIPATING COMTASKFOR 77 010703 TASK GROUP 34.5 WILL BE IN POSITION READY TO SUPPORT SURFACE FORCES LEYTE IF NEEDED. IF FURTHER CARRIER OPERATIONS AGAINST LUZON ARE NECESSARY NOT LESS THAN 3 GROUPS AND PREFERABLY 4 SHOULD BE USED IN ORDER DO THOROUGH JOB AND MINIMIZE SUICIDE DIVE LOSSES. PENDING FURTHER ORDERS FROM YOU I WILL EXPEDITE READINESS IN ALL RESPECTS AND START EARLIEST DEPLOYMENT TOWARD PHILIPPINES. ESTIMATE EARLIEST 3 GROUPS CAN STRIKE ABOUT 5 NOVEMBER.

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(CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM 7TH FLT ACTION COMINCH INFO CNO CINCPAC COMSOPAC)

NAVY SEARCH PLANES ATTACKED LARGE AP AND FREIGHTER TRANSPORT OBTAINING HITS. MOVEMENTS TO AND FROM LEYTE ARE ON SCHEDULE. SPORADIC AIR RAIDS CONTINUE. NORSOLS PT'S MORTARED AND STRAFED SHORE TARGETS IN NEW IRELAND AND CHOEUL. WHILE PLANES MADE NUMEROUS RAIDS ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. MACARTHUR.

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COMINCH...ACT

16...0P01...20G...0P03......00.....
OUR COMBATANT SHIPS IN LEYTE GULF HAVE BEEN UNDER HEAVY AIR
ATTACK TWICE TODAY. 1 DD SUNK. 3 DD'S DAMAGED. BY SEPARATE
DESPATCHES HAVE RECOMMENDED TO CINCINWPAC THAT HE REQUEST YOU
TO DIRECT FAST CARRIER GROUPS STRIKE MANILA AND VISAYAN AREAS
TO TAKE OUT ENEMY AIR. AIR SITUATION NOW APPEARS CRITICAL.

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CINCSPAC GETS FOR ACTION. INFO IS COMINCH. CINCPOA ORIGINATES THIS.

YOUR 291157Z (CX 51232).

MY CONCURRENCE IN ESTABLISHMENT OF DIRECTION FINDER STATIONS GUAM AND PELELIU FOR YOUR USE ENVISAGED USE OF U S PERSONNEL. AS A MATTER OF BROAD POLICY DESIRE ONLY UNITED STATES FORCES IN CAPTURED POSITIONS IN CENTRAL PACIFIC. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE AMERICAN PERSONNEL AVAILABLE I WILL ENDEAVOR TO PROVIDE THEM. PLEASE ADVISE.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
From: CG, US Army Forces in Pacific Ocean Areas, 
Pt. Shafter, T. H.

To: War Department
General Headquarters, Rear Echelon Southwest 
Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea 
CG, US Army Forces India Burma Theater, 
New Delhi, India 
CG, US Army Forces China Theater, 
Chungking, China 
CG, South Pacific Base Command, New Caledonia 
CG, 20th Bomber Command, Kharagpur, India

Nr: RJ 37764 1 November 1944

From FOACS comes daily SITSUN to MacArthur, 
WDCSA, Gilbreath, AMMISC, Wolfe and Sultant thru CINCPOA 
with all dates in east longitude time signed Harmon mag 
nbr RJ 37764.

Intense inaccurate AW fire met 16 Marine recon- 
aissance F-4 U's which strafed Rota personnel areas 29th 
October. Same date F 4 U's dropped napalm bombs supporting 
attack on Peleliu pocket while other ren F 4 U's strafed 
berges at Yap.

30th October 15 F4U's put three tons on Rota airstrip. 
Same day Pagan gun positions got 12 tons from 14th Army P-47's.

Accomplishing mission number two, 17 FOA B-29's 
bombed Dublon Island area Truk at 11021 time 30th October. 
Bombs dropped totaled 39 tons. Formation was trailed by one 
2/5 Hip plane which did not intercept. Heavy flak was meager 
inaccurate and short. Two large explosions with black smoke

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seen in target area. Sighted in Dublon Harbor were two small tankers and three small freighters.

Confirmed is report of enemy action against two US ships reported daily SITSUM RJ 37615, 310210Z. One merchant ship was torpedoed and sank by U178; rescue of majority of crew effected in merchant ship survivors were machine gunned by submarine.

End

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INFO: CG AAF

Date: 1 November 1944

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       Hollandia, New Guinea

To: War Department

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From GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur to Chief of Staff
War Department cite C51370.

Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1500Z/30
to 1500Z/31.

Philippines:

Mindoro:

Local reports state 5 light cruisers, 5
destroyers, 4 transports moved east through Verde Island
passage afternoon October 31.

Palawan:

Aircraft sighted vessels reported as 4 heavy
cruisers, 4 destroyers in Bucuit Bay night October 30,
tanker and light cruiser reported east Balabac Island
morning October 31.

Leyte:

4000 ton vessel reported by aircraft approaching
Ormoc evening October 30, on north coast 500 enemy reported
1 mile west Carigara.

GM-IN-733 (1 Nov 44)

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Borneo:

Aircraft report off northeast coast
October 31 7 light cruisers or destroyers heading northeast,
large transport in Marudu Bay.

Part 2:

Air:

Enemy action:

1 dive bomber and 6 fighters caused slight
damage Morotai, 4 planes shot down by anti-aircraft fire
dawn October 31st.

Operations October 29:

(1) 13 P47's attacked Ransiki airdrome south
    Manokwari.

(2) 12 B25's and 4 P40's bombed Miti airdrome;
    4 P40's bombed Kau; 12 B25's and 4 P40's bombed Lolobata
    and Hatetabako; 4 P47's and 11 P38's hit gun positions and
    bivouacs Wasiie Bay.

(3) Night B24 bombed Lahug airdrome, Cebu.

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Operations October 30:

(4) 6 Beauforts attacked supplies and buildings near But; RAAP strikes from Boemfo cancelled due weather.

(5) 24 B25's and 46 P38's destroyed many buildings and started numerous fires through Piroe Town, Western Ceram; bombing excellent.

(6) 2 P40's fired village huts Northwestern Halmahera; 8 P40's caused large explosions amongst warehouses Lembeh Strait and returning set 3 barges 1 launch afire in Halmahera, 1 P40 lost. 8 P40's hit bridge Amoerang Bay.

(7) 43 P38's swept Sandakanelza northern Borneo, exploded 1 medium tanker set 2 other tankers, 2 seatrucks and 1 barge afire, destroyed 10 to 12 grounded planes.

(8) 12 B25's escorted by 7 P47's bombed San Roque airdrome, strafed and set afire fuel barges Zamboanga 1 B25 lost.

(9) 2 groups B24's cratered runways, caused many large fires and destroyed 4 grounded planes Bacolod airdrome, Negros Island; patrol B24 bombed same target.

Operations October 31:

(10) 6 B24's bombed Boiken Plantation; 6 B25's

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attacked gun positions Borem and village Kairiru Island; 6 A20's attacked trails west from Wewak; 7 Beauforts bombed supplies and buildings near But.

(11) 5th Air Force bombers grounded due adverse weather conditions; P38's covered Leyte Island.

(12) 24 Darwin B24's caused large explosions and extensive fires visible from 100 miles along Macassar waterfront and through town area before dawn.

(13) Patrol B24 bombed lugger south Salajar Island; another B24 damaged lugger northwestern Boeoce Island.

(14) 4 RAAF B25's destroyed 2 barges and silenced shore fire Alor Island, north Timor; 2 more RAAF B25's attacked gun positions Kai Islands.

(15) 6 RAAF B24's bombed Falopo and Malili Towns, Northern Gulf of Bone, Celebes; strafed, set lugger afire on return.

Solomons Forces.

Naval:

PT boats strafed and mortared Northwestern New Ireland and Southeastern Bougainville targets night October 29.
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Air:
Operations October 30:


Land:

Leyte:

October 30:

X Corps:

1st Cavalry Division: Elements maintaining contact west Barugo; 5th Cavalry arrived Cavite, pushed strong combat patrols west; 24th Division; 34th Infantry advanced 1000 yards along Jaro/Cagiraga Road.

XXIV Corps:

96th Division: 381st Infantry continued attack on Catmon Hill, enemy resisting from caves; elements passed over hill made contact with 383rd Infantry to the north; 7th Division; 17th Infantry completed capture of CM-IN-733 (1 Nov 44)
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Dagami, annihilated remaining enemy forces. Minor elements of 32nd Infantry reached point 4 miles west of Abuyog, remainder of Regiment patrolled south and west of Buraun.

October 31:

X Corps:

1st Cavalry Division: Elements 7th Cavalry south of Carigara forced enemy to withdraw. 24th Division: 34th Infantry advanced 4 miles toward Carigara from Jaro. 19th Infantry at Mabalce (4046), Tingib, Pastrana areas conducted extensive patrols.

XXIV Corps:

7th Division: 184th Infantry patrolled Santa Ana, La Paz areas, contacted enemy force west of La Paz. 96th Division: Mopping up remaining enemy positions Catmon Hill continued.

Command Posts October 31:

Advanced General Headquarters Tacloban
Sixth Army San Jose (6158)
X Corps vicinity Alangalang
1st Cavalry Division vicinity San Miguel
24th Division vicinity Jaro
XXIV Corps Dulag

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area
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96th Division Calbasag (6277)
7th Division vicinity San Pablo (5030).
Part 3.
(1) Dropped 13 500 lb bombs from 2000 feet.
(2) Dropped 56 500 lb bombs Mi; 8 same type from 1000 feet, met slight medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Kau; 56 same type from 10,000 to 2000 feet, met moderate medium and heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Lolobata and Hatetabako; dropped 27 same type 5000 feet and under, met moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Wasile Bay.
(3) Dropped 20 100 lb bombs from 5000 feet.
(4) Dropped minimum 12 500 lb medium capacity bombs from 4000 feet.
(5) B25's dropped 36 250 lb bombs, 41 500 lb magnesium clusters and 28 500 lb incendiaries from 10,500 feet, met intense heavy accurate anti-aircraft fire; P38's dropped 69 500 lb bombs, met intense heavy inaccurate fire.
(6) Dropped 34 500 lb bombs, met intense accurate machine gun fire from Lolobata, Halmahera.
(7) No details.
(8) Dropped 118 100 lb paradesos from 7000 feet,
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fired unstated number rounds, met slight medium accurate
anti-aircraft fire.

(9) Patrol B24 dropped 20 250 lb frags from
5000 feet.

(10) B24's dropped 48 1000 lb bombs from 8000
feet, fired 5,500 rounds 50 calibre; B25's dropped 24 300
lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay, fired 4,200 rounds 50
calibre; A20's dropped 24 500 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds
delay from minimum altitude, fired 3,800 rounds 50 calibre;
Beauforts dropped 24 500 lb medium capacity bombs from 3000
feet.

(11) No details.

(12) Dropped 36 500 lb, 176 100 lb bombs, 72 500
lb incendiaries from 15,500 to 10,800 feet, met moderate
heavy some accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(13) Dropped 7 250 lb bombs, jettisoned 6 others,
fired 600 rounds 50 calibre.

(14) 4 B25's dropped 24 120 lb frags from 1500
feet, fired 8,500 rounds 50 calibre; 2 B25's dropped 12 120
lb frags from 4,500 feet, met moderate light inaccurate
anti-aircraft fire.

(15) Dropped 30 100 lb bombs, 12 500 lb incendiaries

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from 7000 to 2000 feet on target, other bombs jettisoned.

Refer report Operations October 27:

(7) B25's each carried 2 1000 lb bombs.

Refer report Operations October 26:

(11) 33 P38's covered B24's against shipping.

Supplementary paragraph:

12 more P40's against Halmahera targets October 25
and October 26 dropped 24 500 lb bombs, fired 13,100 rounds
50 calibre.

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INFO: CC/S; CGAAP; ASB; G-2; Adm King; Col Park;
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