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(CINCPAA ADV HQ SENDS ACTION CINCSMPA (TOLOSA) INFO  
CINCSMPA ADV HQ CTF 58 COM 5THFLT COMAFAF (TOLOSA).)

THIS IS ~~TOP SECRET~~.

REFER MYDIS 21/654 AND YOUR CX 12957 TIMED 25/4JBM000 P.\*

TASK FORCE 58 NOW PLANS STRIKE OKINAWA ON 1 MARCH AND  
POSSIBLY ALSO ON 2 MARCH. 3 TASK GROUPS WILL BE  
EMPLOYED. STRIKES BY YOUR FORCES ON FORMOSA AIRFIELDS  
ON 2 AND 3 MARCH AS PLANNED REMAIN SATISFACTORY. IF  
ADDITIONAL EFFORT IS AVAILABLE FORMOSA AIRFIELD STRIKES  
ON 1 MARCH WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL.

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RDO HONO INTERCEPT

FROM CTF 93 ACTION TO CTF 51. COM 5TH FLT CTG 52.2 CTU 52.2.5 ALL CTF AND CTG 5TH FLT CTG 93.2 GET INFO. RDO GUAM PASS INFO CO 11TH BOMB GROUP COMGEN AAFPOA(ADV).

ASSUMING YOUR 270940 REMAINS IN EFFECT FOR 1 MARCH 9 LIBS ATTACK CHICHI AT 1500K STRIKE LEADER CALL OV537.

5 LIBS MAKE NIGHT ATTACKS ON CHICHI 90 MINUTES APART. FIRST PLANE OVER TARGET 2030K. REFERENCE NOT HELD BY ALL.

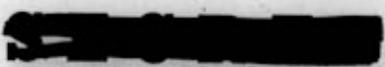
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TYPED BY <u>BOUDREAU/SAPP</u>		INFORMATION <b>COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM COM 5TH FLT</b>	PRIORITY
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COM 7TH FLT SENDS ACTION CINCSWA INFO COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM COM 5TH FLT.

AFTER PRELIMINARY BOMBARDMENT BY COVERING FORCE OF 3 CL AND 5 DD UNDER COMMAND OF RAD, RIGGS ONE RCT OF THE 41ST DIVISION WAS LANDED AT PUERTA PRINCESSA PALAWAN BY ATTACK GROUP COMMANDED BY RAD, FECHTLER. FIRST WAVE HIT THE BEACH AT 0850L

TODAY. NO OPPOSITION REPORTED UP TO 1200 WHEN BRIG GEN HANEY ASSUMED COMMAND ASHORE WITH ALL INFANTRY AND ARTILLERY ASHORE AT THAT TIME. IN MANILA BAY MAGNETIC MINE SWEEPING OPERATIONS HAVE BEEN NEGATIVE SO FAR. DD SANK 150 FOOT JAPANESE TUG DRIFTING IN THE BAY. ON 26TH PT'S CLEANED OUT MORE SMALL GROUPS OF JAPANESE IN MANILA BAY AND ON THE BEACH AND RENDERED ASSISTANCE TO THE SAUNTER, AM 295, WHICH HAD BEEN DAMAGED BY A MINE. ON 26TH AND 27TH NAVY SEARCH PLANES SANK 6 SMALL CARGO SHIPS IN FORMOSA STRAIT 2 MORE NEAR SAKISHIMA GUNTO ALSO DESTROYED 1 TONY AND 1 VAL EAST OF HAINAN PLUS 1 JAKE NEAR CAPE ST JACQUES. THEY ALSO DAMAGED A RADIO STATION ON YONAKUNI JIMA.

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RELEASED BY <i>[Signature]</i>		COM 5TH FLT <i>WZ</i>			
DATE <u>1 MAR 1965</u>		INFORMATION		CINCPAC (ADV & REAR)	P P P P P P ROUTINE DEFERRED
TOR CODE ROOM <u>0138</u>				ALL TFC'S 5TH FLT	
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(CTF 51 SENDS ACTION COM 5TH FLEET INFO CINCPAC (BOTH HDCTS) AND ALL TFC'S 5TH FLEET.)

SUMMARY NUMBER 20 281800K.

LED BY TANKS IN THE 5TH MARDIV ZONE OF ACTION USING FLAME THROWERS INFANTRY ADVANCED FRONT LINE GENERALLY 400-500 YARDS ALONG THE FRONT OF THE 3RD AND 5TH MARDIVS. PROGRESS MADE BY THE 3RD MARDIV THROUGH CENTER OF ENEMY MAIN LINE OF RESISTANCE ADVANCED BEYOND VILLAGE OF MOTOYAMA. SMALL GAINS OF SEVERAL HUNDRED YARDS WERE MADE OPPOSITE THE RIGHT FLANK AND CENTER OF THE 4TH MARDIV ZONE. LOCAL COUNTER ATTACK ON 4TH MARDIV FRONT BROKEN UP BY ARTILLERY 1625. LINES WERE CONSOLIDATED FOR THE NIGHT AT 1700. OUR FRONT AS OF 1710 TA 215NO 216KLSY 200ABC 217WRSY 200ET 201PV 1646RX 167D. SEVERAL ROUNDS MORTAR FIRE HIT BLUE BEACH. RESUMPTION ATTACK 0830 TOMORROW. NAVAL GUNFIRE ASSISTED THE ADVANCE WITH CALL FIRE MISSIONS. PRESIDENT ~~ADMS~~ OPERATIONAL CASUALTY RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO SIDE PLATING PORT SIDE DURING UNLOADING OPERATIONS.

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EXPLODED HORNED MOORED TYPE ENEMY MINE LATITUDE 23-29 N

LONGITUDE 140-44 E

2,700 AIRCR. FT FROM 170 FEET SPRAYED WITH DDT AREA OCCUPIED  
BY OUR TROOPS. CVL AIR STRIKE IN DIRECT SUPPORT GROUND TROOPS  
FURNISHED. VOC-1 FROM WAKE ISLAND FURNISHED EFFECTIVE

SPOTTING NAVAL GUNFIRE. DUSK STRIKES CHICHI JIMA 27 FEBRUARY  
CAUSED EXPLOSION SEAPLANE BASE FUTAMI KO. FIS UD\* ALL

UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS OFF SEAPLANE BASE. NIL ENEMY OBSERVED  
AIR CORNE. REMAINDER PBM ARRIVED THIS AFTERNOON. SEA SUB-  
SIDING TONIGHT AFTER A SLOW UNLOADING DAY

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Leyte, Philippines

To: War Department

Nr: C 11230 28 February 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department cite C 11230. Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1500Z/26 to 1500Z/27 signed MacArthur.

China coast: Two tankers, two escorts reported southbound off Amoy Feb 26th, next day two tankers, one destroyer escort on northerly course 70 miles to east.

French Indo China: Three tankers, three escort vessels reported off Camranh Bay on northerly course mid-night Feb 26th.

Malaya: 20th BOMCOM reconnaissance plane reported aircraft carrier and heavy cruiser 70 miles north Singapore Feb 26th.

Borneo: Photographs Feb 27th show two medium, two light bombers, four fighters Jesselton, two fighters Labuan, nil aircraft Miri Kudat.

Part II. Air.

Operations February 25th:

(1) 31 A20's attacked airdrome and town Aparri, troop concentrations San Fernando.

(2) 12 B25's bombed and strafed positions west Stotsenburg.

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Operations February 26th:

(3) B24 patrols before dawn sank large tanker seriously damaged small freighter anchored west Tonkin Gulf.

(4) Day strikes against shipping China coast incomplete due weather; reconnaissance B25's damaged jetty Formosa Strait; 5 squadrons B24's bombed Takao by instruments through solid undercast; fighter sweep heavily damaged 18 railcars and locomotive Formosa.

(5) 18 Dauntless and 36 A20's demolished headquarters buildings hit airdrome installations Echague, Luzon.

(6) Many effective support missions included P51's and other fighter bombers San Fernando Balete Pass and Ternate, 140 Dauntless and 43 B24's Antipolo Wawa northeast Manila, 36 A20's Ternat southwest Cavite, 12 P47's west Stotsenburg.

(7) Eight Corsairs raided Buland gun positions southeastern Bicol Peninsula.

(8) 32 Corsairs bombed Lapaz on Panay; 8 Corsairs set 5 grounded planes afire, hit camouflaged torpedo bomber Fabrica on Negros; 14 Corsairs attacked Cebu City area.

(9) 12 Corsairs raided Mindanao targets; 22 Corsairs on patrols and convoy cover.

(10) 40 P38's, 59 P47's and 74 A20's bombed and strafed Puerto Princesa, Palawan Island.

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Operations February 27th:

(11) Catalinas from Lingayen damaged medium freighter transport, sank small freighter near Hong Kong; B25's sweeping China coast found no large ships, sank 11 junks and sampans damaged 15 others towards Hong Kong; P51's escort dispersed 3 enemy fighters.

(12) 26 B24's caused explosions fires visible 100 miles Takao City with 78 tons bombs; 4 P47's sweeping Formosa shot down 3 of 12 intercepting fighters, one P47 lost; P51's destroyed one plane one motor truck along west coast.

(13) Fighter sweep Cagayan Valley found nil serviceable planes; numerous close ground support missions carried out Luzon; P51's bombed headquarters area Baguio.

(14) 93 A20's and 24 P38's attacked designated targets Puerto Princesa.

(15) B24 patrols bombed San Roque gun positions Zamboanga and Judat airdrome Borneo.

(16) 17 B25's started fires San Roque airdrome, one B25 \*; 4 P38's divebombed Padada airdrome Davao.

(17) 11 B24's cratered Jesselton runways Borneo, destroyed one jetty in Revetments; 17 B24's bombed Terauan airdrome 11 B24's missing.

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(18) Two RAAF B24 patrols bombed villages Soela and Alor Islands; RAAF Ventura bombed and strafed two coastal vessels one seatruck Soembawan.

(19) 6 B25's and 3 A20's raided villages Wewak area Flo Solomons Forces. No report received.

Land. Luzon:

Sixth Army: First Corps: Elements Thirtieth Div seized high ground 1,000 yards north Hot Springs, 7,000 yards southeast Agoo and 4,000 yards northwest Lilang, reporting minor opposition only; other First Corps Units improved their respective positions.

Fourteenth Corps: Thirty-seventh Division reported continued suicidal resistance from legislative finance and agricultural buildings; elements by First Cavalry Division met determined resistance in continued attacks on enemy positions west Antipolo; Sixth Division units launched attack to seize high ground 2,500 yards southeast Monapban.

Eleventh Corps: 503rd Infantry reported cessation of organized resistance on Corregidor with \* remaining under Artillery fire vicinity east point; enemy casualties to Feb 27th, \* killed, 18 captured; our ca\* approximately \* killed.

Eighth Army \* Palawan: Preliminary report Feb

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28th: 186 Regimental Combat Team (41st Div) effected unopposed landing Puerto Princesa.

Verde Island secured, mopping up proceeding; Naranjo and Balicuatr Islands in San Bernadino Strait reported secured.

Part 3.

(1) dropped 112 250 lb parademos, fired over 10,500 rounds 50 calibre.

(2) Dropped 68 250 lb parademos, fired 33,700 rounds 50 calibre.

Paragraphs 3 through 5 no details.

(6) B24's dropped 441 500 lb ombs from 3000 feet.

(7) Dropped 2 1000 lb, 12 500 lb bombs, fired 2,500 rounds 50 calibre.

(8) 46 Corsairs dropped 80 1000 lb, 6 500 lb bombs; moderate medium accurate antiaircraft fire Cebu.

(9) 8 Corsairs dropped 16 500 lb bombs.

(10) P38s dropped 40 165 gallon napalms.

(11) No details.

(12) dropped 78 tons 500 lb bombs.

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Paragraphs 13 and 14 no details.

(15) Dropped 6 500 lb, 10 100 lb bombs, 9 260 lb  
frage, 10 100 lb napalms.

(16) B25's dropped 180 100 lb napalms from minimum  
altitude, met moderate to accurate antiaircraft fire; P38's  
dropped 4 1000 lb bombs.

(17) Dropped 55 1000 lb bombs from 9,400 feet  
Jesselton, 136 bombs same type Tarakan.

(18) B24's dropped 12 500 lb, 10 100 lb bombs;  
Ventura dropped 2 300 lb bombs fired 400 rounds 50, 1,100  
rounds 30 calibre.

(19) Dropped 36 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay  
from minimum altitude, fired 10,000 rounds 50 calibre.

Refer report operations Feb 25th paragraph 9: 19  
B25's dropped 19 500 lb bombs, fired over 8,300 rounds of 50  
calibre; paragraph 10: B24's dropped 232 500 lb bombs  
instantaneous and unstated delay, 116 500 lb incendiaries from  
12,500 to 10,500 feet, met intense heavy some accurate anti-  
aircraft fire; paragraph 13: 80 B24's dropped unstated number  
1,000 lb bombs from 9,400 feet.

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SUMMARY OF MOPPING UP OPERATIONS FORWARD AREA 10  
FEBRUARY THRU 24 FEBRUARY.

SAIPAN	37 JAPS KILLED	52 POW	OUR CASUALTIES
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GUAM	35 JAPS KILLED	11 POW	
PELELIU		2 POW	

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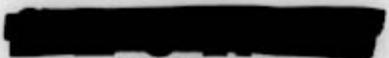
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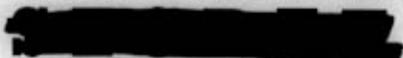
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ACTION COM 5TH FLEET FROM CTF 51. INFO CINCPAC BOTH HEAD-QUARTERS AND ALL TASK FORCE COMMANDERS 5TH FLEET.

(PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO BY CINCPAC/POA ADV AS 271723.)

THIS IS SUMMARY NUMBER 18 271800K.

LATE REPORTS INDICATE THAT 3RD DIVISION ADVANCED TO WITHIN 200 YARDS OF 0-2 LINE IN DIVISION LEFT WITH 4TH DIVISION ADVANCING 200 YARDS ON ITS RIGHT AND CENTER. REMAINDER OF FRONT PINNED DOWN BY ENEMY FIRE POWER. REPORTS INDICATE ENEMY EMPLOYING TANKS HULL DOWN. LIGHT AND MEDIUM ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE INCREASED AFTER SEVERAL DAYS CESSATION. BELIEVE ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE COMES FROM AUTOMATIC ANTI-TANK WEAPONS. ANTI-TANK AND PERSONNEL MINES BEING MET WITH THROUGHOUT AREA. LOCAL COUNTER ATTACK BROKEN UP BY ARTILLERY 1110 FRONT 5TH MARDIV. POW REPORTS EXTENSIVE FORTIFIED AREAS IN VICINITY OF



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NISHI DEFENDED BY 145 INFANTRY AND TA 235 XY DEFENDED BY 314  
INDEPENDENT BRIGADE NEITHER YET COMMITTED. BELIEF CONFIRMED BY

POW AND EVENTS THAT OUR TROOPS NOW ENGAGED OPPOSITE MAIN DEFENSIVE  
AREA OF ISLAND. TANK LOSSES CONTINUE HIGH 11 TANKS 3RD TANK

BATTALION DESTROYED YESTERDAY. TOTAL 87 TANKS REMAIN OPERATIONAL  
~~ENTRE CORPS. LINES REPORTED 1800 AS TA 198 CDE 199 AE 200 FLMNT~~

201 UV 184 BFKQVW 167 C. CAPTURED DUGOUTS EVIDENCE EXCELLENT  
FIELD ENGINEERING CONDUCTED OVER LONG PERIOD TIME WITH HIGH TERRAIN

APPRECIATION. 800 PILLBOXES VARIOUS TYPES MOUNTED IN ZONE OF  
ACTION 3RD MARDIV ALONE. 1 BLOCKHOUSE TA 235 REPORTED 150 FEET

LONG 4 FEET CONCRETE WALKS.

NAVAL FIRE SUPPORT REINFORCED GROUND ARTILLERY WITH SCHEDULED AND

CALL FIRES. AMMUNITION FUEL REPLENISHMENT PER SCHEDULE. CALHOUN  
IN COLLISION WITH LIBRA AND KNOX CLEARING FOULED ANCHOR WHILE

GETTING UNDER WAY. LIBRA NO DAMAGE. KNOX MINOR. CALHOUN STARBOARD  
SIDE FORECASTLE CAVED IN FRAME 29-32. HIT REPORTED ON LEO APPARENT-

LY FROM ABOUT 40 MM WHICH EXPLODED IN AIR BELIEVED FROM DIRECTION  
OF LAND.

CVE PLANES REINFORCED GROUND TROOPS WITH CLOSE SUPPORT STRIKES.  
9 B-24'S STRATEGIC AIR FORCE MADE STRIKE PRE-ARRANGED TARGET AREA

1445. 1 OY PLANE SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED FROM LST 776 BRODIE EQUIPPED  
1 OY PLANE CRASHED ON WAVE OFF LST 776 PLANE LOST PILOT SAVED.

3 PBM'S ARRIVED SEAPLANE BASE. ROUTINE DAWN SWEEP CHICHI JIMA.  
3RD AIR SEARCH FOR BELLEAU WOOD PILOT UNSUCCESSFUL.

SURF CONDITIONS RESTRICTED UNLOADING TO LST'S LSM'S LCT'S THIS  
AFTERNOON.

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THIS UNIT. 2 CA 9 DD 1 GUNBOAT SUPPORT UNIT 1 MORTAR SUPPORT UNIT  
FURNISHED NAVAL SUPPORT DURING THE NIGHT. ATTACK RESUMED AT  
0800 SAME BOUNDARIES OBJECTIVES AND ZONE OF ACTION WITH MAIN  
EFFORT IN CENTER. ARTILLERY WITH CORPS FIRED 45 MINUTE PREPARA-  
TION WITH 50% IN 3RD MARDIV ZONE 25% EACH TO 4TH AND 5TH MARDIVS.  
1 BB 1 CA FIRED PRE-K-HOUR PREPARATION. 9 DD 1 GUNBOAT SUPPORT  
UNIT ON CALL FIRE MISSIONS TODAY. RESISTENCE CONTINUES FROM  
HEAVY DEFENSES WELL PLACED AND CAMOUFLAGED. NEW POSITIONS BEING  
REPORTED HOURLY AND TAKEN UNDER FIRE. 5TH MARDIV REPORTED ENEMY  
USE OF WHITE PHOSPHOROUS HAND GRENADES AT 0820K. THE 5TH MARDIV  
ON LEFT FLANK OF CORPS ZONE ADVANCED ABOUT 300 YARDS THIS  
MORNING AND THE RIGHT FLANK OF THE 4TH MARDIV MOVED UP THE EAST  
COAST APPROXIMATELY 400 YARDS. SOME ADVANCE WAS MADE ON THE LEFT  
OF THE 3RD MARDIV OTHER LINES REMAINING THE SAME. LINES AT 1200  
GENERALLY ALONE: TA 215 W-198 DE-199 ABH1J0-200 KLMST-183  
E-184 FKQW-167 C.

506TH AAA BN NOW IN POSITION WITH RADAR AND OPTIC FIRE CONTROL.  
NGF CONTROL ESTABLISHED ASHORE. 11 TANKS LOST YESTERDAY TO ENEMY  
ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE AND 2 REPORTED TODAY. SOME  
ENEMY FIRE FALLING BEACH AND REAR AREAS TODAY. NEW IDENTIFICA-  
TIONS INCLUDE 20TH SPEC MACHINE CANNON UNIT AND 21ST MACHINE  
CANNON COMPANY. ENEMY HEADQUARTERS REPORTED IN KITA.  
AT 0215K LST 884 HIT BY MEDIUM CALIBRE SHELL AT WATER LINE  
STARBOARD SIDE. STARBOARD SCREW INOPERATIVE NO PERSONNEL  
CASUALTIES. AT 0317K 27TH ASP REPORTED POSSIBLE SUBMARINE  
CONTACT 270 DEGREES 24 MILES FROM SURIBACHI. BENNION AND NEWCOMB

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CONDUCTED HUNTER KILLER TACTICS UNTIL DAYLIGHT. CONNELLY AND RIDDLE DISPATCHED FOR SAME MISSION UNTIL NOON TODAY. PINCKNEY ESCORTED BY CASSIN DEPARTED FOR GUAM 1800K 26 FEB WITH CASUALTIES. BRYANT ON FIRE SUPPORT MISSION 1100K OFF NORTHEAST COAST FIRED ON BY 2 GUN SHORE BATTERY ESTIMATED 6 INCH 12 SALVOS FIRED NO HITS WEST VIRGINIA SILENCED BATTERY. FLEET POST OFFICE IN LIMITED OPERATION LST 809. OPERATIONAL CASUALTIES THIS PERIOD LST 759 EXTENSIVE DAMAGE SHELL PLATING AND DECK BEAMS RUPTURED WATERLINE SLIGHT FLOODING UNDER CONTROL DUE TO BEACHING AND DAMAGE ALONGSIDE SHIPS. LSM 60 BOW DOORS JAMMED CLOSED OPERATING GEAR CRUSHED BUCKLED FRAMES PLATING DAVITS PORTSIDE. LSM 44 HOLE AT WATERLINE. LSM 47 SPLIT SEAMS FORWARD TAKING WATER. LSM 140 HOLE IN WARDROOM AND AFTER TROOP COMPARTMENT STARBOARD SCREW DAMAGED. LSM 261 HOLE IN HULL AT ENGINE ROOM.

DIRECT AIR SUPPORT BY CVE PLANES. IMPROVED WEATHER CONDITIONS MAKES POSSIBLE EXTENSIVE FLIGHT SCHEDULES. SPECIAL SEARCH CHICHI JIMA AREA 4 BELLEAU WOOD PILOT DOWNED 23 FEB NEGATIVE. ESTIMATE MOST UNLOADING OF TRANSRONS 15 AND 16 AND 2 DIVISIONS OF TRANSRON 11 BE COMPLETED 28 FEB. 0 GARRISON ECHELON DIRECTED TO ARRIVE 28 FEB AND BEGIN UNLOADING 1 MARCH. TRANSDIV 33 NOW UNLOADING ARTILLERY OF 3RD MARINES. BEACH CONDITIONS IMPROVING. YELLOW BEACHES OPERATING TO APPROXIMATE CAPACITY BUT BLUE BEACHES ONLY 25%. BEACHES CLEARED OF ALL WRECKED CRAFT EXCEPT LVT'S. SURF 4 FEET WIND EAST NORTH EAST 20 KNOTS. MORALE AND COMBAT EFFICIENCY EXCELLENT.

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To: War Department

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From GHR SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War  
Department site C 11154. Operations report SOWESPAC area per-  
iod 1500Z/25 to 1500Z/26 signed MacArthur.

China coast: Leyte reconnaissance plane reported  
large tanker with three destroyer escorts approaching Hong-  
kong from southwest February 25, following day two tankers  
three destroyer escorts sighted on northerly course 65 miles  
to northeast; 12 vessels including two tankers reported  
Hainan Strait February 25.

Formosa: Reconnaissance plane over Takao reported  
two medium freighter transports one medium freighter five  
seatrucks, intense heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.

Nansei Shoto: One medium transport one medium  
freighter transport one destroyer escort six seatrucks three  
other freighters anchored Naha (Okinawa) February 26.

French Indo China: Two small freighters two patrol  
craft covered by three fighters leaving anchorage 40 miles  
southeast Tourane February 25.

Borneo: Attacking B-24's February 26 reported two  
fighters in Mangar revetments five airborne over Sepingan.

Part 2. Naval: Three destroyers supported ground  
forces Corregidor February 25; Mindoro PT boats with air  
cooperation exploded fuel and ammunition dumps destroyed one

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Barge damaged six luggers and sailboats Romblon Island;  
Ormoc boats destroyed two barges northwest Cebu.

Air.

Enemy action: Single plane damaged when attacking  
Allied PT boats northwestern Leyte evening February 25.

Operations February 24:

(1) Refer report operations February 24 Paragraph 8;  
12 B-25's found nil targets Hainan Island through bad weather  
and returned; 20 B-25's against shipping Formosa; four planes  
attacked seatruck, six planes raided personnel and supplies  
Dugo south Aparri, others returned base due weather.

(2) Refer preceding report Paragraph 5: Total 72  
A-20's attacked villages Salomague area and enemy concentra-  
tions Tangado east Vigan.

(3) 23 more Corsairs harassed Cebu Panay and Negros  
Islands.

Operations February 25:

(4) Refer preceding report Paragraph 11: 23 Daunt-  
less on ground support Manila area; 12 P-47's plus P-51's west  
Stotsenberg; nine A-20's east San Fernando; 18 more B-24's  
against troop concentrations northeast Manila.

(5) 18 Corsairs destroyed submarine docks and build-  
ings and fuel dumps Cebu city.

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(6) 15 Corsairs demolished buildings caused fires  
Butuan northern Mindanao; 24 B-24's raided San Roque airdrome,  
Zamboanga.

(7) Six Spitfires destroyed fuel dumps and barges  
around Halmahera; search planes damaged two landing barges  
around Halmahera; search planes damaged two landing craft  
further west.

Operations February 26:

(8) B-24 patrols damaged small freighter Cramanh  
Bay, sank seatruck northeast Hongkong, sank one coastal  
vessel strafed three others destroyed radio station Yonakuni  
Island in Kasei Shoto.

(9) 18 B-25's struck Zettelfield in Sulu Archipelago,  
one B-25 missing.

(10) Thirteenth Air Force B-24's against Balikpapan  
airdromes; 16 planes cratered Manggar, 18 planes bombed Sep-  
inggan started large fire, encountered five ineffective in-  
terceptors.

(11) Patrol B-24 scored two near misses unidentified  
vessel off Balikpapan.

(12) RAAF B-24 hit warehouses straddled jetty Boet-  
oeng southeastern Celebes.

(13) Six B-25's attacked Kairiru seaplane base and  
Muschu plantations Wewak.

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(14) 12 B-24's from Nadzab struck Rabaul supply  
dumps.

Land.

Luzon: I Corps: Elements 33rd Division occupied  
Dongon northeast Udiao reached camp 1 1/2; 32nd Division  
units reached point 13,000 yards northeast San Nicholas  
against scattered resistance, others held high ground 5,000  
yards north Santa Maria on Ambayabang River; 25th Division  
secured Carranglan.

XIV Corps: Elements 6th Division in coordinated  
attack reached crest Mount Mabato (0078) unopposed, gained  
northwest slopes Mount Pacawagan (0281) against slight oppo-  
sition; 1st Cavalry Division continued attacks against organiz-  
ed positions west Antipolo encountering heavy small arms and  
artillery fire.

XI Corps: Reconnaissance elements 38th Division  
continued development enemy position of undetermined strength  
contacted east Bvtolan (5750) in Zambeles Mountains; 503 Inf-  
antry reached north south line through centre Kindley Field  
on Corregidor.

Cumulative casualties to February 26:

Allied: 3212 killed, 1199<sup>4</sup> wounded, 204 missing;  
Enemy: 55061 killed, 505 captured.

First Australian Army: During the period January 22  
to February 22, extensive patrolling resulted in following

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enemy casualties:

British New Guinea: 636 killed, 42 captured;  
New Britain: 84 killed (since November 27);  
Bougainville: 360 killed, six captured.

Part 3.

(1) Ten B-25's dropped 40 500 lb bombs, fired 5900 rounds 50 calibre.

(2) A-20's dropped 330 250 lb parademos, fired 59000 rounds 50 calibre.

(3) Dropped 16 1000 lb, 18 500 lb bombs, four 500 lb incendiaries.

(4) Later report states 43 B-24's dropped 432 500 lb bombs from 10000 to 5000 feet northeast Manila.

(5) Dropped three 1000 lb, 14 500 lb bombs, seven 500 lb incendiaries, met intense medium accurate anti aircraft fire.

(6) Corsairs dropped 30 1000 lb bombs.

(7) No details

(8) No details

(9) Dropped 200 100 lb napalms, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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(10) Dropped 216 1000 lb, ten 500 lb bombs from  
15900 to 10200 feet; intense heavy accurate anti aircraft  
fire Sepinggan.

(11) Dropped eight 500 lb bombs.

(12) Dropped six 300 lb bombs.

(13) Dropped 24 300 lb bombs from minimum altitude.

(14) Dropped 90 1000 lb bombs from 9900 feet.

Refer report operations February 24 Paragraph 9:  
Dropped 130 1000 lb, 404 500 lb bombs, 109 500 lb incendiaries  
from 14000 to 11500 feet, met moderate to intense medium  
and heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.

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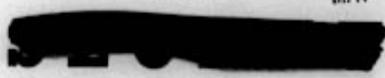
OPERATIONS 25TH.  
62 CORSAIRS 4 AVENGERS 1 HELLCAT HIT PALAU ISLANDS WITH NAEALM ROCKETS AND DEPTH CHARGES FIRING BUILDING SUPPLY AND OIL DUMPS DAMAGING COAST DEFENSE POSITIONS. 4 CORSAIRS HIT TOMIL HARBOR YAP.

ON 26TH.  
6 AVENGERS HIT GAGIL TOMIL SHORE INSTALLATIONS. 48 CORSAIRS 2 HELLCATS 3 AVENGERS HIT PALAUS WITH DEPTH CHARGES ROCKETS FIRING TRUCKS BUILDINGS HITTING MOTOR POOL. 11 SURVIVORS B-29 DOWN 25TH RESCUED BY FANNING

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**PASSED TO COMINCH COMSUBPAC DEPCOM 20TH AIRFORCE GUAM UNIDENTIFIED CALL (KXIE) FOR INFO AS 271051.**

**STRUCK TOKYO AREA 25TH. BECAUSE OF UNFAVORABLE WEATHER THERE ATTEMPTED TO STRIKE NAGOYA-KOBE AREA 26TH BUT PREVENTED BY WEATHER AND SEA AND WITHDREW MORNING 26TH. TOKYO TARGET AREA WAS CLOSED IN EXCEPT NORTH-EASTERN PORTION AND CEILING MOSTLY TOO LOW FOR BOMBING IN THAT PORTION. LATER IN DAY COULD NOT GET THROUGH TO ANY TARGETS EXCEPT HACHIGO JIMA. INCOMPLETE REPORTS GIVE 158 TOTAL PLANES DESTROYED, 47 OF THESE SHOT DOWN 111 ON GROUND. APPROXIMATELY 75 DAMAGED ON GROUND. 2 TRAINS 1 RADAR STATION 2 HANGARS DESTROYED. OTA PLANT STRUCK AGAIN AND PHOTOS SHOW 75% BUILDINGS DESTROYED AND 15% HEAVILY DAMAGED. MOST IMPORTANT BUILD-**

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INGS KOIXUMI PLANT HEAVILY HIT BY 1 TASK GROUP STRIKE. 5  
COASTAL VESSELS 7 SMALL CRAFT PROBABLY SUNK. 9 COASTAL  
VESSELS AND 5 SMALL CRAFT DAMAGED. OUR COMBAT LOSSES 9 VF  
 AND 4 VF PILOTS. OPERATIONAL LOSSES 3 VF 1 VT, NO PERSONNEL.  
 NO DAMAGE BY ENEMY TO OUR SURFACE VESSELS EXCEPT MINOR DAMAGE  
 BY PICKET BOAT DESCRIBED NEXT SENTENCE. DURING NIGHT RETIRE-  
 MENT 25-26 FEB SANK 5 SMALL ENEMY VESSELS INCLUDING 1 PICKET  
 BOAT WHICH CAUSED MINOR DAMAGE 1 OFFICER KILLED 13 MEN WOUNDED  
 IN PORTERFIELD AND MINOR DAMAGE 2 MEN WOUNDED IN PASADENA.  
 FOLLOWING WEATHER DAMAGE. PRESTON SOUND DOME DAMAGED BUT LATER  
 REPAIRED AND NUMBER 1 GUN OUT OF COMMISSION. STEPHAN POTTER  
 BUCKLED FRAME 25 AND 30. JOHN W WEEKS MOUNT NUMBER 1 CAVED  
 IN CANNOT TRAIN ON POWER. MOALE CONSIDERABLE STRUCTURAL  
 FORECASTLE DAMAGE. COMMENTS. WEATHER WAS MAJOR FACTOR  
THROUGHOUT AND NECESSITATED SLOWING DOWN NIGHTS 24-25 FEB AND  
25-26 FEB TO CHECK DESTROYER DAMAGE, PARTICULARLY 2200 TON  
CLASS. COMBINATION HIGH PERCENTAGE OF BAD WEATHER IN EMPIRE  
AREA WITH IMPOSSIBILITY OF BETTER THAN APPROXIMATE PREDICTION  
MAKES TIMING OF STRIKES EXTREMELY DIFFICULT PARTICULARLY WHEN  
TIGHT SCHEDULES PERMIT LITTLE OR NO FLEXIBILITY. UNTIL  
 ARRIVAL OFF TOKYO PREDICTED WEATHER THERE WAS FAVORABLE 25TH  
 AND PROBABLY FAVORABLE 26TH. NAGOYA-KOBE ATTEMPT WAS MADE  
 BECAUSE PROSPECTS THERE WERE LESS UNFAVORABLE THAN IN TOKYO  
 AREA. STORM WAS TOO WIDESPREAD AND SEVERE HOWEVER AND BECAUSE

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OF SEAS POSITION FOR STRIKE COULD NOT HAVE BEEN REACHED UNTIL TOO LATE IN AFTERNOON FOR LAUNCHING. ENEMY'S POLICY AND REACTION AT PRESENT ARE DEFINITELY PASSIVE. HE COULD HAVE FOUND US WITH SEARCH PLANES DURING DAYLIGHT 24TH BUT THERE WAS NO INDICATION OF SEARCH. 2 SEARCH PLANES HEADING OUT PASSED THE FORMATION CLOSE ABOARD, 1 ON EITHER SIDE, AS LAUNCHING BEGAN OFF TOKYO DAWN 25TH BUT APPARENTLY NEITHER ONE REPORTED US. THEREAFTER THERE WAS NO APPARENT ATTEMPT EITHER TO LOCATE OR TO ATTACK US. ONLY ABOUT 100 AIRBORNE AIRCRAFT WERE SEEN AND MOST OF THEM SOUGHT TO AVOID COMBAT. ALL BUT 3 OF 42 AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN WERE FIGHTERS. FULL COVER GE AND ESTIMATE OF NUMBER AND TYPE OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT IN TOKYO AREA PREVENTED BY WEATHER. APPARENTLY FEWER AIRCRAFT THAN BEFORE ON MAJOR COMBAT FIELDS BUT ABOUT SAME NUMBER PRESENT AS BEFORE ON OTHER FIELDS. MANY COMBAT TYPES AT THESE FIELDS APPEAR TO BE RESERVE AIRCRAFT WITHOUT PILOTS.

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FROM: <b>CTF 51</b>	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
RELEASED BY:		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	pppppppp 1
DATE: <b>27 FEB 1945</b>		<b>COM 5TH FLT</b>	PRIORITY 2
TOR CODE ROOM: <b>270947</b>			ROUTINE 4
DECODED BY: <b>GREENE</b>			DEFERRED 6
TYPED BY: <b>STEVENS</b>			7
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		<b>ATFC 5TH FLT CINCPAC BOTH HDQRS</b>	PPPPPPPP 9
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THIS IS SUMMARY NUMBER 16 261800K.

INCREASINGLY STRONG RESISTANCE ENCOUNTERED THIS AFTERNOON HELD TROOPS TO SUBSTANTIALLY SAME LINES REPORTED EARLIER. ENEMY OPPOSITION HEAVIEST IN CORPS CENTER IN ZONE OF ACTION 3RD MARDIV AND LEFT OF 4TH MARDIV. IN ADDITION TO HEAVY WEAPONS ARTILLERY ROCKET FIRE ENCOUNTERED TO DATE HEAVY VOLUME SMALL ARMS FIRE AND GRENADES INDICATES ENEMY INFANTRY IN STRENGTH BEING EMPLOYED. 5TH MARDIVS EMPLOYMENT OF LVTA INDICATIVE HEAVY TANK LOSSES SUSTAINED BOTH OPERATIONAL AND ENEMY ACTION. LATEST REPORT 1730 GIVES FRONT LINES AS: TA1974 198FJ 199KLRSC 200KLMNT 201U 184AKQU 167A. CORPS ORDERED DIVISIONS CONSOLIDATE FOR NIGHT 1700 WITH LIMITED LOCAL ATTACKS AUTHORIZED THEREAFTER TO IMPROVE POSITIONS. ATTACK TO RESUME TOMORROW 0800 BOUNDARIES OBJECTIVES UNCHANGED. LITTLE ENEMY FIRE HAS FALLEN ON INTERIOR OF BEACH HEAD DURING DAY. 1 BATTALION PLUS 2 BATTERIES 12 MARINES 3RD MARDIV ARTILLERY ASHORE MOVING INTO ACTION. BLT 3/24 REPORTS 200 ENEMY DEAD LARGE NUMBER DOCUMENTS FOUND IN

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CAVE DEEP ENTRANCE TUNNEL. PILLBOXES OVERRUN IN AREA NORTH AIRFIELD  
NUMBER 2 BELIEVED AMMUNITION STORAGE. 18 HORNED MINES SOME YARDSTICK

MINES REMOVED AREA NORTH BLUE BEACH. POW STATES RAIN WATER ENEMY'S  
ONLY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY STORED IN DRUMS EACH INSTALLATION. BLOOD

BANK ESTABLISHED ASHORE.

SUMMARY SUBMARINE CONTACT PAST 24 HOURS FOLLOWS:

A. BENNION MADE RADAR SURFACE CONTACT 2210/25 FEBRUARY 305 DEGREES  
45 MILES HOT ROCKS. HUNTER-KILLER OPERATIONS MADE POSSIBLE KILL.

SEARCH TO DISCONTINUE TONIGHT 0100.

B. PLANE MADE SURFACE VISUAL CONTACT 295 DEGREES 67 MILES HOT ROCKS.

0210/26 FEBRUARY. SUBMARINE DOVE. ATTACKED AND REPORTS POSSIBLE  
DAMAGE BECAUSE OF EXPLOSION SONAR BUOY. HUNTER-KILLER OPERATIONS

UNTIL MIDNIGHT.

C. FINNIGAN UNDERWATER SOUND CONTACT 0804/26 FEBRUARY POSITION 176 DEG

170 MILES HOT ROCKS. ATTACKS BROUGHT DEBRIS PLUS WOOD WITH JAPANESE  
CHARACTERS TO SURFACE. ADDITIONAL CONTACT MADE LAT 21-40 N LONG

142-00 E. TULAGI GROUP DIRECTED FOR HUNTER-KILLER OPERATIONS BOTH  
THESE CONTACTS.

OPERATIONAL DAMAGE SHIPS FOLLOWS:

LST 121: RANMED BY LSM 140 MINOR DAMAGE OPERATIONAL. HOWARD: NUMBER

1 BOILER CASING AND UPTAKE SPLIT DUE SHOCK GUNFIRE. HAMLIN: SEARCH-  
LIGHT DESTROYED OUTER CASING STACK PIERCED BY 5 INCH SHELL UNIDENTI-

FIED PROBABLY OURS. FULLER (APA 7): 2 HOLES STARBOARD SIDE SHELL  
PLATING ABOVE WATER LINE REPAIRS LATER.

AIR OPERATIONS INCLUDING B-24 STRIKE CANCELLED 1330 DUE WEATHER.  
ENTERPRISE DAWN SWEEP CHICHI JIMA STRAFED/BURNED 1 JUEL SANK SMALL

AIRFIELD  
MERCHANT VESSEL BURNED 2 MEDIUM MERCHANT VESSELS DESTROYED OIL STORAGE.  
15 WRECKED PLANES OBSERVED ON FIELD 8 SMALL VESSELS IN HARBOR. GREGORY

AIR-SEA RESCUE MISSION 1430 RETRIVED 3 ENTERPRISE AIRMEN FROM TBM SHOT  
DOWN OVER CHICHI JIMA. GREGORY UNDER FIRE SHORE BATTERIES NO DAMAGE.

SEAF CONDITIONS THIS AFTERNOON RESTRICTED LANDING TO LST'S LSM'S LOT'S  
SUPPLY SITUATION GENERALLY SATISFACTORY. 15 WATER DISTILLATION UNITS

OPERATING ASHORE. WATER SUPPLY REPORTED ADEQUATE.

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**(CTF 51 SENDS ACTION CINCPAC ADV VIA RDO GUAM WHO ALSO GIVES INFO COM FWD AREA. RDO HONOLULU PASS INFO CINCPAC PEARL AND ADCOMPHIBSPAC. COMPHIBGROUP 5 INFO.)**

**DUE TO THE WEATHER TWO JIMA AND SLOPE OF BEACH THE ONLY SUITABLE CRAFT AND SHIPS FOR UNLOADING ARE LCT, LSM AND LST'S.**

**IN MY 261223 AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO RETAIN 18 LCT'S AT TWO JIMA INSTEAD OF 16 FURTHER REQUEST AUTHORITY TO RETAIN 12 LST'S INSTEAD OF 5/TEMPORARILY ALL SERVICEABLE L90 (24 NOW REMAIN 7 HAVING BEEN SAILED SAIPAN 6 OF THESE TO PROCEED LEYTE COMPLETION REPAIRS). DAILY AVERAGE OF LSM'S REQUIRING REAR AREA REPAIRS IS ABOUT 1.**

**RECOMMEND ASSIGNMENT SO LONG AS NEEDED AT TWO JIMA OF 12 LSM'S.**

**IF THIS PLAN IS APPROVED REQUEST ASSIGNMENT OF 5 LST'S TO**

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COMPHIBGROUP 5 BY 12 MARCH FROM THOSE NOT PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED ICEBERG BUT NOW IN MARIANAS OF ENROUTE MARIANAS (NOT INCLUDED BY 240512).

FURTHER REQUEST THAT 15 LSM'S FROM THOSE NOT PREVIOUSLY COMMITTED ICEBERG BE DIRECTED TO REPORT READY FOR LOADING AT SAIPAN TO COMPHIBGROUP 5 BY 18 MARCH. THESE UNCOMMITTED LSM'S TO BE OBTAINED FROM THOSE NOW ENROUTE OR SAILED FROM PEARL BY ADCOMPHIBS-PAC. THIS DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR ANY ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION OF SHIPS AND CRAFT FOR ICEBERG. EARLY ACTION REQUESTED.

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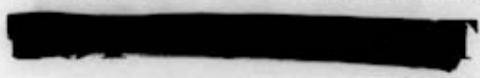
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DATE <b>28 FEBRUARY 1945</b>			ROUTINE 5
TOR CODE ROOM <b>1447</b>			DEFERRED 6
DECODED BY <b>DIEBEL</b>		<b>COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM COM 5TH FLEET</b>	PRIORITY 10
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**FROM COM 7TH FLT ACTION CINCSWPA LEYTE AND TARLAC INFO  
 COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM AND COM 5TH FLT.**

**3 DESTROYERS CONTINUED SUPPORT OF LAND FORCES ON CORREGIDOR  
 YESTERDAY. MANY JAPANESE SWIMMERS HAVE BEEN FOUND IN MANILA  
 BAY BY MINESWEEPERS AND PT'S. ONLY A FEW TAKEN PRISONER  
 OTHERS COMMITTED SUICIDE OR WERE KILLED RESISTING RESCUE.  
 NAVY SEARCHES ON 24/25 DAMAGED BARRACKS ON PESCADORES ISLANDS  
 AND IN THE FORMOSA AREA LEFT A SMALL CARGO SHIP DEAD IN THE  
 WATER AND DAMAGED 4 SEA TRUCKS. THEY ALSO DAMAGED 2 LANDING  
 CRAFT WEST OF HALMAHERA.**

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To: War Department

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War Department, cite C 11072. Operations report SOWESPAC area  
period 1500Z/24 to 1500Z/25.

China Coast:

Large transport with 3,000 ton freighter transport  
2 escort vessels reported arrived Amoy, 2 tankers, 2 destroyers  
sighted approaching from South, February 24th;

Next day merchant vessel destroyer and 2 escort  
vessels sighted Swatow;

Off coast Hainan reconnaissance plane reported 3  
tankers, 2 merchant vessels, many small craft.

Formosa:

Two tankers, 2 medium freighter transport, one  
small freighter sighted in Takao February 25.

French Indo China:

One transport, 2 escort vessels reported Saigon  
February 24, 2 transports, 1 escort vessel Cape St. Jacques  
previous evening, 2 freighter transports, 2 escort vessels  
covered by float plane heading north from Camranh Bay follow-  
ing afternoon.

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Luzon:  
Enemy positions reported organized in depth west of  
Antipolo, resistance continuing east Corregidor February 25.

Borneo:  
B-24's reported 20 barges in Sibuku Bay heading for  
Tawao.

Singapore:  
20 Bomber Command photographs February 24 and 25  
show one small naval vessel, one submarine, 24 merchant ships  
totalling 58,000 tons, Johore Straits cloud covered, 25  
medium planes Sembawang, 9 medium, 4 small Kalang, 11 medium,  
6 small Tangi Point airdrome.

Part 2. Naval:

PT boats with air cooperation destroyed 2 barges, 8  
small craft fired fuel dumps Coron Bay, Calamian group  
February 23/24;

Destroyer sank lugger south Negros Island.

Air:

Operations February 23:  
(1) 16 B-25's weathered out China coast, attacked  
dump supplies and personnel area south Aparri.

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(2) 34 A-20's hit troop concentrations, exploded buildings Bauang, northeastern Lingayen Gulf;  
36 A-20's attacked Calot, northwest Baguio;  
13 A-20's raided enemy positions near Balete pass.

(3) 26 B-24's caused fires, large explosions San Roque airdrome Zamboanga.

(4) 12 Beaufighters strafed targets of opportunity Halmahera and Ceram;  
15 RAAF P-40's caused explosions amongst Wasile Bay guns.

Operations February 24:

(5) 18 A-20's set fuel dumps afire, demolished buildings Lapkog and Salomague, western Luzon;  
P-51's plus 7 Dauntless struck defense positions and supplies east Manila.

(6) 15 Corsairs attacked concentrations and defense positions Cebu, 1 Corsair lost;  
10 other Corsairs demolished buildings and gun positions.

(7) 7 Corsairs set buildings and fuel dumps afire Lumbia and Cagayan airdromes Mindanao;  
28 B-24's bombed Ising bivouacs Davao.

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Operations February 25:

(8) Catalina damaged barracks Pascadores;  
Predawn B-24 sank 2 coastal vessels, probably  
destroyed another same area;  
Day patrols left one of two seatrucks dead in water  
south east Amoy, damaged 3 seatrucks southeastern Formosa.

(9) Shipping sweep to Camranh Bay sank two sail-  
boats, badly damaged 20 others;  
Fighters shot down 2 intercepting planes, destroyed  
4 float planes, damaged another on harbor.

(10) Fighters over southern and eastern Formosa  
demolished 8 gun positions, 4 motor trucks, 2 P-51's lost  
to anti aircraft fire;

29 B-24's caused fires and explosions amongst  
barracks, chemical plant and supply dumps Takao.

(11) Many ground support missions Luzon;  
25 B-24's effectively covered concentrations of  
northeast Manila;  
B-25's searching Manila Bay for mines, strafed enemy  
personnel, bombed out of Corregidor caves;  
L-5's used tommy guns against enemy personnel  
Corregidor.

(12) 18 B-25's against Zamboanga airdrome forced  
back due weather.

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(13) 13th Air Force B-24's Borneo;  
11 planes rendered Labuan runway unserviceable;  
18 others hit Tawao.

(14) RAAF B-24 patrol destroyed motor transport,  
damaged intercepting fighter Soembawa;  
2 RAAF Venturas forced patrol vessel ashore, bombed  
village same area.

(15) 11 B-24's bombed Brandi plantation Wewak;  
6 B-25's raided targets same area.

Solomons Forces TOP Air. Operations February 24:

(16) 4 Venturas, 12 Corsairs harassed New Ireland;  
36 Corsairs demolished huts hit concentratins Bougain-  
ville;

Other results outstanding.

Land. Luzon:

I Corps:

Elements 25th Division reached point 6000 yards  
southeast Carranglan, others captured high ground east and  
northeast Lumboy;

Remainder I Corps units reported local improvement  
of positions and extensive patrolling.

XIV Corps:

Elements 37th Division continued attack enemy pockets

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in agricultural, legislative and finance buildings, only remaining organized resistance in Manila;  
1st Cavalry Division encountered increasingly heavy resistance from enemy positions organized in depth along north-south line approximately 2000 yards west Antopolo;

6th Division units advancing northeast from Bayanbayan secured high ground 4,500 yards east San Mateo, opposition slight, other units attempting to cross Puray River held up by heavy fire from positions 4,000 yards north-east Montalban.

XI Corps: Elements 40th Division continued attacked northwest and west Fort Sottsenburg, secured hill 2200 yards north-west hill 29, hill 1,200 yards southwest hill 24, and Sacobia ridge (3000 yards west southwest World hill);

Elements 503rd Infantry reached west edge Kindley Field against stubborn resistance.

Verde Island: Eighth Army:  
Elements 19th Infantry landed unopposed on Verde Island at 1510Z/24, engaged enemy San Agapito.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 52 500 lb bombs, fired 17,900 rounds 50 caliber, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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(2) Dropped 660 100 lb bombs, fired 56,100 rounds  
50 caliber; light accurate anti aircraft fire, moderate from  
Beuang, slight from Balete Pass are.

(3) Dropped 80 100 lb bombs from 11,000 feet,  
met moderate heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.

(4) P-40's dropped 26 500 lb bombs.

(5) No details.

(6) Dropped 31 500 lb bombs, \* aircraft fire.

(7) Corsairs dropped 7 1000 lb bombs; B-24's dropped  
840 120 lb frags from 10,000 feet.

Paragraphs 8 through 10, no details.

(11) B-24's dropped 188 1000 lb bombs.

(12) No details.

(13) 11 B-24's dropped 99 500 lb bombs from 14,400  
to 10,400 feet Labuan.

(14) B-24's dropped 3 500 lb, 10 100 lb bombs, fired  
1,900 rounds 50 caliber;

Venturas dropped 6 500 lb bombs, fired 1,800  
rounds 50, 1000\* rounds 30 caliber.

(15) B-24's dropped 88 1000 lb bombs;  
B-25's dropped 24 300 lb bombs; fired 5,000  
rounds 50 caliber.

(16) Dropped 24 1000 lb, 18 500 lb, \* 200 lb,  
23 100 lb bombs, 4 7 \*

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Refer preceding report paragraph 9:  
32 B-24's dropped 130 1000 lb, 114 500 lb bombs,  
48 500 lb incendiaries, met intense heavy accurate anti  
aircraft fire.

Air status:

90th Bomber Group (B-24's), 475th Fighter Group  
{P-38's} now operating from Mindoro, 312nd Bomber Group  
{A-20's} from Lingayen.

Part 4.

G-2 Intelligence summary.

Extracts from daily summary 1065, 24/25 Feb:  
Relative probabilities: Cessation Manila resistance,  
enemy has lost any possibility denying us complete occupation  
Manila.

Eastward retirement in central Luzon, even assuming  
eventual junction Batangas-Rizaez combat strength somewhere  
east of Manila, no decisive counter reaction to our penetration  
this area yet indication .

Defense Corregidor, enemy has failed complet\*  
our virtual occupation Corregidor or use Manila Bay.

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Reaction Verde Island operation \* position expected with  
probably only harassment of our troops by enemy detachments  
dispatching towards Luzon.

End

\* Being serviced

ACTION: OPD

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

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DATE <b>25 FEBRUARY 1945</b>	ROUTINE 3		
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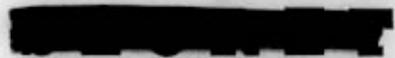
CTU 50.5.3 SENDS ACTION COM 5TH FLT WITH INFO ALL TFC'S 5TH FLT CTF 93 CTF 94 CTG 50.5

ALL 402 SEARCHES WENT TO MINIMUM OF 1000 MILES AND AVERAGED 85 PERCENT COVER EXCEPT 22V WHO RETURNED AFTER 770 MILES DUE ENGINE TROUBLE. ALL WERE NEGATIVE. 21 AND 121 V 405 PRIVATEERS SCOUTED TRUK LAGOON AT 0200 HUNDRED QT\* AND SANK 1 LUGGER NORTH OF TOL. 2 LSM'S 1 GUNBOAT HAD STEAM UP IN ANCHORAGE SOUTHEAST OF MOEN ISLAND AND 3 POSSIBLE CAMOUFLAGED LARGE AK'S WERE SEEN CLOSE TO WEST SHORE OF TOL ISLAND. HEAVY AA FROM BOUBLON AND MOEN DID NO DAMAGE.

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TOR CODE ROOM <b>0252</b>			DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY <b>C STRONG</b>		CINCPAC PEARL CINCPAC ADV ATFC 5TH FLT	PRIORITY 10
TYPED BY <b>BOUDREAU</b> <i>[Signature]</i>			ROUTINE 11
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**CTF 51 ORIGINATES ACTION TO COM 5TH FLT. INFO CINCPAC BOTH HEADQUARTERS AND ATFC 5TH FLT.**

PASSED BY CINCPAC/CINCPA ADV HD TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 252050.

SUMMARY NO **14** 251800K. FRONT REMAINED STATIC THROUGHOUT AFTERNOON IN SPIKE OF HARD FIGHTING. SMALL GAINS REPORTED IN ZONE OF ACTION 3RD AND 5TH DIVISION. ENEMY RESISTANCE CONTINUES EXTREMELY STUBBORN. JAPS MUST BE BLASTED FROM CAVES AND PILLBOXES. 4 ADDITIONAL TANK CASUALTIES BY MORTAR FIRE. ENGINEERS REPAIRING #1 AIRFIELD REHABILITATED 1000 FOOT NORTH-SOUTH STRIP, EAST-WEST STRIP AND 2/3 NORTH-SOUTH STRIP AIRFIELD #2 NOW IN OUR HANDS. TROOPS CONSOLIDATING POSITIONS 1700/ FRONT LINES 1800 GENERALLY: TA 180 E NORTH EDGE 197Y 198UQLMNO 199KLQRST 200PUVW 183DEJ 184FKPU 167A. ATTACK RESUMES 0800. NO CHANGE BOUNDARIES OR OBJECTIVE. IT APPEARS OUR TROOPS ARE NOW ATTACKING THE PRINCIPAL ENEMY DEFENSE AREA.

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NAVAL GUNFIRE CONTINUES SCHEDULED AND CALL FIRES. ADDITIONAL REPORT RESULT JAP AIRRAID EVENING 24 FEBRUARY; BOMB LANDED

NEAR BAYFIELD NO DAMAGE. BAYFIELD LCPL NEARBY DAMAGED SLIGHTLY 2 MEN WOUNDED FRAGMENTS.

PIN POINT BOMBING ROCKET STRAFING ATTACKS MADE BY CVE PLANES THROUGHOUT DAY. 9 ARMY B-24'S FURNISHED STRIKE AT 1500. SWEEP CHICHI AND HAHA JIMA 24 FEBRUARY ENTERPRISE REPORTS 3 SINGLE ENGINE ENEMY AIRCRAFT 1 TABBY PROBABLY

DESTROYED AT CHICHI. WHARVES AND BUILDINGS WERE ATTACKED. AIR-SEA RESCUE OPERATIONS TO DATE SHOW 26 INCIDENTS WITH

14 SUCCESSFUL RESCUES.

300 POUND DEPTH CHARGE TYPE 2 FOUND BURIED IN GROUND RIGGED AS LAND MINE OR BOOBY TRAP WITH BOOSTER HELD UP BY BLOCK

DETONATOR IN BOOSTER WITH DELAY TRAIN RUNNING TO KISKA TYPE HAND GRENADE. FUZE DELAY TRAIN ABOUT 1-1/2 FEET LONG.

INDICATION THAT ENEMY NAVAL UNITS EXPECT DEFEND AREA OF TRANSMITTING STATION EAST AIRFIELD #2 AS STRONG POINT.

BELIEVE AREA CONTAINS HQ OF GUARD UNITS. BEACHES GENERALLY MUCH IMPROVED. UNLOADING CONTINUES AT SATISFACTORY RATE. //

9 APA'S 4 ESCORTS DEPARTED FOR SAIPAN.

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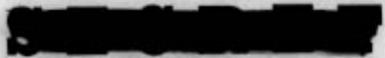
PRELIMINARY MINESWEEPING OF MAIN PART OF MANILA BAY COMPLETED ON 24TH WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. 3 GUNFIRE DESTROYERS ASSISTED ARMY ADVANCES ON CORREGIDOR ON 24TH. REINFORCEMENTS WERE LANDED ON THE SAME DAY BY 12 LSM AND 3 LCT. A BLUE DD YESTERDAY SANK A LUGGER SOUTH OF NEGROS. DURING DAYLIGHT 23RD PT'S TOOK INTELLIGENCE PARTY INSIDE MANILA BREAKWATER TO INSPECT HULKS OF JAPANESE WARSHIPS. ON 23RD PT'S AND COOPERATING AIRCRAFT MADE A 90 MINUTE DAYLIGHT SWEEP OF CORON BAY SINKING 7 SMALL CRAFT AND DAMAGING 3 ALSO STARTING A LARGE FIRE IN FUEL DUMP ASHORE. ON THE NIGHT OF 23/24 OTHER BOATS RETRIEVED SCOUTS FROM LUBANG ISLAND. THE SAME NIGHT OTHER PT'S SANK 6 MORE BARGES AND STRAFED MASBATE ISLAND. SEARCH PLANES PROBABLY SANK A SMALL CARGO SHIP AND LUGGER AND DAMAGED ANOTHER LUGGER OFF HONG KONG ON 23/24.

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RELEASED BY	<i>Amn</i>	COM5THFLT	OPOPOP PRIORITY
DATE	25 FEB 45		ROUTINE
TOR CODE ROOM	1013		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	THOMAS	CINCPAC ADV & PEARL	OPOPOP PRIORITY
TYPED BY	SLUTZ <i>H. Cairn</i>		ROUTINE
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(CTF 51 SENDS ACTION COM5THFLT INFO CINCPAC (BOTH HQ) AND ALL TF (4 GROUPS OMITTED FROM CODE))

SUMMARY NUMBER 13 251200K.

THROUGHOUT NIGHT MINOR ATTEMPTS INFILTRATION. OUR AREAS SUBJECTED SOME MORTAR CVTAN\* TRHNB\* ARTILLERY FIRE.

SMALL LOCAL COUNTER ATTACK AREA BLT 3/21 REPULSED 0030. PRECEDED BY 45 MINUTE ARTILLERY AIR AND NGS PREPARATION.

TROOPS RESUMED ATTACK AT 0930 WITH 3 DIVISIONS ABREAST: 4TH MARFIV ON RIGHT 3RD MARDIV LESS 3RD RCT IN CENTER

5TH MARDIV LESS RCT 28 IN CORPS RESERVE ON LEFT. MAIN EFFORT IN CENTER ZONE. OBJECTIVE O-2 LINE. 28TH RCT

STILL MOPPING UP SURIBACHI. REPORT AS OF 1130 INDICATES ONLY MINOR GAINS. OUR CASUALTIES TO DATE: KIA 834

WIA 5428 MI (GARBLED GROUPS). LT COLONEL A A VANDERGRIFT JR USMC THROUGH WOUNDS BOTH LEGS, CONTINUES GOOD (7 LTRS

OMITTED FROM CODE) LL BE SENT OUT ON PINCKNEY. ENEMY DEAD COUNTED 2827 POW 7

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ESTIMATES 3000 ENEMY KILLED 7 POW. N. VAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT WAS FURNISHED DURING THE NIGHT BY 2 CA 10 DD 1 MORTAR SUPPORT UNIT

AND 1 GUNBLAT SUPPORT UNIT. 1 DD ILLUMINATED ENEMY CAVE POSITIONS SURIBACHI AREA BY SEARCHLIGHT. MORTA SUPPORT UNIT UNDER

HEAVY ENEMY FIRE DURING NIGHT. NO DAMAGE.

DURING MORNING 10 BB'S 2 CA'S 1 SYOOF P 06\* FURNISHED

SCUDDUMEDUCVC\* CALL FIRES. M EDWARDS AND BRYANT COLLIDED LAST NIGHT DURING AIR RAID. EXTENSIVE DAMAGE EDWARDS FRAME 196

FLOODING 3 FEET COMPARTMENT C205L.

ABOUT 10 ENEMY AIRCRAFT IN 3 SMALL GROUPS NEG1\* IWO FROM 2020-2225 24 FEB. ABOUT 30 BOMP PING S\* DROPPED

FROM 12000 FEET PART ASHORE SEJHED\* TO BE IN ENEMY TERRITORY PART IN SMOIE COVERED TRANSPORT AREA.

AUGURN STRADDLED. NO DAMAGE TO BLUB. ENEMY USED WINDOW AND RADAR. RETIRED ON COURSE 055 TO OVER 75 MILES. ENTERPRISE

NIGHT INTRUDER DOWNED 1 HELEN OVER CHICHI JIMA NIGHT 24 FEB.

BEACH COOYRH CHAM\* MUCH IMPROVED BUT EAST WIND TODAY CAUSING DELAYS. WEATHER HIGH SMATTERED CLOUDS ALTO CUMULUS

5/10 AT 12000 FEET. YYBHQUOVAL\* HIGH WIND EAST 20 KNOTS TEMPERATURE 69.

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To: War Department

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From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War  
Department C 10997. Operations report SOWESPAC Area period  
1500Z/23 to 1500Z/24 signed MacArthur.

Part I.

Formosa: 6 medium freighters, 3 small tankers sighted  
at Takao Feb 23, following day medium freighter transport  
2000 ton freighter, 2 seetrucks in harbour, medium freighter  
to southeast.

Nansei Shoto: Reconnaissance plane reported 16 ses-  
trucks vicinity Naha on Okinawa same day.

French-Indo-China: Reconnaissance planes from Mindoro  
Feb 23rd reported one large tanker two destroyer escorts  
heading northeast near Cape Varella, two destroyers one  
transport in Camranh Bay, two destroyers southbound off  
Cape Padaran; next day three merchant vessels two escorts  
off Quinhon, large tanker two destroyers on northerly course  
90 miles to east.

Singapore: 20th Bomber Command reports sighting one  
heavy, two light cruisers, five merchant vessels in Johore  
Straits Feb 24th.

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Naval:

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PT boats destroyed two barges Manila Bay, destroyed two more eastern Cebu night Feb 22nd; set buildings afire Masbate Island, destroyed barge northern Cebu, sank troop-filled barge northern Halmshere following night.

Air.

Enemy action: Leyte: Single plane attacked Allied vessels Palompong afternoon Feb 23rd.

Operations Feb 22nd:

(1) 32 more Corsairs raided Iloilo Panay Island.

Operations Feb 23rd:

(2) 12 Corsairs harassed airdromes and supplies Negros Island; 38 Corsairs hit enemy positions Cebu city, cratered Lahug airdrome, sank one submarine probably hit another in harbour, strafed many barges along coast; 16 Corsaire supported Ground Forces Abijao northwestern Leyte.

(3) On Mindanao, 32 Corsairs caused fires Karakan 8 Corsairs cratered Lumbia and Cagayan airdromes.

(4) Thirteenth Air Force B24's cratered runways demolished buildings Miri and Lahud Datu airdromes Borneo.

(5) RAAF B24 petrol bombed Rehs jetty and sawmill southeastern Celebes.

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(5) 6 B24's bombed Sauri village near Wewak; 3 B25's  
bombed and strafed coastal targets.

Operations Feb 24th:

(7) Night Cataline probably sank coastal vessel and  
lugger, damaged another lugger northeast Hong Kong.

(8) Weather blocked main shipping strikes; fighter  
cover shot down Oscar towards China coast; sweep through  
Nansei Shoto found lone seastruck bombed same, also bombed  
naval base.

(9) 71 B24's attacked Takao.

(10) 35 P47's bombed enemy from Corregidor caves,  
strafed those heading for Batsan; 26 planes on ground support  
northwest Stotsenburg.

(11) Thirteenth Air Force B24's against Belikpapan  
airdromes; 18 planes cratered Manggar; 14 planes hit  
Seppinggan, probably destroyed one of six intercepting  
fighters.

(12) Two RAAF Venturas attacked bridges western  
Soembawa Island; RAAF B24 patrol bombed jetty hit barge  
same area.

Solomons Forces. Air.

Operations Feb 23rd:

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(13) 8 Corsairs, 3 Venturas, 28 B25's attacked Kavieng and supply dumps Nusa Archipelago; 18 Corsairs, 14 Venturas and 33 B25's bombed supplies and bivouacs Tobera destroyed jetty caused fires near Rabaul; 37 Corsairs struck warehouses and concentrations Bougainville.

Land. Luzon: I Corps:

33rd Division units secured further high ground in sector, patrolled extensively; elements 25th Division reached conversion northwest Pantabangan, others seized high ground 2000 yards southwest Puncan against intense mortar and machine gun fire.

XIV Corps:

*Pockets*  
37th Division reported Intramuros clear excepting pocket in basement Fort Santiago; 12th Cavalry reached mouth Pasig River, reported port area clear excepting sniper fire from Engineer Island, enemy pockets held out north end Wallace Field and in Legislative and Finance Buildings; 6th Division units captured Montalban and San Isidro, secured ridge 2000 yards east Montalban.

XI Corps:

Elements 503rd Inf attacking east reached line 200 yards west of line from Ordnance Point to Inf Point encountering determined resistance, 3170 enemy killed, six captured to date on Corregidor.

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Cumulative casualties to Feb 24th:

Allied 3158 killed, 11429 wounded, 201 missing;  
enemy: 51236 killed, 454 captured.

Part III.

- (1) Dropped 62 1000 lb bombs.
  - (2) Dropped 24 1000 lb, 14 500 lb bombs, 59 500 lb incendiaries.
  - (3) Dropped 8 1000 lb, 64 500 lb bombs.
  - (4) No details.
  - (5) Dropped 3 500 lb, 10 100 lb bombs, fired 2100 rounds 50 calibre.
  - (6) B24's dropped 40 1000 lb, 12 500 lb bombs from 9000 feet; B25's dropped 12 300 lb bombs.
- Paragraphs 7 through 10 no details.
- (11) Dropped 226 1000 lb, 2 500 lb bombs from 16,000 to 9,500 feet; intense heavy accurate antiaircraft fire Seppinggan.
  - (12) Ventura dropped 6 500 lb bombs, fired 500 rounds 50, 200 rounds 30 calibre; B24 dropped 3 500 lb, 10 100 lb bombs, fired 800 50 calibre.

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(13) B25's dropped 35 2000 lb, 39 1000 lb, 48 500 lb bombs, 4 650 lb depth charges; other planes dropped 30 1000 lb, 34 500 lb, 83 500 lb bombs, 8 325 lb depth charges.

Refer preceding report paragraph 3:

33 A20's dropped 240 100 lb parademos, 26,800 rounds 50 calibre, met slight light inaccurate antiaircraft fire.

Refer report operations Feb 22nd paragraph 8:

10 B25's dropped 38 500 lb bombs, met moderate to intense some accurate antiaircraft fire of all calibres; 10 B25's dropped 36 500 lb bombs Beguio area; 9 other B25's returned nil sightings.

Part IV.

G-2 intelligence summary information from documents indicates Manila Naval Defense Force under Rear Adm Iwabuchi, Sanji, was charged with defense of city as well as Nichols Field and Fort McKinley. Force consisted 5 Bns almost completely naval, strength from undated documents 12930 plus detachment Iobayashi Force and other miscellaneous Army troops. Force commanded by Maj Gen Kobayashi, Takashi, composed provisional bns and probably included also 3let Inf 8th Div; bulk this unit appears located Ipo area, detachments were in Manila and sector west of Laguna de Bay.

Kobayashi force under Shimbu Force commanded by Lt Gen Yokoyama, Shizuo Hdqs last known Montalban. Force

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believed consists 8th Div (less 5th and 31st Inf Regts) elements 105th Div (mainly drawn 81st Brigade) plus miscellaneous service troops. They are roughly distributed along Marikina water-shed on line: Ipo-Navaliches-Montalban-Antipolo. Attempted small scale counterattacks and raids Manila water system and nuisance long range shelling of city. Toward this line drift stragglers from Estangas and Tayabas.

Following extracted daily summary 1064, 23/24 Feb relative probabilities:

Collapse Intramuros defense, breached enemy positions in Intramuros no longer possess protracted defensive capability. Scattered defense east of Manila, our advance into propagandized New Yamashita line notes steady disintegration enemy counter-offensive capability;

Lost tactical control created pattern uncoordinated defense isolated mountain pockets with eastward withdrawal continuing.

Defense of Baguio, major realignment enemy forces indicated by southward and eastward troop displacements from Baguio however substantial reserves including 19th Div elements believed remaining Baguio area.

Defense of Estangas-Laguna, absence coordinated defensive line Los Benos to Estangas and continuing withdrawal northeast indicated.

End.

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INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, Admiral King, Colonel Park,  
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X-24-2. THIS CANCELS AND FILES 21 BOMCOM 240530. HERE IS CORRECTED TEXT AND ADEES OF SUBJECT MESSAGE.

210 B-29'S FROM 73RD, 313 AND 314 BWS MAKE INCENDIARY ATTACK AGAINST DOCK AND URBAN AREA TOKYO 25 FEBRUARY.

ROUTE IS BASE TO 25-00 NORTH 143-00 EAST TO 27-15 NORTH 140-53 EAST TO 29-00 NORTH 137-37 EAST TO 34-47 NORTH 137-37 EAST TO TARGET TO 35-00 NORTH 143-00 EAST TO 26-00 NORTH 145-00 EAST TO BASE.

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SUMMARY NUMBER 12 241800K.

ENEMY RESISTANCE REMAINED STRONG THROUGHOUT THE AFTERNOON. ARTILLERY AND HEAVY WEAPONS FIRE INCREASED AS THE ATTACK PROGRESSED. INTERMITTENT HIGH VELOCITY ARTILLERY FIRE FELL ON AREA SOUTH OF MOTOYAMA AIRFIELD. MANY ENEMY MINES AND BOOBY TRAPS WERE FOUND THROUGHOUT THE AREA. SOME JAP BAZOOKA FIRE AGAINST TANKS REPORTED IN ZONE OF ADVANCE OF RCT 21.

CONSIDERING DEFENSE EMPLOYED BY ENEMY ADVANCES MADE THIS AFTERNOON WERE SUBSTANTIAL. FRONT LINES AS OF 1715 GENERAL AS FOLLOWS: TA 180E 198UCMHO 199KQWXY 183ABCDEJ 184FKQX 167A. MORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE ON THE INTERIOR BEACH HEAD GREATLY DECREASED. 32 TANKS DESTROYED SINCE LANDING BY MINES. 31ST CB BN PLUS 5TH ENGINEER BN ORDERED ASHORE BY 5TH MARDIV. 4TH ENGINEER BN AND 4TH MOTOR TRANSPORT COMPANY ORDERED ASHORE BY 4TH MARDIV. CP 3RD MARDIV OPENED ASHORE

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AT 1530. ONE STRIP AIRFIELD NUMBER 1 CLEARED MINEFIELDS. NORTH HALF BEACH RED 2 COMBINED WITH SOUTH HALF BEACH YELLOW 1 NOW CALLED BLACK BEACH PASSED TO CONTROL 3RD MARDIV 1600. JAP DEFENSES AT TWO ARE MUTUALLY SUPPORTING CONCRETE EMPLACEMENTS BLOCKHOUSES CAVES IN DEPTH ENTIRE ISLAND. MANY MORE THAN AIR PHOTOGRAPHS SHOW UNCOVERED BY BLAST EFFECT GUNFIRE. BLOCKHOUSES REINFORCED CONCRETE 4 FEET THICK. STORAGE TANKS CONCRETE. AREA 183 STWY MORE THAN 100 MAN MADE CAVES 30-40 FEET DEEP WITH STAIRWAYS INCOMPLETE

REPORTS SHOW 115 EMPLACEMENTS DESTROYED SURIBACHI. MINEFIELDS ENCOUNTERED IN 165G ARE TORPEDO HEADS. DRUMS ON BEACH CONTAIN SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION. BELIEVE 145TH INFANTRY NOT YET COMMITTED. FEW RIFLES OR RIFLE AMMUNITION FOUND. NEW TYPE GRENADE SIZE

ORANGE CLAY COVER BURNS BRIGHTLY. 500 KG BOMBS NOSE FUZE WITH ROCKET MOTOR HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AND THESE DOUBTLESS CAUSED THE HEAVY EXPLOSIONS D AND D PLUS 1 REPORTED AS HEAVY MORTAR OR HOWITZER FIRE. COUNTED 2799 JAP KILLED 6 PRISONERS TO DATE. 5TH CORPS

ATTACKS MORNING 0930 OBJECTIVE 0-2 K. FIRE SUPPORT THROUGHOUT DAY BY 2 OBB 3 CA 10 DD. HEAVY FIRE WEST VIRGINIA PENSACOLA MAIN BATTERIES DELIVERED IN SUPPORT. 160 16 INCH 350 8 INCH PLUS FIRE SMALLER BATTERIES DIRECTED AGAINST

ENEMY POSITIONS. REPLENISHMENT AMMUNITION IMPROVED TODAY DUE TO SMOOTHER SEA. AIR SURFACE SEARCH FOR PERSONNEL REPORTED ADRIFT IN 2 LCM'S COMPLETED TODAY LCM'S FOUND BUT NO PERSONNEL IN THEM. HAMLIN COMPLETED LAYING SEAPLANE MOORING BUOYS IS ANCHORED IN

BERTH CLOSE TO BEACH SOUTHEAST END SURIBACHI. HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY GROUP COMPLETED SURVEY LOCATING ANTI-SUBMARINE NETS AND BUOYS 1400.

VESSELS OF NET AND BUOY UNIT DIRECTED TO LAY MOORING BUOYS AS DIRECTED BY SURVEY GROUP. UNLOADING TRANSPORTS CONTINUED THROUGHOUT DAY. UNLOADING EXPEDITED BY IMPROVED WEATHER AND FACT THAT TRANSPORTS CAN NOW ANCHOR CLOSE TO BEACH. PINKNEY ARRIVED AND WILL COMMENCE

EVACUATING CASUALTIES TOMORROW. SOLACE DEPARTED. FOLLOWING OPERATIONAL CASUALTIES SC 1027 BREAK DOWN IN PORT ENGINE SHIPS

FORCE CAN EFFECT TEMPORARY REPAIRS. LSM 202 EXTENSIVE DAMAGE BOAT SIDE HULL PLATING STANCHION DECK PLATES DAVITS ETC. LSM 241

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EXTENSIVE HULL DAMAGE PORT SIDE WITH BUCKLED BEAMS MUCH MINOR  
DAMAGE BOTH SHIPS DAMAGE DUE TO ROLLING IN SEAWAY ALONGSIDE OTHER  
SHIPS WHILE UNLOADING. DMS 7 PORT ENGINE UNABLE BACK. LSM 49  
RAMMED BY LCI 356 RECEIVING 12 INCH HOLE IN SIDE.

ROUTINE AIR SUPPORT MISSIONS FLOWN. NUMBER STRIKES REDUCED DUE  
CARRIERS FUELING AND SEARCH OPERATIONS. SWEEP MADE ON CHICHI JIMA

NO REPORTS YET.

GENERAL CONDITION BEACHES MUCH IMPROVED. EQUIPMENT AND TROOPS

UNLOADED AT ACCELERATED PACE. OCCASIONAL ARTILLERY AND MORTAR  
BURSTS STILL BEING RECEIVED BLUE BEACHES. ||

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MARINE CORSAIRS ON 22ND BOMBED AND POSSIBLY SANK 1 JAP SUB  
AND PROBABLY DAMAGED ANOTHER OFF CEBU CITY. LINGAYEN AREA  
HAD A RED ALERT EVENING OF THE 22ND NO DAMAGE TO SHIPPING.

GUNFIRE DESTROYERS REMAIN ON STATION OFF CORREGIDOR TO ASSIST

IN REDUCTION OF FINAL STRONG POINTS. ORMOC PT'S SANK 3

TROOP LADEN BARGES EAST OF AUINTACAN ISLAND 122/23. ON

21ST NAVY SEARCH PLANE DESTROYED ONE VAL OFF NORTHERN FORMOSA.

ON 22ND OTHER PLANES NEAR SAKISHIMA GUNTO SANK 2 LANDING

CRAFT LOADED WITH TROOPS AND BOMBED A FACTORY ON OKINOS RAI--

SHIMA WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

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SUMMARY NUMBER 11 241200K.

GROUND FORCES HAD RELATIVELY QUIET NIGHT WITH MINOR ATTEMPTS AT INFILTRATION SPORADIC MORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE. AT

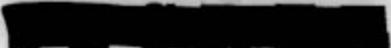
0915 RESUMED ATTACK WITH THE OBJECTIVE THE GENERAL LINE 184E 198MJ 199H NORTHWEST ROAD JUNCTION 304A 200F 200R

NORTHEAST 184F 167B WITH 4TH MARDIV MAIN EFFORT ON ITS LEFT; 5TH MARDIV WITH MAIN EFFORT ON ITS RIGHT. ATTACK

PRECEDED BY HEAVY AIR NAVAL AND FIELD ARTILLERY BOMBARDMENT CONCENTRATED IN GENERAL AREAS 199 AND 200.

TANKS SUPPORTED THE ATTACK. BY 1200 SOME GROUND HAD BEEN GAINED IN THE CENTER ALONG SOUTHWEST EDGE OF AIRFIELD

NUMBER 2 AGAINST STEEP ENEMY RESISTANCE. RCT 28 CONTINUES MOPPING UP SURIBACHI AREA. PATROLS HAVE ENTERED



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THE CRATER. OUR FRONT LINES AS OF 1130: TA 180E 181ACE  
 182ABGH1J 183FKLMH10 184PU 167A. ALL CORPS ARTILLERY NOW  
 ASHORE. CGLANFOR ASSUMED COMMAND ASHORE 0955. RCT 9 AND  
 HQ 3RD MARDIV COMMENCED LANDING AT 0800 ON BEACH YELLOW 1  
 AND RED 2. TANKS OF 3RD MARDIV LANDED AND MOVED TO ASSEMBLY  
 AREA LAST NIGHT. CASUALTY REPORTS 5TH AMPHIBIOUS CORPS AS  
 OF 231800: KIA 706 WIA 5125 MIA 531. 3 CASUALTIES ON LCS 33  
 RESULT FRIENDLY ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE DURING AIRRAID.  
 NAVAL GUNFIRE CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE GROUND FORCES. HEAVY  
 PRE K HOUR BOMBARDMENT FIRED THIS MORNING IN SUPPORT OF THE  
 ATTACK. SHIP CASUALTIES DUE ENEMY ACTION: LSM 47 HAD NEAR  
 MISS BY BOMB. NO MENTIONABLE DAMAGE BUT 2 MINOR PERSONNEL  
 CASUALTIES. LSM 46 HIT BY ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE 1 HIT STAR-  
 BOARD SIDE WATER LINE AFTER PART CREWS COMPARTMENT; 1 HIT  
 PORT SUPERSTRUCTURE DECK STARTING SMALL FIRE AND DAMAGE IN  
 SHIPS OFFICE 2 DEAD 9 WOUNDED. LAID SEAPLANE MOORING BUOYS  
 AND SURVEY FOR MOORING BUOYS AND NETS UNDERWAY. 6 SEARCH AND  
 3 DUMBO SEAPLANES REQUESTED FOR TOMORROW. THE FOLLOWING  
 OPERATIONAL CASUALTIES OCCURRED DURING THE PAST 24 HOURS:  
 WILLIAMSON EXTENSIVE STRUCTURAL DAMAGE PORT SIDE WHILE  
 FUELING. OPERATIONAL BLT TENDER AVAILABILITY REQUIRED.  
 PC 578 SEVERAL HOLES IN HULL DUE SERVICING SMALL BOATS.  
 LSM 92 PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS FOULED BY WIRE IN PROPELLER  
 REQUIRES DOCKING. KEOKUK AND ABELE (AN 58) ASSISTING FORCE  
 BEACHMASTER IN INSTALLING CAUSEWAY PIER. NUMEROUS VESSELS  
 NOW ANCHORED FOR DISCHARGE OF CARGO. HYMAN WILEY AND TALBOT  
 AND 8 PLANES SEARCHING TO WESTWARD FOR 2 LCM'S REPORTED ADRIFT  
 WITH PERSONNEL. SOLACE EXPECTS DEPARTS FOR SAIPAN SUNSET.

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REPORT AS OF 1800 23 FEBRUARY INDICATES 87 LCVP'S 10 LCM'S  
AND 1 LCPR WRECKED OR SUNK,

ENEMY AIRCRAFT APPROACHED IN SEVERAL SMALL GROUPS BETWEEN  
1840 - 2100 23 FEBRUARY. 2 PLANES IDENTIFIED VISUALLY 1

AS RUF 1 AS BETTY. NO FIGHTER INTERCEPTIONS. PLANES DROPPED  
WINDOW BUT APPARENTLY NO ATTACKS MADE ALTHOUGH FRAZIER REPORTED

STRADDLED BY BOMBS. WE USED DEFENSIVE RADAR JAMMING AND SMOKE.  
SARATOGA REPORTS 25 DEAD, 57 WOUNDED IN SUICIDE ATTACK OF

21 FEBRUARY. REPORTS 3 ENEMY PLANES SHOT DOWN. THIS RAISES  
NUMBER ENEMY PLANES SHOT DOWN NIGHT 21 FEBRUARY TO TOTAL 15.

AT 0953 1 TBM FROM STEAMER BAY SHOT DOWN WITH 5TH MARDIV  
OBSERVER OVER IWO IN FLAMES. PLANE CRASHED IN WATER. NO

SURVIVORS 1 BODY RECOVERED.  
CONDITIONS ON BEACHES IMPROVING. LATERAL COMMUNICATIONS

NOW ESTABLISHED. GENERAL CARGO UNLOADING UNDERWAY. NUMEROUS  
LST'S AND LSM'S WERE BEACHED AND UNLOADED DURING PAST 24 HOURS.

SEVERAL JAPS REPORTED AS WEARING MARINE UNIFORMS. WEATHER  
HTGH SCATTERED ALTO CUMULUS WITH LOWER SCATTERED STRATO

CUMULUS. TEMPERATURE 65-67 WIND NORTH-NORTHEAST 12 KNOTS.  
VISIBILITY HIGH.

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EVENING CHATTERINGS.

COMSUBPAC IN SERIAL 92V TELLS YOU THAT APRA HARBOR WITNESSED ARRIVAL OF BANG AND BURRFISH

FROM PATROL TODAY. NO SAILINGS FOR THE WEATHER FRONTON.\* PATROL AREAS GETTING CROWDED. FLOUNDER

WORKING IN SOWESPAC REPORTS COLLISION SUBMERGED WITH HOE. HE SUFFERED ONLY MINOR DAMAGE AND HOE

NOT DAMAGED. THE MARINES ARE FIGHTING THE BLOOD-TEST BATTLE OF THE PACIFIC ON IWO JIMA AS THEY

CONTINUE TO MAKE SLOW BUT STEADY PROGRESS.

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**RDO HONOLULU FOX INTERCEPT**

**ACTION CTF 93 FROM CTF 51. INFO COMGEN AAFPOA AND CINCPQA HEDPEARL THROUGH RDO HONO.**

**THIS IS [REDACTED].**

**IN ADDITION TO STRIKES REQUESTED BY 232315 REQUEST STRIKES TWO JIMA AT 0800K AND 1500K DAILY UNTIL INFORMED OTHERWISE.**

**STRIKES TO BE CONDUCTED VISUALLY FROM APPROXIMATELY 5000 FEET ALTITUDE. COMMUNICATIONS ON 148.58 MCS PRIMARY 4475 KCS SECONDARY WITH "GLACIER" (CASCU) CONTROLLING STRIKES.**

**NO BOMBING UNLESS COMMUNICATIONS ESTABLISHED WITH "GLACIER".**

**DEFINITE TARGETS AND WEATHER FORECAST WILL BE TRANSMITTED**

**TO CTF 93 DAILY PRIOR 1900K. PREFER HEAVY BOMBS 25% INSTANTANEOUS OTHERS FUSED WITH 1/10 TO 1/4 SECOND DELAY.**

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To: War Department

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SOWESPAC Area, 1500Z/22 to 1500Z/23, signed MacArthur.

Formosa:

February 19, photographs showed four fighters, two  
bombers Koshun airdrome, 10 fighters, six bombers Choshu  
(75%) 14 single engined, one twin engined plane Taito, 21  
fighters four bombers Kato (50%).

Reconnaissance plane reported four medium freighter  
transports, three destroyer escorts entering Keelung  
February 22.

French Indo China:

Shipping reported previous day in Quinhom as one  
transport, one cruiser, two destroyers sighted Hejbing  
northwest off Tourane February 22.

Three tankers, two escorts reported leaving Cape  
Saint Jacques morning February 22, two tankers two escorts  
northbound off Camranh Bay same afternoon, nil shipping  
remaining Cape Saint Jacques.

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Naval.

PT boat sank three supply and troop filled barges  
northwest Cebu destroyed another on beach night February 22.

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Air.

Operations February 21:

(1) Eight RAAF P-40's bombed and strafed Wasile Bay  
guns Halmahera.

Operations February 22:

(2) Patrol plane from Leyte shot down bomber  
northern Formosa.

(3) 36 A-20's raided Fugo concentrations southwest  
Baguio.

(4) 16 Corsairs destroyed Iloilo buildings south-  
eastern Panay; 16 Corsairs exploded ammunition dumps caused  
fires Cebu City; 24 Corsairs over Davao silenced gun position  
bombed supplies and personnel area Licanan.

(5) 23 RAAF P-40's again struck gun positions  
Wasile Bay.

Operations February 23:

(6) Catalina near missed small freighter Swatow;  
day search planes bombed shore target sank two landing craft  
with 300 troops aboard Hensei Shoto, damaged medium transport  
off Swatow.

(7) Strikes against Formosa and east China coast  
incomplete due adverse weather, nine escorted B-25's left  
seatruck and medium tanker afire and sinking, scored direct  
hits and near misses two destroyer escorts, damaged one  
destroyer one medium tanker both abandoned by crew, destroyed

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luggers strafed small craft, damaged one of four intercepting fighters, one B-25 lost to ships anti-aircraft fire Phanrang Bay.

(8) Numerous ground support missions Luzon included 51 tons bombs on caves and gun positions causing landslides west Stotsenburg; mission against Lubang destroyed one grounded plane, strafed others.

(9) 19 B-24's cratered Sandakan runway Borneo.

(10) RAAF Ventura exploded fuel laden lugger Soembawa Island; RAAF B-24 bombed Boetoneng village southeastern Celebes.

(11) Three A-20's hit targets of opportunity Wewak. Solomon's Forces.

Air.

Operations February 22:

(12) 10 Corsairs, four Venturas and 31 B-25's started large fires among supplies and bivouacs west Kavieng; 14 Corsairs harassed Rabaul; 30 Corsairs, 8 Venturas, 6 B-25's raided supply dumps and personnel areas Bougainville.

Land.

Luzon;

I Corps:

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33rd Division attacking east and southeast secured objective high ground extending northwest from Suviang (311-538); elements 25th Division advanced northeast from Rizalima reached Latabangan against minor opposition.

XIV Corps:

37th Division: Following one hour artillery preparation 37th Division launched coordinated attack on Intramuros:

129th Infantry crossed Pasig River in assault from north, 145th Infantry attacked from east entering walled city at Quezon and Ferrin gates, approximately three quarters Intramuros secured, resistance disorganized, our casualties reported light.

Elements 12th Cavalry (attached 37th Division) secured Manila Hotel advanced north to 16th Street.

11th Airborne Division: Elements 511st Parachute Infantry and 188th Glider Infantry captured Los Banos (south shore Laguna De Bay) annihilated enemy garrison, liberated 2146 internees.

Elements 1st Cavalry Division reached points 2000 yards southwest Antipolo and 2000 yards northeast Taytay.

6th Division launched coordinated attack to east and northeast to secure objective Montalban - Mount Pacavagan (020815), captured high ground 3500 yards northeast Bayanbayanan and 2500 yards northwest Montalban.

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XI Corps:

Elements 38th Division patrolled on Bataan without  
contact. 503rd Infantry engaged mopping up west end Corregidor.

End of Part 2.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 16 500 lb bombs.

Paragraphs 2 and 3. No details.

(4) Dropped 88 1,000 lb bombs; moderate medium  
inaccurate anti aircraft fire Liganan.

(5) Dropped 24 500 lb, 22 250 lb bombs, met  
moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire.

(6) No details.

(7) B-25's dropped 19 500 lb bombs four to five  
seconds delay, salvoed 11 others, fired 9,700 rounds, 50  
caliber.

(8) No details.

(9) Dropped 128 1,000 lb bombs from 9,400 feet.

(10) Ventura dropped 3 300 lb bombs five seconds  
delay, fired 800 rounds 50, 300 rounds 30 calibre; B-24  
dropped 3 500 lb bombs.

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(11) Dropped 12 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay  
from minimum altitude, fired unstated number rounds.

(12) 37 B-25's dropped 15 2,000 lb, 45 1,000 lb,  
18 500 lb bombs plus 2 fire bombs; other planes dropped  
48 1,000 lb, 14 500 lb bombs, 8 650 lb, 54 325 lb  
depth charges.

Refer report operations February 21:

Paragraph 9: 12 B-25's dropped 8 500 lb bombs  
failed locate other targets.

Paragraph 10: 15 B-25's dropped 54 250 lb  
parademos, fired 36,000 rounds 50 calibre; 37 A-20's dropped  
122 250 lb parademos, fired 27,800 rounds 50 calibre, met  
slight to moderate light accurate anti aircraft fire.

Paragraph 13: 21 escorted A-20's dropped 200 100  
lb bombs, fired 32,200 rounds 50 calibre.

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THIS BN AND CORPS ARTILLERY HQ WERE ORDERED TO LAND DURING THE DAY. FRONT LINES AS OF 1630 ARE:

SURIBACHI AREA, NO CHANGE.  
NORTH FRONT TA 197Y THENCE 198 UXT 199 PU 182 B

GLRNO 183  
NGH10 184 PU 167A.

NAVAL GUNFIRE CONTINUES THE SUPPORT OF THE GROUND TROOPS. AMMUNITION REPLENISHMENT WAS CARRIED OUT THROUGHOUT THE DAY BY PENSACOLA FROM TRANSPORTS, DD'S FROM AE'S AND LST'S LCI'S FROM LST'S. REPLENISHMENT IS SLOW BECAUSE OF HIGH WINDS AND MODERATE SEA. THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONAL CASUALTIES ARE REPORTED:

LST 390 IN COLLISION WITH LST 807 WHILE RETRACTING FROM BEACH. EXTENSIVE DAMAGE FORWARD INCLUDING FIVE FOOT HOLE STARBOARD

BOW DOORS AND MECHANISM DAMAGED BOW ANCHOR LOST. EMERGENCY REPAIRS WILL BE MADE PRIOR TO RETIREMENT TO REAR AREA. LST 716

LOST RAMP. EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO WELD STEEL BULKHEADS AND STEEL RAMP ARE UNDERWAY. YMS 361 HAS LEAK IN HULL BUT SHIP STILL

OPERATIONAL. SC 1027 SNAPPED STARBOARD SHAFT. IS OPERATIONAL AND CAN MAKE 12 KNOTS. PC 877 HAS DAMAGED STARBOARD PROPELLER

BUT OPERATIONAL AND CAN MAKE 11 KNOTS. SOLACE BURNED OUT ANCHOR ENGINE WITH THIRTY FATHOMS OF CHAIN OUT. REPAIRS BY SHIPS

FORCE IN PROGRESS. LSM 92 FOULED BY WIRE IN PROPELLERS. EFFORTS TO REMOVE IT ARE UNDERWAY.

AIR STRIKES IN SUPPORT OF GROUND TROOPS CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE DAY. CORRECTION MY SUMMARY NUMBER 8. FIRE ON TBM'S

FROM ENTERPRISE WAS FROM UNIT WITH SWEARER BUT NOT FROM THAT VESSEL. ONE TBM FROM RUDYARD BAY HAS BEEN MISSING SINCE 1700/22

FEBRUARY AFTER REPORTING A CONTEMPLATED WATER LANDING 21 MILES BEARING 255 FROM IWO. IMMEDIATE SURFACE SEARCH WAS MADE AND TWO

SEARCHES ON 23 FEBRUARY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. AT 1350/23 FEBRUARY AN OS2U PLANE FROM NEVADA CRASHED INSIDE OUR LINES ON

IWO. PILOT, LT. HUGH WILLIAM SHELDON, USN KILLED. CAPT. JOHN A. FRIDAY, USMC, PASSENGER, SERIOUSLY INJURED. ALL PLANE DOCU-

MENTS RETRIEVED AND BURNED. LATEST CHECK ON SURVIVORS FROM BISMARCK SEA INDICATES 100 OFFICERS 513 ENLISTED MEN SURVIVED OUT

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OF 124 OFFICERS AND 836 ENLISTED MEN ON BOARD. FIGURES  
INCLUDE SQUADRON VC-86 AND PASSENGERS. LARGE PERSONNEL LOSS

CONSIDERED DUE TO INITIAL EXPLOSION AND FIRE AMPLIFIED BY LATER  
EXPLOSION OF TORPEDOES.

SWEEP OF CHICHI JIMA WAS MADE DURING AFTERNOON OF 23 FEBRUARY  
BY PLANES FROM FAST CARRIERS. DETAILS ARE NOT AVAILABLE UPON  
THIS MISSION. ONE PLANE FROM BELLEAU WOODS WAS REPORTED DOWN 10  
MILES FROM TARGET. AIR-SEA RESCUE OPERATIONS ARE UNDERWAY.

GREEN AND RED BEACH CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED. SUPPLIES CONTINUE TO  
BE LANDED BY LST'S, LSM'S, AND LCTS. TROOPS REPORT ATHEY TRAILER

HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL IN MOVING SUPPLIES OVER HEAVY SAND. WEASELS  
ARE EFFECTIVE IN CARRYING SUPPLIES TO FRONT LINES. SALVAGE

EFFORTS TO CLEAR BEACHES SHOWS CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS. SUPPLY  
DUMPS BEING MOVED INLAND TO RELIEVE CONGESTION. BEACHES YELLOW

AND BLUE CONTINUE TO RECEIVE SPORADIC MORTAR OR ARTILLERY FIRE  
WHICH IMPEDES WORK CONSIDERABLY. PONTOON BARGES AND CAUSEWAYS

NOT BEING USED DUE TO STEEP BEACHES AND HEAVY SURF WHICH  
CAUSES BROACHING.

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COM7THFLT GIVES ACTION CINCSWPA TARLAC AND LEYTE. INFO COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM, COM7THFLT REAR ECH.

CONTACT WITH SUBMARINE THAT TORPEDOED RENSHAW NOT YET REGAINED. SEARCH CONTINUING. 4 PT'S PATROLLING INSIDE MANILA BAY TODAY. ON 21/22 SUBIC BOATS TRANSPORTED 80 TROOPS FROM CAVITE TO PARANAQUE. ON 20/21 MINDORO BOATS TORPEDOED AND BLEW THE STERN OFF AN AK NEAR AYONI BAY LUI P\*. NAVY SEARCH PLANES ON THE 21ST AND 22ND DESTROYED 1 KIWL\* OFF INDO CHINA. BOMBED STRAFED AND LEFT LISTING 1 DD OFF CAPE ST JACQUES INDO CHINA. SANK A SMALL CARGO SHIP SOUTHWEST OF HONG KONG. STRAFED AND LEFT DEAD IN THE WATER A MOTOR LUGGER OFF OKINAWA. PROBABLY SANK 4 BARGES OFF FORMOSA.

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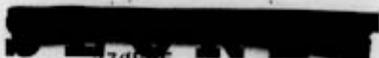
FNICA JIMA MORNING SWEEP CVE'S REPORTS  
 5 PLANES ON FIELD AND 4 ON REVETMENT  
 TARGET AREA 198D ALSO 14 SMALL CRAFT TARGET  
 AREA. 246 SWEEP REPORTS 3 PLANES DESTROYED  
 3 PLANES DAMAGED STRIKE IMMEDIATELY.

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TOR CODE ROOM <u>2019</u>			DEFERRED 5
DECODED BY <u>LYNN</u>			6
TYPED BY <u>HUGHES/ HARTIGAN</u>		FOR INFORMATION CINCPAC PEARL CINCPAC ADV HQ ATFC 5TH FLEET	7
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CTF 51 SENDS ACTION COM 5TH FLEET INFO CINCPAC (BOTH HDQTS AND ALL TFC'S 5TH FLEET.

(PASSED BY PAC/POA ADVHED AS 231132 FOR INFO TO COMINCH COMGEN 2ND MARDIV AND DEP COMDR 20TH AIRFORCE HICKAM FIELD.

THIS IS MY SUMMARY NUMBER 9 231200K.

BOTH FRONTS WERE RELATIVELY QUIET DURING THE NIGHT 22/23 FEBRUARY. USUAL ENEMY INFILTRATION TACTICS WERE ATTEMPTED BUT WITHOUT RESULTS. GROUP OF ENEMY SWIMMERS CAME IN ON WEST COAST IN REAR OF LINES OF RCT 26 WHICH REQUIRED SOME MOPPING UP. OUR ATTACK THIS MORNING TO THE NORTH WAS AS FOLLOWS: 5TH MARDIV ON THE LEFT WITH 2/27, 2/26, 3/26 (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT IN LINE); 4TH MARDIV ON THE RIGHT WITH 2/21, 1/21, 2/24, 3/(2 GROUPS OMITTED), 1/24, (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT IN LINE). BLT 3/26 WAS HELD UP ON THE RIGHT SHORTLY AFTER LEAVING LINE OF DEPARTURE BY HEAVY MORTAR AND ARTI

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FIRE. RCT 21 REPORTED AT 0825 THEY WERE PINNED DOWN. RESISTANCE CONTINUED HEAVY BUT REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE ADVANCE IS CONTINUING. RCT 28 ON THE SOUTH CONTINUED THEIR ATTACK AGAINST MT SURIBACHI AND AT 1035 REACHED THE RIM OF THE CRATER ON THE NORTH. MOPPING UP OPERATIONS PROCEEDING THIS AREA WITH FLAME THROWERS MUCH IN EVIDENCE. THE 13 AND 14 MARINE ARTILLERY IS IN DIRECT AND GENERAL SUPPORT OF THE ATTACK. INTEND LANDING HEADQUARTERS AND 9TH RCT OF 3RD MARDIV 24 FEBRUARY.

FRONT LINES AS OF 1200 SURIBACHI AREA INDEFINITE BUT MANY TROOPS IN SIGHT AND OCCUPY FIM OF CRATER NORTH EAST AND SOUTH. WEST COAST NO CHANGE. NORTH FRONT LINES ARE FROM: 197Y 198UXY 199PU 182BLMNO 183FGHINY 186E.

NIGHT ILLUMINATION AND INTERDICTION GUNFIRE WAS DELIVERED THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT BY 3 CRUISERS 10 DD'S 1 MORTAR SUPPORT UNIT. SCHEDULED AND CALL FIRE CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE MORNING. SOLACE ARRIVED AND IS EMBARKING CASUALTIES. ROUGH WATER HAS INTERFERED WITH OPERATION OF BOATS.

SCHEDULED AIR STRIKES ARE BEING CARRIED OUT THIS MORNING WITH EMPHASIS ON DESTRUCTION OF PIN POINT TARGETS UNDER DIRECTION OF AIR COORDINATOR AND AIR LIAISON PARTIES. STRIKE THIS MORNING ON CHICHI JIMA DESTROYED 3 DAMAGED 3 OF 10 PLANES SEEN ON GROUND. 14 SMALL CRAFT SEEN. 2 TBM PLANES WERE DAMAGED BY ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE BUT BOTH RETURNED. AIR ARTILLERY SPOTTING PLANE REPORTS ENEMY AA FIRE LAUNCHED WHITE 3-FOOT PARACHUTES AT 2000 FEET. TO EACH PARACHUTE WAS SUSPENDED BY A 4 FOOT CABLE AN OBJECT 2 FEET LONG

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WHICH EMITTED STREAMERS OF FLAME. IT HAS NOW BEEN DETERMINED THAT 2 TBM PLANES FROM ENTERPRISE WHICH WERE SEARCHING FOR SARATOGA PILOTS WERE SHOT DOWN ABOUT 1530 22 FEBRUARY INSTEAD OF 1 PLANE AS REPORTED IN MY SUMMARY NUMBER 8. A SEARCH FOR SURVIVORS FROM THIS PLANE AND FOR CREWS OF 2 MISSING SARATOGA IS CONTINUING.

BEACH CONDITIONS ARE SOMEWHAT IMPROVED. BLUE 1 AND YELLOW 2 WERE SUBJECTED TO SOME MORTAR FIRE EARLY THIS MORNING AND SEVERAL SNIPERS KILLED NEAR BEACHES. 3 ROADS NOW EXIST FOR VEHICLES FROM YELLOW BEACHES TO AIRFIELD. BEACH RED 1 NOW HAS 1 EXIT FOR TRACKED VEHICLES AND 1 FOR WHEELED VEHICLES. BEACH RED 2 HAS 2 FOR TRACKED VEHICLES AND 1 FOR WHEELED VEHICLES. BEACH GREEN HAS 1 FOR TRACKED VEHICLES. BLUE 1 HAS ROAD FOR TRACKED VEHICLES. BLUE 2 CAN CONSTRUCT ROAD WHEN FREE OF ENEMY MACHINE GUN FIRE.

WEATHER PARTLY CLOUDY, VISIBILITY GOOD WIND NORTH-NORTHWEST 20-25 KNOTS. 6 FOOT BREAKERS ON EASTERN BEACHES AND CHOPPY ENOUGH OFF SHORE TO IMPEDE UNLOADING AND REPLENISHMENT OF AMMUNITION.

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Leyte, Philippines

To: War Department

DTG: 23/1115Z

23 February 1945

To Chief of Staff War Department from GHQ SWPA  
signed MacArthur. Operations report SOWESPAC Area period  
1500Z/21 to 1500Z/22 signed MacArthur.

Formosa:

Reconnaissance plane reported one destroyer one  
destroyer escort six freighter transports on easterly course  
southwest Amoy February 22.

French Indo China:

Local report large transport one cruiser two destroyers  
anchored Quinhon evening February 21, harbour reported empty  
by Liberator next day with large tanker and three escorts  
northbound 60 miles to north, four freighters two escort  
vessels covered by single fighter sighted same day heading  
northeast 40 miles east Cape Saint Jacques; 12 small  
freighters reported in Trouane River February 20.

Visayas:

Enemy submarine reported by convoy south Negros  
February 21.

Borneo:

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Photographs February 22 showed two fighters Tarakan  
airdrome, four fighters one light bomber Labuan.

Part II.

Naval:

Mindoro PTs torpedoed freighter transport southeast  
Catanuan night February 20, vessel observed on reef with  
stern blown off next day; enemy submarine attacked Allied  
destroyer southeast Negros Island morning February 21.

Air.

Enemy action:

P 61 shot down Betty southeast Lingayen night  
February 19; two planes destroyed some P 38s Lingayen air-  
drome following night.

Operations February 20:

(1) 4 B 25s strafed three camouflaged barges  
Cagayan River, bombed Camalauigan airdrome south Aparri;  
24 A 20s furnished excellent ground support  
against concentrations Lumbuy East Rosales;  
35 A 20s fired fuel dumps exploded buildings  
Calamba southwestern Laguna De BaY.

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(2) 24 RAAF P 40s scored excellent coverage gun  
positions Wasile Bay Halmahera;  
2 Beaufighter strafed unidentified vessels  
Ceram.

Operations February 21:

(3) 9 Dauntless attacked supplies and ammunition  
Pantay East Manila;  
59 P 47s on ground support northeast Manila  
and Corregidor.

(4) 4 Corsairs destroyed large building Capul Island,  
San Bernadino Strait;  
8 Corsairs demolished buildings Talisay;  
18 Corsairs near missed patrol boat bombed enemy  
concentrations Cebu.

(5) 7 Corsairs destroyed one fighter Lumbia airdrome,  
exploded fuel and ammunition dumps Surigao;  
34 Corsairs destroyed buildings damaged pier  
Licanan;  
28 B 24s caused explosions many fires Sassa  
airdrome Davao.

(6) RAAF B 24s attacked Alor Island;  
RAAF Ventura damaged barge Flores Island.

Operations February 22:

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(7) B 24 patrols left destroyer burning and heading for beach damaged one of three intercepting fighters east Cape Saint Jacques, sank seatruck strafed destroyer escort southwest Hongkong, probably destroyed four barges western Formosa, damaged motor lugger Hensei Shoto, destroyed one lugger damaged others Negros Island; Venturas destroyed one barge damaged one barge one lugger Sulu Archipelago.

(8) 10 B 25s attacked convoy southeastern China Coast, sank one destroyer probably sank large freighter transport damaged another freighter transport one destroyer one patrol craft;

Other B 25s weathered out Formosa and China Coast, attacked stores and concentrations Baguio.

(9) 129 Deuntless on ground support Luzon;  
48 P 51s caused heavy destruction Marikina east Manila;

28 P 47s assisted operations Corregidor.

(10) 100 B 24s dropped 400 tons bombs one concentrations northwest Stotsenburg.

(11) 18 B 24s cratered Labuan runway Borneo;  
18 B 24s bombed Tarakan airdrome.

(12) 4 RAAF B 24s patrols attacked Raha town southeastern Celebes, bombed bridges western Soembawa, attached small vessels Flores Sea;

RAAF Ventura attacked lugger Flores Island;

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2 RAAF B 25s exploded fuel laden lugger  
damaged barge and Jetty Flores Island.

(13) 3 B 25s raided Cape Moem Wewak.

Solomons Forces.

Air.

Operations February 21:

(14) 8 Corsairs 6 Venturas 34 B 25s bombed Kavieng;  
Strikes against New Britain weathered out;  
38 Corsairs attacked villages exploded supplies  
Bougainville.

Land. Luzon.

I Corps:

32nd Division captured remaining five objective hills  
on Villa Verde trail; Elements 33rd Division secured high  
ground 3,700 yards east Cauringan.

XIV Corps:

6th Division attacking east crossed Marikina River,  
reached San Mateo; 37th Division secured City Hall and  
General Post Office excepting basement, completing capture  
all buildings eastern Intramuros approaches, reported heavy

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fire fight for mezzanine floor Manila Hotel; elements  
1st Cavalry Division occupied Taytay without opposition,  
patrols reached point 1,500 yards southwest Antipolo.

XI Corps:

503rd Infantry reported 2200 counted enemy dead on  
Corregidor to morning February 22.

Part III.

- (1) B 25s dropped 16 250 lb parademos, fired 6,000  
pounds 50 calibre;  
A 20s dropped 223 250 lb parademos, fired 9,400  
rounds 50 calibre.
- (2) P 40s dropped 33 500 lb bombs, 2 260 lb, 8 20  
lb frags, met moderate heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.
- (3) No details.
- (4) Dropped 14 1,000 lb, 32 500 lb bombs.
- (5) 34 Corsairs dropped 40 1,000 lb bombs, met  
moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire;  
B 24s dropped 850 100 lb bombs from 11,000 feet.
- (6) B 24 dropped 3 500 lb, 10 100 lb bombs;  
Ventura dropped 2 300 lb bombs, fires 1,300  
rounds 50 calibre, 800 rounds 30 calibre.

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Paragraphs 7 through 9 no details.

(10) Dropped 800 1,000 lb bombs.

(11) Dropped 378 500 lb bombs from 11,600 to 10,000 feet.

(12) B 24s dropped 27 500 lb bombs, fired 1,800 rounds 50 calibre;

Ventura dropped 3 300 lb bombs;  
B 25s fired 4,000 rounds 50 calibre.

(13) Dropped 12 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay, fired 3 300 rounds 50 calibre.

(14) Dropped 24 2,000 lb, 18 1,000 lb, 34 500 lb, 18 250 lb bombs, 24 700 lb, 4 650 lb, 6 325 lb depth charges.

Refer report operations February 20 Paragraph 8:

B 25s dropped 225 500 lb bombs and fired 9,800 rounds 50 calibre, met moderate light and medium some accurate anti-aircraft fire.

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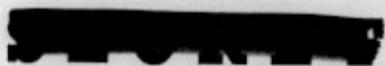
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ABOUT 20 STRETCHER CASES. EXPECT TO REPORT PERSONNEL LOSSES TOMORROW. KEOKUK REPORTS 12 KIA 31 WIA 51 MIA AND LST 477

REPORTS KIA 9 WIA 1 WAS IN YESTERDAYS PLANE ATTACKS. CONDITIONS THIS AFTERNOON HANDICAPPED AIR MISSIONS. ALL AIR STRIKES WERE CANCELLED AT 1430. PRIOR TO THIS TIME APPROXIMATELY 400 AIRCRAFT ENGAGED IN STRIKES. AIR SEARCH FOR MISSING PILOT \*\* SURVIVORS FROM BISHARK SEA BY PLANES \*\* AND 6 SURFACE VESSELS THIS AFTERNOON. AT 1501 A GROUP OF ABOUT GRUB JAP PLANES ATTEMPTED TO ATTACK SAGINAW BAY BUT WERE UNSUCCESSFUL DUE TO LOW VISIBILITY. AT SAME TIME 2 ENEMY GROUPS OF ABOUT 4 PLANES EACH WERE SEEN BY RADAR BY CXRRIENS\* BUT WERE UNABLE TO MAKE CONTACT. DURING THIS RED MOEXT \* AT 1525 GROUP OF 4 TBM'S FROM ENTERPRISE FLEW OVER SWEARER REGRET TO REPORT SWEARER OPENED FIRE DOWNING 1 PLANE AND HITTING 1 OTHER PLANE. CREW OF PLANE SHOT DOWN RESCUED BY SC 1270. 4 ADDITIONAL PLANES NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED DESTROYED WERE SHOT DOWN BY ESCORT CARRIER GROUP AND 2 ADDITIONAL BY RAID OFF SCREEN DURING AIR RAID 1640- (GARELED GROUPS) 21 FEBRUARY. NIGHT CAP AND OBSERVING MISSIONS FOR NIGHT 22-27 FEBRUARY ARE CANCELLED DUE TO BAD WEATHER. FROM LYV NHY RIVOXION\* REPORTS AIRFIELD NUMBER

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A. KENNEL BASEMENT AND GARAGE REMAIN AIR SURFACE THRU 28 FEB

EXCEPT FOR A CIRCLE OF 50 MILES RADIUS FROM HACHIJO JIMA WHICH WILL BE JOINT FOR THIS PERIOD.

B. FURNACE WILL BE JOINT FROM 25 FEB THRU 27 FEB.

C. STOVE REVERTS IMMEDIATELY TO SUBMARINE PATROL.

D. WINDPIPE REMAINS AIR SURFACE THRU 26 FEB. ON 27 FEB UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE IT BECOMES JOINT.

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THIS IS SUMMARY NUMBER 7 221200K.

GROUND FORCES DURING THE NIGHT ORGANIZED THE FORWARD POSITION HELD AS OF 1800. SEVERAL HEAVY ENEMY COUNTER ATTACKS DEVELOPED AND AN UNCONFIRMED ENEMY LANDING ON THE WEST COAST IN THE ZONE OF THE 5TH MARDIV WAS REPORTED. THE LEFT FLANK OF RCT 27 WAS HIT HARD BUT ALL LINES THROUGHOUT THE AREA HELD. CONSIDERABLE INFILTRATION WAS ATTEMPTED ALONG ENTIRE FRONT. THE GROUND FORCES LAUNCHED A COORDINATED ATTACK AT 0835 WITH THE OBJECTIVE THE 2-2 LINE AND MT SURIBACHI. RCT 21 RELIEVED ELEMENTS OF THE 23RD MARINES ON THE 4TH DIVISION FRONT WHICH REVERTED TO DIVISION CONTROL. FRONT LINE UNITS FOR THE ATTACK FROM RIGHT TO LEFT WERE 1/24 2/25 3/25 1/21 2/21 3/26 2/26 1/26. RCT 28 MADE THE ASSAULT ON MT SURIBACHI. A REQUEST AT 0900 FROM RCT 28 FOR BLOCK AND TACKLE TO LOWER CASUALTIES FROM MT SURIBACHI INDICATED THEY HAVE BEGUN THE ASSAULT OF ENEMY POSITIONS.

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ON THE FACE OF THE MOUNTAIN. THE ATTACK BY THE 5TH DIVISION WAS GOVERNED BY THE ADVANCE OF ELEMENTS OF RCT 21 ON THE LEFT OF THE

4TH MARDIV SECTOR. HEAVY SMALL ARMS AUTOMATIC WEAPON AND MORTAR FIRE CONTINUES ON ALL OUR ELEMENTS. ADVANCES ON ALL FRONTS WAS

SLOW DURING THE MORNING AGAINST STIFF OPPOSITION. LATEST REPORTS INDICATE NO CHANGE IN FRONTLINE FACING MT SURIBACHI AND ALONG THE

WEST COAST. LINE HELD BY THE MAIN LINE AT 1130 IS AS FOLLOWS:  
TA 180E 181 AB 198 WY GAP 181 IJ 182 KLRT 183 PHTY 166EB E\*.

DURING THE PAST 24 HOURS ENEMY DEFENSE POSITIONS ACROSS THE ISLAND AND IN THE VICINITY OF AIRFIELD NUMBER 2 HAVE BEEN WEAKENED BY

THE ASSAULT. MANY GUN POSITIONS HAVE BEEN KNOCKED OUT. TRANSDIV 31 WITH RCT 9 AND CG 3RD MARDIV EMBARKED, ARRIVED BUT REMAINED

IN EXTROPAC RESERVE.

THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL ENEMY UNITS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED:

YAMASHITA BUTI (CODE 6025); NISHI 2724 AND 2102; 252ND AIR GROUP AND KAWASAKI BUTI.

CASUALTY REPORTS CONTINUE UNRELIABLE. AS OF 1745 21 CASUALTIES RECEIVED ABOARD SHIPS INDICATE KIA, 385 WIA 4168. COMBAT EFFICIENCY

IS CONSIDERED TO BE 70%.

NAVAL BOMBARDMENT CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE ATTACK. AMMUNITION

EXPENDED BY FIRE SUPPORT SHIPS IS CAUSING SERIOUS SHORTAGE. REPLENISHMENT IS SLOW. THE SAMARITAN WITH CASUALTIES RETIRED AT

SUNSET 21ST FOR SAIPAN.

AN ESTIMATED 50 JAP PLANES, BOTH BETTY AND ZEKE ATTACKED CARRIERS

AND AMPHIBIOUS SHIPS IN IWO JIMA AREA FROM 1640 TO 2000 21ST. PLANES WERE DIVIDED INTO SMALL GROUPS FOR THESE ATTACKS. 5 SHIPS WERE HIT.

SARATOGA, BISMARK SEA, LUNGA POINT, KEOKUK AND LST 477. BISMARK SEA LATER SANK. 1 ENEMY PLANE REPORT SHOT DOWN BY SARATOGA FIGHTER

AND 6 BY ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE FROM SHIPS. AT 1846 LUNGA POINT WAS ATTACKED BY 2 SUICIDE ZEKES 1 SHOT DOWN 1 CRASHED IN AFTER END OF

ISLAND BUT SHIP IS OPERATIONAL. DAMAGE TO KEOKUK AND LST 477 NOT SEVERE AND SHIPS ARE OPERATIONAL. AIR-SEA RESCUE OPERATIONS ARE

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BEING CARRIED OUT. 1 EACH PILOT HAVE BEEN REPORTED RESCUED BY  
ABELE SWEARER HYMAN AND SIGNET. 9 SARATOGA PLANES HAVE BEEN  
REPORTED TO HAVE LANDED ON CVE. 5 SARATOGA PLANES STILL UNACCOUNTED  
FOR.

REDUCED AIR SUPPORT OF TROOPS IS CONTINUING IN SPITE OF BAD WEATHER.  
MORE THAN 300 COMBAT MISSIONS WERE FLOWN FROM DAYLIGHT TO 1200.

BEACH CONDITIONS GENERALLY UNSATISFACTORY. BEACHES STILL CONGESTED  
BUT DEMOLITION TEAMS AND SALVAGE VESSELS ARE ENGAGED IN CLEARING

WRECKED GEAR. 10 LSTS AND SEVERAL LSMS HAVE BEEN LANDING TROOPS  
AND EQUIPMENT THIS MORNING. EVERY EFFORT BEING MADE TO IMPROVE

SITUATION. SURF AND SEA CONDITIONS BAD. SEVERAL LVTS AND DUKS  
HAVE BEEN SUNK. CORPS IS SHORE PARTY ESTABLISHED ASHORE AT 0915.

WEATHER IS OVERCAST WITH HARD RAIN LOW VISIBILITY WITH 15 TO 25  
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CG 20th Bomber Command, Kharagpur India  
CG US Army Forces, India Burma Theater, New Delhi India  
CG US Army Forces, China Theater, Chungking China  
CG South Pacific Base Command, Noumea New Caledonia

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USF China Theater, CG SOPABACOM and CG India Burma Theater  
with all dates East Longitude Time.

Here is more activity 17th February.

Ammunition barge and three small ships in harbor  
at Chichi Jima destroyed by carrier planes. At Babelthuap  
ten F4U's damaged two boats by strafing, caused explosion  
and set a building afire. Possible enemy SS was depth  
charged approximately 40 miles west of Maug Island. Later  
five miles to west contact was again made.

Now February 18th.

At Iwo Jima personnel area north of volcano and  
defense facilities north of B boat basin received 90% hits  
by Century bombs delivered by 14 Liberators. Susaki Airfield  
Chichi Jima at night got one ton each of Centuries dropped  
by nine B-24s. Building and pier at Tomli Harbor, Yap,  
damaged by eight F4Us. Six houses set afire and two barges  
probably demolished at Babelthuap by F4U's numbering 16.

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That night TBF's scored rocket hits on Babelthuap lighthouse. Over Japan, Osaka during night felt weight of six single tonners transported by two superforts. Many accurate searchlights and accurate moderate flak encountered. Approximately 120 miles west southwest of Marcus sighting of possible enemy SS reported by friendly submarine.

19th February activity now.

Rcn B-29 over Kagamigahara Airfield (north of Nagoya Japan) met no ground or air opposition.

Here is Iwo Jima operation 20th February.

Stiff resistance being given our forces attacking Suribachi Yama. Slight advances made north of airfield number 1 by Marines during afternoon. Positions were being consolidated by evening under considerable enemy artillery and mortar fire. Enemy also employed rocket fire. Good amount of friendly artillery had been landed and made ready to support beachhead flanks. Despite adverse weather prolonged attacks were continued through the afternoon by carrier aircraft. Surface craft lent close infire support particularly on the enemy strong points and caves which were heavily shelling and mortaring our northern flank. To date in excess of 8,000 tons of ammunition have been hurled at the enemy by our Naval vessels in support of the beachhead.

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Enemy activity at Iwo during night 20/21 consisted of a counter attack on our left flank supported by Nip tanks and artillery and attempted infiltrations of Marine lines; All enemy efforts were repulsed. Our ships assisted with heavy gunfire support and illumination. Unloading of our supplies on beaches continued during the night.

Here is February 21st action on Iwo Jima.

Marines gained from 500-1000 yards along entire line. After capturing airfield number 1 they made a general push in direction of airfield number 2. Fourth Marine Division at noon advanced from the south toward the middle of this field. On western side of island Fifth Marine Division leading elements by-passed south end of same field. Marines were also slowly advancing up Mount Suribachi and had made 100 yard average gains there. Heavy mortar rocket machine gun and rifle fire met our forces advancing yard by yard in both southern and northern sectors. Heavy Naval shell fire supported our ground action. During the day the enemy was subjected to carrier aircraft strafing and bombing attacks. As of 210800I hours 150 officers and 3,500 enlisted men killed missing and wounded were our estimated casualties.

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To: War Department

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War Department C-10788. Operations report SCWESPAC area  
period 1500Z/20 to 1500Z/21 signed MacArthur.

Part 1.

French Indo China:

Eight vessels including six of 1,500 tons left  
Cape Saint Jacques afternoon February 19, two subchasers,  
one transport three loaded tankers arrived following day,  
two tankers one destroyer reported north bound off Cape  
Padaran February 20, four transports in Saigon, many small  
craft southbound off Cape Varella, increased enemy air  
patrols along coast.

Paracel Islands:

Six aircraft reported flying southwest midday  
February 21.

Formosa area:

Reconnaissance planes February 21 reported large  
freighter Takao, two small merchant ships Pescadores, one  
medium freighter six small vessels Naha Harbour.

Luzon:

Patrols report defensive positions being prepared  
along highway number 5 east San Nicolas.

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Part 2.

Naval: Destroyer shelled San Jose area eastern  
Lingayem Gulf in support of Army advance, a so operated \* *Some range*  
against Corregidor; PT boats destroyed barge Manila Bay,  
supported Allied landings on islands San Bernadino Strait  
February 20/21.

Air. Operations February 19.

- (1) 35 more A-20's struck San Juan area northeast Aringay, Lingayem Gulf.
- (2) Seven more Corsairs raided Negros Island and northern Mindanao.
- (3) Eight RAAF P-40's bombed Sagan Airdrome Dutch New Guinea.

Operations February 20:

- (4) B-24 patrol destroyed two float planes Camranh Bay.
- (5) 22 Corsairs bombed and strafed Biri Island San Bernadino Strait; 52 Corsairs raided enemy airdromes and buildings on Cebu Negros and Panay Island.
- (6) 27 B-24's demolished Ilang Barracks Davao; seven Corsairs bombed Lumbia runway northern Mindanao, one Corsair lost.

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(7) Two RAAF B-24's hit mine installations Banggai Archipelago and targets north Koepong.

Operations February 21:

(8) B-24 patrols strafed small craft shot down transport plane Hansei Shoto, damaged four of six seatrucks northeastern Formosa, sank seatruck southwest Hong Kong, shot down bomber southeast Tourans; Ventura strafed seatruck Balabac town southwest Palawan.

(9) Shipping sweep China coast bombed Laden Sampan probably destroyed one, damaged three others of four intercepting fighters.

(10) Shipping sweep Formosa weathered out; 15 B-25's 35 A-20's and 11 P-38's attacked Basco Town and airdrome Bataan Island.

(11) 16 P-40's demolished guns caused explosions fires headquarters area Marikina East Manila; 40 P-40's hit Corregidor.

(12) 92 B-24's caused large fires amongst defence positions west Fort Stotsenburg with 396 tons bombs.

(13) 21 A-20's raided Jesselton Town and airdrome Borneo; 14 B-24's cratered runway Kudat; 18 other B-24's hit Sandakan airdrome.

(14) Single RAAF B-24 caused fires Viqueque Town Timor.

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(15) Three A-20's attacked targets Wewak Point;  
five B-24's bombed bivouacs Cape Wom; three B-25's raided  
Huschu Island.

Solomons Forces.

Air. Operations February 20:

(16) Six Venturas, eight Corsairs, four B-25's  
hit gun positions and supplies near Kavieng; 16 Corsairs,  
three B-25's caused explosions destroyed one barge Rabaul;  
seven Venturas, 36 Corsairs, one B-25 attacked bivouacs and  
Headquarters area Empress Augusta Bay raided supplies Kahili.

Land.

Luzon: 6th Army:

I Corps: Elements 32nd Division attacking north from  
positions 8,000 yards northeast San Nicolas captured two of  
seven hills dominating area;

25th Division units captured enemy position 3,000  
yards south Funcan, eliminated strong point 1,500 yards  
northwest Lumboy (846 - 198).

XIV Corps:

37th Division continued to drive enemy forces to  
confines of Intramuros, securing water works building,  
metropolitan theatre and normal school, 12th Cavalry  
(attached 37th Division) entered Manila Hotel, reported  
stiff opposition.

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1st Cavalry Division regrouped for operations toward  
line Taytay - Antipolo..

6th Division relieved 2nd Cavalry Brigade north line  
Balintawak - Cubao - Marikina.

Elements 11th Airborne continued attack encircled  
enemy forces high ground vicinity Mabato Point, other elements  
pushed south to Alabang - Muntinlupa area without reported  
contact.

XI Corps:

43rd Division passed to XI Corps control.

503rd Infantry continued reduction strong points in  
battery positions around Corregidor's edge.

Cumulative casualties to February 21:

	Killed	Wounded	Missing
Own	2,834	10,696	269
Enemy	44,578	(406 Japanese captured)	

Leyte/Samar:

X Corps:

Americal Division: Delayed report: Reinforced  
company landed unopposed Allen, northwest of Samar,  
February 19; Biri town secured after sharp engagement.

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(1) Dropped 200 100 lb bombs, fired unstated  
number rounds.

(2) Dropped 10 1000 lb bombs.

(3) Dropped 14 500 lb bombs.

(4) No details.

(5) Dropped 22 1000 lb, 12 500 lb bombs, 16 100  
and 65 gallon, 12 100 and 57 gallon napalms, fired unstated  
number rounds.

(6) B-24's dropped 812 100 lb bombs from 10,600  
feet, met slight heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire;  
Corsairs dropped 14 1000 lb bombs.

(7) Dropped 6 500 lb, 20 100 lb bombs, fired  
200 rounds 50 calibre.

Paragraphs 8 through 11. No details.

(12) Dropped 792 1000 lb bombs.

(13) B-24's dropped 288 500 lb bombs from 10,500  
to 8,800 feet.

(14) Dropped 6 500 lb, 10 100 lb bombs.

(15) B-24's dropped 40 1000 lb bombs from 8,500  
feet; other planes dropped 24 300 lb 8 to 15 seconds delay  
from minimum altitude, fired 4,000 rounds 50 calibre.

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(16) Seven B-25's dropped 8 500 lb, 8 250 lb  
bombs, 4 100 lb frags, 3 700 lb depth charges; other  
planes dropped 56 1,000 lb, 12 500 lb, 8 300 lb bombs,  
46 325 lb depth charges.

Refer report operations February 19, Paragraph 10:

18 B-25's dropped 70 350 lb parademos, fired  
55,800 rounds 50 calibre, met slight light some accurate,  
accurate anti-aircraft fire Koshum.

Paragraph 11: 35 A-20's dropped 140 250 lb  
parademos, fired 22,500 rounds 50 calibre; 12 B-25's  
against Bataan dropped 24 by 1,000 lb bombs, fired 36,800  
rounds 50 calibre.

End

Note: Corrected copy of CM-IN-22959 (22 Feb 45) OPD

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INFO: CC/S Statistics  
CG AAP Adm King  
ASF Col Park  
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0-2 LINE.

LATEST ESTIMATE INDICATES 862 ENEMY DEAD COUNTED SINCE D DAY. ONLY 1 PRISONER OF WAR CAPTURED TO DATE. ESTIMATE RECEIVED FROM LANDING FORCE COMMANDER THAT THERE ARE 5000 ADDITIONAL NAVAL TROOPS

ABOVE THE ORIGINAL ESTIMATE ON IWO JIMA. HIS ESTIMATE INDICATES A TOTAL 20000 ENEMY ON IWO JIMA ON D DAY.

TROOPS WERE PREPARED TO DIG IN AT 1700 ON MOST SUITABLE TERRAIN IN THEIR FORWARD AREA PREPARED TO MEET POSSIBLE COUNTER ATTACK TONIGHT.

SOME VARIATION OCCURED IN THE LINES DURING THE DAY. AT 1700 WE HELD THE GENERAL LINE FROM TA132VLF TO 131JN THENCE ALONG WEST COAST TO

1978 THENCE 198V SOUTH EDGE 181BE. 182AKPT. 183PHTY 166E.

LSM 43 SUSTAINED CONSIDERABLE STRUCTURAL DAMAGE DUE TO ROUGH SEA

WHILE UNLOADING TRANSPORTS. TEMPORARY REPAIRS TO NAPA WILL PERMIT SPEED OF 10 KNOTS BUT REQUIRES DOCKING. LOCAL DAMAGE REQUIRED

REPAIR SHIP.

NAPA REPORTS 5 MEN MISSING. DURING THE DAY BB'S AND HEAVY CRUISERS

SUPPORTED ATTACK BY DEEQ\* SUPPORTING FIRES. THIS WAS IN ADDITION TO NORMAL CLOSE SUPPORT.

AIR ATTACKS SEPARATE WITH SUMMARY TOMORROW.

SPECIAL REPORT ON BEACH CONDITIONS. BREAKERS NOT HEAVY BUT ARE A

HANDICAP DUE TO STEEP SLOPES. SOIL ON ALL BEACHES OF VOLCANIC ASH EXTENDS FROM WATER TO AIRFIELD NUMBER 1, VERY LOOSE AND WILL

NOT PERMIT PASSAGE OF ANY TYPE OF WHEELED VEHICLE. ALMOST ENTIRE BEACH FRONTAGE NOW CONGESTED \*\* LCVP'S, LVT'S, VEHICLES,

AND TANKS. SUPPLIES BEING FURNISHED TO TROOPS INLAND ONLY BE LVT'S DEMOLITION TEAMS NOW CLEARING BEACH WRECKAGE. MARSTON BEACH MATTIN

BEING LAID BUT MUCH WILL BE NEEDED. 3 MAT ROADS COMPLETED TO TOP OF RIDGE. MORTAR FIRE ON BEACHES DIMINISHING IN INTENSITY SINCE 1200

BUT STILL A SERIOUS PROBLEM. ONLY SATISFACTORY LANDING CRAFT ARE LST LSM LCT AND LVT. TRYING TO GET PORTION CAUSEWAYS RIGGED PSYI\*

TRY UNLOADING BY PONTOON BARGES. NET RESULT IS THAT WHILE ABOUT 12 LST'S ARE UNLOADED TRANSPORTS AVERAGE ONLY ABOUT 30%. THIS MEANS

CONSIDERABLE DELAYS IN UNLOADING GARRISON ECHELONS. BEACHES WEST COAST UNDER VOVLUXMBAVION\* BUT NOT BELIEVED SUITABLE.

\* AS RECEIVED \*\* SEVERAL GROUPS GARBLED COPY TO 20-G

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CTF 77 SENDS ACTION GINCSWPA INFO COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM COM 5TH FLT COM 7TH FLT REAR ECHELON.

MINESWEEPING OF MANILA BAY CONFINED TO AREA EAST OF ST NICHOLAS SHOALS. WILL BEGIN SWEEPING FROM SHOALS TOWARD MANILA HARBOR IN FEW DAYS. 2 DESTROYERS FURNISHED STAR SHELL ILLUMINATION OF CORREGIDOR AND CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AGAINST JAPANESE COLUMN ON NIGHT OF 19/20 AND REMAINED ON STATION SOUTH OF THE ISLAND DURING 20TH WITHDRAWING A SHORT DISTANCE AT NIGHT AS PRECAUTION AGAINST JAPANESE SUICIDE CRAFT. 4 PT'S OPERATING INSIDE MANILA BAY TODAY AND TONIGHT. ON 20TH 1 DD BOMBARDED SAN JOSE AREA ON EAST SHORE OF LINGAYEN GULF IN SUPPORT OF ARMY ADVANCE FROM THE AFTERNOON OF 19TH ORMOC PT'S COVERED LANDING ON CAPUL ISLAND. SAME DAY SMALL

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BOATS LANDED 102 PARATROOPERS AT CAVITE. ALSO ON 19TH  
LINGAYEN PT'S COOPERATING WITH AIRCRAFT STRAFED SOLVECU.  
2 PLANES BETWEEN 15TH AND 19TH DROPPED PAMPHLETS AT  
HONGKONG SWATOW AMOY OKINAWA AND FORMOSA. 1 SEARCH PLANE  
ON 20TH SANK A SMALL AK 4 SEA TRUCKS DAMAGED ANOTHER AND  
SHOT DOWN 1 ZEKE AND 1 KATE ALL ON OKINAWA AREA.

DELAY DUE TO GARBLES

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PASSED BY CINCPAC/CINCPA ADVHD TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 230127.

SERIOUS PROBLEM IN AMPHIBIOUS LANDINGS ON STRONGLY DEFENDED OBJECTIVES IS OUR PRESENT INABILITY QUICKLY LOCATE CONCEALED ENEMY MORTAR BATTERIES AND ARTILLARY FIRING ON OUR TROOPS. ANY PLAN ALREADY DEVELOPED OR WHICH CAN BE DEVELOPED BY SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH WILL BE OF GREAT VALUE IN FUTURE OPERATIONS. NEW SUBJECT.

CV AND CVL TASK FORCE 58 SUCCESSFULLY REARMED WITH BOMBS AT SEA BY SHASTA AND WRANGELL. TRANSFER RATE INITIALLY 26 TONS PER HOUR IMPROVING TO 30 TONS. SHASTA RECOMMENDS ISSUE LOAD OF 4000 TCNS MY 290053 JANUARY. RESULT SUBSTANTIATE PREVIOUS CONCLUSIONS. WITH EXPERIENCE INCREASED TRANSFER RATE POSSIBLE.

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REVISED PLANS COM 5TH FLEET, THE 21 BOMCOM PROPOSES TO CONDUCT THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT DETACHMENT. REFERENCE DEPCOMAF 28 8344 SEARCH OPERATIONS:

ON F MINUS 2 SEARCH TO BE CONDUCTED IN AREA 60 MILES ON EITHER SIDE OF CARRIER TASK FORCE TRACK TO OPERATING AREA FOR F DAY.

B. WEATHER STRIKE MISSIONS: ATTACKS BE MADE ON TOKYO AREA DURING HOURS OF DARKNESS ON NIGHT OF F MINUS 2, F DAY, AND F PLUS 2.

3 AIRCRAFT OPERATING INDIVIDUALLY TO MAKE EVENLY SPREAD ATTACK USING RCW.

C. MAJOR STRIKES: WEATHER PERMITTING, MAXIMUM EFFORT STRIKE WILL BE MADE AGAINST A PRIMARY TARGET IN THE TOKYO/NAGOYA AREA ON F MINUS

OR  
1. THE TARGET WILL DEPEND UPON THE MOST FAVORABLE WEATHER AREA FOR VISUAL BOMBING. IF FORECAST APPEARS MORE FAVORABLE FOR F DAY, ATTACK WILL BE DELAYED 1 DAY AND MADE AGAINST TOKYO AREA ON A VISUAL FORECAST OR AGAINST NAGOYA ON A FORECAST INDICATING RADAR BOMBING

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CONDITIONS. IN THE EVENT THAT AFTER DEPARTURE ON A VISUAL FORECAST RADAR BOMBING IS FOUND TO BE NECESSARY ON THE SAME TARGET AND THE

SAME DATE AS TF 58 STRIKES, THE SAME LIMITATION AS TO TIME AND SPACE WILL BE OBSERVED AS THOSE DEFINED IN CINCPOA 070455.

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period 1500Z/19 to 1500Z/20 signed MacArthur.

Nansei Group:

Leyte reconnaissance plane sighted 19 seatrucks in  
Sakashina Islands February 19, 28 aircraft sighted Naha  
Airdrome on Ikinawa.

China Coast:

Destroyer and two medium freighters sighted on  
southeasterly course 80 miles northeast Amoy.

French Indo China:

Medium freighter transport seatruck and escort  
vessel sighted heading north vicinity Camranh Bay, tanker  
reported leaving Saigon February 19th.

Singapore: 13 fighters, 4 bombers photographed  
by 20th Air Force Port Swettenham Airfield February 19th.

Luzon: Large quantity enemy equipment found in evacuat-  
ed enemy position west pillar on Bataan February 19th.

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Part 2. Naval:

PT boats silenced shore guns Corregidor, Ormoc boats  
destroyed supply laden lugger Boholi Strait night February 19th:

Air:

Operations February 18th:

1. 35 A-20's fired fuel dumps exploded ammunition  
bombed concentrations Sglano southwest Bagabag;  
36 A-20's attacked concentrations Infanta, eastern  
coast Luzon;  
61 B-25's provided ground support Bagac pilar road  
Batsan.
2. 12 Corsairs silenced Fabrica guns Negros Island;  
29 Corsairs raided Surigao and Licanan Mindanao.
3. A-20's turned back from Borneo due weather;  
P-38's escort strafed three grounded planes Jesselton,  
destroyed 1 plane hit 7 others Kudat strafed motor trucks and  
two luggers off shore.

Operations February 19th:

4. 8 Corsairs bombed Capul Island barracks, San  
Bernadino Strait;  
33 Corsairs attacked airdromes and building  
Negros Island and Cebu.

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5. 26 B-24's struck bivouacs and supplies Licanan;  
34 Corsairs raided Licana Sassa, and Lumbia on  
Mindanao.

6. 3 Beauforts harassed Wewak targets.

Operations February 20th:

7. Nil.

B-24 strikes Formosa Philippines; patrol planes  
sank three seatrucks one coastal vessel damaged one seatruck  
shot down two planes Okinawa, sank one coastal vessel damaged  
another eastern Formosa.

8. 7 escorted B-25's followed by fighter sweeps struck  
Choshu town southern Formosa caused heavy destruction town  
railyards and barracks Hitimuch rail and road transport, left  
small freighter ablaze near Toko.

9. Direct support missions continued Luzon; planes  
attacked Corregidor and Bataan.

10. 50 A-20's destroyed or heavily damaged all enemy  
occupied buildings Puerto Princessa Palawan.

11. 6 P-38's bombed Sassa and Matin installations  
Daveo.

12. 36 B-24's caused explosion and fires badly  
cratered runways Jesselton airdrome Borneo.

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13. RAAF B-24 bombed Viqueque Timor; two Dutch  
B-25's bombed Acoape Goemoek north Koepang.

14. 3 B-24's attacked underground supplies Keravat  
Rabaul.

Solomons forces: Air. Operations February 19th.

15. 8 Venturas 24 B-25's struck Kavieng town and  
airdrome, 2 Venturas 6 Corsairs 4 B-25's hit other targets  
New Ireland; 7 Venturas 16 Corsairs 7 B-25's raided supplies  
personnel area and truck pool Rabaul;  
36 Corsairs harassed Bougainville targets.

Land. LUSON: Sixth Army: First Corps:

33rd Division captured objective high ground 3,000  
yards west Cauringan.

Fourteenth Corps: 37th Division units secured Filipino  
Young Men's Christian Association and Manila trade school  
launched coordinated attack enemy positions vicinity San  
Pablo Church on San Marcelino Street;

Elements 1st Cavalry Division advancing north along  
Manila Bay, secured Elks Club and Army Navy Club.

Eleventh Corps:

38th Division: 1st Infantry units occupied Bagac  
without opposition;

503rd Infantry on Corregidor continued reduction  
stubborn enemy resistance in tunnels caves and coastal  
positions.

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Leyte/Samar:

Eighth Army: Americal Division: Reinforced company  
established beachhead Biri Island off northwest Samar.

Part 3.

1. A-20's dropped 308 100 lb bombs, fired 118,450 rounds 50 calibre;  
B-25's dropped over 97 2000 lb bombs, fired 90,500 rounds 50 calibre.
2. 29 Corsairs dropped 65 1000 lb bombs.
3. No details.
4. Dropped 48 1000 lb bombs, 13 165 gallon napalms.
5. B-24's dropped 800 100 lb bombs from 10,000 feet, met slight medium inaccurate antiaircraft fire;  
Corsairs dropped 54 1000 lb bombs.
6. Dropped 4 500 lb 8 250 lb bombs, 9 40 lb frags, fired 2000 rounds 30 calibre.
- 7 thru 9. No details.
10. Dropped 24 tons 100 lb bombs, fired 46,000 rounds 50 calibre, met slight, light, inaccurate antiaircraft fire.

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11. Dropped 6 1000 lb bombs.
12. Dropped 162 500 lb bombs, 536 100 napalms from  
11,100 to 9,300 feet.
13. B-24's dropped 6 500 lb, 10 100 lb bombs;  
B-25's dropped 12 300 lb bombs.
14. Dropped 24 1000 lb bombs.
15. B-25's dropped 13 2000 lb, 14 1000 lb, 30 500 lb  
bombs, fired 10,000 rounds 50 calibre;  
other planes dropped 44,1000 lb, 30 500 lb bombs,  
27 700 lb, 48 325 lb depth charges.

Refer preceding report paragraph 10: 39 B-24's  
dropped 36 500 lb bombs 600 100 lb frags, 1,080 20 lb frags  
from 12,000 to 10,000 feet, met moderate to intense heavy  
some accurate antiaircraft fire.

Refer report operations February 18th Paragraph 13:  
33 B-24's dropped 570 90 lb, 1,280 20 lb frags from 13,000  
to 9,500 feet, met moderate to intense medium and heavy  
mostly accurate antiaircraft fire;  
25 B-25's dropped 96 250 lb paradems, fired  
66,600 rounds 50 calibre;  
Three squadrons P-38's, one squadron P-51's against  
rolling stock Formosa; P-47's escorted B-25's.

End

ACTION: OPD  
INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, Statistics, Adm. King,  
Col. Park, LOG.

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FROM <b>CTG 96.1</b>		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION <b>CTF 96</b>	PRIORITY 3
DATE <b>26 FEB. 1945</b>			<b>ROUTINE</b> 4
TOR CODEROOM <b>1546</b>			DEFERRED 6
DECODED BY <b>SAPP</b>		FOR INFORMATION <b>CINCPAC (BOTH HDQS) CTF 94 CTF 93 COMSOPAC</b>	7
PARAPHRASED BY <b>SOWERS</b>			PRIORITY 10
ROUTED BY			<b>ROUTINE</b> 11
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CTG 96.1 FLINGS ACTION CTF 96 INFO CINCPAC BOTH HDQS  
CTF 94 CTF 93 COMSOPAC. RDO GUAM PASS INFO TO CINCPAC  
ADV HDQS. RDO HONO GIVES TO CINCPAC PEARL.

CINCPAC/CINCPMA ADVHED PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 210039

SEARCHES 20 FEBRUARY. MORNING AND EVENING V 311, 43 V 221  
AND 1 V 396 FULL DISTANCE AND COVERAGE. ALL NEGATIVE

EXCEPT 1 V 396 REPORTED 1 BURST OF MEDIUM AA FROM SOUTH  
OF LELE HARBOR KURILE. V 397 SEARCHES FULL DISTANCE

85% COVERAGE. NEGATIVE. WAKE SNOOPER COMPLETE AND  
NEGATIVE EXCEPT SMALL SHIP APPEARS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN

BOAT BASIN NEAR HARBOR ENTRANCE, 3 SMALL SAILBOATS SEEM  
UNDER WAY AND TRUCK OBSERVED MOVING ON AIRFIELD. PONAPE

SNOOPER COMPLETE. NEGATIVE. WEATHER CURTAILED OBSER-  
VATION. HUNTER KILLER 110 MILES WEST OF ENIWETOK CON-

TINUING WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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RELEASED BY		ALL INTERESTED TF 73 SEARCHES	2 <b>OPOPOP</b>
DATE <b>21 FEB 1945</b>		COM 5TH FLT	3 PRIORITY
TOR CODEROM <b>2200/20</b>		ALL TFC AND TGC 5TH FLT	4 ROUTINE
DECODED BY <b>SLUTZ/STRONG</b>	<i>INFORMATION</i>		5 DEFERRED
PARAPHRASED BY <b>LOERR</b> <i>Downey</i>			6
ROUTED BY			7
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<b>PAGE 1 OF 2</b>	<b>201302</b>	<b>NCR 60871</b>	10 PRIORITY
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CTG 73.6 SENDS TO ALL INTERESTED TF 73 SEARCHES COM 5TH FLT ALL TFC AND TGC 5TH FLT.

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 PART 2 -- 201239 -- NCR 60893  
 PART 3 -- 201302 -- NCR 60871

TIMES 1 POSITIONS NORTH AND EAST. LEYTE SEARCHES 20TH. SECTORS J AND K AND L EACH WENT \*

MILES. COVERAGE 90% EACH SECTOR NO CONTACTS. SECTOR 4 OUT 900 MILES 75% COVERAGE. 1 AM ENTERING TAKAO HARBOR AT 0905.

1 TOJO AIRBORNE OVER HARBOR. PESCADORES CLOSED IN 0930. 1 SEA TRUCK AMOY HARBOR AT 1030. SECTOR 6 WENT ONLY 820 MILES DUE

RADAR FAILURE PLUS 0 VISIBILITY THAT POINT. COVERAGE 75%. 2 SD'S IRIAMOTE SHIMA 24-24 123-51 AT 1100. SECTOR 9 OUT

925 MILES COVERAGE 90%. NO CONTACTS. SECTOR 5 950 MILES COVERAGE 65% SANK 1 SD 23-20 \*

SECTOR 8 WENT 1050 MILES COVERAGE 85%. 6 SC'S 4 SD'S 20 LANDING BARGES 26-16 127-41 COURSE 360 SPEED 4 AT 1240.

ACK ACK MCDKGT\*\* AND LIGHT INTENSE ACCURATE PREVENTED ATTACK

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SANK 1 SD 26-42 128-00 DAMAGED 1 O WCBEGADID\*\* WITH TROOPS ALONG  
DHOAV\* AT 1200. SANK 3 SEATRUCKS DAMAGED ANOTHER 26-00 127-50

COURSE 150 SPEED 6 AT 1230. SHOT DOWN 1 ZEKE AND 1 KATE OVER  
QAHA AIRFIELD OKINTWA AT 1300. 28 BELIEVED OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT

M LVQPX\*\*, 1 EMPTY 60 FOOT LIFE BOAT 24- \*.  
SECTOR 1 FULL DISTANCE 50% COVERAGE 0 CONTACTS. MACAO WEATHERED.  
SECTOR 2 OUT FULL DISTANCE COVERAGE 70%. 1 VAL 22-45 115-35 AT

0945. HONGKONG CLOSED IN. SPECIAL SEARCH PLANE WENT 825 MILES  
COVERING EAST COAST FORMOSA. SIGHTED LUGGER 22-30 120-47 AT

1335. AIDED RESCUE CONJUNCTION PBM 2 SURVIVORS OF DITCHES B-25  
POSITION 21-00 121-55 OF CTFLSXNRENX\*\* SECTOR 3 LANDED LINGAYEN.

RADIO REPORT. MANY SMALL LUGGER 23-10 117-00. SECTOR 7 OUT 1000  
MILES 70% COVERAGE. NO CONTACTS.

\* GROUPS MISSING  
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FROM CG LANFOR		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CTF 56	OPOPOPOP PRIORITY
DATE 21 FEB 1945			ROUTINE
TON COOROOM 2300/20			DEFERRED
DECODED BY STRONG		RCT 21 ADC 3RD MARDIV CTU 56.2.1 CTU 56.2.2 CTG 56.3	OPOPOPOP PRIORITY
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RCT 21 AND ADC 3RD MARDIV HAVE INFO. FROM CG LANFOR.  
CTF 56 ACTION. CTU 56.2.1 CTU 56.2.2 CTG 56.3 INFO.

THIS IS PART ONE OF 20092\_\*

THIS IS MY DIS SUMMARY FROM 1800 FEB 19 TO 1800 FEB 20.  
DURING NIGHT OF D-DAY 11 DD'S 2 CA'S AND 2 LC1 MORTAR

UNITS SUPPORTED THE CORPS. A TOTAL OF 14500 ROUNDS OF  
4.2 MORTAR WAS FIRED. NIGHT ACTIVITY CHARACTERIZED BY

INTERMITTENT MORTAR AND ARTY FIRE \* AT 2315 ENEMY  
ATTEMPTED TO INFILTRATE OUR LINES ON WEST COAST BY

LANDING BARGE IN XOK TRX\*\* 28 MARS BUT WERE REPULSED.  
AT ABOUT 0345 1 BATTALION ENNCL \* AIRFIELD NUMBER 1 BUT

WERE REPULSED BY RCT 27. DIVS COMMENCED A COORDINATED  
ATTACK AT 0830 PRECEDED BY AIR, ARTY, AND NGF PREPARATION

AND BY 1200 HAD ADVANCED \* 500 YARDS TO THE NORTH WHILE  
RCT 28 HAD MADE GAINS OF ABOUT 200 YARDS AGAINST SURIBACHI

MOUNTAIN TO THE SOUTH INTERMITTENT MORTAR, ARTY AND  
ROCKET FIRE FELL ON TROOPS DURING THE MORNING, ESPECIALLY

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ON BEACHES GREEN, RED, AND BLUE 1. DURING THE EARLY AFTERNOON  
4TH DIV BEACHES RECEIVED VERY HEAVY CONCENTRATED ARTY FIRE.

OUR ARTY \* NOON AND 4 COMPLETE BNS AND HALVES OF 2 OTHER BNS  
WERE ASHORE AND FIRING \* THE ATTACK. SLIGHT GAINS \*

NOON AGAINST INCREASING RESISTANCE. FIGHTING AGAINST HEAVY  
RESISTANCE THE TOTAL ADVANCE OF THE DAY WAS APPROXIMATELY

800 YARDS IN 5TH MARDIVS ZONE OF ACTION AND FROM 200 TO  
300 YARDS IN THE 4TH MARDIVS ZONE OF ACTION. 11 DD'S

4 CA'S AND 5 BATTLESHIPS SUPPORTED THE ATTACK THROUGHOUT THE  
DAY.

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FROM		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	<b>PPPPPP</b>
RELEASED BY <b>20 FEBRUARY 1945</b>		<b>CINCSPA LEYTE TARLAC</b>	PRIORITY
DATE <b>1753</b>			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM <b>VEROSKY</b>			DEFERRED
DECODED BY		<b>COMINCH</b>	<b>PPPPPP</b>
PARAPHRASED BY <i>VEROSKY/walp</i>		<b>CINCPAC GUAM</b>	PRIORITY
		<b>COM 5TH FLT</b>	ROUTINE
		<b>COM 7TH FLT REAR ECH</b>	DEFERRED
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**COM 7TH FLT GIVES ACTION CIN CSPA LEYTE TARLAC INFO COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM COM 5TH FLT COM 7TH FLT REAR ECH.**

MINE SWEEPERS AT ENTRANCES TO MANILA BAY DESTROYED 24 FLOATING MINES ON 19TH TOTAL OF 303 SWEEPED THROUGH 19TH. SWEEPING CONTINUES WITH PT'S, DD, AND AIRCRAFT CARRIERS PARTICIPATING CHANNEL NORTH OF CORREGIDOR NOT CLEARED BY 19TH. AIRCRAFT ARE ATTACKING GUN POSITIONS ON SUNKEN HULKS IN NORTHERN PART OF BAY FROM WHICH ENEMY FIRE IS LIMITING PT ACTIVITY IN THAT AREA. ON 18TH AND 19TH PT'S CONTINUING UNSUCCESSFUL SEARCH FOR Q BOATS IN CORREGIDOR AREA DESTROYED SEVERAL BARGES AND CAPTURED 5 JAPANESE IN THE WATER NEAR LA MONJA ISLAND. OTHER PT'S ON 18TH/19TH RETRIEVED SCOUTS FROM LABANG ISLAND, AND BOMBARDED 50 JAPS IN SAN CARLOS NORTHERN NEGROS. VENTURAS ON 18TH SHOT UP 2 SHEDS HOUSING LUGGERS UNDER CONSTRUCTION SANGHIE ISLAND AND ON 19TH BOMBED STRAFED AND ROCKETED SUPPLY AREA AT BANAGO ON NEGROS. ON 18TH NAVY SEARCHES DAMAGED 2 SMALL AK'S OF CAPE ST JACQUES FRENCH INDO CHINA AND NEAR MISS OVERTURNED A PC OFF AMOY.

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FROM		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY	OTF 51	COM 5TH FLT	PRIORITY
DATE			OP-OP-OP- ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM	28 FEB 1945		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	2149/28	CINCPAC ADV AND MED PEARL ALL TFC'S 5TH FLT	PRIORITY
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(OTF 51 SENDS. ACTION COM 5TH FLT INFO CINCPAC ADVANCED AND MED PEARL AND ALL TFC'S 5TH FLT)

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SUMMARY NUMBER 3 21200X. OCCASIONAL ACCURATE BURSTS OF ENEMY ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE ON BEACHES DURING NIGHT. ABOUT 28230X ENEMY NUMBERING 1800X COUNTER ATTACKED DOWN AIRFIELD NO ONE AGAINST NIGHT NO THE 5TH MAR DIV BUT ATTACK BROKEN UP RCT 27 AT 282345X. SOME SUPPLIES LANDED DURING NIGHT. 2 CRUISERS 11 DD DELIVERED ILLUMINATION HARASSING AND DESTRUCTIVE FIRES DURING NIGHT. AFTER STRONG NAVAL AND AIR BOMBARDMENT OUR ATTACK COMMENCED ABOUT 2845X AGAINST VERY STRONG ENEMY OPPOSITION INCLUDING INTENSE ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE. AT 1220X OUR LINES FROM TA132M TO 132F THENCE ALONG COAST TO 182A THENCE THROUGH 182U 185B 182X 183X TO 166E.

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MANY WRECKED BOATS LVT'S DUCKS AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENTS ALONG BEACHES YELLOW AND BLUE. DUE TO GUNFIRE AND SOFT SAND

YELLOW AND BLUE WERE CLOSED AND TRAFFIC CONCENTRATED ON GREEN AND RED. IN SPITE OF THIS THE CRITICAL SUPPLY SITUATION ABNORE

SOMEWHAT IMPROVED.

SAMARITAN ARRIVED FOR EVACUATION SEVERE CASUALTIES. HAWK CHINCOTEAGUE AND CERTAIN VESSELS OF TG 51.5 ARRIVED OTHERS

TG 51.1 ARE CRUISING IN WAITING AREAS.

TG 54\* MOST TRANSPORTS SOME LANDING CRAFT RETIRED DURING NIGHT RETURNED DAYBREAK.

BECAUSE OF VERY HEAVY AMMO EXPENDITURE TF 58 WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL CRUISERS DURING 21ST AND 22ND

3 OR 4 ENEMY AIR RAIDS 2 TO 4 PLANES EACH APPROACHED TO 10 MILES LAST NIGHT BUT ALL RETIRED ON APPROACH OF OUR NIGHT FIGHTERS

RED ALERT FROM 1911 TO 2050K. AT 2050K TBM FROM RUDYERD BAY LANDED IN WATER 10 MILES TO EASTWARD ALL 4 OCCUPANTS RESCUED

BY ASHLAND.

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<b>CTF 51</b>		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	<b>OP-OP-OP-</b> 1
FROM		<b>COM 5TH FLT</b>	PRIORITY 2
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE 3
DATE	<b>20 FEB 1945</b>		DEFERRED 4
TOR CODEROM	<b>2149/20</b>		BASEGRAM 5
DECODED BY	<b>FRUIN</b>	<b>CINCPAC ADV AND HED PEARL ALL TFC'S 5TH FLT</b>	<b>OP-OP-OP-</b> 6
PARAPHRASED BY	<b>ELY</b>		PRIORITY 9
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**SUMMARY NUMBER 3** OCCASIONAL ACCURATE BURSTS OF ENEMY ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE ON BEACHES DURING NIGHT. ABOUT

**200230K** ENEMY NUMBERING **1000** COUNTER ATTACKED DOWN AIRFIELD NO ONE AGAINST RIGHT NO THE 5TH MAR DIV BUT ATTACK BROKEN UP BY

**RCT 27 AT 200345K.** SOME SUPPLIES LANDED DURING NIGHT. 2 CRUISERS 11 DD DELIVERED ILLUMINATION HARASSING AND DESTRUCTIVE FIRES

DURING NIGHT. AFTER STRONG NAVAL AND AIR BOMBARDMENT OUR ATTACK COMMENCED

ABOUT **0845K** AGAINST VERY STRONG ENEMY OPPOSITION INCLUDING INTENSE ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE. AT **1200K** OUR LINES FROM AIR

APPEARED TO BE FROM TA132M TO 132F THENCE ALONG COAST TO 180Y THENCE THROUGH 182U 185B 182X 183X TO 166E.

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TOR CODEROOM			DEFERRED 4
			BASEGRAM 5
DECODED BY		INFORMATION	6
PARAPHRASED	CHECKED		PRIORITY 9
BY	BY		ROUTINE 10
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MANY WRECKED BOATS LVT'S DUCKS AND ENGINEER EQUIPMENTS ALONG BEACHES YELLOW AND BLUE. DUE TO GUNFIRE AND SOFT SAND

YELLOW AND BLUE WERE CLOSED AND TRAFFIC CONCENTRATED ON GREEN AND RED. IN SPITE OF THIS THE CRITICAL SUPPLY SITUATION ABHORE IS

SOMEWHAT IMPROVED.

SAMARITAN ARRIVED FOR EVACUATION SEVERE CASUALTIES. HAMLIN CHINCOTEAGUE AND CERTAIN VESSELS OF TG 51.5 ARRIVED OTHERS PLUS

TG 51.1 ARE CRUISING IN WAITING AREAS.

TG 54\* MOST TRANSPORTS SOME LANDING CRAFT RETIRED DURING NIGHT RETURNED DAYBREAK.

BECAUSE OF VERY HEAVY ANNUO EXPENDITURE TF 58 WILL PROVIDE 4 ADDITIONAL CRUISERS DURING 21ST AND 22ND

3 OR 4 ENEMY AIR RAIDS 2 TO 4 PLANES EACH APPROACHED TO 10 TO 20 MILES LAST NIGHT BUT ALL RETIRED ON APPROACH OF OUR NIGHT FIGHTERS.

RED ALERT FROM 1911 TO 2050K. AT 0800K TBM FROM RUDYERD BAY LANDED IN WATER 10 MILES TO EASTWARD ALL 4 OCCUPANTS RESCUED

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**SUMMARY MOPPING UP OPERATIONS FORWARD AREA 11 FEB THRU 17**

**SAIPAN 48 JAPS KILLED 7 POW OUR CASUALTIES 1 WIA. POW INTERROGATION REVEALED A CONCENTRATION OF APPROXIMATELY 350 MIXED CIVILIANS AND MILITARY IN THE MOUNTAINOUS CENTRAL PART OF SAIPAN. THE AREA WAS SHELLED AND PATROLLED ON 15, 16, 17 FEB RESULTING IN THE KILLING OR CAPTURE OF 131 JAPS NOT ALL CLASSIFIED YET AS MILITARY OR CIVILIANS. TINIAN 9 JAPS KILLED 2 POW OUR CASUALTIES 2 KIA. GUAM 33 JAPS KILLED 6 POW OUR CASUALTIES 5 KIA 2 WIA. PELELIU 4 JAPS KILLED. ON 16 FEB AN LCI ON STATION WEST OF EIL MALK WAS ATTACKED BY 3 JAPS ON RAFT CARRYING DEMOLITION CHARGE. JAPS RAFT AND CHARGE WERE DESTROYED.**

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To: War Department

Nr: C 10680

20 February 1945

From GHQ SWPA agd MacArthur to Chief of Staff  
War Department cite C 10680. Operations report SWESPAC area  
period 1500Z/18 to 1500Z/19 signed MacArthur.

China Coast:

In Amoy area three destroyers two large tankers  
one small freighter sighted on northeast course February 18,  
next day two large transports two destroyers reported heading  
down coast.

French Indo China:

Two medium three small transports reported on south-  
westerly course off Camranh Bay February 18, next day three  
tankers three escort vessels with air cover sighted 60 miles  
south southeast Tourane on Northerly course.

Formosa:

Attacking planes February 18 reported many service-  
able aircraft on main southwestern airdromes numerous dummies  
on secondary fields.

Part 2.

Naval:

Allied gunboats supported guerillas shelled east  
coast Negros Island February 17; PT boats caused explosions  
and fires silenced machine guns same area night February 18.

Air:

Enemy action:

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Leyte, Philippines

Hr: C 10680 20 February 1945

Leyte:  
Single enemy plane bombed PT base Ormoc evening  
February 18.

Operations February 17:

1. Refer preceding report paragraph 5:  
45 B 24's against Formosan targets now reported  
identical with two groups B 24's in report operations Febru-  
ary 17.

Operations February 18:

2. B 24's from Mindoro set one seatruck afire probably  
sank another Cape Saint Jacques.

3. Refer preceding report paragraph 14:  
29 Dauntless hit defense positions northeast  
Manila; 28 P 47's supported Corregidor operations; 4 B 25's  
against targets Bataan.

4. 48 Corsairs demolished buildings and fuel dumps  
Licanan Davao.

5. 18 Beaufighters bombed and strafed Loewoek Barracke,  
East Central Celebes.

6. 24 RAAF P 40's and six Spitfires raided bivouacs and  
gun positions Kau and Wasile Bays Halmahera.

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7. 2 RAAF B 24's bombed Banggai Mica Minfa and  
village Alor Island.

8. 15 Beauforts struck enemy positions Nambut Hill  
East Aitape.

Operations February 19:

9. B 24's from Leyte sank seatruck near Hongkong  
strafed trucks along highway Eastern Formosa; Mindoro  
patrols strafed gunboats south Cape Padaran and small freighter  
North Camranh Bay.

10. Two groups B 24's bombed Heito through adverse  
weather, started large fires; another B 24 group weathered  
out Heito hit barracks and stores Koshun; escorting fighters  
sank one coastal vessel damaged three others south tip Formosa, 1  
P 38 lost; B 25's also struck Koshun started large fires;  
one fighter sweep destroyed 13 planes Karenko exploded build-  
ing destroyed 13 boxcars and locomotives; other fighter  
sweeps weathered out.

11. 18 Dauntless struck ammunition dump and troop  
concentrations Lubuagan inland from Vigan; 35 A 20's damaged  
supplies caused large fires San Augustin Carrangland and  
Digoig in hills southeast Balete Pass; 16 Dauntless damaged  
Antipolo buildings north Manila; other planes struck posi-

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tions northwest Stotsenburg; B 25's, P 47's and P 51's supported Corregidor operations; 6 B 25's and 19 P 51's supported Ground Forces Bagbac Road Bataan.

12. Two Venturas bombed strafed and rocketed supplies Negros Island; Ventura patrol destroyed coastal vessel under construction Basilan Island Sulu Archipelago.

13. 32 B 24's of Thirteenth Air Force attacked Miri Airdrome northwestern Borneo scored hits near three planes; one B 24 bombed Labuan runways, another hit Manado Town northeastern Celebes.

14. 2 RAAF B 24's bombed buildings Banggai Archipelago and Viqueque Town Timor; 2 RAAF B 25's bombed Cape Goemoek Slipways North Keepang.

15. 3 B 24's hit supply dumps Boran Plantation Wewak; 3 A 20's harassed coastal targets.

Solomons Forces.

Air.

Operations February 18:

16. 4 Venturas 18 Corsairs and 16 B 25's attacked targets near Kavieng, 22 Corsairs patrolled Rabaul; eight Venturas 36 Corsairs and seven B 25's bombed personnel areas gurs and coastal targets Bougainville.

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Land.

Luzon:

Sixth Army: I Corps:

Elements 33rd Division attacking high ground 3000  
yard east Cauringan (2260) reached line 1000 yards west  
objective against heavy fire; 32nd and 25th Divisions pa-  
trolled respective sectors without major contact.

XIV Corps:

37th Division: High commissioners residence taken,  
line extended east to observatory, around south edge observa-  
tory to north edge medical school, thence diagonally across  
Philippine General Hospital area, east Comillas Street and north  
northwest to east edge military hospital on Pasig River;

1st Cavalry Division:

Elements 12th Cavalry occupied Fort McKinley without  
opposition; Eleventh Airborne units attacked high ground  
vicinity Mabato Point against determined resistance.

XI Corps:

38th Division:

1st Infantry engaged enemy 8700 yards east northeast  
Bagac. 503rd Infantry on Corregidor took enemy bunkers  
and tunnel 700 yards southeast Rock Point, encountered stiff  
opposition Breakwater Point, 1073 enemy counted killed.

Leyte/Samar:

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Eighth Army: Americal Division:  
Company of 182nd Infantry landed on Capul Island off  
northwest Samar with light opposition; elements 164th In-  
fantry encountered strong local resistance Abijao.

Part 3.

Paragraphs one through three no details.

4. Dropped 76 1000 lb bombs, met moderate medium  
accurate anti aircraft fire.

5. Dropped 25 500 lb bombs, 12 100 lb napalms.

6. P 40's dropped 46 400 lb frags, met slight  
medium and heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

7. Dropped 6 500 lb, 16 100 lb bombs, fired 1500  
rounds 50 calibre.

8. Dropped 24 500 lb, 52 250 lb bombs, 27 40 lb  
frags.

Paragraphs nine through 12 no details.

13. Dropped 162 500 lb bombs, 317 260 lb frags  
from 10,000 feet.

14. B 24's dropped 9 500 lb, 20 100 lb bombs.  
fired 3300 rounds 50 calibre; B 25's dropped 5 500

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1b bombs.

15. F 24's dropped 16 1000 lb bombs, 12 500 lb bombs; A 20's dropped 12 300 lb bombs eight to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude.

16. B 25's dropped 11 2000 lb, 18 500 lb, 48 250 lb bombs and two napalms; other planes dropped 56 1000 lb, 12 500 lb, 48 250 lb bombs, 10 325 lb depth charges.

Refer preceding report paragraph nine:

12 B 25's dropped 23 1000 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

Refer report operations February 17, paragraph eight:  
36 A 20's dropped 278 100 lb bombs, fired 36,400 rounds 50 calibre; 24 B 25's dropped 286 100 lb bombs, fired 61500 rounds 50 calibre.

9. 35 A 20's dropped 264 100 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds Fort Stotsenburg Area.

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OPERATIONS 19TH.

6 AVENGERS PUT QUARTER TONNERS ON YAP ISLAND. 6 HELLCATS

HIT KOROR AND ARAKABESAN IN PALAUS WITH QUARTER TONNERS.

3 AVENGERS HIT BAUXITE PIER NGARDMAV WITH ROCKETS. AIR

SEA RESCUE. BERING STRAIT RESCUED 5 SWIMMING B-29 SURVIVORS

12 MILES NORTH AGRIHAN. INFANTRY PLATOON WILL LAND ON

ANATAHAN TODAY TO INVESTIGATE B-29 WRECKAGE SIGHTED ON

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COM 5TH FLEET 1945 OPERATION **JAMBOREE** AND NY OP ORDER 1-45 ANNEX JIG. LIFEGUARD SUBS REQUESTED AS FOLLOWS ALL DATES INCLUSIVE.

STATIONS LISTED IN ORDER OF PRIORITY. TOKYO F TO F PLUS 1. STATIONS 1, 2. NEW STATION DESIGNATED 1 A BEARING EVEN DAYS (300 DISTANCE

300 MILES FROM REFERENCE POINT H-5. ODD DAYS BEARING (100 DISTANCE 300 MILES FROM H-5. 3, 4. NAOGYA SUBS F PLUS 2 TO F PLUS 4.

STATIONS 6, 7, 8. KYUSHU SUBS F PLUS 4 TO F PLUS 8. STATIONS 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16. OKINAWA F PLUS 5 TO F PLUS 8. STATIONS.

18, 17, 16, 12, 13. CHANGES IN ABOVE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE ANTICIPATED WHERE POSSIBLE. RECOMMENDED CHANGES IN EACH CLASSIFICATION

(100 GROUPS MISSING) REE. BASEMENT AIR SURFACE F MINUS 2 THROUGH F PLUS 6. EXYXDL\*EAST OF LONGITUDE 140 JOINT F THRU F PLUS 2. FURNACE

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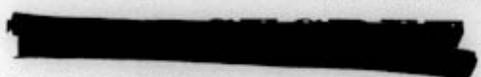
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WEST OF LONGITUDE 139 JOINT F PLUS 2 THRU F PLUS 5. GARAGE AIR SURFACE F PLUS 1 THRU F PLUS 9. STOVE JOINT F PLUS 2 THRU F PLUS 3. WINDPIPE AND PANTRY AIR SURFACE F PLUS 2 THRU F PLUS 11. ROASTER JOINT F PLUS 4 THRU F PLUS 8. EASH\* ABANDON EAST \*BLAXE\* FAST ABDUCT JOINT F PLUS 4 THRU F PLUS 9. CLOSET AIR SURFACE F PLUS 3 THRU F PLUS 10. CUPBOARD AIR SURFACE F PLUS 5 THRU F PLUS 10. CHURCHYARD AIR SURFACE F PLUS 4 THRU F PLUS 9. CORRIDOR AND ENTRANCE REMAIN JOINT ZONES AND STABLE REMAINS AIR SURFACE.

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CTF 51 SENDS ACTION COM 5TH FLEET. RDO GUAM PASS INFO CINCPAC ADV. RDO HONO GIVE INFO CINCPAC PEARL. INFO ALSO ALL TFC'S 5TH FLEET.

CINCPAC/POA ADV HED HAS PASSED FOR INFO 21ST BOMCOM AT GUAM, CG AAFPOA. ADV ECH AND COMINCH AS 200858.

SUMMARY NUMBER *219100K4*. RCTS 23, 25, 27, 28, AND 2 TANK BATTALIONS COMPLETED LANDING BY 1800. RCT 26 LANDED 2 BATTALIONS BY 1800.

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ITS TAIL SURFACES WHICH REQUIRE RENEWAL.

HAMLIN WILL ARRIVE 20TH. DELAYED REPORT SHOWS BLESSMAN (APD 48) BOMBED BY ENEMY PLANE 182115K AT 100 FEET ALTITUDE HIT POSSIBLY

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FROM	CTF 93	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
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DATE	20 FEB 45		ROUTINE
FOR CODEROOM	0030	FOR INFORMATION COMAIRPAC 313 BOMWING COM5THFLT CTU 50.5.3 CTF 94 21 BOMCOM COMGENAAFPAC CTF 96 CTG 50.5 7TH BOMCOM 7TH AIR FORCE COMGEN 73 BOMWING COMFAIRWING 2	DEFERRED
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OVER TWO 4 - 5000 FEET WENT 44 LIBS WITH CENTURIES TO BOMB DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS N OF E BOAT BASING AND BIVOUAC AREA

NORTH OF CRATER. 14 LIBS PUT 90% BOMBS IN TARGET AREA 10% UNOBSERVED. SECCID SQUADRON ON FIRST RUN OVER TARGET AREA

NORTH OF CRATER DID NOT DROP DUE CLOUDS. REQUESTED PERMISSION FOR SECOND RUN DENIED BY SURFACE CONTROL AND PLANES

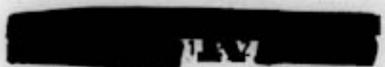
DIRECTED RETURN TO BASE WITH BOMBS. THIRD SQUADRON ARRIVED TARGET LATE DUE FAULTY NAVIGATION DID NOT DROP BOMBS. ONE

NAVY LIB OBTAINED PHOTO AND MOVIE COVERAGE OF BOMBARDMENT AND LANDING. 9 LIBS DROPPED 100 POUND ON SUSAKI AIRFIELD.

181215Z TO 182010Z. 36 BOMBS HAD 6 HOUR DELAY 36 MORE HAD 12 HOUR DELAY. 1 LIB BOMBED FIR (6 GROUPS OMITTED FROM CODE)

LTF NIGHT SNOOPER LIBS UNOBSERVED.

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NAVAL GUNFIRE ON 18TH COVERED WHOLE FORNATE AREA AND RFOFSND\* CLEANED OUT ENEMY STRONG POINTS IN RAMSEY RAVINE ON CORREGIDOR. CONVERSE AND SAUFFLEY REMAINED IN AREA AFTER BOMBARDMENT TO FURNISH ADDITIONAL GUNFIRE IF NECESSARY. SWEEPING OF CHANNEL SOUTH OF CORREGIDOR COMPLETED BY 18TH WITH SWEEPERS ASSISTED BY CRUISER PLANES EXTENDING SWEEP AREA ON 19TH. 4 PT'S PATROLLED INSIDE MANILA BAY NIGHT OF 18/19TH. NO REPORT OF RESULTS. LAND FORCES HAVE OCCUPIED EASTERN SHORE OF BATAAN AND ARE PUSHING WESTWARD OVER THE SINGLE TRANSVERSE ROAD. NAVY SEARCH PLANES ON 17TH BOMBED MEDIUM AK OFF INDO CHINA COAST. LEFT IT BURNING AND BEACHED. DESTROYED A LOADED TROOP BARGE OFF THE WESTERN COAST OF BORNEO.

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DATE <b>28 FEB 1945</b>			ROUTINE 3
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(COM 5TH FLEET SHOTS ACTION CINCPAC ADV HQTRS. RDO HONO PASS ACTION CTG 58 CTG 58.8 CTG 58.5 INFO ALL TFC AND TGC 5TH FLEET AND COMSUBPAC)

CINCPAC ADV HED PASSED TO COMINCH

THIS IS COM 5TH FLEET OP PLAN 4-45 FOR OPERATION TERMED **JANBOREE** TASK ORGANIZATION TF 58 LESS SARATOGA DESDIV 108 VICE ADMIRAL

MITSCHER. TG 58.8 REAR ADMIRAL BEARY. TG 58.5 COMMODORE KETCHAM.

TF 58 MAKE AIR STRIKES ON TOKYO <sup>outside</sup> NAGOYA KYUSHU AREAS AND STRIKE AND PHOTO MISSION ON OKINAWA. TARGET PRIORITIES (1) ENEMY AIRCRAFT

(2) ENGINE AND AIRCRAFT FACTORIES (3) SHIPPING AND SHIPYARDS WHERE APPLICABLE. AIRFIELD INSTALLATIONS ARE SECONDARY TARGETS ALL STRIKES.

USE INCENDIARIES AND/OR NAPALM\* AS APPEARS PROFITABLE AND PRACTICABLE. CARRY OUT FOLLOWING SCHEDULE AS PRACTICABLE. F MINUS 2 DAY DEPART

IWO JIMA AREA FULLY FUELED. APPROACH TOKYO BY ROUTE TO EASTWARD OF NANSEISHOTO. F DAY F PLUS 1 STRIKE TOKYO AREA FROM VICINITY OF LAT

34-00 NORTH LONG 141-20 EAST. RETIRE NIGHT OF F PLUS 1 TO RENDEZ-VOUS WITH REPLENISHMENT UNIT OF TASK GROUP 58.8 AT 1000K F PLUS 2

IN LAT 28-30 NORTH LONG 141-30 EAST. FUEL AND REPLACE AIRCRAFT. PROCEED TO ARRIVE DAWN F PLUS 3 AT LAUNCHING POSITION APPROXIMATELY

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LAT 32-30 NORTH LONG 137-30 EAST FOR STRIKE ON NAGOYA-TOBA AREA  
 F PLUS 3 AND F PLUS 4. RENDEZVOUS WITH UNIT OF TG 50.8 AT 1000K

F PLUS 5 IN LAT 28-00 NORTH LONG 140-00 EAST. FUEL AND REPLACE  
 AIRCRAFT. CARRY OUT STRIKE AND MOVEMENT SCHEDULE OF ANNEX K TO

CTF 58 OP ORDER 1-45 WITH KYUSHU STRIKES F PLUS 6 F PLUS 7 F PLUS  
 8 AND STRIKE AND PHOTO MISSION ON OKINAWA F PLUS 8. RENDEZVOUS

WITH TG 50.8 UNIT 0700K F PLUS 10 IN LAT 22-50 NORTH LONG 139-00  
 EAST. FUEL AND REPLACE AIRCRAFT. PROCEED TO ARRIVE ULITHI F PLUS

12 FOR UPKEEP UNTIL REQUIRED FOR ICEBERG OPERATION. CTF 58 WHUIWY  
 FUELING AND STRIKE SCHEDULE AS CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE INFORMING

CTG 50.6. MAKE REQUEST TO CINCPAC INFO COMSUBPAC FOR DESIRED LIFE-  
 GUARD SUBMARINES AND ZONE NOTICES. THROUGH CINCPAC 21ST BOMCOM

IS REQUESTED STRIKE EMPIRE TARGETS WITH FULL STRIKES AS OFTEN AS  
 PRACTICABLE HITTING SAME TARGETS AS TF 58 WHEN VISUAL BOMBING

POSSIBLE ALTERNATE TARGETS WHEN ONLY RADAR BOMBING POSSIBLE AND  
 ALSO CONTINUE WEATHER AND HECKLING MISSIONS MAXIMUM POSSIBLE

THROUGHOUT PERIOD OF OPERATION. CINCPAC ALSO REQUESTED ARRANGE  
 MAXIMUM POSSIBLE WEATHER REPORTS FROM SWPA AND SUBMARINES

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**PARTICULARLY VICINITY NANSEI SHOTO. EMPIRE AND AT SEA.**

**CTG 50.8 DIRECT TU COMPOSED OF 12 AO, AVAILABLE CYE, 4 ATF, APPROPRIATE ESCORT. CONFORM TO FUEL AND AIRCRAFT REPLENISHMENT SCHEDULE OF PRECEDING PARAGRAPH OR AS MODIFIED BY CTF 58. FURNISH ATF RESCUE UNITS AS DIRECTED BY CTF 58. WHEN NOT ENGAGED IN TF 58 REPLENISHMENT OPERATIONS OPERATE IN AREAS BUMPER FANBELT MANIFOLD WHEEL UNTIL F MINUS 4 AND ARLAS BATTERY ENGINE HOUSING VALVE F PLUS 6 THROUGH F PLUS 9.**

**TG 50.5 AS SOON AS STAGING FACILITIES AVAILABLE IWO JIMA FOR PB 4Y'S SEARCH FOR AND DESTROY PICKET BOATS IN ADVANCE OF TF 58.**

**PARA X. F DAY IS FIRST DAY OF TOKYO STRIKE AND WILL BE SET BY DISPATCH. FOR PLANNING PURPOSES F DAY IS TENTATIVELY 24 FEBRUARY.**

**THIS PLAN EFFECTIVE UPON RECEIPT FOR PLANNING AND WILL BE PLACED IN EFFECT BY DISPATCH FOR EXECUTION.**

**COMMUNICATIONS CENTCOM 2. COM 5TH FLEET AT PRESENT IN INDIANAPOLIS WITH TF 51.**

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To: War Department

Nr: C 10604

19 February 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff, War  
Department cite C 10604. Operations report SOWESPAC Area period  
1500Z/17 to 1500Z/18.

French Indo China:

2 destroyers, 2 tankers with 2 planes covering  
reported off Cape Padaran, February 17, course 330 degrees,  
one medium, 6 small vessels anchored Tourane previous day.

Nansei Shoto. One freighter transport, 1 seatruck,  
2 barges sighted off Okinawa February 17.

Borneo:

New fighter strip sighted vicinity Miri airdrome.

Part 2. Naval:

PT boats destroyed 3 barges east coast Bataan  
February 17; destroyers shelled Corregidor and Ternate, used  
star shells at night.

Air. Operations February 16:

1. 18 more Corsairs attacked enemy positions Cebu.
2. 4 B-25's bombed bivouacs destroyed barge, sweeping  
Soela and Ceram.
3. 6 B-25's raided Wewak targets; 2 Boomerangs  
strafed Anumb River positions.

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Operations February 17:

4. 20 B-24's from Mindoro probably damaged medium  
freighter transport Quinhon, set afire and beached small  
freighter transport, Tourane sank patrol vessel southwest  
Miri, destroyed troop filled barge.

5. 13th Air Force B-24's:  
22 planes bombed with excellent results aluminum factory  
Takao, Formosa;  
23 planes struck railroad yards northwest Takao;  
20 planes caused explosions and fires Davao area  
Mindanao, one B-24 lost.

6. Refer preceding report, Paragraph 7:  
46 P-51's sorties Babuyan Islands.

7. Refer preceding report Paragraph 8:  
P-38's and P-47's hit Tuguegarao and Baguio;  
35 Dauntless attacked San Fernando.

8. 91 Dauntless struck enemy positions Balete Pass  
Baguio and north Manila.

9. 8 P-47's supported Corregidor operations;  
12 B-25's on similar mission Bataan.

10. 77 Corsairs bombed Nasipit supplies Batuan  
Bay northern Mindanao.

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11. 13 Beauforts attacked villages Wewak and towards  
Aitape.

Operations February 18:

12. B-24 search planes from Leyte swept Nansei Shoto  
bombed Aogari Shima, shot down transport plane, sank seatruck  
and patrol boat near Okinawa, also attacked small freighter  
off Amoy.

13. 57 B-24's found adverse weather Formosa,  
believed bombed Takao, Okayama and Toshien;  
65 P-38's provided top cover;  
2 fighter sweeps penetrated overcast, destroyed  
15 locomotives, 40/50 railcars, hit road transport;  
24 B-25's destroyed fuel supplies, exploded barracks  
and buildings Formosa.

14. Many successful ground support missions reported  
Luzon.

15. 34 B-24's of 13th Air Force hit Labuan runways  
and dispersals demolished buildings, destroyed one fighter;  
3 other B-24's attacked Lahud, Datu, Manggar and  
Manado.

16. RAAF B-24 bombed Viqueque Timor.

Wewak: 17. B-24's bombed Muschu Island and villages

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6 B-25's led by Boomerang raided Balam village dumps  
west But.

Solomons Forces, Air. Operations February 17:  
18. 6 B-25's bombed Kavieng,  
3 Venturas, 8 Corsairs and 13 B-25's bombed and  
strafed coastal targets New Ireland;  
26 Corsairs harassed barges and road traffic Rabaul,  
8 Venturas 26 B-25's hit supplies and bivouacs Tobera;  
40 Corsairs attacked Mosigetta area and northern  
Bougainville.

Land, Luzon: Sixth Army:

I Corps: Activity consisted of extensive patrolling  
and mopping up enemy stragglers.

XIV Corps: Elements 40th Division secured line  
running north and south from points approximately 7000 yards  
northwest Fort Stotsenburg to 5000 yards west Sapangbato;  
37th Division reported bitter hand to hand fighting  
in clearing desperately defended positions on Intramuros  
outskirts;

1st Cavalry Division continued mopping up operations  
in south Manila;

11th Airborne units occupied Fort McKinley Annex,  
others reached Laguna De Bay at Mabato point, pushed north  
to Hagonoy and Tagig.

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XI Corps:

38th Division reinforced:

151st Infantry contacted 1st Infantry units advancing  
south from Limay, other 1st Infantry elements reached point  
halfway between Pilar and Bagac;

503rd Infantry (with 3rd Battalion 34th Infantry  
attchd) captured Morrison Hill, continued reduction scattered  
strong points on Corregidor;

Enemy casualties reported over 800 February 18.

Cumulative casualties to February 18:

Allied, killed	2,621
Wounded	9,482
Missing	230

Enemy, killed  
361 Japanese,  
505 Formosans  
23 Koreans,  
7 others captured.

Part 3.

1. Dropped 48 500 lb bombs.
2. Dropped 16 500 lb bombs.
3. B-25's dropped 20 300 lb bombs, fired 6,500  
rounds 50 caliber;
4. Boomerangs fired 1000 rounds 30 caliber.  
No details.

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5. 45 B-24's dropped 207 500 lb bombs, 54 400 lb,  
90 260 lb, 324 90 lb frags from 11,000 feet, met moderate  
to intense heavy, some accurate anti aircraft fire Takao;  
20 B-24's dropped 690 100 lb bombs from 9000 feet  
Davao.

Paragraphs 6 through 9, no details.

10. Dropped 44 1000 lb, 93 500 lb bombs, met  
intense light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

11. Dropped 14 500 lb, 2 300 lb, 50 250 lb bombs,

12 through 14, no details.

15. Dropped 180 500 lb bombs, 321 260 lb frags  
from 10,500 to 9000 feet.

16. Dropped 6 500 lb, 10 100 lb bombs from 9000  
feet.

17. B-24's dropped 48 500 lb bombs from 8000 feet;  
B-25's dropped 24 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay  
from minimum altitude, fired 7,100 rounds 50 caliber.

18. B-25's dropped 18 2000 lb, 26 1000 lb, 24 500  
lb, 30 300 lb bombs, fired 53,000 rounds 50 caliber;  
Other planes dropped over 11 1000 lb bombs plus 56  
325 lb depth charges.

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

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CTF 31 SENDS ACTION COM 5TH FLEET AND INFO TO CINCPAC ADV HED AND HED PEARL AND TASK FORCE COMMANDERS 5TH FLEET. RDO HONO PASS TO ALL.

FOLLOWING INTENSE NAVAL GUNFIRE AND AIR BOMBARDMENT 5TH PHIB CORPS LANDED AS SCHEDULED. 8 BATTALIONS SUPPORTED BY TANKS LANDED BY 1020. LITTLE OPPOSITION WAS MET INITIALLY THOUGH SOME MORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE AT LST'S AND BOATS. MORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE DEVELOPED ON ALL BEACHES PARTICULARLY ON BLUE AND YELLOW. SEVERAL LVT'S OR TANKS AND LSM 74 AND 212 HIT XYSOFNXUKS AND ELEMENTS OF THE 27TH MARINES REACHED SOUTHERN EDGE OF AIRFIELD BY 1130. FRONT LINES 1103 TA 163 IX-14 7 D10-14 8 FBD-16 4 XYT-165 PVWN-166 FCD. LEFT FLANK BATTALION 5TH MARDIV TA 132 C TO 147 T. REGIMENTAL RESERVES BEING LANDED. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES MODERATE. ENEMY STRONG ON RIGHT FLANK. SITUATION CONSIDERED FAVORABLE. GAMBLE AND BLESSMAN HIT LAST NIGHT BY BOMBS. CASUALTIES HEAVY. WILL TOW TO SAIPAN. THIS IS SUMMARY NUMBER 1.

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 RDO WAHAIWA ALL TASK GROUP COMMANDERS 5TH FLT.

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FIRST REPORT OF TOKYO STRIKE.

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TASK FORCE APPROACH COMPLETELY UNDETECTED AND  
 TARGET AREA WAS NOT ALERTED UNTIL STRIKES NEARED TARGETS.

WEATHER CONDITIONS BOTH DAYS LOW CLOUDS AND SQUALLS OVER  
 TASK FORCE MAKING EXTREMELY DIFFICULT FLYING CONDITIONS.

BAD TO UNSATISFACTORY OVER TARGET WITH MUCH OF TARGET  
 AREA COMPLETELY CLOSED IN. RESULTS OF 2 DAYS STRIKE

332 ENEMY AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN. 177 DESTROYED ON GROUND.  
 MANY OTHERS PROBABLY DESTROYED OR DAMAGED INCLUDING AT

LEAST 150 FIRST DAY. KLBGAAS SHOPS AND INSTALLATIONS  
 DESTROYED AT MANY AIRFIELDS AND AIR DEPOTS. OTA AIRCRAFT

PLANT EFFECTIVELY HIT BY ONE SMALL STRIKE. MUSHASHIMO  
 TAMA AND TACHIKAWA ENGINE PLANTS EACH WELL HIT BY ONE

TASK GROUP STRIKE. BOMBING APPARENTLY EXCELLENT.

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16 FEBRUARY 9 LEOAJES VESSELS SUNK 1 DD 2 DE 1 AK. 20  
COASTAL VESSELS DAMAGED. TOKYO BAY AREA CLOSED IN MOST

OF TIME PREVENTING LARGE PERCENTAGE OF STRIKES ( 9 GARBLED  
GROUPS).

17 FEBRUARY 1 CVL OR CVE AT YOKOHAMA HIT WITH 6 QUARTER  
TON BOMBS SET AFIRE DOWN AT BOW AND ROLLED OVER ON SIDE

APPARENTLY RESTING ON BOTTOM. 2 COASTAL VESSELS DAMAGED.  
INCREASINGLY BAD WEATHER 17TH AND FORECAST OR SAME FOR 18TH

DICTATED CANCELLATION OF PLANS FOR CONTINUATION OF STRIKE AND  
RETIREMENT WAS STARTED AFTER RECOVERY OF EARLY AFTERNOON SWEEPS

17TH. TOTAL AIR LOSSES BOTH DAYS. COMBAT 49 AIRCRAFT 40 PILOTS  
6 CREWMEN. OPERATIONAL 21 AIRCRAFT 5 PILOTS 4 CREWMEN. NO REPORT

ON LIFEGUARD RECOVERIES. NO ATTACKS REACHED OUR SURFACE FORCES  
AND NO DAMAGE TO OUR SURFACE SHIPS FROM ENEMY ACTION. —SPECIAL

COMBAT AIR PATROL STATIONED OVER DESTROYER PICKET LINE BETWEEN  
OUR FORCE AND TOKYO DESTROYED THE FEW JAPANESE PLANES THAT

FOLLOWED OUR RETURNING STRIKES. BARTON(DD 722) AND INGRAHAM  
(DD 694) IN COLLISION CAUSING EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO BARTON BOW

LIMITING SPEED TO 12 KNOTS. MINOR DAMAGE TO INGRAHAM. WALDRON  
(DD 699) SUSTAINED MINOR DAMAGE TO BOW IN RAMMING ENEMY PICKET

BOAT NIGHT 17TH. RAMMING NECESSITATED BY RANGE TOO CLOSE FOR  
FIRING WITH PICKET BOAT CHANGING COURSE TOWARD CENTER OF TASK

GROUP. DORTCH PREVIOUSLY SLIGHTLY DAMAGED 3 KILLED 7 WOUNDED  
BY GUNFIRE FROM SAME PICKET BOAT. BARTON, INGRAHAM, WALDRON

PROCEEDING INDEPENDENTLY SAIPAN SOA 12 AS TASK UNIT 58.4.9.  
NUMEROUS ENEMY PICKET BOATS DESTROYED DURING NIGHT RETIREMENT

17TH-18TH.

COMMENTS. AIRMANSHIP OF OUR PILOTS UNDER HAZARDOUS

FLYING CONDITIONS SUPERB. JAP PLANES NOT AGGRESSIVE AND AVOIDED  
OUR FIGHTERS ABOUT 2000 PLANES OR DUMMIES ON FIELDS IN TOYKO AREA.

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NO SHORTAGE PLANES BUT POSSIBLE SHORTAGE PILOTS OR GASOLINE.  
TO RIDICULE JAP SUPERSTITION THAT WEATHER IS THEIR INFALLIBLE

FRIEND SUGGEST PUBLICITY TO EFFECT THAT WEATHER OPERATED AGAINST  
THEM AND ALLOWED UNDETECTED APPROACH AND 2 DAYS ATTACK BY OUR  
FORCES.

WITH ( 3 GROUPS MISSING) US IN NEAR VICINITY TOKYO.

I HAVE SENT FOLLOWING DESPATCH TO TASK FORCE 58. "CONGRATULATIONS  
TO ALL HANDS ON A SUPERLATIVELY WELL DONE JOB. ONLY COURAGE

SKILL AND INTELLIGENT TEAM WORK BY EVERY MEMBER OF TASK FORCE  
58 COULD HAVE PRODUCED THESE HISTORIC RESULTS IN SPITE OF

OPPOSITION, BY BOTH ENEMY AND WEATHER. I KNOW THAT OUR FUTURE  
OPERATIONS WILL HURT THE ENEMY EVEN MORE".

COMMANDER 5TH FLEET AND CTF 58 DESIRE EXPRESS APPRECIATION  
FOR COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY 21ST BOMBER COMMAND

ALL SUBMARINES PACIFIC AND TASK GROUP 50.5.

TODAYS OPERATIONS. TOPPING OFF DD'S, ANTI PICKET BOAT  
SWEEPS. DECK LOAD STRIKE BY 2 TASK GROUPS ON CHICHI JIMA.

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TOR CODEROOM	0419/19	FOR INFORMATION	4
DECODED BY	HAMILTON		CINCPAC (BOTH HQRS); CTF 94
PARAPHRASED BY	HAMILTON, Royal	CTF 93; COMSOPAC	6
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CTG 96.1 SENDS ACTION TO CTF 96 AND INFO TO CINCPAC (BOTH HQRS) CTF 94 CTF 93 AND COMSOPAC

SEARCHES 18 FEB.

MORNING 21. 24. 32. 35 V 311 FULL DISTANCE AND COVERAGE. NEGATIVE.

EVENING 21. 24. 32. 35 V 311 80 PERCENT DISTANCE NO COVERAGE MILE DUE WEATHER.

DERELICT PLANES LOCATED AGAIN. REMAINDER NEGATIVE.

V 397 SEARCHES FULL DISTANCE 88 PERCENT COVERAGE.

1 V 396 FULL DISTANCE AND COVERAGE. NEGATIVE.

18. 38. 55 V 214 FULL DISTANCE AND COVERAGE NEGATIVE.

WAKE SNOOPER NEGATIVE EXCEPT SAME RUNWAY OBSTRUCTIONS

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RONAPE SNOOPER FOUND CRATERS AT NUMBER 1 FIELD NOT BEING FILLED AND FIELD NUMBER 2 TOO MUDDY FOR OPERATION.

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(CTF 52 SENDS ACTION TF 51 (ECM HOLDERS) ANFO CINCPAC ADV HQ COM 5TH FLT.)

FROM 0700K TO 1830K TODAY 4 BB AND 1 CA DELIVERED UNINTERRUPTED FIRE ON AND BEHIND EASTERN BEACHES AND ON BOTH FLANKS

AT RANGES BETWEEN 1800 AND 3000 YARDS FROM SHORELINE. THEY WERE ASSISTED IN AFTERNOON BY 1 CL. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT

THE PRINCIPAL DEFENSIVE INSTALLATIONS IN THESE AREAS ARE EITHER DESTROYED OR HEAVILY DAMAGED. 4 CONCRETE CASEMATES

3 OF WHICH WERE PREVIOUSLY UNKNOWN AND 3 ADJACENT MAGAZINES IN TARGET AREA 183 VW BECAME CLEARLY VISIBLE WHEN STRIPPED OF

CAMOUFLAGE AND RECEIVED DIRECT HITS FROM MAJOR CALIBER PROJECTILES. THESE ARE BELIEVED TO CONTAIN GUNS WHICH DAMAGED

LCI(G)'S YESTERDAY AND FROM FRAGMENTS RECOVERED WERE OF AT LEAST 6 INCH CALIBER. 3 OUT OF 4 CD GUNS PROBABLY SIMILAR

TYPE TO 132 KL BELIEVED OUT OF ACTION IF NOT DESTROYED. OTHER PARTS OF ISLAND HAMMERED ALL DAY BY SHIPS NOT

MENTIONED ABOVE. NO SHIPS REPORTED HIT THOUGH FEW HEAVY SHELLS FELL CLOSE IN LATE AFTERNOON. SPECIFIC KNOWN PRIORITY A

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TARGETS OF COAST DEFENSE TYPE WHOSE DESTRUCTION IS UNCERTAIN FOLLOW. CD BTRY AT 219 A WHICH HIT PENSACOLA YESTERDAY WHEN NORTH EAST OF ISLAND MAY NOT BE DESTROYED ALTHOUGH CONCENTRATED ON BY 1 BB TODAY. DP BTRYS AT 201X AND 199 O. RECOMMEND SHIPS ASSIGNED THESE AREAS BE DIVERTED TO ESTABLISH EARLY NEUTRALIZATION OF THESE TARGETS AND MAINTAIN IT AS NECESSARY. SUPPORT AIRCRAFT CONCENTRATED ON AREAS FLANKING SOUTHEAST BEACHES. LIGHT AA ACCURATE VARIED FROM MODERATE TO INTENSE AND DAMAGED NUMEROUS PLANES BUT ALL EXCEPT 1 LANDED SAFELY WITH NO PERSONNEL LOSSES. VERY LITTLE HEAVY AA. SCHEDULED MINESWEEPING COMPLETED EXCEPT SMALL PART OF AREA 9 BETWEEN HIGASHI IWA AND SHORELINE AND AREA 10 NORTH OF AND INSIDE KANGOKA IWA. RESULTS NEGATIVE. AT CHICHI 16 SMALL SHIPS AND BARGES DAMAGED. 7 SMALL BOATS FUTAMI DAMAGED. 4 PLANES DAMAGED ON FIELD 4 OTHERS SEEN. 3 OF 4 PLANES STRAFED AT SEAPLANE BASE. ALL TYPES AA INTENSE ACCURATE. WHITE PHOSPHORUS BURST AT 6000 FEET AS PLANES BEGAN RUN. NEW SUBJECT. TEXAS KINGFISHER RECOVERED PILOT MISSING 16 FEBRUARY UNINJURED FROM 127 MILES AT SEA.

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RDO HONO INTERCEPT

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 THOUGH WEATHER HAS NOT PERMITTED COMPLETE EXPENDITURE OF ENTIRE  
 AMMUNITION ALLOWANCE AND MORE INSTALLATIONS CAN BE FOUND AND  
 DESTROYED WITH 1 MORE DAY OF BOMBARDMENT I BELIEVE LANDING CAN  
 BE ACCOMPLISHED TOMORROW AS SCHEDULED IF NECESSARY. I RE-  
 COMMEND HOWEVER SPECIAL ATTENTION BEFORE AND DURING LANDING  
 TO FLANKS AND EAST COAST OF ISLAND WITH NEUTRALIZING FIRE AND  
 WHITE PHOSPHORUS PROJECTILES IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE IF REQUIRED.  
 AMPLIFYING REPORT FOLLOWS IMMEDIATELY.

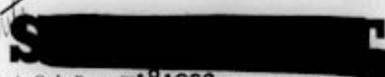
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DATE	18 FEB 45		ROUTINE
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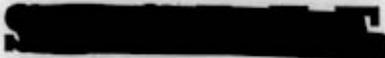
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(FROM C T F 77 ACTION CINCSWPA TARLAC AND LEYTE INFO)  
COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM COM5THFLT AND COM7THFLT REAR ECH.)

OPENING OF MANILA BAY ENTRANCE CONTINUES SATISFACTORILY.  
MINESWEEPS OPERATED NORTHWARD SOUTH OF CORREGIDOR ON 18TH  
PROTECTED BY GUNFIRE FROM CLEVELAND OBANNON AND TAYLOR.  
ON 17TH ADDITIONAL TROOPS LANDED ON CORREGIDOR AGAINST  
SLIGHT OPPOSITION. AT MARIVELES BAY HIDATSA DAMAGED BY  
MINE ON 17TH BEING TOWED TO SUBIC. PT'S PATROLING MARIVELES  
BAY AND BATAAN SHORE. ON THE 17TH TAYLOR BOMBARDED  
CARABAO ISLAND WITHOUT RECEIVING RETURN FIRE. DURING THE  
NIGHT 16/17 ORMOC PT'S DESTROYED 1 BARGE OFF EAST COAST  
CEBU IS MINORO BOATS LANDED SCOUTS ON LUBANG ISLAND. ON  
16TH AND 17TH NAVY SEARCH PLANES SET AFIRE A MEDIUM AK AND  
PROBABLY SANK 2 OCEAN GOING TUGS OFF CAPE ST JACQUES, BOMBARD  
ED A 7500 TON TROOP FREIGHTER EAST OF FORMOSA LEAVING IT

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DEAD IN WATER AND DOWN BY THE STERN, BOMBED A FACTORY AT  
KARENKO SOUTHERN FORMOSA WITH UNOBSERVED DAMAGE, SANK 4  
SMALL AK AND DAMAGED 3 OTHERS.

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Leyte, Philippine Islands

To: War Department

Nr: C 10543

18 February 1945

From GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur to Chief of Staff  
War Department cits C 10543. Operations report SOWESPAC Area  
period 1500Z/16 to 1500Z/17.

China Coast: Two tankers one seatruck three des-  
troyers reported heading up coast northeast Amoy February  
17.

French Indo China: Two transports two escorts  
reported leaving Camranh Bay for north February 16, two  
tankers two escorts sighted south bound in area same day;  
two transports five escort vessels reported Saigon following  
day.

Nansei Shoto: Leyte reconnaissance plane sighted  
28 seatrucks off west coast Okinawa 30 planes on Naha air-  
drome February 16.

Luzon: Transport plane dropping supplies Corregidor  
February 17 reported small arms fire in morning none in after-  
noon.

Part 2. Naval: Allied warships continued support  
Corregidor operations bombarded Carabao Island destroyed  
barge February 17; Ormoc PT boats destroyed barge Cebu.

Air. Operations February 15: DECLASSIFIED

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(1). 4 Beaufighters swept northeastern Celebes and schooner; 36 RAAF P sorties exploded fuel dumps hit barges bivouacs and supplies Wasile Bay.

Operations February 16:

(2). Mondoro B24 patrol probably destroyed small freighter north Quinhon.

(3) 32 Corsairs attacked enemy held villages Cebu, 1 Corsair lost.

(4). 11 Beaufighters swept north eastern Celebes destroyed bridge Gorontalo; 12 B25's caused fires Kenderi 1 B25 lost; 2 Spitfires strafed targets Halmahera; 24 RAAF P40's hit gun positions Wasile Bay.

(5). 12 B25's attacked Mega village western Vogelkop.

Operations February 17:

(6). Night Catalina left transport dead in water and sinking, strafed two seatrucks near Takao; B24's from Leyte attacked industrial plants Karenko damaged two seatrucks one lugger one coastal vessel off eastern Formosa, strafed radio station sank one seatruck Nansai Shoto.

(7). Two groups B24's bombed Takao through solid overcast; fighter sweeps Formosa incomplete due weather; returning fighters demolished Fuga Island Buildings Babuyan Group.

(8). 36 A 20's and 48 B25's bombed and strafed Fernando; explosions and fires resulted from strike Tuguegarao.

(9). 35 A20's scored direct hits caves and dugouts west Fort Stotsenburg; 35 other A20's furnished ground support Mariveles operation.

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- (10). 32 B24's of 13th Air Force cratered runways and dispersals Miri, met three intercepting fighters; 3 B24's bombed Tawao, another hit Namado northeastern Celebes.
- (11). B24 bombed Labuan airdrome Borneo; 3 P38's divebombed Sassa Field Davao.
- (12). RAAF B24 patrols attacked mica mines Banggai Archeipelago and small shipping Flores Island.
- (13). 6 B24's struck enemy bivouacs but valley; 5 B25's and 6 A20's raided but dispersals and village. Solomons forces. Air.

Operations February 16;

- (14). 8 B25's and 8 Corsairs harassed Kaving; 18 Corsairs raided highway traffic Rabaul; 38 Corsairs 8 Ventures plus B25's struck concentrations near Mosigetta and southern Bougainville.

Land. Luzon. Sixth Army; First Corps:

Active patrolling continued throughout zone of action, minor contacts only reported; 6th Division passed to XIVth Corps control.

XIV Corps: 40th Division captured high ground 1200 yards northwest Snake Hill 24 and 2800 yards south west World Hill; First Cavalry Division engaged mopping up operations in zone of action in Manila, repulsed small attacks along Angat/Novaliches Road; 37th Division regrouped for assault on Intramuros.

XIth Corps: 151st Infantry (not First Infantry as previously reported) secured Cabagan February 16, pushed

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north along coast, First Infantry advanced beyond Limay (344620) no reported enemy contact; Malinta Hill on Corregidor secured, physical contact established between 503d Infantry and Third Battalion 34th Infantry February 16, enemy resistance February 17 reported increasing but ineffective

Leyte: Continued small scattered contacts west coast area; cumulative enemy casualties to February 17: 74261 killed, 710 captured.

Part 3.

(1) P40's dropped 26 by 250 lb, 8 by 100 lb bombs, 30 by 325 lb depth charges, 4 by 100 lb napalms;

(2) No details

(3) Dropped 7 by 1000 lb, 72 by 500 lb bombs.

(4) Beaufighters dropped 22 by 500 lb bombs; B25's dropped 132 by 100 lb bombs, net moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire, P40's dropped 38 by 400 lb, 10 by 260 lb frags, net slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(5) Dropped 132 by 100 lb bombs.

Paragraphs 6 through 9 no details.

(10) Dropped 162 by 500 lb, 448 by 120 lb frags from 11,600 to 9,000 feet.

(11) B24 dropped 9 by 500 bombs from 7,400 feet; P38's dropped 3 by 1000 lb bombs.

(12) Dropped 4 by 500 lb, 18 by 100 lb bombs.

(13) B24's dropped 72 by 500 lb bombs from 6000 feet; others dropped 36 by 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired over 9,200 rounds 50 caliber.

(14) 8 B25 dropped 12 by 650 lb depth charges; other planes dropped 44 by 1000 lb, 14 by 500 lb bombs, 56

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by 325 lb depth charges.

Refer report operations February 16:  
(4) 264 by 500 lb bombs dropped by B24's, 222 by 250  
lb parademos dropped 63,600 rounds fired by A20's.

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To: War Department  
Radio, Guam  
CG, US Army Forces, Pacific Ocean Areas, Ft Shafter, TH  
Nr: UX 80750 17 February 1945

From CG USAFFE sgd MacArthur to AGWAR info CINC POA  
COMGEN POA cite UX 80750.

Under terms of FILEAS agreement, urad WX 72694 of  
5 December, and as agreed to by COMGENPOA in his radio RJ 51268  
dated 12 February 45, confirmation of following changes effective  
20 February 45 is requested:

(A) Relieve from assignment to POA and assign to  
SWPA the following:

76th Station Hospital (500 bed)  
165th Station Hospital (750 bed)  
184th Chemical Composite Platoon  
29th Chemical Decontamination Company  
722nd Engineer Depot Company (less 3rd Platoon)  
1st Battalion of 1322nd Engineer General Service  
Regiment  
106th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company  
177th Ordnance Depot Company  
355th Ordnance Maintenance Company Antiaircraft  
509th Ordnance Company (heavy maintenance) (field  
army)  
879th Ordnance Heavy Auto Maintenance Company  
Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment 167th  
Ordnance Battalion (with attached medical)

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3259th Quartermaster Service Company (less 2nd Platoon)  
390th Quartermaster Truck Company  
393rd Quartermaster Truck Company  
589th Quartermaster Laundry Company (less 4th Platoon)  
151st Quartermaster Bakery Company (less 4th Platoon)  
308th Signal Radar Maintenance Unit (Type D)  
Detachment 331st Harbor Craft Company (special T/O and E based on T/O and E 55-500 with strength of 3 officers, 1 Warrant Officer and 98 enlisted men)  
00 Veterinary Detachment (food inspection)  
3rd Platoon of 39th Special Services Company  
238th Army Postal Unit (type P)  
480th Amphibian Truck Company  
823rd Amphibian Truck Company  
233rd AGF Band  
34th Malaria Survey Unit  
66th Malaria Control Unit  
739th Medical Sanitary Company.

(B) Relieve from attachment to SWPA and revert to assignment to FOA less personnel and equipment (personnel and equipment to be assigned to SWPA by orders originating from headquarters USAFFE):

1 platoon of Provisional Quartermaster Graves Registration Company

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Company K of 102nd Infantry Regiment  
Radio Construction Detachment Number 5 of  
3117th Signal Service Battalion  
Provisional Company C of 3117th Signal Service  
Battalion  
Detachment Number 1 of 384th Signal Company  
(Aviation).

(C) Following now theater units are relieved from attachment to POA and are attached to SWPA:

Detachment number 36 of 70th AACS group, and  
ACS Construction Detachment number 72 of 70th  
ACS region.

(D) Following grades and strength to be deducted from POA and added to SWPA theater overhead allotment to account for change in assignment of Headquarters and Headquarters Company Army Garrison Force, APO 248:

7 Colonels,  
19 Lieutenant Colonels,  
18 Majors,  
22 Captains,  
7 1st Lieutenants  
1 2nd Lieutenant  
6 Warrant Officers  
21 Grade 1,  
20 Grade 2,  
38 Grade 3  
63 Grade 4

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70 Grade 5  
64 Grade 6 and  
33 Grade 7  
Total - 74 Officers  
8 Warrant Officers  
309 enlisted men  
Aggregate - 391

(E) See myrad U 67272 of 4 February 45 reference subsequent transfer of APU 238 less personnel from SWPA to POA and transfer of APU 248 less personnel from POA to SWPA.

End.

Footnote: 67272 is CM-IN-6856 (7 Feb 45) OPD  
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ACTION: Gen Hull

INFORMATION: JC/S Gen Somervell  
Gen Arnold Adm King  
Adm Leshy

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CTF 93 SENDS ACTION. CINCPAC ADVANCED INFO CTF 93 AND 21 BOMCOM (RDO GUAM PASS). INFO ALSO TO CG AAFPOA (BOTH) COMAIRPAC COM FIFTH FLEET CTF 96 COMAF SEVEN 73 WING SEVENTH BOMCOM COMFAW TWO CTG 50.5. RDO TINIAN PASS INFO TO 313 WING CTU 50.5.3 (PASSED BY CINCPAC ADV HED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 180903)

ADD CTF 93 STRIKE RESULTS 16 FEBRUARY.  
FOUR LIBS NIGHT SNOOPING SUSAKE AIRFIELD CHICHI JIMA 8-11000 FEET LOOSED CENTURIES BY RADAR RESULTS UNOBSERVED.

17 FEBRUARY:  
SKIMMING IWO DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS AND BIVOUAC AREA NORTH SIDE SURIBACHI YAMA FROM 4300-5000 FEET 42 SEVENTH AF LIBS PACKING 260 LB VT FUZED BOMBS NEATLY LAID 90 PERCENT HITS IN TARGET AREA. OBSERVED TWO LARGE FIRES BETWEEN VOLCANO AND AIRFIELD; 1,2 SMALL FIRES NEAR AIRFIELD 1. 5 SINGLE ENGINE AND 5 TWIN ENGINE PLANES ON AIRFIELD. ALL DAMAGED. A/W FIRE INTENSE ACCURATE TO INACCURATE MAJOR DAMAGE ONE LIB MINOR DAMAGE THREE. ATR INSTALLATIONS

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MARCUS CAUGHT CENTURIES FROM THREE LIBS AT 16500 FEET ALL BOMBS ON ISLAND CUTTING THROUGH EAST END E/W RUNWAY. NO AIRCRAFT OR SHIPPING SEEN; RUNWAYS APPEARED OPERATIONAL. NAVY PB4Y'S SAME TARGET SAME TIME GOT NO PICUTRES DUE 10/10 COVERAGE. FOUR LIBS AND TWO NAVY PB4Y'S OVER TRUK SPOTTED FOUR SINGLE ENGINE OPERATIONAL PLANES SOUTH MOEN FIELD. THREE LIBS DROPPED CENTURIES FROM 21-22000 PUTTING EIGHT ON PARAM, FOUR ON UMAN, THREE ON ETEN, WITH QUARTER TONNERS GOT FOUR OFF EAST COAST UMAN, THREE ON ETEN RUNWAY, TWO ON PARAM RUNWAY AND SIX UNOBSERVED. TWO UNAGGRESSIVE ZEKES INTERCEPTED. ONE NAVY PB4Y GOT GOOD VERTICAL AND OBLIQUE COVERAGE MOEN, ETEN, AND PARAM AIRFIELDS FROM APPROXIMATELY 21000 FEET.

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TOR CODEROOM <b>0948</b>			DEFERRED
DECODED BY <b>DIEBEL</b>		INFORMATION <b>CINCPAC ADV HQ COM 5TH FLEET</b>	BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY <b>WOODWARD</b>	CHECKED BY <i>WV</i>		PRIORITY
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**COMTASKFOR 52 SENDS ACTION TASK FORCE 51 (ECM HOLDERS) INFO CINCPAC ADV HQ COM 5TH FLEET.**

**PASSED BY CINCPAC/CINCPDA ADVHD TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 172236**

**AT WORKMAN. SCHEDULED MINESWEEPING COMPLETED EXCEPT 25% LANDWARD PORTION AREA 8. SCHEDULED AMMUNITION TO DATE FIRED BUT MAJORITY**

**KNOWN INSTALLATIONS APPARENTLY REMAIN INTACT. COPIES PHOTOS BEING FORWARDED ACCORDING TO PLAN BUT POOR VERTICALS THIS MORNING STILL**

**PREVENT ACCURATE DAMAGE EVALUATION. SUPPORT AIRCRAFT HIT MANY TARGETS DESTROYED 4 TRUCKS IN SUSPECTED TANK PARK AREA 1R4 J0 AND**

**1R5 H. 3 B 24 SQUADRONS MADE EXCELLENT STRIKES. ENEMY LIGHT AA INTENSE FAIRLY ACCURATE. HEAVY AA INTENSE DURING STRIKES SECOND**

**AND THIRD B 24 SQUADRONS WITH INCREASING ACCURACY. NONE SHOT DOWN BUT BELIEVE 1 WAS HIT. UDT RECONNAISSANCE EAST AND WEST BEACHES**

**COMPLETED WITH ONLY 1 SWIMMER MISSING. NO UNDERWATER OBSTACLES FOUND. SINGLE MINE IN 8 FEET WATER 10 YARDS FROM WATERLINE SEE**

**COMTASKGROUP 52.4 170831 FOR DETAILS EAST BEACHES. DETAILED REPORT**

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ON WEST BEACHES NOT YET RECEIVED. COMTASKGROUP 52.4 REPORTS NO DEMOLITION REQUIRED ANY BEACHES. LCI(G)'S SUPPORTING UYT'S EAST BEACHES MET HEAVY FIRE FROM POSITIONS NORTH AND SOUTH FLANKS WHEN ABOUT 1000 YARDS OFF SHORE AND SHOWED MAGNIFICENT COURAGE IN FACE OF SEVERE DAMAGE AND CASUALTIES. 8 OF 12 KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN HIT. CASUALTIES FROM 7 LCI(G)'S 31 DEAD 83 WOUNDED 11 SHOCK CASES 1 MISSING OTHER 5 LCI(G) CASUALTIES NOT YET REPORTED BUT LESS SEVERE. LCI(G)'S NOT USED WESTERN BEACHES. YMS EQUALLY CLOSE TO SHORE PRECEDING EACH UDT RECONNAISSANCE AND DESTROYERS AND BOATS ON WEST BEACH RECONNAISSANCE DREW ONLY SPORADIC FIRE. LCI(G) 474 CAPSIZED AFTER REMOVAL PERSONNEL AND ORDERED SUNK. LCI(L) 627 LCI(G)'S 340 348 460 AND PROBABLY FEW OTHERS STILL READY FOR COMBAT OPERATIONS. WILL RETURN 473 UNDER TOW AND POSSIBLY OTHERS TOWED TO SAIPAN. LEUTZE HIT BY MORTAR DURING UDT SUPPORT CAPTAIN SERIOUSLY INJURED AND 5 MEN WOUNDED INCLUDING 3 SERIOUS. SHIP FULLY OPERATIONAL; PERSAGOLA HIT BY ARTILLERY OR HEAVY MORTAR OFF NORTHEAST COAST. CIC BATTLE 2 CONTROL AFT 1 5 INCH GUN AND 1 CATAPULT OUT OF COMMISSION. MANY CASUALTIES INCLUDING EXECUTIVE OFFICER DEAD FIRST LIEUTENANT

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WOUNDED. COMPLETE CASUALTY REPORT ON ALL SHIPS LATER. CHICHI  
 JIMA STRIKE 2 PLANES STRAFED ON GROUND IN MORNING 3 IN AFTERNOON.  
 ABOUT 18 SMALL CRAFT STRAFED 3 BURNED. AMMUNITION BARGE EXPLODED.  
 AT HAMA ABOUT 15 SMALL 1 MEDIUM CRAFT STRAFED. ENEMY AA INTENSE  
 BOTH OBJECTIVES. HALLIGAN SHOT DOWN 1 ENEMY AIRCRAFT THIS MORNING  
 TWIGGS 1 EITER LARK. WILL DELIVER HEAVY FIRE AND AIR STRIKES  
 TOMORROW AGAINST EAST REACHES AND FLANKS THEREOF WHICH STILL REQUIRE  
 MUCH ATTENTION.

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DATE	18 FEB 1945		ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM	0237		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	IMRIE	CTG 93.2 COMINCH	PRIORITY
TYPED BY	IMRIE/W. Strong	313 BOMBING	OP OP OP OP
ROUTED BY		21 BOM COM	ROUTINE
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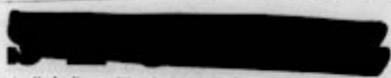
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CTF 52 ASKS RDO GUAM PASS ACTION CTF 93 INFO CTG 93.2 313 BOMBING AND 21 BOM COM. CTF 50 CTF 51 ARE INFO ADDEES.

THANKS FOR NICE WORK TODAY. TARGET FOR 18 FEB AS FOLLOWS:  
FOR LIBS TARGET GUITAR COORDINATED 166 C TO 167 D TO 184 I TO 183 H.

FOR DREAMBOATS TARGET FLUTE COORDINATES 164 O TO 165 C TO 181 E TO 181 Q AND TARGETO COORDINATES 183 O TO 201 S TO 201 A TO 200 Q. WEATHER FORECAST FOR AFTERNOON 18 FEB. BROKEN ALTO CUMULUS AT 9,000 FEET. LOW SCATTERED AT 2,000 FEET. VISIBILITY 12 MILES. WILL USE NAVAL GUNFIRE INSTEAD OF FIGHTERS AGAINST ENEMY AA FOR SUPPORT PRIOR TO AND DURING BOMBING RUNS. IT WAS OBSERVED THAT 1ST FORMATION RECEIVED NEGLIGIBLE AA BDXUITUIDOM AND 3RD FORMATIONS RECEIVED INTENSE

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INACCURATE HEAVY AA. A GOOD PERCENTAGE OF BOMBS APPEARED TO BURST AT ABOUT 3,000 FEET.

\* TWO GARBLED GROUPS

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**CTG 52.4 REPORTS RESULTS OF RECONNAISSANCE OF EASTERN IWO JIMA BEACHES AT 1130K 17 FEBRUARY. ALL DEPTHS GIVEN AS OF SUCH TIME, APPROXIMATELY HIGH TIDE. SINGLE BURIED MINE REPORTED IN 8 FEET WATER 100 YARDS FROM NORTH FLANK RED 2 10 YARDS FROM WATERLINE. MINE NOT DESTROYED. SINGLE LINE BREAKERS 2 FEET HIGH BREAK DIRECTLY ON SLOPING BEACH. SOUTHEASTERLY WIND GROVE 1. MINOR CURRENT TO NORTH STRONGEST AROUND FUTATSUROCK BEACH FIRM SAND CAN SUPPORT ALL VEHICLES. 3, 2, 1, AND 1/2 FATHOM LINES ARE 150, 75, AND 15, AND 5 YARDS SEAWARD RESPECTIVELY. ALL TYPES LANDING CRAFT CAN USE BEACH BUT FIRST SAND TERRACE INLAND MAY BLOCK LCT'S. GREEN 1 SUNKEN LUGGER IN CENTER AREA 132 J COVERED BY 6 FEET WATER. IN NORTHERN HALF 12 FOOT SAND TERRACE 4 YARDS FROM WATER'S EDGE. ONLY EXIT AT SOUTHERN HALF WHERE 3 FOOT TERRACE 25 YARDS INLAND. RED 1. DANGEROUS LIMITS OUTER FUTATSUROCK BUOYED TO SEAWARD. 3 FATHOM CHANNEL BETWEEN ROCKS AND BEACH. STEEP**

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period 1500Z/15, 1500Z/16 signed MacArthur.

**China Coast:**

Destroyer and medium freighter transport sighted  
heading northeast off Swatow February 15th.

**French Indo China:**

Three large one medium freighters two destroyer  
escorts sighted on northerly course off Camranh Bay February  
14th, two small tankers three escorts southbound off Tourane  
next day.

**Philippines:**

Three enemy submarines contacted recently by Naval  
Units North Luzon, another west Panay.

**Luzon:**

Considerable enemy movement reported by guerillas  
Baguio area, reinforcements and extended defense positions  
in hills west Clark Field, early reports Corregidor February  
16 stated eastern tongue deserted by enemy.

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Celebes:

B-24's attacking Kendari reported three fighters  
two unidentified planes airborne one bomber four fighters  
four others in Airdrome.

Part 2.

Naval:

Enemy armoured speed boats attacked Allied vessels  
with depth charges Mariveles Harbour Bataan night February 15th;  
Allied PT Boats with fighter cooperat'on sank four barges  
one sailboat east coast Bataan next afternoon.

Air: Operations February 14th:

(1). 11 Corsairs attacked Negros and Cebu Island  
airdromes, strafed three grounded planes; intense anti-air-  
craft fire downed one Corsair Silay.

Operations February 15th:

(2). Fighters destroyed 12/ 15 locomotives Formosa,  
anti-aircraft downed two planes Taichu; 12 B-25's demolished  
one bridge damaged another bomber troop concentrations  
southern Formosa through heavy weather; predawn B-24's  
weathered out.

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(3). Strikes against Pchague and Tugeugarao rendered strips unserviceable; 18 A-20's attacked supplies and troop concentrations near Baguio; 64 Dauntless bombed defense positions and guns Fort William McKinley southern Manila.

(4). Eight P-38's, 44 P-47's, 55 A-20's and 22 B-24's struck Corregidor; 18 R-47's attacked Caballo Island.

(5). 24 B-24's, nine A-20's, five B-25's, 16 P-47's and six P-51's harassed Bataan.

(6). 31 Corsairs bombed Butuan northern Mindanao.

(7). RAAF Ventura patrol attacked lugger Flores Island; two Dutch B-25's hit Adcoet Village Tanimbar.

(8). 20 Beauforts six B-25's raided targets Wewak area; six B-24's cratered Boram airdrome.

(9). Seven Beauforts from Nadzab attacked wide bay targets New Britain.

Operations February 16:

(10). B-24's from Leyte shot down floatplane northeast Wenchow, sank two seatrucks one coastal vessel four smaller craft demolished shore installations Nansai Shoto; Mindoro B-24's sank small freighter transport probably sank

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two large tugboats Cape Saint Jacques sank two barges met  
three intercepting fighters Northern Borneo.

(11). 32 P-51's destroyed two locomotives 17 trucks  
Southern Formosa; 18 B-25's swept Batan Babuyan Islands  
bombed landing craft found nil other targets; another sweep  
destroyed barge Palau, Island Northeastern Luzon cratered  
Camalaniugan runways south Aparri.

(12). Six B-25's, 30 P-47's hit supplies demolished  
buildings Baguio area; P-38's strafed enemy concentrations  
Manila, one plane lost to anti-aircraft fire.

(13). 186 Dauntless caused heavy destruction head-  
quarters area near Balete Pass, supported ground forces  
Fort McKinley and high ground west Fort Stotsenburg.

(14). 24 B-24's and 111 A-20's bombed and strafed  
Corregidor; four P-38's, 12 P-51's and 39 A-20's attacked  
nearby Caballo Island.

(15). Nine P-38's, 24 P-47's, 12 P-51's and 12  
B-25's struck targets area Southern Bataan.

(16). Five P-38's bombed Matina and Licanan air-  
dromes Davao.

(17). Single B-24 over Macassar Strait bombed  
Manggar airdrome; Ventura patrol attacked small vessel

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Northeastern Celebes.

(18). 34 B-24's of 13th Air Force started fires  
Kenderi dispersals.

(19). Five RAAF B-24 patrols from Darwin bombed  
Mica Mines Banggai archipelago, hit radio station Manoei  
Island, damaged jetty sank lugger Southeastern Celebes,  
attacked small freighter west Soembawa bombed coastal  
village Timor.

(20). Four A-20's and seven Beauforts bombed and  
strafed enemy concentrations Wewak area.

(21). Seven B-24's from Nadzab attacked Lakunai  
airdrome Rabaul.

Solomons Forces.

Air: Operations February 15:

(22). Eight Corsairs three Venturas 21 B-25's  
bombed Kavieng airdrome strafed coastal targets New Ireland;  
12 Corsairs harassed Rabaul, six Venturas 14 B-25's hit  
Vunakanau plane hide-out; 47 Corsairs provided ground support  
Bougainville demolished buildings Kieta,

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Land.

Luzon:

Sixth Army:

I Corps: Extensive patrolling continued north and east Rosario and north along Villa Verde trail.

XIV Corps: Resistance Malate reported broken; Elements 1st Cavalry Division secured Fort Abad, other elements patrolled to north and west gates Fort McKinley without contact;

37th Division units pushed north from Remedios Street to Tenbasee Avenue, other encountered continued stiff resistance on Intramuros outskirts;

11th Airborne Division advancing east against moderate resistance reached line along Manila railroad from Culiculi to point 5,500 yards south.

XI Corps: 38th Division reinforced;

151 Infantry at Mariveles secured Cochinco point, held beachhead 2,000 yards deep 7,000 yards wide;

1st Infantry units advancing south on east coast Bataan occupied Orion in strength, reached Cababan, others reach point of Pilar/Bagac road  $4\frac{1}{2}$  miles southwest Pilar.

503rd Parachute Infantry dropped vicinity (320-396) engaged enemy in undetermined strength south and southwest Corregidor lighthouse;

3rd Battalion 34th Infantry landed vicinity (334-403) against light opposition, occupied south half Malinta Hill.

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Paragraphs 1 and 2 no details.

(3) Dauntless dropped 30 tons bombs.

Paragraphs 4 and 5 no details.

(6) Dropped 61 1,000 pound bombs.

(7) Ventura dropped three 300 pound bombs, fired  
400 rounds 50, 500 rounds 30 calibre; B-25's dropped five  
500 pound bombs, fired 5,000 rounds 50 calibre.

(8) Beauforts dropped 32 500 pound, 58 250 pound  
bombs, 58 40 pound frags, four 250 pound, 90 four pound  
incendiaries, fired 300 rounds 50, 9,200 rounds 30 calibre;  
B-25's dropped 24 300 pound bombs; B-24's dropped 72  
500 pound bombs one tenth second delay from 9,000 feet.

Paragraphs 10 and 11 no details.

(12) B-25's dropped 60 100 pound parademos;  
P-47's dropped 43 1,000 pound bombs.

(13) Dropped 88 tons bombs.

(14) 45 A-20's dropped 316 100 pound parademos,  
fired 55,760 rounds 50 calibre.

(15) No Details.

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(16) Dropped five 1,000 pound bombs.

(17) B-24's dropped nine 500 pound bombs.

(18) Dropped 723 260 pound frags, 234 100 pound  
napalms from 17,000 to 14,500 feet, met heavy inaccurate  
anti aircraft fire.

(19) Dropped ten 500 pound, 36 100 pound bombs,  
fired 2,400 rounds 50 calibre.

(20) A-20's dropped 16 300 pound bombs eight to  
15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 3,000 rounds  
50 calibre; Beauforts dropped ten 500 pound, 29 250 pound  
bombs, 65 40 pound frags, 180 four pound incendiaries,  
fired 1700 rounds 30 calibre.

(21) Dropped 16 1,000 pound, 70 500 pound bombs  
from 9,000 feet.

(22) B-25's dropped 21 2,000 pound bombs, 27 500  
pound incendiary clusters, fired 26,300 rounds 50 calibre;  
Others dropped eight 1,000 pound, 24 500 pound, eight  
250 pound bombs, 40 325 pound depth charges.

Supplementary paragraphs: (26) Leyte Corsairs pro-  
vided shipping cover February 15, eight swept Visayas

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2 small tankers 3 escorts southbound off Tourane  
next day.

Philippines:

3 enemy submarines contacted recently by Naval units  
north Luzon, another west Panay.

Luzon:

\*\* ted by guerillas Baguio area, reinforcements and  
extended defence positions in hills west Clark Field, early

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identified planes airborne 1 bomber 4 fighters 4 \*  
airdrome.

Part 2. Naval:

Enemy armoured speed boats attacked Bor \* Harbour  
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operation sank 4 barges 1 sailboat Coast Bataan next after-  
noon.

Air: \* \* Tuguegarao rendered strips unservice-  
able;  
18 A \* \* troop concentrations near Baguio;  
\* defence \* \* 4 (8 P-38's, 40 P, 55 A-20's and 22 B24's  
struck Corregidor; 18 P 4 \* \* 5) 24 B24's, 9 A-20's  
5 B 25's, 16 P 47's and 6 P 51's \* \*

1500 S/\* Dutch B 24 Jfoes Village Taningara. \* \*

Forhosusemi \* B24 swept Babuyan Islands bombed land-  
ing ceram \*; another sweep westward purge Palau Islands  
\* \* \* \* \*

McKinley without contact; 37th Division units pushed  
forth from Remedios Street to Tennessee Avenue, other encount-  
ered continued stiff resistance on Intramuros outskirts;  
11th Airborne Division advancing east against moderate  
resistance reached line along Manila railroad from Culiculi

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to point 5,500 yards south. XI Corps, 38th Division reinforced; 151st Infantry at Marieles secured Cochinon Point, held beachhead 2000 yards deep 7000 yards wide; 1st Infantry units advancing south of east coast Batan occupied Orion in strength, reached Cababan, others reach point on Pilar/Bagac road  $4\frac{1}{2}$  miles southwest Pilar. 503 Parachute Infantry dropped vicinity (320-396) \*

Corregidor Lighthouse;  
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4 and 5, no details.  
6. Dropped 61 by 1000 lb \*

Incendiaries, fired 300 rounds 50, 9200 rounds 30 caliber B 25's dropped 24 by 300 lb bombs; B 24's dropped 72 by 500 lb bombs one tenth second delay from 9000 feet.

Paragraphs 10 and 11, no details

12. B25's dropped 60 by 100 lb parademos; P 47's dropped 43 by 1000 lb bombs.  
13. \* 88 tons bombs  
14. 45 A-20's dropped 316 by 100 lb parademos, fired 55760 rounds 50 caliber.

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15. No details.
16. Dropped 5 by 1000 lb bombs.
17. B24's dropped 9 by 500 lb.
18. Dropped 723 by 250 lb frags, 200 and \* hundred lbs napalm from 17,000 to 14,500 feet, met heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.
19. Dropped 10 by 500 lb, 36 by 100 lb bombs, fired 2400 rounds \* fifteen seconds delay from minimum altitude fired 3000 rounds \* caliber; \*  
Caliber.
21. Dropped 16 by 1000 lb, 70 by 500 lb bombs from 9000 feet.
22. B25's dropped 21 by 2000 lb bombs, 27 by 500 lb incendiary clusters, fired twenty six thousand \*

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SUPER. WESTERN PACIFIC SUMMARY FOR 16 FEBRUARY. U.S. CARRIER STRIKES AGAINST TOKYO AREA RESULTED IN GREAT VOLUME OF CONTACT REPORTS, OPERATIONAL DISPATCHES, AND ACTION SUMMARIES. NIL INDICATIONS CARRIER FORCE SIGHTED PRIOR RADAR WARNING FROM YOKOSUKA AREA AT 160644. JAP PLANES LATER BELIEVED TO HAVE SIGHTED THIS FORCE IN THE AREA SOUTHEAST AND EASTWARD OF CAPE NOJIMA AT 0642 AND 1613. NO FURTHER SIGHTINGS OF CARRIER FORCES DURING THE DAY NOTED. FULL ALERTS NOTED IN TOKYO AREA THROUGHOUT THE DAY BETWEEN 0710 AND 1715 WHEN FINAL ALL CLEAR SIGNAL OBSERVED. NUMEROUS REPORTS OF CARRIER PLANES INDICATE FIGHTER SWEEPS OVER AIRFIELDS IN TOKYO AREA. INDICATIONS SHIPPING IN YOKOSUKA AREA AND SOUTHWARD THERE OF ATTACKED BY CARRIER PLANES. ATSUKI AIR BASE APPARENTLY DIRECTED

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TOTAL AIR DEFENSE. ENEMY COUNTER MEASURES APPARENTLY  
 CONFINED TO AIR BUT ALL INDICATIONS SUGGEST BLUE STRIKES  
 SUCCESSFUL. ONE AIR ATTACK UNIT KNOWN ORDERED TO ATTACK  
 BLUE CARRIER FORCES TAKING OFF FROM UNKNOWN JAP BASE AT  
 ABOUT 1614~~00~~ BUT NIL INDICATIONS OBSERVED OF ANY AIR  
ATTACKS ON OUR CARRIER FORCES. IN IWOJIMA AREA FIRST  
 OPERATIONAL DISPATCH FROM IWOJIMA AIR BASE NOTED AT 0551.  
 TWO PROBABLE IWOJIMA BASED PLANES ORIGINATED DISPATCHES  
 BETWEEN 0600-0720 AND 0625-0630 RESPECTIVELY. IWOJIMA  
 UNDER FULL ALERT AT 0650 AND SENT MANY PROBABLE ACTION  
 SUMMARIES BETWEEN THAT TIME AND 1146 PROBABLY TO ADDRESSEES  
 OF SEVENTH BASE AIR FORCE ACTION SUMMARIES. SEVERAL  
 CONTACT REPORTS OF BLUE FORCES THIS AREA OBSERVED THE LAST

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BEING AT 1430 IN POSITION 23-57 N 144-58 E. NIL INDICATION SIXTEENTH LOCATIONS ANY MAJOR SURFACE FLEET COMMANDER EXCEPT COMDR CARDIV 4 TASK GROUP WHICH GROUP WILL BE IN POSITION 32-10 N. 124-25 E. AT 170000. THIS FORCE WILL THEN PASS TO NORTHWARD OF SAISHU (QUELPART) ISLAND AND TSUSHIMA ISLAND THROUGH SHIMONOSEKI STRAITS. OTHERWISE NIL INDICATIONS MOVEMENT OF ANY MAJOR SURFACE UNITS. COMMUNICATIONS IN PHILIPPINES SHOWED SOME IMPROVEMENT SIXTEENTH. CIRCUITS FROM BAGUIO TO TOKYO, MANILA, AND DAVAO WERE OPEN. MANILA HEARD AS LATE AS 2015. CORREGIDOR ORIGINATED OPERATIONAL DISPATCHES AT 1025 AND 1040. AT 1100 CORREGIDOR REPORTED BLUE LANDINGS IN SAN JOSE AREA. DUE TO EXPECTED ATTACKS IN NANSEI SHOTO COMDR FIRST AIR FLEET LATE FIFTEENTH

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3) ORDERED DISCONTINUANCE BATULINAO SUBMARINE EVACUATION RUNS AFTER COMPLETION TRIPS BY RO 112 AND 113 (COMMENT. ENEMY APPARENTLY STILL UNAWARE PROBABLE LOSS THESE BOATS). THREE DISPATCHES FIFTEENTH BETWEEN BAGUIO, BATULINAO, AND TAKAO MAY BE RELATED THIS OPERATION. PALAO ADDRESSED AIR BASE DAVAO AT 1600. OTHERWISE TRAFFIC IN CAROLINES AREA NORMAL. PAGAN SENT CUSTOMARY WEATHER REPORTS TO IWOJIMA. SUBMARINE BROADCASTS ACTIVE AND CARRIED OPERATIONAL TRAFFIC FROM JAPAN. UP UNTIL 170100 NIL CONTACT REPORTS WITH BLUE FORCES HAD BEEN GIVEN TO JAP SUBS. MALAY AREA SECURED AN ALERT AT 1021 AND WAS ALERTED AGAIN 1136-1154. NANKING UNDER ALERT 1345-1425. INTERESTING EVIDENCE NOW AVAILABLE SHOWS JAP PLANE CONTACT AT 141115 (PREVIOUSLY BELIEVED IN

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POSITION 30-20 N 144 E WAS IN FACT A SIGHTING REPORT OF 70-100 BLUE VESSELS ABOUT 70 MILES WEST OR SOUTHWEST OF SAIPAN ON COURSE 330. HOWEVER BELIEVE THIS SIGHTING ONLY SERVED CONFIRM JAP BELIEF THAT BLUE CARRIER ATTACKS AND LANDING OPERATIONS WERE IMPENDING IN NANSU FORMOSA AREA.

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TOKYO HIT BY FAST CARRIER AIRCRAFT 16 FEBRUARY.  
SURFACE UNITS WITH COORDINATED AIR ATTACK ATTACKED  
IWO JIMA SAME DATE. TROOPS LANDED MARIVELES HARBOR  
BATAAN 15 FEBRUARY. LIGHT OPPOSITION. BOMBARDMENT  
CORRECIDOR AND SWEEPING ENTRANCE MANILA CONTINUES.

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CTF 52 SENDS ACTION TF 51 INFO CINCPAC ADV HQ COM 5TH FLT.

AT WORKMAN BEACH ALL HYDROGRAPHIC INFO AS IN BISMARCK SEA 160200.

NO BEACH OBSTACLES SIGHTED FROM AIR AND BOTH BEACHES APPEARED

SUITABLE FOR USE OF ANY TYPE LANDING CRAFT. SCHEDULED

MINESWEEPING FOR BAY COMPLETED. RESULTS NEGATIVE EXCEPT

1 GASOLINE AD-EFT\* SIGHTED AND SUNK BY GUNFIRE. DUE TO

WEATHER SCHEDULED GUNFIRE ONLY PARTIALLY COMPLETED. SLOW

DELIBERATE FIRE WITH PLANE SPOT USED THROUGHOUT. NO PHOTOS

OBTAINED DUE TO POOR LIGHT CONDITIONS UPON COMPLETION GUNFIRE

AND AIR STRIKE. SUPPORT AIRCRAFT ATTACKED AND LEFT BURNING

AND IN SINKING CONDITION 2 LUGGERS ABOUT 500 TONS. PENSACOLA

SPOTTING PLANE SPLASHED 1 LOCAL ZEKE. 3 BETTYS PROBABLY DESTROYED

ON GROUND. AIR STRIKES LIMITED BY WEATHER. TASK FORCE 93

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PLANES WEATHERED OUT. VHB DID NOT ARRIVE. CHICHI JIMA FIGHTER SWEEP TURNED BACK BY WEATHER. SPORADIC ENEMY FIRE AT SURFACE SHIPS WAS QUICKLY SILENCED. ENEMY HEAVY AA FIRE WAS LIGHT DISORGANIZED AND NOT EFFECTIVE. LIGHT AA WAS INTENSE BUT GENERALLY INACCURATE. NO SHIPS REPORTED UJPHK\* 1 FIGHTER PLANE AND PILOT MISSING DUE TO THICK WEATHER. 1 PLANE OPERATIONAL LOSS. 1 FIGHTER SHOT DOWN BY LIGHT AA. PILOT RECOVERED UNINJURED. LIGHT PLARED ON HIGASHI IWA. SHIPS AND LANES REPORT CONSIDERABLE NUMBER ENEMY INSTALLATIONS DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BUT ACCURATE EVALUATION MUST AWAIT PHOTOS TO BE TAKEN AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY TOMORROW.

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TOR CODEROOM 2107			RRRRRRRR DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY DUMMIT		CINCPAC ADV HC	5
TYPED BY DUMMIT/		COM 5TH FLEET	PRIORITY 6
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CTF 52 ORIGINATES. ACTION TASK FORCE 51. INFO CINCPAC ADV HC AND COM 5TH FLEET.

CINCPAC/CINCPDA ADV HED PASSED TO PAC/POA HED PEARL AND TO COMINTAF FOR INFO AS 161812.

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CINCPAC GUAM COM 5TH FLT COM 7TH FLT.

REOCCUPATION OF CORREGIDOR COMMENCED AT 1830/1 16TH WITH DROP  
OF ELEMENTS OF THE 503 PARACHUTE INFANTRY BATTALION FOLLOWED AT  
1028/1 BY THE LANDING OF THE 3RD BATTALION 34 RCT. NO OPPOSITION  
IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF BEACHES BUT SOME MORTAR FIRE RECEIVED  
FROM HILLS. PARATROOPERS MET SHARP ENEMY FIRE AT 1100. LANDING  
PROCEEDING ACCORDING TO PLAN. AT 1401/1 ON 15TH BRIGADIER GENERAL  
CHASE ASSUMED COMMAND ASHORE AT MARIVELES BAY RELIEVING REAR  
ADMIRAL STRUBLE. PERIMETER IS BEING EXTENDED AGAINST LIGHT  
ENEMY RESISTANCE. TOTAL OF OVER 272 JAPANESE MINES HAVE BEEN  
SWEEPED. EXISTENCE OF CONTROLLED MINES SUSPECTED. LSM 169 STRUCK  
MINE WAS BURNED AND BEACHED ON 15TH. DURING NIGHT 15/16 3 LCM

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PATROLLING MARIVELES BAY WERE DESTROYED BY ENEMY SUICIDE CRAFT. A FOURTH WAS BEACHED. ON NIGHT 14/15 SUBIC BAY SUBJECTED TO ATTACK BY 3 JAPANESE SUICIDE CRAFT. 1 ENEMY CRAFT DESTROYED 2 ESCAPED. SEVERAL BARGES SUNK. SAN PEDRO BOATS ATTACKED SMALL CRAFT.

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PAUCITY OF NEWS IN COMSUBPAC SERIAL 62E. THE TENDER PROTEUS JOINED OUR HAPPY LITTLE FAMILY IN GUAM AND RUSKEFAUVER\* CONNED THE SPRINGER INTO APRA HARBOR TO PICK UP HIS OP-ORDER. BOTH ARE FROM PEARL. NO DEPARTURES ARE REPORTED. FOR INFORMATION OF THOSE NOT HOLDING MY LATEST OP-PLAN OUR CARRIER TASK FORCES ARE GIVING TOKYO AREA A HEAVY BLASTING TODAY. THE NAVY BASKETBALL TEAM IS ROLLING ALONG TWARD AN UNDEFEATED SEASON WHILE THE NAVY GRUNT AND GROAN ARTISTS CAPTURED THE EASTERN TITLE ONCE MORE.

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

To: War Department

Nr: C 10392 16 February 1945

From GHR SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War  
Department cite C 10392.

French Indo China:

14th Air Force photographs showed 23,000 tons  
merchant shipping Saigon February 14th; local sources following  
day report four transports two subchasers at Saigon, large  
transport Quinhon Bay, transport and escort heading south  
off Nhatrang.

Luzon:

\* over Bataan reported enemy concentrations  
along Bagac/Pilar road.

Part II Naval

Subic Bay PT boats sank one of three attacking  
speedboats possibly destroyed two barges southeastern Bataan  
night February 14; San Pedro boats with cooperating Corsairs  
strafed enemy shore positions north western Samar fired small  
craft and attacked Capul Island San Bernadino Strait during  
day;

Naval units supported landing southern Bataan  
February 15.

Air. Operations February 13: \*

(1) 35 A 20's weathered out from Bataan, attacked  
concentrations near Aparri. Operations 14th:

(2) Rafer grenading report paragraph 10; later  
information reveals 8 B25's, 22 P47's, 18 P51's and 45  
dauntless on ground support missions.

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(3) 11 B 24's bombed Mariveles area Bataan.  
(4) Three RAAF B24's from Darwin attacked two  
coastal vessels damaged large tug Soemba Island;  
RAAF Ventura left coastal vessel blazing same area.

Operations February 15:

(5) B24 patrols from Leyte damaged radar station  
attacked 17 coastal vessels, sank one damaged at \*  
(6) 13th Air Force B24's \* planes struck  
Corregidor; one plane bombed LaCarlota on Negros.  
(7) Ventura strafed grounded planes sank \*  
Panay Island.  
(8) Two RAAF B24's hit amongst buildings Alor  
Island, bombed Mica Mines Banggai Archipelago.  
(9) 4 A20's raided Anumb River \* Bougainville  
attacked barges around coast.

Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1500Z/14 to  
1500Z/15 signed MacArthur.

Land. Luzon:

6th Army: I Corps: no change.

XIV Corps: 40th Division reported continued strong  
resistance Snake Hills area Guam: elements 37th Division  
encountered automatic weapons and mortar fire from upper  
stories on intramural approaches, necessitating systematic  
reduction enemy positions by close in fighting, other  
elements to south reached Manila Bay vicinity Remedios Street;  
First Cavalry Division units reached Manila Bay near  
Harrison Park, crossed Teft Avenue and Circle, right flank  
reached Florida Street. XI Corps: 38th Division: 151st Regimental  
Combat Team landed Mariveles Bay captured airstrip, troops  
reported 2,000 yards inland on left, 600 yards east Mariveles  
River on right.

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First Infantry reached Bataan Grande Southeast  
Balanga.

\* report February 16: 503 Parachute Regiment \*  
Corregidor.

Part III

(1) Dropped 2,122 by 23 lb parafrags, fired unstated  
number rounds, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft  
fire.

(2) No details.

(3) Dropped 44 tons bombs.

(4) B 24's dropped 10 500 lb bombs one tenth  
second delay, 20 100 lb bombs; Ventura dropped 3 300 lb bombs  
five seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 500 rounds,  
50, 400 rounds 30 calibre.

(5) No details.

(6) Dropped 295 250 lb bombs, 505 260 lb frags  
from 10,400 to seven \* 500 feet.

(7) No details.

(8) Dropped 5 500 lb, 10 100 lb bombs.

(9) Dropped 16 3 \* 8 to 15 seconds delay from  
minimum altitude, fired 2,200 rounds 50 calibre.

(10) 56 B25's dropped 18 2000 lb, 8 1000 lb, 19  
500 lb, 24 250 lb bombs, 16 650 lb depth charges, fired  
31,000 rounds 50 calibre; other planes dropped 32 1000  
lb, 33 500 lb, 12 300 lb, 15 250 lb bombs, 2 650 lb,  
38 325 lb depth charges.

Refer report operations February 13: paragraph 12:  
Total 30 B 25's dropped 1,730 23 lb parafrags, fired 87,000

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rounds 50 calibre.

13. 86 A20's dropped 328 500 lb, 86 250 lb bombs  
fired 107,400 rounds 50 calibre.

End

\* Being serviced

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FOR CODEROOM <b>0815</b>			DEFERRED
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COMTASKFOR 94 SENDS ACTION LOCALLY TO CINCPAC ADV HQ.  
ACTION ALSO CINCPAC PEARL INFO CTF 93 COM 5TH FLEET.  
PASSED BY CINCPAC/CINCPAC ADVHED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 160148.

OPERATIONS 15TH, 3 NITE HELLCATE 31 CORSAIRS 2  
AVENGERS USED BOMBS ROCKETS NAPALM ON BABELTHUAP  
RESULTING LARGE FIRE EXPLOSIONS BARGE SUNK WHALE-  
BOAT DAMAGED, 8 CORSAIRS BOMBED PEKEL ISLAND  
TOMIL HARBOR YAP.

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SGD KRUEGER CG 6TH ARMY CITE WL 2447 TO COM 7TH FLT ACTION  
INFO CINC SWPA LL9Z PASS TO COM 7TH PHIB G2 ADV ECH.

REFERENCE RECCE CASIGURAN SOUND YOUR 131244z  
NO US GARRISON AT PRESENT LOCATED BALER BAY. HOWEVER OUR  
PATROLS HAVE SEARCHED BALER AND FOUND NO ENEMY ACTIVITY.  
LT CHANDLEY WITH BLAMO SCOUT TEAM OF 9 MEN AND SEVERAL  
GUERRILLAS FAMILAR WITH CASIGURAN AREA WILL BE READY TO COME  
ABOARD AT TOWN OF BALER BEGINNING 19 NOL AND ACCOMPANY TASK UNIT  
TO CASIGURAN AREA AND CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE. NO INFO  
AVAILABLE FROM GUERRILLA SOURCES ON ENEMY STRENGTH OR DEFENSES  
CASIGURAN AREA. JAP GARRISON IN THAT AREA IF ANY NOT BE-  
LIEVED TO EXCEED 50 TO 100.

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FOX HOLES AND TRENCHES DUG IN AIR STRIP. TROOPS ASHORE ADVANCING RAPIDLY INLAND. BERKEY REPORTS BELIEVES 2 OF THE 3 GUN TARGETS NORTH COAST CORREGIDOR NOW OUT OF ACTION. UNLOADING DELAYED BY BAD BEACH CONDITIONS. LINGAYEN AND MINDORO PT'S ENGAGED IN LANDING SCOUTS AND CONTACTING GUERRILLAS. ECHELONS RETURNING FROM SUB+6 BAY AND LINGAYEN BAY ARRIVED LEYTE.

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(COM 7TH FLT GIVES ACTION COM 7TH PHIBFOR INFO ALL TF AND TG COMDRS 7TH FLT CINCSWA (LEYTE AND TARLAC) CG 6TH ARMY CG 8TH ARMY COMAAF COMAF 13 308 BOMWING COM 5TH FLT CINCPOA (BOTH) COMINCH.)

*all locations said could opposite Lingayen Bay*

DESP OP PLAN 2-45. AS SOON AS CURRENT OPERATIONS PERMIT FORM TASK UNIT DESIGNATED CASIGURAN SOUND RECCO UNIT COMPOSED OF 2 DD OR DE 2 AMS EQUIPPED FOR SWEEPING 1 LCI.

ENEMY OCCUPIES IN MINOR STRENGTH POINTS ALONG EAST COAST OF LUZON. ENEMY AIR ON LUZON IS NOW NEGLIGIBLE.

SCATTERED ENEMY SUBS ARE OPERATING IN PHILLIPPINE WATERS. THERE ARE NO KNOWN ENEMY MINEFIELDS COAST

DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS OR TROOPS IN THE CASIGURAN SOUND AND BAY SECTION OF EASTERN LUZON ALTHOUGH BALER

BAY AND DINGALAN BAY ARE BELIEVED TO BE MINED. ELEMENTS OF THE 6TH US ARMY HAVE OCCUPIED BALER AND DING-

ALAN BAYS. NO FRIENDLY SUBMARINES ARE OPERATING IN EASTERN LUZON WATERS.

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THIS FORCE WILL INVESTIGATE CASIGURAN BAY AND SOUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING THE PRESENCE OF ENEMY FORCES OR

INSTALLATIONS AND SUITABILITY AS A FLEET ANCHORAGE.

ASSEMBLE TASK UNIT AT LEYTE EARLIEST PRACTICABLE DATE. WHEN RFS PROCEED BALER BAY CONTACT LOCAL 6TH US ARMY

COMMANDER AND AS ARRANGED WITH HIM EMBARK JYUISOILKYIKTER PRUWERS. \* PROCEED CASIGURAN SOUND LAND SCOUTS AT POINTS

AS PREVIOUSLY ARRANGED WITH 6TH ARMY TO DETERMINE PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF ENEMY FORCES OR INSTALLATIONS CASIGURAN SOUND

AREA INCLUDING PREWAR EMERGENCY LANDING FIELD ON WEST SIDE OF SOUND. MAKE EXPLORATORY MINE SWEEPS IN CASIGURAN SOUND

AND BAY. INFORM COM7THFLT BY DISPATCH PROGRESS OF OPERATIONS AND RESULTS OF MISSION. WITHOUT INTERFERING WITH PRIMARY

MISSION DESTROY ANY ENEMY FORCES ENCOUNTERED. RETURN TROOPS TO DESTINATION ARRANGED WITH 6TH ARMY AND UPON COMPLETION

DEBARKATION RETURN LEYTE. TASK UNIT DISSOLVED ON ARRIVAL. ARRANGE AIR COVER REQUIRED WITH ALLIED AIR FORCES. IN ORDER AVOID

ACCIDENTAL ENGAGEMENT KEEP ALL INTERESTED COMMANDERS INFORMED OF MOVEMENTS. LOGISTICS AT LEYTE. COMMUNICATION

IN ACCORDANCE CANF COMM PLAN 5-44. COM7TH/<sup>FLT</sup> AT TOLOSA.

COM7THPHIBFOR<sup>FLT</sup> INFORM COM7TH/ AND ALL INTERESTED THE NAMES AND RADIO CALLS OF VESSELS IN TASK UNIT AS SOON AS ASSIGNMENTS

ARE MADE.

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\*CINCPAC ADV HQ PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 171007.  
 SUMMARY HOPPING UP OPERATIONS FORWARD AREA 4 FEBRUARY THROUGH 10 FEBRUARY: SAIPAN 33 JAPS KILLED, 2 POW. TINIAN 6 JAPS KILLED; OUR CASUALTIES 1 KIA. GUAM 34 JAPS KILLED, 13 POW; OUR CASUALTIES 1 KIA. PELELIU 1 POW. ON 9 FEBRUARY USS HYDROGRAPHER ANCHORED IN SCHONIAN HARBOR, PALAU, WAS ATTACKED BY 3 RAFTS CONTAINING 2 JAPS EACH. 1 RAFT CARRIED A MINE. THE HYDROGRAPHER EXPLODED THE MINE AND WITH GUNBOATS DESTROYED ALL RAFTS AND PERSONNEL.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area,  
Leyte, Philippine Islands

To: War Department

Nr: C 10325 15 February 1945

From GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur to Chief of Staff  
War Department C 10325. Operations report SOWESPAC area period  
1500Z/13 to 1500Z/14.

Formosa: Tanker and two large freighters sighted  
Takao Harbour night February 12.

China coast: Enemy convoy last reported as two  
battleships one heavy one light cruiser four destroyers 60  
miles west Hong Kong midday February 14.

Nanset Islands: 2000 ton freighter 10 seatrucks  
sighted anchored off Okinawa, 30 operational aircraft on  
Naha airdrome two fighters airborne February 14.

Luzon: Three guns reported in tunnels north coast  
Corregidor used against minesweepers.

Part 2. Naval:

Allied Naval units continued bombard Corregidor  
February 14; Ormoc PT boats rocketed and strafed shore  
positions northeastern Cebu and western Leyte.

Air.

(1) 60 barges sighted wrecked along eastern  
coast Bataan following fighter strikes February 11 through 13.  
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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area,  
Leyte, Philippine Islands

Nr: C 10325 15 February 1945

Operations February 12:

(2) Six B 25's swept Ceram bombed  
personnel areas Salawati western Vogelkop.

Operations February 13:

(3) 10 P 40's divebombed bridge and  
approaches northeast Rosales through unfavorable weather;  
nine Dauntless hit gun positions east Nichols Field; other  
Dauntless raided supplies and bivouacs west Fort Stotsenburg.

(4) B 24 patrols bombed Puerto Princesa  
on Palalan, scored direct hits two unidentified vessels  
Macassar Strait, demolished buildings Talaud Islands.

(5) Six Beaufighters strafed supplies  
and buildings northeastern Celebes; two Spitfires 16 RAAF  
P 40's raided personnel areas and guns Halmahera.

(6) Three RAAF B 24's attacked small  
shipping through lesser Soendas.

(7) Six Beauforts attacked Marienburg  
Sepik River; 16 others hit concentrations near But.

Operations February 14:

(8) B 24 patrols from Leyte strafed  
radio tower destroyed warehouses set coastal vessel afire  
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damaged two others Nansei Shoto, damaged coastal vessel eastern Formosa, hit lighthouse Pescadores, sank lugger near Hongkong.

(9) 5th Air Force missions including 38 B 25's against warships China coast leached out; weather also turned back missions against Bataan Island and Formosa; one fighter sweep reached Formosa damaged bomber Kato airdrome burned rolling stock; other aircraft destroyed three camouflaged planes Tuguegarao airdrome northeastern Luzon.

(10) Unreported number ground support missions silenced guns west Clark Field caused heavy enemy casualties north and east Manila; other planes destroyed two barges Manila Bay.

(11) 47 B 24's of 13th Air Force scored excellent results Corregidor; 23 other B 24's plus 8 P 38's and 58 P 47's hit same target.

(12) 96 A 20's bombed and strafed southern Bataan.

(13) Three P 38's cratered Matina runways Davao; 8 B 25's attacked barges Zamboanga.

(14) One RAAF B 24 demolished large building Mancei Island radio station southeastern Cebebes; another B 24 hit Atamboea airdrome Timor; two RAAF B 25's bombed slipways north Kospang.

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(15) Six B 25's led by boomerang  
hit assigned target west But.

(16) 10 B 24's from Nadzab attacked  
Tobera and Lakunai airdromes Rabaul.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations February 13:

(17) Four Corsairs three Venturas  
bombed Kavieng, 12 B 25's strafed coastal targets New Ireland;  
16 Venturas 40 B 25's struck bivouacs fired supplies Tobera,  
24 Corsairs harassed Rabaul; 20 Corsairs patrolled  
Bougainville exploded ammunition dumps bombed troop con-  
centrations.

Land. Luzon: I Corps:

Activity consisted of regrouping, consolida-  
tion and extensive patrolling.

XIV Corps: 1st Cavalry Division units  
secured Calumpang (south outskirts Marikina) reached high  
ground southeast edge Mandaluyong airfield (east), 12th  
Cavalry (attached 1st Cavalry Division) cleared Malate  
circle and half college campus (1400 yards east seaplane  
basin); 37th Division made further progress toward Intra-  
muros, reached Taft Avenue on left; elements 11th Airborne  
Division repulsed night counter attack in force on high  
ground east Nichols Field, others secured Canacao Bay (Cavite).

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XI Corps: 38th Division reported organized resistance highway number 7 broken, quantities supplies captured; 1st Infantry reached Balanga (5000 yards south Abucaay), no resistance encountered.

Cumulative casualties: Allied: 2,224 killed  
8,095 wounded,  
203 missing;

Enemy: 31,597 killed  
312 captured.

Preliminary report February 15:

Elements XI Corps effected landing vicinity Mariveles in southern Bataan, opposition very slight.

Part 3. (1) No details.

(2) Dropped 24 500 pound bombs.

(3) P 40's dropped 10 500 pound bombs.

(4) Four B 24's dropped 4 1000 pound, 18 500 pound, 15 300 pound bombs.

(5) No details.

(6) Four 500 pound, 14 300 pound bombs 1/10th second delay, fired 10,000 rounds 50 calibre.

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(7) Dropped 26 500 pound, 88 250 pound bombs, 80 40 pound frags, fired 900 rounds 50, 9700 rounds 30 calibre.

Paragraphs 8 through 10 no details.

(11) 47 B 24's dropped 36 500 pound bombs, 809 260 pound frags from 10000 to 8000 feet; 23 B-24's dropped 230 500 pound bombs.

(12) No details.

(13) P 38's dropped 3 1000 pound bombs; B 25's dropped 96 100 pound bombs, met moderate light accurate anti aircraft fire.

(14) B 24's dropped 8 300 pound, 10 100 pound bombs, one 500 pound incendiary; B 25's dropped 8 500 pound bombs.

(15) Dropped 24 300 pound bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude.

(16) Dropped 80 1000 pound bombs 1/10th second delay from 11,000 feet.

(17) Dropped 70 1000 pound, 10 500 pound bombs, 100 650 pound, 96 325 pound depth charge.

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Refer preceding report paragraph 12:

19 B 25's dropped 1128 23 pound parafrags from  
minimum altitude.

Weather. Adverse conditions Formosa and China  
coast, clear over Luzon and Visayas.

Supplementary paragraph: 309th Bomb Wing reported  
operating February 14 from San Marcelino 28 P 51's of 3rd  
Air Commando Group, 38 B 25's of 345th Bomb Group on in-  
effective shipping strike, 27 P 51's and 46 P 47's of 348th  
Fighter Group on sweeps over Bataan.

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INFO: CC/S; CG AAF; ASF; G-2; Adm King;  
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1200 to 1500Z/13.

Formosa: Leyte reconnaissance plane sighted two  
medium freighter transports 1 freighter 13 small vessels  
Keelung.

French Indo China: Two battleships 2 cruisers 2  
destroyers on northern course shadowed to position 230 miles  
East Tourane at 0545Z/13.

Luzon: Warships shelling Corregidor February 13th  
reported no return fire.

Part 2. Naval: Lingayen PT boats destroyed 1 sea-  
truck 5 barges 6 speedboats San Fernando hit shore positions  
toward Vigan; Ormoc boats destroyed 1 seatruck 2 supply  
filled barges Cebu, strafed shore positions Cebu and Leyte;  
light cruisers and destroyers fired 1200 6 inch and 2500 5  
inch shells against entrance Manila Bay and Corregidor  
February 13th.

Air. Operations February 10th: (1) 2 B24's started  
fires Surigao Mindanao; 5 B24's and 2 Beauforts raided Wewak  
New Guinea.

Operations February 11th: (P) 1 B24 bombed Cabalo  
Island Manila Bay; 9 B25's attacked Busuanga and Coron Islands

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Camallian Group, set buildings afire silenced machine gun posts, rendered three barges, one launch unserviceable.

(3) 13 Beauforts struck Marienburg on Sepik River and supported ground force West Wewak.

Operations February 12th: (4) B-24 patrol from Mindoro shot down fighter North Camranh Bay.

(5) Over 12 B-25's destroyed bridge, strafed trucks along Santa Fe Bayombong Highway.

(6) Seven P-47's sank six ammunition and fuel laden barges East Coast Bataan, strafed island concentrations and trails; 24 more B-24's hit waterfront installations, ammunition dumps Corregidor.

(7) Two P-38's bombed Matina dispersals Davao.

(8) Patrol B-24 met two intercepting fighters Miri Northwestern Borneo; another B-24 set warehouses afire Manado; Beaufighters attacked barracks Banggai Archipelago.

(9) Three Spitfires strafed barges Halmahera; eight RAAF P-40's destroyed ammunition dumps Wasile Bay; single B-24 bombed personnel area Djailolo.

(10) RAAF Ventura strafed observation post, sank barge Soembawa Island, hit lugger further east.

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Operations February 13th: (11) B-24's from Leyte shot down two bombers south Pescadores, sank small boat, strafed radio station and three coastal vessels Hansei Shoto; search planes strafed passenger steamer Amoy; missions against warships China Coast weathered out.

(12) B-25's struck Kagi Airdrome Formosa, killed many personnel, destroyed two planes, damaged many others; fighters escort shot down six planes probably destroyed two others.

(13) Coastal sweeps East and Northern Luzon destroyed one coastal vessel, three barges; four P-47's and 91 A-20's attacked Bataan throughout day, destroyed one barge.

(14) 46 B-24's of 13th Air Force scored excellent results Corregidor.

(15) RAAF Ventura destroyed barge Timor; three RAAF B-24's attacked buildings Banggai Archipelago, barracks and barge centre Timor.

(16) Five B-25's attacked enemy occupied village southeast But; six P-47's hit targets Kairiru Island; 12 B-24's bombed installations Wewak.

Solomons Forces, Air. Operations February 12th:

(17) 12 Corsairs, six Venturas and six B-25's bombed Kavieng area; 24 Corsairs, eight Venturas set supply dumps afire and harassed Rabaul; 36 Corsairs furnished ground support Bougainville and bombed Kieta.

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Land. Luzon: Sixth Army: I Corps: No change, 33rd  
Division relieving 43rd Division and 158th Regimental Combat  
Team.

XIV Corps: Elements 37th Division mopping up northwest  
outskirts Manila reported strong resistance North Dampalit  
Crossroads, others continued westward advances South Pasig  
River involving vicious street fighting, fired heavy artillery  
concentrations on Intramuros, main enemy center of resistance;

1st Cavalry Division units contacted 11th Airborne Divi-  
sion San Roque, Southwest Culiculi, engaged strong pocket at  
intersection Manila suburban electric line and highway 57.

XI Corps: 38th Division: Patrols from east and west  
on highway 7 made contact high ground South East Santa Rita  
Bridge; elements 1st Infantry (attached XI Corps) reached  
Abucay (2701) without contact.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 80 100 lb napalms Surigao; B-24's 16 1000  
lb, 48 500 lb bombs Wewak.

(2) B-24 dropped 20 260 lb frags; B-25's dropped 2 1/2  
100 lb parademos, 48 100 lb napalms, fired 30,000 rounds 50  
calibre.

(3) Dropped 18 500 lb, 60 250 lb bombs, fired 700  
rounds 50, 5,000 rounds 30 calibre.

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Paragraphs 4 and 5 - no details.

(6) B-24's dropped 60 tons bombs.

(7) Dropped 2 1,000 lb bombs.

(8) B-24 dropped 15 100 lb bombs; Beaufighters 4 300 lb bombs.

(9) P-40's dropped 4 500 lb bombs, 10 325 lb depth charges; B-24 dropped 15 260 lb frags from 8,000 feet.

(10) Dropped 3 300 lb bombs, fired 1,000 rounds 50, 1,000 rounds 30 calibre.

Paragraphs 11 through 13 - no details.

(14) Dropped 198 500 lb bombs, 447 260 lb frags from 12,000 to 9,000 feet.

(15) Ventura dropped 1 300 lb bomb five seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 400 rounds 50, 500 rounds 30 calibre; B-24's dropped 21 300 lb, 10 100 lb bombs, fired 1,400 rounds 50 calibre.

(16) B-25's dropped 20 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 6,500 rounds 50 calibre; P-47's dropped 6 1300 lb napalms from minimum altitude; B-24's dropped 144 500 lb bombs from 8,000 feet.

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(17) Eight B-25's dropped 30 260 lb frags; other planes dropped 34 1,000 lb, 34 500 lb, 12 300 lb, 48 250 lb bombs, 8 650 lb, 8 325 lb depth charges.

Refer preceding report paragraph 3: 26 B-24's dropped 312 500 lb bombs, 25 other B-24's dropped unstated number same type.

Refer report operations February 11th: Paragraph 7: 32 B-25's dropped 118 500 lb bombs, fired 8,400 rounds 50 calibre, one B-25 lost to anti aircraft fire.

Paragraph 8: 47 B-24's dropped 350 1,000 lb bombs; A-20's dropped 45 500 lb, 476 250 lb parademos, 104 100 lb napalms, fired 167,000 rounds 50 calibre.

Paragraph 16: B-24's dropped 144 1,000 lb bombs; A-20's dropped 430 250 lb parademos, 106 100 lb napalms, fired 134,800 rounds 50 calibre.

Airdrome status report: Lingayen 7,000 foot strip one taxiway 55 hardstandings matted, others completed February 20th; Mangaldan Airdrome complete; San Marcelino Airdrome 6,000 feet 40 hardstandings completed (345th Bomber Group operating February 13th); Mindoro Airdromes, Hill and San Jose Fields no change, Camina runway 46 hardstands complete, Murtha estimated date completion runway March 3rd.

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ADD 12 FEB STRIKES.

OVER SUSAKI AIRFIELD CHICHI JIMA 4 LIBS UNLOADED FRAG CLUSTERS BY RADAR FROM 5 - 10,000 FEET WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS DUE

UNDERCAST. MYDIS 130006 CHANGE 10 SNOOPERS OVER IWO TO 5 WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

13 FEB. IWO RADAR AND AA DEFENSES NORTHEAST AIRFIELD 3 TOOK 23 TONS CENTURIES FROM 13 LIBS AT 13,000 FEET. RESULTS

UNOBSERVED. 12-LIBS AT 16,000 FEET RADAR TOGGLED 22 TONS CENTURIES IWO AIR INSTALLATIONS AIRFIELD 2 AND AA DEFENSES TO

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3 LIBS GOT 100 PERCENT BOMBS IN TARGET REST UNOBSERVED. ALL THESE STRIKES BY PLANES OF 7TH ARMY AIR FORCE. SINGLE NAVY PBAY GOT PHOTOS

MOEN ETEN PARAM ISLANDS TRUK FROM 18500-23000 FEET. ALL AIRFIELDS OPERATIVE PARAM FIELD BEING EXTENDED TO 6100 FEET. 7 FITERS ON MOEN.

LONE NAVY PBAY OVER MARCUS GOT GOOD PHOTO COVERAGE FROM 20,000 FEET. 5 ROCKET PACKING MARINE MITCHELLS SEARCHING BONINS ATTACKED NO TARGETS.

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BOMBARDMENT GROUP OF LIGHT CRUISERS AND DESTROYERS COMMANDED BY RAD BERKEY COMMENCED PRELIMINARY BOMBARDMENT ENTRANCES MANILA BAY AT 1115/1. THE OPERATION IS PROCEEDING ACCORDING TO PLAN WITH CRUISERS CLOSING TO 8000 AND DESTROYERS TO 5000 YARDS CORREGIDOR. AS YET NO RETURN FIRE MOROTAI PT'S ON 10/11 CAPTURED HEAVILY ARMORED BARGE SANK ANOTHER AND PROBABLY SANK A THIRD. LINGAYEN PT'S DESTROYED 5 BARGES 6 SUICIDE BOATS AND 1 SEA TRUCK ON SAN FERNANDO ALSO STRAFED SHORE TARGETS. ORMOC BOATS SANK SEVERAL SMALL CRAFT. OTHER PT'S FROM SUBIC AND MINDORO DELIVERED AND RETRIEVED SCOUTS. RESUPPLY ECHELONS PROCEEDING UNMOLESTED.

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To: War Department

No: C 10203 13 February 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War  
Department C 10203.

China coast: Local report February 12 states present  
in Amoy Harbor 3 destroyers, 1 aircraft transport, 2 tankers,  
2 freighters, 1 transport;

Large transport, 2 small vessels sighted on northerly  
course off Hongkong previous day.

French Indo China: 2 enemy battleships (Ise and  
Hyuga from Singapore), 1 heavy cruiser last sighted 100  
miles southeast Camranh Bay on northerly course at 15 knots  
10422/12.

Borneo: Sightings February 11. Jesselton 2 fighters  
on airdrome 2 bombers airborne, Labuan 2 fighters, Miri 2  
fighters on airdrome 4 fighters airborne.

Part 2. Naval.

Leyte Gulf Area: Enemy submarine attacked landing  
ship tank 260 miles southeast Siargao Island morning February  
11.

Air. Operations February 9:

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(1) Refer report operations February 10, paragraphs  
1 and 2:

18 B-25's found nil shipping Formosa Strait  
demolished buildings Salomague Harbor on return;

16 B-25's swept eastern coast Luzon.

Operations February 11:

(2) B-24's from Mindoro shot down floatplane pro-  
bably sank small freighter off Camranh Bay, left coastal  
vessel sinking heavily damaged small freighter near Quinhon,  
badly damaged coastal vessel to northeast;

Leyte: B-24 forced coastal vessel ashore near  
Hongkong.

(3) 49 more B-24's struck Corregidor.

(4) Three B-24's bombed Bogo Northern Cebu;  
Two P-38's swept Davac bombed Padada, one P-38  
lost;  
Eight B-25's swept Zamboanga exploded ware-  
houses and fuel dumps set gunboat afire probably  
sank coastal vessel destroyed two barges.

(5) B-24 patrols bombed Manggar Airdrome and Manado;  
59 RAAF P-40's and 28 Beaufighters caused wide-  
spread fires Tondano town Northeastern Celebes.

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- (6) One B-24 bombed Djailolo;  
Two Spitfires, four RAAF P-40's supported ground  
forces Morotai;  
Four B-25's raided Mega Village bivouacs western  
Yogelkop.

Operations February 12:

- (7) Preliminary reports state fighter sweeps Formosa  
destroyed trucks and locomotives;

Leyte: B-24 patrol sank 4,000 ton transport Amoy Area.

- (8) Many ground support missions throughout day  
Bataan and Nichols Field;

Other planes battered port installations and town San  
Fernando.

- (9) Single B-24 harassed Bataan concentrations be-  
fore dawn;

12 A-20's squadrons each averaging nine planes bombed  
and strafed southern Bataan also sank 30 barges heading there  
from Manila and laden with personnel supplies and ammunition.

- (10) 47 B-24's of 13th Air Force scored excellent  
results Corregidor;

Another B-24 group struck same target.

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(11) Patrol Venturas destroyed two luggers under construction, damaged two others, set sheds afire Sangihe Islands.

(12) One RAAF B-24 left coastal vessel ablaze Postiljon Islands Flores Sea and bombed barge Timor;

Another B-24 raided Mica mines Banggai Archipelago.

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

(13) Eight P-40's from Nadzab bombed bivouacs Wide Bay;

Six B-24's attacked Tobera and Vunakanau Airdromes, Rabaul.

Solomons forces.

Air. Operations February 11:

(14) Nine Corsairs, six Venturas, six B-25's raided plantations New Ireland;

33 B-25's attacked plane hideout Vunakanau, 24 Corsairs, eight Venturas and seven B-25's harassed Rabaul, caused large fires truck pool area;

40 Corsairs attacked enemy concentrations and defence positions Bougainville.

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Land. Luzon:

Sixth Army: I Corps:

Extensive patrolling by all units resulted minor contacts only;

6th Division Patrol Vdushed Baler Bay;  
33rd Division concentrated Manog area, passed to I Corps control.

XXIV Corps:

Elements 40th Division captured Snake Hill number 23 against heavy fire;  
37th Division units, clearing extensively mined streets and strategically emplaced gun positions, reached line from Ayala Bridge South along Marque De Comillas and 2200 yards along San Marcelino Street;

1st Cavalry Division: 12th Cavalry units crossed Estero Triba just South San Andres Street, continued attacks to southwest;

50 Cavalry elements reached Lice extending from Manila Bay at point 1,000 yards north Liberated Avenue to point 1,000 yards north Culiculi thence through Neilson Field to Guadalupe, Neilson Field secured, forward company contacted 511 Infantry at Polo Club;

11th Airborne Division elements captured Nicholas Field against strong resistance, still receiving artillery fire from Fort McKinley, others occupied Cavite against

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moderate resistance.

XI Corps:

38th Division: 151st and 149th Regiments advancing east and west respectively in area of Santa Rita River bridge on highway seven reduced several enemy strongpoints.

Cumulative casualties to February 12:

Allied: 2014 killed  
7363 wounded  
138 missing

Enemy: 28510 killed  
295 captured

Part 3.

- (1) Dropped 68 500 lb bombs Salomague, dropped 21 500 lb bombs fired 12,300 rounds 50 caliber eastern Luzon.
  - (2) No details.
  - (3) No details.
  - (4) B-24's dropped six tons bombs;  
F-38's dropped two 1,000 lb bombs, met slight light accurate anti aircraft fire;  
B-25's dropped 18 500 lb, 86 100 lb bombs, met moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire.
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- (5) Two B-24's dropped nine 300 lb, 15 100 lb bombs;  
P-40's and Beaufighters dropped 14 500 lb, 24  
300 lb, 63 250 lb bombs, 58 100 lb napalms, 38 325 lb depth  
charges, met slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.
- (6) B-24's dropped 15 250 lb bombs from 8000 feet;  
P-40's dropped two 500, six 400 lb frags;  
B-25's dropped 18 500 lb bombs.
- (7) No details
- (8) No details
- (9) No details
- (10) 47 B-24's dropped 15 250 lb bombs, 680 260 lb  
frags from 10,000 to 8,000 feet.
- (11) No details
- (12) Dropped 14 300 lb, ten 100 lb bombs, one 500 lb  
incendiary fired 1,500 rounds 50 calibre.
- (13) P-40's dropped eight 1300 lb napalms from minimum  
altitude;  
B-24's dropped 36 1000 lb, 12 500 lb bombs from  
8000 feet.
- (14) 33 B-25's dropped 93 650 lb depth charges;  
Other planes dropped 38 1000 lb, 12 500 lb, 12  
300 lb, 26 250 lb bombs, 12 650 lb, 48 325 lb depth charges.

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Refer report operations February 10 paragraph 3:

48 B-24's dropped 384 1000 lb bombs from 8,900  
to 3,000 feet Corregidor;  
17 others returned due weather.

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To : War Department

Nr : C 10149

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From OHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department cite C 10149. Operations rpt SWESPAC area period 1500Z/10 to 1500Z/11 signed MacArthur.

China Sea: Large transport 3 small freighter transports sighted by Leyte reconnaissance plane off Hong Kong February 11, 2 freighter transports 2 destroyer escorts in area south Paracel Islands previous day.

French Indo China: Local sources report large convoy assembling Nhatrang February 10; same day 3 tankers 1 destroyer 4 destroyer escorts sighted on southerly course 2 \* \* north.

Singapore: Comprehended \* February 11 showed departure battleships Ise and Hyuga 1 light cruiser 2 destroyer escorts, same day 2 battleships 1 unidentified vessel sighted to northeast.

Luzon: Nil anti aircraft fire reported Corregidor since February 8.

Manila: Photographs February 7 showed many barricades and road blocks Dewey Boulevard.

Part 2.

Naval: Morotai PT boats captured 1 barge probably

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sank 2 others northeast Halmahera night February 10.

Air: Operations February 7:

(1) 16 B-25's hit installations and small craft  
east coast Luzon.

(2) 20 B-24's demolished Siluy and Talisay buildings  
Negros Island; 4 more B 24's hit Opon Airdrome and targets  
Cebu.

Operations February 8:

(3) 18 B 25's swept eastern Luzon destroyed barges  
and lugger.

Operations February 9:

(4) 6 B 25's bombed Boela and radio station Ceram.

Operations February 10:

(5) Mindoro B 24's shot down floatplane Camranh  
Bay, damaged 1 of 2 seatrucks with near misses Quinhon  
harbour, probably sunk destroyer transport 230 miles east  
Camranh Bay.

(6) 3 B 24's set planes afire Heito dispersals before  
dawn; 6 P 47's on fighter sweep Formosa shot down 10 planes  
probably destroyed 2 others; 4 P 51's shot down 2 Dinahs  
destroyed 3 Tonys Basco Airdrome Batan Island towards Luzon,  
1 P 51 lost to anti aircraft fire.

(7) 14 P 38's demolished Naguilian Bridge near San  
Fernando;

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B 25's destroyed barriers and truck hideouts along \* \*; close ground support missions east Rosario, northwest Stotsenburg and northeast Manila.

(8) 48 B 24's, 43 dive bombers and 145 A 20's caused heavy destruction southern Bataan Peninsula throughout day.

(9) One group B 24's demolished gun positions Corregidor.

(10) 3 P 38's swept Davao attacked Sassa Airdrome.

(11) 6 Beaufighters attacked small craft northeastern Celebes; 12 RAAF P 40's and 5 Spitfires raided barge hideout exploded fuel ammunition dumps Halmahera; 2 B 24's hit Djailolo on west coast; 4 B 25's attacked coastal targets Soela Ceram Island.

(12) 8 P 47's and 1 B 25 harassed Wewak.

Operations February 11:

(13) Leyte B 24's fired small freighter with direct hit Amoy, left picket boat burning towards Formosa; Night Catalinas caused explosions escort vessel north Pescadores, attacked large unidentified ship to south resulting in brilliant flashes; dispersals.

(14) B 25's plus minimum 34 P 47's escort found nil shipping destroyed motor transport and rolling stock southern Formosa; fighter sweeps between China coast and Formosa shot down 1 bomber.

(15) Principal fighter strength plus B 25's furnished direct ground support Luzon; 108 Dauntless

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supported ground forces near Manila and Cavite destroyed barracks and Headquarters buildings Bacuio/Santa Fe; 6 P 51's demolished guns started many fires destroyed 40 motor vehicles northeast Manila.

(16) Strikes against southern Batasan included 24 B 24's, 104 A 20's plus fighters; B 24's weathered out during afternoon.

(17) 45 B 24's of 13th Air Force struck gun positions Corregidor.

(18) Ventura patrols damaged barge Tawi Tawi, sank lugger northwestern Celebes; B 24 attacked unidentified vessel Sandakan.

(19) RAF B 24 patrols from Darwin hit mica mine installations Banggai Archipelago, strafed radio station Mancei Island, bombed coastal towns Timor; Ventura attacked barges Soembawa Flores Islands; 2 Dutch B 25's destroyed 2 barges Timor coast.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations February 10:

(20) 5 Venturas 8 Corsairs 20 B 25's struck enemy positions through New Ireland; 8 Venturas 28 Corsairs 1 B 25 patrolled Rabaul hit guns vivouacs and supplies Keravat; 40 Corsairs attacked defence positions and concentrations Bougainville.

Land. Luzon: I Corps:

25th Division patrolled mountains east Lupao-San Jose, repulsed small counter attacks; 6th Division strong

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reconnaissance patrols reached Dingalen Bay and point 3,000 yards west San Luis (436-017).

XIV Corps: 37th Division units cleared Provisor excepting small pocket, advanced west from Estero tongue in stubborn street fighting, eliminated strong point Paco railroad station and crossed Estero de Paco, Polo in north-west outskirts cleared;

1st Cavalry Division: 8th Cavalry reached Nielson Field, engaged estimated company;

11th Air Borne Division: Polo club secured, lines extended from club east to Taft Avenue extension then south to south end Nichols field thence east to Manila railroad, resistance continued heavy. End of part 2.

Part 3.

- (1) Dropped 23 500 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.
- (2) Dropped 1,124 100 lb bombs from 11,000 to 8,000 feet.
- (3) Dropped 40 500 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.
- (4) Dropped 16 500 lb bombs, met slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

Paragraphs 5 through 9 no details.

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(10) Dropped 3 1000 lb bombs.  
(11) Beaufighters dropped 4 100 lb bombs fired  
unstated number rounds; 4 P 40's dropped 8 325 lb  
depth charges; B 24's dropped 10 1000 lb bombs from 11,000  
to 6000 feet; B 25's dropped 8 500 lb bombs.  
(12) Dropped 4 500 lb, 4 300 lb bombs, 4 1300 lb  
Napalms, fired 6,400 rounds 50 calibre.

Paragraphs 13 through 16 no details.

(17) Dropped 670 250 lb bombs from 12,000 to 9,000  
feet.

(18) B 24 dropped 2 1000 lb general purpose, 1  
1000 lb torpedo bomb.

(19) 2 B 24's dropped 18 300 lb bombs, fired 1700  
rounds 50 calibre; Ventura dropped 3 300 lb bombs 5 seconds  
delay, fired 900 rounds 50, 500 rounds 30 calibre; B 25's  
dropped 12 100 lb bombs fired 1500 rounds 50 calibre.

(20) 20 B 25's dropped 53 1000, lb, 7 250 lb bombs;  
other planes dropped 44 1000 lb, 58 500 lb bombs, 56 325 lb, 2  
650 lb depth charges.

Refer report operations February 7th:

Paragraph 8: 23 B 24's dropped 6,900 by 20 lb  
frags from 14,300 to 12,000 feet Heito, met slight heavy  
inaccurate anti aircraft fire; 18 B 25's against Formosa  
shipping also bombed San Fernando Lingayen area. dropped  
44 500 lb bombs.

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Paragraph 9: 39 A 20's dropped 82 250 lb parademos,  
33 100 lb Napalms, fired 31,500 rounds 50 calibre, 6 other  
A 20's made no attack.

Paragraph 10: 6 B 24's dropped 240 100 lb bombs from  
8000 feet Licanan.

Refer report operations February 9th:

Paragraph 2: All 18 B 25's hit San Fernando, dropped  
72 500 lb bombs.

Paragraph 4: 49 A 20's dropped 8 500 lb, 8 250 lb  
bombs, 4 100 lb Napalms, 170 250 lb parademos, fired 71,300  
rounds 50 calibre.

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INFO : CCS  
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(FROM CTF 93 RDO GUAM PASS ACTION TO CG AAFPOA AND CINCPAC ADVONS RDO WAHIAWA PASS INFO TO CINCPAC RE COMAIRPAC COM 5TH FLEET. RDO GUAM PASS INTO TO CTF 94, 21 BC. RDO TINIAN PASS INFO TO CTU 50.5.3. RDO KWAJALEIN PASS INFO TO CTF 96. OTHER INFO ADDRESSEES ARE CTG 50.5.7 BC 7 AF CG 73 AND 313 BW COMFAW-2.)

(CINCPAC/CINCPAC ADV HQS PASSED INFO TO COMINCH AS 112212)

CTF 93 STRIKE RESULTS 10 FEB. 10 LIBS TO HAHA JIMA DROPPED 10 TONS INCENDIARY CLUSTERS FROM 16,000 FEET

ON BUILDING AREA OKIMURA TOWN RESULTS UNOBSERVED. 1 LIB LOST OVER TARGET DUE DIRECT HIT IN BOMB BAY BY AA. 1

MAN PICKED UP BY DUMBO. 10 CREWMEN MISSING. INTENSE ACCURATE AA HAD MINOR DAMAGE 2 PLANES. 6 P-38'S WITH

1 F-5 PHOTO PLANE OVER IWO DESTROYED 4 BETTYS AND 1 ZEKE AND DAMAGED ANOTHER BETTY. 1 LIGHTNING STRAFED DD EAST

OF AIRFIELD OZE. PHOTO COVERAGE COMPLETED WITH GOOD RESULTS. ESCORTING 20 LIBS TO IWO 10 MORE P-38'S

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DESTROYED 2 ZEKES OVER TARGET. 1 P-38 FAILED TO RETURN LAST SEEN SMOKING BUT APPARENTLY UNDER CONTROL. THESE STRIKES BY PLANES OF 7TH AAF. RESULTS TWO STRIKE AND SNOOPER MISSIONS FOLLOW LATER. 2 NAVY PBAY'S TOOK PICTURES PULUWAT AND WOLEAI FROM 10,000 FEET. WOLEAI AA HEAVY MODERATE ACCURATE. 6 ROCKET PACKING MARINE MITCHELLS SHIP SEARCHING BONINS FOUND 5 SHIPS SE HAHA AND 5 SHIPS SOUTH OF CHICHI. AGGRESSIVE ENEMY NITE FITERS INTERCEPTED BUT CAUSED NO DAMAGE. 1 MITCHELL AT 101330Z MEDIUM TANKER AT 25-20 N 141-00 E COURSE 350 SPEED 12. FIRED 8 ROCKETS AND OBSERVED 2 OR 3 EXPLOSIONS. 2ND MITCHELL FOUND TARGET 26-02 N 141-23 E AT 101156Z COURSE 045 SPEED 15. DID NOT ATTACK SINCE POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION IMPOSSIBLE. AT 26-22 N 142-10 MITCHELL SAW 2-3 ENEMY SHIPS 2 PROBABLY DD'S OR DE ON COURSE 030. PLANE LOW ON GAS DID NOT ATTACK. SAME PLANE FOLLOWED 80 MILES BY AGGRESSIVE NIGHT FITERS. 5TH MITCHELL ALSO LOW ON GAS FOUND 5 SHIPS AT 26-30 142-22 DID NOT ATTACK. AA INTENSE. FOLLOWED 10 MINUTES BY T/E NIGHT FIGHTER. LAST MITCHELL ATTACKED STATIONARY FTB AT 101810Z POSITION 26-28 N 140-50 E. 8 ROCKETS FIRED HIT SHIP CAUSING 8 EXPLOSIONS. NO DAMAGE FROM INTENSE ACCURATE AA.

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To: War Department

Hr. C 10066 11 February 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department cite C 10066. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/9 to 1500Z/10 signed MacArthur.

Formosa: 2 medium freighter transports 2 freighters (5000 tons) numerous small vessels sighted in Keelung Harbour, 2 destroyers 1 medium transport 1 small freighter transport 1 tug on southwesterly course 20 miles to Northwest morning February 10.

French Indo China: 6 small freighters 12 sub chasers and escorts sighted vicinity Cape Saint Jacques February 9.

Luzon: Enemy concentrations reported Montalban area, some evidence enemy forces were departing Fort McKinley eastwards towards Antipolo; heavy traffic by motor transport reported Balete Pass night February 8.

Part 2. Air. Operations February 9:

(1) 4 B 24's started fires Takao dispersals destroyed undetermined number planes before dawn; Catalina evaded 2 intercepting fighters Takao, bombed radio station Southern Tip Formosa; planes on shipping strikes Formosa sank 1 sea-truck 1 destroyer weather hampered mission.

(2) 8 barges 1 lugger destroyed or damaged by planes sweeping Luzon Coast through adverse weather; additional strikes exploded and set afire supplies Baguio, bombed enemy positions Central Luzon.

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(3) 1 B 24 group hit Corregidor guns both morning and afternoon.

(4) 78 A 20's bombed and heavily strafed Mariveles to Bataan Airdrome along Southern tip of peninsula during morning; 68 A 20's attacked same target afternoon.

(5) 2 P 38's on Davao sweep bombed Matina.

(6) 1 B 24 bombed Manggar Airdrome Balikpapan; another hit shipyards Tarakan.

(7) 4 RAAF P 40's attacked bivouacs Halmahera; 2 B 24's bombed Djailolo and Miti.

Operations February 10:

(8) B 24 patrols from Leyte damaged launch Sakishima Group, sank coastal vessel south east Formosa shot down 1 of 2 intercepting fighters towards Pescadores damaged lugger south Hong Kong.

(9) 14 P 51's raided airdrome Northeast Tugkegarao; 9 Dauntless attacked Marikina town East Manila; 73 Dauntless dive bombed and strafed gun positions and troop concentrations to Northeast.

(10) 42 B 24's of 13th Air Force caused explosions amongst guns Corregidor.

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(11) RAAF B 24 patrols from Darwin bombed mica mines  
Banggai Archipelago, Ossu town Timor and Kabiarat in Tanimbars.

(12) 3 B 24's and 8 P 47's raided plantations and  
concentrations high ground West Kabaul; 5 B 24's bombed  
Tobera Airdrome.

Solomon Forces. Air. Operations February 9th:

(13) 8 B 25's bombed Kavieng Airdrome, 12 Corsairs  
2 Venturas attacked other targets New Ireland; 26 B 25's  
harassed Vanakanau bombed personnel area and supplies Tobera,  
16 Corsairs patrolled Rabaul; weather restricted activity  
Bougainville where 1 Catalina bombed coastal target 6 Corsairs  
on patrol.

Land. Luzon: I Corps: 43rd Division patrolled  
extensively in zone of action, destroyed numerous small enemy  
parties; 32nd Division elements attacked estimated battalion  
10,000 yards North Northeast San Nicholas; 6th Division units  
reached Bitulok (187-722) Kalaanan (094).

XIV Corps: Elements 1st Cavalry Division crossed  
Pasig River secured Philippine Racing Club, others crossed  
Pasig North Makati, no reported opposition; 37th Division  
units advancing toward Intramuros continued encounter heavy  
fire, reported strong resistance Paco railroad station. 11th  
Airborne Division passed to 6th Army 14th Corps control  
February 10, continued reduction individual bunkers Nichols  
field area.

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XI Corps: 38th Division elements vicinity Santa Rita bridge engaged reduction numerous cave and underground fortifications.

Part 3.

Paragraphs 1 through 3 no details.

(4) Dropped approximately 55 tons 250 lb bombs, fired 165,000 rounds 50 calibre.

(5) Dropped 2 1000 lb bombs.

(6) Dropped 6 1000 lb bombs.

(7) P 40's dropped 8 250 lb frags; B 24's dropped 15 300 lb, 14 100 lb bombs from 7000 feet.

(8) No details.

(9) P 51's dropped 28 tons type unstated; Dauntless dropped 44 1000 lb, 8 500 lb, 88 250 lb, 36 100 lb bombs.

(10) Dropped 110 1000 lb bombs, 1 500 lb, 340 250 lb bombs from 12,000 to 8,000 feet.

(11) 2 B 24's dropped 18 300 lb bombs, fired 1300 rounds 50 calibre.

(12) B 25's and P 47's dropped 12 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay and 8 napalms from minimum altitude, fired

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2400 round 50 calibre; B 24's dropped 40 1000 lb bombs from  
9000 feet.

(13) 34 B 24's dropped 60 500 lb, 58 300 lb, 4 250  
lb bombs, 30 260 lb frags, 27 650 lb depth charges; other  
planes dropped 8 1000 lb, 15 500 lb, 4 250 lb bombs.

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DECODED BY <b>THOMSON/ LYNN</b>			<b>COM7THFLT REAR ECHELON</b>	5
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CTF 77 SENDS ACTION CINCSWA LEYTE AND TARLAC INFO TO COMINCH  
CINCPAC GUAM COM5THFLT CONSEVENTHFLT REAR ECHELON.

OBB DEPARTED LINGAYEN 18001 10 FEB FOR ULITHI VIA LEYTE.  
 RETURN ECHELONS DEPARTED LINGAYEN AND SUBIC BAY FOR LEYTE.  
 ON THE 9TH LINGAYEN PT'S WITH EXCELLENT AIR COOPERATION SANK  
 TYPE A BARGES, 1 LUGGER, 7 SUICIDE BOATS AND 1 ML AND STARTED  
 OIL FIRES ALL IN SAN FERNANDO AREA. DELAYED REPORT NIGHT 6/7  
 BLUE SUBS SANK 1 LARGE AND 2 MEDIUM AK'S OF A NORTHBOUND  
 CONVOY OFF ENTRANCE TO GULF OF SIAM,

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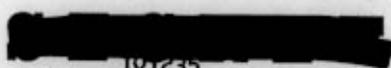
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FROM CTF 93. RADIO GUAM PASS ACTION TO CG AAFPOA AND CINCPDA ADV HQS AND INFO 21 BOMCOM, CTF 94, CTF 96, CTG 50.5 GET INFO DIRECT. RADIO TINIAN GIVE INFO CTU 50.5.3. ALSO INFO CFAW-2, COMAIRPAC, COM 5TH FLEET 7TH AF, COMGEN 73RD WING, COMGEN 313 BOMWING, 7TH BOMCOM, CINCPDA REAR.

THESE ARE CTF 93 STRIKE RESULTS FOR 9 FEBRUARY: 14 LIBS 17,000 FEET OVER IWO RAINED 28 TONS 500 LB FRAG CLUSTERS ON AA, RADIO AND RADAR INSTALLATIONS NE OF AIRFIELD 3. ALL BOMBS IN TARGET AREA. 8 MORE LIBS 14,000 FEET OVER IWO DROPPED 16 TONS 100 LB GP ON DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS AND BIVOUAC AREA N SIDE OF SURIBACHI YAMA. ALL BOMBS IN TARGET AREA. 10 LIBS SNOOPING IWO AT NIGHT LOUSED 21 TONS FRAGS FROM 9900-14,000 FEET ON AIR INSTALLATIONS AIRFIELD 2 AND AA DEFENSES NORTH OF AIRFIELD. 50% HITS TARGET AREA FOR 3 PLANES; REST UNOBSERVED DUE CLOUDS. THESE STRIKES WERE BY BOMBERS OF THE 7TH ARMY AIR FORCE.

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TO CHICHI HAMA AND IWO WENT 4 NAVY PB4Y'S ON PHOTO  
MISSION. PICTURES TAKEN FROM 20,000 FEET. HEAVY, IN-  
TENSE, ACCURATE AA ON IWO. 1 PLANE SLIGHT DAMAGE. 3  
MAIMED MITCHELLS SHIP-SEARCHING BONINS ATTACKED NO TAR-  
GETS.

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Advance Echelon, San Miguel, P. I.

To: War Department  
General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area,  
Leyte, P. I.

Nr: CAX 50401 10 February 1945

[REDACTED] From Adv GHQ sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department info to GHQ SWPA cite CAX 50401 your W39 ARGONAUT 59 7th.

Considering hostile strength and dispositions in the Philippines the troop and cargo movements that this headquarters must carry out and shortage of shipping under current allocations, taken together with our commitments for interdiction of sea routes and support of operations to the north, it is estimated that all the ground and air forces available to me will be required to clear the Philippines and that it will take at least six months. It is deemed essential that the strength of the SWPA remain unimpaired.

Current plans contemplate the employment of Australian forces in operations to the southward. The purpose of the request for ship retentions contained in my C 57530 was to expedite those operations in order to coordinate them with the Central Pacific offensive in the north. Further it would be highly advantageous to secure early employment of these AIF Divisions because Australia is showing definite signs of restiveness due to the inactivity of their troops and the minor role the Australians feel they are now playing in the eyes of the world in the offensive campaign. Using the Australians and the resources now available we shall be able \* to great advantage to the south but the definite establishment of a time

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Advance Echelon, San Miguel, P.I.

Nr: CAX 50401 10 February 1945

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With reference to Hainan a separate message is being sent.

End

\*Being serviced

Footnote: W 39 ARGONAUT 59 is CM-IN-6681 (7 Feb 45) Gen. Hull  
C 57530 is CM-IN-3346 (3 Feb 45) Gen. Hull

ACTION: Gen. Hull

INFORMATION: JC/S  
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Gen. Arnold  
Gen. Somervell  
Gen. Bissell  
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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area,  
Advanced, San Miguel, Philippines

To: War Department  
General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Areas,  
Leyte, Philippines

No: CAX 50401 10 February 1945

From Adv GHQ sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War  
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Advanced, San Miguel, Philippines

No: CAX 50401 10 February 1945

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Note: Corrected copy of CM-IN-9888 (10 Feb 45) Gen Hull

ACTION: Gen Hull.

INFO: JC/S Gen Somervell  
Adm Leahy Gen Bissell  
Gen Arnold Adm King

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area  
Leyte, Philippines

To: War Department

Hr: C 57926 9 February 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 57926. Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1500Z/7 to 1500Z/8 signed MacArthur.

Nansei Islands: Two large merchant vessels two tankers eight sestrucks three destroyers four destroyer escorts reported near Myako by reconnaissance plane February 8.

Formosa: One large eight medium freighters ten seatrucks sighted Keelung same day, photographs Heito February 2 showed 70 single engined planes six twin engined.

French Indo China: Two medium freighter transports three destroyers reported approaching Camranh Bay from Eastward February 7.

Borneo: Tanker sighted in Brunei Bay February 7.

Part 2. Air. Operations February 5th:

(1) 17 A-20's furnished ground support San Isidro and Nichols Field; 30 A-20's detailed similar mission returned without attacking; 14 A-20's raided targets Bataan and Bicol Peninsula. 45 A-20's swept Iolillo Islands Eastern

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Luzon and Palawan on shipping reconnaissance; 16 A-20's  
raided Negros airdromes.

Operations February 7th.

(2) RAAF Ventura damaged lugger Flores Island.

Operations February 8th:

(3) B-24 patrols from Leyte strafed seastruck and  
two small vessels Hong King area.

(4) 18 Dauntless divebombed and strafed enemy  
bivouacs North Rosario; 17 other Dauntless hit San Fernando.

(5) 13th Air Force B-24's: 21 planes cratered  
Manggar airdrome Balikpapan, met four intercepting fighters;  
six planes bombed nearby Seppinggan Field; five planes  
caused explosions many fires Manado, Northeastern Celebes.

(6) Four RAAF B-24's scored direct hits Sourabaya  
power plants, met two intercepting fighters; three RAAF  
B-24 patrols hit barge Soembawa Island; bombed Viqueque  
town, Timor; RAAF Ventura destroyed barge attacked coastal  
vessel Soembawa.

(7) 10 Beauforts attacked But and nearby barge  
hideout, destroyed one barge; six A-20's raided village  
to West; nine P-47's hit installations Wewak; six B-25's

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attacked headquarters area.

(8) Four B-24's from Nadzab cratered Vanakanau air-  
drome Rabaul. Solomons Forces. Air.

Operations February 7th:

(9) Four B-25's harassed Kavieng area, eight  
Corsairs three Venturas demolished buildings around New  
Ireland; 22 B-25's struck plane park Vanakanau, eight  
Venturas 12 Corsairs and 7 B-25's attacked supplies and  
personnel areas Tobera and Rabaul; 40 Corsairs raided  
bivouacs and headquarters area Bougainville.

Land. Luzon:

I Corps: 32nd Division units on Villa Verde trail  
reached point five miles Northeast San Nicholas; 25th  
Division completed capture Lupao; elements 6th Division  
occupied Bongabong.

XIV Corps: 40th Division: Strong enemy defense  
Snake Hill area continues; 37th Division bridgehead South  
Pasig River 1,500 yards deep 2,000 yards wide, advancing units  
encountered heavy fire; 1st Cavalry Division units reduced  
enemy strong point Saint Joseph Academy, occupied New  
Manila and Rosario Heights subdivisions.

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XI Corps: 38th Division elements vicinity Santa Rita River bridge (044966) continued eastward advances against organized positions.

Eighth Army:

11th Airborne Division continuing Nichols Field attacks reduced enemy bunkers with artillery and flame throwers.

Leyte: Cumulative enemy casualties to February 8th:  
73,527 killed, 684 captured.

Part 3.

(1) 47 A-20's dropped 156 250 lb parademos, 24 100 lb napalms, fired 41,500 rounds 50 calibre.

(2) Dropped 3 500 lb bombs five seconds delay, fired 1,100 rounds 50, 600 rounds 30 calibre.

(3) No details.

(4) Dropped 18 1000 lb, 17 500 lb bombs from 9,000 to 2,100 feet.

(5) Dropped 158 1,000 lb bombs from 15,000 to 11,000 feet; moderate heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire Seppinggan.

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(6) B-24's dropped 24 500 lb bombs from 1,200 feet, fired 3,800 rounds 50 calibre Sourabaya; three B-24's dropped 27 300 lb, 10 100 lb bombs, 1 500 lb incendiary; Ventura dropped 3 300 lb bombs, fired 1,200 rounds 50, 1,000 rounds 30 calibre.

(7) Beauforts dropped 4 500 lb, 18 250 lb bombs, 24 40 lb frags; A-20's dropped 24 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 5,500 rounds 50 calibre; P-47's dropped 9 napalms; B-25's dropped 24 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 5,900 rounds 50 calibre.

(8) Dropped 24 1,000 lb, 12 500 lb bombs from 11,000 feet.

(9) 33 B-25's dropped 25 1,000 lb, 136 500 lb bombs, 16 100 lb frags and incendiaries; other planes dropped 37 1,000 lb, 16 500 lb bombs, 6 650 lb and 48 325 lb depth charges.

22nd Bomber Group (B-24's) operating from Guiuan Navy airdrome Southeast point Samag Island.

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

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FROM LEYTE. MINDORO PEETES SUCCESSFULLY LANDED SCOUTS  
IN PUERTO PRINCESSA AREA PALAWAN MOROTAI PEETES EVACUAT-  
ED 41 NATIVES FROM BOELI KAY. NO REPORT OF ENEMY AIR ATTACK  
ON NAVAL FORCES LAST 24 HOURS.

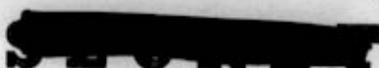
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CTF 77 SENDS ACTION CINCSWA LEYTE AND TARLAC INFO  
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OVERWATER WITHDRAWAL FROM ORMOC AREA CONTINUES.

RETURNING CONVOY DEPARTED MINDORO FOR LEYTE. SLOW

CONVOY DEPARTED LINGAYEN FOR LEYTE. CONVOY DEPARTED

LINGAYEN FOR SUBIC BAY. RESUPPLY CONVOY DEPARTED

LEYTE FOR MINDORO. SUBIC BAY, AND LINGAYEN.

RESUPPLY CONVOY ARRIVED MINDORO TODAY. NO REPORT

OF ENEMY AIR ATTACKS ON NABTS\* SHIPPING LAST 24 HOURS

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 YOUR 060604 AND CTF 78'S 070230. By SLR Date MAY 4 1972  
 CONFERENCE WITH 11TH CORPS AND 5TH AIR FORCE HELD. BARNEY  
 AND BERKEY PRESENTED AIR FORCE PLANS HEAVY STRIKES CABCABEN  
 MARIVELES AND CORREGIDOR EVERY DAY UNTIL DOG-DAY. PLAN TO  
 CONDUCT MINE SWEEPING ON MINUS 2 AND MINUS 1 DAYS SUPPORTED  
 BY CRUISER BOMBARDMENT AND DESTROYER CLOSE SUPPORT. IF  
 CONDITIONS PERMIT EXPECT TO COMPLETE GENERAL EXPLORATORY  
 SWEEPING OF OFFSHORE AREAS AND SWEEPING OF NORTH CHANNEL IN-  
 CLUDING REPORTED FIELD BETWEEN LA MONJA AND COCHINOS POINT,  
 AND ENTRANCE MARIVELES HARBOR BY MINUS 1. DO NOT CONTEMPLATE  
 SWEEPING REPORTED FIELD BETWEEN CORREGIDOR AND CARABAO ISLAND

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AT THIS TIME. SUBJECT TO AMOUNT OF ENEMY GUNFIRE FROM  
CORREGIDOR AND BATAAN BELIEVE MINESWEEPING AND BOMBARDMENTS  
CAN BE COMPLETED TO PERMIT AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION ON TARGET  
DATE. RECOMMEND TASK UNIT 77.2.5 OF HEAVY CRUISERS ARRIVE  
SUBIC NOT LATER THAN AFTERNOON OF 9TH FOR INCLUSION IN  
BOMBARDMENT FORCES. IF PROVIDED WILL HAVE HEAVY CRUISERS ON  
STATION ON MINUS 2 BUT WILL NOT EMPLOY THEM UNLESS NEEDED.  
USE OF 6 YMS'8 NON LINGAYEN RECOMMENDED FOR CLEARANCE WORK  
MANILA ENTRANCE IF AVAILABLE. DUE TO HEAVY RESISTANCE EAST  
OF OLONGAPO ON HIGHWAY TO DINALUPITAN COMGEN 11TH CORPS MAY  
RECOMMEND TARGET DATE OF 14TH.

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To: War Department

Nr: C 57857 8 February 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War  
Department cite C 57857. Operations report SOWESPAC area  
period 1500Z/6 to 1500Z/7

China Coast:

Two medium freighter transports, one seatruck, three  
escorts sighted by reconnaissance plane on southerly course  
200 miles north by east Formosa, two large freighter trans-  
ports one large tanker two seatrucks, two escort vessels  
south Amoy heading northeast February 7.

French Indo-China:

Two large transports, two cruisers, three destroyers  
reported by local source southbound off Quinhon night February  
6; 11 freighter transports reported heading northeast 40 miles  
southeast Ouaranh Bay February 7, at Saigon photographs  
February 6 showed 15,000 tons merchant shipping, 15 twin  
engined, 17 single engined planes on Tan Son Nhut Airrome.

Thailand:

Planes of 20th Bomber Command report sighting  
vicinity Bangkok one battleship, one light cruiser, one  
destroyer, eight merchant ships.

Borneo:

Five fighters intercepted B-24's over Balikpapan  
February 6, photographs showed three fighters Manggar four

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at Seppinggan, next day 12 Zekes, 2 Dinahs sighted Labuan;  
vessel reported as small carrier sighted heading west south  
Tawi Tawi February 6.

Part 2.

PT boats sweeping entrance Manila Bay probably sank  
1 of 2 enemy boats encountered night February 5.

Air.

Operations February 3:

(1) Beaufighters destroyed two bridges demolished  
buildings northeastern Celebes; 30 RAAF P-40's bombed  
Wasile Bay guns Halmahera; 5 B-25's damaged seatruck Piroe  
Bay hit radar station Boela bombed village Salawati Island  
Dutch New Guinea.

Operations February 6th:

(2) Leyte B-24 exploded another coastal vessel  
Nansei Shoto.

(3) 4 B-24's over east coast Luzon bombed barracks  
and supplies; 16 B-25's on coastal sweep bombed storage  
tanks Hondagua Lopez Bay hit floating cranes.

(4) 9 B-25's struck Libby supply dumps Davao,  
started many fires.

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(5) Patrol B-24 bombed warehouses near Miri northwestern Borneo; four Beaufighters attacked bridges northeastern Celebes.

(6) 24 RAAF P-40's exploded fuel dumps hit supplies Wasile and Kau Bays; 4 Spitfires strafed Djailolo western Halmahera; 4 \* B-25's swept Ceram destroyed two barges damaged others.

Operations February 7:

(7) Leyte B-24's along China Coast through Formosa strait sank picket boat attacked two coastal vessels strafed two seatrucks left one sinking forced coastal vessel ashore; Mindoro B-24's shot down two float planes near Camranh Bay, set intercepting fighter afire Miri strafed ground installations destroyed two planes probably destroyed one Labuan.

(8) 5 predawn B-24's caused many large fires explosions Takao; day B-24 strike Formosa found primary targets obscured, demolished barracks underground supplies caused fires explosions Heito, 15 enemy planes airborne nil interception; P-38's escort shot down reconnaissance plane destroyed many railcars and motor trucks sank one coastal vessel one barge damaged one coastal vessel four barges; B-25's on shipping strike shot down reconnaissance plane southern Formosa sank submarine left seatruck burning destroyed road transport.

(9) Three squadrons A-20's gave direct support Ground Forces approaching Manila from south; three other squadrons struck enemy positions high ground west Clark Field.

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(10) One B-24 group bombed enemy concentrations Bogo northern Cebu; no report other group detailed strike Lioanan Mindanao.

(11) 13th Air Force B-24's: 15 planes bombed supplies, bivouacs and Lutong refinery Miri; 19 planes cratered Tavao strip northeastern Borneo.

(12) Four RAAF B-25's left barge blazing Alor Island; RAAF B-24 bombed Laga village Timor and Manoei Island northeastern Celebes.

(13) Four B-24's bombed plantation Wewak; Five A-20's raided villages Kairiru Island; 22 Beauforts attacked enemy positions inland from But.

Solomons Force.

Air.

Operations February 6:

(14) 22 B-25's, three Venturas and eight Corsairs started fires Kavieng hit enemy concentrations New Ireland; 24 Corsairs plus Venturas patrolled Rabaul bombed hideout and personnel Duke of York Island; eight Venturas 48 Corsairs and seven B-25's supported ground forces hit concentrations destroyed or damaged nine barges Bougainville.

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Land.  
Luzon:  
Sixth Army:

I Corps: 43rd Division captured high ground 1,500 yards west Labayug area; 32nd Division units advanced against machine gun fire to point 3500 yards northeast Santa Maria, others reached point 12 miles north San Nicolas without contact; 25th Division: three quarters Lupac occupied, tank supported defense remained stubborn, San Isidro taken; elements 6th Division completed capture Munoa (rpt Munoa), reported probably destruction of Tank Regiment and Infantry Battalion, other elements occupied Rizal.

XIV Corps:

37th Division: Battalion 148 Infantry effected crossing Pasig River at Malacanan Palace, other units continued clear pockets north of river; First Cavalry Division secured Balara filters (10,000 yards east Grace Park Airfield), continued heavy street fighting Quiapo and San Miguel districts; XIV Corps Command Post opened 1000 yards west Bonifacio Monument, north Grace Park; 40th Division units launched coordinated attack enemy position \* Hill (2140), others advancing west from Dinalupihan reached Bulate (096971).

XI Corps:

38th Division: 158 Infantry reduced strong resistance \* west Bulate continued eastward.

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Cumulative casualties to February 7th:

Allied:	Killed:	1,654
	Wounded:	5,561
	Missing:	197
Enemy:	Killed	19,909
	Captured:	223

Eighth Army:

11th Airborne Division fighting on Nichols Field made progress against entrenched enemy supported by automatic weapons mortar and artillery fire.

Cumulative casualties to February 7th:

Allied killed: 61  
Wounded: 265

Enemy: Killed: 756  
Captured: 11

End of Part 2.

Part 3.

(1) Beaufighters dropped 20 500 lb bombs; P-40's dropped 58 100 lb incendiaries; B-25's dropped 20 500 lb bombs.

(3) B-24's dropped one ton bombs; B-25's dropped 10 tons.

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(4) Dropped 106 100 lb Napalms from minimum altitude, met slight light inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(5) B-24 dropped 9 250 lb bombs; Beaufighters dropped 4 100 lb bombs.

(6) P-40's dropped 14 260 lb frags, 24 100 lb Napalms; Beaufighters dropped 4 100 lb bombs; B-25's dropped 4 1,000 lb, 16 500 lb bombs; slight medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

Paragraphs 7 through 9 no details.

(10) Dropped 446 250 lb bombs Cebu.

(11) Dropped 225 300 lb, 95 1,000 lb bombs from 13,000 to 9,000 feet.

(12) B-25's fired 5,200 rounds 50 caliber; B-24 dropped 12 300 lb bombs 1 500 lb incendiary.

(13) B-24's dropped 48 500 lb bombs from 8,000 feet; A-20's dropped 20 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 5,300 rounds 50 caliber; Beauforts dropped 36 500 lb, 68 250 lb bombs, 12 40 lb frags, 80 4 lb incendiaries, fired 9,000 rounds 30 caliber.

(14) 22 B-25's dropped 82 500 lb bombs plus five tons incendiaries; remainder dropped 34 1,000 lb, 36 500 lb bombs, 102 325 lb depth charges plus four tons bombs type unstated.

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Airdrome status:

San Macelino runway completed to 6,000 feet; concrete strip Clark Field useable for transports February 14.

Supplementary report:

Additional fighter sorties February 4 through 6, patrols by 31 RAAF P-40's, 18 P-61's, 19 Spitfires; no details Fifth Air Force.

End

\* Being serviced.

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CC/S  
CG AAF  
ASF  
G-2  
Adm. King  
Col. Park  
Statistics  
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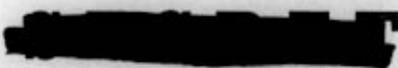
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2ND AND 3RD REINFORCEMENT ECHELON DEPARTED LEYTE FOR LINGAYEN 1200. SLOW CONVOY DEPARTED LINGAYEN AT 1300 FOR SUBIC. RESUPPLY CONVOY ARRIVED M6 AT 0800 TO RETURN MINDORO 1500. LINGAYEN BLACKCATS ON NIGHT 5/6 SANK LARGE SC IN POSIT 24-28 NORTH 124-07 EAST. ORMOC PTS ON 5/6 SANK 70 FOOT LUGGER 3 MILES EAST TINIAN ANCHORAGE CEBU KILLED 31 JAPS CAPTURED 4. NO REPORT OF ENEMY AIR ATTACKS ON NAVAL SHIPPING LAST 24 HOURS.

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area period 1500Z/5 to 1500Z/6 signed MacArthur.

China Coast:  
2 destroyers 1 tanker 1 freighter transport 2 sea-  
trucks sighted on northeasterly course off Swatow February 6.  
Nansei Shoto:  
11 seatrucks sighted on southerly course off north-  
west coast Okinawajima February 6.

Formosa:  
Photographs February 2nd showed 292 single engine  
planes 31 twin engined on 8 airdromes.

French Indo China:  
3 tankers sighted vicinity Quinhon Harbour February  
6th.

Luzon:  
Manila:  
Enemy reported to have destroyed all bridges over  
Pasig river from mouth to San Juan River junction, fires in  
city largely restricted to enemy supplies.

Part 2  
Naval:  
Ormoc P T boats rocketed enemy positions northern  
Cebu, Morotai boats shelled coastal hideout night February 4;

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Mindoro boats sank troop filled barge destroyed another on beach Verde Island passage, Ormoc boats sank troop filled lugger Cebu following night.

Air:

Operations February 3rd:

1. 6 P-38's, 15 P-47's and 2 B-25's attacked gun positions and villages Wewak.

Operations February 5th:

2. Allied fighters destroyed 1 enemy fighter Laog; 1 B-25 group swept eastern Luzon destroyed 7 barges damaged 21 \* and 2 motor boats.
3. Patrol Ventu as scored \* vessel under construction Zamboanga damaged floatplane several barges strafed radar station Sulu Archipelago, damaged lugger probably destroyed 2 coastal vessels started large fire Sangihe Island; sin \* 24 bombed Bintulu airdrome northwestern Borneo damaged lone intercepting fighters.
4. 7 Beaufighters 12 RAAF P-40's and 2 B-24's attacked highways and bridges northeastern Celebes.
5. 12 RAAF P-40's raided Halmahera supplies; 7 B-25's covered Boeroe Ceram Islands bombed radar station sank 2 barges.
6. 4 RAAF B-24's over Sourabaya bombed Mendalan and Simanpir power installations; single RAAF B-24 sank coastal vessel strafed 2 barges Reo Flores Island.
7. RAAF Catalina strafed villages Sepik river; 6-B24's demolished buildings Wewak; 8 Beauforts struck enemy positions \*

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Operations February 6:

8. Night Catalina sank large seatruck \* : Day B-24's sank 2 seatrucks 1 picket boat damaged 2 seatrucks shot down 1 bomber strafed radar station same area, strafed salvage vessel southwest Amoy; weather cancelled predawn B-24's Formosa.

9. 5th Air Force planes all categories furnished maximum ground support Luzon; B-25's and P-38's caused further destruction enemy headquarters \* in Cagayan Valley; 16 P-38's struck enemy camps Rosario Baguio road; 6 A-20 squadrons supporting ground forces south Manila hit fortifications and guns Nichols Field; 60 B-24's struck Corregidor defences with 204 tons bombs; 6 A 20's raided Cabaglio Island Manila Bay.

10. \* caused extensive destruction in attack on Fabrica airdrome Negros Island.

11. Ventura patrol damaged whaleboat Tawi Tawi; 46-B24's of 13th Air Force caused explosions and fires through Namnggar and Seppinggan bivouacs supplies and installations near Balikpapan; P-38's escort probably destroyed 1 of 5 intercepting fighters.

12. 3 RAAF B-24's damaged luggers Flores Island, exploded fuel barge Kendari-hit Laga town Timor.

13. 4 A-20's, 5 B-25's and 6 Beauforts struck enemy positions south east Aitape.

14. 6 B-24's from Nadzab bombed Tobera airdrome Rabaul.

Solomons Forces. Air:  
Operations February 5th:

15. 3 Venturas 8 Corsairs bombed personnel areas New Ireland; 8 Venturas 6 Corsairs and 7 B-25's attacked

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truck pool Rabaul and harrassed area; 24-B25's struck plane \*;  
38 Corsairs 2 boomerangs demolished headquarters area \*;  
strafed barges caused explosions northern Bougainville.  
Land.

Luzon: Sixth Army, 1st Corps;

43rd Division repulsed small scale counter and  
infiltration attacks Rosario Sector, \* 8 in \* patrolled to  
\* without contact.

32nd Division continued overrun enemy positions Villa  
Verde trail northeast Santa Maria, established road block  
Minuli (743-471)

25th and 6th Division units made continued slow  
progress in heavy fighting Lapac and Munoz.

14th Corps:

Elements 1st Cavalry and 37th Division engaged  
heavy street and house to house fighting area North Pasig  
river, 1st Cavalry units secured Novaliches Dam captured  
San Francisco Del Monte bridge over San Jaim river.

11th Corps:

Elements 38th Division made gains against organized  
positions in zigzag pass 11,000 yards west Dinalupihan, others  
reached point 6,000 yards north east Dinalupihan.

Eighth Army, 11th Airborne Division:

511 Infantry reached south edge Nichols Field \*  
Part 2

\* 3

1. Dropped 21 napalm bombs from minimum altitude,  
fired 17,100 rounds 50 calibre.

2. No details.

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3. B-24 dropped two 1000 pound bombs.
4. B-24s dropped 36 260 pound frags from 12,000 feet;  
P-40s and Beaufighters dropped 38 250 pound bombs.
5. P-40s dropped 24 100 pound napalms; B-25s  
dropped 26 500 pound bombs.
6. Dropped 24 500 pound bombs 1/10 second delay  
from 1200 feet Scourabaya, nine 300 pound bombs, fired  
1800 rounds 50 calibre Flores.
7. Catalina fired 1,100 rounds 30, 1900 rounds  
50 calibre; B-24s dropped 48 1,000 pound bombs; Beauforts  
dropped 13 \*
12. Dropped 30 300 pound bombs, one 500 pound in-  
cendiary, fired 2,400 rounds 50 calibre.
13. Beauforts dropped 12 500 pound, 16 250 pound  
bombs; \* 300 pound eight to 15 seconds delay from minimum  
altitude, fired 7,500 rounds 50 calibre.
14. Dropped 48 1,000 pound bombs 1/10 second delay  
from 11,000 feet, fired 1,000 rounds 50 calibre.
15. 24 B-25s dropped 172 250 pound bombs; others  
dropped 40 1,000 pound bombs, \* 650 pound, 48 325 depth  
charges plus 12 tons bombs types unstated.

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**PARA 1. THE REMAINING 4 OF THE 8 BATTLESHIPS WHICH I SENT TO THE 7TH FLEET FOR TEMPORARY DUTY TO PROVIDE FIRE SUPPORT FOR THE LEYTE AND LINGAYEN ASSAULT ARE REQUIRED FOR THE SAME PURPOSE IN OPERATIONS TO BE CONDUCTED IN THE PACIFIC OCEAN AREAS. UNDER THE TERMS OF OUR AGREEMENT (FIVE-SOME) THEY WERE TO ARRIVE ULITHI BY 19 JAN BUT WERE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE 7TH FLEET FOR ABOUT 3 WEEKS BY <sup>NY</sup> 161836.**

**PARA 2. ON 16 FEBRUARY THE PACIFIC FLEET WILL ATTACK HONSHU AND IRO JIMA AND WILL THEREBY MAKE FULLY EFFECTIVE ITS NAVAL STRATEGIC SUPPORT OF THE PHILIPPINES POSITION.**

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PARA 3. VICE ADMIRAL OLDENDORFS REPORT SHOWS THAT PENNSYLVANIA MUST BE DOCKED AND MISSISSIPPI AND COLORADO MUST HAVE EXTENSIVE BATTLE DAMAGE REPAIRED PRIOR TO SAILING FOR ICEBERG. ALL 4 SHIPS ARE BADLY IN NEED OF UPKEEP.

PARA 4. REQUEST YOU DIRECT COM 7TH FLEET TO RETURN MISSISSIPPI COLORADO AND WEST VIRGINIA TO ULITHI AND PENNSYLVANIA TO MANUS ALL TO ARRIVE 16 FEBRUARY.

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TOR CODEROOM	1656		DEFERRED 4
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CONFIRMING ORAL INSTRUCTIONS CTF 78 WILL INITIATE PREPARATIONS FOR THE AMPHIBIOUS OCCUPATION OF SOUTHERN BATAAN AND CORREGIDOR INCLUDING NECESSARY PRELIMINARY BOMBARDMENT AND MINE-SWEEPING. TENTATIVE TARGET DATE 12 FEBRUARY FOR LANDING ON COAST IN VICINITY MARIVELES HARBOR. 13 FEBRUARY FOR LANDING ON CORREGIDOR. RADM STRUBLE DESIGNATED ATTACK GROUP COMMANDER BY CTF 78 WILL BE DIRECTED TO HAVE HIS REPRESENTATIVE REPORT IMMEDIATELY TO COMGEN 6TH ARMY WHO IS CHARGED WITH THE COORDINATION OF PLANNING. CTG 77.3 RADM BERKEY WILL BE DIRECTED TO REPORT TO THE ATTACK GROUP COMMANDER AND PROVIDE BOMBARDMENT AND FIRE SUPPORT BY

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To: War Department

Nr: C 57724

6 February 1945

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period, 1500Z/4 to 1500Z/5 signed MacArthur.

China Coast:

Three freighter transports 30 barges sighted Amoy  
February 4.

French Indo-China:

Four tankers, five escort vessels with four fighters  
covering sighted Camrafoiswoay February 5.

Luzon:

Air patrols reported enemy troop movement Las Pinas  
northward morning February 5, many fires burning in Manila;  
enemy pillboxes and barricades reported along road south from  
Nichols Field.

Part 2. Air.

Operations February 5th:

(1) Eight fighters swept Cagayan River valley  
destroyed seven barges fired fuel truck; fighter bombers hit  
Calingatan Airdrome southern Luzon.

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(2) Four Spitfires strafed targets through I Amuhera; five B-25's raided supplies Boeroe Island hit Boela radar station Ceram.

Operations February 3:

(3) Patrol B-24 attacked Louise Oil Balikpapan.

(4) 15 RAAF P-40's bombed dispersals Lolobata; 8 others swept Halmahera, one P-40 shot down by anti-aircraft.

Operations February 4:

(5) 2 B-24's harrassed Tainan before dawn.

(6) B-25 mission east coast Luzon weathered out; 6 B-25's caused large fire enemy mechanized concentration San Jose and Munoz; 12 A-20's attacked Ipo Town north Manila; P-47's supported Ground Forces approaching Manila from south; three groups B-24's struck Corregidor.

(7) 17 B-25's and 12 P-38's attacked airdromes and highways Davao area; two B-24's demolished buildings Pasonanca north Zamboanga.

(8) Patrol B-24 bombed fuel center Balikpapan.

(9) Eight Beaufighters rocketed and bombed targets northeastern Celebes.

(10) 32 RAAF P-40's attacked bivouacs and gun positions Wasile Bay; 2 Spitfires strafed villages through Halohera; 3 B-25's bombed village Soela Island and Liang

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airdrome Amboina.

(11) Four Dutch B-25's destroyed barge near Keopang attacked Gurger Atamboea; RAAF B-24 bombed gun positions and barge Lautem.

Operations February 5:

(12) Leyte B-24 patrols bombed Okino \*, strafed merchant vessel four barges, set small freighter afire Nansen Shoto, shot down dive bomber Miri northwestern Borneo, damaged two fighters several motor trucks Bintulu Airdrome \* southwest.

(13) Two predawn B-24's attacked Keelung Harbour northern Formosa, three others bombed Tainan airdrome.

(14) Usual close support missions Luzon Ground Forces; 60 B-24's struck Corregidor with 180 tons bombs.

(15) 24 B-24's of 13th Air Force bombed Manggar Airdrome; 19 B-24's raided Sepilinggan Airdrome near Balikpapan destroyed \* parked planes.

(16) RAAF Ventura strafed Wokam sawmill Aroe Islands.

Solomons Forces. Air.

Operations February 4th:

(17) 11 Corsairs, six Venturas, four B-25's attacked New Ireland plantations started fires bombed personnel areas; seven Venturas, 32 Corsairs, one B-25 bombed gun positions and

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radio station Rabaul area; 38 Corsairs harassed villages  
destroyed pillboxes Bougainville.

Land.

Luzon:

Fifth Army:

I Corps: Late report 43rd Division received three  
night counter attacks Rosario area February 3/4; elements  
32nd Division attacked enemy positions 1,000 yards northeast  
Santa Maria (587-462) engaged heavy fire fight; 25th Division  
units attacking Lupao from north and south reported stubborn  
resistance; 6th Division: San Jose secured, units at Munoz  
made small gains against concrete emplacements Chu repulsed  
counter attack destroying four tanks but suffering heavy  
casualties.

XIV Corps: 37th Division elements reached \*  
encountering intense rifle fire; First Cavalry Division  
engaged house to house fighting, with center enemy resistance  
just south of Chinese cemetery.

XI Corps: Elements 38th Division contacted XIV Corps  
\*, established road block Layao (203-073).

Eighth Army \* Airborne Division: 511 Inf advancing against  
heavy mortar and machine gun fire from concrete pillboxes,  
crossed Paranaque River, reached point 300 yards south road  
junction at (815-562).

End of Part 2.

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Part 3.

- (1) Dropped 14 500 lb bombs Calingaoan.
- (2) B-25's dropped 20 500 lb bombs.
- (3) Dropped 4 1,000 lb bombs.
- (4) Dropped 11 400 lb, 19 260 lb bombs moderate medium some accurate anti-aircraft fire.

Paragraphs 5 and 6 no details.

(7) B-25's dropped 204 100 lb bombs; P-38's dropped 8 1,000 lb bombs \*.

(8) Dropped 4 1,000 lb bombs.

(9) Dropped 6 250 lb bombs, fires twenty \* fifty lb rockets, met moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(10) P-40's dropped 16 100 lb napalms, 15 100 lb incendiary clusters, 30 400 lb and 2 260 lb frags, met slight medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire; B-25's dropped 12 500 lb bombs.

(11) B-25's dropped 11 500 lb bombs from minimum altitude, fired 1,100 rounds 50 calibre; B-24 dropped 12 300 lb bombs, 1 500 lb incendiary.

Paragraphs 12 and 13 no details.

(14) 60 B-24's dropped 360 1,000 lb bombs.  
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(15) Dropped 768 260 lb frags from 13,000 to 10,000 feet; moderate to intense accurate anti-aircraft fire \*, slight inaccurate mesger.

(16) Fired 300 rounds fifty, 300 rounds 30 caliber.

(17) Four B-25's dropped 6 500 lb, 8 250 lb bombs; other planes dropped 38 1,000 lb, 26 500 lb bombs, 46 325 lb depth charges plus 10 tons bombs and depth charges.

Airdromes status:

Mindoro: Hill San Jose and Camina Airdromes operational, last mentioned 7,000 feet coated with dust palliative, Grabong \* Airdrome.

Luzon:

Lingayen 5,900 feet mat surface, Mingal and 6,400 feet, San Marcelin strip estimated complete February 3.

Air status.

43rd Bomber Group (B-24's) now operating from Leyte.

\* Being serviced.

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CG AAF Col Park  
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29 NAVY AND 1 ARMY SURVIVORS RECOVERED FROM BEACH 2 MILES SOUTH TALIN POINT. (M-6)

ALL IN GOOD CONDITION.

1 OFFICER AND 1 MAN KILLED BY GUN FIRE AND 2 MEN MISSING FROM PT'S 77 AND 79 SUNK ON NIGHT 1/2

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area period 1500Z/3 to 1500Z/4 signed MacArthur.

Formosa:

Photographs January 29 and 31 showed 192 fighters  
26 bombers on Takao Heito Okayama and Chosu airdromes.

Hainan:

Three tankers with three destroyers reported on  
southerly course South Hainan February 2.

Hong Kong:

Photographs February 1 showed 27 ships in harbour  
totalling 44,600 tons, another 32,600 tons shipping in dry  
docks, on Kaitak airdrome 26 planes.

Luzon:

Forces approaching Manila from South report enemy  
resistance consisted of small suicide groups guarding  
bridges and strong points.

Part II:

Naval: \* \* \* \* \*

further North night February 3.

Air:

Enemy action:

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Nr: C 57644

5 February 1945

Leyte:  
Light raid caused slight damage Tacloban strip  
same night.

Operations February 2:

(1) Two B-24's bombed Cebu town Visayas.

Operations February 3:

(2) Predawn B-24's started fires in attack on  
Takao.

(3) B-24's dropped 56 tons on airdromes Aparri  
and Tuguegarao.

(4) 35 Marine Dauntless included in many ground  
support missions assisting rapid advance Luzon; 12 A 20's  
failed effect contact on ground support Bataan.

(5) B 24's scored direct hits wharves and gun  
positions Corregidor; 14 B-25's attacked coastal area set  
barracks afire North Subic Bay; 8 A 20's demolished barracks  
started fires Lips airdrome; 7 A 20's caused heavy damage  
Calingatan airdrome.

(6) Two B-24's started fires Cebu town.

(7) RAAF B-24 patrol set afire small camouflaged  
freighter previously damaged Flores Island.

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Operations February 4:

(8) Predawn search plane attacked four Northbound vessels near Hong Kong one large explosion resulted; Leyte, B-24's patrols caused explosions on seatruck Northern Formosa, sank coastal vessel Nansai Shoto.

(9) 13th Air Force B-24's:

12 planes bombed Cavite; 22 planes struck Corregidor; two planes attacked Cansacao shipyards; one plane bombed personnel areas and supplies La Carlota Negros Island.

(10) Three RAAF B-24's further damaged small camouflaged freighter strafed two barges Flores Island; another B-24 bombed Larat in Tanimbars; 4 RAAF B-25's set afire probably destroyed three barges Wetar Island North Timor.

(11) Five NADZAB A 20's raided enemy positions Rabaul; five B-24's bombed Tobera airdrome.

Solomons Forces.

Air:

Operations February 3:

(12) Six Venturas eight Corsairs raided bivouacs New Ireland; 23 B-25's bombed plane park West Vunakanau; 8 Venturas 24 Corsairs and 7 B 25's attacked truck park bivouacs and guns Rabaul; 40 Corsairs furnished ground support hit guns and personnel areas Bougainville, one Corsair lost.

Land:

Luzon:

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Sixth Army:

I Corps:

Elements 25th Division launched coordinated attack  
Lupao from North, others cut Lupao-San Jose highway at point  
6000 yards Northwest San Jose; Sixth Division reported  
heavy fighting Munoz, attacked San Jose from South captured  
three fourths of town against stiff resistance, cut road  
vicinity Sibul (823-115).

XIV Corps:

1st Cavalry Division captured Santo Tomas University  
at 0125Z/4; advance elements 40th Division reached Caloccan  
(7872), others patrolled from Dinalupihan toward Hermosa;  
37th Division units captured Mabolo (7680) after artillery  
preparation on prepared positions.

XI Corps:

34th Infantry reached point 1100 yards West Dinalupihan.

Our cumulative casualties to Feb 3:

1359 killed, 4507 wounded, 223 missing; total enemy  
casualties to February 4:  
16,528 killed, 207 captured.

Eighth Army:

Elements 11th Airborne Division reached Las Pinas  
against light resistance.

Cumulative casualties to February 4:

Allied:

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25 killed, 116 wounded; enemy: 157 killed, 8 captured.

End of Part II.

Part III:

(1) Dropped 2½ tons frags. 116  
25  
141

(2) No details.

(3) Dropped 56 tons bombs.

(4) No details.

(5) B 24's dropped 36 tons bombs from 8400 to 7500 feet, met slight medium and heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire; B-25's dropped 42 100 lb parademos, 36 100 lb NAPALMS, fired 20,000 rounds 50 calibre; 8 A 20's dropped un stated number 250 lb parademos, fired 11,500 rounds 50 calibre.

(6) Dropped 2½ tons frags.

Paragraphs 7 and 8 no details.

(9) Dropped 179 1000 lb, 19 500 lb bombs from 13,000 to 11,000 feet.

(10) B-24's dropped 30 300 lb, 9 500 lb bombs, 1 500 lb incendiary, fired 3700 rounds 50 calibre; no

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details B-25's.

(11) A 20's dropped 20 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 5300 rounds 50 calibre; B-24's dropped 40 1000 lb bombs from 9000 feet.

(12) 23 B-25's dropped 132 500 lb bombs; other planes dropped 46 1000 lb, 38 500 lb bombs, 48 325 lb depth charges, plus 9 tons bombs and depth charges.

Refer report operations February 1 Paragraph 9:  
21 P-51's dropped 42 500 lb bombs 4 to 5 seconds delay made 72 strafing passes, met intense light and medium anti aircraft fire; subsequently 8 B-25's with 4 P-38's escort against same target returned due poor visibility.

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INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, Admiral King, Colonel Park,  
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P-38'S ESCORTING 5 F-5 PHOTO PLANES HIT IWO IN 2 WAVES  
TAKING PICTURES AND STRAFING A/W POSITIONS. IN FIRST  
WAVE OF 12 P-38'S AND 4 F-5'S INTENSE ACCURATE AA SEVERELY  
DAMAGED SINGLE LIGHTNING WHICH RETURNED SAFELY, 1 P-38  
CRASHED 70 MILES DUE EAST MINAMI ROCK REASON UNKNOWN.  
RAFTS DROPPED TO SURVIVOR SEEN IN WATER. SEARCH BEING  
CONDUCTED. 1 F-5 HIT OVER TARGET CRASHED IN FLAMES OFF  
SHORE. ON SECOND WAVE OF 3 P-38'S AND 1 F-5 SINGLE P-38  
DAMAGED WHEN RELEASING BELLY TANK RETURNED SAFELY.  
PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION SHOWS F-5'S GOT EXCELLENT LOW  
OBLIQUES OF AREA COVERED. 3 MARINE MITCHELLS OVER BONINS  
ATTACKED NO TARGETS. 4 NAVY PHOTO PB4Y'S OVER IWO  
INTERCEPTED BY 7 AGGRESSIVE S/E FIGHTERS. 2 ZEKES 1 OSCAR  
POSSIBLY DAMAGED. PHOTOS OBTAINED. IWO AIRFIELD 2 AND  
DISPERSAL AREAS CAUGHT QUARTER TON FRAGS FROM 9 SNOOPERS.  
RESULTS 6 PLANES UNOBSERVED, FIRES STARTED. RADAR MOCKED  
UP SINGLE ENEMY A/C WHICH TRAILED SNOOPER TO TARGET FROM  
MINAMI ROCK.

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

To: War Department

DTG: 041303Z 4 February 1945

Operations report SOWESPAO area period 1500Z/2 to  
1500Z/3 signed MacArthur

Part I being serviced. \*

Naval:

Mindoro PT boats bombarded town Masbate Island in  
support guerillas night February 2.

Air:

Operations February 2:

1. Five predawn B 24's caused explosions, fires  
Okayama and Takao;  
24 B 24's struck Okayama airdrome during day,  
destroyed 16-20 planes, met intense heavy accurate anti-  
aircraft fire.
2. A 20's raided Baler Bay East Central Luzon;  
45 Marine Dauntless attacked San Isidro East  
Rosales;  
numerous missions supported ground forces  
through Luzon.
3. Preliminary report two groups plus four addi-  
tional B 24's struck Corregidor.

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Leyte, Philippines

Nr: 0413032 4 February 1945

4. B 24 patrol over Eastern Borneo bombed Balikpapan.
5. Six Beaufighters attacked bridges Northeastern Celebes;  
two B 24's bombed Djailolo Western Halmahera;  
24 RAAF P 40's struck Wasile Bay supplies.
6. 12 Darwin B 24's met adverse weather against Malimpoeng, Southwestern Celebes;  
3 planes bombed revetments at target, met one intercepting fighter;  
7 planes bombed Maniang Island nickel installations near Pomelaa;  
2 planes bombed Fulloro and Dilli, Timor.
7. 6 RAAF B 24's scored direct hit and near miss small freighter Flores Island.
8. Three Boomerangs, 14 Beauforts attacked villages Wewak and Sepik River, supported ground forces southeast Aitape.

Operations February 3:

9. B 24 patrols from Leyte sank two coastal vessels off Amoy attacked airdrome probably destroyed one bomber, strafed 7 planes Swatow, shot down floatplane to east, sank fuel laden lugger southwestern Formosa.

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10. 13th Air Force B 24's:

16 planes demolished buildings San Roque sea-  
plane base and Cavite;  
15 planes bombed seaplane base and slipways  
Canacao;  
explosions and large fires resulted all targets.

11. Patrol Ventura damaged lugger and patrol boat  
south Tarakan, Northeastern Borneo.

12. RAAF B 24 bombed Cape Chater Timor.

13. 11 B 24's, 5 P 51's and 5 A 20's attacked sup-  
plies and motor trucks Wewak.

Solomons Forces.

Air. Operations February 2:

14. 3 Venturas, 8 Corsairs, 28 B 25's, started  
fires bivouacs New Ireland;  
8 Venturas, 26 Corsairs, 1 B 25, fired fuel and  
ammunition dumps Rabaul;  
28 Corsairs struck headquarters and bivouac  
areas Bougainville.

Land. Luzon: Sixth Army: XIV Corps: 1st  
Cavalry Division:

8th Cavalry Regiment entered Manila at Grace Park

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(800-717) at 0935Z/3, resistance negligible;  
37th Division elements reached Tinajeros  
(7875);

XIV Corps reported many fires in Manila through-  
out night February 3/4;  
40th Division unit established road block  
Dinalupihan.

I Corps:

6th Division neared San Jose;  
43rd Division strengthened positions North  
Demortis-Rosario road.

Eighth Army:

Reconnaissance elements 11th Airborne Division  
reconnoitred to Government House (763-065) and North to  
Silang (7921) without contact;  
2nd Echelon 511 Parachute Infantry dropped  
vicinity 6805.

End of Part 2.

Part 3.

1-3. Paragraphs 1 through 3. No details.

4. Dropped 15 300 lb bombs.

5. B 24's dropped 60 100 lb Napalms from 10,000 feet;

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P 40's dropped 46 100 lb Napalms from minimum altitude, fired unstated number rounds.

6. Dropped 360 100 lb bombs from 13,000 to 8,600 feet;

moderate heavy barrage type anti-aircraft fire  
Pomelaa.

7. Dropped 60 500 lb bombs 1/10 second delay from 7,500 to 6,000 feet.

8. Beauforts dropped 34 500 lb, 46 250 lb bombs, fired 1,800 rounds 30 calibre.

9. No details.

10. Dropped 159 1000 lb bombs from 12,000 feet.

11. No details.

12. Dropped 12 300 lb bombs, 1 500 incendiary.

13. B 24's dropped 88 1000 lb bombs from 8,000 feet; others dropped 20 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 11,800 rounds 50 calibre.

14. 28 B 25's dropped 42 1000 lb, 12 250 lb bombs, 10 325 lb depth charges, 6 100 lb incendiaries; other planes dropped 28 1000 lb, 52 500 lb bombs, 56 365 lb depth charges.

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Leyte, Philippines

Rt: 041303Z 4 February 1945

Weather:

Adverse conditions forming, equatorial front  
Northern Luzon with heavy rain extending South to Leyte.

End

ACTION: OPD

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

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(COMNORPAC SENDS ACTION CINCPAC HQ PEARL AND ADV HQ INFO COMINCH NORPACFOR. RDO HONO PASS INFO TO COMAIRPAC AND COMSUBPAC)

AT 0025Z 3 FEB 4 FLEET AIR WING 4 VENTURAS ATTACKED KURABU SAKI AND SOUTHEASTERN SHIMUSHU WITH ROCKETS AND MACHINE GUNS. ROCKET HITS AMONG BUILDINGS AND RADAR INSTALLATIONS. PERSONNEL STRAFED. LIGHT INACCURATE AA. 2 FIGHTERS SIGHTED DID NOT ATTACK. MINOR DAMAGE 1 VENTURA. ALL PLANES RETURNED SAFELY.

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DATE	4 FEBRUARY 1945		3
TOR CODEROOM			4
DECODED BY	KARABINUS	FOR INFORMATION <del>SECRET</del> U. S. 11-2, Sec. 2 (a) (1) (C) of (S) By SLR Date	5
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 PART 2 031209 NCR 9946  
 PART 3 031312 NCR 9937

HONOLULU INTERCEPT

(FROM CTG 73.6 ACTION TO ALL SEARCH ADEES AND ALL TASK GROUP ALL TASK FORCE COMMANDERS 5TH FLEET)

LEYTE SEARCHES 3RD. SEARCHERS WERE 11 PB4Y'S 5 PYS. TIMES POSITIONS NORTH AND EAST.

SECTORS J AND K WENT 560 AND 600 MILES BOTH NEGATIVE ON 90 PERCENT COVERAGE. SECTOR L 570 MILES, 70 PERCENT. SECTOR X 555 MILES, 70 PERCENT. Y 590 MILES, 80 PERCENT ALL NEGATIVE. SECTOR 6 WENT 950 MILES 70 PERCENT COVERAGE. SAW 3 SC'S

2 SD'S 24-18 124-08 ANCHORED 1135. 1 SD 24-18 124-12 ANCHORED 1137. SECTOR 1 WENT 930 MILES, 70 PERCENT COVERAGE. NEGATIVE

INCLUDING MACAO BY RADAR EXCEPT FOR 1 PB4Y IN WATER 13-27 121-08 AT 1625. SECTOR 4 OUT 1000 MILES, 60 PERCENT. SAW

2 SD 24-28 118-13 CSE 090 SPEED 8 AT 1145. SANK BOTH FIRST BLEW UP SECOND BURNED TO WATER. 1 SC 1 SB 23-35 119-36

ANCHORED PESCADORES AT 1229. SUNK 1 LUGGER APPARENTLY CARRYING OIL AT 23-05 119-55 CSE 150 SPEED 10 AT 1302. 26 SEA TRUCKS

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23-05 120-04 CSE 000 SPEED 8 AT 1306. 1 FA ANCHORED 22-40 120-10  
AT 1309. 3 FB 1 SB 1 FA 22-38 120-OEBTVEL\* ANCHORED AT TAKAS 1314.

SECTOR 5 WENT 950 MILES, 50 PERCENT COVERAGE. NEGATIVE. SECTOR 7 WENT  
935 MILES, 65 PERCENT. NO CONTACTS. SECTOR 3 WENT 850 MILES, 70

PERCENT COVERAGE. SHOT DOWN 1 JAKE 23-27 117-28 AT 1023. SAW 1 FTC  
SWATOW HARBOR ANCHORED 1045. DROPPED 3 1000 POUND BOMBS CARRIED FOR

SPECIAL MISSION ON SWATOW AIRSTRIP. 1 HIT NORTHEAST END OF TUNWAU.  
PROBABLY DESTROYED 1 BETTY. 2 HITS ON ADJACENT BUILDINGS. STRAFED

FIELD UNOBSERVED DAMAGE ON 6 TWIN ENGINE 1 SINGLE ENGINE PLANE. ACK  
ACK MEDIUM MEAGER INACCURATE. SECTOR 2 WENT 900 MILES, 65 PERCENT. SAW

1 DD UNDERWAY COURSE 120 SPEED 12. 1 DD 3 SA 6 LARGE UNIDENTIFIED  
SHIPS ANCHORED ALL 22-18 114-10 AT 1230. 2 SC 22-34 114-53 ANCHORED

1300. SECTOR 8 WENT 821 MILES, 80 PERCENT. NEGATIVE. SECTOR 5 LANDED  
MINDOROS NO T DIO FEP'D A \* SPECIAL BORNEO SECTOR RDI0HEFWROT\* 75

PERCENT COVERAGE. NEGATIVE. LATER REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED ON SECOND  
SPECIAL NIGHT SECTOR TO CHINA COAST.

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RELEASED BY	FOR ACTION	CINCSWA <del>CARLAC AND LEYTE</del>	PRIORITY OP OP
DATE <u>3 FEB 45</u>			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM <u>1607</u>			DEFERRED
DECODED BY <u>SANDBERG</u>	INFORMATION	COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM COMFIFTHFLT COMSEVENTHFLT	PRIORITY OP OP
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(CTF 77 SENDS TO CINCSWA (CARLAC AND LEYTE)  
INFO COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM COMFIFTHFLT  
COMSEVENTHFLT.)

RETURNING FAST AND SLOW CONVOY FROM M-7 ARRIVED LEYTE  
RESUPPLY CONVOY AND PT'S ARRIVED M-7 AT 0700.  
YESTERDAY THE EVACUATION OF 7TH AND 77TH DIVISIONS  
BY SEA FROM ORMAC AREA TO DULAG WAS BEGUN.  
NIGHT OF 31ST GROUP OF 25 TO 30 SMALL ENEMY POWER  
BOATS WERE DETECTED OFF TALIN POINT APPROACHING M-6  
BEACHED AND WERE ENGAGED BY OUTER SCREEN.  
PC 1129 WAS SUNK WHEN SIMULTANEOUSLY ATTACKED BY 4  
BOATS. REMAINDER WERE SUNK OR RETIRED. NO AIR ATTACKS  
WERE REPORTED ON NAVAL FORCES DURING PAST 24 HOURS.  
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MY 010855 CHANGE "BOMBARDMENT NOT NEEDED" TO "BOMBARDMENT CONDUCTED AS PLANNED".

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area  
Leyte Philippines

To: War Department

Nr: O 57512

3 February 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War  
Department O 57512. Operations report SOWESPAC area period  
1500Z/1 to 1500Z/2 signed MacArthur.

China Coast:

Local reports state carrier two destroyers arrived  
Amoy from north January 31 making total three destroyers,  
one carrier, two tankers, two medium freighters, one trans-  
port in harbour; same night shipping concentration reported  
by Catalina off Quemoy Island.

French Indo China:

Two escort vessels, two transports reported arriving  
Cape Saint Jacques January 30, two laden tankers with two  
others empty left Saigon next day.

Luzon:

Enemy resistance in Malolos Plaridel area reported  
disorganized and sporadic; one destroyer, one escort vessel  
sighted southbound 110 miles north Aparri midday February 1st.

Singapore:

Photos February 1st indicated departure two heavy  
cruisers, one light cruiser, 25,500 tons merchant shipping,  
13 fighters, one bomber Sembawang.

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area  
Leyte Philippines

Nr: C 57512 3 February 1945

Part 2.

Naval:

Lingayen PT boats attacked seven beached barges  
Salomague night February 1st.

Air.

Enemy action:

Anti-aircraft fire shot down dive bomber Lingayen,  
two planes raided strip north Subic Bay night February 1st;  
five planes intercepted photos P-38's southern Borneo, one  
P-38 lost February 1st.

Operations February 1st:

(1) Leyte B-24 patrols strafed set afire two coastal  
vessels one lugger near Camranh Bay, bombed fuel installa-  
tions southwest Brunei Bay; Morotai B-24 hit Balikpapan.

(2) 23 RAAF P-40's, two Spitfires, 16 Beaufighters  
attacked personnel areas and coastal targets northeastern  
Celebes, two Beaufighters lost.

(3) Three RAAF P-40's, two Spitfires attacked  
assigned targets Morotai; four Spitfires strafed targets  
Helmahera; six B-25's bombed Namlea Boeroe Island, village  
Ceram and Samate Dutch New Guinea.

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(4) RAAF B-24 hit small freighter coastal vessel and barge through Lesser Soendas.

(5) Seven B-24's and 12 Beauforts raided villages damaged barge Wewak.

Operations February 2nd:

(6) Night Catalinas hit shore targets Pescadores left seatruck sinking west Formosa attacked six luggers Yonakuni Island Nansei Shoto group; day B-24's sank one coastal vessel damaged another left one seatruck sinking strafed others Nansei Shoto group, set afire fuel laden coastal vessel near Cape Saint Jacques.

(7) 13th Air Force B-24's: 33 planes caused many fires Cavite, 10 others hit Corregidor.

(8) RAAF B-24 patrols from Darwin damaged launch bombed small freighter camouflaged Flores Island, left seatruck sinking Lucipara Island Banda Sea, caused substantial fires Fuiloro Timor.

(9) Seven B-24's from Nadzab hit Tobera and Kabanga plantation Rabaul; six A-20's fired fuel tanks hit dock facilities Simpson Harbour; three P-38's and 8 P-47's weathered out from Tobera, three planes hit Rabaul targets.

(10) No report received 5th Air Force operations.

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Air.

Operations February 1st:

(11) 12 Corsairs, 11 Venturas raided bivouacs New Ireland; 20 Corsairs caused explosions bivouacs Rabaul, 12 Corsairs, two B-25's bombed Tobera; 42 Corsairs bombed coastal installations and supported ground forces Bougainville.

Land.

Luzon:

Sixth Army:

I Corps: 32nd Division captured Santa Maria (587-462), San Eugenio (583-430), Bachelor (6142); 25th Division: 35th Infantry captured Umingan; 6th Division units occupied Tumana (820-075) reached Bicos (880-944).

XIV Corps: Elements 37th Division by-passed resistance Flaridel reached San Juan (705-925), others reached Santa Ana (6889); 1st Cavalry Division advancing south occupied Baliuag (7009) in force, captured Flaridel, reached Santa Maria (7893).

XI Corps: Elements 38th Division reached point 12,000 yards northeast Olongapo.

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Eighth Army:

11th Airborne Division: Preliminary report First Echelon 511th Parachute Infantry dropped vicinity (6705); 188th Infantry meeting slight resistance captured Aga reached Cayalway (609-054).

Approximate front lines:

North Damortis-Rosario Road to Udiac thence south and east including San Manuel, Santa Maria (587-462), Umingan, Lupan, Tumapa, Bicos, Cabanatuan, Baliuag, Floridel, Santa Maria (6889), San Juan and Santa Ana; thence to Porac, north including high ground west Stotsenburg and Bamban, thence north and northwest including line Tarlac, Santa Ignacia, Mangatarem, Aliminos, Boliuac, and south to Santa Cruz.

End of Part 2.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped five incendiary clusters Brunei Bay, four 1,000 lb bombs Balikpapan.

(2) P-40's and 8 Beaufighters dropped 24 100 lb napalms, 18 100 lb incendiaries, 8 500 lb frags, 8 325 lb depth charges, met moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(3) B-25's dropped 20 500 lb bombs.

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(4) Dropped nine 300 lb bombs, 1,000 rounds 50 caliber.

(5) B-24's dropped 84 500 lb bombs from 8,500 feet; Beauforts dropped 16 500 lb, 60 250 lb bombs, fired 3,500 rounds 30 caliber.

(6) No details.

(7) Dropped 1,290 100 lb napalms from 13,000 to 9,000 feet.

(8) Three B-24's dropped 33 300 lb bombs, two 500 lb incendiaries, fired 2,900 rounds 50 caliber.

(9) B-24's dropped 56 1,000 lb bombs from 11,000 feet; A-20's dropped 24 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 6,000 rounds 50 caliber; others expended 8 1,300 lb napalms.

(10) No details.

(11) B-25's dropped 10 250 lb bombs; other planes dropped 32 1,000 lb, 19 500 lb, 6 300 lb, 10 250 lb bombs, 8 650 lb depth charges, fired unstated number rounds.

End

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- (A) 1. OPERATION MERIDIAN
- FORCE 63 AS IN MY 131024 LEFT TRINCOMALEE UNDER COMMAND OF R.A.A.B.P.F. 16TH JANUARY. OBJECT LARGEST POSSIBLE AIR STRIKE PALEMBANG OIL REFINERIES TO DESTROY PAMDJOE AND SCENG GERONG DISTILLING PLANTS ON THE TROER.
2. FORCE 63 MADE RENDEZVOUS WITH FORCE 69 20TH JANUARY IN POSITION 07-DEG SOUTH 95 DEG EAST AND REFUELED. FORCE 69 CONSISTED OF H.M.S. CEYLON, H.M.S. URCHIN AND 3 TANKERS FROM TRINCOMALEE, 4TH TANKER FROM FREEMANTLE JOINED 23RD JANUARY.
3. FORCE 63 PROCEEDED TO FLYING OFF POSITION VICINITY. ENGANO ISLAND DAWN 22ND. BAD WEATHER PREVENTED STRIKE UNTIL 24TH WHEN 47 AVENGERS TO FIREFLIES, 48 FIGHTERS ATTACKED PLADJOE. 24 FIGHTERS SWEEP ENEMY AIRFIELDS.
4. PRELIMINARY PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CONFIRMS HITS ON 1 POWER HOUSE, 3 CRUDE DISTILLERIES, 2 DISMOUNTED AND 2 OTHER UNITS.

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MANY OTHER BUILDINGS HIT OR DAMAGED .

5. FIGHTER AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT DEFENSES WERE ALERT. STRIKING FORCE INTERCEPTED SOME MILES SHORT OF TARGET. 13 JAPANESE FIGHTERS SHOT DOWN WITH 6 PROBABLES. 34 AIRCRAFT DESTROYED AND 25 DAMAGED ON THE GROUND. OUR LOSSES 9 AIRCRAFT.

6. FORCE WAS SIGHTED BUT COMPOSITION INCORRECTLY REPORTED.

7. FORCE IS EXPECTED TO REFUEL 26TH AND 27TH AS AT PARA 2. FURTHER STRIKES IN PERIOD 29TH TO 31ST MAY BE CARRIED OUT.

8. PRESS COMMUNIQUE IS NOT BEING ISSUED FOR THE PRESENT.

(B) 1. OPERATION MERIDIAN

FORCE 63 RETURNED TO FLYING OFF POSITION A.M. 29TH JANUARY AND FLEW OFF 48 AVENGERS 12 FIREFLIES 40 FIGHTERS TO ATTACK SOENG GERONG.

2. BOMBING CONDITIONS GOOD. PHOTOGRAPHS SHOW HITS ON LARGE CRACKING PLANT AND FRACTIONARY COLUMNS. RE RONNING MILLS BURNT.

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MANY OTHER BUILDINGS HIT. EXTENSIVE FIRES SPREADING THE DAMAGE.

3. FIGHTER OPPOSITION LESS THAN PREVIOUS STRIKE. 8 JAPANESE SHOT DOWN, 3 PROBABLES, 4 DESTROYED ON GROUND. OUR LOSSES 15 AIRCRAFT BUT 8 CREWS RECOVERED.

4. 7 ENEMY AIRCRAFT GOT THROUGH TO FLEET. 7 SHOT DOWN BY C.A.P OR GUNFIRE. H.M.S. ILLUSTRIOUS HIT IN ISLAND BY SHELL FROM OWN FORGES. CASUALTIES 12 KILLED, 21 WOUNDED.

5. OIL FUEL SITUATION DID NOT PERMIT FURTHER STRIKES. FORCE ARRIVES FREEMANTLE 4TH FEBRUARY. 2 TANKERS ARRIVE FREEMANTLE CEYLON URCHIN AND 2 TANKERS ARRIVE TRINCOMALEE 6TH FEBRUARY.

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to Chief of Staff, War Department C 57449.

Formosa:

Three medium freighter transports sighted northbound  
east of Keelung January 31st; several destroyer escorts  
sighted Pescadores by Lingsayen Catalina same night; 15 enemy  
fighters reported over Toko by B-24s February 1st.

French Indo China:

Two freighters reported on northerly course north  
of Tourane January 31st, four destroyers, two transports  
leaving Cape Varella for north, large transport departing  
Saigon next day.

Celebes:

Photographs Macassar airdromes February 1st showed  
three bombers on Limboeng.

2. Naval:

Lingsayen PT boats destroyed 15 barges, five speed

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boats damaged, four others San Fernando area night January  
31st.

South Manila Bay:

25-30 small power boats attacked Allied shipping  
near Nasugbu night January 31st, outer screen sank some  
forced remainder to retire.

Air.

Enemy action: Light ineffective raid Lingayen  
predawn February 1st.

Operations January 31st:

(1) Night Catalinas attacked medium tanker west  
Formosa, damaged six small ships, one lugger to east; 24  
day B-24s with P-38 escort struck Heito airdrome southern  
Formosa, destroyed 25-30 planes.

(2) 12 B-25s sank one, left one burning, seriously  
damaged another of three enemy destroyers heading south from  
Formosa; escorting P-47s shot down five enemy fighters  
covering convoy.

(3) Many direct support missions assisted Lingayen  
forces; 20 P-51s attacked Baguio and Bayombong caused large  
explosions; two B-24s started large fires, demolished many  
buildings Camp John Hay Baguio; eight B-25s destroyed supplies

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and three trucks Baler Bay east central Luzon, wrecked 75 mm gun Verde Island on return; two P-38 Squadrons, three squadrons A-20s supported ground forces east Nasugbu southwest Manila.

(4) Two Beaufighters raided Togid Village northeastern Celebes.

(5) Dutch reconnaissance B-25 strafed bomber Semarang Airdrome central Java.

(6) One Beaufort, two more Boomerangs attacked Wewak targets.

Operations February 1st:

(7) Night Catalinas attacked shipping Pescadores, caused large explosions and fires Karenko industrial plants eastern Formosa, bombed Yonakuni Island to east; B-24 patrols strafed scored one direct bomb hit, three Seatrucks left two coastal vessels burning north Formosa shot down floatplane near Hong Kong.

(8) Five predawn B-24s caused fires explosions Tainan Airdrome; 24 day B-24s met bad weather over Formosa, 18 planes caused heavy damage Toko Seaplane Base.

(9) Allied planes hit another convoy attempting reach Luzon, left one destroyer burning and listing, one destroyer escort ablaze, two P-51s lost to anti-aircraft fire.

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(10) Numerous missions supported Lingsayen ground forces; four B-24s demolished buildings fired dumps San Fernando and Camp John Hay near Baguio.

(11) Seven squadrons plus four additional B-24s struck personnel area Corregidor.

(12) 13th Air Force B-24s: 22 planes hit warehouses Cavite; 22 planes bombed shipyards, radio station and seaplane base Canacao Peninsula; explosions and fires resulted both targets.

(13) 23 B-25s and 18 A-20s caused heavy destruction Puerto Princessa seaplane base and waterfront Palawan Island.

(14) Two RAAF B-24s bombed Cape Chater guns Timor and Laret in Tanimbar.

(15) Four P-38s, seven P-47s, one P-51 and four A-20s attacked Kairirz Island and strafed targets.

Solomons forces.

Air. Operations January 31st:

(16) Four B-25s bombed Borpop personnel areas, 10 Corsairs, three Ventures hit bivouacs Kavieng; 21 B-25s struck floatplane hideout Simpson Harbor, eight Ventures, seven B-25s raided Plane Park Vunakam, 24 Corsairs, one Ventura harassed Rabaul; 32 Corsairs attacked bivouacs Bougainville;

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Aircraft under Solomons forces this and future reports Royal New Zealand Air Force except B-25s.

Land.

Luzon:

I Corps: 25th Division encountered heavy resistance western outskirts Umingan; 6th Division attacking toward San Jose struck stiff opposition line Munoz-Rical to south;

XIV Corps: 37th Division: World Hill captured, attacks west and north continued, division elements reached point 2,000 yards northwest Malolos (5096); 1st Cavalry Division attacking east seized Cabanatuan, patrolled south to Tabuating (758-628) without contact.

XI Corps: Elements 38th Division reached line from point on Olongapo-Dinalupihan Road due south Mount Kalaklan (018-005) southeast to foothills Mount Santa Rita.

11th Airborne Division: 188th Infantry captured Mount Aiming (555-055), attacked estimated battalion at (555048).

Total enemy casualties to February 1st:

13380 killed.

153 Japanese captured.

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Our cumulative casualties to January 31:

1,208 killed,  
3,881 wounded,  
218 missing.

Part 3.

(1) B-24's dropped 288 500 lb fragmentation clusters, met moderate to intense heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.

(2) No details.  
(3) No details.

(4) Dropped 4 325 lb depth charges.

(5) Fired 500 rounds 50 caliber.

(6) Beaufort dropped 2 250 lb bombs, 9 40 lb frags, boomerange fired 60 rounds 20 MM, 800 rounds 30 calibre.

(7) thru (11) No details.

(12) Dropped 218 1,000 lb, 2 500 lb bombs from 16,000 to 14,000 feet; slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire Cavite.

(13) B-25's dropped 254 100 lb demos from minimum altitude, met slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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(14) Dropped 24 300 lb bombs, 2 500 lb incendiaries.

(15) Dropped 16 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay,  
11 1300 lb napalms from minimum altitude, fired 19,400  
rounds 50 calibre.

(16) New Ireland; B-25's dropped 24 250 lb bombs,  
6 100 lb incendiaries, other planes dropped 6 500 lb,  
14 300 lb bombs, met medium accurate anti aircraft fire;

New Britain: 21 B-25's dropped 160 300 lb  
bombs, other planes dropped 35 1,000 lb, 6 500 lb, 48 300  
lb bombs, 6 325 lb depth charges;

Bougainville: Corsairs dropped 4 1,000 lb,  
36 500 lb bombs, 4 325 lb depth charges.

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To: War Department

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From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff,  
War Department C 57375. Operations report SOWESPAC Area  
from 1500Z/30 to 1500Z/31 signed MacArthur.

China Coast: Nine large vessels reported southbound  
northeast Amoy January 28; Leyte reconnaissance planes  
sighted three tankers, two small freighter transports,  
three escort vessels covered by three planes heading south  
off Hongkong January 31.

Singapore: Photographs January 29 showed four heavy  
cruisers of which two damaged, one light cruiser, four  
medium freighters, one destroyer.

Java: Darwin reconnaissance B 25 reached Tjilatjap  
report 3,000 ton vessel in bay.

Luzon: \* at Calumpit reported both bridges destroyed,  
air patrols over Batangas January 31 sighted nil enemy  
activity.

Part 2. Naval:

Lingayen PT boats strafed buildings south Vigan;  
Mindoro boats patrolled Lubang Straits Balayan Bay destroyed  
lugger; Ormoc boats sank two seatrucks, one barge killed  
estimate 200 enemy aboard Bohol Strait night January 30.

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Air: Operations January 29:

(1) Three B-24's struck fuel stores Takao, three others bombed Kagi Airdrome before dawn, large fires started both targets; fighter sweeps over Formosa shot down six planes, probably destroyed two, damaged two others.

(2) Nine A-20's raided administration buildings and barracks Aparri; nine A-20's set stores afire Loobac silenced machine gun posts, hit coastal guns Carabao Island Manila; four P-38's bombed batteries Corregidor.

(3) 30 Beauforts attacked villages Wewak; six Beauforts struck Matupi Island Rebaul.

Operations January 30:

(4) Four predawn B-24's raided Kagi dispersals, another bombed Takao; four night Catalinas strafed coastal vessels Amoy, set large tanker afire with two direct hits south Pescadores, attacked shipping northeast Formosa, damaged seatruck, strafed one lugger, four barges further south' fighters shot down ten planes over Formosa.

(5) A-20's destroyed few targets sighted northern Luzon, bombed Cabaoban Manila Bay; fighters sweeps sank eight barges, destroyed two troop filled trucks Cagayan Valley; two B-24's exploded large fuel and ammunition dumps new Headquarters area Bayombong southwest Bagabag;

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17 P-51's supported ground forces hit personnel and guns Labayug northeast Pozorrubio; two squadrons A-20's attacked speedboat hideouts Batangas B.layan Bay area; 18 B-24's caused large fires explosions Corregidor; all missions from Leyte weathered out.

- (6) Six B-25's attacked Lioanan supplies Davao.
- (7) Two B-24's bombed Balikpapan before dawn.
- (8) Ten Beaufighters, 29 RAAF P-40's destroyed warehouses Tomchon and Totok Bay northeastern Celebes.
- (9) 14 \* hit Kau; ten B-25's attacked Akelamo village destroyed bridge northeastern Halmahera.
- (10) Six B-25's swept Ceram bombed radio station schooner and coastal villages; 15 P-38's supported ground forces Maffin Bay, Dutch New Guinea.
- (11) Three B-25's and seven Beauforts attacked Kairiru Island and villages near Wewak.

Operations January 31:

(12) 13th Air Force B-24's:

25 planes caused large fires explosions Cavite; 20 planes scored similar results Canacao; one B-24 bombed Bacolod Negros Island.

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(13) 16 B-25's hit repair shops demolished buildings  
Bacolod.

(14) Two B-24's patrolled Macassar Strait before  
dawn, attacked Balikpapan and large \*.

(15) Two RAAF B-25's started fires Fulloro, three  
RAAF B-24's bombed other towns Timor.

(16) 11 B-24's set fuel dumps afire Wevak; six  
A-20's, one B-25, three P-38's, eight P-47's, two Boomerangs  
and 22 Beauforts attacked Wevak and Sepik river villages.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations January 30:

(17) Six Venturas, 22 Corsairs and four B-25's  
attacked Kavieng and bivouacs Borpop \* eight Venturas, one  
B-25 hit Tobera supplies Rabaul; 20 Corsairs bombed jetties  
around Bougainville, exploded supply filled barge.

Land. Luzon: Sixth Army:

I Corps: 32nd Division attacking east captured  
San Nicholas (5554), Flayug (5339), San Quinton (6134) without  
opposition.

XIV Corps: 40th Division reported crumbing  
resistance west Bamban; elements 37th Division captured high  
ground west Fort Stotsenburg attacked positions paralleling  
Sacobia river to northwest, other elements secured Calumpit

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patrolled area along\* Quingua river without contact.

60th Ranger Battalion, scouts and guerrillas  
liberated 511 American prisoners from Cabanatuan prison  
camp behind enemy lines.

Eighth Army: 11th Airborne Division: Wawa, Masugbu  
and airfield secured by 0100Z/31; troops advanced to  
points 2 yards west Calungon (532-033), slight opposition  
encountered.

Part 3.

(1) Three B-24's dropped 138 20 lb frags, two 136  
lb incendiary clusters.

(2) P-38's dropped eight 1,000 lb bombs.

(3) Dropped 44 500 lb, 99 250 lb bombs, seven 250  
lb incendiaries, eight 40 lb frags, fired 24,900 rounds  
30 calibre Wevax; ten 500 lb, ten 250 lb bombs Rabaul.

(4) No details.

(5) Two B-24's dropped 80 100 lb bombs; 18 B-24's  
dropped 138 1,000 lb bombs, met slight heavy inaccurate  
anti-aircraft, fired.

(6) Dropped 60 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude,  
met slight medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

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(7) Dropped nine 300 lb, nine 250 lb bombs from  
10,000 feet.

(8) Dropped 59 100 lb napalms 12 325 lb depth  
charges from minimum altitude.

(9) P-38's dropped 14 500 lb bombs; B-25's dropped  
120 100 lb bombs.

(10) B-25's dropped 24 500 lb bombs.

(11) B-25's dropped 12 300 lb bombs eight to 15  
seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 4,500 rounds 50  
calibre; Beauforts dropped 12 500 lb, 24 250 lb bombs,  
fired 3,700 rounds 30 calibre.

(12) Dropped 250 1,000 lb bombs from 16,000 to  
9,000 feet, met slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(13) Dropped 60 500 lb bombs from minimum altitude.

(14) Dropped eight 1,000 lb bombs.

(15) B-25's dropped seven 500 lb bombs five  
seconds delay from 9,000 feet; B-24's dropped 33 300 lb  
bombs, two 500 lb incendiaries, fired 1,000 rounds 50  
calibre.

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(16) B-24's dropped 54 1000 lb, 25 250 lb bombs from 9000 feet; Beauforts and Boomerangs dropped 36 500 lb, 94 250 lb bombs, 4 250 lb incendiaries, fired 200 rounds 20 MM, 23600 rounds 30 calibre; others dropped 28 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay, 11 1300 lb napalms from minimum altitude, fired 14,900 rounds 50 calibre.

(17) Dropped 35 1,000 lb, 18 300 lb, 24 250 lb bombs, 6 650 lb depth charges, 10 100 lb incendiaries plus over 6 tons bombs type unstated.

Additional sorties: Patrols from Morotai by 17 Spitfires, 20 P40's, 7 P61's January 28 and 30; no reports available from 5th Air Force.

End

\*Being serviced

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