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OSD letter, May 5, 1973

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PLANES OF 3RD FLEET SANK WATERFRONT FROM KEOULING TO HONGKONG ON 15TH BUT STRIKES ON FORMOSA CUBBED WHEN MOST目標手 CLOSED IT. PRELIMINARY RESULTS WERE 16 PLANES SHOT DOWN INCLUDING 1 TOPSY AND 4 ESCORTING ZEKES WESTBOUND BETWEEN SHATON AND HONKONG. 6 SHOOPERS AROUND FORCE 1 JAKE OVER KEOULING ONE SINGLE BEETLE DECOUPLED THE FROGAND 9 TON SHUTTLE AND HONKONG. DESTROYED OR SHOT DOWN 14 OF WHICH 6 AT KAITAK. 1 TIED TO PRATAS REEF 4 EURO. OVERCAST HAMPERED SHIP'S STIRNS AND VISUAL ASSESSMENT BUT 1 AD 1 BB 1 DE AND FE SHIPS SUNK. DETAILS ON SHIP'S THEN EVALUATED. AFTER STRIKE BORED THROUGH SALT OVERCAST TO PRATAS REEF.
THERE BUILDINGS AMMO STORAGE DEPARTMENT AND RADIO STATIONS EXCEPTING RADIO TOWERS WERE DEMOLISHED. ESTIMATE 70% OF SHIPMENTS IN HONGKONG INCLUDING AO KAMOI AND 3 OTHER IOS WHICH ARE AMONG TARGETS FOR TODAY.
NAVAL MESSAGE

ADDRESS

CINCSWPA
LEYTE AND LINGAYEN

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COM 7TH FLEET
COM THIRD FLEET

ACTION

CINCSWPA (LEYTE AND LINGAYEN) INFO COMINCH CINCPAC COM 7TH FLT COM 3RD FLT FROM CTF 77

BEACH CONDITIONS LESS FAVORABLE TODAY HOWEVER ALL SHIPS OF TG 77.9 NOW UNLOADED. 1800 FAST CONVOY DEPARTED LINGAYEN FOR LEYTE LATE YESTERDAY AND AGAIN TODAY DD'S BOMBARDED TOWN OF ROZARIO WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS. SUPPORT AIRCRAFT CONTINUED TO GIVE EFFECTIVE CLOSE SUPPORT TO GROUND TROOPS DESTRUCTING AMMO AND FUEL DUMPS, STOREHOUSES, BRIDGES AND MANY OTHERS. ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY NEGLIGIBLE. ORMCG RE-SUPPLY CONVOY ARRIVED AT BEACH THIS MORNING.

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### OP SECRET DISPATCH

**FROM:** COM 7TH FLT ADV HQ

**RELEASED BY:**

**DATE:** 15 JANUARY 1945

**TOR CODEMOM:** 152152

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**COMM 7TH FLT ADV HQ SENDS ACTION CTF 76 CTG 76.3 INFO COM 7TH FLT CINCPAC CINCSWPA COM 3RD FLT COMINCH 7TH FLT CLASS 3 AND ABOVE.**

**THIS IS CHANGE NUMBER 3 TO CANF SMPA OP PLAN 18-44. CHANGE NUMBER 1 AND 2 NOT TO CR NEEDED BY ALL.**

**PARA 1 SUBPARA (E) DELETE PRESENT LINE AND SUBSTITUTE 87 DATED 14 JANUARY 1945. AFTLR M 4 IN LINE 13 ADD "M 7". PARA 2 DELETE VIGAN AREA, ILOCOS SUR PROVINCE LUZON AND SUBSTITUTE "THE SAN ANTONIO-CASTILLEJOS-SAN FELIPE AREA, SOUTHERN ZAMBALES PROVINCE. PARA 3 (A) LINE 17 MAKE SAME CORRECTION THEN INSERT NEW SENTENCES "CLEAR AND OPEN SUBIC BAY FOR SHIPPING. INITIATE LTB OPERATIONS AT EARLIEST PRACTICAL DATE". PARA 3 (X)(B)(B) ADD "11TH US CORPS TO ASSAULT AND INDICATE OHQ RESERVE TO BE 41ST US INF DIV". DELETE K-DAY AND SUBSTITUTE B-DAY. PARA 3 (X)(B)(D) FOR 3RD LINE SUBSTITUTE.**

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"THE COLLECTIVE AREA FOR THE M7 ASSAULT IS THE SAN ANTONIO-
CASTILLEjos-SAN FELIPE AREA. WHEREVER OCCURRING CORRECT
K-DAY TO B-DAY, M3 ASSAULT TO M7 ASSAULT, OBJECTIVE AREA FROM
VIGAN TO SAN ANTONIO-FELIPE. ANNEX B PARA II 1 DELETE ENTIRE
PARA AND SUBSTITUTE THEREFOR TASKS ASSIGNED GHQ OP INSTRUCTIONS
87 COPIES OF WHICH MAILED ACTION ADEES. CHANGES 1, 2 AND 3
TO INCLUDE CORRECTED TASKS ANNEX B WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN
PRINTED FORM TO ALL HOLDERS OP PLAN.

COMINC: COPIES F1 TO FB INCLUSIVE."
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM

COM 3RD FLEET

RELEASED BY

15 JANUARY 1945

TO

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LAUNCHED STRIKES AS SCHEDULED BUT STILL JINXED BY FORMOSA WEATHER. ENEMY AIR WEAK IN AMOY SWATOW HONGKONG AREA. FORCE SNOOED BUT NOT YET ATTACKED. BETWEEN SWATOW AND HONGKONG SHOT DOWN WEST BOUND TOPSY COVERED BY 4 ZEKE S. COULD BE MORRIS SAN. STRIKE RESULTS LATER. TOMORROW STRIKE HONGKONG HAINAN. NO INDICATIONS MAJOR ENEMY SURFACE UNITS.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

FROM UNIDENT ORIGINATOR

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MONO INTERCEPT

THE 13TH 39 8-24'S ** INSTALLATIONS AT SAN JOSE DELMONTE NORTHEAST MANILA STARTING FIRES. 13 B-25'S HIT DILIMAN*

AND SAN MIGUEL NORTH MANILA. A-20'S CONTINUED ATTACKS RAILROADS HIGHWAYS BATANGAS AREA. 13 PALAU LIBERATORS HIT LEGASPI AREA WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. 7 MORATAI HEAVIES BOMBED BATAN AIRDROME. MINDORO STRIKES PREVENTED BY TEMPORARILY UNSERVICEABLE STRIP BAD WEATHER. LINGAYEN GROUND ACTIVITY 14TH. CONSISTED MOSTLY CONSOLIDATING PREVIOUS GAINS.

CAMILING* REMAINS MOST SOUTHERLY POINT ADVANCE. NIP CIVILIAN CASUALTIES TO DATE 29 KILLED 8 PRISONERS. ENEMY ATTITUDE CONTINUES PASSIVE THROUGHOUT FRONT EXCEPT FOR VIGOROUS RESISTANCE IN PICOORRUBIO* SECTOR 16-05 NORTH 120-30 EAST ON MAIN ROAD TO BARRACKS ** AREAS. BOTH SOUTHWEST MINDANAO. ADVERSE WEATHER HINDERED OPERATIONS.

ENEMY SHIPPING SIGHTED 14TH. DEPARTING AMOY 0700 1 DO 1** 2 FG SOUTH **. 0300 CONVOY MANY SHIPS REPORTED COURSE 300

SPEED 15 POSIT 22-40 NORTH 120-05 EAST. PHOTOGRAPHED IN TAKAO HARBOR 1130 WERE 6 ESCORT VESSELS 1 AP 2 AO 27 LARGE AND MEDIUM AK. SAME TIME IN TOSHIE 4 ESCORTS 8 AK.

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OSD letter, May 1, 1972

By DBS

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ANCHORED HONGKONG ** 1 CL 2 DD 2 DE 4 AO 5 LARGE FREIGHTER TRANSPORTS. MIDNIGHT 13TH 4 LARGE UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS POSSIBLY WARSHIPS CONTACTED 22-15 NORTH 120-40 EAST HEADED SOUTHEAST. SEARCH PLANE LATE AFTERNOON SAW 2 SMALL STACK AFT VESSELS BURNING 17-50 NORTH 120-28 EAST. AIR SURFACE SEARCH FOR POSSIBLE MIDGET SUB 14-37 NORTH 118-57 EAST PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS. BEFORE DAWN 14TH 1 SS CONTACTED 12 ** EAST DULAG. BLUE DD GOT 1 POSSIBLE HIT AT 1140 ANOTHER SUB CONTACT 11-00 NORTH 125-30 EAST COURSE NORTHEAST. BOTH CONTACTS MAY ** ORMOC. P-30 15TH/13TH SANK 1 TYPE A BARGE ** BOHOL ISLAND. 14TH 11 LIBERATORS HIT BATANGAS DROMES SECONDARY TARGET WITH 50% ** RUNWAY. PHOTOS SHOW RUNWAY ROUGH BUT SERVICEABLE. 12 MITCHELLS HIT COTABATOO SUPPLY AREAS. 12 MORE HIT MALAGANO**.

*AS RECEIVED.
** GARbled.
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INDO CHINA FINAL SCORE THIRD FLEET STRIKE 12 JAN.
41 NIP SHIPS SUNK INCLUDING ONE OIL TANKER DE MAN
DAMAGED. JAPS SHOT DOWN 15 DESTROYED ON WATER 26
ON GROUND 77. INSTALLATIONS AND OIL FACILITIES
SAIGON DESTROYED AND HEAVILY DAMAGED. OWN LOSSES
16 PLANES COMBAT PLUS 7 OPERATIONAL. LUZON UNLOAD-
ING CONTINUES ROUND CLOCK. NO ENEMY AIR 14 JANUARY
IN TRANSPORT AREA.
NAVAL MESSAGE

COM THIRD FLEET

CINCSOWESPAC
CINCPAC

COMINCH
COM SEVENTH FLEET
CTF 77
CTF 93
20TH AIRFORCE
CONNAVGROUP CHINA

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

(Com Third Fleet Sends Action CINCSOWESPAC Info COMINCH
Com Seventh Fleet CTF 77 CTF 93. CINCPAC Action
Please Pass Info 20th Airforce CONNAVGROUP CHINA.)

This amplifies and supersedes my 121100.

Final count third fleet strikes and sweeps for 12th sunk
41 ships totaling 127000 tons damaged 26 ships totaling
70000 tons. Attacks were relentless and 30 percent of claims
substantiated by extensive photos.

Convoy of 1 AO 4 medium AK 2 DE 4 PC totaling 17000 tons
completely destroyed. In another 1 CL believed KASHI 4 DE
2 AO 3 medium AK 1 small AK totaling 40000 tons sunk and 2
AO 4 medium AK 1 small AK 1 PC totaling 31000 beached and
damaged typhoon sail. Believe no ships of this convoy
escaped unscathed.

Dusk strike found third convoy approaching Saigon from south
1 AO sunk 1 Large AK 1 MEDIUM AK 1 small coastal AK damaged.

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May 15, 1945

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/64.
AT CAMPHANH BAY 1 DE 1 SMALL AK SUNK. AT CAPE ST JACQUES 3 DE
1 AO 3 LARGE AK 1 SMALL AK TOTALING 33,000 TONS SUNK AND 1 DE
1 LSM DAMAGED. ALL SHIPS THERE HIT.
AT SAIGON RIVER AND DOCKS 1 LARGE AK 1 LARGE AP 2 MEDIUM AK
1 LARGE OIL BARGE 1 CL DISMANTLED FRENCH LAMOTTE PICquet TOTALING
26,000 TONS SUNK AND 2 LARGE AK 4 MEDIUM AK 2 PC DAMAGED.
ALONG COAST 1 MEDIUM AK 1 SMALL COASTAL AK SUNK 2 MEDIUM AK
5 SMALL COASTAL AK'S DAMAGED.
PHOTOS SHOW ALL TURRETS AND MOST OF SUPERSTRUCTURE REMOVED FROM
LAMOTTE PICquet WHICH CAPSIZED AFTER ATTACK.
MORNING PHOTOS SHOW 74 PLANES AT TAN SON NHUT INCLUDING 45 TWINS
MOSTLY TRANSPORTS AND 29 SE.
27 AT THU DAU MOT MOSTLY KATES.
TOTAL PLANES SHOT DOWN 15 INCLUDING 1 BY CAP OF TASKGROUP 30.8.
77 DESTROYED ON GROUND AND 20 ON WATER. ABOUT 50 DAMAGED ON GROUND.
FOREGOING INCLUDED PRACTICALLY ALL OF 23 REINFORCING BETTYS AND
25-30 TOJOS OSCARS WHICH ARRIVED IN TIME TO BE DESTROYED BY DUSK
TARGET CAP. DAMAGE TO GROUND INSTALLATIONS INCLUDED LONG DOCK
CAMRANH DEMOLISHED BY TORPEDOES, DESTROYED 5 OF 9 SHELL TANKS
AT SAIGON. OIL STORAGE ON SAIGON RIVER NORTH OF SAIGON. BUILDINGS
AND WAREHOUSES SAIGON DOCK AREA. SEAPLANE HANGAR CAT LAI AND 2
LOCOMOTIVES QUANG NGAI. TEXAS AND STO VACUUM PLANTS HEAVILY
HIT AND FIRES STARTED SAIGON NAVY YARD. ALL SAIGON SHIPPING
AND FACILITIES LEFT A SHAMBLES. OWN LOSSES 16 PLANES IN COMBAT
7 OPERATIONAL. 14 PILOTS 11 CREWMEN MISSING. NO DAMAGE TO OUR
SURFACE FORCE. WITHDRAWAL NOT SNOOPED, FERRET PLANES FOUND.
ONLY 1 RADAR SAIGON CAMRANH AREA. PROBABLY MARK 13 LOCATED SOUTH OF CAMRANH. ON CHI RADAR ON 78 MCS DETECTED EAST OF HONGKONG AND WEAK INDICATION 200 MCS RADAR WITH 1000 TRF IN HONGKONG. FUELING ON 14TH UNEVENTFUL EXCEPT FOR PICKING UP 5 CHINESE IN WOODEN DIESEL FISHING BOAT WHICH WAS DESTROYED AND LONE SNOOPER IN AFTERNOON. SEARCHES 14TH CONFIRMED RADIO STATION ON PRATTLER ISLAND PARACEL AND SANK 1 MEDIUM AK SRAFED 1 MEDIUM AK 1 TUG AND 1 SMALL COASTAL AK.

DELIVERED TO 29-0
I hereby report for duty in accordance with the OCTAGON decisions.

2. The British fleet will look forward to fighting alongside the United States Navy in whatever area you may assign.
NAVAL MESSAGE

DRAFTER: (OM ALUSLO 25TH BOWN IN ECH ECH)

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TOR CODEROOM: 3248

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(COMB INF LEMAY) "FEDERKEY, CHENNAULT, DEPMAF 20, NAVY FROM LEMAY 1282D"

NOW FOLLOW DETAILS SHIPNG TAUVO HABOR, 14 JANUARY ON SC!TH.

195 MISSION 41F 11 FLOMN BY PILOT HUFFY, CR!FT 664 OF 462

GROUP IN GROUSEK PRE-STRIKE POM "WEATHER RECONN."

NAVAL CONSISTS 7 DE AVERAGING 255 FEET AND 6 SMALLER CRAFT

AVERAGING 135 FEET. MERCHANT CONSISTS 33 SHIPS TOTALING

118110 GROSS TONS INCLUDING 3 LARGE TANKERS. NO TRANSPORTS

PRESENT. BREAKDOWN IN FEET OVERALL LENGTH IS:

(a) 3 TANKERS 590, 410, 380,
(b) 3 FE'S 420, 415, 365, LARGEST HEAVILY DAMAGED
(c) 2 FTA's 465, 450
(d) 1 FBE 410
(e) 7 FTC's 463, 415, 380, 350, 265, 255, 225

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320 Pacific
(F) 2 FIDs EACH 215
(G) 15 ENGINEHALL CARGAROSNR 40, 3 AT 425, 27XEDGOSNKL
2 AT 225, 3 AT 215, 4 AT 223, 173.
NEW SUBJECT: NOTHING TO ADD TO EARLIER REPORT 14 JANUARY ON
TOSHIEN.

*AS RECEIVED
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte Philippines

To: War Department

No: C 56454

15 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA and MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department cite C 56454. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/13 to 1500Z/14 signed MacArthur.

China coast: Reconnaissance plane reported one light cruiser two destroyers two destroyer escorts four tankers seven freighter transports in Hong Kong harbour midday January 14; Two destroyers five medium freighters three transports four other vessels sighted at Amoy January 12; Seven warships reported heading south in Paracel Islands same day.

Formosa: Photographs by China base aircraft January 13 show 60 and thirty single engined and 59 twin engined planes on Hoi Toi Tainan Taichu Gayaena Chitakoe airiphers.

Luzon: Photographs Clark Field January 9 showed concentration of trenches same new in vicinity Camp Stotsenburg.

Leyte: Evidence at least one enemy submarine operating Leyte Gulf January 14.

Part 2: Naval:

Leyte PT boat sank barge northwest Palompon night January 13.

CM-IN-14075 (15 Jan 45)
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Areas
Leyte Philippines

NO: 056454

Air: Enemy action: Lingayen area: Three more crash divers in
   Alcaida Island, bombed Langoan.

(4) 51 RAAF P 40's raided Kau and Boelp Serani; 16
   Spitfires attacked Miti airfield sank two barges strafed
   three others Halmahera, one Spitfire missing; 3 B 25's
   bombed Boela fuel tanks sank small craft Ceran.

(5) RAAF B 24 from Darwin bombed Pailloro.

(6) Three P 38's, three P 47's and 5 P 51's attacked
   Marienburg and Membet villages Sepik River; seven Beauforts
   hit Wewak targets.

   Operations January 14:
(7) Three B 24's started fires Beito airfield
   Formosa before dawn.

(8) One Leyte based B 25 group destroyed buildings
   started fires Aparri airfield, ten P 51's escort shot down
   two planes Bagabag destroyed four more Aparri.

(9) Palau based B 24's struck concentrations
   Cabanatuan, North Rmilas, A 20's from Leyte raided Clark
   Field destroyed planes in dispersal areas, one A 20 lost;
   two P 38's damaged bridge approaches Caluag.

(10) 11 B 24's from Morotai cratered runways and

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and revetments Batangas; another B 24 bombed Bicol; five B 24's struck Mitri in Halmahera; 17 other B 24's jettisoned bombs and returned due adverse weather.

(11) 12 B 25's started large fires dispersal areas barracks and supply dumps Malabang; 12 B 25's demolished warehouse hit supplies Cotabato, Mindanao.

(12) Darwin B 24 harassed Kenari before dawn; three RAAF B 24's attacked small Shui Solor Island bombed Tobah village Biar Island, Puloro and Cape Chater on Timor.

(13) 12 Beauforts attacked villages west Wewak and supported ground forces.

(14) Five HADZAB B 24's bombed Tobah; two B 25's and nine Beauforts from Goodenough Island attacked Rabaul.

Solomons Forces. Air.

Operations January 13:
(15) Eight New Zealand Venturas five New Zealand Corsairs damaged bridges New Ireland and bombed Nanatani; on New Zealand Ventura bombed Rabaul before dawn, 18 Marine Corsairs on day patrols; 28 New Zealand Corsairs raided bivouacs north Choiseul and targets southern Bougainville.

Land. Luzon:

CM-IN-14075 (15 Jan 45)

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By RT, NARA, Date
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area,
Leyte Philippines

No: 0 56454

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January 13: I Corps: 158th Infantry occupied
Demortis, no opposition; 63rd Inf attached 43rd Division,
reached Pirmila;11l (2060), other division elements held
line 20-56 to 22-52 to 23-47 to 26-6 to 26-44 to 2638;
6th Division occupied line Catbalan to Bolait (155-284)

XIV Corps: 37th Division units occupied Bayambang;
40th Division elements occupied Sual, reached Cabilition Bay.
Sixth Army CP 2000 yards east *

January 14: I Corps: Elements 43rd Division met
continued resistance southwest Rosario, made no contact in
reconnaissance to Urdaneta (3233);

XIV Corps: 37th Division patrols reached Camiling
without opposition, patrols of 40th Division penetrated
5000 yards south Mangatasan. Total enemy casualties to
date 592 killed, 14 captured.

Leyte: 11th Airborne Division relieved all tactical
responsibility except in emergency. 493 enemy killed in
scattered contacts January 14.

Part 3.

(1) No details.

(2) B 24's dropped 13 250 lb bombs; B 25's
dropped 126 100 lb incendiaries from minimum altitude, met

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Slight light inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(3) Dropped 4 500 lb bombs, met moderate medium
accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(4) P 40's dropped 22 500 lb, 48 250 lb bombs,
22 100 lb napalm; B 25's dropped 8 500 lb bombs 4
fragmentation clusters; moderate medium accurate anti-
aircraft fire Kau.

(5) Dropped 14 300 lb bombs.

(6) Fighters dropped six napalm bombs, fired 8000
rounds 50 calibre; Beauforts dropped 10 500 lb, 22 250
lb bombs, 2 250 lb and 315 4 lb incendiaries.

Paragraphs 7 through 9 no details.

(10) Dropped 326 120 frags from thirteen thousand
four hundred to * * 150 more Miti.

(11) Dropped 1,540 23 lb para frags from minimum
altitude; moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire
Cotabato.

(12) Dropped 14 100 lb, 37 300 lb bombs.

(13) Dropped 22 500 lb, 40 250 lb bombs fired 13,400
rounds 30 calibre.

CM-IN-14075 (15 Jan 45)
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        Leyte Philippines

No: C 56454

15 January 1945

(14) B 24's dropped 35 1000 lb bombs, fired
9,200 rounds 50 calibre; B 25's dropped 8 300 lb bombs,
fiired 3200 rounds 50 calibre; Beauforts dropped 5 250
lb bombs.

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OSD letter, May 6, 1976
By DBS Date May 4, 1973

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CINCPAC PASSED TO COMINCH AND UNIDENTIFIED CALL (KHKO) FOR INFO AS 156D8
(CINCPAC ACTION PASSES INFO COMSUBPAC FROM CCM 3RD FLT. ALSO INFO CINCDSOWESPAC CTF 77 CTF 38 CTF 71)

TOP SECRET.
SNOODED AFTERNOON 14TH WHILE COMPLETING FUELING. STRIKING FORMOSA 15TH WITH SWEEPS ON ADMY SWATON HONGKONG. INTEND FOLLOW UP WITH STRIKE ON HONGKONG AND SWEET HAINAN 16TH.
FUEL 17TH. SWEEPS TODAY REVEALED NO MAJOR ENEMY UNITS AT SEA HONGKONG SWATON TAKAO AREA. REQUEST LIFEGUARD SUBMARINES C 5 AND 18 OF SOP 2 BE ALERTED TO PLAN CHANGE. ALSO REQUEST F 1 AND 3 BE ON STATION THROUGH 18 JANUARY.

COMINCH COPIES 1 TO 8 INCLUSIVE.

ACTION: F-30
(LEMAK 140100/44380) WAS ACTION MACARTHUR INFO COMGENAF 20
DEPCOMAF 20 POA STRATEMEYER COMNAVGROUP CHINA MONTEITH;
COMNAVGROUP CHINA PASSED INFO CINCPAC WHO NOW REENCIPHERS
PASSING INFO COMINCH COMSUBPAC COMTHIRDFLEET ALL TF AND
TG COMMAND THIRD FLEET.

RECEIVED AS CINCPAC'S 151901

EXCELLENT QUALITY K-18 PHOTOS RESULTED PHOTO MISSION 5 MR 6,
14 JAN OVER SINGAPORE AND PENGAD AREAS.

PHOTOGRAPHY ACCOMPLISHED AT 29,000 FEET AT SINGAPORE THROUGH
3/10 CLOUD, 26,000 FEET AT PENGAD UNDER CAVU CONDITIONS.

ENEMY OPPOSITION WAS WEAK AND ANTI AIRCRAFT MEAGER AND ACCURATE
AT SINGAPORE. NO PHOTOS TAKEN SOUTH OF 1 DEGREE N PARALLEL
DUE SOLID UNDERCAST.

NOW Portfolio FIRST PHASE INTERPRETATION:

(A) SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE AT 0249Z - NO NEW DAMAGE IDENTIFIED.
NO NAVAL VESSELS. (LATME) DRYDOCK STILL FLOODED AND (GATE)
REMOVED. NO CHANGE SMALL FLOATING DRYDOCK, 2 BY 450 FEET

ENGINES AFT CARGO SHIP

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By RT, NARA, Date 1/8/44

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OSD letter, May 2, 1972

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(B) JOHORE STRAIT (CAUSEWAY TO 1 MILE BELOW NAVAL BASE)

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED NOCHI CLASS CA NOW IDENTIFIED AS ATAGO CLASS CA WITH DAMAGED Stern.

OTHER NAVAL VESSELS INCLUDE MOGAMI CLASS CA WITH 70 FEET SECTION OF Stern DESTROYED, 3-205 FEET PATROL CRAFT.

MERCHANT VESSELS INCLUDE 525, 485, 460 AND 410.

ENGINES AFT CARGOES, 2 190 FEET TANKERS. NO DAMAGE NOTED TO LARGE FLOATING DRYDOCK, 460 FEET VESSEL STILL THEREIN.

(c) SINGAPORE HARBOR BOARD AND EMPIRE DOCK AREA - 1-205 FEET PATROL CRAFT. KINGS OIL DOCK UNDAMAGED, 4 CRATERS NOTED ON (10 GROUPS MISSING)

MERCHANT VESSELS INCLUDE 425, 265, 235 FOOT ENGINES AFT CARGOES, 380, 320, 335, 235, 220, 2-205 FOOT TANKERS.

TOTAL GROSS TONNAGE MERCHANT VESSELS JOHORE STRAIT AND SINGAPORE AREAS IS 71200 TONS.

(D) GEORGE TOWN, PENGAI NG ISLAND 04:23Z - 2-200 FEET SS, 2-210 FEET DESTROYER ESCORTS, 175 FEET PATROL CRAFT, 30 TYPE A ARMY LANDING CRAFT. NO LARGE MERCHANT VESSELS.

(E) SEMBAWANG AIRFIELD (SINGAPORE) FULL COVER SHOWS 15 SINGLE ENGINE SMALL, 7 TWIN ENGINE MEDIUM.

(F) PORT SWETTENHAM AIRFIELD - FULL - FULL COVER SHOWS NO AIRCRAFT.

(G) GEORGE TOWN SEAPLANE BASE - 5 JAKE TYPED AIRCRAFT.
FROM CTF 77 ACTION CINCSWP A (LEYTE LINGAYEN) INFO COMINCH, CINCPAC, COM SEVENTH FL T, COM THIRD FL T.

UNLOADING CONTINUES ON 24 HOUR BASIS. 5 PLUS 2 ECHELON UNLOADED EXCEPT FOR TWO TRANSPORTS AND TWO AKA'S. ECHELONS G-5 AND G-3 (SLOW TOW) ARRIVED 0700 THIS MORNING. 2 PT SQUADRONS WITH TENDER ARRIVED IN'S PLUS 4 CONVOY AND START PATROLS TONIGHT. NO AIR ATTACKS IN TRANSPORT AREA DURING THE DAY. ORMOC RESUPPLY CONVOY DEPARTED DULAG 1430 ETA 0530 TOMORROW. DELAYED REPORT PT RESULTS 12/13. ORMOC BOATS DESTROYED TYPE A BARGE KILLING 25 JAPS NORTH OF ABIJAO.

MOROTA BOATS COVERED ARMY LANDINGS AT BOBO RIVER THE 12TH AND LETORO RIVER 13TH.

COPY TO 20G
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HONO INTERCEPT

(HURLED BY CINCPAC INFO COM 3RD FLEET COM 7TH FLEET AND CTF 77 ACTION ALL TFC 3RD FLEET)

CINCPAC ULTRA.

AT 141530 (MINUS 9) JAP AVIATOR MADE CONTACT REPORT FROM POSIT 17-26 N 116-33 E. SAME NIP STILL TALKING 20 MINUTES LATER.

6 COPIES TO F-341
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JP SECRET DISPATCH

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Urgent Routine Deferred Basegram

NOTES:

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**MACARTHUR TO AGWAR FOR AFACO WASHINGTON FOR ACTION AND INFO TO CINCPAC HONOLULU. COMDT COAST GUARD WASHINGTON. DCGO 14TH NAVAL DISTRICT HONOLULU COMAF HOLLANDIA. COM AAF LEYTE. ROUTINE TO LAST TWO INFO ADEES. WAR PLEASE PASS TO COMDT COAST GUARD WASHINGTON AND NPM (RDO HON) PLS PASS TO DCGO 14TH NAVAL DISTRICT HONOLULU. REFERENCED THIS IS TOP SECRET. CX 56376.**

**SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF LORAN SYSTEM REFERENCES.**

A. YOUR WX 7840 17TH.

B. YOUR WX 87086.

C. COMDT COAST GUARD (WASHINGTON) MESSAGE 292356. CONCUR IN ALL RECOMMENDATIONS IN REFERENCE A EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS.

RECOMMEND USE OF MAPIA INSTEAD OF ASIA AS SOUTHERN STATION OF SS LORAN LINK TO LEYTE AS BETTER LOCATION FOR PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT. RECOMMEND FREQUENCY 1750 BASIC RATE 33 1/3 SPECIFIC RATE 750 FOR LEYTE-MAPIA LINK USING DOUBLE SLAVE AT LEYTE.
WITH LEYTE-ULITHI LINK AS RECOMMENDED IN REFERENCE C. TRANSPORTED ON AIR DETACHMENT 6 EQUIPMENT FROM MOROTAI TO LEYTE ARRANGE BY 7TH FLEET. EXPECT OPERATION LEYTE-MAPA LINK DURING FIRST PART OF FEBRUARY. DO NOT CONCUR IN RETURNING LEYTE STATION TO MINDORO AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED AND AS RECOMMENDED IN REFERENCE B. SUCH CHANGE WOULD DELAY INSTALLATION AS NEW SITE MUST BE SURVEYED AND SECURED AND WILL REQUIRE TWO SEPARATE SINGLE SS LORAN SLAVES. BEST AVAILABLE LOCATION FOR DOUBLE SLAVE IS ON LEYTE ISLAND 25 MILES SOUTH OF TACLOBAN. NO SUITABLE SITES ON SULUAN ISLAND AS RECOMMENDED AT LORAN CONFERENCE AND IN CONFERENCE C.

SAME IS TRUE FOR HOMOHON ISLAND AND SOUTHEAST TIP OF

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SAMAR. "TO SUITABLE SITES IN AREA FOR SOUTHERN LINK NORTHEAST PHILIPPINES CHAIN AS INTERVENING MOUNTAINS WOULD INTERFERE WITH SYNCHRONIZATION AND GROUND WAVE PATTERN OVER DISTANCE INVOLVED. CONSIDERING NORTH COAST OF CAMOTES ISLAND AS POSSIBLE SOUTHERN STATION TO PROVIDE OVER WATER LINK TO CATANDUANES STATION.

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CM-IN-16129

(17 JAN)
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Leyte Philippines

To: War Department
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Nr: CX 56395
14 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA and MacArthur to action Commander
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COMGEN SOPACBACOM Adv Ech G HQ SWPA CX 56395.

Advance Echelon General Headquarters Southwest
Pacific Area opens APREHEND 0001 hours 21 time 15th January
1945. Radio call sign is WVLT.

CM-IN-13784 (15 Jan 45)
OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Leyte Philippines

Nr: CX 56395 14 January 1945

General Headquarters remains at ACCUMULATION, Rear
Echelon General Headquarters at ANATORTY and Detachment
General Headquarters at REMITCH.

Traffic will be addressed as at present except that
operational traffic will be addressed to both General Head-
quartes ACCUMULATION and Advance Echelon General Headquarters
APPREHEND.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/8
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K. O. 11653, Sec. 9(D) and 5(D) or (R)
OSD letter, May 1, 1972
OsB Date May 21, 1973

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
YOUR SERIAL NUMBER OF 3 DECEMBER 1944 AND SERIAL 59171 OF 22 DECEMBER 1944 REFER. BJ UNITS 8 AND 9 TOTAL 31 OFFICERS 83 MEN 215 TONS GENERAL CARGO READY DEPART WEST COAST APPROXIMATELY 12 FEBRUARY. UNITS 15 AND 11 TOTAL 33 OFFICERS AND 96 MEN AND SAME TONNAGE READY 24 FEBRUARY. WHAT DESTINATION AND SHIPMENT PRIORITIES ARE ASSIGNED. IN REPLY PARAGRAPH 20 FIRST REFERENCE CAPTAIN C. L. ANDREWS, JR. COMMANDING TRANSPORT DIVISION 4R AND CAPTAIN H. G. JOHNSON, CO, USS ROSACE, APA 135 BOTH NOW IN PACIFIC HAVE PREVIOUS CONTACT IN COMMAND LARGE DECEPTION TASK GROUP. ONLY OTHER OFFICER THIS EXPERIENCE CAPTAIN G. F. MENTZ, WOUNDED KIA OPERATIONS, NOW TEMPTU CINCPACG. STILL HOSPITALIZED THAT AREA.

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GSD letter, May 1, 1973
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/74

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(from CINCPAC S O D MACARTHUR TO COM ALLIED AIR FORCES ACTION AND INFO TO COM 3RD FLT, COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES (MACARTHUR PLEASE PASS TO CTF 73), COMAAF 5, ADV ECH ONOcite CTN PASS) TOSPEC.

POSSIBILITY THAT JAP SECOND DIVERSION ATTACK FORCE IS MOVING N.E. ALONG LINE: N.W. COAST OF BORNEO-PALAWAN FAVORED BY WEATHER.

EXTEND SECTORS L, K AND J OF SEARCH PLAN A TO MAXIMUM PRACTICABLE DISTANCE. INITIATE SPECIAL LONG RANGE SEARCHES ALONG N.W. COAST BORNEO TO MAXIMUM PRACTICABLE DISTANCE.

MAINTAIN ABOVE SEARCHES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THIS RADIO CONFIRMS INSTRUCTIONS BY TELEPHONE THIS DATE.

CONVINCE: COPIES 1 TO 8 INCLUSIVE.

ACTION F-2

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E. O. 11652, Sec. 2(b) and 5(D) of 31 Jan 1950

OSD Letter, May 4, 1974

By DCS

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NLR 101

By RT, NARA, Date

2016
3RD FLEET INDO CHINA STRIKE 12 JANUARY.  25 JAP SHIPS
SUNK INCLUDING KATORI CLASS CL, SEVERAL DD AND DE AND 6
AP AT SAIGON.  39 NIP PLANES DESTROYED.  FINAL REPORT
3RD FLEET FORMOSA RAID 9 JANUARY.  ENEMY SHIPS SUNK 33,
DAMAGED 104.  JAP PLANES SHOT DOWN 37, DESTROYED ON GROUND
5, DAMAGED 61.  AIRFIELDS AND INSTALLATIONS ALSO HIT
SEVERELY.
COMM 6TH ARMY ASSUMED COMMAND ASHORE AT 1430 TODAY. SURF CONDITIONS MORE FAVORABLE TODAY AND UNLOADING CONTINUES. RETURNING ECHELON OF TRANSPORT TYPES LEFT OBJECTIVE AREA FOR LEYTE AT 1600.

AT 1445/1 YESTERDAY A TOJO DUMPED RETURNING ECHELON AND DAMAGED AN AKA. AT 1615 LAST NIGHT SLOW TOW ECHELON G-4 WAS ATTACKED BY SUICIDE PLANES AND 2 LIBERTY SHIPS WERE HIT. DURING THIS ATTACK 1 OSCAR AND 1 TOJO SHOT DOWN BY CAP. AT 0904/1 A SUICIDE PLANE CRASHED THROUGH FLIGHT DECK OF SALAMANDER. AFTER ENGINE ROOM FLOODED BUT SHIP CAPABLE OF 5 KNOTS. MAJOR REPAIRS TO FLIGHT DECK REQUIRED.

1 JILL SHOT DOWN. THE 5 PLUS 4 RESUPPLY ECHELON ARRIVED LINGAYAN AT 0713. MINDORO RESUPPLY ECHELON DEPARTED LEYTE AT 1510/1. ORIND RESUPPLY ECHELON ARRIVED LEYTE 1510/1 TODAY. DELAYED REPORT FOR

No. 1 ADMIRAL
No. 2 FILE
No. 3 SF-1 OR CHART No. 4

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(FROM COM 3RD FLEET TO CINCPAC CINCSOMESPAC COM 7TH FLEET CTF 77 CTG 77.2 ALL ACTION)

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DEATHER SLOWED FUELING AND PREVENTED GOOD SEARCHES 13TH. INTEND COMPLETE FUELING LAT 18-50 NORTH LONG 116-40 EAST ON 14TH AND RESUME AIR SEARCHES. READY TO STRIKE.

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**COMNAV AIR PASSED ACTION TO (UAB CALL), INFO CHIPOA COM 7TH FFL CORRESPOND AND (BAD CALL) AS 131630.

**FRENCH MISSION.**

**SHOT DOWN OVER BAGNOLI 12 JUN. LIEUT LYNCH IS SAFE AND IN HANDS OF FRENCH AUTHORITIES. DIVER SLIGHTLY WOUNDED SAFE IN HOPITAL. 3 SUNK AND 2 SEAPLANES DESTROYED AT COURCHEF, FRENCH CRUISER LA ROYALE REPORTED DAMAGED AND REPORTED BY FRENCH ADVISE THAT 2 FRENCH CRUISES ARE SUNKED AT PANTO (2) 42° - 21° 42' 18° 23' AND OTHER AT PANTO (2) 42° 1° 38' 46'.
TOP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: CWM 3RD FLEET

RELEASED BY: 

DATE: 14 JAN 1945

TOH CODEBOOK: CPW

DECODED BY: WOODWARD

PARAPHRASED BY: WOODWARD

ROUTED BY: WOODWARD

ADDRESS: CANCPAC, CINCPAC, CTF 77, CCM 7TH FLEET

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FOR ACTION: INFORMATION

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COMM 3RD FLEET SENDS TOP SECRET ACTION CANCPAC CINCPAC CCM 7TH FLEET AND CMTASKFCR 77.

PASSED BY RADIO RCOC TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 131026.

CINCPAC 121067 NOT TO ALL.

SUGGEST STRONG POSSIBILITY SECOND DIVERSION ATTACK FORCES TO SOUTHERN BORNEO AND MAY BE MOVING ALONG NORTHWEST BORNEO PALMAW LINE FAVORABLE BY WEATHER.

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TO CINCSWPA
FOR ACTION
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(CINCPAO SENDS ACTION CINCSWPA. INFO CINCHCMBRD/FLT COM/TH/FLT)

TOP SECRET.

THE LIMBATEN BEACHHEAD IS NOW BEING COVERED BY ALL THE AVAILABLE MAJOR UNITS OF THE PACIFIC FLEET. IT IS CLEAR THAT THE REQUIREMENTS FOR COVER BY HEAVY SHIPS WILL CONTINUE UNTIL EITHER THE PRINCIPAL ENEMY UNITS WHICH THREATEN IT ARE DESTROYED OR OUR SHORE BASED AIR FORCES BECOME CAPABLE OF PROTECTING THE BEACH HEAD WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF LIGHT NAVAL FORCES. THE THIRD FLEET WILL CONTINUE TO ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND DESTROY THE PRINCIPAL ENEMY UNITS NOW OPERATIONAL. THE EARLY ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THIS PURPOSE WILL BEST SOLVE THE LOCAL PROBLEM AND WILL PERMIT EARLY APPLICATION OF THE STRIKING POWER OF THE FLEET IN THE CARRIER ATTACKS ON HONSHU WHICH COMprise THE FIRST PHASE OF DETACHMENT. THESE ATTACKS WILL MOST EFFECTIVELY CONTAIN THE ENEMY FLEET UNITS REMAINING IN THE

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EMPIRE AND WILL PROVIDE EFFECTIVE STRATEGIC SUPPORT FOR YOUR POSITION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

I AM GLAD TO HAVE YOUR ASSURANCE THAT YOU WILL DO EVERYTHING IN YOUR POWER TO PERMIT CARRYING OUT MY PLANS ON THE TARGET DATES ESTABLISHED AND COULD ASK NO MORE. MY 110216 WAS INTENDED TO ENSURE THAT PACIFIC FLEET UNITS ARE NOT DEFINITELY PLANNED TO BE RETAINED TO ESTABLISH A NEW BEACH HEAD AT VIGAN OR SO LOCATED ELSEWHERE AS TO CREATE NEW PROBLEMS.

IT IS MY HOPE THAT THE THIRD FLEET WILL BE ABLE SOON TO TERMINATE THE THREAT OF STRONG ENEMY SURFACE ATTACK. MEANWHILE ITS DESTRUCTION OF ENEMY SHIPPING WILL FURTHER CRIPPLE THE ENEMY CAPACITY TO MAKE WAR EFFECTIVELY.

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[Signatures and stamps at the bottom of the page]
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COD 98
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: JAN 15 1945
TOR CODEROOM: 0639
DECODED BY: TRUSSELL
TYPED BY: 

FOR ACTION
COM 7TH FLT
CTF 76
CTF 79
COMPHILSEAFRON
COM 310 BOM WING MINDORO
ALL INTERESTED EUROPS SWPA

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

By DBS
MAY 3, 1973

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SUFFERING 13 WOUNDED NIL SERIOUS.
CTU 79.15.5 IN WARHAWK HAS DESIGNATED CCD 98 AS OIC DUE UNSATISFACTORY COMMUNICATION FACILITIES THAT SHIP FROM PREVIOUS DAMAGE.
1600 POSITION/13-50 NORTH 119-25 EAST

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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CTF 93

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(PASSED BY RDG HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 140500)

HERE ARE 12 JANUARY STRIKES. TO MARCUS ON ARMED RECO

WENT 3 LIBERATORS AT 15,000 FT TOGGING QUARTER TONNERS

BY RADAR WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. RUNWAY APPEARED

PROBABLY OPERATIONAL NO AIRCRAFT SEEN. LOOSING 55 1/2

TONS 100 POUNDERS BY RADAR FROM 18-19,500 FEET WERE

23 ARMY LIBERATORS OVER TWO JIMA AIRFIELDS AND INSTALLA-

TIONS. UNDETERMINED DAMAGE. MODERATE A/A CAUSED

MINOR DAMAGE TO 3 LIBERATORS. TWIN LIBERATORS SNOOPING

TWO JIMA RELEASED FRAGS ON AIRFIELD INSTALLATIONS FROM

12,500 FEET WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS 4 PHOTO LIBERATORS

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OBTAINED GOOD COVERAGE IWO - CHICHI JIMAS FROM 20,000 AND 10,000 FEET, POOR COVERAGE HAHA JIMA. HEAVY A/A FIRE CAUSED MINOR DAMAGE TO 2 LIBERATORS. 3 ROCKET PACKING MITCHELLS. ON NITE SHIPPING SEARCH TO BONINS. 1 MITCHELL ATTACKED 6 SHIP CONVOY APPROX 100 MILES N/W CHICHI JIMA. FIRED 8 ROCKETS RESULTS UNOBSERVED DUE POOR VISIBILITY.

DETERMINED TO 20G
CTF 77 SENDS ACTION CTF 77 INFO ALL TFC'S AND TGC'S 3RD & 7TH FLTS CINCWSWA COMGEN 8TH ARMY COMAAF COMAF 5.

REFER MY 100916. 715 TROOPS PLUS 80 TONS SUPPLIES LANDED AT PINATAHAN EASTERN MINDORO DAY OF 12TH WITHOUT OPPOSITION. TASK GROUP RETURNED MANGARIN BAY 1600/12.

NEW SUBJECT: CLOSE RECONNAISSANCE LUCENA BEACHHEADS BY PT'S COMPLETED NIGHT 12/13 WITHOUT INCIDENT.
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By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/84
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area

To: War Department

From GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur to Chief of Staff

War Department C 56328 Operations report SWESPAC Area period 1500Z/11 to 1500Z/12.

South China coast:

Local reports indicate enemy concentration including one battleship, two carriers headed south near Amoy midday January 11th, one escort carrier, two large merchant vessels, four destroyers reported on northerly course January 12th off Pechow.

Luzon:

Photographs January 9th show one fighter Nichols Field, 11 fighters, 12 bombers Clark, six fighters Angeles south, five fighters, two bombers Laog, 21 fighters Tuguegarao.

Part 2.

Naval:

Allied destroyers fired ammunition dumps started large fires San Fernando sank or damaged one freighter transport, 45 barges unloading in area January 11th. Enemy submarine attacked Allied shipping Humboldt Bay Dutch New Guinea January 12th.

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Air.

Operations January 10:
1. Six B-25's attacked Boroboro; 19 B-25's and 13 P-38's started large fires Kansas.
2. Five B-25's bombed dispersals Namlea, supplies and bivouacs Harahoke and Waigeo Island.

Operations January 11:
3. Four P-51's met four bombers, 12 fighters east Lingayen, shot down one bomber;
   Two P-51's engaged 13 planes Tuguegarao northeastern Luzon, shot down 10;
   Seven P-38's from Mindoro destroyed two planes Basan Airdrome;
   One P-51 destroyed two planes Bulan Airdrome southeast Luzon.

4. 40 Mindoro based A-20's, 18 Corsairs and 16 P-47's strafed many troop-filled motor trucks demolished highway and railroad facilities Plaridel Novaliches area, bombed Malabon and fired parked trucks north Clark Field.

6. 12 B-25's from Biak bombed underground supplies Matina, Davao.
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Leyte, Philippines.

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7. Two B-24's over northern Borneo destroyed barge 
Miri and bombed Lugong refinery.

8. 11 P-38's and 26 B-25's strafed three planes 
Kendari, started large fires town and airdrome; one B-25 
lost.

9. Five Beaufighters attacked targets of opportunity 
Sanghe Talaud Islands; single B-25 patrolled Ceram attacked 
radar station Boela and Lascut Island.

10. Six Spitfires, seven RAAF P-40's strafed assigned 
targets Morotai and through Halmshe; 36 RAAF P-40's bombed 
dumps and personnel areas Wasse Bay.

11. One B-25, one A-20 demolished large building 
Angoram Sepik River; 
20 Beauforts hit inland village and gun positions 
west Wewak.

Operations January 12th:

12. Four predawn B-24's from Leyte caused large fires 
Heito airdrome southern Formosa; 
Day patrol strafed coastal vessel and luggers 
Manseil Shot Group.

13. Two B-24's bombed Batangas Airdrome; 
39 other B-24's from Morotai hit towns and 
bivouacs started many fires San Vicente San Jose areas 
north Manila.
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

Nr: C 56328 13 January 1945

14. 13 B-24's from Palau attacked Legaspi Airdrome.
17. Predawn Darwin B-24 harassed Kendari; Day patrols left coastal vessel ablaze and listing northeast Mores and bombed Sadalaki.
18. 11 P-47's from Nadzab bombed and strafed targets Rabaul; Six B-24's cratered Kerava Airdrome Six A-20's attacked radar installations Cape Lambert; 10 Beauforts from Goodenough Island struck Tobera.

Solomons Forces.

Air.

Operations January 11th:

19. Six New Zealand Corsairs, 10 Venturas attacked bivouacs and installations New Ireland; 46 New Zealand Corsairs, one New Zealand Ventura harassed Rabaul area; 38 New Zealand Corsairs supported ground forces Bougainville hit supplies and personnel.
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines.

Nr: C 56328

13 January 1945

Land.

Luzon: Sixth Army: I Corps:

158th Infantry landed vicinity Wabiao January 11th

\( \checkmark \) attacked north toward Rabon;

25th Division ashore January 11th, concentrated northwest Nanacag;

On our left (east) flank 43rd Division met heavy resistance from hills northeast San Fabian;

6th Division lines extended Mapandan (1939) to Santa Barbara (1336) to Malasiqui.

XIV Corps:

37th Division held line Malasiqui/Dumpay (11.2-21.7)

/ Bacnor (04.2-21.8);

40th Division captured Aguilar (9323);

Commanding General assumed command ashore January 11

Leyte:

XXIV Corps:

Continued scattered contacts west Coaba;

Cumulative enemy casualties to January 12th:

65,556 killed

569 captured.

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1. Dropped 150 300 pound bombs, 13 165 gallon napalm bombs, met moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire.

2. Dropped 30 300 pound bombs.


7. Dropped nine 500 pound, nine 250 pound bombs.

8. Dropped 156 300 pound bombs, 11 165 gallon napalm from minimum altitude, met intense medium accurate anti aircraft fire.

9. Beaufighters dropped six 250 pound bombs; B-25 dropped four 500 pound bombs.

10. 36 P-40's dropped 24 1000 pound, 24 500 pound, 24 250 pound bombs from 6,000 feet to minimum altitude.

11. B-25 and A-20 dropped 80 185 pound napalm bombs, fired 1,000 rounds 50 calibre; Beauforts dropped 30 500 pound, 28 250 pound bombs, four 250 pound incendiaries, fired 3,000 rounds 30 calibre.

12. Four B-24's dropped unstated number 1,000 pound bombs and incendiaries.

13. Dropped 1,188 120 pound frags from 10,000 to 8,000 feet, met slight heavy moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.
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14. No details.
15. Dropped 54 250 pound bombs from minimum altitude, met slight, light, inaccurate anti aircraft fire.
16. No details.
17. Dropped 10 100 pound, nine 300 pound bombs, fired 4500 rounds 50 calibre.
18. P-47's dropped nine napalm bombs;  
E-24's dropped 58 1,000 pound bombs from 11,000 feet;  
A-20's dropped 24 300 pound bombs eight to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 6,500 rounds 50 calibre;  
Beauforts dropped 60 250 pound bombs.

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By, DBS

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**XU24/S FROM LEYTI BOMBED HEITO AIRFIELD ON FORMOSA DURING NIGHT 11/12 JAN THOUSAND FOUNDERS AND INCENDIARIES INFLICTING HEAVY FIRE. NO INTERCEPTION REPORTS BUT 10 TO 12 SEARCHLIGHTS WERE ACTIVE.**

**TARGET AREA TO START SEVERAL FIRES, 1 LARGE, NEITHER INTERCEPTION REPORTS BUT 10 TO 12 SEARCHLIGHTS WERE ACTIVE.**

**DURING 1075TH AIR FORCE RAID ON THIS ISLAND, MOROTAI B29'S AGAIN BOMBDK JAPAN DIRECTLY CONCENTRATION, INFLICTING SEVERAL TARGETS.**

**INTERCEPTION REPORTS WERE STARTED IN TARGET AREA. NO INTERCEPTION REPORTS BUT 10 TO 12 SEARCHLIGHTS WERE ACTIVE.**

**SECONDARY TARGET RESULTS BEING OBSERVED DUE CLOUD COVER. INFLICTS INDICATED BOMBS HEAVIES HIT MATINA AND ENCONTRANDED.**

**SLIGHT HEAVY ACCURATE AA. 11 JAN DELAYED REPORTS: 2 PTS ENGAGED 13 ENEMY AIRCRAFT NEAR RUGUEGARA AND DESTROYED 10.**

**CAPT. W.A. SHOPO COMMANDING OFFICER 82ND RECON SQUADRON SHOOING DOWN 6 TONYS AND 1 BETTY AND WINGMAN LT. PAUL SCHMITT.**

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By DBS Date 5/2/74
SHOOTING DOWN 3 TONIES. 4 OTHER P51'S ENGAGED 4 BOMBERS ESCORTED BY 12 FIGHTERS OVER BELETE PASS DESTROYING 1 SALTY.

7 P38'S FROM MINDORO STRAFED AND DESTROYED SONIA AND UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT ON BAMBAN STRIP. 8 MINDORO B24'S STRAFED AND BOMBED MALOLDS RAILROAD YARDS AND ATTACKED TANKS NEAR BABAHATUAN. ACTIVITY IN WESTWARD DIRECTION OBSERVED AT FLORI ABLANCA, TRACKS RUNNING INTO HILLS NORTH OF BAYAAN. 40 MINDORO A20'S ATTACKED LINES OF COMMUNICATION IN CEGERUL PLAIN FROM PLARIDEL TO SAN JOSE DESTROYING RAIL AND ROAD FACILITIES AND ATTACKING TRAFFIC. 4 P47'S STRAFED 15 PERSONNEL FILLED TRUCKS NEAR NOVALICHES WHILE 8 OTHER P47'S ATTACKED PLARIDEL-NOVALICHES ROAD. 19 13TH AF B24'S BOMBED SAN JOSE DEL MONTE CONCENTRATIONS STARTING FIRES. 2 ATTACKED SAN VICENTE AND 1 HIT LUZON NEARBY. 120 POUND FRAGS WERE USED.

18 P40'S BOMBED MALOLDS. 4 P47'S STRAFED AND FIRED PARKED TRUCKS NORTH OF CLARK FIELD. ON ALCUTE P51, SEPARATED FROM FLIGHT DUE WEATHER. STRAFED BULAN AIRFIELD DESTROYING 2 ZEKES. 9 MINDORO P40'S STRAFED AND FIRED SINGLE ENGINE FIGHTER ON LUBANG. 12 BIAK B24'S BOMBED MAIN UNDERGROUND STORAGE FACILITIES. RESULTS LUZON ATTACKS HOW TOTAL 26 LOCOMOTIVES, 309 RAILWAY CARS, 390 TRUCKS, 8 TANKS, 3 ARMORED CARS AND 8 STAFF CARS.
HONO INTERCEPT

PASSED BY COMNAVGROUP CHINA TO COM 3RD FLT FOR ACTION AND CINCPOA, COM 7TH FLT, COMSUBSOWESPAC, COMSOWESPAC FOR INFO. AS 121646.

FRENCH MISSION. PRELIMINARY REPORT ON BOMBING OF SAIGON
12 JANUARY. APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL.
NURSE F IRE OBSERVED ESPECIALLY AT TAN SON NhUT AND
NHA BE. 6 TRANSPORTS SUNK. 6 TRANSPORTS STILL REMAIN AT
SAIGON. 3 AMERICAN PLANES SHOT DOWN. MOST OF PILOTS
SAFE AND SOUND. FRENCH CRUISER LAMOTTE PICQUET SLIGHTLY
DAMAGED AT ANCHORAGE NORTHEAST OF CAT LAY. COMPLETE REPORT
TO FOLLOW. FRENCH SAY MERWR* CEHCI*.

*AS RECEIVED
COPY TO 20 G
CTG 73.6 GIVES ACTION COMTFHFLT INFO ALL TASK GROUP COMMANDERS AND FORCE COMMANDERS 3RD AND 7TH FLEETS COMAFAF COMAFAF 5 AND 13 CINCPOA CINCMPA CTF 73 COMRFLEET.

HERE ARE 11 PBY AND 5 PV LEYTE SEARCHES 12TH. TIMES 1.

POSITIONS NORTH AND EAST. SECTOR 4 OUT 900 MILES. 75% COVERAGE.

SAW 1 DE 1 FA 3 SB ANCHORED AMOG 24-25 118-05 AT 0910. 2 DD 1 LARGE TANKER 1 LARGE 3 MEDIUM FREIGHTERS SEVERAL PATROL VESSELS 23-33 119-35 IN PESCADORES ANCHORED ACK ACK HEAVY AND MEDIUM INACCURATE AT 1035. 1 FTB 23-15 120-04 COURSE 130 SPEED 10 AT 1038. 2 AK 8000 TONS OUTSIDE AND SEVERAL LARGE AK INSIDE TAKAO ANCHORED AT 1100. 2 SB 4 SC 22-05 120-45 ANCHORED AT 1210.
SECTOR 1 OUT 830 MILES. 85% COVERAGE. SECTOR 5 WENT 875 MILES. 90%
COVERAGE. SECTOR 7 700 MILES. 65% COVERAGE. SECTOR 8 OUT 750 MILES.
90% COVERAGE. ALL NEGATIVE. SECTORS 178 ALL HAD MECHANICAL TROUBLE.
SECTOR J OUT 540 MILES. 65% COVERAGE. SECTOR K 540 MILES. COVERAGE
75%. SECTOR L WENT 540 MILES. 65% COVERAGE. SECTOR X AND SECTOR Y BOTH
WENT 500 MILES WITH 60% COVERAGE. ALL NEGATIVE INCLUDING POSSIBLE AIR-
STRIPS LUBANG.

SECTOR 3 OUT 960 MILES. COVERAGE 50% 8 SD 2 SC 100 NATIVE CRAFT,
SEARCH OTHERWISE NEGATIVE. SECTOR 9 COVERAGE 80% ON 950 MILE DISTANCE.
NO SIGHTINGS. SECTOR 10 WENT 900 MILES WITHOUT SIGHTINGS. 90% COVERAGE.
SECTOR 2 OUT 935 MILES. COVERAGE 85%. SIGHTED 1 SC 13-07 121-29 ANCHORED
AT 1009. 1 FTA 14000 TONS 22-04 111-22 COURSE 060 SPEED 18 AT 1430.
HONGKONG OTHERWISE NEGATIVE.

SECTOR 6 WENT 1000 MILES. COVERAGE 70%. 12 SD 1 SC 1 FTB
4-18 123-55 ANCHORED AT 1325. STRAFED SD AND SEVERAL LUGGERS 24-25
122-58 ANCHORED AT 1600. NO APPARENT DAMAGE ACK ACK MEDIUM MEAGER
INACCURATE FROM BEACHES. SECTOR S. LANDED MINDORO. NO PILOT OR
RADIO REPORT.

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**SUGGEST FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION IF NOT ALREADY ARRANGED THAT 3RD FLEET MAINTAIN POSITION IN AREA PERHAPS WESTWARD OF LUZON STRAIT SUCH THAT IT CAN SUITELY PROTECT AREA MINDORO STRAIT TO LINGAYEN AGAINST ENEMY SURFACE ATTACK FROM SOUTH CHINA SEA OR VIA FORMOSA STRAIT OR LUZON STRAIT.**

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(ROO HONOLULU PASS ACTION COM 3RD FLEET AND INFO ATC's 3RD FLEET ROO SAIPAN PASS INFO CTF 93. INFO ALSO CTG 30.5 AND CTF 94. CTF 30.5 SENDS.)

ROO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 131144.

ALL V223 SEARCHERS FULL DISTANCE 85 PERCENT COVER. 24V ATTACKED
4000 TON FTC WITH BOMBS AND STRAFING 29-28 NORTH 145-12 EAST
AT 1228K STARTING SMALL FIRES. 18V AND 118V ATTACKED 50
26-50 NORTH 142-10 EAST BOMBING AND STRAFING. LEFT DEAD IN
WATER AND AFIRE. ALSO STRAFED LUGGER 27-04 NORTH 142-00
EAST AND LEFT BURNING. SPOTTED 1 DE / 1 FT / 1 SC JUST
OUTSIDE FUTAMI KO CHICHI AND 4 SO'S ANCHORED IN HARBOR.
ALL OTHERS NEGAT. 28. 15. WEATHER. INTENSE OCLUCGED
LOW CENTER OVER CHICHI JIMA. INTERSECTS 30-00 NORTH 141-00
EAST AND 25-00 NORTH 144-00 EAST. COLD FRONT FROM LAST
POINT THRU 20-00 NORTH Q/143-00 EAST TO 18-00 NORTH 137-00
EAST. WARM FRONT FROM LAST POINT TO MILD WAVE CENTERED

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1973
1900 NORTH 1300 EAST. MILD SECONDARY COLD FRONT ALONG 2200 NORTH TOWARD OCCLUDED LOW. WINDS AT AND WEST OF CHICHI 40 TO 60 KNOTS AT 8000 FROM WEST SOUTHWEST. SEAS VERY ROUGH AROUND CHICHI.
(CTF 77 SENDS ACTION CINCINPA INFO COMINCH CINCOPAC COM 7TH FLT COM 3RD FLT)

SURF CONDITIONS ON THE BEACHES MORE FAVORABLE TODAY AND UNLOADING CONTINUED. TROOPS ASHORE CONTINUED TO ADVANCE AND THE RIGHT HALF OF THE LINE HAS REACHED THE BEACHHEAD LINE. COMGEN 1ST CORPS ASSUMED COMMAND ASHORE AT 0010/1 LAST NIGHT. DURING THE DAWN AIR ATTACK BELKNAP (APD 34) WAS HIT BY SUICIDE PLANE BETWEEN NUMBER 1 STACK AND GALLEY DECK HOUSE AND HEAVILY DAMAGED. GILLIGAN AND RICHARD & SCHRENS HIT BY SUICIDE PLANES BUT SUSTAINED ONLY SUPERFICIAL DAMAGE. DURING THE DAY 15 ENEMY PLANES WERE DESTROYED. ED. 10 BY CAP. 2 BY AA. 3 SPLASHED. THIS MORNING A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL BOMBARDMENT OF ROSARIO WAS CARRIED OUT BY DD OF TG 77.7 RESULTING IN SEVERAL...
HEAVY EXPLOSIONS AND LARGE FIRES. LCI WITH PT ESCORTS PROCEEDED WITH TROOP REINFORCEMENTS FROM SAN JOSE MINDORO TO SEVERAL PORTS ON EAST COAST OF MINDORO. ORMOC RESUPPLY ARRIVED AT BEACHES AT 0530 THIS MORNING ETD FOR LEYTE DUSK TONIGHT. 1 FAST AND 1 SLOW RETURNING ECHELON LEFT LINGAYEN AT 1800 FOR LEYTE.

COPY TO 20G.
COM THIRD FLEET SENDS ACTION CINCPAC CINCSOWESPAC INFO COMINCH COM 7TH FLT CTF 77 CTF 93. CINCPAC PASS INFO 20TH AIRFORCE AND COMNAVGROUP CHINA.

ATTACKS STILL IN PROGRESS. PARTIAL REPORTS INCLUDE AT LEAST 4 JAP CONVOYS PLUS SCATTERED SHIPPING ATTACKED BY 3RD FLT PLANES AT SAI GON CAM RANH AND ALONG INDO CHINA COAST. ATTACKS HAVE BEEN PERSISTENT AND DEVASTATING. SO FAR 25 GOOD SHIPS SUNK INCLUDING 1 KATORI CL, SEVERAL DD-DE. 13 OTHERS DAMAGED SERIOUSLY. ONLY AIRBORNE OPPOSITION WAS 18 PLANES SEEN OVER SAI GON OF WHICH 10 SHOT DOWN. ALSO 1 NELL SPLASHED. OUT OF 50 AIRCRAFT SEEN AT TAN SON NHUT AT LEAST 8 DESTROYED. 20 SEAPLANES AND FLYING BOATS DESTROYED AT CAM RANH QUINHON AND CAT LAI SEAPLANE BASES. NIL CONFIRMED SIGHTING OF COMBAT UNIT LARGER THAN KATORI. NO SECRET.

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At 124930/1 BLUE FORCE DEF'ED POSIT 11-36 N 111-15 E

AND AT 1030 JAP PLANE MADE CONTACT 16-57 N 119-53 E.

ACTION F-2

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TOP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: COM 3RD FLT
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 12 JAN 1945

TO: CINCPAC
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CTF 77

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(CON 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION CINCPAC CINCSWPMA COMTASKFOR 77)

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INDO CHINA SAIGON TO CAPE SAMOI UNDER ATTACK. COMPLETE SURPRISE.
AIR OPPOSITION NEGLIGIBLE. ISE HYUGA NOT LOCATED. SHIPPING
SCORE ALREADY HEAVY. CONVOY WITH CA CL AND DD JUST REPORTED.
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Areas
Advance Echelon, Leyte, Philippines

To: War Department

Nr: C 56276 12 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA ggd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department cite C 56276. Operations report SWESPAC area period 1500Z/10 to 1500Z/11 signed MacArthur.

French Info China:
Reconnaissance aircraft from Leyte reported three destroyers, 2 destroyer escorts, 5 freighter transports, 2 tankers, many small craft at anchor West Cape St Jacques, to eastward 4 destroyers, 1 destroyer escort, 3 large stack aft vessels, 1 tanker, 2 freighter transports on north easterly course afternoon January 11; Same morning 16 transports sighted in Camranh Bay.

Borneo:
Reconnaissance planes sighted 14 luggers and barges Drunel Bay, Jesseltoo, Sendukan, Miri Harudu Bay empty.

Luzon:
1 tanker, 26 seatrucks, 20 luggers reported north Vigan midday, January 11.
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Morotai:  
5 enemy barges unloaded men and supplies near Wajoboela on east coast night January 10.

Part 2.  Naval:  
6 small boats attacked Allied shipping Lingayen anchorage, 3 enemy boats sunk predawn, January 10.

Australian destroyer shelled guns and troop concentrations west Wewak January 9.

Air:  
Enemy action: Lingayen:  
1 crash fire damaged Allied vessel afternoon January 10.

Morotai:  
2 planes caused slight damage and casualties predawn January 11.

Operations January 10:  
1. 4 P-51's shot down dive bomber, destroyed 3 fighters Tuguegarao northeastern Luzon;  
2. 19 A-20's hit gun positions, started large fire

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Laoang airdrome, also attacked Vigan;

11 P-38's and 6 P-51's set afire or damaged 16
seatrucks, 4 coastal vessels, 38 barges Vigan area and
southwards;

8 B-25's on Mindoro damaged 6 armored cars and
trucks La Paz northeast Vigan.

2. 24 P-47's attacked railyards and rolling stock
     Tarlac North Manila; 3 P-38's strafed 4 troop laden barges
     Taysae Bay.

3. 12 Bisak based B-24's demolished warehouses
     Deliao near Davao.

4. Borneo petrol plane bombed Labuan docks and
     2 ships off Mici Tim.

5. 60 RAAF P-40's bombed and strafed Aglela;
     7 Beaufighters attacked targets of opportunity
     same area.

6. 2 RAAF Venturas scored near misses seatruck,
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strafed barge, attacked shore positions Bima Flores;
Darwin B-24 * Timor.

7. 11 Beauforts attacked coastal targets Wewak and village southeast Aitape.

Operations January 11:

8. Search plane strafed and damaged nine landing craft Okinawa, Nansel Shoto group.

9. Predawn B-24 harassed road convoys;
22 B-24's from Morotai caused explosions, fires amongst concentrations San Jose El Monte northeast Manila;
4 P-47's set motor trucks afire San Jose;
Mindoro based B-25's hit rail yards, demolished trucks near Palalos.

10. 9 P-40's from Mindoro cratered runways, set stores afire Lubang Island.

11. 10 B-25's from Morotai caused explosions and fires dispersal areas Fabrica Negros Island.
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12. Predawn B-24 harassed Kendari airbase; Day patrols bombed Lega village Flores, Barracks Boerce Island and Funoro.

13. 4 RAAF B-25's probably destroyed 2 barges northern Aroe Islands, attacked Keakwe village Dutch New Guinea.


Solomone Forces, Air: Operations January 10:
15. 13 New Zealand Venturas, 9 New Zealand Corsairs patrolled Kavieng, destroyed supply dumps New Ireland;
16. 28 New Zealand Corsairs sank small boats set motor trucks afire Rabaul;
17. 42 New Zealand Corsairs raided bivouacs and supported ground forces Bougainville.

Land:
Luzon: I Corps:
6th Division made slight contacts south and east Melasquil (1426).

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      Advance Echelon, Leyte, Philippines

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White beaches northeast San Fabian received heavy
mortar and artillery barrage from 1900Z to 2000Z/10.

XIV Corps:
40th Division overcame resistance Bugallon, moved
further south.

Cumulative enemy casualties to January 11 (incomplete
reports):
  * 35 killed, 2 captured.

Mindoro:
Bose on Marinduque captured January 10.

Leyte: XXI Corps:
7th and 77th Division killed 347 enemy in scattered
contacts near west coast.

Part 3.
Paragraphs 1 through 3, no details.

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Part 4.
* dropped 9 500 lb bombs

Part 5.
P-40's dropped 38 500 lb, 77 250 lb bombs, 2 10 lb napalm from 9000 feet to minimum altitude;

Beaufighters dropped 14 500 lb frags

Part 6.
Ventures dropped 3 500 lb bombs, fired 1700 rounds 50, 600 rounds 30 caliber, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire;

B-24 dropped 12 250 lb bombs.

Part 7.
Dropped 18 500 lb, 34 250 lb bombs plus incendiaries, fired 10,000 rounds 30 caliber.

Part 8. No details

Part 9
B-24's dropped 11 260 lb, 628 120 lb frags from 10,000 to 8,000 feet, met slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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Part 10. No details.

Part 11. Dropped 290 120 lb frags from 10,000 to 8,000 feet.

Part 12. Dropped 10 100 lb, 12 250 lb, 18 300 lb bombs.

Part 13. Dropped 16 500 lb bombs five seconds delay from 3,500 feet, fired 4800 rounds 50 caliber.

Part 14. B-24's dropped 56 1000 lb bombs from 9500 feet;

Other planes dropped 24 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 7000 rounds 50 caliber.

Refer preceding report Paragraph 11, 22 more B-24's dropped 660 120 lb frags from 15,000 feet, met intense heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.

Weather, Below average conditions with heavy showers in Philippines area.

* Being serviced

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CC/S, CC AAF, ASF, O-2, Admiral King, Colonel Park, Statistics, Log

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REPORTS ON FORMOSA STRIKES 9 JAN INCOMPLETE BUT SHOW ONE SNOOPER SHOT DOWN AS PER MY 090900 AND ONE JAKE SHOT DOWN OVER TARGET. PLANES DESTROYED NOW TOTAL 37 AND 61 DAMAGED. SHIPPING SUNK: 1 LARGE AO 1 LARGE AK 2 MEDIUM AK 9 SMALL SHIPS PLUS 18 SMALL CRAFT. DAMAGED 3 AO 5 LARGE AK 3 MEDIUM AK 1 DD 5 DE 45 SMALL SHIPS AND 42 SMALL CRAFT. AMMO DUMP KEELUNG TWO HANGARS HEITO 5 LOCOMOTIVES 3 TANK CARS AND 4 FREIGHT CARS LOADED WITH TRUCKS DESTROYED. DAMAGE INCLUDED RADIO AND RADAR STATIONS GIRAN RADAR SUO BAY CHEMICAL PLANT KEELUNG ALUMINUM PLANT AND NICKEL
SHELTER KARENKO HANGARS AND SHOPS. TAKAN HEITTO KOGI TOYOHARA. ON 4 JAN SEARCH PLANE SHOT DOWN ONE VAL NEAR ISHIGAKI. WHILE TRANSITING LUZON STRAIT EARLY MORNING 14TH CAP SPLASHED ONE NICK TWO SALLYS ENROUTE LUZON TO FORMOSA, AFTERNOON 11TH NEAR 14-6\(^\circ\) N 115-6\(^\circ\) E SPLASHED 3 JAKES WITHIN 25 MILES OF FORCE. JAKES APPARENTLY CHASING PBM SEARCH PLANE NEVER KNEW WHAT HIT THEM.

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CTF 94 SENDS ACTION CINCPOA INFO CON 3RD FLEET CTF 93

OPERATION'S 11TH.
16 ULITHI AVENGERS 4 TONS YAP AIRSTRIP. 4 PALAU CORSAIRS SANK 2 DANGES KOROR. 8 CORSAIRS 4 TONS URUKTHAPE HIT CD GUN POSIT. 12 CORSAIRS BABELTHUAP EXPLODED AMMO DUMP HIT CD GUN DESTROYED WAREHOUSE. 1 CORSAIR AND PILOT LOST. 2 CORSAIRS DAMAGED. JASASA IN PROGRESS BY ULITHI AVENGERS POSITIVE CONTACT LARGE SUB 2 MILES NORTH EAST YAP.
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Weather prevented shipping slaughter Formosa 9th but enemy air was sketched and CIN Force unlocated. Results by separate dispatch, 2 oilers collided, Balintang Strait but scuff made rendezvous as usual. TF 38 and TG 35.8 entered China Sea undetected. 3 unobservant NIP Nats planes enroute Luzon to Formosa shot down by night fighters. Refueled Forenoon 11th, advanced to 38.2 and TG 34.5 (augmented) toward Camranh at high speed covered by CAP from other Groups. At 1630 Jakes chasing SWPA, search Mariner stumbled onto force and were splashed apparently without reporting. At 0300/1 12th still undetected (1 for Ripley) launched searches.

Chief

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This is Top Secret. Com 3rd Flt sends action 3rd Fleet info CINCPAC CINCOPAC Com 7th Fleet Com CINCPAC Com 5th Airforce Com 13th Airforce all Task Force and Task Group Comdrs 7th Fleet.

This is Alternate 3rd Fleet exit plan from China Sea. Short title EXIT PLAN IS EFFECTIVE IF AND WHEN DIRECTED. REFER CTF 77 OP-PLOW 17-TP APPENDIX 4 DETACHED 2 CHART 2 WHICH TO COMMANDERS HOLD.

TF 38 WILL TRANSIT SURIGAO STRAIT COMMENCING WITH ARRIVAL FIRST TASK GROUP AT POINT KIN AT 1000 19 APRIL 1945 DAY IN ACCORDANCE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE.

TO 38 E. ARRIVE POINT KIN 1945 X DAY THEN PROCEED AT 20 KNOTS SPEED OF ADVANCE THROUGH POINT PAD THEN SOUTH ARRIVING EAST OF CASAYAN PRIOR DAWN X PLUS 1. WHILE OPERATING THIS VICINITY PROVIDE AIR COVER FOR ALL TG'S DURING X PLUS 1 DAY. DEPART THIS AREA IN
1 P SECRET DISPATCH

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TIME PASS THROUGH POINT POI ABOUT 220° 1X PLUS 1.

SPEED OF ADVANCE 16 KNOTS.

TO 38.2 ARRIVE POINT KIN 216° TO 38.3 ARRIVE SAME POINT 249°

X DAY BOTH GROUPS PROCEED FROM POINT KIN VIA ROUTE CARIBO AT SPEED

OF ADVANCE 16 KNOTS.

ON X PLUS 2 1/2 DAY ALL GROUPS PROVIDE OWN AAR COVER WHILE PROCEEDING

AT SPEED OF ADVANCE 16 KNOTS. DURING TRANSIT ALL GROUPS BE PREPARED

CATAPULT NIGHT FIGHTERS FOR OWN PROTECTION SUCH TO PROCEED LEYTE

OR MINDORO FIELDS ONLY IF CARRIER RECOVERY NOT POSSIBLE.

UPON ARRIVAL POSITION SOUTH UNION UNION ISLAND XPPLUS 2 DAY TO'S

PROCEED INDEPENDENTLY TO SOUTHWEST CORNER AREA NICK WHERE RENDEZVOUS

WITH OILER GROUPS DBOY 1X PLUS 3 AND FUEL ALL SHIPS.

CTF 77 REQUESTED NOTIFY ALL CONCERNED THIS MOVEMENT IF PLAN

IS PLACED IN EFFECT.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/2/44
L. RESULTS AND OBSERVATIONS TAIL RUNNER OBSERVED APPROXIMATELY 7 FIRES JUST STARTING. AN ESTIMATED 152 TO 211 SEARCHLIGHTS OBSERVED IN TARGET AREA. BELIEVED TO BE RADAR CONTROLLED.

SCR PASSED TO NAVCOM FOR TRANSMISSION TO COM 21 AF

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CTF 77 SENDS ACTION CINCSWSA INFO COMINCH CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT.

AT DAWN REINFORCEMENT GROUP ARRIVED LINGAYEN GULF AND DURING THE DAY LANDED ALL UNITS OF 158 RCT AND 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION ON THE BEACHES. UNLOADING WAS AGAIN HANDICAPPED DUE TO UNFAVORABLE SURF CONDITIONS. TROOPS AShORE CONTINUED TO ADVANCE GENERALLY UNOPPOSED EXCEPT AT 1 OR 2 POINTS WHERE RESISTANCE WAS LIGHT. ENEMY AIR TODAY NEGLIGIBLE. RETURNING ECHELONS DEPARTING OBJECTIVE AREA LAST NIGHT WERE A FAST CONVOY OF TRANSPORT TYPES PLUS DAMAGED KITKUN BAY WITH 11 ESCORTS AND A SLOW CONVOY OF LST'S WITH 7 ESCORTS. LATE THIS AFTERNOON A SLOW CONVOY OF LST'S OF TASKFORCE 78 AND 79 PLUS ELEMENTS OF MINESWEEPING GROUPS WITH 8 ESCORTS AND A FAST CONVOY OF TRANSPORT TYPES WITH ESCORTS DEPARTED LINGAYEN FOR LEYTE. THIS AFTERNOON DESTROYERS OF TG 77.7
ATTACKED 20 TO 25 BARGES AND 1 FT UNLOADING AT SAN FERNANDO AND REPORTED ALL TARGETS SUNK OR DAMAGED. ALSO DESTROYED 3 AMMO DUMPS AND STARTED SEVERAL LARGE FIRES NEAR THE BEACH. NO OPPOSITION. ORMOC RESUPPLY DEPARTED LEYTE 1430 I ETA 0530 I TOMORROW. AT 1530 TODAY COMGEN 14TH CORPS ASSUMED COMMAND ASHORE.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CTU 3A.3
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 12 JAN 1945
TOR CODEROOM: 1355/12
DECODED BY: W. STRONG
TYPED BY: W. STRONG

FOR THIRD FLT

CTU 3A.3 SENDS ACTION COM THIRD FLT AND INFO TO ALL TFC'S THIRD FLT, CTF 94, CTF 93, CTF 30.5
(RDO HONO PASSED TO COMFIC FOR INFO AS 120647)

V 223 PBY'S WINGED ALL THE WAY GETTING 35 PERCENT COVER EXCEPT 9V TO 950 DUE HOUR AND HALF SEARCH FOR LIFE RAFTS

AND ONE V TO 950 DUE ATTACK ON TANKER. 5V GLIMPSED TWO POSSIBLE RAFTS FROM 5,000 FT AT 17:06 14:09 AND SEARCHED

AREA AT LOW LEVEL FOR HOUR AND HALF WITHOUT SUCCESS. 1V CAUGHT 150 FT TANKER 20-10 19-23 AT 1215/1 COURSE 120 SPEED 8

15 KNOTS. WISPED WITH BOMBS BUT SET SHIP ABLAZE WITH 13 STRAFING RINGS. SHIP BURNED OUT AND ABANDONED BY CREW, DESPITE

1 HEAVY AND 1 LIGHT EXPLOSION SHIP WAS STILL AFLOAT AND STILL BURNING WHEN LAST SEEN. 10 V SPOTTED 1 SA IN HIGASHI

HIKATO HHA AND 1 DO ONE GUNBOAT 1 SB OFF HHA WEST SHORE COURSE 120 SPEED 8 AT 1100/1. ALSO SAW 2 FTC 1 FTB 1 DO IN

FUTAMI KO AT 1130/1. 18V DAMAGED 2 OF 6 LUGGERS FOUND AT 20-30 141-30 COURSE 150 SPEED 8 X X 29 X 17. WAVE CENTERED

20-00 130-30. WARM FRONT FROM ABOVE CENTER THROUGH 19-30 135-00, 21-00 137-00. COLD FRONT FROM LAST INTERSECTION

THROUGH 25-00 112-00 TO 30-00 189-00. WAVE CENTERED AT 21-00 147-00 WITH COLD FRONT EXTENDING THROUGH 150-00 145-00

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
TO 16-30 140-00. ALL LATITUDES NORTH. ALL LONGITUDES EAST.
GOOD NEWS. COMSUBSPAC SERIAL 8A. LOUGHLIN'S LOOPERS REPORT SINKING 7 SHIPS OUT OF AN 8 SHIP CONVOY. THE REMAINING FREIGHTER MANAGED TO ESCAPE TO FORMOSA WITH 1 DD AND 8 SMALLER ESCORTS AS A SCREEN. BLUEFISH ARRIVED PEARL FROM MARKET STREET. TARPON HAS REPORTED TO SUBSLOOP FOR DUTY. BURRFISH REARRIVED MIDWAY WITH A BAD GENERATOR. JOE'S JUGHEADS CONSISTING OF ARCHERFISH, BLACKFISH, AND BATFISH DEPARTED SAIPAN TO RELIEVE REBEL'S ROGUES ABOUT THE 16TH. WHALE ARRIVED MIDWAY FROM PATROL.
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(CITE X53225) FROM CINCSEPA ACTION CINCSEPA HEADQUARTERS US FORCES CHINA THEATER APO 879 COMMANDER 3RD FLEET COMMANDER ALLIED NAVAL FORCES (M A S A T C H) COMMANDER ALLIED AIR FORCES (ADV ECH). TOP SECRET.

WASHINGTON HAS DIRECTED BOGCOM 21 AT THE EARLIEST PRACTICABLE DATE TO MAKE MAJOR EFFORT AGAINST PRINCIPAL AIR INSTALLATIONS ON OKINAWA. DETAILS WILL BE FURNISHED LATER.

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OSD letter, May 4, 1972

By DBS Date

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Handwritten note: "Top Secret" instructions contained in Article 36, Navy Regulations.
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippine Islands

To: War Department

Nr: 0 56223 11 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department c/o 0 56223. Operations report SOMESPA area period 15002/9 to 1502/10 signed MacArthur.

South China coast: Local reports state one aircraft carrier four transports nine cruisers and destroyers proceeding afloat in A moyo area midday January 7, four medium freighter transports four escort vessels sighted by aircraft Fesondores January 9.

French-Indo China: One battleship three destroyers three destroyer escorts three tankers three freighters sighted heading northeast off Camranh Bay midday January 10, same time three destroyers one large transport two large one small tanker anchored Cape Saint Jacques.

Philippines: Luzon: Enemy air activity Lingsayen area reported negligible January 10; reconnaissance aircraft reported 30 to 40 laden camouflaged sea trucks in bay north Vigan; new defence positions and trenches observed along highway from Rosario towards Baguio.

Nansei Shoto group: 29 fighters one bomber photographed on airfield on Miyaka Shima January 8.

Part II.

Naval: Mindoro PF boats sank small freighter Coron Bay night January 8; Leyte boats destroyed picket boat.

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southeastern Luzon same night, sank two luggers Camotes Islands night January 9.

Air: Enemy action: P61s shot down one, anti aircraft claimed another of three planes attacking Lingayen beachheads; decreased activity against shipping included three suicide dives January 9.

Operations January 8:

(1) Venture sank large barge Tolotoli, northwestern Celebes; nine A 20s from Nadzab raided plantation Rabaul.

Operations January 9:

(2) Refer paragraph 12 preceding report: additional A 20s B 25s and fighter bombers make total 180 sorties against enemy lines of communication Manila-Lingayen area, nine bridges destroyed 11 locomotives 130 freight cars damaged 120 motor vehicles destroyed.

(3) 18 A 20s bombed revetments Talisay and Bacolod on Negros; seven more struck Dpklom and Del Monte on Mindanao.

(4) Patrol B 24 bombed Lahed Datu warehouses northeastern Borneo.

(5) Two Beaufighters raided Tanamon northeastern Celebes.

(6) Nine Beaufighters four Spitfires rocketed and

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4. Strafed targets Halmahera; single B 24 bombed Lolobata.

5. Eight P 38s destroyed buildings Kairatae Ceram.


7. Six B 25s and six B 24s struck enemy concentrations northern shore wide bay southeast Rabaul.

Operations January 10:

8. Three predawn B 24s started fires along highways north Manila; 35 Leyte based A 20s and eight P 47s from Mindoro struck lines of communication Lingayen Plain destroyed much rolling stock; B 25s hit railroads Bicol peninsula.

9. 24 Morotai B 24s demolished operations buildings destroyed two planes Grace Park Field Manila; another B 24 group from Morotai bombed same target.

10. Eight Mindoro P 47s bombed airdrome Lubang Island; four Hellcats on night sweep hit barges Cebu and motor trucks Negros Island.


12. Predawn B 24 from Darwin raided Ambesia and Kendari; one B 24 bombed Fuiloro Timor; another set ware-

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House 4Fire hit jetty Saumaki Tanahars;

(15) Six B 24s and six B 25s attacked mission buildings Rabaul.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations January 9:

(16) Eight New Zealand Ventursa eight New Zealand Corsairs attacked personnel areas and gun positions New Ireland; three New Zealand Ventursa 30 New Zealand Corsairs raided bivouacs and bridges near Rabaul; 28 New Zealand Corsairs bombed installations other Corsairs attacked berge hideouts Bougainville.

Land. Luzon: Sixth Army: On January 10 resistance all sectors extremely light; some mortar and artillery fire received from foothills 5,000 yards southwest Pozorrubio (3049) and south Bugallon (9131). Front lines morning January 11: I Corps: 43rd Division: from 1560 to 2056 to 2150 to 2646 to 2439; 6th Division: from 1545 to 1042 to 0834;

XIV Corps: 37th Division: 0834 to 0035; 40th Division: 0035 to 9830 to 9230 to 8240.

January 9: Assault waves ashore all beaches by 0040Z/9; 68,500 troops landed by dusk; commanding generals all divisions assumed command ashore.

Leyte: XIX Corps: 7th Division reported disorganized enemy groups in area southeast Ormoc withdrawing north.
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippine Islands

Date: 11 January 1945

then went in attempt evacuate from west coast.
77th Division engaged undetermined number enemy
5000 yards northeast Valencia.

Enemy cumulative casualties to January 10:
Killed 64911
Captured 508.

End of part two.

Part III.

(1) A 20s dropped 36 500 lb general purpose bombs, fired 9500 rounds 50 calibre.

(2) No details.

(3) 18 A 20s dropped 86 100 lb bombs.

(4) Dropped 9 250 lb bombs.

(5) No details.

(6) Beauforts fired 31 60 lb, 31 30 lb rockets; B 24 dropped 30 100 lb bombs.

(7) Dropped 8 165 gallon napalms from minimum altitude, met slight heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.
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(8) Dropped 10 500 lb, 20 250 lb bombs, 12 250 lb incendiaries, fired 3000 rounds 50 calibre.

(9) B 24s dropped 48 1000 lb bombs from 9000 feet; B 25s dropped 48 100 lb bombs.

(10) No details.

(11) 24 B 24s dropped 207 500 lb bombs from 15000 feet, met moderate heavy anti-aircraft fire generally inaccurate.

(12) No details.

(13) Dropped 92 paradooms from minimum altitude, met moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(14) Dropped 24 250 lb, 10 100 lb bombs.

(15) B 24s dropped 48 1000 lb bombs from 9000 feet; B 25s dropped 24 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitudes, fired 7000 rounds 50 calibre.

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(This is TOP SECRET MSG. AAFPOA 2467, DEPCOMAF 28 sends action to CINCPAC info COM 3RD FLEET.)

In compliance MacARTHURS request COM 28 has been directed to conduct maximum operations against FORMOSA AIRFIELDS during period 15 to 17 JANUARY inclusive. In addition consideration being given to directing 1 STRIKE by COM 21 against air installations OKINAWA during same time period.

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Paraphrased by: OC Keel

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TO: CINCSWPA (BOISE & LEYTE)

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CON 3RD FLT
CON 7TH FLT

Unless otherwise indicated this dispatch will be transmitted with deferred precedence and as administrative.

(CTF 77 SENDS ACTION CINCSWPA (BOISE AND LEYTE) INTO CONINCH CINCPAC CON 3RD AND 7TH Fleets)

Lingayen landing operations proceeding as scheduled. Unloading handicapped by unfavorable gale conditions this afternoon. Troops ashore continue advance generally unopposed except at two or three points at which moderately strong resistance encountered. Damaged carrier aircraft made successful landing on Lingayen air strip.

Enemy air opposition today has been negligible. One suicider hit and damaged in page (APA 41) late afternoon details unknown but apparently damage not extensive. Ship ready to depart with convoy tonight, returning echelon departing objective area last night consisted of 40 transport type, damaged CVE (Kadashan Bay), damaged cruisers Australia Columbia Louisville plus 12

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ESCAPES. ABOUT 40 MT SHIPS IN LINGAYEN (2 GROUPS QUITTED)
CCKED BQ ESTIMATED 6 SMALL BOATS 3 OF WHICH WERE SUNK. ARMAMENT
AND TYPE UNDETERMINED. PROBABLE MODERATE SPEED WITH SMALL CREW.
WAR HAWK (AP 108) SUFFERED MODERATE DAMAGE BY UNDERWATER EXPLOSION
POSSIBLY TORPEDO. LST 929 AND 1925 MINOR DAMAGE. ROBINSON
(DO 562) SUPERFICIAL DAMAGE. PRISONER OF WAR STATES THESE BOATS
CARRIED 2 SMALL DEPTH CHARGES EACH PLUS SMALL CALIBER MACHINE GUN.
DURING AFTERNOON SEVERAL JAPS SIGHTED WELL OFF SHORE SWIMMING
TOWARDS ANCHORAGE AREA. SOME APPARENTLY ARMED ONLY WITH PISTOLS.
OTHERS CARRIED SMALL EXPLOSIVE CHARGES OF GRENADES IN ADDITION.
2 CAPTURED MAJORITY REMAINDER KILLED. DELAYED REPORT OF PT
OPERATION IN CORON BAY NIGHT OF 8/30. ONE SMALL TRANSPORT SUNK BY
TORPEDOES VICINITY CORON TOWN. NO MINES OR ACK ACK ENGAGED.

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This CINCPAC zone notice replaces CINCSAMPA zone notice.

Air surface zone designated for period 15 January through 14 January by line joining following points:

- LAT 18-39 LONG 112-29
- LAT 15-39 LONG 111-29

In addition for the period 11 January through 13 January this air surface zone is extended to include the area bounded by:

- Line joining LAT 14-29 LONG 112-29
- LAT 11-29 LONG 110-29

All points north and east.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
TO CINCPAC, COMMANDER ALLIED NAVAL FORCES (WASATCH) COMMANDER ALLIED AIR FORCES (ADV ECH) COMMANDER 3RD FLEET SIGNED MACARTHUR. CITE CX 56146. TOPSECRET.

CINCPAC ZONE NOTICE 36

SPECIAL AIR SURFACE ZONE IS HEREBY DESIGNATED AS FOLLOWS.

FOR PERIOD 13 JANUARY THRU 14 JANUARY INCLUSIVE AREA ENCLOSING BY FOLLOWING:

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Leyte Philippines

To: War Department

Nr: C 56170

10 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur. To Chief of Staff
War Department C 56170. Operations Report SOWSPAC area period
1500Z/8th 1500Z/9th.

China Coast:

3 destroyers four large freighters four *sighted
*Hong Kong January 8th; previous day 4 medium freighter
transports one large tanker three other vessels sighted off
Swatow on northerly course.

Central Luzon:

Convoy of 100 trucks reported traveling north from
San Jose towards Balete Pass January 8th.

Halmahera:

Photo January 8th show 4 serviceable 4,600 feet,
Miti 3,200 feet.

Borneo:

Air patrols report 12 fighters on Sepingan Airdrome
(north Belikpapan) 8 other enemy planes airborne in area,
4 fighters airborne Miri, 8 fighter, 3 bombers, 1 transport
on Jesselton Airdrome January 9th.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Leyte Philippines

Nr: 0 56170 10 January 1945

Part 2.

Naval:
Leyte PT Boats sank lugger northeast Cebu night January 5th.

Air.

Enemy action:
Lingayen convoy: Total 64 additional enemy planes destroyed during attacks on convoy through January 8th.

Morotai: Light raid predawn January 9th, P-61's shot down one plane.

Operations January 7th:
(1) Single B-24 bombed Kendari; 8 RAAF P-40's attacked Ransiki, Dutch New Guinea.

Operations January 8th:
(2) 166 sorties from escort carriers exploded fuel and ammunition dumps demolished barracks motor trucks and defense installations Lingayen area.

(3) 8 B-25's, 30 A-20's, 16 P-47's, 32 P-40's and P-51's struck railroad installations highways bridges and large motor convoys Lingayen *

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4 Hellcats destroyed 2 fighters on.

5 Refer Paragraph 22 preceding report: 16 Biak based B-24's destroyed one plane Licanan hit fuel tanks Matina.

6 Patrol B-24's demolished shipyard installations Sandakan, hit rail yard docks and warehouses Brunei Bay and * trucks to southeast; 19 P-38's swept Balikpapan shot down one of nine planes airborne destroyed one probably destroyed one damaged one Manggar Airdrome.

7 4 Beaufighters, 24 RAAF P-40's and two B-25's attacked villages and bridge northeastern Celebes.

8 3 Spitfires and 3 RAAF P-40's supported ground forces Morotai.

9 15 Beauforts raided Hairimu barge hideouts and enemy positions west.

10 6 Beauforts from Goodenough Island bombed Sulphur Creek plane park Rabaul and Matupi Island.

Operations January 9th:

11 Patrol B-24 set coastal vessel afire east Formosa; 3 other B-24's raided night traffic on highways north Manila.

12 23 B-25's, 36 A-20's plus P-38's started large fires San Pablo attacked railroads and highways southern Luzon and north Manila destroyed much rolling stock demolished.

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one plane seriously damaged three others Clark Field.

(13) 41 Morotai B-24's* runways and revetments
        Nielson and Nichols Fields; 20 B-25's from Palau caused
        large fires Mabaleaot Airdrome.

(14) 8 B-25's sank one barge probably destroyed
        two others Samal Island demolished buildings *.

(15) 50 RAAF P-40's started fires Galela.

(16) 18 Darwin B-24's scored direct hits rendered
        unserviceable gun emplacements southwest Lombok Island.

(17) Patrol B-24's near missed coastal vessel south
        Boeroe Island, bombed Cape Lore and Cape Chater Timor.

(18) Single B-25 raided target Wewak.

(19) Seven A-20's and one B-25 from Nadzab attacked
        Kabenga Plantation Rabaul.

Solomons Forces.

Air.

Operations January 8th:

(20) 3 Venturas, 6 New Zealand Corsairs bombed
        bridges and buildings New Ireland; 24 New Zealand Corsairs
        covered Rabaul, 8 B-25's, 7 New Zealand Venturas, 8 New
        Zealand Corsairs bombed personnel areas Tobera; 46 New Zea-
        land Corsairs attacked concentrations northern Choiseul

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and supported ground forces Bougainville.

Land:

Luzon:

Sixth Army operations Lingayen Gulf:

I Corps:

43rd Division landed WHITE Beaches Navilao (1555) and
San Fabian (1251) areas; naval gunfire silenced enemy
artillery and mortar fire which forced temporary retraction
of landing craft; 6th Division landed BLUE Beaches vicinity
(0847).

XIV Corps:

37th Division landed CRIMSON and YELLOW Beaches
San Isidro (9740) area; 40th Division landed GREEN and
ORANGE Beaches vicinity Baybay (9540) and Libseng (9440).

All landings practically unopposed except as
above; by evening January 9th * on both corps fronts extended
to average depth of 6,000 yards.

Map reference:

Army Map Service Luzon one to 50,000 strg; Leyte:
reports received for January 9th state additional 415
Japanese killed in mopping up operations. End of Part 2.

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Part 3.

(1) B-24 dropped 15 250 lb bombs; P-40's dropped
11 500 lb bombs.

(2) Dropped 340 100 lb bombs plus unstated number
2,000 lb and 500 lb bombs, fired unstated number rockets.

Paragraphs 3 through 6 no details.

(7) B-25's dropped 12 300 lb bombs; P-40's dropped
48 250 lb bombs.

(8) No details.

(9) Dropped 26 500 lb, 50 250 lb bombs * and
50 lb incendiaries, 16 40 lb frags, fired 8,400 rounds
30 caliber.

(10) Dropped 36 250 lb bombs.

Paragraphs 11 and 12 no details.

(13) Dropped 626 1 lb bombs, 600 120 lb frag from
18,000 to 16,000 feet Nielson and Nichols; unstated number
500 lb bombs Mabalacat; moderate to intense heavy some
accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(14) Dropped 96 paragons from minimum altitude,
met slight light inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

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(15) Dropped 26 500 lb, 47 250 lb, 44 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude, met slight light inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(16) Dropped 48 1,000 lb, 34 500 lb bombs one tenth second delay from 7,000 to 5,000 feet, fired 2,500 rounds 50 caliber.

(17) Dropped 36 250 lb bombs, fired * hundred rounds 50 caliber.

(18) Dropped 4 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 1,500 rounds 50 caliber.

(19) Dropped 28 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 7,000 rounds 50 caliber.

End

* Being serviced.

ACTION: OPD
INFO: CC/8  Adm King
      CG AAF  Col Park
      ASP  Statistics
      G-2  Log

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To: War Department

Br: C 56129.

From GHQ SWPA and MacArthur to Chief of Staff, War Department C 56129 TOP SECRET.

Regular communique of the tenth east longitude date to be released at 2130/2, the ninth will carry announcement of M-1 operation. (5:30 our time)

End

ACTION: OFD

INFO: Gen Arnold; Gen Bissell; Adm King; Col Park; C of S

CM-IN-7705 (9 Jan 45) DTG 090827Z ekk

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/94
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CON 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION CINC PAC INFO CINC SWESPAC CTF 77 CTF 73 CTF 94 CTF 95 COMFEAF ALLTFCOMS ALL TASKGROUP COMS THIRD FLT ALL TASK UNIT COMS TG 30.3.

ON COMPLETION FUELING 25 JAN TG 30.8 WAS DIVIDED INTO 2 GROUPS.

GROUP A CONSISTING OF 6 FAST AO'S 2 CVE'S. 7 DD'S DIRECTED PROCEED LAT 18-45 LONG 127 TO ARRIVE ZERO HOURS 9 JAN. THENCE PROCEED AT SOA 15 KNOTS TOWARD LAT 20-10 LONG 122-10 RETIRING EAST AT 6 HOURS 9 JAN IF NOT DIRECTED OTHERWISE. AT ZERO HOURS 10 JAN FROM POSITION LAT 20 LONG 127-10 PROCEED AGAIN TOWARD LAT 20-10 LONG 122-10 RETIRING SOUTHEAST AT 6 HOURS 10 JAN SOA 12 KNOTS. FURTHER MOVEMENTS GROUP A BY LATER DISPATCH.

GROUP B 6 AO'S 2 CVE'S WITH ESCORTS RETIRING TO AREA.
OCTANE TO REMAIN UNTIL LATER ORDERS ARE RECEIVED. TG 30.7
IS IN COMPANY WITH GROUP B.
ALL POSITIONS NORTH AND EAST ALL TIMES ITEM.
SECRET

CTG 73.6 SENDS ACTION COMTHFLT INFO TF 73 COMA F 5 COMAF 13 COMAAF CINC SWPA COMRF FLT CINCPOA ALL TF & TG COMORS 3RD AND 7TH FLTS.

5:45 PM: HBAY LEYTE SEARCHES 9TH TIMES I. POSITIONS NORTH AND EAST. SECTOR J WENT 540 MILES. 65 PERCENT COVERAGE. NEGATIVE. SECTOR K OUT 540 MILES. COVERAGE 95 PERCENT. NO CONTACTS. SECTOR L 540 MILES. 65 PERCENT. NEGATIVE. SECTOR X WENT 500. 90 PERCENT COVERAGE. NO SIGHTINGS. SECTOR Y DISTANCE 550. COVERAGE 95 PERCENT. NO CONTACTS. SECTOR 8 OUT 875 85 PERCENT COVERAGE. NO CONTACTS. SECTOR 9 WENT 1000 MILES. 80 PERCENT COVERAGE. NEGATIVE. SECTOR 3 OUT 900 MILES. 85 PERCENT COVERAGE. NO CONTACTS INCLUDING STATOW*. SECTOR 10 OUT 1025 MILES 85 PERCENT COVERAGE. NO

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CONTACTS. SECTOR 7 OUT 1000 MILES. COVERAGE 85 PERCENT. NEGATIVE.
SECTOR 6 WENT 940 MILES. COVERAGE 90 PERCENT. SAW 22 SC'S AND SAT'S
24-26 123-00 ANCHORED AT 1345.
SECTOR'S 770 MILES DUE ENGINE TROUBLE. COVERAGE 85 PERCENT. SIGHTED
2 CAMOUFLAGED SCHOOVERS 10-57 124-02 ANCHORED AT 0905. NO COVERAGE
GAMAN BAY OR CAP SAN JACQUES. SECTOR 14 OUT 960 MILES. COVERED 40
PERCENT. SAW 5 SC'S NORTH END CASIGURAN SOUND ANCHORED TELIQULMONI. 4
FTB 4 ESCORT 23-35 119-30 ANCHORED 1525. 40 FREIGHTERS AND TANKERS
TOSHIEI AND KEIGARYOI FORMOSA ANCHORED 1540. AMOY NEGATIVE. TYKAO AND
PESCADORES WEATHERED. SECTOR 5 OUT 1010 MILES. COVERAGE 75 PERCENT.
Saw 1 SA 24-15 121-45 DEAD IN WATER BURPING AT 1315. STRAFED 1 SD
24-20 122-00 COURSE 210 SPEED 5 AT 1320. LEFT TRAILING OIL AND BURNING.
SECTOR 2 LANDED MINORO. NO PILOTS REPORT NO RADIO REPORT. SECTOR 19
60 MILES OUT. 60 PERCENT COVERAGE. SIGHTED 1 FTC 21-20 112-50 COURSE
330 SPEED 10 AT 1605. WEATHER POOR. NORTHERN LUZON FAIR OTHERWISE.

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HONO INTERCEPT

FROM CTF 77 TO ALL TF AND TG COMS SEVENTH FLEET, INFO COMCAEF, COMAF FIVE, COM 310 BOMING, COM SEVENTH FLEET, COM THIRD FLEET.

THERE ARE STRONG INDICATIONS NIPS ARE MAKING ACTIVE USE LUBANG AIRFIELD POSIT 13-47 N 120-58E AND POSSIBLY OF A FIELD ON AGUTAYA ISLAND POSIT 11-08N 120-12E.

SECRET

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TOP SECRET DISPATCH

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PARAPHRASED BY: BENNETT

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ASTERISK (*) HAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

CC ARMY AIR FORCES WASHINGTON

CINCPOA

CINC 3RD FLEET

US ARMY FORCES IN CHINA ADV ECH

PRECEDENCE

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PAUSED TO RADIO WASHINGTON BY RADIO HONOLULU.

THIS IS TOP SECRET ADDRESSED ACTION TO CC ARMY AIR FORCES WASHINGTON AND INFO CINCPOA CINC 3RD FLEET DEPUTY COM 28TH AIR FORCE CC US ARMY FORCES IN CHINA ADV ECH.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT NEUTRALIZING AIR EFFORT BE EXERTED AGAINST FORMOSA FIELDS TO LESEN AIR ATTACKS THEREFROM AGAINST LINCAYEN(CX 56149) BASE. REQUEST THAT FORMOSA-Okinawa AIRFIELD BE ATTACKED BY 28TH AIR FORCE DURING THE CRITICAL PERIOD OF 6110 OPERATIONS THROUGH 5 PLUS 8 DAYS WITHIN LIMIT OF CAPABILITY.

SIGNED MACARTHUR.

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FROM

CTF 77

ADDRESSEE

ASTERISK (*) MAIL ROOM ADDRESSEE

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CTNSWPA (BOISE)

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FROM CTF 77 ACTION CTNSWPA (BOISE), PLEASE PASS TO COMMUNICATIONS COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT.

PRIOR DAWN TODAY 9 JANUARY TRANSPORTS AND SUPPLY SHIPS OF ASSAULT ECHELON ENTERED LINGAYEN GULF AND PROCEEDED TO UNLOADING AREAS. PRELIMINARY BOMBARDMENT OF BEACHHEADS BY FIRE SUPPORT GROUPS AND ROCKET LCI FOLLOWED BY STRAFING FROM SUPPORT AIRCRAFT PROCEEDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PLAN.

FIRST WAVE LANDED ON SCHEDULE AT 0927. BY 0940 ASSAULT WAVES ASHORE ON ALL BEACHES WITHOUT OPPOSITION EXCEPT FOR SLIGHT AMOUNT MORTAR FIRE ON EASTERN SAN FABIAN BEACH.

TROOPS MOVED QUICKLY INLAND AGAINST MINOR AND SPORADIC OPPOSITION. APPROXIMATELY 68,500 TROOPS ASHORE BY DUSK.

UNLOADING PROGRESS RAPIDLY AT ALL BEACHES. BY LATE AFTERNOON COMMANDING GENERALS 6TH 37TH 40TH AND 43RD DIVISIONS HAD REPORTED ASSUMING COMMAND ASHORE. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION

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DURING THE DAY WAS COMPARETIVELY LIGHT BUT ATTACKS BY SUICIDE PLANES WERE EFFECTIVE IN DAMAGING COLUMBIA AUSTRALIA AND COLORADO WHICH WERE HIT, COLUMBIA FOR SECOND TIME AND HMAS AUSTRALIA FOR FOURTH TIME DURING PRESENT OPERATION. DAMAGE TO ABOVE SHIPS EXTENSIVE BUT NOT CRITICAL. EVENING 8TH DURING APPROACH KITKUN BAY HIT BY SUICIDE DIVER HOLED BELOW WATER LINE LOST POWER AND NOW ENROUTE LINGAYEN UNDER TOW. 1 ENGINE EXPECTED TO BE OPERATIONAL NEAR FUTURE. DELAYED REPORT, HATSU HARU CLASS DESTROYER INTERCEPTED BY ESCORTING DO OF TF 78 ENROUTE OBJECTIVE AREA EVENING 7TH AND SUNK.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

TO: 21ST BOMCOM

FROM: COMGEN 20TH AAF

DATE: 11 JANUARY 1945

PRIORITY: ROUTINE

ACTION: F0

MESSAGE:

(21ST BOMCOM SENDS ACTION COMGEN 20TH AAF. INFO DEPOMGEN 20TH AAF, COMAIRPAC, CTG 38.1, COM 3RD FLT, CTG 93.2, CINCPAC, CTG 94, CTG 95, CTG 38.2, CTG 38, CTG 38.3. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN PASSED BY BOMCOM TO COMGEN 20TH AAF, DEPOMGEN 20TH AAF AND CTG 94.)

(PASSSED BY RDO GUAM TO OTHER ADEES AS 091620)

(Passsed by RDO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 101715)

REPORTS WEATHER STRIKE MISSIONS 97, 98, 99, 8 JAN.

TARGET: ATSUTA ARSENAL, CENTRAL NAGOYA AREA.

WSM 97 8TH JANUARY. ATSUTA ARSENAL NAGOYA. 1 B-29 OF THE 73RD BOMBER WING AIRBORNE AT 080502 LANDED AT 0819002.

WEATHER. ENROUTE TO TARGET. SLIGHT FRONT 30 DEG NORTH 135 DEG EAST. COMPLETE UNDERCAST TURBULENCE TOP AT 22,000 FEET WINDS 260 DEG AT 102 KNOTS AT 20,000 FEET TARGET.

THIN LAYER OF PATCHY ALTO STRATUS TOP AT 22,000 FEET. 10 TENTH CLOUD COVER WIND 260 DEG AT 129 KNOTS. SLIGHT FROSTING. RETURN TO BASE. HEAVY RAIN SQUALLS ENCOUNTERED.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/1944
60 MILES NORTH OF SAIPAN FROM SEA LEVEL TO ESTIMATED 4,500 FEET. SQUALLS CONTINUED TO BASE. BOMBING. DROPPED 14 XM 18 IB ON TARGET BY RADAR FROM 32,000 FEET AT 061309Z RESULTS OBSERVED TRAIN OF BOMBS BURSTING THROUGH THIN UNDERCAST. VISIBLE GLOW OBSERVED BELOW CLOUDS AS AIRCRAFT DEPARTED TARGET AREA INDICATES FIRES WERE STARTED. ENEMY OPPOSITION. AIR. NO FIGHTER OPPOSITION. ANTI-AIRCRAFT. SLIGHT INACCURATE OVER NAGOYA DOCK AREA. SEARCHLIGHTS. 1 FOR A SHORT TIME AT TOYOHASHI.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. 22 RADAR SCOPE PHOTOS WERE TAKEN FROM LANDFALL (32-28 NORTH 135-45 EAST) TO IP. NARROWED SECTION OF BIWA LAKE.

WSM 98. 8TH JANUARY. ATSUTA ARSENAL NAGOYA. 1 B-29 AIRBORNE AT 080825Z. LANDED AT 082100Z. WEATHER ENROUTE TO TARGET. SHALLOW FRONT AT LANDFALL (32-28 NORTH 135-45 EAST) 10 TENTHS UNDERCAST VERY TURBULENT. TOP AT 30,000 FEET. WIND 27 DEGREES AT 125 KNOTS. SOME ICING IN ASTRO DOME. TARGET. 6 TENTHS CIRRO STRATUS. TOP AT 30,000 FEET. WIND 27 DEGREES AT 150 KNOTS. RETURN TO BASE. RAIN SQUALLS IN CUMULA NIMBUS EXPERIENCED 85 NORTH OF SAIPAN. TOP UNKNOWN BOMBING. DROPPED 18 XM 18 IB BY RADAR ON TARGET FROM 33,000 FEET AT 061537Z. RESULTS. IMMEDIATELY AFTER BOMBS AWAY 1 BLUR AND 1 WHITE EXPLOSION WERE OBSERVED. GLOW STILL OBSERVED 30 MILES FROM TARGET. ENEMY OPPOSITION. AIR. NO FIGHTER OPPOSITION. ANTI-AIRCRAFT SLIGHT INACCURATE OVER WESTERN EDGE OF NAGOYA. SEARCHLIGHTS. 1 OBSERVED AT TOYOHASHI.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: 12 RADAR SCOPE PHOTOS TAKEN OVER AREAS AS FOLLOWS LANDFALL (32-28 NORTH 135-45 EAST). BIWA LAKE NARROWS (IP) OVER TARGET AND DEPARTURE FROM TARGET AREA.

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1 B-29 AIRBORNE AT 081303Z. LANDED AT 090310Z. WSM 99. 8TH JANUARY. ATSUTA ARSENAL NAGOYA. WEATHER ENROUTE TO TARGET. COLD FRONT EXPERIENCED AT 29 DEGREES NORTH 10 TENTHS CLOUD COVER TO 30,000 FEET. TARGET. 10 TENTHS CLOUD COVER. WIND 330 DEGS AT 160 KNOTS. RETURN TO BASE. DISSIPATING FRONT JUST OUT OF TARGET. BOMBING. DROPPED 18 XM 18 IB BY RADAR ON TARGET FROM 32,400 FEET AT 082017Z. RESULTS. TAIL GUNNER OBSERVED FIRES JUST AFTER BOMBS AWAY IN AREA APPROXIMATELY 8 MILES LONG AND 2 MILES WIDE. ENEMY OPPOSITION. AIR. NO FIGHTER OPPOSITION. ANTI AIRCRAFT 1 INACCURATE BURST. SEARCHLIGHTS. 2 OBSERVED AT NAGOYA. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. APPROXIMATELY 22 RADAR SCOPE PHOTOS TAKEN IN AREAS AS FOLLOWS. LANDFALL TO IP TO TARGET TO COAST A FEW PICTURES TAKEN ON RETURN OF BONINS AND MARIANAS.

THIS MESSAGE DISPATCHED FROM 21ST BOMCOM CONTROL ROOM.

1 COPY TO 20-G
HONOLULU INTERCEPT

TOP SECRET. CTF 71 SENDS ACTION CTF 77 INFO COM 7TH FLT COM 3RD FLT.

8 SUBMARINES NOW BEING CONCENTRATED NORTH GULF OF SIAM TO INTERCEPT NORTHBOUND KIPS AND BE IN POSITION TO JOIN SOUTHBOUND EVACUATION IF ADMIRAL HALSEY'S FORCES DETECTED BEFORE STRIKE.

1 EACH OFF HAINAN CAMPAIGN. RAY WEST BALARAC SOUTH DANGEROUS GROUND AND PALAWAN PASSAGE. LATTER WILL GO THROUGH DANGEROUS GROUND TO LIFEGUARD TIZARD. GUITARRO WITH STERN PLANES OUT BEING KEPT IN POSIT 12-18TH 117-000 UNTIL YOU GIVE WORD SHE CAN JOIN SOUTHBOUND UNIT FOR ESCORT THROUGH MINODO STRAIT ThENCE MIOS WOENDI.

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COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION CINCPAC CINCSOMESPAC INFO
COMINCH CTF 77 COM 7TH FLEET CTF 93. CINCPAC PASS INFO 20TH AIR FORCE AND COM NAV GROUP CHINA.

FORMOSA HEAVILY ATTACKED NO AIR OPPOSITION. NORTHERN
SEARCHES AND OKINAWA-MIYAKO STRIKES WEATHERED OUT.
CAP SHOT DOWN THE 1 SNOOPER REACHING VICINITY OF FORCE.
PARTIAL REPORTS ON FIRST 2 OF 5 STRIKES AS FOLLOWS.
ABOUT 100 PLANES SEEN. 17 DESTROYED AND 17 DAMAGED.
MUCH NIP SHIPPING LOCATED. SANK 14 AND DAMAGED 17 SMALL
SHIPS AND LUGGERS ALSO 1 LARGE TANKER HIT AND LEFT
BURNING OFF TOSHIN. ARE NOW GOING INTO RADIO SILENCE
AND HEADING FOR CHINA SEA.

DEVELOPED 20-G
HONOLULU INTERCEPT

COMMENCING NIGHT OF 10 JANUARY TG 77.2 LESS DAMAGED SHIPS DIRECTED TO BE RETURNED TO LEYTE BY SEPARATE DESPATCH WILL PROCEED TO SEA AND JOIN TG 77.4 ESCORT CARRIERS. AUGMENTED BY TG 77.4 AND TG 77.3 CLOSE COVERING GROUP TO BE COMBINED GROUPS UNDER CTG 77.2 WILL COMprise THE LINGAYEN DEFENSE FORCE. CTG 77.4 AND CTG 77.3 WILL REPORT TO CTG 77.2 FOR DUTY. WHILE CONTINUING PRESENT MISSIONS ASSIGNED THESE VARIOUS GROUPS BY MY OPPLAN 17-44 THE LINGAYEN DEFENSE FORCE UNDER COMMAND RADM OLSENDRORF WILL ASSUME THE MISSION OF PROTECTING OUR FORCES IN AND APPROACHING AND RETIRING FROM LINGAYEN GULF FROM ATTACK BY ENEMY SURFACE FORCES. CTF 77.2 IS FREE TO EXCHANGE SHIPS BETWEEN THE VARIOUS GROUPS AS DEEMED NECESSARY FOR BEST ACCOMPLISHMENT OF ASSIGNED TASKS.
AND TO PROVIDE FOR REPLENISHMENT, A MAXIMUM OF 3 CVE'S WILL BE
ASSIGNED CTG 77.3 WHILE CLOSE COVERAGE **,
UTILIZING CARRIER PLANES AS AVAILABLE CONDUCT SEARCHES AS NECESSARY
TO INSURE AGAINST SURPRISE ATTACK BY ENEMY SURFACE FORCES.

**SEVERAL GARbled GROUPS
TOP SECRET DISPATCH

DRIFTER: CINCPOA
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 9 JANUARY 1945

FOR CODEHOO:

DECODED BY: READY
PARAPHRASED BY: SJOSTEN CHECKED BY: BENTON
ROUTED BY: 

ACTION: FAST CARRIER TASK FORCES OF THE PACIFIC FLEET WILL OPERATE FAR INTO THE SOUTH CHINA SEA FOR ABOUT 5 DAYS. INFORM ONLY THOSE WHO NEED TO KNOW TO PREVENT ANY ATTACKS ON OR REPORTS OF THESE FORCES.

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**RDO HONOLULU FOX INTERCEPT**

(COM 3RD FLEET SENDS TOP SECRET ACTION CINCSOMESPAC INFO CINCPAC CTF 77 CTF 71 CTF 38 ALL TASKGROUPCONS OF TASKFOR 38.)

REQUEST AREA TO BE RECLASSIFIED AS AIR SURFACE ZONE, N 29° 44' 8", E 111° 6' 15".

BE EXTENDED TO INCLUDE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL AREA BOUNDED BY LINES JOINING LAT 14° 8' 6" NORTH LONG 112° 19' 2" EAST, LAT 11° 52' 3" NORTH LONG 102° 8' 6" EAST, LAT 10° 26' 4" NORTH LONG 102° 8' 6" EAST, LAT 9° 26' 12" NORTH LONG 112° 19' 2" EAST THENENCE NORTH TO JOIN ORIGINAL AREA. THIS RECLASSIFICATION TO BE EFFECTIVE 11 - 13 JANUARY INCLUSIVE.

CINCPAC: COPIES 1 - 6 INCL.

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Top Secret instructions contained in Article 76, Navy Regulations.
NAVAL MESSAGE

COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION CINCPAC CINC/SOWESPAC INFO COMINC CTTF 77 COMFEAF COM 7TH FLEET.

FINAL REPORT ON LUZON STRIKES 6-7 JANUARY. AIRCRAFT DESTROYED 18 IN AIR 93 ON GROUND, DAMAGED 117 (COUNT INCLUDES THOSE REPORTED MY 070020). IN ADDITION TO ABOVE CLAIMS MANY FIRES SEEN IN REVENTMENTS AND DISPERAL AREAS WHICH PROBABLY WERE PLANES BUT POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION IMPOSSIBLE. SHIPPING SUNK 3 MEDIUM AK 4 SMALL COASTAL AK 5 LUGGERS AND DAMAGED 1 LARGE AK 3 MEDIUM AK 9 SMALL COASTAL AK 1 TUG 15 SMALL CRAFT. ALL ABOVE SHIPING ALONG NORTH AND NORTHWEST COAST LUZON, GROUND DESTRUCTION 1 LOCOMOTIVE 15 FREIGHT CARS 46 TRUCKS, BARRACKS FUEL DUMP CLARK BRIDGE NEAR ANGELES.

DAMAGED IEN/CASS* BUILDINGS BIPS CLARK-MABALACAHA AREA MANILA PLAINS CEBANATAN TUGCEGARAO FIELDS. OWN LOSSES 15/COMBAT 30

OPERATIONAL 25 PILOTS 6 CREWEN MISSING.

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ACTION CTU 36.8.12 FROM COM THIRD FLEET INFO CINCPOAC ALL TFC’S THIRD FLEET CTU 36.8.6 CTU 36.8.9 CTF 94

FROM PRESENT POSITION PROCEED TO AREA OCTANE TO RENDEZVOUS WITH TU 36.8.6 AT 4704/1 11TH THEN RETIRE TO CENTER AREA READY WITH THIS TASK UNIT AS PART OF YOUR GROUP ARRIVING FORENOON 11TH WHERE JOIN WITH UNIT 36.8.9, REMAIN AREA READY UNTIL ABOUT NOON 14TH THEN PROCEED TO 26-84 N 126-44 E TO ARRIVE 4704/1 16TH. USE SDA OF 12 KNOTS CTU 36.9 NOTE CHANGE OF AREAS TO EFFECT RENDEZVOUS OF UNITS BEING SAILED.

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

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**FOR ACTION:**
- CINOPAC
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  - CTF 94.9
  - CTF 94.12.5.2
- ALL TASK FORCE AND TASK GROUP COMMANDS 3RD FLEET 12.5.2

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**MONO INTERCEPT**

**6TH THIRD FLEET SENDS TOP SECRET. ACTION CTF 94 INFO CINOPAC CTF 93 CTF 94.5 CTF 94.9 ALL TASK FORCE AND TASK GROUP COMMANDS THIRD FLEET CTF 12.5.2**

**TASK FORCE 38 AND FAST OILER GROUP PROCEEDING THROUGH LUZON STRAITS NIGHT 9-10 JANUARY FOR ABOUT 5 DAYS OPERATIONS IN CHINA SEA. MY FOCUS NOT TO ALL. DURING THIS PERIOD THERE IS POSSIBILITY ENEMY FORCE APPROACHING PHILIPPINE SEA OR FORWARD AREA BASES FROM EUPH. REQUEST YOU EMPLOY ALL MEANS AT YOUR DISPOSAL ATTACK AND DESTROY THIS FORCE SHOULD IT APPEAR. TASK UNIT 38.5.12 (SLOW OILERS & GYE AND ESCORTS) WILL OPERATE IN AREA READY DURING THIS PERIOD AND WILL BE RETIRED SOUTHEAST IF ENEMY THREAT DEVELOPS**

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- By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, 
   Leyte, Philippines

To: War Department

No: 0 56135 9 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA sdg MacArthur to Chief of Staff War 
Department 0 56135. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 
1500Z/7 to 1500Z/8 signed MacArthur.

French Indo China:

1 cruiser 5 destroyers, 10 transports, 1 tanker re-
ported leaving #: Allied warships again bombarded shore 
positions Lingayen January 7 and 8; destroyers intercepted
and sank enemy destroyer northwest Vigan at night.

Air.

Enemy action: * *

Lingayen: Naval anti aircraft fire claimed two planes
Lingayen/Mindoro same afternoon. 3 planes caused
slight casualties Morotai predawn January 8.

Operations January 5:

(1) 36 RAAF P-40's fired fuel dumps sank coastal
craft MacCluer Gulf.

Operations January 6:

(2) Refer Paragraph 10 report operations January 6;
47 Morotai based B-24's destroyed 3 planes Nichols Nielson Fields.

(3) 6 P-38's strafed destroyed 7 motor trucks Negros.

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No: C 56135

9 January 1945

(4) Patrol B-24 attacked 2 ships Miri, Borneo.

(5) 38 B-25's, 23 P-38's and 9 Beaufighters attacked Mapangat Airdrome, 1 plane lost.

20 Beaufighters demolished * buildings northeast Manado.

(6) 31 * *

* RAAF P-40's bombed Babo, MacCluer Gulf.

Operations January 7.

(8) 129 * B-25's and 97 A-20's struck Clark Field destroyed or badly damaged minimum 60 planes, P-38's escort shot down 2 of 9 interceptors;

3 A-20 crashed over large explosion possible land mine, 1 B-25 and 4 other A-20's lost.

(11) 8 P-47's set afire 1 grounded plane and motor transport Gotsabato, Mindanao.

(12) Patrol B-24 destroyed warehouses northern Borneo.

(13) 28 B-25's, 22 P-38's, 12 RAAF P-40's and 33 Beaufighters struck Lexbeh Straits northeastern Celebes sank schooner and barge hit shipyards set warehouses afire.

(14) 24 RAAF P-40's raided barge hideouts and bivouacs Halmahera, hit Lusa River bridge Ceram; 2 B-25's attacked Waigeo Island.
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

No: 056135 9 January 1945

(15) 13 Darwin B-24's sank mechanized landing craft strafed subchaser off Bali, bombed gun positions Lombok Island.

(16) 16 Beauforts attacked villages and headquarters area west Wewak.

Operations January 8.

(17) Patrol B-24's shot down floatplane Camranh Bay, downed another east Formosa.

(18) 20 B-24's from Morotai struck Nichols Field, 19 B-24's bombed Mielson Field, another B-24 hit Batangas, 1 B-24 lost.

(19) 4 predawn B-24's started fires Clark Field; weather grounded B-24's from Palau.

(20) 32 Corsairs from Kamar attacked Calumpit bridges destroyed motor trucks; 37 A-20's from Leyte raided Lipa and Calingatan Airdromes southern Luzon from low level, 2 A-20's lost.

(21) 22 Leyte bases B-25's struck revetments guns and installations Talisay end * 1 B-25 lost; 9 Morotai B-25's with P-47's demolished barracks buildings Fabric.

(22) Single P-47 destroyed camouflaged fighter southern Mindanao; B-24's from Biak attacked * airdrome.

(23) Single B-24 bombed Miti Airdrome Halmahera.

(24) 2 Darwin B-24's attacked Ende and *.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

No: 0 56135 9 January 1945

(25) 9 Madzab A-20's raided plantations southeast Rabaul; 6 B-24's bombed Lakunai submarine hideout.

Solomons Forces.

Air.

Operations January 7:

(26) 9 B-25's, 6 New Zealand Corsairs and 3 Venturas bombed Kavieng Airrome and installations New Ireland; 16 New Zealand Corsairs plus Venturas patrolled Rabaul, 14 B-24's and 4 New Zealand Venturas attacked Simpson Harbour floatplane base;

34 New Zealand Corsairs raided barges * and supplies Bougainville.

Land.


* : Enemy resistance reported. *

Mindoro: Estimated 300 enemy engaged Pinamalayan January 7.

Leyte: XXIV Corps: 7th Division troops made scattered contacts Punta Blanco/Longon. 77th Division effected slight contacts Villaba Humayubay.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines
No: C 56135 9 January 1945

Enemy casualties to January 8: 64,302 killed, 507 captured.

Part 3.
(1) Dropped 26 500 lb bombs, 16 120 lb frags.
(2) Dropped 836 120 lb frags from 17,000 to 16,000 feet, met intense heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.
(3) No details.
(4) Dropped 9 500 lb bombs.
(5) Dropped 8 1,000 lb, 243 * 1 lb bombs, 102 100 lb Napalm bombs from minimum altitude, fired unstated number rounds; moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire.
(6) Dropped 32 500 lb, 14 250 lb bombs, 14 85 lb frags.
(7) Dropped 16 250 lb bombs.
(8) Dropped 30 tons 500 lb, 19 tons 100 lb bombs, fired 178 rockets.

Paragraphs 9 through 11. No details.
(12) Dropped 9 500 lb bombs.
(13) Dropped 4 500 lb, 168 300 lb, 48 250 lb bomb, 46 100 lb Napalm bombs, fired 23 60 lb, 55 50 lb rockets; slight light and medium some accurate anti aircraft fire.

CM-IN-8361 (10 Jan 45)
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

No: 0 56135  9 January 1945

(14) P-40's dropped 14 500 lb, 30 * 250 lb bombs; B-25's dropped 6 250 lb bombs.

(15) Dropped 40 1000 lb, 27 500 lb bombs from 5,000 feet, fired 2900 rounds 50 calibre.

(16) 10 Beauforts dropped 14 500 lb, 34 250 lb bombs, 28 40 lb frags, fired 4200 rounds 30 calibre.

(17) No details.

(18) Dropped 1200 120 lb frags, met intense heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.

Paragraphs 19 and 20. No details.

(21) Morotai B-25's dropped 108 100 lb Paradesmos from minimum altitude.

(22) No details.

(23) Dropped 30 120 lb frags from 9000 feet.

(24) Dropped 24 250 lb bombs.

(25) A-20's dropped 36 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 9500 rounds 60 calibre, B-24's dropped 48 1000 lb bombs from 11000 feet.

Air status: 3rd and 312th Groups (A-20's) now operating from Leyte.

* Being Serviced.

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INFO: CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, Adm King, Col Park, Statistics, Log

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Sunk:

OMMANEY BAY (CVE 79)
HOVEY (MS 11)
LONG (MS 12)
Palm er (MS 5)

Damaged:

NEW MEXICO (BB 40)
CALIFORNIA (BB 14)
MANILA BAY (CVE 61)
SAVO ISLAND (CVE 78)
LOUISVILLE (CA 28) — hit twice
MINNEAPOLIS (CA 36)
HMAS AUSTRALIA (CA) — hit 3 times
COLUMBIA (CL 56) 2 times

HELM (DD 388)
R.P. LEARY (DD 664)
A.M. SUMNER (DD 692)
O'BRIEN (DD 720)
WALKE (DD 723)
LOWRY (DD 770)
STAFFORD (DE 411)
BROOKS (APD 10)
SOUTHARD (MS 10)
ORCA (AVP 49)
APACHE (AT 67)
MONADNOCk (CM 9)
Picos (AO 65)

To: Chief of Naval Operations

From: Admiral King

Subject: Sinking of CVE 79

Aircraft carrier CVE 79 sunk by Japanese suicide attack on 26 September 1944.

Date: 9 December 1944

Lt. Comdr. E.G. Calloway

U.S. Pacific Fleet

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COM 3RD FLT SENT 08255 ACTION CINCPAC INFO CTF 38. CINCPAC NOW REENIGYHERS AND PASSES INFO COMINCH-CNOCOMSUBPAC CINCSWPA COM 7TH FLT COMGEN AAFPOA. COMNAVGROUP CHINA GETS INFO IN ANOTHER SYSTEM.

RECEIVED AS 090501.

"ATTACKING FORMOSA ISKIGAKI MIYAKO OKINAWA. APPROACH NOT SNOOPED. 2 SUBS CONTACTED LATITUDE 22-10 LONG 123-37 BEING HELD DOWN BY JASASA. SENDING OUT 420 MILE SEARCHES 230 CLOCKWISE TO 090."

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CON THIRD FLEET SLEDS ACTION CTU 30.8.12
CTU 30.8.6 INFO CINCPAC ALL TASKGROUPCONS THIRD FLEET

G-200 P

TU 30.8.12 REMAIN IN VICINITY LAT 16-30 N LONG 127-30 E UNTIL 2000/1 9 JAN. IF NO FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS RECD BY THAT TIME RETIRE TO AREA OCTANE. TU 30.8.6 PROCEED TO AREA OCTANE WHERE REMAIN UNTIL RENDEZVOUS WITH TASK UNIT 30.8.12 CAN BE MADE.

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TODAY'S OPERATIONS CONTINUED ACCORDING TO PLAN. ACTIVITIES WERE GENERALLY DIRECTED TOWARD LANDING AREAS BUT CERTAIN IMPORTANT ENEMY STRONG POINTS IN THE EAST COAST OF LINGAYEN AREA WERE HEAVILY HANDLED, ESPECIALLY BY AIR. A MOST EFFECTIVE BOMBARDMENT WAS MADE IN GULF SAN FERNANDO BY SURFACE FORCES. THE FINAL AREAS WHICH REQUIRED SLEEPING FOR MINES WERE SWEPT. DETAILED REPORT FOLLOWS:

(A) BOMBARDMENT. TODAY A FEW MORE TARGETS APPEARED AS FIRING REMOVED CAMOUFLAGE AND AS SPOTTERS BECAME MORE ABLE TO DISTINGUISH CAMOUFLAGED GUNS ET CETERA. DESTROYED HOUSES IN 9146, 9246, 9346, 9136, 9236, 9336 AND BUILDINGS IN 9336 AND 9346, AUDITORIUM AND CAPITOL BUILDING GUTTED.
Walls still standing. Destroyed 2 enemy planes in 9329. Destroyed railway building 135' 2 storehouses and 1 pillbox in 115' 0.

Destroyed gun emplacements area 115' J 931' J 8312 L. Camouflaged gun destroyed in 1365. Vehicles observed in motion in 1461 and 1465, attacked but results undetermined. Destroyed 1 AA gun 6842,
3 warehouses, 2 AA guns small 1 long pillbox area 9439. Troops moving along road 9328 Q, dugout 7644 Q. Destroyed or damaged buildings in 9337 D 9838 H. Concrete building which controlled bridge 9337 Q, church and 7 large concrete buildings area 9739 pillbox 9937 K Bridge crossing river in area 8137 destroyed.

Above are some examples from reports of firing ships.

(b) Minesweeping completed and all scheduled areas swept. 2 mines were reported swept but these reports doubtful. Several floaters have been found, believed to come from San Fernando area.

(c) Direct support aircraft. Made many important strikes today.

Among the most successful follow: Rosario strongly attacked and destroyed included ammo and supply. Two warehouses dugouts trench systems barracks motor vehicles fuel oil dumps and enemy personnel.

Area, many targets were camouflaged and pilots said they could work on this area for days. Encountered AA fire to east and northwest of town and small arms fire, San Fernando. Strongly attacked destroyed ammo and fuel dumps barracks and 1 camouflaged building which exploded. Destroyed trucks moving in the hills from the nearby towns. Bajo. Damaged barracks warehouses and headquarters at Camp John Hay end of airfield. Fuel dumps near **
ON FIRE AND FLAMES AROSE 9000 FEET. LINGAYEN. DAMAGED CAPITAL BUILDING AND DESTROYED NEARBY REVETMENTS. **

NORTH OF TOWN. DESTROYED LARGE AMMO DUMP AND HIT BARRACKS AND TRUCKS ESPECIALLY IN TARGET AREAS 2343 Y 2341 AND 2443. Trenches and Dugouts strafed. BINALONAN DAMAGED 20 LONG NEW BARRACKS.

BAYAMBANG. DAMAGED BRIDGE BUT STILL USEABLE BY PEDESTRIANS TOE UP RAILS ON BRIDGE AND TO NORTH OF BRIDGE. GENERAL. MADE 4 RECONNAISSANCES FROM SAN FERNANDO TO RABON FOR ENEMY TROOP MOVEMENTS BUT RESULTS NEGATIVE. NOTED HEAVY CIVILIAN TRAFFIC FROM LINGAYEN INTO MALASIQUIA. OBSERVED VILLAGES AND ROSALES AIRFIELDS TO BE SERVICEABLE BUT NOT USED FOR SOME TIME. SORTIES VF79 VF69 SPECIAL MISSIONS 11 USING 18 PLANES. AMMUNITION EXPENDED 17 TONS 10% POUNDERS 33 TONS 5% POUNDERS 3 TONS 2000 POUNDERS ROCKETS 636.

DELIVERED TO 20-G.

**MISSING GROUPS
**HONOLULU INTERCEPT**

**FROM XXI BOMCOM ACTION TO COMGENAF 20. INFO DEPCOMGENAF 20, CINCPAO, COMAIRPAC, CTF 94(HAS), CTG 38.1, CTF 93 AND CTG 93.2 VIA RDO SAIPAN, COM 3RD FLEET CTF 30 CTG 38.2 CTG 38.3)**

REPORTS WEATHER STRIKE MISSIONS 94, 95, 96, 7 JAN 1945.  
TARGET: ATSUTA ARSENAL, NAGOYA. WSM 94, 7 JAN 45 - ATSUTA ARSENAL, NAGOYA, 1 B-29 OF THE 73RD BOMB WING AIRBORNE AT 070402Z. LANDED AT 071702Z. WEATHER: ENROUTE TO TARGET: STRATUS, 7-10/10 CLOUD COVER, TOP AT 10,000 FT. TARGET: STRATUS, 9/10 UNDERCAST. RETURN TO BASE: STRATUS, FRONT SEEMED TO BE DISSAPATING. BOMBING: DROPPED 18 (24 GROUPS MISSING) AS BOMBS BURST FIRES WERE OBSERVED IN CENTRAL PART OF CITY. THEY WERE OBSERVED UNTIL HALFWAY BETWEEN NAGOYA AND HAMAMATSU. ENEMY OPPOSITION: AIR: NO FIGHTER OPPOSITION ANTI AIRCRAFT: MEAGER INACCURATE ANTI AIRCRAFT FIRE EXPERIENCE FROM IP (YOKO) TO TARGET SEARCHLIGHTS.
6 TO 8 AT IP, APPROXIMATELY 9 (1 GROUPS MISSING). ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: 10 RADAR SCOPE PHOTOS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS: 4 AT LANDFALL; 1 AT IP; 8 FROM IP, TARGET AND OUT. WSM 95, 7 JAN 45 - ATSUTA ARSENAL, NAGOYA. 1 B-29 AIRBORNE AT 07034Z. LANDED AT 072204Z.

WEATHER: ENROUTE TO TARGET: LIGHT FRONT 300 MILES NORTH, 6/10 OVERCAST. TARGET: ALTO STRATUS AND CUMULUS, 4/10 CLOUD COVER. RETURN TO BASE: CUMULUS AND ALTO STRATUS 6/10 OVERCAST. BOMBING: 18 XM 18 IB DROPPED OVER NAGOYA VISUALLY FROM 31,000 FT AT 071614Z. RESULTS: OBSERVED TRAIN OF BOMBS 1 MILE LONG STARTING FIRES ALONG CENTRAL EASTERN SECTION OF CITY. ENEMY OPPOSITION: AIR: NO FIGHTER OPPOSITION. ANTI AIRCRAFT: MEAGER AND INACCURATE AT IP AND TARGET. SEARCHLIGHTS: AFTER BOMBS AWAY, SEARCHLIGHTS DIRECTED TOWARD AREA IN WHICH BOMBS HAD BEEN DROPPED, WERE OBSERVED IN SE TIP OF CITY. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: RADAR APPROACH MADE OVER TARGET WITH VISUAL FINAL ADJUSTMENT. RADAR SCOPE PHOTOS WERE TAKEN AS FOLLOWS: 2 PHOTOS APPROACHING COAST; 2 AT IP; NARROW NECK OF BIKAO; AND 2 AT NAGOYA.

WSM 96, 7 JAN 45 - ATSUTA ARSENAL, NAGOYA. 1 B-29 AIRBORNE AT 071339Z, RETURNED EARLY BECAUSE OF MECHANICAL FAILURE. LANDED AT 071835Z.
TOP SECRET DISPATCH

FROM: CTG 77.2
RELEASED BY: 
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TOP SECRET.

BOTH PLANES WHICH MADE SUICIDE ATTACKS ON AUSTRALIA THIS MORNING WERE DINAH'S.

NEW SUBJECT: MY 571536, STATEMENT COLUMBIA TRACKED ONE OF THESE PILOTS IN ERROR. VAL WHICH CRASHED COLUMBIA AT 1730/186 CONTAINED JAPANESE PENCIL DIAGRAM ENTITLED "DIAGRAM FOR ROUTE OF AIRCRAFT CARRIER ATTACK ENSIGN (OR SECOND LIEUTENANT) INAX". PLANE TAKE OFF INDICATED AT UNKNOWN TIME AND PLACE ON COURSE 260 SPEED 260 KNOTS THEN AT 1900 CHANGE COURSE TO 150 DEGREES SPEED 110 KNOTS ETA AT TARGET 1925. COURSE OF TARGET SHOWN AS 390 DEGREES SPEED 13 KNOTS. COMMENT: ASSUMING DIAGRAM DRAWN TO SCALE AND PLANE

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DECIMALS TO BE ENTERED PRIOR TO A MARCH AND 360 DEGREES ON COURSE 150 DEGREES SOUTH 390 DEGREES SOUTH AMIDST THE HUMOROUS SCOURGE OF PRIVATE TERROR ON THE WATER.
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**WAS CARRIER BORNE SUGGEST LAUNCH WAS MADE ABOUT 150 MILES WEST OF MANILA LINGAYEN AREA. TAKE OFF APPARENTLY MOVED FORWARD 2 HOURS.** BOMB WAS 250KILORAM TYPE 99 IN DUG MADE FROM 16 INCH SHELL AND UNDERSTOOD TO BE STRICKLY NAVY TYPE.

**NEW SUBJECT: WEATHER CONDITIONS 1515Z AND 348 DEGREES TRUE 11 KNOTS. BAROMETER 29.99 STEADY. CUMULUS 3/10 THE BASE 2950. SEA SMOOTH. LOCATION SOUTHERN END LINGAYEN GULF.**

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CON TN ENDTHL T INCO ALL TFC AND TCG 3RD AND 7TH FLEETS CINCSIPAC CINCPAC COMINCH COMFEAF COMAF 5 & COMAF 5 31ST BATTING CTF 77.

TODAYS OPERATIONS CONTINUED ACCORDING TO PLAN. ACTIVITIES WERE GENERALLY DIRECTED TOWARD LANDIN G AREAS BUT CETAIN IMPORTANT ENEMY STRONG POINTS IN THE EAST COAST OF LINGAYEN AREA WERE HEAVILY HANDLED, ESPECIALLY BY AIR. A MOST EFFECTIVE BOMBARDMENT WAS MADE IN GULF OF SAN FERNANDO BY SURFACE FORCES. THE FINAL AREAS WHICH REQUIRED SLEEPING FOR MINES WERE SWEPT. DETAILED REPORT FOLLOWS:

(A) BOMBARDMENT. TODAY A FEW MORE TARGETS APPEARED AS FIRING REMOVED CAMOUFLAGE AND AS SPOTTERS BECAME MORE ABLE TO DISTINGUISH CAMOUFLA GED GUNS ETCETRA. DESTROYED HOUSES IN 9114F 9244F 9344F 9139 9239 9333 AND BUILDINGS IN 9333B AND 9344. AUDITORIUM AND CAPITOL BUILDING GUTTED BUT
WALLS STILL STANDING. DESTROYED 2 ENEMY PLANES IN 9329. DESTROYED RAILWAY BUILDING 1350, 2 STOREHOUSES AND 1 PILLBOX IN 1159. DESTROYED GUN EMBLACEMENTS AREA 1159 J 9912 J 8312. CAMOUFLAGED GUN DESTROYED IN 1335. VEHICLES OBSERVED IN MOTION IN 1461 AND 1463, ATTACKED BUT RESULTS UNDETERMINED. DESTROYED 1 AA GUN 9942, 3 WAREHOUSES, 2 AA GUNS SMALL 1 LONE PILLBOX AREA 9439. TROOPS MOVING ALONG ROAD 9336 Q, DUGOUT 7844 Q. DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BUILDINGS IN 9337 D 9339. CONCRETE BUILDING WHICH CONTROLLED BRIDGE 9337 Q, CHURCH AND 7 LARGE CONCRETE BUILDINGS AREA 9739 PILLBOX 9937 K BRIDGE CROSSING RIVER IN AREA 6137 DESTROYED.

ABOVE ARE SOME EXAMPLES FROM REPORTS OF FIRING SHIPS.

(B) MINESweepING COMPLETED AND ALL SCHEDULED AREAS SWEEP 2 MINES WERE REPORTED SWEEP BUT THESE REPORTS DOUBTFUL. SEVERAL FLOATERS HAVE BEEN FOUND, BELIEVED TO COME FROM SAN FERNANDO AREA.

(C) DIRECT SUPPORT AIRCRAFT. MADE MANY IMPORTANT STRIKES TODAY. AMONG THE MOST SUCCESSFUL FOLLOW: ROSARIO STRONGLY ATTACKED AND DESTROYED INCLUDED AMMO AND SUPPLY DUMPS WAREHOUSES DUGOUTS TRENCH SYSTEMS BARRACKS MOTOR VEHICLES FUEL OIL DUMPS AND ENEMY PERSONNEL.

** AREA, MANY TARGETS WERE CAMOUFLAGED AND PILOTS SAID THEY COULD WORK ON THIS AREA FOR DAYS. ENCOUNTERED AA FIRE TO EAST AND NORTHWEST OF TOWN AND SMALL ARMS FIRE. SAN FERNANDO. STRONGLY ATTACKED DESTROYED AMMO AND FUEL DUMPS BARRACKS AND 1 CAMOUFLAGED BUILDING WHICH EXPLODED. DESTROYED TRUCKS MOVING IN THE HILLS FROM THE NEARBY TOWNS, BABUO. DAMAGED BARRACKS WAREHOUSES AND HEADQUARTERS AT CAMP JOHN MAY END OF AIRFIELD. FUEL THROWS NEAR **
ON FIRE AND FLAMES AROSE 3000 FEET. LINGAYEN. DAMAGED CAPITAL BUILDING AND DESTROYED NEARBY REVETMENTS. **

NORTH OF TOWN, DESTROYED LARGE AMMO DUMP AND HIT BARRACKS AND TRUCKS ESPECIALLY IN TARGET AREAS 2343 Y 2341 AND 2443. TRENCHES AND DUGOUTS STRAFED. BINALONAN DAMAGED 20 LONG NEW BARRACKS, BAYAMBANG. DAMAGED BRIDGE BUT STILL USEABLE BY PEDESTRIANS TO RE-UP RAILS ON BRIDGE AND TO NORTH OF BRIDGE. GENERAL. MADE 4 RECONNAISSANCES FROM SAN FERNANDO TO RABON FOR ENEMY TROOP MOVEMENTS BUT RESULTS NEGATIVE. NOTED HEAVY CIVILIAN TRAFFIC FROM LINGAYEN INTO MALASIGUA. OBSERVED VILLAGES AND ROSALES AIRFIELDS TO BE SERVICEABLE BUT NOT USED FOR SOME TIME. SORTIES VF79 VF69 SPECIAL MISSIONS 11 USING 18 PLANES. AMMUNITION EXPENDED 17 TONS 1POUNDERS 33 TONS 5POUNDERS 3 TONS 2000POUNDERS ROCKETS 636.

DELIVERED TO 2F-Q.

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OSD letter, May 1, 1972
By DBS Date MAY 21, 1973
NAVAL MESSAGE

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TO: GHQ SWPA
INFORMATION: CTF 77
FOR ACTION: COM 3RD FLEET
INFORMATION: CINCPAC
FOR ACTION: COMINCH

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DATE: 080753
TIME: NCR 928

(COM 7TH FLEET SENDS INFO COMINCH)
LINGAYEN OPERATIONS REPORTED IN 061750 AND 071242 SUPPLEMENTED
BY 071257 AND 072046 FROM CTF 77.2. SLOW TOW CONVOY TO
MINDORO UNDER AIR ATTACK IN SULU SEA, NO DAMAGE. 5 SHIPS
DAMAGED IN PREVIOUS AIR RAIDS ON MINDORO ALL SALVAGEABLE.
MOROTAI PT'S ON 05/06 DESTROYED AMMO AND PERSONNEL BARGE
OFF HAMAEHA. ORMOC PT'S ON 4/5 SANK 4 BARGES OFF NORTHEAST
CEBU.

DELIVERED TO 20-6
NAVAL MESSAGE

DATE  8 JAN 1945

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TOR CODEROOM 1156

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COSWORTH GFC PACIFIC COM 7TH FLEET

ACTUAL SENDER  CTF 77

RECEIVER CTF 78

ACTION

COPY TO FICG.

Further info my 971721. Co/design 23 in Chas AUSBURN "1TH BRAINE SHM" RUSSELL ATTACKED 25 SUMARU CLASS AT 2139 OPENING FIRE AT 16,900 AND CLOSING TO 1100 YARDS BEFORE ENEMY BLEW UP AND SANK. RUSSELL REPORTED OIL SLICK HALF VILE IN DIAMETER ON SCENE AFTER SANK. HEARD VOICES BUT UNABLE LOCATE IN DARK. NO PRISONERS.
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SGT. 7TH FLEET

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HONO INTERCEPT

(SPECIFIC DISTRIBUTION)

(PLAY 1/4 FLN TO ALL TFC'S 7TH FLN)

TO SUPER.

ORANGE FLEET AND AIRCRAFT ESTIMATE.

EMPER FORMOSA 4 BATTLESHIPS 2 CV. 2 CVL 2 CVE 3 HEAVY AND 3 LIGHT CRUISERS 25 DESTROYERS PHILIPPINES 5 DESTROYERS SINGAPORE CAIRANAY BAY AREA 2 BB-XBV 3 HEAVY AND 3 LIGHT CRUISERS 15 DESTROYERS OF TOTAL 45 DESTROYERS ESTIMATE 26 FATSU CLASS. ESTIMATE MAXIMUM OPERATIONAL ORANGE FLEET STRENGTH 4 BATTLESHIPS 2 BB-XBV 2 CV 2 CVL 2 CVE 4 HEAVY AND 5 LIGHT CRUISERS PLUS APPROXIMATELY 30 DESTROYERS. LITTLE ORANGE SUB REACTION TO BLUE OPERATIONS NOTED. ATTACKS BY MIDGET SUBS ON BLUE SHIPPING EXPECTED. POSSIBILITY SOME GERMAN SUBS MAY BE STATIONED OFF LEYTE. ESTIMATE 10 ORANGE SUBS IN PHILIPPINES AREA IN ABOUT 12 UNITS IN OKINAWA.

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**FORMOSA AREA. ESTIMATE ORANGE AIRCRAFT STRENGTH. 65 COMBAT PLANES IN PHILIPPINES. 350 IN FORMOSA. INFLATION FAIRLY HEAVY REINFORCEMENTS RECENTLY MOVED TO LUZON END FORMOSA AND SOME REINFORCEMENTS MAY BE BASED AT FIELDS IN NORTHERN LUZON.**

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CTG 77-2 SENDS ACTION TO CTF 78. RDO MANUS PASS TO ALL ADDRESSES. INFORMATION TO TF 78 CTF 79 CTF 77 CTG 77.4 CTG 77.6 CTG 77.9 COM 301 BOMBSWING COMAF 5 ALL TFC AND TGC 3RD AND 7TH FLEETS CINCSWPA CINCPAC COMINCH COMAFEAF.

COMMANDER UNDERWATER DEMOLITION TEAMS PHIBS PAC GIVES 2ND REPORT ON SAN FABRIEN BEACHES. BEACH GRADIENTS OF SAN FABRIEN BEACHES FOLLOW.

3 FATHOM LINE, 2 FATHOM LINE, 1 FATHOM LINE AND 1 HALF FATHOM LINE ARE DISTANT IN YARDS FROM WATER LINE AS FOLLOWS:

AA 280. 215. 75. 20.
BB 210. 135. 65. 35.
CC 400. 300. 50. 20.
DD 500. 150. 40. 20.
EE 500. 300. 70. 35.

LOCATION OF POINTS ABOVE STATED.

AA IS MIDPOINT OF BLUE 2.
BB CENTER OF BLUE 1.
CC MIDDLE WHITE 3.
DD CENTER WHITE 2.
EE MIDDLE WHITE 1.

DEPTHS GIVEN ABOVE AT MIDTIDE. ON BEACH BLUE 2 IS A
SAND BAR UNDER 3 FEET OF WATER EXTENDING 150 YARDS
SEAWARD AT 07407 S APPROXIMATELY 700 YARDS EAST OF
WESTERN EDGE OF BLUE 2. WESTERN 2/3S OF BLUE 2
WEST OF THE SAND BAR HAS HEAVIER SURF AND UNEVEN SAND BOTTOM.
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**CONCERNING COM 3RD FLIT**

**TO** COM 7TH FLIT CTF 38 TO COMDS TF 38. CINOPA SENDS.

**THIS IS TOP SECRET.**

I CONCUR IN YOUR 97544 AND IN THE GENERAL COMMENTS OF CINCSHPA'S CX 56837 (971257) BOTH OF WHICH ARE SUBSTANTIALLY IN ACCORD WITH PREVIOUS CONCEPTS AND AGREEMENTS. ASSUME YOU WILL OPERATE IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH AND WILL TAKE ANY FAVORABLE OPPORTUNITY TO DESTROY ENEMY HEAVY SHIPS.

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/64
NAVAL MESSAGE

CTF 78 SENS ACTION CTF 77. INFO ALL TFC & TGC 3RD AND 7TH FLTS COMINCH CINCPAC.

AT 1755/1 7TH 1 WELL GOT THROUGH US AND DROPPED 2 BOMBS BETWEEN LST'S WITHOUT DAMAGE AND WAS SHOT DOWN GOING AWAY.

AT 2257/1 OUR RIGHT FLANK DESTROYERS INTERCEPTED CHASED AND SANK 1 HATSUMARU DESTROYER. LAT 14-09 LONG 119-15. NO DAMAGE OUR SIDE. (476 1033) OFF MANDA BAY.

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**CINCPAC REENCIPHERS ARNOLD'S ST/128 PASSING INFO CON 3RD FLEET CTF 36. ORIGINAL ACTION MACARTHUR NIMITZ INFO LEMAY HARMON.**

RECEIVED AS ST/2226,

"TOP SECRET. WAX 08424.

THE REQUEST RECEIVED IN YOUR X56281 IS APPROVED. 29TH BOMBOING FORCE WILL ATTACK SHI CHIKU AIRDROME IN PLACE OF KEELUNG HARBOR. RECENT INFORMATION INDICATES THAT THIS MISSION WILL BE DELAYED ON ACCOUNT OF WEATHER AND WILL TAKE PLACE ON 8 MINUS 1 DAY."

COMMENTS: COPIES 41 TO 46 INCLUSIVE.
USSOSIPAC
ALL CONCERNS CURRENT OPERATIONS SHIP
ALL TF AND TG CONS
COMAF CINCPAC COMINCH CINCPA COMAFF COMAF 5
CTF 77 CTF 79 CTF 78
COMINCH CINCPAC CTF 77,4 CTF 77,6
COMGAR 6TH ARMY

UNDERWATER DEMOLITION TEAMS 8, 10 AND 14 REPORT RESULTS
OF RECONNAISSANCE OF BEACHES BLUE 2 AND 1 AND BEACHES
WHITE 3 2 AND 1 IN SAN FABIAN SECTION. ON BEACH WHITE 1
AND A 2-FOOT SURF BREAKS IN 3 FEET OF WATER 20 YARDS FROM
BEACH. ON BEACH WHITE 3 A 3-FOOT SURF BREAKS IN 3 FEET OF
WATER 30 YARDS FROM THE BEACH. ON BLUE BEACHES 5-FOOT SURF
BREAKS IN 7 FEET OF WATER 125 YARDS FROM BEACH. AT 1536/1
CURRENT OF 1 AND 1/4 KNOTS ON BLUE BEACHES SETTING SOUTHWEST. NO CURRENT OR WHITE BEACHES. NO RECORDABLE WIND
DURING AFTERNOON. ALL BEACHES HAVE FIRM SAND BOTTOM. NO
MINES OR UNDERWATER OBSTACLES OBSERVED. DEFENSIVE POSITIONS
OBSERVED ON BEACH ARE ONE SHALL LOG BLOCKHOUSE AT 1555 PU.
TRENCHES AT 1151X AND 11506. 2 UNLAID ANTI BOAT MINES SEEN ON BEACH AT 1151W 15 FEET ABOVE HIGH WATER LINE. DETAILED BEACH GRADIENTS WILL BE REPORTED IN LATER DESPATCH. 3 FATHOM LINE OF WHITE BEACH 3 IS 200 YARDS FROM SHORE. EVEN 3 PERCENT SLOPE TO WATERS EDGE. 2 FATHOM LINE WHITE 1 WAS 200 YARDS FROM SHORE. AT WHITE 2 BEACH 2 FATHOM LINE 150 YARDS FROM SHORE. DEPTHS TAKEN AT MIDTIDE. ALL BEACHES SUITABLE FOR LANDING. SAND DUNES AND HUHNocks BEHIND BEACHES POSSIBLE DIFFICULT FOR 4-WHEELED VEHICLES. SINGLE BARBED WIRE FENCE ALONG NORTH END OF BEACH WHITE 3. RECEIVED SMALL CALIBER GUNFIRE FROM PILL BOX AND BLOCKHOUSE MENTIONED ABOVE. SOME MORTAR FIRE RECEIVED FROM WESTERN FLANK OF BLUE BEACHES. PHOTOGRAPIHS TAKEN OF BLUE BEACH 1 AND 2 AND NEGATIVES FORWARDED TO CTG 77.4.

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By DBS Date May 21, 1973

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
COSTASK GROUP 77,2 GIVES ACTION ON 7TH FLEET INFO CTF 77 ALL TF TO CONTINUE 3RD AND 7TH FLTS CINCPAC COMA AF 3000 BOMBING COMA AF. RADIO WARS PASS ALL ADDRESSES.

STRAIGHT EVIDENCE SUICIDE PLANES EQUIPPED TO STAND PHENOMENAL O/MISEMENT. IN ONE OF YESTERDAY'S ATTACKS A FRANCE'S ATTACKS A FRANCE'S ADVANCED 2000 YARDS AT 2500 FOOT ALTITUDE AGAINST A MOST CONCENTRATED AND ACCURATE FIRE FROM ALL CALIBERS OF AA BEFORE CRASHING. A CURRENT PRACTICE IS FOR FAST PLANES TO COME IN FLYING SO LOW AS TO LEAVE PROPELLER WASH, THEN, BY BANKING CLIMB TO COLLIDE WITH SHIP'S SUPERSTRUCTURE. THEY GENERALLY CAME ON FROM THE SUN OR FROM A BACKGROUND SUITABLE TO THEIR CAMOUFLAGE. FEW HIGH ALTITUDE ATTACKS WERE NOTED.

NEW SUBJECT: COULD THESE PLANES WHICH ATTACKED TO 77,2 SO EFFECTIVELY ON 6 JANUARY HAVE BEEN CARRIER BASED? THE COLUMBUS.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/77.
REPORTED ROUGHLY TRACKING ONE OF THESE PILOTS FROM ABOUT LAT 15 DEGS LONG 118 DEGS.
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FROM CTO 77.2
RELEASED BY
DATE 7 JAN 1945
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TODAY'S OPERATIONS WENT OFF ON SCHEDULE WITH VERY SLIGHT AIR OPPOSITION. NO ATTACKS WERE MADE ON THIS FORCE UNTIL 1400 WHEN PALMER (PAC-9) WAS BOMBARDED AND SUNK. REASON NO ATTACKS OBSERVED BUT MOST PROBABLY STEPPED UP COUNTER AIR ACTIVITY BY BLUE FORCES. COMMENTS ON TODAY'S OPERATIONS FOLLOW IN SEPARATE DISPATCHES.

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Subject to weather through tropical front. It is anticipated that this air power will be augmented to give a total of 4 fighter groups at Leyte and 4 fighter groups at Mindoro about 15 January. One half of one of the heavy bombardment groups will be displaced to Samar by 29 January and 1 additional medium bomber group will be established on Mindoro by 21 January. It is also anticipated that 1 group of fighters can be installed at Lingayen by 5 plus 6.

There can be necessary neutralization of the air fields on Luzon. Itinerant and casual planes will, for some time to come, be able to launch from these fields and strike at the Lingayen area. It is believed, however, that our increasing air power should progressively minimize the aircraft menace over the #1 landing area and along the shipping lanes there to insofar as hostile aircraft being launched from fields in the Philippine Archipelago...
Losing DIRECT SUPPORT ** ASSAULT FORCES.
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FROM: LEMAY 20th Air Force
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DATE: 7 January 1945
TO: CINCPAC

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CINCPAC RECIPIER'S LEMAY'S 0T1255 PASSING INFO CON 3RD FLEET CTF 35. ORIGINALLY ACTION CINCPAC.

(RECEIVED AS ST2235)

"TOP SECRET.

POSSIBLE CHANGE IN OUR FORMOSA TARGETS. REQUEST YOUR PRIORITY LISTING OF AIRFIELD TARGETS THAT AREA. WE ARE CONSIDERING EITO AND SHI CHIKU IN THAT ORDER. IF ANY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT AVAILABLE YOUR RECENT STRIKES PLEASE ADVISE IMMEDIATELY."

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ACTION: F-30

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*COM 3RD FLT SENDS TOP SECRET TO CINCPOA*

**BASED ON AVAILABLE INTELLIGENCE, YOUR C77821, COORDINATED ATTACK BY ENEMY NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN FORCES DOES NOT APPEAR POSSIBLE BEFORE 16TH. NORTHERN FORCE ALONE COULD POSSIBLY ATTACK LINGAYAN 9TH OR COULD ATTEMPT CONTAIN TASKFOR 3R BY APPEARING NEAR OKINAWA 8TH. ULTIMATE AIR ESTIMATE PUTS GREATEST AIR THREAT TO MACARTHUR IN FORMOSA. ACTUALLY TASKFOR 3R MOVEMENTS ARE INITIALLY RESTRICTED BY NECESSITY FOR FUELING TOMORROW 8TH AFTER WHICH I CONSIDER BEST MOVE IS TO ATTACK FORMOSA AS PLANNED ON THE 9TH FROM WHICH POSITION OPERATION GRATITUDE OR AGITATOR CAN BE INITIATED QUICKLY. I DO NOT RECOMMEND TRANSITTING LUZON STRAIT WITHOUT FIRST ATTACKING FORMOSA (9TH IS EARLIEST POSS.).**

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DEFENSIVE OPERATING OF UNIDENTIFIED FROM CHINA SEA AS COMPARED TO PRESENT OPERATIONAL AREA IS

(A) MORE RESTRICTIVE;

(B) ENTAILS MORE RISK TO TASK FOR 3B AND TASK GROUP 36,6 FROM ADVERSARIES AND WEATHER;

(C) INVOLVES THE ULTIMATE ADDITIONAL RISKS OF THE RETIREMENT.

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TO: COM 7TH FLB

FROM: CTF 77
ALL TFD'S A TOG'S 3RD & 7TH FLB'S; COMAF; CINCPAC; CINCSWPA; COMINCH; COMCEAF; COMAF 5; COM 31ST BATTALION

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REPORT OF OPERATIONS FOR LINDAYEN GULF GROUP FOR A JANUARY FOLLOWING:

BOMBARDMENTS OF SANTIAGO ISLAND, BORO POINT COMPLETED. DURING AFTERNOON TASK GROUP PENETRATED DISTANCE OF 20 MILES INTO GULF TO SUPPORT MINEKASIERS UNDER ATTACK AND TO CONDUCT AN BOMBARDMENT FEASIBLE. A BOMBARDMENT OF ABOUT 1/2 HOURS DURATION OF ARIBAY-BAPANG AREA WAS EFFECTED. DURING IRRIGATION AND UPTON RETIREMENT FROM THE GULF THE GROUP WAS SUBJECT TO AN INTENSE AND PROLONGED SUICIDE BOMBING ATTACK IN WHICH CALIFORNIA, AUSTRALIA; LOUISVILLE, COLUMBIA WERE HEAVILY DAMAGED AS REPORTED IN (121F). SPECIFIC DISCUSSION OF EACH OPERATION FOLLOWS:

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(a) Santiago Island. Few important or worthwhile targets were observed in this area. Firing was therefore limited to those targets only and to a considerable amount of small shipping in passage between Santiago Island and mainland.

(b) Ford Point. All targets were well covered. Some counter battery fire necessary and enemy ceased firing. Heavily damaged storages, heavy ack ack, and reported 185 on our positions.

(c) Amingay-Barang area. Fire in this area was directed largely at enemy forces which were moving fast on road in areas 723, 1103, and 1203 towards the mountains. Troops were also noted moving north in areas 511 and 723. These troops included many vehicles and horse drawn heavy field pieces. The heavy suicide attacks made on our ships coincided with this movement.
RESULTS ACHIEVED INDETERMINATE.

(D) MINESWEEPING CONDUCTED IN ALL AREAS. ALL RESULTS NEGATIVE TO DATE EXCEPT 1 MINE FOUND IN AREA. SEVERAL FLOATING MINES WERE DISCOVERED. OPERATIONS SOMEWHAT INTERFERED WITH. HOVEY (DMS 11), LONG (DMS 12), SOUTHWARD (DMS 16) AND BROOKS (APD 19) WERE HIT BY SUICIDE BOMBERS. HOVEY AND LONG HAVE SINCE SUNK.

(E) SUPPORT AIRCRAFT. EXPENDED 45 TONS BOMBS, 492 ROCKETS WITH NO LOSSES. RESULTS: FIRED OR DAMAGED SEVERAL FJT, ARINGAY RIVER RAILROAD BRIDGE KNOCKED OUT FOR 30 HOURS. DESTROYED 1 RAILWAY LOCOMOTIVE THIS AREA. DESTROYED 1 AIRCRAFT ON GROUND, 1 IN AIR. DESTROYED AMMO DUMP 8G249, 4 BUILDINGS PROBABLY BARRACKS IN 8P39 AND 924F. EXTENSIVE RECONNAISSANCE FAILED REVEL ANY TARGETS AS PROVIDED BY ADVANCED INTELLIGENCE. NO COASTAL GUNS LOCATED.
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(F) FIGHTER DIRECTION. DESTROYED 15 EVERY AIRCRAFT AIRBORNE AT LEAST 9 OF WHICH THREE BY VISUAL FIGHTER DIRECTION.

NEW SUBJECT: CORRECTION BY Nda.14. LAST PARAGRAPH CHANGED TO READ "WE HAVE HAD 11 SHIPS HIT BY SUICIDE BOMBERS SINCE 1939 YESTERDAY, OF WHICH 9 WERE DAMAGED SEVERELY".

CORRECT BY PRESS. FIRST PARAGRAPH, 4TH SENTENCE CHANGED TO READ "HINESWEEPING GROUP CAP ABOUT DAWN DESTROYED 1 PLANE".

NEW SUBJECT: WEATHER CONDITIONS 14/94 MILD 120 DEGREES TRUE 4 KNOTS.
BAROMETER 29.68 FALLING SLOWLY-Barometer change 6 hours 1/16 INCH.
ALTO STRATUS CUMULUS 8/16 BASE 2500 FEET. SEA SMOOTH PROBABLE.

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ACTION COM 3RD FLEET

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CTF 77 061824 MY 070312 REQUEST YOUR BRIEF ESTIMATE.

COWINCH COPIES 1 TO 8 INCL.
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**FROM:** CINCPAC

**RELEASED BY:**

**DATE:** 7 JANUARY 1945

**TO:** CINCSWPA

**COORDINATE CHECKED BY**

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(CINCPAC SENDS ACTION CINCSWPA. INFO COMINCH, COM 3RD FLEET, CTF 77.)

**TOP SECRET.**

DESIRE LIMIT OPERATION 3RD FLEET IN SOUTH CHINA SEA TO PERIOD NECESSARY FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT COVERING TASK ACCORDANCE BY 2814423 AND USE THEIR AIRCRAFT FOR OFFENSIVE STRIKES IN STRATEGIC SUPPORT. HOWEVER REQUEST YOUR COMMENT ON CTF 77 081824 AND ESTIMATE AS TO PRESENT ABILITY SHORE BASED AIR FORCES AND ESCORT CARRIERS ACCOMPLISH ESSENTIAL PROTECTION EXPEDITIONARY FORCES AND DIRECT AIR SUPPORT AT THE OBJECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE PREVIOUS CONCEPTS. WHEN TIME PERMITS PREFER THAT REQUESTS FOR MAJOR CHANGES IN EMPLOYMENT OF FAST CARRIER TASK FORCES INCIDENT TO CHANGES IN OVERALL COORDINATION OF LAND AND CARRIER BASED AIR FORCES BE RECEIVED FROM YOUR HEADQUARTERS.

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**HONOLULU FOX INTERCEPT**

(Com Third Fleet Sends, Action CINCPAC CINCPEACEPAC CTF 77 COM FEAF COMAF 5 Info CTF 38 CTG 77.2.)

**THIS IS TOP SECRET.**

8 JANUARY TF 38 Refuels and will not be available for strikes or cover. Unless recommendation received from MacArthur or Kinkaid Com 3rd Fleet will decide whether strike Formosa or Luzon 9 January advising interested Commands.

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ENEMY AIR ESTIMATE OKINAMA FORWARD FORMOSA LUZON. PHOTOS 3RD SHOW FORMOSA 594 OKINAMA 152 MIYAKO-IISHIBAKI 61 ADDITIONAL 154 SIGHTED FORMOSA. TOTAL 981 OF WHICH 480 OPERATIONAL COMBAT TYPES ESTIMATED REMAIN AFTER STRIKES. PHOTOS LUZON SHOW TOTAL OF 237 APPARENTLY OPERATIONAL FELL DISPERSSED (186 IN GENERAL CLARK AREA OF WHICH 155 SINGLE ENGINE TYPE).

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FROM CINCSOESPAC
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DESTINATION ADDRESS
FOR ACTION
GO ARMY AIR FORCES
GO 20TH ROYCOM DEPUTY CON 20TH AIR FORCE CINCPAC CTF 77 CON 3RD FLT COMMANDER ALLIED AIR FORCES DEPUTY CON 20TH AIR FORCE

SITUATION DEVELOPING IN U-1 OPERATION INDICATES POSSIBILITY THAT SUICIDE BOMBERS ARE COMING FROM FORMOSA AND REQUIRES MAXIMUM CONCENTRATED EFFORT BY ALL MEANS ON NEUTRALIZATION OF JAPANESE AIR. REQUEST THAT BOMBER MISSIONS 20TH ROYCOM SCHEDULED FOR KEELUNG HARBOR ON S MINUS 1 BE DIVERTED TO HOSTILE AIR (SITE X 59051) FIELDS FORMOSA SOD MACARTHUR.

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TO: CINC PAC, CINC SOWES PAC
CINCHC, COM 7TH FLT, CTF 77, ALL TFCs AND TGCs

DECODER BY: C. GREEN
TYPED BY: W. STRONG

Routed by:

COMMUNICATIONS:

PARTIAL REPORT LUZON STRIKES 6 JAN: SHOT DOWN 8 OUT OF 13 SEEN AIRBORNE. DESTROYED ON THE GROUND

19 DAMAGED 14. MANY OPERATIONAL PLANES PRESENT BUT DIFFICULT TO FIND DUE TO LARGE NUMBER DUDS, BAD WEATHER

CAREFUL DISPERAL. PHOTOS SHOW 237 APPARENTLY OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT ON FOLLOWING FIELDS: ANGEEES AREA:

31 SINGLES 1 TWIN DEL CARMEN 9 SINGLES 6 TWINS FORAC 2 SINGLES. MABALACAT 6 SINGLES. CLARK FIELDS

73 SINGLES 50 TWINS WELL CAMOUFLAGED AND HIDDEN IN HEDGROWS. GRACE PARK 7 TWINS & UNIDENT. NICHOLS 3

SINGLES 3 TWINS. NIELSEN 6 SINGLES 12 TWINS. ZAULAN 1 SINGLE 1 TWIN 1 UNIDENT. WEST PASIG 1 SINGLE CANACAO

8 SINGLES. BAMBAN 5 SINGLES 2 TWINS. VISUAL COVERAGE OTHER FIELDS INDICATE VERY FEW PLANES. SHIPING AND GROUND DAMAGE SEPARATE DISPATCH.

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From: Commander in Chief Southwest Pacific Area Advance Echelon, Leyte, Philippines
To: War Department
No: 0 56081 7 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department 0 56081. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/6 to 1500Z/7 signed MacArthur.

Japan: China based aircraft reports 33 vessels at sea in waters east of Kyushu including 1 battleship 1 or 2 carriers 4 or more cruisers 5 destroyers 15 unidentified escort vessels.

Formosa: Third Fleet estimates 400 operational planes left after strikes on 3rd 4th at French Indo China: 12° destroyers 17 freighter transports sighted at anchor off Cape Saint Jacques January 7.

South China sea: Escort carrier and destroyer sighted 280 miles West Manila afternoon January 6, some air attacks reported from this direction by Naval units off Lingayen.

Luzon: Photographs January 6th and 7th aircraftdroses Clark and Manila show 149 single engine 92 twin engine planes; Naval units Lingayen Gulf January 6 reported troops with horse drawn artillery moving North in Aringay/Bauang area; Guerilla reports state large numbers of enemy in vicinity Pasanig.

From: Commander in Chief Southwest Pacific Area Advance
Echelon, Leyte, Philippines

No: C 56081 7 January 1945

Air. Enemy action: Intense prolonged suicide attacks damaged Allied Warships Lingayen Gulf, fighter cover shot down 15 planes January 6. Corsairs shot down one plane near convoy Mindanao Sea same day.

Operations January 5: (1) Patrol B24 exploded warehouses Arawa Island, Brunei Bay.

(2) 6 RAAF P40's and 9 P38's raided bridges and coastal targets Northeastern Celebes; 30 B25's and 21 Beaufighters demolished buildings caused many fires Manado, 2 B25's lost.

(3) 1 B24, 2 B25's, 51 RAAF P40's and 4 Sptifires cratered Lolobata and Hatatabako hit targets Northern Halmahera.

Operations January 6:

(4) support aircraft from escort carriers struck Lingayen area, fired or damaged several small freighters demolished barracks ammunition dumps knocked out Aringay river bridge, shot down 1 plane destroyed another on ground.

(5) 45 A20's, 8 B25's, 6 P38's and 15 Corsairs damaged railroads and bridges Flaridel and Calumpit North Manila, strafed rolling stock Los Banos and exploded ammunition trucks Samban.

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From: Commander in Chief Southwest Pacific Area Advance
Echelon, Leyte Philippines

To: C 56061

7 January 1945

(6) 11 Leyte based A20's started fires Lahug
airstrip Cebu; 4 P-47's strafed Del Monte and Diklon, Mindanao.

(7) 2 RAAF B25's strafed highways Soemba Island;
Darwin B24 bombed Saumlaki.

(8) 23 Beauforts attacked concentrations West Wewak.

Operations January 7:

(9) 4 predawn B24's raided Clark Field dispersals;
30 Leyte based B25 plus A20's destroyed 21/26 planes Clark
Field in low level strike, 3 A20's lost another missing;
Preliminary report P38's escort shot down 2 of 6 interceptors.

(10) 42 Morotai B24's raided Nichols, Nielson and Bataanes
airdromes, caused large fires in dispersals.

(11) 24 Palau based B24's caused explosions many
fires amongst pored planes Grace Park dispersals.

(12) 9 B24's, 2 P-47's and 12 P-38's struck Silay air-
drome and installations Negros; Single B-24 **.

(13) B24's from Biak attacked Daliao and Padada
airdromes Davao area.

(14) Darwin B 24 Bombed Ende Flores Island;
3 RAAF B 25's * coastal guns Bivucoc and radio

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From: Commander in Chief Southwest Pacific Area Advance Echelon, Leyte, Philippines

To: C 56081

Date: 7 January 1945

Subject: 4 New Zealand Corsairs and 4 Venturas hit personnel areas Northern New Ireland. 20 New Zealand Corsairs patrolled Rabaul harassed motor transport. 40 New Zealand Corsairs demolished bridge raided bivouac coastal installations Bougainville.

Land, Leyte:
10th Corps:
Normal patrolling, no contacts.
24th Corps:
7th Division reported enemy resistance Mahilom, Mount Maasagomoc broken, continued mopping up Dungkol/Patag/Funta Dianoa Area.
77th Division contacted scattered enemy groups along highway number 2 and Villaba area 6 December.

11th Airborne Division elements moved to block passes west from hill 4101 (2½ miles northeast Bintoa).

Part 3

(1) Dropped 9 250 lb bombs.
(2) 2 36s dropped 9 500 lb bombs.

B 25s dropped 177 250 lb bombs from minimum altitude.
Beaufighters dropped 31 500 lb bombs, fired 17 50 lb rockets.

CM-IN-7297 (8 Jan 45)

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Echoelon, Leyte, Philippines

No: 056061 7 January 1945

Moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire.

(3) E 24 dropped 9 500 lb bombs.

B 25s dropped 12 250 lb bombs.
F 40s dropped 67 250 lb bombs.
2 4 100 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.
Slight light and medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(4) Dropped 45 tons bombs, fired 492 rockets.

Para 5 and 6 no details.

(7) B 25s fired 2,500 rounds 50 caliber
Para B 24 dropped 9 300 lb bombs.

(8) Dropped 40 by 500 lb, 88 by 250 lb bombs, fired
6,300 rounds 30 caliber.

(9) B 24 dropped 12 500 lb, 64 100 lb bombs
B 25s and A 20s met intense anti aircraft fire of all
calibers.

(10) Dropped 800 and 18 120 lb frags from 17,000
to 10,000 feet, met intense heavy mostly accurate anti
aircraft fire.

(11) No details.

(12) B 25s dropped unstated number paradesmos, met
moderate light accurate anti aircraft fire.
B 24s dropped 20 120 lb frags.

(13) No details.

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From: Commander in Chief Southwest Pacific Area Advance Echelon, Leyte, Philippines
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(14) B-24's dropped 36 250 lb bombs, B-25's dropped 12 500 lb bombs, Beauforts dropped 4 250 lb bombs.

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To: War Department

No: C 56026

7 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 56026. Operations report SWESPAC area period 1500Z/5 to 1500Z/6 sgd MacArthur.

Make correction on Page 4, Line 20 to read:

Cumulative enemy casualties: 63,495 killed, 473 captured.

End

Leyte ground casualties

Note: Supplementary copy of CM-IN-6362 (7 Jan 45) OFD

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No: C 56026

7 January 1945

From GHO SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 56026. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/5 to 1500Z/6 sgd MacArthur.

French Indo China:

2 destroyers, 4 large transports, 4 other vessels passed Tourane on northerly course January 3; 1 cruiser, 10 transports carrying troops, 6 escort vessels reported arriving Cape Saint Jacques January 4, 1 battleship, 2 destroyers, 3 tankers 4 transports, 15 other vessels sighted at anchor by reconnaissance plane afternoon January 6.

China coast:

Leyte reconnaissance plane reported off Amoy 1 aircraft carrier, 1 light cruiser, 7 destroyers, 3 medium freighter transports, 3 tankers heading northeast midday January 6.

Formosa:

9 freighter transports, 3 tankers, 3 seatrucks sighted anchored Takao January 6.

Philippines:

Luzon:

Photographs January 2 showed 60 fighters,

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58 bombers on Clark Field, runway photographed at IBA.

Part 2. Naval:

Leyte PT boats destroyed 4 barges northeast Cebu night January 4; Morotai boats sank laden barge southbound off west coast following night.

Air. Enemy action:

Naval anti-aircraft fire claimed 1 plane south Mindoro January 4, P-61's shot down dive bomber next day. Suicide dives included in heavy attacks reported by Allied shipping southwest Luzon, light raid Mindoro January 6.

Operations January 4:

(1) 8 B-24's from Nadzab raided Rabaul and Keravat airdrome.

Operations January 5:

(2) 12 A-20's rendered strip unserviceable Lubang Island.

(3) 35 A-20's attacked Fabrica, Rocolod and Talisay on Negros, probably destroyed 2 planes, 1 A-20 lost.

(4) 4 Corsairs and 8 P-47's strafed Surigao airdrome, Mindanao.

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(5) 10 Darwin B-24's damaged Nickel installations started fires Pomelae.

(6) 1 B-24 bombed village Timor, another attacked Saumlaki.

(7) 8 Beauforts attacked village Nekaw area.

(8) 10 Beauforts from Goodenough Island raided targets Gazelle Peninsula.

Operations January 6:

(9) 2 B-24's caused fires Clark Field dispersals before dawn.

(10) 1 group Fifth Air Force B-24's from Palau destroyed estimated 18 planes Clark Field; 2 groups 13th Air Force B-24's from Morotai struck Mielson and Nichols airdromes; heavy explosions and fires caused, nil interception all targets.

(11) 11 Leyte based B-25's attacked Fabrica and Bacoleta, destroyed or damaged 2 planes Silay, 1 B-25 lost; B-25's from Morotai attacked Carolina.

(12) 6 Leyte based B-25's raided Surigao airdrome; 6 other B-25's struck Del Monte airdrome, Mindanao.

(13) 2 Darwin B-24's attacked Fuloro and Cape Chater, Timor.

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(14) 7 B-24's from Nadzab bombed submarine hideout and installations southeast Lekunai, Rabaul.

Solomons Forces. Air.

Operations January 5:

(15) 6 New Zealand Venturas 10 New Zealand Corsairs, demolished buildings and bridge New Ireland; 5 New Zealand Venturas, 34 Marine B-25's caused fires suspected floatplane hideout west Simpson Harbor; single B-25 bombed Rabaul, 28 New Zealand Corsairs patrolled area sank 2 barges strafed motor trucks; 38 New Zealand Corsairs raided bivouacs and supplies 2 Catalinas cooperated PT boats Bougainville area.

Land. Mindoro:

Ilin Island off southwest coast reconnoitred without enemy contact.

Leyte:

X Corps: No contacts.

XXIV Corps: 7th Division units attacked well dug in enemy position northeast slopes Mount Maconoc. East of Ormoc and near Dolores resistance reduced to sniper fire.

Cumulative enemy casualties: 630,495 killed, 473 captured.

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Part 3.

(1) Dropped 64 1000 lb general purpose bombs.

(2) Dropped unstated number 500 lb bombs.

(3) Dropped 92 500 lb bombs, 715 23 lb parafrags.

(4) No details.

(5) Dropped 90 500 lb bombs from 15,000 feet, met intense heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.

(6) Dropped 9 500 lb, 9 300 lb bombs.

(7) Dropped 17 250 lb bombs, 2 250 lb and 570 4 lb incendiaries, 39 40 lb frags, fired 9000 rounds 30 calibre.

(8) Dropped 60 250 lb general purpose bombs.

Paragraphs 9 through 11: No details.

(12) Dropped unstated number parafrags, fired unstated number rounds.

(13) Dropped 9 300 lb, 12 250 lb bombs.

(14) Dropped 56 1000 lb bombs from 9,000 feet, fired 1200 rounds 50 caliber, met slight heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CG/S, CG AAF, ASP, G-2, Adm King, Col Park, Statistics, Log

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OSD Letter, May 4, 1973

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DATE 6 JANUARY 1944

TO CTF 77
FROM

RECEIVED 6 JANUARY 1944

TOP SECRET

SUBJECT: CTF 77 SENDS TO COM 3RD FLEET WITH INFO TO ALL TFC AND TCG'S 3RD AND 7TH FLTS CINCPAC CINCPAC COMINCH CONFEAF CONFEAF 5 COM 31ST BOMBING.

CTG 77.2 DESPATCH 061216 REPORTS ADDITIONAL DAMAGE BY CRASH DIVERS WHICH IS GROWING TO SERIOUS PROPORTIONS. PROBABLE THAT JAPS ARE USING SMALL AIR FIELDS AS WELL AS LARGE. REQUEST YOU COVER AS MANY FIELDS AS POSSIBLE IN LINGAYEN AREA. FURTHER REQUEST YOU GIVE CONSIDERATION TO MOVING 3RD FLEET TO WESTWARD OF LUZON TO GIVE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT OBJECTIVE AREA WHICH WILL BE SPECIALY REQUIRED DURING PERIOD LOADED TRANSFERS IN THAT AREA. THIS WOULD FACILITATE INITIATION GRATITUDE OPERATION NECESSITY FOR WHICH MAY DEVELOP WITHOUT MUCH WARNING DUE TO WEATHER FRONTS CHINA SEA AREA.

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RELEASED BY:

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FOR ACTION: CTF 77

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IN VIEW YOUR NO 334 TF 38 WILL STRIKE LUZON ON 8 MINUS 2 USING SAME PLAN AS WAS EMPLOYED TODAY.

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COM 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION HOBBY INFO CTF 38, CTG 30.8 CEASE DECEPTIVE MEASURES IMMEDIATELY. PROCEED TO Rendezvous with CTG 30.8 CENTER AREA OCTANE AT 1000 17 JANUARY AND REPORT TO HIM FOR DUTY.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COM 3RD FLT
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COM 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION CTG 30.9 CTU 30.8.9

INFO CTG 30.8 COM 7TH FLT CTF 77 CINCPAC INFO PASS INFO COMSERVPAC
TU 30.8.9 RETURN ULITHI DAYLIGHT 7 JANUARY FOR SUBSTIUTION OF VESSELS. REFER CTG 30.9 060729 NOT TO ALL.

OILERS PROCEEDING TO LEYTE GULF WILL NOT BE REQUIRED TO OPERATE EXTENSIVELY AT SEA. PREFER YOU SEND NIBRAKA AND PAMANSET TO LEYTE. CALIENTE OR ANY OTHER FAST OILER CANNOT BE SPARED FROM 3RD FLT NOW.

REQUIRE BOTH OIL CARGO AND OILER SIDES FOR EXPEDITIOUS FUELING THEREFOR ESSENTIAL YOU SAIL 7 OILERS IN COMPLIANCE MY 052210.

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061130
COMMORPAC SAYS ACTION CINCPAC INFO COMSUBPAC AND CTF 92.

PASSED BY RADIO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 062335.

TASK FORCE 92 COMPLETED BOMBARDMENT SURIBACHI 060703Z. FIRES OBSERVED. RETURN GUN FIRE LIGHT.

NIL DAMAGE OWN SHIPS. TASK FORCE NOW RETIRING ATFU.

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TOP SECRET.

6 JANUARY AIR OPPOSITION OVER LUZON NEGLECTIBLE. HIPS UNWILLING.

ALL FIELDS NOT OBSERVED. GREATEST CONCENTRATION CLARK AREA WHERE 144 PLANES OBSERVED BY PHOTO SOME DAMAGED. TARGES HARD TO FIND AND UNDOUBTEDLY MANY WELL HIDDEN PLANES WERE NOT SEEN. FORCE NOT

* 1 NG DAY. WEATHER POSSIBILITIES NOT ENCOURAGING FOR EITHER FORMOSA OR LUZON TOMO **. WILL STRIKE FORMOSA TOMORROW.

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MIDGET SUBMARINE ATTACKED OUR ADVANCING ECHELON IN SULU SEA ON 5TH. 2 TORPEDOES PASSED THROUGH CONVOY WITHOUT HITS. TAYLOR (DD 468) RAMMED AND DEPTHCHARGED SUB FOR PROBABLE KILL. MIDGET SEARCHERS ATTACKED DOCKS, WAREHOUSES AND DUMPS IN BRUNEI AREA. MINDORO PT'S ON 3RD DESTROYED RANGE. OUR MINDORO FORCES RAIDED ON NIGHT 3/4 AND LEYTE AREA ON 4TH.

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JAPANESE PLANE SIGHTED SOMETHING POSITIVE 10-10 N 121-50 E

AT 06135$/1.

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**TOR CODEROOM**: 0605

**DECODED BY**: SLUTZ

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**INFORMATION**: COM7THFLT CTF 77

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(CINC PAC SENDS ACTION ALL TFC'S 3RD FLEET AND INFO COM7THFLT CTF 77)

BELIEVE SUBSTANTIAL JAP SHIPPING HAS BEEN FOLLOWING PORTS OR LAIHAN ISLAND AND ALONG FRENCH INDO CHINA COAST. HAINAN ISLAND, YULIE, HOIHOW, SAMA, FRENCH INDO CHINA, HAI PHONG, TOURAYE. XUANDAI BAY (13-22 N 109-17 E).

CAM RANH BAY, CAPE SAINT JACQUES, SAIGON. OTHER PORTS WITH LIMITED TRAFFIC. HASNA ISLAND. TAICHU (MFNUJOSA* 18-40 N 101-25 E) GASP BAY. HON HAT BAY (KNAT N N 109- FUEL BAY, W 8-00 E)


ONLY ANCHORAGE IN GULF OF SIAM WHERE LARGE WARSHIPS COULD FERRY AND RRCTE CDHII JAPAN (91-10 N 103-20 E) AND KOK CHANG (12-05 N 102-25 E).

ESTIMATE OTHER ANCHORGES JAP WARSHIPS MIGHT USE AT TIZZARDBREED AND PULU CONDOR (SOUTH OF CAPE SAINT JACQUES).
CAPTURED OFFICER ---** OCGJY ---** INDICATES MINED AREAS OFF YGGLUOHAY* AT HAINAN ISLAND. ENTIRE PROHIBITED

AREA LIES WITHIN 8 MILE RADIUS OF COMB POINCJQODNCX DBTWL*

*AS RECEIVED

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AT 053525 (MINUS 9) JAP AVIATOR REPORTED SOMETHING NEAR POSIT 18-27 N 122-48 E.

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(ACTION CINCPAC INFO COMINCH COM 7TH FLEET CTF 77 FROM COM 3RD FLEET)

FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY AIRFIELDS PHOTOGRAPHED AND OBSERVED ON 3 JANUARY. PHOTOS 2 FIELDS GIRAN 43 SINGLE 1 TWIN 15 PROBABLE DUMMY. MATSUYAMA 33 SINGLE 33 TWIN 2 UNIDENTIFIED OF WHICH 8 DESTROYED. SHINCHIKU 29 VF AND TRAINERS. TAIEN 37 SINGLE 7 TWIN 1 UNIDENTIFIED OF WHICH 5 DESTROYED. CHITKAQ 10 TOJOS. EIKO 20 Biplanes.

2 HEITO AIXEMS 132 SINGLE 47 TWIN OF WHICH 2 DESTROYED. TAINAN 18 SINGLE 63 TRAINERS 6 UNIDENTIFIED TAKAO 16 SINGLE.

CHOMOSU 4 SINGLE 1 TWIN. KATO 13 SINGLE.

PILOT OBSERVATIONS FOLLOW. 1ST NUMBER - OPERATIONAL PLANES OBSERVED; 2ND NUMBER - PLANES DESTROYED OR DESTRUCTED.

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DAMAGED.
KARENKO 16/5. LAMPESO 30/0. TANSUI 6/2 FLYING BOATS.
CHOSU 4/4. KAMKA 15/0. KOSHUN 5/5. TAITO 1/1. TOKO 10/10
OF WHICH HALF F/B HALF RUFES. KAGI 35/3. KEISHU 20/3. KOB1
25/11. ROKKO 21/21. TAICHU 6/2. TOYOHARA 15/2. NIL PLANES
ON KOKO KORYU OKASEKI TIENGFLR KAPUTSUA NOJOSEKI TSUINA
SOTON TOSEI TAKAO SEAPLANE BASE.
(COM 3RD FLEET SENDS. ACTION CINCPAC CINCSOWESPAC. INFO
COMINCH CTF 77 COM 7TH FLEET CTF 93. CINCPAC PASS INFO
COMNAVGROUP CHINA AND 20TH AIRFORCE).}

REPORTS FORMOSA STRIKES 3 AND 4 JANUARY.
DESPITE EXTREMELY ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS BOTH DAYS
FOLLOWING DAMAGE INFLECTED. 30 PLANES SHOT DOWN. 81 PLANES
DESTROYED ON GROUND. 220 DAMAGED. SHIPS SUNK OR DESTROYED
1 LARGE AK 2 DE FROM CONVOY WEST OF TAKAO, 1 MEDIUM AK
1 SMALL AK KEELUNG, 1 PC 10 SMALL COASTAL AK 11 SMALL
CRAFT. SHIPS DAMAGED 1 LARGE DD 4 DE 6 PC 1 LSV 2 LANDING
CRAFT 2 LARGE 1 MEDIUM AK 4/4 SMALL AK 7 SMALL CRAFT.
GROUND INSTALLATIONS DESTROYED 11 LOCOMOTIVES 4 TANK CARS
SEVERAL FREIGHT CARS AND GAS TRUCKS 1 RAILWAY BRIDGE OVER
TANSUI RIVER RAILWAY STATION AT OKAYAMA HANGARS AT TANSUI
TAIEN WAREHOUSES AT KARENKO DOCKS AT KOBI AMMO DUMPS AT
HEITO TANSUI FUEL DUMP SHINSHOSSI. DAMAGED SUB BASE AND
DRY DOCK AREA KEELUNG HANGARS AND BUILDINGS OKASEKI TAICHU
ALCOHOL PLANT KOBI AMMO DUMP AT KORYU DOCK AREA CEMENT
FACTORY SUO REPEDOGXIO* RADAR STATION GARANKI POINT
AIRCRAFT FACTORY OKAYAMA FACTORY AND STORES TAITO SUGAR
REFINERY RAILWAY STATION SHOKA LARGE WAREHOUSE NEAR TAIHOKU

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FLKTY* OIL CAR TRAIN AND 11 CAR PASSENGER TRAIN 3 LOCOMOTIVES
5 FREIGHT CARS 6 TRUCKS PLUS STRAFING AND ROCKET DAMAGE TO
MANY INSTALLATIONS AND BUILDINGS THROUGHOUT TARGET AREAS.
ESTIMATE 750 PLANES OF ALL TYPES ON FORMOSA BEFORE STRIKES
AND 56 SEEN ON OKINAWA AND ISHIGAKI. DETAILS IN PHOTOS
WILL FOLLOW. OWN LOSSES 17 AIRPLANES IN COMBAT 17 OPERATIONAL.
PERSONNEL MISSING 17 PILOTS 2 CREWMEN.

*AS RECEIVED
COPY TO OP 20G
NAVAL MESSAGE

COM THIRD FLEET

RELEASED BY 6 JAN 45

COM NAVGRP CHINA COMINCH CTF 77 CONSEVENTHFLEET CTF 93 COMAF 5 ALL TF'S THIRD AND SEVENTH FLTS COMFEAF 20TH AIR FORCE

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SAN FEATHERS

FORMOSA OKINAWA STRIKES THROUGH BAD WEATHER 3-4 JANUARY.

DESTROYED 111 PLANES DAMAGED 220.

SANK 27 AND DAMAGED 68 ASSORTED SHIPS, 20TH AIR FORCE FEEBLE, NIPS UNWILLING OR UNABLE TO MEET CHALLENGE.

FORCE SNOOPED BUT NO ATTEMPT MADE TO ATTACK FORCE.

DELIVERED 20-0
HONO INTERCEPT

(TO VBC, VFC, 91 PRW, 319 BW, 316 BW INFO TO CHI, ADV CHI, COMAIF, COMYTHFLT, COMARDET, COMAF 13, CTF 73, CTF 77, CG 6TH ARMY, USS WASSATCH, CTF 95, 4, FCC FROM COMAF 5 CITE J3145E)

OUR COMBINED AIR INTENT:
VFC SENDS 26 V'S COVERING HEAVY STRIKE CLARK FIELD.
24 V'S AND 36 F4U'S COVER LANGAYEN TRANSPORTS FROM DAWN TO 2455.
4 V'S RECCO SURIGAO FROM 645 TO 1945.
4 V'S COVER PSY SOUTH EAST TACUMANHARI ISLAND.
8'S COVER IN 8'S PHOTO LANGAYEN AREA AT 1941.
8'S COVER ORIOLO LTD SUPPLY DAWN TO DUSK.
4 8'S COVER EAST CAMIGUIN ISLAND 10.
16 8'S COVER 32 SKYTRAINS LATE BOMBING MISSIONS TO AINDORO AND RETURN.
4 8'S DAWN AND SUN PATROLS NXXX* 4 AND ALERT SUN TO...
5 8'S COVER LEYTE GULF AND SLOW TOW DAWN TO DUSK.

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VBC SENDS:
4 RONS V'S HIT CLARK FIELD BY 1615.
12 R V'S STRIKE NEGROS DRONES 1615.
12 S IS HIT CAHUUG, OPON V'S DRONES 1615.
2 SNOOPERS HARASS CLARK FIELD NIGHT 5/6.
71 PHOTO RECCO WING SENDS:
8 F5 IS TO PHOTO RECCO AT IRIG DRONES MANILLA AREA, ROADS, BRIDGES AND RAILROADS AND USUAL MAPPING MISSIONS ON SOUTHERN LUZON.
4 F5 IS PHOTO SHORE LINE, ROAD NET AROUND LINGAYEN GULF AT 1915.
318 BOMB WING SENDS:
8 SNOOPERS AND 6 R'S L-2's RELEASED TO 22 BOMB GROUP.
2 R IS COURIER LEYTE 66 M'S HIT TARGET AT DALI 1129.
1 EAST JN'DI TILAUR* ISLAND 1430 TO 1630.
3 F7 IS NAP SOUTH EAST LUZON.
316 BOMB WING MAINTAINS 4 B'S OF STAGED B'S COVERING CONVOY AT SEA ALL DAY AND F'S AT DAWN AND DUSK.
8 BLACK WIDOWS COVER SAN FABIAN CONVOY 1615 TO DUSK AND 1 COVERING AT NIGHT.
4 RONS 8 IS AND 1 RON R V'S COVER 1 RON U'S HIT PLARIDEL AND GALUAPIT BRIDGES AT 1740, STRAFFING LAZUSA BAY ON RETURNING.
BLACK WIDOWS OVER LINGAYEN GULF FROM 1815 TO 1915.
1 RON U'S AND 1 RON V'S LOCAL BEACH HEAD COVER.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM COMAF 5
RELEASED BY
DATE 5 JAN 1945
TOR CODEROOM 1110
DECODED BY PETERSON
TYPE BY MCDougall

ROUTED BY

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE
3RD FLT

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IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW

ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME: 0518451 NCR 7134

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TO THIRD FLT, PASS TO ALL INTERESTED IN CURRENT OPERATIONS FROM COMAF 5.

CITE J3090E.

INTEND HEAVY STRIKES ON CLARK, NIELSON, NICHOLS AIRDROMES

6 JANUARY. TOT 1000 TO 1045. ALSO PHOTO JOES WILL COVER LINGAYEN GULF SHORE LINE AT 0900 WITH FILTER COVER. ALL TIMES 1. ACKNOWLEDGE.
From CTF 93 to COMGEN AAF POA. RDO Wahiawa pass info to CINCPOA; CTF 94; CTG 94.9; ATC's CENPAC; 7TH BOMCOM; COMAIRPAC; COMAF 7; COM THIRD FLEET; CTF 96; 21 BOMCOM Guam; CTG 30.5; COMFAW 2; CTU 30.5.3.

RESULT: SKULLDUGGERY 5 January.

8 P-38's with 3 Liberators over Iwo Jima at approximately 042100Z destroyed 1 airborne S/E enemy plane. 1 P-38 crashed on approach pilot lost. AA accurate and intense. 1 P-38 damaged pilot wounded but returned safely. Oil drums on beach strafed no observed results. 4 squadrons total 43 Liberators dropped on Iwo Jima 79.5 tons centuries instantaneous and long delay fuzed from 042336Z to 050415Z from 19000 feet. Accuracy good to poor. AA moderate and accurate; minor damaged 11 planes. 2 Liberators spotted four cruisers at Haifa.

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By RT, NARI, Date 4/13/44
JIMA AND THREE AT IWO JIMA. 4 PB4Y PHOTO PLANES GOT NO
PICTURES ON ACCOUNT WEATHER. WEATHER AT IHA JIMA
PREVENTED PLANE SPOTTING.
**TOP SECRET DISPATCH**

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**INFORMATION:** CON 3RD FLEET

**DATE:** OCT 77

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**OG-19 HONOLULU FOX INTERCEPT**

(ALL TASK FORCE CON 3RD FLEET ALL TASK FORCE CON 7TH FLEET RECEIVE ACTION FROM CINCPAC. INFO CON 3RD FLEET OCT 77.)

**ULTRA.**

CONTACT REPORTED 251735-1 POSIT 16-02 N 118-36 E AND 1955 NEAR 14-56 N 118-56 E.

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RDO HONOLULU FOX INTERCEPT

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CONTACT REPORTED 671735-1 POSIT 16-1-2 N 118-36 E AND 1955
NEAR 14-57 N 118-56 E.

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HONO INTERCEPT.

TO COMAF 5 ACTION, ACTION TO COMAF 13 ACTION TO COMAIR 7TH FLIGHT ACTION TO RCO* 310 BOMB WING ACTION TO CTG 94.5 FOR 22 AND 494 GROUPS INFO TO CINCWS PA COM 3RD FLIGHT CTF 38 FROM COMAAF SEPY.

CITE AX 30376

3RD FLIGHT WILL BE OPERATING IN LUZON AREA SOUTH OF 16-30N. LAT ON JANUARY 6. ALL ALLIED AIR FORCE PILOTS WILL BE BRIEFED THAT NAVY CARRIER TYPE AIRPLANES MAY BE ENCOUNTERED OVER LUZON. ALLIED AIR FORCE AIRPLANES WILL NOT CROSS THE SANTA CRUX-BAGABAG-CAPE SAN ILDEFONSO LINE JANUARY 6 EXCEPT IN AN EMERGENCY.

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051625/1
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CTG 73.6
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 6 JAN 45
TOR CODEROOM: 0041

DECLARED BY: STEEN
RECEIVED BY: SEVALO/STEE
ROUTED BY: 

ADDRESS TO:

COM 7TH FLT

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INFORMATION:

ALL TFC'S AND TOC'S 3RD AND 7TH FLTS CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT CINCSWPA CTF 73

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PART 1 051445Z NCR 7226 PART 2 051135Z NCR 7225 PART 3 051348Z NCR 7299 PART 4 051352Z NCR 7262 PART 5 051435Z NCR 7259 PART 6 051446Z NCR 7226

URGENT INTERCEPT

(COM 7TH FLT GETS ACTION INFO ALL TFC'S AND TOC'S 3RD AND 7TH FLTS CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT CINCSWPA-CFT 73 COMAFA)

PAY SEARCHES 11 PV'S 5. SECTOR J OUT 540 MILES 90% COVERAGE. NO CONTACTS. SECTOR K OUT 540 MILES. COVERAGE 85%. NO CONTACTS. SECTOR Y DISTANCE 500 MILES. 85% COVERAGE.

LEYTE SEARCHES. POSITIONS NORTH AND EAST. **. ** 80 MILES. 70% COVERAGE. NEGATIVE. SECTOR X. 500 MILES 95% COVERAGE.

SIGHTED 3 BARBIES 2 **SC OR SC AT CORON I 11-59 120-12. UBARRISON MANLEY* BAY SURVIVORS NEGATIVE. SECTOR F1P*. OUT 800 MILES. COVERAGE 80%, SIGHTED 2 LUGGERS 80-52 121-50 ANCHORED AT 1600. STRAFFED AND DAMAGED. SECTOR 1 DISTANCE 925 MILES. 75% COVERAGE. NO CONTACTS. MACAO NEGATIVE.

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By DBS Date MARY 21, 1972

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SECTOR 10 OUT 800 MILES DUE ENGINE TROUBLE. COVERAGE 85%. NO CONTACTS. SECTOR 2 OUT 940 MILES. COVERAGE 80%. SIGHTED

5 DD 3 DE 2 LARGE 2 SMALL MERCHANTMEN 21-25 115-35 COURSE 120 SPEED 10 KNOTS AT 1440. 1 DD 1 SA 1 SB 21-40 116- ** COURSE 030

SPEED 12 AT 1445 ACK ACK HEAVY MEAGER ACCURATE. HONG KONG ** PREVIOUS INVESTIGATIONS. SECTOR 8 OUT 875 MILES. 80%

COVERAGE. NO CONTACTS. SECTOR 9 OUT 900 MILES. 75% COVERAGE. NO CONTACTS. SECTOR 4 OUT 800 MILES. COVERAGE 85%. SIGHTED

1 PF 22-35 119-48 COURSE 150 SPEED 15 AT 1550. NO COVERAGE AMONG PESCADORES TAKAO DUE WEATHER. SECTOR 5 OUT 1030 MILES 85%. SIGHTED

1 SC 10-52 108-08. 22 AK AND AO MANY SMALL CRAFT ANCHORED CAP. SAN JACQUES ACK ACK HEAVY MODERATE INACCURATE. AH 10-03 107414

COURSE 100 SPEED 15 AT 1430. 2 SD 11-15 109-15 COURSE ** SPEED 10 AT 1600. AT CAMARANG* BAY 8000 TON SEAPLANE TENDER

OR FTA 14 JAKES 1 FA 1 FB 1 FTC ANCHORED AT 1605 ACK ACK HEAVY AND LIGHT MEAGER ACCURATE. SECTOR 3 SIGHTED 2 DE ANCHORED 14-49

120-05, SHOT DOWN 1 JAKE 15-30 119-50. LANDED MINDORO GAS LOW NO PILOTS REPORT. SECTOR 7 OUT 950 MILES. COVERAGE 90%

SIGHTED 9 LUGGERS 26-18 126-45 ANCHORED AT 1620. 9 FTC 19 SC

AT 24-50 125-15 ANCHORED AT 1725. WEATHER GENERALLY FAIR TO GOOD EXPECT POOR VISIBILITY NORTHERN LUZON.

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*GARbled AND MISSING GROUPS

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
FROM CTU 30.5.3 ACTION COM THIRD FLEET INFO CTF 94
CTF 93 ATFC THIRD FLEET CTG 30.5

EXCEPT FOR 18V WHO WENT ONLY 820 MILES DUE SUB ATTACK
AND CIRCLING ALL THIRD FLEET LIBS COVERED WATER FRONT
WITH 80 TO 90 PERCENT COVER. 5V'S DETECTED PURSUING
BETTY 3 MILES ASTERN 21-25 N 137-90 E AT 12501
BUT LOST CONTACT DURING THE ATTACK. BETTY FLEW TO WEST
18 V UNLOADED 3 250 GP ON MIDGET SUB 2 MILES SE CHICH
AT 12181. POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION AS JAP WITH WHITE
SQUARE AND MEATBALL ON CONNING TOWER. JUDGED TO BE
70 TO 80 FEET LONG. 1 BOMB BURST CLOSE TO CONNING
TOWER AND SUB SANK THEN SURFACED WITH ONLY BOW AND
CONN'ING TOWER EMERGING. THEN SANK AGAIN STERN FIRST. CHICHI SHORE BATTERIES FORCED WITHDRAWAL BUT 18 V SAW LARGE OIL SLICK ERE RETIRING. OTHERS NEGAT SIX TWONINE. 14. WEAK TROPICAL FRONT ABOUT 75 MILES WIDE FROM 17-00 N 135-00 E OR 17-00 N 145-00 E. COLD FRONT APPEAR TO BE BEYOND NORTHERN AND WESTERN SECTOR LIMITS. WINDS EASTERLY 10 TO 15 KNOTS SOUTH OF 20-00 N SHIFTING TO WESTERLY 10 TO 15 KNOTS NORTH OF 25-00 N

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**(CTF 77 SENDS ACTION TO CINCWP A INFO TO COMINCH CINCP A COM 7TH FLT COM 3RD FLT)**

**SCHEDULED OPERATIONS PROCEEDING ACCORDANCE PLANS. ORIND RE SUPPLY ECHELON DEPARTED LEYTE 1400 H, ETA 1600 H, S3 6 January.**

**AT 1700 4TH TASK GROUP 77.2 ATTACKED BY FIFTY PLANES WEST OF PARAY GYE JAPANESE BAY SERIOUSLY HIT ON FIRE OUT OF CONTROL AND HAD TO BE ABANDONED AND SUNK BY TORPEDOES. 722 MEN AND 32 OFFICERS KILLED. 1730 4TH AT NINDO A MERCHANT SHIP LOADED WITH AIRCRAFT WAS HIT BY JAPreck AND BLEW UP CAUSING MINOR DAMAGE TO USS MONATTOOK. PECOS RECEIVED MINOR DAMAGE FROM NEB MISS.**

**COMINCH:** COPIES 1 TO 8 INCLUSIVE.

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**ACTION F-30**
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**INFORMATION**

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(CTG 94.9 ORIGINATES ACTION TO CTF 94. NDP (JANCOMCN SAIPAN) PASS INFO CTF 93. RDO HONOLULU PASS INFO CINCPAC)

(PASSED BY RDO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 060812)

COMMENCED FIRING AT IWO JIMA AT 1500K CEASED FIRING AT 1640K. VISIBILITY UNLIMITED CEILING 8,000 ARMY SPOTTING PLANES EXCELLENT EXCEPT 1 ABORTIVE FOR FIRST TIME.

CRUISER MAIN BATTERIES ON CD AND AA BATTERY POSITIONS EXCEPT 20 MINUTES 1 CRUISER ON EAST BOAT BASIN WHICH IS STILL BURNING. DESTROYER BATTERIES ON SIGHTED FORESHORE TARGETS AND INCLUDED 1 MEDIUM OIL FIRE NORTHWEST SHORE. LAST HALF HOUR CRUISER 5" DIRECTED ON AIR STRIPS AND INSTALLATIONS AND SPRUNG UP MANY SMALL BUT GOOD FIRES. NO ENEMY SHORE BATTERY FIRE.

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OSD letter, May 1, 1972

By RT, NARA, Date MAY 21 1973

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
EXCEPT DESTROYER REPORTED LIGHT AUTOMATIC FROM KONGOKU ROCK.

5 EVALUATED DIFFERENT ENEMY SINGLE PLANES SIGHTED THROUGHOUT
THE DAY. 1 DRIVEN OFF BY TAYLOR AND FANNING BUT NO OTHERS
CLOSED. NO DAMAGE EXCEPT AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

AM NOW SEARCHING NORTH VICINITY MINAMI IWO FOR REPORTED DYE
AND LIFE JACKET. HAVE DIRECTED ROE PROCEED 15 MILES AND 35
MILES EAST OF IWO JIMA FOR P-38'S REPORTED DOWN POSITIONS.

WILL JOIN TAYLOR AT 2000K IN POSITION LAT 24-19 N LONG 142-38 E
AND THEN PROCEED SEARCH LATITUDE 23-04 N LONGITUDE 141-37 E FOR
4TH P-38 POSITION ALSO REPORTED. REQUEST INFORMATION ANY ABOVE
LOT CORRECT. ALSO REQUEST INFORMATION AND DETAILS OTHER DITCHED
POSITIONS TO BE SEARCHED ON WAY SOUTH.

1 COPY TO 20-G
ATCOM ULITHI SENDS FOR CTU 94.5.10. ACTION CTG 94.5. INFO CTF 94, COMGEN 81ST INFANTRY DIVISION.

RDO GUAM PASSED TO CINCPOA AND COM 3RD FLT FOR INFO AS 052219. RDO HONOLULU PASSED TO CMINCH FOR INFO AS 061756.

9-46N 140-31E (near ulcerai) LANDED ON FAIS 0930K/1 JANUARY 1945 NO OPPOSITION. ENEMY CONTACTED 0900K/3 JANUARY. ORGANIZED ENEMY RESISTANCE ENDED 1100K/3 JANUARY. UNABLE TO LOCATE 321ST BELONGING TO ENEMY GARRISON BUT THEY HAVE ONLY 1 RIFLE. SECURED MUCH VALUABLE INFORMATION AND SOME VALUABLE EQUIPMENT. SECURED OR DESTROYED ALL EQUIPMENT OF MILITARY VALUE. ISLAND HAS NOT BEEN USED AS ENEMY SUBMARINE BASE SINCE 1 JANUARY 1943 AND THERE IS NO EVIDENCE THAT ANY ENEMY SUBMARINES OR OTHER FIGHTING VESSELS HAVE EVER USED THIS ISLAND FOR ANY PURPOSE. OUR CASUALTIES: ENLISTED MEN, 3 DEAD, 4 SLIGHTLY WOUNDED, 1 OFFICER SERIOUSLY, 1 OFFICER SLIGHTLY WOUNDED. ENEMY CASUALTIES 8 DEAD, 6 CAPTURED. LST 225 AND DE 23 PRIMED FOR BEELIN ABOUT 2400K.

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4 JANUARY ETA 1200K/7 JANUARY. ALL ULITHI SHIPS EQUIPMENT AND
PERSONNEL HAVE RETURNED TO ULITHI.
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(PASSED BY RDO HONOLULU TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 060510)

FROM CAVU WEATHER APPROACHED FROM EAST SOUTH ABOUT

HAHA JIMA 40 MILES WITH 2 BEACH RADARS CONTINUING TO

ROTATE. OWN AIR SEARCH RADARS SHUT DOWN. INTERCEPTED

AND SANK 1 AK LENGTH 260 FEET AND 40 MILES WEST OF HAHA

FANNING (DD 385) RECEIVED 1 10" HOLE PROBABLY 40 MM

IN CPO QUARTERS 6 FEET ABOVE WATERLINE. COMMENCED

FIRING ON SCHEDULE BUT AT SUNRISE STILL UNABLE TO SEE

CLEARLY INTO FUTAMI K0. IMPOSSIBLE FOR PLANES TO SPOT

BUT CONTINUED FIRING WITH A 2-HOUR SLOW RADAR BOMBARD-

MENT. CEASED FIRE AT 0855K. DAVID W TAYLOR (DD 551)

AT 0749K REPORTED HIT PROBABLY A MINE 4 MILES WEST

OF HARBOR ENTRANCE IN 71 FATHOMS OF WATER. SOME


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E. O. 11652, Sec. 7(b) and 5(b) 4f (5)
COMPARTMENTS FLOODED FORWARD. 4 MEN TRAPPED. NOW MAKING 15 KNOTS WITH FANNING AS ESCORT. TAYLOR 1200K POSITION LATITUDE 26-14 N LONGITUDE 141-52 E COURSE 160 SOA 14 KNOTS.

CONDUCTED BOMBARDMENT HAHAA JIMA. SALT LAKE CITY (CA 25) 2 DD COVERING HIGASHI HARBOR ON EAST SIDE. REMAINDER TASK GROUP BOMBARDED OKIMURA ON WEST SIDE RAISING FIRES AND MUCH WHITE SMOKE. VISIBILITY LOW AND AT END OF HALF HOUR ZERO. NOW PROCEEDING IWO JIMA WITH PROBABLE IMPROVEMENT VISIBILITY AND CEILING. MEAGER ENEMY SHORE BATTERY FIRE. BOTH CHICHI AND HAHAA. UPON COMPLETION WILL PICK UP TAYLOR. IZKE IN COMPANY FOR HALF HOUR.

1 COPY TO 20-G
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines
To: War Department
No. C 55836
5 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA to Chief of Staff War Department

French Indo China: Reconnaissance plane reported on destroying 1 medium freighter transport 5 seaplanes.

China coast: 1 carrier 1 light cruiser 6 destroyers 9 tankers reported southbound vicinity Shanghai afternoon January 2.

Luzon: Photographs December 30 show 5½ fighters on Baguio and 2 Angeles airdromes (Clark area) 21 on Porac; local reports indicate movement enemy troops North and South from Manila; two destroyers two freighter transports 1 seaplane numerous small craft sighted off San Fernando midday January 2.

New Britain: Rabaul area: Local reports state many enemy concentrations Kavat and Waangol areas and some aircraft hidden underground at Lakanai and Tobra.

Part 2. Air

Enemy action: Mindoro: Enemy planes damaged shipping and attacked shore positions night January 1; antiaircraft fire claimed 5 shot down another probably destroyed.
From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

No. C 55236

5 January 1945

Leyte: Anti aircraft probably destroyed 1 raider

Dulag predawn January 2.

Operations December 29:

1. Escort planes shot down 3 enemy fighters Lubang Island.

Operations December 31:

2. 58 RAAF P40s bombed Sorong area, Dutch New Guinea.

3. 8 Beauforts hit Ferembil village, Wewak area.

4. 11 Beauforts from Goodenough Island raided Sulphur Creek Rabaul.

Operations January 1:

5. Predawn B24 left medium freighter transport sinking off Vigan, Western Luzon.

Operations report SOWESPAC area period 15002/1 to 15002/2. Signed MacArthur.

6. 35 A20s, 7 P51s from Mindoro plus P47s escort sank small freighter and 5 sealucks, set afire 12 to 15 sealucks and coastal vessels Palaui Bay South Lingayen Gulf; 6 Corsairs sank 2 trawlers Catanuan Bay.

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(7) 23 P38s strafed Fabrica Airdrome, 1 P38 lost to anti-aircraft fire; 12 P47s destroyed 1 bomber strafed 13 grounded planes Silay; 22 B25s hit Negros Airdromes set afire grounded planes stores and barracks, 1 B25 lost.

(8) Refer paragraph 14 preceding report: 12 B24s destroyed one plane probably destroyed another Sassa.

(9) 2 B24s demolished warehouses, caused fires shipbuilding yards Sandakan.

(10) 8 Beaufighters and 2 P38s swept Northeastern Celebes, fired fuel tanks gun positions and barracks Sidate, strafed coastal craft, 1 Beaufighter lost; 9 B25s caused fires Manado barracks and installations; 9 P47s cratered runways Mapangat.

(11) 24 RAAF P40s struck Gulela Airdrome; 43 B24s exploded ammunition dumps Miki raided bivouacs Wasile Bay and DJailolo; single B25 attacked targets of opportunity.

(12) 16 P38s cratered runways damaged grounded fighter Manado airdromes; 24 B25s caused many fires Haroeoke and Kairatoe, 3 B25s lost.

(13) Darwin B24 bombed buildings east Macassar; 6 B24s attacked Ende barracks Flores Island; 4 Dutch B25s raided towns and barracks Timor.

(14) 13 Beauforts attacked enemy concentrations Wewak.

Operations January 2:

(15) Palau based B24s with P47s cover from Leyte bombed Clark Field revetments Manila, met nil interception; 1 B25 lost to anti-aircraft fire.

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Leyte, Philippines

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(16) B24 destroyed wharf and damaged large freighters
Vigan, western Luzon before dawn.
(17) 10 B25s turned back from Florida bombed and
strafed installations Batangas.
(18) 36 Corsairs hit southern Luzon railroads
barracks and installations; other Corsairs attacked barges
Batangas.
(19) 2 Darwin B24s bombed Fuijoro and Saumlaki.
(20) 6 B24s and 6 B25s attacked Tobra airdrome and
nearby plantations; 5 A20s raided Crater Peninsula Rabaul.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations January 1:
(21) 2 New Zealand Corsairs patrolled Rabaul; other
activity wheatered out.

Land. Mindoro: Reinforced company 503 Infantry
landed Masaburao (northwest coast), no opposition.

Leyte: X Corps: 32nd Division continues mopping
up northwest coast. 1st Cavalry Division withdrawing to
staging areas. XXIV Corps: 7th Division remained in contact
with estimated 400 to 500 enemy vicinity Gumghol.

Part 3.

(1) No details.
(2) Dropped 21 1000 lb, 68 500 lb bombs, met moderate
medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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(3) Dropped 25 500 lb, 24 250 lb bombs; 6 250 lb incendiaries, fired 3200 rounds 50 calibre.
(4) Dropped 8 500 lb, 50 250 lb bombs.
Paragraphs 5 through 7. No details.
(6) Dropped 27 tons 250 lb bombs.
(8) Dropped 80 100 lb napalm bombs from 7500 feet.
(9) 6 Beaufighters dropped 4 500 lb bombs, 3 500 lb fragmentation clusters, 2 500 lb incendiaries, fired 8 50 lb rockets; B25s dropped 180 parabolas; P47s dropped 18 500 lb bombs; slight to intense light and medium accurate anti-aircraft fire.
(11) P40s dropped 48 250 lb bombs; B24s dropped 14 2000 lb, 25 1000 lb, 6 500 lb, 452 250 lb bombs from 14500 to 9000 feet; B25 dropped 4 500 lb frags; slight heavy and moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.
(12) P38s dropped 16 1000 lb bombs, met moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire; B25s dropped 222 100 lb napalm bombs from minimum altitude, met slight inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.
(13) B24s dropped 24 500 lb, 12 250 lb bombs from 7000 feet; B25s dropped 8 500 lb incendiaries, 16 120 lb frags, fired 1600 rounds 50 calibre.
(14) Dropped 8 500 lb, 51 250 lb bombs, 6 40 lb frags, fired 1500 rounds 30 calibre.
Paragraphs 15 through 17. No details.
(18) Dropped unstated number 500 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.
(19) Dropped 24 250 lb bombs.
(20) B24s dropped 48 1000 lb bombs; others dropped 44 300 lb bombs 8 to 14 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 3300 rounds 50 calibre.

Corrected copy of CM-IN-2639 (3 Jan 45) OPD
ACTION: OPD
INFO: CCS, CG AAP, G-2, ADM KING, CCL PARK, LOO
CM-IN-471B (6 Jan 45) DPG 05/0/40Z mcs

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DPS
From: Commander in Chief Southwest Pacific Area
      Advance Echelon Leyte Philippines

To: War Department

Nr: C 55923 5 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War
Department C 55923, Operations Report SWESPAC Area period
1500Z/3 to 1500Z/4 signed MacArthur.

French Indo China:
3 medium freighter transports, 3 seatrucks, 3 gun-
boats, 10 floatplanes sighted on Camranh Bay January 2.

Formosa:
Reconnaissance plane reports 2 light cruisers, 25
other vessels including 20 of 1200 tons and under Takao.

Freesia:
Large freighter, one medium freighter transport,
2 seatrucks, 1 destroyer escort sighted at anchor January 3.

Philippines:

Luzon:
7 merchant vessels sighted approaching Subic Bay from
west morning January 4th, medium freighter transport and
destroyer sighted off shore midday in same area.

Borneo:
7 seatrucks sighted at Tawao, North Tarakan; 2
bombers reported on Jesselton runway January 3.

CM-IN-4340 (5 Jan 45)
OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Commander in Chief Southwest Pacific Area
Advance Echelon Leyte Philippines

Nr: C 55923 5 January 1945

Part 2.

Naval:
Morotai PT boats strafed coastal targets Halmahera.

Air:
Enemy action:
Mindoro:

During raids night January 3, anti-aircraft fire shot down two planes, P-61's claimed two more; Allied vessel lost during dusk attack on convoy 60 miles south January 4.

Leyte:
One bomber shot down near convoy 200 miles southeast January 3.

Operation January 2nd:
(1) Refer Paragraphs 1 and 10 preceding report:
Both paragraphs cover A-20 strike San Fernando shipping January 2.

(2) B-24 searching northern Borneo bombed 2 seaplanes, sank one.

CM-IN-4340 (5 Jan 45)
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Nr: C 55923 5 January 1945

Operations January 3rd:

(3) B-25 patrols attacked radio installations Pratas Reef, strafed 5 seaplanes leaving one dead in water off Vigan, western Luzon.

(4) 9 P-40’s and one B-25 bombé radar installations Limahone Island Manila Bay entrance; 4 P-47’s shot down 3 fighters in area.

(5) 12 Mindoro based A-20’s hit Mandurriao Airdrome, Panay.

(6) 4 P-38’s strafed Fabrica; 14 B-25’s bombé and strafed airfields, guns and buildings damaged 7 planes Negros airdromes.

(7) 12 B-24’s struck Padada and Licanan airdromes, Davao, damaged 2 fighters.

(8) 10 A-20’s from Mindoro started fires Puerto Princesa, Palawan Island.

(9) Single B-25 bombé possible radar station Nalmahera; 11 P-38’s caused many fires west coast village.

(10) 23 B-25’s raided supply and personnel areas Namlea; 2 B-25’s bombé coastal village Boero Island.

(11) 9 P-38’s hit Lima village Ambon, left entire area ablaze.

CM-IN-2430 (5 Jan 45)
From: Commander in Chief Southwest Pacific Area
Advace Echelon Leyte Philippines

Nr: C 55923 5 January 1945

(12) 2 Beauforts attacked barges and bivouacs

Operations Wewak.

Operations January 4th:

(13) 2 predawn B-24's bombed Laog dispersal areas, left many fires at least one burning aircraft.

(14) 25 B-24's from Palau hit Clark Field Manila caused explosions and fires, destroyed estimated 30 planes in revetments damaged others; lone enemy fighter unsuccessfully attempted ram B-24.

(15) B-25 group from Leyte bombed and strafed Florida Blanca dispersal areas southwest Clark Field.

(16) 3 Darwin B-24's bombed Fnde village Flores, Fulloro Airdrome Timor and Saumlaki Tenimbars.

(17) 6 A-20's Nadzad attacked Rabaul town.

Solomons Forces,
Air.

Operations January 3rd:

(18) Single Catalina bombed targets Choiseul Bay,
32 New Zealand Corsairs supported Ground Forces and patrolled coastal areas Bougainville; 26 B-25's weathered out from Lakonal hit runways and dispersals Kavieng, 12 New Zealand
CM-IN-4340 (5 Jan 45)
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Corsairs and 2 Venturas exploded and fired bivouac areas
New Ireland; single Ventura bombed Rabaul, 24 New Zealand
Corsairs patrolled airbases attacked motor transport Gazelle
Peninsula.

Land,
Marinduque,
Rifle Company 21st Infantry effected unopposed landing near
Buena Vista on southwest coast 3rd January.

Mindoro,
Sharp engagements Paluan town, other small contacts.

Leyte,
X Corps:
Corps withdrawing to staging areas.
XXIV Corps:
77th Division continued mopping up Valencia/Libungao
Palospon area; 7th Division continued attacks against stubborn
pockets Biliboy Mahilaoa Pahagan areas, believed outposts of
large group in hills.

Allied casualties to date: 2,717 killed
9,539 wounded
139 missing

CM-IN-4340 (5 Jan 45)

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Advance Echelon Leyte Philippines  

Nr: C 55923  
5 January 1945  

Total enemy casualties to January 3rd: 62,798 killed and 462 captured  

End of Part 2.  
Part 3.  
(1) No details.  
(2) Dropped 9 250 lb bombs.  
(3) No details.  
(4) Dropped 28 100 lb bombs.  
(5) Dropped unstated number 100 lb bombs.  

Paragraphs 6 through 8 no details.  
(9) Dropped 4 500 lb frags, 11 500 lb incendiary clusters.  
(10) Dropped 88 500 lb, 4 300 lb bombs from minimum altitude, met slight medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.  
(11) Dropped 9 500 lb incendiary clusters, fired unstated number rounds.  
(12) Dropped 7 250 lb bombs, 21 40 lb frags.  
(13) No details.  

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(14) Dropped 50 tons 100 lb bombs, met moderate medium and heavy accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(15) No details,

(16) Dropped 36 250 lb bombs.

(17) Dropped 24 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired untested number rounds.

Refer preceding report Paragraph 12:

24 B-24's dropped 48 tons 100 lb bombs, met intense heavy some accurate anti-aircraft fire.

Weather:

Broken cloud with moderate to heavy showers over central and northern Philippines, unfavourable conditions to north.

ACG status:

4 B-25 squadrons on 345th Group
1 squadron of 38th Group operating from Leyte

Airdromes:

Naval airdrome southern Samar Island operational;
Mindoro Hill Airdrome 5,750 feet 201 hardstands, San Jose 6,000 feet operational.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CC/S CGAASF G-2 Adm King Col Park Statistics Log GM-IN-4340 (5 Jan 45) DTD 050830Z bsm

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MESSAGE NR 210209 SUBJECT MISSION REPORT S-17 MICROSCOPE 1, 3 JAN 45.

97-8-29 A/C AIRRONE SAIPAH 022126Z TO 022223Z TO ATTACK TARGETS ON JAPAN ISPLUX* 7 A/C BOMBED PRIMARY

TARGET NAGOYA VISUALLY FROM 28, 690 FT TO 320 PER JVRANDO DROPPING 350 LB INCENDIARY BOMBS AND 55 420 LB FRAGMENTATION BOMBS. RESULTS WERE GOOD HUDE FIRES OBSERVED BY CREWS FLAK WAS HEAVY. MEAGER TO MODERATE INACCURATE. FIGHTER OPPOSITION APPROPRIATELY 200 ENCOUNTERS MAJORITY OF ATTACKS BY TONY'S, JVRIGE.*

TOJOS, ZEKES AND NICKS. ATTACKS GENERALLY OF MODERATE AGGRESSIVENESS AND INACCURATE. 21 OF OUR A/C SUFFERED

BATTLE DAMAGE 1 D-29 LOST OVER TARGET DUE TO ENEMY ACTION 4 DITCHED ON RETURN REASONS UNKNOWN. SEARCH AND  

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RESCUE FACILITIES ALERTED. OUR CLAIMS AGAINST THE ENEMY 14 DESTROYED, 12 POSSIBLY DESTROYED, 18 DAMAGED. WEATHER OVER PRIMARY 2/10 CLOUDS 18 A/C BOMBED LAST RESORT TARGETS IN JAPAN 3 A/C SHINGU, 1 A/C OSAKA, 8 A/C HAMAMATSU. 3 A/C TAHABE, 1 A/C OWASHI, 2 A/C KATAKAM DROPPING TOTAL 252. 350 LB INCENDIARY BOMBS AND 18. 420 LB FRAGMENTATION BOMBS. 8 A/C RETURNING EARLY BOMBED TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY. 2 A/C BOMBED IWO JIMA, 1 A/C BOMBED PAGAN. REMAINING A/C BOMBED UNIDENTIFIED TARGETS ON JAPANESE MAINLAND NEAR COASTLINES. RESULTS UNOBSERVED. TOTAL BOMBS DROPPED 110. 350 INDENDIARY BOMBS LOYCEVEN. *420 LB FRAG BOMBS, 22 A/C INCLUDING THE 8 ABOVE WERE EARLY RETURNS DUE TO MECHANICAL AND PERSONNEL FAILURES. LAST A/C LANDED SAIPAN 031349

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FOLLOWED:

DETECT DESTROYERS OR LARGER. DEFINITE FROM HAWAII, HINANAO, RADIUS 60 MILES BETWEEN BEARINGS 206 AND 313. PROBABLE AT HANNO POINT, SOUTH RALPH, RADIUS 75 MILES BETWEEN BEARINGS 152 AND 203.

AND BETWEEN BEARINGS 00 AND 081. PROBABLE AT DALY POINT, SOUTHWEST PANAY, RADIUS 60 MILES FROM BEARING 164 CLOCKWISE TO COAST.

DEFINITE AT "NORTH TIP PANAY" RADIUS 50 MILES BETWEEN BEARINGS 200 AND 352. PROBABLE AT SOUTH TIP CUL ION ISLAND RADIUS 60 MILES BETWEEN BEARINGS 187 AND 184. DEFINITE FROM CULION (11-53 N 122-44 E)
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- 87° between bearings 60° and 119°. Probable at Luzon Point (Bataan Peninsula) radius 46 miles from bearing 31° counter clockwise to coast. Definite at Palanan Point (15-28 N 115-44 E) radius 35 miles. Definite at Renan Point (16-40 N 119-46 E) radius 46 miles between bearings 134° and 284°.
- 87° between bearings 180° and 360°. Definite at San Bernando **17 miles.** Definite at Cape Engano (15-42 N 121-37 E) radius 67 miles from bearing 69° clockwise to coast. Neivni **14-16 N 122-56° E radius 95 miles from bearing 11° counter clockwise to coast.**

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Further my 280556, 310034, 011102. All giving results Interrogation of 1st Class TorpedoMan Irisawa, Kichi.

Following additional on October battle. Myeko and KumaO
crippled by BOMBS 24TH and did not continue with main body.
On afternoon 24TH Kiyosimo and Hamakaze which had
suffered minor damage were directed to take in tow crippled
Misashi which had made her way to point near Minoro. 30
minutes after the destroyers arrived on scene Misashi
Magazines exploded and she sank. Kiyosimo rescued 70
survivors Hamakaze unknown number and transported them to
Manila. 1 unidentified Destroyer sunk Sibuyan Sea about same
time Misashi was hit. Kongo and Haruna emerged from entire
action with minor damage from near misses and Yamato and
Nagato received some damage from bomb hits as well as near

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MISSES but not very extensively. This as they appeared at Brunei when
Kiyoshimo arrived there with Oyodo on November 7th. Nowake sunk some
time during October engagement. Shigure damaged and eventually
returned Empire for repairs. Believed Japanese people would "shed
tears" if heard of sinking of Musashi. Comment: Believe her sinking
can be announced by us without prejudice.
Prisoner had seen call signs for 27 Matsu class destroyers definitely
listed and of these recalled names Matsu Ume Momo Take Kuwa Sugi
Tsubaki Hinoki Kaya Kashima Tachibana Yanagi Hagi Fuji Aoi Kiku Katsura
Hashi Sakura.
Forward portion of Amatsukaze including bridge blown off by submarine
torpedo prior September. Emergency repairs made at Hongkong and she
is now repairing at Seletar.

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ORMOC RESUPPLY ECHELON ARRIVED LEYTE. 10 ENEMY PLANES STRIKING TACLOBAN STRIP AT DAWN DESTROYED 9 PV'S 1 PBAY AND DAMAGED 3 PV'S AND 2 PBAY'S. NIGHT 31/1 MINDORO PT'S COVERED SUCCESSFUL ARMY LANDING AT BONGABONG EAST COAST MINDORO ALSO NIGHT 2/3 COVERED LANDING ON MARINDUQUE ISLAND. NIGHT 1/2 MOROTAI PT'S STRAFED JAP CONCENTRATIONS ON HALMAHERA.

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**OINPOA ZONE NOTICE 77**

**The area east of the Kuriles and north of latitude 48 is temporarily reclassified as an air surface zone from 0000Z 5th January to 0000Z 8th January.**

*As received.

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By RT, NARA, Date 6/1/64.
FROM COM 3RD FLT, ACTION CINC PAC CINC SOWES PAC CTF 77 COMEAF INFO CTF 38.

RDD HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 041306.

STRIKED FORMOSA OKINAWA THIS MORNING. SCHEDULED SMALL STRIKES AND SEARCHES RECALLED AT NOON DUE BAD WEATHER AT TARGET AND OPERATING AREA. FORCE SOMewhat SNOOPED BUT ENEMY AIR CAPABILITIES MUST BE CONSIDERED VERY LOW JUDGING BY FEEBLE REACTION UP TO NOW. RETIRING TO FUELING RENDEZVOUS. STRIKE RESULTS LATER.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: BOMCOM 21 (A-3 SECTION)
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 4 JANUARY 1945
TOR CODE ROOM: 1139
DECODED BY: DIEBEL
TYPES BY: DIEBEL/AA
ROOTED BY:

OP Priority

ACTION

FROM BOMCOM 21 (A-3 SECTION), CONGEN AF20 HAS ACTION AND DEPCOM 20 HAS INFO BOTH BY OTHER MEANS. COM 3RD FLT IS INFO ADEE.

SUBJECT: FLASH REPORT NO 3, MISSION NO 3 PRM 3 TARGET AREA: OKINAWA. DATE FLOWN: 3 JAN 1945. NAHA AIRFIELD:
(26-11-30N 127-38-30E): OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT VISIBLE: 6 6 - 6 2 ARE SINGLE ENGINE; 4 ARE TWIN ENGINE (PRINT 2:19)

OONABARU AIRSTRIP: (26-13N 127-42E): UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

KATENZ AIRSTRIP: (26-21-30N 127-46-00E): RUNWAY IS BEING EXPANDED TO NORTHEAST. AIRCRAFT VISIBLE: 10 SINGLE ENGINE,

DELIVERED TO 20-G

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RELEASED BY
DATE 4 JAN 1945
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DECODED BY MCDougall
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19.140131 NOR 6952

Urgent. Ordinary radio to this dispatch will be transmitted with differing precedence and as administratively


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INC PAC SENDS ACTION ALL TFC’S 7TH FLT INFO COM 7TH FLT CTF 77 COM 3RD FLT. ULTRA.

CONTACT REPORTED BY PLANE IN 11-47N 121-00E AT 40919 I.

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CINCPAC SENDS ACTION ALL TFC'S 7TH FLT INFO CON 7TH FLT CTF 77 CON 3RD FLT. ULTRA.

CONTACT REPORTED BY PLANE IN 11-47M 121-40E AT (46914) 1.

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/64
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines
To: War Department
No: 0 55878
4 January 1945

From GHQ SHPAC and MacArthur to Chief of Staff, War Department 0 55878. Operations report SOMEPAC area period 1500Z/2 to 1500Z/3 signed MacArthur.

Part I. French Indo China: 10 cargo vessels with seven escorting vessels reported southbound off Cape Varella January 2nd.

Formosa: One transport, two freighters, four escorts sighted 130 miles to southwest on northerly course night January 2nd.

Luzon: Medium merchant vessel with two destroyers reported 200 miles west Manila course 20 degrees January 3rd.

New Ireland: Kavieng Runway shown by photographs repaired to 4,000 feet.

Part II. Naval:

Additional results PT boats from Leyte:

Sank one seatruck, one coastal vessel north-eastern Cebu, Destroyed coastal vessel and barge on beach, Destroyed five barges in camouflaged hideout night December 30th;

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Layte, Philippines

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Sank six barges, one motor launch same area following night.

Enemy action:

Mindoro: Anti-aircraft fire shot down three planes, three Allied planes destroyed others damaged night January 2nd.

Layte: Ten raiders destroyed 10 aircraft Tacloban, anti-aircraft fire claimed one plane probably shot down pre-dawn January 3rd; another plane caused slight casualties Valencia.

Mindanao Sea: Hellicots shot down two of nine planes attacking Allied convoy dawn January 3rd.

Operations January 2nd:

(1) Air strike San Fernando western Luzon sank one large, two medium freighter transports, two small freighters, seven seatrucks and one seaplane carrier.

(2) Six P-38s strafed dispersal area Carolina; 11 P-47s destroyed nine planes Talisay; nine B-25s started fires amongst supplies, damaged two grounded planes Bacolod.

(3) 11 B-24s raidied Liganan Airdrome Davao, destroyed one plane, damaged another.

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(4) Two P-24s from Mindoro bombed runways and installations Puerto Princesa; two Morotai B-24s caused fires Sandakan shipyard, Borneo.

(5) Nine B-24s demolished warehouses Manado.

(6) 12 RAAF P-40s supported ground forces Morotai; 28 B-24s, 10 P-38s, and 48 RAAF P-40s caused explosions many fires Waiale Bay supplies also cratered runways Lolobata and Hatetabako.

(7) Two B-25s damaged coastal craft Boero Island; three P-38s hit buildings Namlea.

(8) Darwin B-24 attacked two coastal vessels Bangka Archipelago.

(9) 10 Beauforts struck Perembl Village Wevak area.

Operations January 3rd:

(10) Patrol B-24 damaged medium freighter and near missed destroyer departing San Fernando before dawn; three squadrons Morotai based A-20s damaged possibly sank two destroyer escorts, one large gunboat, three seatrucks, one large freighter transport San Fernando, two A-20s lost.

(11) Nine P-40s sank two seatrucks, set afire six seatrucks, one coastal vessel near Subic Bay; four B-25s

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sink two luggers, set three others afire same area.

(12) Palau based B-24s escorted by P-47s from Leyte raided Clark Field, Manila; two P-47s strafed and destroyed 16/20 planes in revetments.

(13) Two B-25s silenced guns and destroyed three planes Lahug Airdrome, Cebu, one B-25 lost.

(14) Darwin B-25 bombed Kandari airdromes before dawn; one B-24 bombed coastal defences near Atambone; two Beauforts hit Pullwara; single B-24 attacked Saumlaki in Tanimbar.

(15) Eight A-20s and six B-25s raided Sepik River village southeast Wewak.

Solomons forces. Air. Operations January 2nd:

(16) 17 New Zealand Corsairs, destroyed seven motor trucks; 30 New Zealand Corsairs bombed troop concentrations Bougainville and bivouacs Choiseul.

Land:

Leyte: X Corps: 32nd Division made scattered contacts Johnsgatan River-Tabango area.

XXIV Corps: 77th Division units effected landing Villaba while 7th Division broke enemy resistance southwest.
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

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Dolores, encountered sharp resistance Mahilcon.

Part III. (1) No details.

(2) B-25s dropped 84 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude; slight light inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(3) Dropped 18 250 lb bombs.

(4) Dropped 80 100 lb napalm bombs from 7,000 feet Santiakan.

(5) Dropped 180 250 lb bombs from 8,000 feet.

(6) B-24s dropped 13 2,000 lb, 105 1b, 222 250 lb bombs from 12,000 feet; B-25s dropped 285 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude; F-55s dropped 10 300 lb bombs; P-40s dropped 72 250 lb bombs, 24 100 lb napalm bombs; slight to intense heavy some accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(7) P-38s dropped 4 165 gallon napalm bombs from minimum altitude.

(8) Dropped 10 250 lb bombs.

(9) Dropped 12 500 lb, 4 300 lb, 32 250 lb bombs, 6 250 lb incendiaries, 6 40 lb frags, fired 8200 rounds 30 calibre.

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(10) through (13) no details.

(14) B-24s dropped 9 300 lb, 12 250 lb, 10 100 lb bombs.

(15) Dropped 52 300 lb bombs 8/15 second delay from minimum altitude, fired 14500 rounds, 50 calibre. Refer preceding report Paragraph 15: 17 B-24s dropped over 25 tons 100 lb bombs.

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INFO: CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, Admiral King, Colonel Park, Statistics, Log

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OSD letter May 4, 1972

By DBS Date May 21, 1973

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ORIGIN: NAVY DEPARTMENT

DATE 4 JAN 45

TOR CORDEROM 2230/3

DECODED BY SLUTZ/Manuel

ROUTED BY

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HOMO INTERCEPT

(MC0COM 21 SENDS)

1 MONSTER PLANE 22 FLIGHT 534 SHOT DOWN OVER TARGET.
2 ONE 48 FLIGHT 534 DITCHED NEAR SOFO CAN LIFE GUARDS SUBS
3 WITH MONSTER JOINING SEARCH AT DAWN, PLANE 50 FLIGHT 531
4 DITCHED WITHIN 150 MILES OF SAIPAN BEARING 341 3 TO 4 DUMBO S
5 PLUS 73 BL B-24 SEARCHING AREA AND ISLANDS NORTH TO PAJAROS.
6 PLANE 42 FLIGHT 531 LEFT TARGET APPARENTLY & R UNREPORTED
7 SINCE, PLANE 10 FLIGHT 532 AND PLANE 42 FLIGHT 532 APPARENTLY
8 LOST TARGET UNDAMAGED AND CONTINUED ON COURSE TO BASE UNTIL
9 DUSK PROBABLE DITCHING AREA BETWEEN 28 DEGREES NORTH
10 139-20 EAST AND 20 DEGREES NORTH 143-15 EAST

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1 Ditched
2 Unreported

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E. O. 11662, Sec. 20

OSD letter, May 1972

By DEB

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AT 0400/25A JAP PLANE MADE CONTACT POSIT 16-22N 121-23E.

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RELEASED BY:
DATE: 3 JANUARY 1945
TOH CODEWORD: 1815
DECODED BY: DIESEL
PARAPHRASED BY: DIESEL
ROUTED BY: DIESEL

TO: ALL TASK FORCE COMMANDERS 7TH FLEET

CON 3RD FLEET CONTASKFORCE 77

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CINOPAC SEDNS ACTION ALL TASK FORCE COMMANDERS 7TH FLEET INFO CON 3RD FLEET CONTASKFORCE 77.

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AT 042030 JAP PLANE MADE CONTACT POSIT 1F-22N 121-23E.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/1974
(CTF 77 sends. Action CINC SWPA Info COM 7th Fleet
COM 3rd Fleet COMINCH CINCPOA)

ORILOC RESUPPLY ECHELON DEPARTS BEACHES AT DUSK
ETA LEYTE 1400 4 JANUARY. M1 MINESWEEPER GROUP
ATTACKED AT DAWN 10 MILES SOUTHEAST SIQUIJOR
ISLAND BY 7 VALS 2 ZEKES CAUSING MINOR DAMAGE.
2 PLANES SHOT DOWN, HEAVY AIR ATTACKS MINDORO
NIGHT 1/2 JANUARY LIBERTY SHIP HIT AND BEACHED
TO PREVENT SINKING. DECK LOAD BEING REMOVED
FROM JUAN DE FUCA AGROUND ON BANANA REEF.
ARNOLD INFO LEMAY, WEDEMEYER, DEPMAF 20, NAVY FOR CINCPAC FOR ALL COMMANDS INTERESTED IN 20TH BOMBER COMMAND SEARCH AND RECON. REPORTS SGD LEMAY 0243D.

PHOTO MISSION PRELIMINARY REPORT SORTIE 184 BY B29 NUMBER 230 OF 462 GROUP PILOT CAPTAIN DE LONG ON JANUARY 2 ON SEA SEARCH SECTORS A B AND C VISUAL SIGHTINGS AIDED BY RADAR MADE AS FOLLOWS

(1) AT 33-10 N 122-20 E FROM 20300 FEET INDICATED AT 23012 CONVOY OF 9 FT'S ESCORTED BY 2 OR 3 DD'S COURSE 200 SPEED 9 KNOTS

(2) AT 32-45 N 126-05 E FROM 20000 FEET INDICATED AT 0140Z 1 FTU COURSE 60 SPEED 4 KNOTS

(3) AT 32-07 N 122-0 E FROM 20800 FEET INDICATED AT 0405Z CONVOY OF 9 FT AND CL 6 DD 1 CV COURSE 210 SPEED 12 KNOTS. 3 MILES WEST OF SHANGHAI.
THIS CONVOY 1 DE PROCEEDING SAME COURSE AND SPEED.
WEATHER GENERALLY 9 TO 10 TENTHS OVER ENTIRE AREA.
PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN OF ALL SIGHTINGS. NO ENEMY
INTERCEPTION NO AA. LANDED HANCHUNG 1205Z FUEL
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CTF 94 TOSSES ACTION CINCPAC AND ALL TASKFORCECOMS 3RD FLEET INFO ISCOMS MARIANAS-WESTERN CAROLINES.

(PASSED TO COMINC FOR INFO BY RDQ HONOLULU AS 031828)

SAIPAN ALERTED TWICE EARLY 3RD BY SINGLE ENEMY PLANES APPARENTLY FOLLOWING PBJ SNOOPER BACK TO BASE. BOTH SHOT DOWN BY NIGHT FIGHTERS BEFORE REACHING SAIPAN. FIRST ONE IDENTIFIED AS BETTY AT 21000 FEET. SECOND AS NICK OR IRVING AT 13000 FEET.

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DATE: 3 JANUARY 1945
TO: ALL TFC's 7TH FLEET
DECODED BY: STRONG
PARAPHRASED BY: SCHMIDT
ROUTED BY: SCHMIDT

ADDRESSES: CINCPAC

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INFORMATION: O'HU 3RD FLEET CTF 77

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CONTACT MADE BY JAP PLANE [316151] POSIT 49°57 N 121°43 E.

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HUMO INTERCEPT

(ACTION TO ALL TASKFORCE COMMANDERS 7TH FLEET INFO CON 3RD FLEET CTF 77 FROM CINCPAC)
**Naval Message**

**Drafted:** COW 3RD FLEET  
**Released By:**  
**Date:** 3 JAN 1945  
**TOR CODE NAME:**  
**Decoded By:** PERRY  
**Typewritten By:** DORSEY

**Address:** CINCPAC  
**Action for Action:** CTF 38, CINCSOESPAC, CTF 77

**Precedence:** OP, OP, OP

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**Action to CINCPAC, Info CTF 38 CINCSOESPAC CTF 77 from COW 3RD FLEET.**

**Approached Formosa Undetected. First strikes reached targets through somewhat unfavorable weather. Which progressively deteriorated and finally forced cancelling of operations at 1400. Fighters struck Okinawa.**

**Retiring to southeast and will strike Formosa tomorrow with Luzon as alternate choice depending on weather.**

**No attacks on force. Ships and planes observed agree in general with previous sighting reports. Results of strikes by separate despatch.**

**Copy to PCC.**

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**Classified Information**

By: DDB, May 24, 1973

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SLR 101
By: RT, NARA, Date 4/1/86
**NAVAL MESSAGE**

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**EXTENSION NUMBER**

**ADDRESSSES**
COM 3RD FLT
CINCPOA COMMANDER ALLIED NAVAL FORCES (WASATCH)
CINCPOA COMMANDER ALLIED AIR FORCES (ADV ECH)

**PRECEDENCE**

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CINCSPWA SENDS ACTION TO COM 3RD FLEET AND INFO TO CINCPOA. COMMANDER ALLIED NAVAL FORCES (WASATCH). COMMANDER ALLIED AIR FORCES (ADV ECH).

(RDD 80I10 passed to CINCINCH for info as 051842 & 061417. Weight of land based air neutralization Luzon fields not as much as expected. (CX 558 16) Request you include Clark and Angeles fields in your missions s minus 3. Land based planes will also work in area of s minus 3. For coordination, allied air forces will deliver attacks between 0900 and 1500 hours 2-1 time, 3rd fleet before and after those hours. Each air force except in emergency to keep planes out of the area during periods allotted the other. 3rd fleet please advise this headquarters and allied air forces earliest convenience. Action this request. MacArthur.

DELACASSIFIED E. O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 11652, Sec. 3(E) (revised 30-89)


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E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/94
HONOLULU INTERCEPT

CTG 93.3 ORIGINATES. COMFWDAREA HAS INFO LOCALLY. CG AAFPOA GETS INFO FROM RDO HICKAM. RDO SAIPAN PASS INFO TO CG BOMCOM 21.

HERE IS VI CES COMPLIANCE SKULLDUGGERY OPERATION. 4 V'S COVERING CHICHI AND HAHU ARRIVING FIRST TARGET 1500. ETA IWO JIMA 1630. 51, 54, 56 AND 57 V203 REQUEST AIRBORNE DUMBO ON STATION 75 MILES 165 DEGREES IWO CRATER UNTIL 1700. TIMES K HEREIN. PILOTS.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CTF 93
RECEIVED BY:
DATE: 3 JAN 1945
TOR CODEDROOM: 1759

DECODED BY: W STRONG
DECODED BY: STEVENS/
ROUTED BY:

ADDRESS
CINCPOA COMFAW-2
COMAIRPAC COM 3RD FLT
CTF 96 CTG 94.9 CTF 94
COMAF 7 CTG 30.5
CTF 96 CTG 94.9 BOMCOM 21

FOR ACTION

ASTERSK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE
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ALL COMMANDS INTERESTED
20TH BOMB SEARCH AND
RECO REPORTS

PHOTO INTERPRETATION ON ADDITIONAL AIRFIELDS PHOTOGRAPHED JANUARY 1 SORTIE 182, MISSION 5 MF 2 AS

FOLLOWS:
NEW AIRFIELD, PROVISIONALLY TITLED KITAHARA 31-48
130-44 SHOWS 4 PROBABLE SMALL AIRCRAFT. FIELD IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION BUT CONCRETE STRIP 4870 BY 380 FEET BEARING 115 DEG S IS COMPLETE. 10 MEDIUM COVERED REVENTMENTS A HANGAR AND 10 BARRACKS BUILDINGS NOTED.
2 PROBABLY HEAVY 4 GUN BATTERIES NEAR EAST END OF RUNWAY AND A 4 GUN PROBABLY HEAVY BATTERY OFF WEST END ARE DEFENSES. NEW AIRFIELD, PROVISIONALLY TITLED SHIKINE 31-39
NORTH 130-51 EAST SHOWS 44 SMALL AND 1 MEDIUM AIRCRAFT. LANDING AREA IS APPROXIMATELY 4400 BY 4000
FEET WITH NO RUNWAYS. 28 MEDIUM COVERED REVETMENTS, 9 MEDIUM AND 12 SMALL HANGARS AND 21 SMALL BUILDINGS COMPRISE FACILITIES OF KAWANAMI AIRFIELD 6 MEDIUM AND 2 SMALL.

NOTE: THIS IS WNC'S 128/2 TO WAR WHICH ARMY COULD NOT BREAK.

WAR...ACT

COM: MCC...
TOP SECRET DISPATCH

From: CINCPAC
Released by: 
Date: 2 January 1945
TOR Code/Did: 

Decoded by: STEEN
Paraphrased by: Sjostedt
Routed by: Dittmer-Bennett

For action: ALL TFC 7th Fleet

For action: COM 7th Fleet

For action: COM 3rd Fleet

For action: CTF 77

ASTERISK (*) HALLGRAM ADDRESSEE

URGENCY
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Red Honolulu Fox Intercept

(CINCPAC sends, action ALL TFC 7th Fleet, info COM 7th Fleet COM 3rd Fleet CTF 77.)

CINCPAC Ultra.

JAP PLANE AT 0219 Z (MINUS 9) SPOTTED BLUE SURFACE FORCE IN POSIT 09-42 N 124-48 E.

COWINCH: COPIES 1 - 6 INCL.
1 COPY TO 2D-6 (COPY 47)

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/2/94
HONF INTERCEPT

CINCPOA REENCRYPTED AND PASSED TO ALL COMMANDS CONCERNED WITH 29TH BOMCOM SEARCH AND RECON MISSIONS AND TO NAV AS 212846.

(197-D). PHOTO INTERPRETATION OF AIRFIELDS COVERED ON SHEET 2B, MISSION 58/F1 ON DECEMBER 1 ASFOLLOWS:

AT KAMOYA EAST 158 SINGLE ENGINE SMALL AIRCRAFT, FIELD MEASURES 2950 BY 2290 FEET WITH CAMOUFLAGE.

NORTH-SOUTH RAMP 2600 BY 315 FEET EXTENDING FROM SOUTHEAST CORNER OF FIELD. 29 SMALL AIRCRAFT REVETMENTS.

ON SOUTH SIDE OF FIELD 6 OF WHICH ARE COVERED, 4 SMALL MEDIUM-SIZED FLIGHT HANGARS AND 2 MEDIUM AIRCRAFT REVETMENTS COMPLETE AND 3 UNDER CONSTRUCTION. NO AIRCRAFT VISIBLE. NO AIRFIELD AT KALINO MOUNTAIN 31-13 NORTH OURS 3284 AS SHOWN ON AERONAUTICAL CHART OF 15S/43.50.

(HARD COPY)

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94

NAV Swing, May 1973

212846
### Naval Message

**DRATER:** BOMCOM 21  
**RELEASED BY:**  
**DATE:** 3 JAN 45  
**TOR CODEROOM:** 0115  
**DECODED BY:** SLUTZ  
**TYPED BY:** MANUEL/JOHNSON  
**ROUTED BY:**  
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(CTF 77 SENDS ACTION CINCWPAC CONSEVENTHFLT COMINCH CINCPOA COMTHIRD FLEET)

MINDORO RESUPPLY ECHELON ARRIVED LEYTE FORENOON SECOND, ORNOC RESUPPLY GROUP WITH DD'S ESCORTING DURING DAYLIGHT DEPARTED SAN PEDRO HARBOR 1430 H.

ETA ORNOC 0530 1 3RD.

INCOMPLETE PT RETURNS.

LEYTE BOATS DESTROYED FIVE LUGGERS ANCHORED OFF NORTH CEBU AND SANK A MOTOR LAUNCH NEAR SAME AREA.

BOATS PATROLLING BETWEEN LUZON AND MALBATE WERE FIRED ON BY 8 TO 10 SHORE GUNS UP TO 90 MM AT RANGES TO 6 MILES.

GUNS LOCATED VICINITY SABANG POINT LUZON.

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E. O. 11662, Sec. 3/8 and 3/9, May 17, 1943
OSD Letter, May 11, 1943

By DGB

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/1947
**TOP SECRET DISPATCH**

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**ACTION CTG 94.9 CTF 83 FROM COM Forward Area Info CINCPAC CTO 17.7. TOP SECRET.**

HAVE RECEIVED NO ASSURANCE THAT AIR COVER CAN BE PROVIDED ON 4TH. FOLLOW TIMING BY OP ORDER 6-44. TG 84.9 REMAIN BELOW LATITUDE 22-30 UNTIL ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TIME.

ACTION F-30

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(CBQJ PHOTO RESULT SORTIE 84, MISSION 5MF1 BY F-13 NUMBER 264 OF 462 GROUP AS FOLLOWS.

K 18 TARGETS OF EXCELLENT QUALITY AND COMPLETE COVERAGE OF KANNOY AIRFIELD, SAEKI NAVAL AIR STATION, OITA AIRFIELD, AND GOOD QUALITY PARTIAL COVER OF KANNOY EAST AIRFIELD, ALL EXCELLENT QUALITY K 22 OF KANNOY EAST COMPLETE COVER, KANNOY/TAKASU PARTIAL COVER, KASAMAYA/KASUNOKARA PARTIAL COVER, KANNOY COMPLETE COVER, SAEKI COMPLETE COVER, OITA COMPLETE COVER. GOOD TO EXCELLENT TRINET COVERAGE OBTAINED ON ALL ABOVE OBJECTIVES AND PART INTERVENING AREAS. PHOTOS THIS SORTIE HAVE PROVIDED DEFINITE ORIENTATION OF PREVIOUSLY REPORTED FIELDS WHOSE EXACT LOCATIONS WERE DOUBTFUL. ALL PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AIRCRAFT COUNTS AND AIRFIELD

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E.O. 11652, Sec. 3(c) and 5(d)

By RT, NARA, Date 4-1-46

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DATA ON KANoya EAST AIRFIELD PERTAIN TO KASAKBAI/KASONOHARA
31-25 NORTH 136-55 EAST; ON MIYAKANTJO PERTAIN TO MIYAKATOJO
NORTH 31-44 NORTH 131-63 EAST. REPORTS ON ALL AIRFIELDS
FOLLOWS SOON. SHIPPING REPORT AS FOLLOWS:

AT SAeki NAVAL AIR STATION ARE 3 SUBMARINES APPROXIMATELY
260 FEET EACH, 2 DE'S 175 FEET EACH, 2 GUNBOATS 160 FEET
EACH, UNIDENTIFIED NOT NAVAL COMBAT TWO 150 FEET,
FTD 150 FEET, 18 SMALL NAVAL CRAFT AVERAGING 100 FEET.

IN ADDITION, 6 INCH PHOTOS SHOW 11 UNIDENTIFIED 250 TO
280 FOOT AVERAGE ESCORT TYPE VESSELS ANCHORED LINE ABREAST,
ALL BUT 3 IN PAIRS, OFF ISLAND JUST NORTH OF AIRFIELD.
NO OTHER SIGNIFICANT SHIPPING OBSERVED IN TRIMET PHOTOS.
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ULTRA.  

AT 021050 JAP PLANE MADE CONTACT NEAR 07-00N 132-20E AND AGAIN NEAR 09-00N 131-00E AT 1205. THIRD CONTACT REPORTED 1225 AT 08-52N 129-53E.  

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines.

To: War Department.

Nr: C 55784

2 January 1945

From ORO SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 55784. Operations report SOWESAPAC Area period 15002/31 to 15002/1.

French Indo China: 1 carrier 2 cruisers 3 destroyers 4 tankers 2 transports arrived left Touaine for northeast January 1.

Formosa: 20 small seatrucks sighted vicinity Formosa by Leyte reconnaissance plane December 31.

Hainan: 1 heavy cruiser 5 destroyers 6 large merchant ships sighted heading southeast off south point of island morning December 31.

Philippines: Luzon: 2 Medium transports 2 destroyers 3 escorts sighted heading northeast off San Fernando evening December 31;

67 serviceable fighters photographed Mabalacat December 30.

Celebes: Photographs Limboeng December 30 showed 3 fighters 2 bombers.


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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines.

Nr: C 55784 2 January 1945

sank another northeastern Cebu night December 29;

destroyed 5 luggers 1 motor launch anchored northern Cebu night December 31. Norotai boats with Corvette shelled Gallea night December 30.

Air. Enemy action: Mindoro: 2 crash dives damaged Allied shipping during dusk raid December 31.

Leyte: Light raids caused nil damage nights December 31 and January 1;

4 planes attacked convoy to southeast, 1 shot down afternoon January 1.

Operations December 31:

1) Refer paragraph 13 preceding report: Palau B24's also hit Bulan Airdrome southeastern Luzon.

2) B24 patrols shot down floatplane China coast, strafed radio station Pratas Reef, destroyed floatplane and dive bomber strafed small freighter east Formosa, set afire 3 coastal vessels strafed many others Nansei Shojo Islands, shot down transport plane off Luzon;

Ventura strafed 2 camouflage barges Verde Island passage.

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

Nr: 0 55784 2 January 1945.

(3) 4 Corsair squadrons made extensive attacks railroads warehouses and installations San Pablo area southern Luzon.

(4) Refer paragraph 14 preceding report: 16 B25's raided dispersals and installations Negros airdromes, destroyed 2 planes Talisay.

(5) Refer paragraph 15 preceding report: 10 B24's destroyed 2 planes Sassa Airdrome, also bombed Padada.

(6) 2 B24's searched eastern Borneo sank 1 lugger hit 1 coastal vessel near missed and strafed 2 other coastal vessels, engaged 4 intercepting fighters near Balik Eapan.

(7) 2 P38's bombed Sidate; 14 P47's cratered runways Langowan; 10 Beaufighters destroyed bridges northeastern Celebes.

(8) 88 B25's, 34 P38's and 36 RAAF P40's caused fires and explosions through bivouacs supplies gun positions and barge hideouts Wajile Bay; 27 B24's scored similar results headquarters and supply areas Lolobata and Hatatabako; 12 RAAF P40's bombed Hatatabako; 2 P38's hit Gafela.

(9) 17 Darwin B24's caused large explosion Ambesia dispersals, Kendari.

Operations January 1:

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(10) Preliminary report states B24 group from Palau scored good coverage Clark Field, Manila; P38's from Leyte escorted strike, shot down 11 of 20 to 30 intercepting barracks caused fires and explosions Laog, northern Luzon, exploded small freighter off Vigan on return; single B25 hit Legaspi.

(12) 2 predawn B24's bombed Laog and sank gunboat western Luzon.

(13) 11 B25's set supply dumps afire Sily on Negros.

(14) B24's from Biak again raided * * 34 B25's and 8 New Zealand Venturas raided plane hideouts Tobera, single B25 and 18 New Zealand Corsairs harassed Rabaul; 20 New Zealand corsairs gave ground support and cooperated with PT boats express Augusta Bay, 12 others attacked coastal targets.

Land. Mindoro: Rifle Company effected unopposed landing Bongabong.

Leyte: Tenth Corps: 24th Division Units occupied Tabango. 32nd and 31st Cavalary Divisions eliminated small enemy groups along northwest coast.

XXIV Corps: Elements 7th Division met stiff resistance from estimated 500 enemy 4,000 yards southwest

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Dolores others engaged strong force southwest Dungkol.

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Part 3. Paragraphs 1 through 5 no details.

(6) Dropped 15 by 250 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

(7) P38's dropped 4 by 1,000 lb bombs; P47's dropped 22 by 500 lb bombs; Beaufighters dropped 12 by 500 lb bombs, fired 12 by 60 lb rockets; Moderate medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(8) Dropped 10 by 1000 lb, 50 by 500 lb, 22 by 250 lb, 1008 by 100 lb bombs. 44 by 165 gallon Napalm bombs from

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12,000 feet to minimum altitude, met moderate medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire Wasile Bay; B-24's dropped 14 by 2,001 lb, 42 by 1,001 lb and 6 by 500 lb bombs, met slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire; dropped 24 by 500 lb bombs Hatetabako, 4 by 1,001 lb bombs Gallela.

(9) Dropped 680 by 100 lb bombs from 9000 feet.

Paragraphs 10 through 14, no details.

(15) B-24's dropped 12 by 250 lb, 10 by 100 lb bombs, fired 1,390 rounds 50 calibre; B-25's dropped 25 by 120 lb frage plus unstated number 500 lb incendiary clusters from 2000 feet, fired 6,600 rounds 50 calibre.

End.

* Being Serviced.

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CTF 94 CHUCKS ACTION TO CIGKPOA AND INFO COV 3RD AND CTF 93.

OPERATIONS 1 JAN. 4 GUAM CORSAIRS STRAFED
ROTA. 4 PALAU CORSAIRS STRAFED BARLETHAM
OIL DUMP AND TRUCKS. PALAU AVENGER ATTACKED
2 POSSIBLE SUBS AT 07-36N 134-47E. JASASA
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THIS MSG IS TOP SECRET.

AAPOA 1071, GOMGNAAFPOA TO CTF 93, INFO TO CTF 94, CINOPOA AND COMORUDIV 5.

REFERENCE CINOPOA DISPATCH 019731 AND YOUR DISPATCH 011159.

STRIKE SHIPPING TARGETS IN BONINS WITH ALL AVAILABLE AIRCRAFT AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE.

USE OPTIMUM BOMBING ALTITUDES.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/46
HONOLULU INTERCEPT

CTG 73.7 SENDS TO CINCSEAPA COMAAF COMAF 5 COMAF 13 COM 7TH AND 3RD FLTS CINCPOA ALL TF AND TG COMDRS 3RD AND 7TH FLTS.

RESULTS OF HINDORO SEAPLANE SEARCHES 1 JANUARY ALL RESULTS NEGATIVE. SECTOR T. NO SIGHTINGS 470 MILES 95% COVERAGE FRONT BETWEEN 114-00 AND 115-00 DEGS RETURNED EARLY BECAUSE OF ENGINE TROUBLE. SECTOR U.

NO SIGHTINGS 650 MILES 80% COVERAGE RETURNED ON SINGLE ENGINE VISIBILITY FAIR. SECTOR V. NO SIGHTINGS 225 MILES 90% COVERAGE EXTREMELY HEAVY FRONT LYING BETWEEN 117-00 AND 119-00 DEGS WITH 40 KNOT NORTHEAST WINDS.

EARLY RETURN DUE TO OIL LEAK. SECTOR W. NO SIGHTINGS 625 MILES 100% RADAR COVERAGE FRONTAL CONDITIONS BETWEEN 115-30 AND 118-00 TURNED EARLY DUE TO LOW FUEL SUPPLY. HAINAN COAST AND CARACES ISLANDS NOT ** ING COVERED TONIGHT AS PER CTF 73'S 010514.

**MISSING GROUPS

SECRET
FROM CTF 93 RDO MARIANA PASS ACTION TO CINCPAC INFO CTG 94 CTG 94.9.
RDO HONOLULU PASSED TO CINCPAC FOR INFO AS \$11435. 

THREE NIGHT ANTI-SHIPPING SNEAKERS OFF TO TARGET WORLD SIXTH WILL ATTACK IF CONTACT MADE. ONE SQUADRON HEAVY BOMBERS STRIKING BONIN TOMORROW. OTHER AVAILABLE AIRCRAFT STRIKING INFO TO DISRUPT POSSIBLE ENEMY RAIDS ON MARIANAS.
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(CTF 77 Sends to CINCSWPA with Info to COM 7TH FLT COMINCH CINCPAO COM 3RD FLT)

OROMOC RESUPPLY ECHelon returned San Pedro Harbor. Convoy 7 SHIPS ENROUTE LEYTE to HOLLANDIA was Attacked in mid afternoon by 4 PLANES 200 MILES EAST of LEYTE gulf. NO reported damage. MINDORO Resupply Echelon ENROUTE LEYTE under air attack at 0015 i. NO reported damage. ETA LEYTE 1000 1 2ND. PORCUPINE 1x 126 previously reported damanged at MINDORO is now considered total loss due to fire. AIR ATTACK ON 31ST AT MINDORO pt base killed 8 and wounded 16. MINDORO Pts Shelled RAUBLA HALAMHERA. Night 30TH OROMOC Boats destroyed 4 BARGES with 1 probable on northeast SHORE CEBU and demolished SUPPLY DUMPS on Poro Island. LEYTE PLY SEARCHERS destroyed 4 ENEMY PLANES and set FIRE to 5 SMALL AKS EAST of FORMOSA. 25 SMALL SHIPS were strafed in same area.

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COM FORD AREA SENDS ACTION: CINC PAC INFO CTF 93 COMM 115.

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YOUR CTF 932 STRIKE BY TASK GROUP 94-2 SCHEDULED FOR 5 JANUARY.

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1. CINCPOA SENDS ACTION COM 3RD FLIGHT INFO CINCPOA COM 7TH FLEET COM TASKFOR 77 AND 71 COMSUBSPAC AND ALL TASKFOR AND TASKGRP COMMANDS TASKFOR 38. THIS IS TOP SECRET.

2. FOLLOWING NEW AIR SEA RESCUE POINT ESTABLISHED. ALL HOLDERS OF ADDENDUM 1 TO SQP-2 CORRECT THEIR COPIES ACCORDINGLY ON FIRST REVISED SHEET 1. C16 IS HONG KONG-CANTON AREA REFERENCE POINT IS LILGIN ISLAND SOUTHEAST TIP 22-24N 113-48E. USE CODE WORDS OPPOSITE LINE NUMBER INDICATED.

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CINCPAC sends action CINCSWP info COM 7TH FLEET CTF 71 CTF 77 CTF 38 ALL TOG OF TF 38 CONSUBPAC COM 3RD FLEET CTO 318. This is top secret.

Ref: COM 3RD FLEET 29/4/45. If CTF 71 has not already picked life-guard points strongly recommend that code names be chosen from revision of sheet 1 in appendix 1 to SOP 2 transmitted to you and to all info akees by my serial 20774 of 11 November. This sheet shows point CB for Southeast Hainan and Point CB for Camphan Bay. Point C11 will be reserved for Lizard Reef. If you agree CINCPAC will repeat coordinates of points and code words by radio to ensure their receipt by all PDA forces. Request early advice.

Common: copies 1 to 8 inclusive.
From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines
To: War Department
No: C 55741 1 January 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 55741. Operations report SOMESPACE Area. Period 1500Z/30 to 1500Z/31 signed MacArthur.

Part 1.
French Indo China: Six large merchant vessels accompanied by small carrier reported Northbound off Cape Varella December 31.

South China Coast: Leyte based reconnaissance plane reported two medium merchant vessels, seven frigates on North Easterly course 80 miles East Hong Kong midday December 30.

Luzon: 17 vessels sighted at anchor Palanig Bay South Lingayen Gulf.

Mindoro: 15 enemy aircraft reported over area at night December 30.

Borneo: Catalinas reported three medium three small merchant ships vicinity Leot Island, 50 barges Kotebaroe Wharf night December 29.

Part 2.
Air: Enemy action:

15 planes raided Mindoro night December 30; anti aircraft fire shot down two, P-61 claimed another.

CM-IN-580 (1 Jan 45)
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines
No: C 55741 1 January 1945

Single bomber over San Pedro Bay, Leyte, same night.
Operations December 28:
(1) Six Dutch P-40's bombed villages near Timika, Dutch New Guinea.
Operations December 29.
(2) Two Beauforts attacked coastal targets Wewak.
Operations December 30:
(3) Mindoro based B-25's, A-20's, and P-40's sank one destroyer, one destroyer escort, one medium freighter transport, badly damaged two medium freighter transports, damaged two merchantmen, one destroyer Lingayen Gulf.
(4) Marine fighters destroyed two planes Lasca Airdrome, exploded ammunition train hit railroad yards damaged rolling stock Naga South Eastern Luzon; P-47's shot down torpedo bomber Batangas Bay; Patrol B-24 calimed floatplane north Luzon.
(5) 12 P-47's set barracks buildings afire and cratered runways Taliisay Airdrome; eight other P-47's strafed Santa Barbara on Panay Island.
(6) Six B-24's demolished three fuel tanks, set others afire Sasa airdrome, Davao; five B-25's sank three barges damaged three others Samal Island.
(7) Two B-24's swept Northern Borneo, attacked medium freighter transport Sandakan, set seatruck afire Hog

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Point, bombed fuel refinery and warehouses; 12 B-25's bombed Tanahax dispersal areas, demolished barracks set oil wells afire, two B-25's lost.

(8) Six Beaufighters and 16 P-47's raided supplies bivouacs and airfields Sidat; 12 P-38's cratered runways and dispersals Lagoan; four Beaufighters bombed Tanahax bridge sank schooner Northeastern Celebes.

(9) Four Spitfires bombed Taliisay on Negros; other B-25's attacked Silay and Taliisay on Negros.

(10) Blak based B-24's hit Padada airfield Davao.

(15) Darwin B-24 hit Kendari before dawn; another B-24 bombed.

* One B-25, * New Zealand, two other Ventures
* New Zealand Corsairs raided supplies gun positions and bivouacs New Ireland; 22 New Zealand Corsairs hit suspected radar station and patrolled Rabaub; 25 New Zealand Corsairs supported ground forces Bougainville and bombed Choiseul Island supplies.

Land

Mindoro: Reinforced platoon with radar installation landed Bululacot; rifle company enroute Bohulagang forced to return due enemy air attacks. No reported ground contact.

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Cumulative casualties: 7 killed, 107 wounded, 50 missing.

Enemy casualties to date, 280 dead, 12 prisoners, concludes Philippine Army report.

Leyte:

X Corps: Strong enemy counter attacks against our perimeters at Villaba and Tibayla repulsed.

XXIV Corps: Patrols report sizeable concentration enemy Bilibo area Northeast Ormoc. Elements 77th Division advancing East and West have joined on Palacon road, enemy resistance eliminated.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 12 250 lb bombs from 8,000 to 3,000 feet, fired 2,500 rounds 50 calibre.

(2) Dropped 6 250 lb bombs, fired 1,300 rounds 30 calibre.

(3) No details.

(4) No details.

(5) Dropped 24 500 lb bombs.

(6) Dropped 9 tons 100 lb bombs Sase; five B-25's dropped 20 500 lb bombs from minimum altitude, met slight light accurate anti aircraft fire.

(7) B-24's dropped 18 250 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds; B-25's dropped 144 100 lb bombs from minimum

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altitude, met slight heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.

(8) P-38's dropped 24 1000 lb bombs; P-47's dropped 34 500 lb bombs; Beaufighters dropped 10 250 lb bombs, 10 500 lb fragmentation clusters, fired unstated number rounds; moderate to intense medium some accurate anti aircraft fire.

(9) P-40's dropped 93 250 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds; P-38's dropped 10 1000 lb bombs.

(10) B-25's dropped 4 300 lb, 280 100 lb bombs, 4 500 lb frags; P-40's dropped 32 250 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

(11) Dropped 510 100 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.

(12) Dropped 6 250 lb bombs.

(13) No details.

(14) Dropped 48 100 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds Lahug.

(15) No details.

(16) Dropped 9 300 lb, 10 100 lb bombs.

(17) Beauforts dropped 10 500 lb, 16 250 lb bombs, 6 250 lb incendiaries, 24 40 lb frags, fired 1,500 rounds 30 calibre; A-20 fired 7,200 rounds 50 calibre.

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Broken cloud Philippines to Halmahera.

417th Bomber Group (A-20's) now operating from Mindoro, three.

* Being Serviced (Incomplete)

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CC/S CGAAF ASP G-2 Adm King Col Park Statistics Log

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IN VIEW OF ADVERSE METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS IN LEYTE-SAGAR AREA OF PHILIPPINES, CONCENTRATION OF ALL CARRIER REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT AND RELATED SUPPORTING FACILITIES IN QUANTITIES REQUIRED FOR AVIATION LOGISTIC SUPPORT OF 7TH FLEET AND CARRIER TASK FORCES CONSIDERED HAZARDOUS AND INADVISABLE IN THAT LOCALITY.

REQUEST CLARIFICATION WHETHER COMINCH 261935 WAS INTENDED TO PRECLUDE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SATELLITE FACILITIES OF THIS NATURE IN ANY OTHER AREA IN THE PHILIPPINES. REPORT OF LEYTE BOARD REFERS.

RECOMMEND FOR LEYTE AREA A MAXIMUM OF 50% REPLACEMENT.
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WITH LIMITED FACILITIES IN THE LUZON AREA

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FURTHER RESULTS PRELIMINARY INTERROGATION MY 280556. AFTER 09001 24TH DEPARTURE FROM CAMRANH BAY ORANGE TASK FORCE DP UNDER Rear ADMIRAL KOBAYASHI IN KASUMI ENROUTE MINDORO PROCEEDED NORTHWARD FOLLOWING INDO CHINA COAST APPARENTLY AS Far AS 14-00 N THENCE HEADED NORTHEAST TO MAKE FORMOSA APPEAR ITS DESTINATION. WHEN REACHED APPROXIMATELY 15 OR 15-3 NORTH FORCE HEADED DOWN TOWARDS MANILA THENCE DIRECTLY TOWARDS SAN JOSE MINDORO.

ESCORTED BY 2 SEA DEFENSE VESSELS AND 1 SUBCHASER ISE AND HYUGA DEPARTED CAMRANH 22ND FOR SAN JACQUES TO AVOID ANTICIPATED AIR ATTACK.

REPAIRS TO THE YAMATO NAGATO KONGO KARUNA EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY END THIS MONTH. PRISONER HAD HEARD THEY WERE TO PROCEED SOUTHWARDS TO PARTICIPATE IN DEFENSE AGAINST...

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ANTICIPATED BLUE LANDINGS ON LUZON. MYOKO HAD PROCEEDED SINGAPORE AFTER OCTOBER ENGAGEMENT OFF SAMAR. AFTER REPAIRS LEFT FOR EMPIRE AND WAS TORPEDOED BY SUB EARLY DECEMBER. RETURNED TO SINGAPORE WHERE SHE IS NOW UNDERGOING REPAIRS FOR SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE. COMMENT. CHECKS WITH BERGALLS ATTACK ON 13TH. TAKAO IN SINGAPORE FOR REPAIRS TO BE COMPLETED IN FEBRUARY PROBABLY. HAGURO ALSO AT SINGAPORE SINCE OCTOBER BATTLE. CHOKAI CHIRUM SUZUYA MODAMI SUNK IN OCTOBER BATTLE.

ISUZU DAMAGED BY SUBMARINE DURING NOVEMBER HAD PROCEEDED SURABAYA FOR REPAIRS AND IS STILL THERE. HAYASHI SUNK IN OCTOBER ACTION SUBSEQUENTLY SUNK BY AIRCRAFT WHILE HIDING AT CORON BAY. NACHI SUNK OFF CORREGIDOR ISLAND MANILA BY AIRCRAFT EARLY NOVEMBER. NAGANAMI SUNK ENROUTE FROM MANILA NEAR CHINA COAST BY SUBMARINE SOME TIME AFTER OCTOBER. AKISHIMO DAMAGED OFF LEYTE NOVEMBER AND SUNK SOON THEREAFTER AT MANILA. WAKATSUKI TANIKAZE ISOKAZE URAKAZE NAHA TAKE ALL BELIEVED SUNK OFF LEYTE IN NOVEMBER. KNIGHTSON 2 REAR ADMIRAL HAYAKAWA, MI'0 HAD SHIFTED FLAG FROM NOSHIRO AFTER HER SINKING DURING OCTOBER ENGAGEMENT TO SHIMAKAZE BUT WAS KILLED WHEN SHIMAKAZE SUNK MANILA BY AIRCRAFT APPARENTLY NOVEMBER. FUYUTSUKI HAMANAMI SUNK MANILA MID NOVEMBER. AKITSUKI HATSUTSUKI SUZUTSUKI ALL SUNK 1 OR 2 OF THEM AT MANILA MID NOVEMBER. UNIDENTIFIED OTAKA CLASS CARRIER SUNK BY SUBMARINE DURING RETURN FROM SINGAPORE TO JAPAN BELIEVED MID OCTOBER. SEAPLANE TENDER NOTORO HIT IN DOCK AT SELETAR NAVAL BASE SINGAPORE MID NOVEMBER BY B-29 AND BROKE IN TWO.

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