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OM CG LANFOR		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		SOPA IWO	PRIORITY
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TOR CODE ROOM 0032			DEFERRED
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CG LANFOR SENDS. RDO GUAM GIVE INFO CO FWD ECHELON FMF PAC. SOPA IWO HAS ACTION ISCOM IWO CG 7TH FITER COMMAND CG 3RD 4TH 5TH MARDIVS HAVE INFO BY OTHER MEANS.

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DISPATCH SUMMARY FROM 1800 13 MARCH TO 1800 14 MARCH. DURING THE NIGHT ALL THREE DIV SECTORS WERE GENERALLY QUIET. IN THE 4TH MARDIV ZONE OF ACTION RCT 25 REPORTED KNEE MORTARS AND GREINADING MOST OF THE NIGHT FROM ENEMY TRYING TO GET OUT OF POCKET. SOME SNIPIG IN 3RD MARDIV ZONE OF ACTION. IN THE 5TH MARDIV ZONE THERE WERE CONTINUOUS ENEMY ATTEMPTS TO INFILTRATE IN RCT 27 ZONE OF ACTION. AT 0630 5TH MARDIV CONTINUED THE ATTACK AND 3RD AND 4TH MARDIVS CONTINUED MOPPING UP AND REDUCTION OF POCKETS OF RESISTANCE. AFTER BITTER FIGHTING IN NORTH END OF THE ISLAND IT APPEARS THAT THE BACKBONE OF THE ENEMY DEFENSE IN THE 5TH DIV SECTOR HAS BEEN BROKEN. AT THE TIME OF THIS REPORT THE LINES ARE STILL

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FLUID AND EVERY EFFORT IS BEING MADE TO EXPLOIT OUR GAINS. IN 4TH MARDIV ZONE OF ACTION FIRE WAS RECEIVED FROM PILLBOXES AND CAVES AND

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE ENEMY HAD BEEN BOOBY TRAPPING OUR DEAD. ENEMY IN POCKET IN 4TH DIV ZONE CONTINUES DESPERATE DEFENSE FROM

TUNNELS AND CAVES IN DEEP CREVICES. SNIPERS ACTIVE. MORTAR FIRE AND OCCASIONAL LARGE ROCKETS FROM DEEP UNSEEN POSITIONS FIRING AT EXTREMELY

HIGH ANGLES. 3RD MARDIV REPORTED RECEIVING SMALL ARMS, LIGHT MACHINE GUN, AND GRENADE FIRE DURING THE MORNING FROM A POCKET OF RESISTANCE IN

TA 201D-1. JAPANESE WERE KILLED WEARING MARINE HELMETS AND OUR TROOPS DEMOLISHED 8 PILLBOXES IN TA 201D-1. OTHERWISE OCCASIONAL SNIPER FIRE

WAS ONLY ENEMY ACTION REPORTED BY 3RD MARDIV. DURING THE DAY THE 5TH MARDIV MADE GAINS OF 400 YARDS ON ITS RIGHT AGAINST THE SAME TYPE OF

ENEMY RESISTANCE PREVIOUSLY ENCOUNTERED. DURING THE AFTERNOON 5TH MARDIV REPORTED THAT ALL FRONT LINE UNITS MOVED FORWARD EXCEPT BLT 3/28

WHICH WAS RECEIVING HEAVY MACHINE GUN AND MORTAR FIRE. BLT 2/26 WHICH MADE CONSIDERABLE GAINS TODAY REPORTED RECEIVING FIRE FROM ALL FOUR

DIRECTIONS. JAPANESE IN RCT 26 ZONE OF ACTION WERE USING HAND CHARGES AGAINST OUR TANKS. 5TH MARDIV REPORTS 5 CAVES DESTROYED BY ENEMY ABOUT

1400 IN TA 235B POSSIBLY INDICATING DESTRUCTION OF CP RECORDS. DURING THE NIGHT OF 13-14 MARCH ILLUMINATION WAS FURNISHED BY 3 DESTROYERS.

DURING THE DAY CLOSE SUPPORTING NGFS WERE FURNISHED TO THE 5TH MARDIV BY 2 DESTROYERS. LOW ANGLE OF OBLIQUES OF ENEMY AIR ON NORTH TIP OF

ISLAND WERE TAKEN BY P-38 FROM 0800 TO 0845 THIS MORNING. 5 P-51'S BOMBED AND STRAFED IN TA 251 BETWEEN 1030 AND 1100. 1 C-47 SPRAYED

DET OVER CENTRAL PORTION OF ISLAND FROM 1700 TO 1740. CORPS ARTY CONTINUED IN GENERAL SUPPORT OF THE LANDING FORCE. ON 5TH MARDIV FRONT,

FIRING HARASSING MISSILES ONLY. NO RECAPTATIONS* OR COUNTER BATTERY FIRED DURING THE PERIOD. CO B RECONNAISSANCE BN DETACHED FROM LANDING

FORCE AND EMBARKED LST 784 FOR TRANSPORTATION TO SAIPAN. FLAG RAISING CEREMONY HELD AT 0930 AT CORPS CP. FRONT LINES AS OF 1700. ENEMY

POCKET IN 4TH DIV ZONE REDUCED TO PORTIONS OF TA 185K AND L. 5TH AND 3RD DIV LINE 250W (CEN) 2343 (S CEN) 235K (CEN) F (N CEN) C (CEN)

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2351 (SE) 236R (SE) BLT 3/21 IN CORPS RESERVE IN TA 200G. CLS NO CHANGE. 2 AMMO LST'S NO'S 816 AND 886 NOT REQUIRED AT IWO. RUTLAND

VICTORY UOA3 WILL BE RELEASED WHEN GARRISON FORCE REQUIREMENTS ARE UNLOADED. IN 2 DUKW LOADS OF AMMO UNLOADED GREEN BEACH FROM 1600

13 MARCH TO 1600 14 MARCH. REEMBARKATION OF 4TH DIV CARGO AND EQUIPMENT COMMENCED TODAY. 8 EVACUATION PLANES REQUESTED FOR 15 MAR. 170

CASUALTIES TRANSFERRED TO HOSPITAL SHIP BOUNTIFUL TODAY. BOUNTIFUL NOW FULLY LOADED EDT UNKNOWN. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES AS OF 1700 14

MARCH. 3RD MARDIV LESS 3RD MARINES. KIA 35 OFF 637 ENL. WIA 128 OFF 2694 ENL. MIA 2 OFF 129 ENL. TOTAL 3RD DIV BATTLE CASUALTIES

165 OFF 3460 ENL. DIV NONEFFECTIVES 18 OFF 974 ENL. 4TH MARDIV. KIA 84 OFF 1514 ENL. WIA 272 OFF 5720 ENL. MIA 1 OFF 88 ENL. TOTAL

4TH DIV BATTLE CASUALTIES 357 OFF 7322 ENL. DIV NONEFFECTIVES 18 OFF 1180 ENL. 5TH MARDIV. KIA 79 OFF 1440 ENL. WIA 233 OFF 5384 ENL.

MIA 4 OFF 200 ENL. TOTAL 5TH DIV BATTLE CASUALTIES 316 OFF 7024 ENL. DIV NONEFFECTIVES 15 OFF 672 ENL. CORPS TROOPS. KIA 1 OFF 7 ENL. WIA

.J OFF 84 ENL. MIA 0 OFF 4 ENL. TOTAL CORPS TROOPS BATTLE CASUALTIES 11 OFF 95 ENL. CORPS TROOPS NONEFFECTIVES 1 OFF 11 ENL. CORPS ARTY.

KIA 0 OFF 5 ENL. WIA 0 OFF 11 ENL. MIA NONE. TOTAL CORPS ARTY BATTLE CASUALTIES 0 OFF 16 ENL. CORPS ARTY NONEFFECTIVES 1 OFF 9 ENL.

GARRISON FORCES. KIA 3 OFF 39 ENL. WIA 9 OFF 159 ENL. MIA 0 OFF 6 ENL. TOTAL GARRISON FORCES BATTLE CASUALTIES 12 OFF 204 ENL. GARRISON

FORCES NONEFFECTIVES 5 OFF 93 ENL. TOTAL LANFOR BATTLE CASUALTIES 861 OFF 18121 ENL. GRAND TOTAL 18982 OF WHICH 3844 WERE KIA. TOTAL

LANFOR NONEFFECTIVES 58 OFF 2939 ENL. GRAND TOTAL NONEFFECTIVES 2997. COMBAT EFFICIENCY GOOD.

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FROM CG THIRD MARDIV		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE				1		
RELEASED BY _____		FOR ACTION CG LANFOR				PPPPPPPP		
DATE 15 MARCH 1945						ROUTINE		4
TOR CODE ROOM 1251/15						DEFERRED		5
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(PASSED INFO TO COMINCH AS 150640 BY PAC/POA ADV HED)

THIRD MARDIV SUMMARY.

NIGHT GENERALLY QUIET WITH SPORADIC SNIPER FIRE REPORTED BY NINTH MAR IN TA 20 1 NE. FIRST BN 21 MAR KILLED 3 ENEMY IN TA 23 6 U AT 0630. FIRST BN NINTH MAR KILLED A TOTAL OF 43 JAPS DURING THE NIGHT IN TA 201 NE. FIFTH DIVISION REPORTED 13 MAR SOUND RANGING APPARATUS PICKED UP GUN FIRING FROM TA 201 X DURING EARLY PART OF EVENING. RESULTS OF SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION BY THIS DIVISION NEGATIVE. ENEMY POCKET IN TA 201 DI HAS BEEN CONSIDERABLY REDUCED. FIRST BN NINTH MAR REPORTED DESTROYING A TOTAL OF 20 PILLBOXES IN AREA DURING PERIOD. MAJORITY OF PILLBOXES ENCOUNTERED WERE OF CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION. 45 JAPS COUNTED KILLED. 34 JAPS KILLED BY FIRST BN

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21 MAR MOPPING UP IN TA 235 NAF DURING DAY. 14 CAVES SEALED AND 9 PILLBOXES DESTROYED. ENEMY COUNTED KILLED DURING PERIOD 125.

ESTIMATED ENEMY KILLED TO DATE 6009. 1 POW CAPTURED IN TA 201 N AT 1350. WOUNDED AND EVACUATED. TOTAL PRISONERS TO DATE 55 OF WHICH NUMBER 14 ARE JAPS AND 39 ARE KOREANS. THE DIVISION CONTINUED MOPPING OPERATIONS IN ZONE OF ACTION AT 0630. THE FIRST BN 9TH MAR CONTINUED TO REDUCE THE POCKET OF ENEMY RESISTANCE IN TA 201 D AND 1 NFMJH*. PROGRESS WAS SLOW DUE TO THE RUGGED NATURE OF TERRAIN AND THE WELL CONCEALED AND WELL CONSTRUCTED PILLBOXES. THE THIRD BN NINTH MAR MOVED BACK TO HILL 362 TA 219 U TO COMPLETE MOPPING UP IN THAT AREA. HALF JACKS WERE EMPLOYED BY NINTH MARINES TO SEAL CAVES IN 202 CH AND 219 X. SECOND BN NINTH MAR WAS RELEASED FROM DIVISION RESERVE TO NINTH MAR AT 1515 AND RELIEVED FIRST BN KOLIEDIAT SEEEE*. FIRST BN NINTH MAR REVERTED TO DIVISION RESERVE IN TA 200 EJ. FIRST BN 21 MAR ON THE LEFT OF THE DIVISION ZONE OF ACTION MAINTAINED CONTACT WITH FIFTH MARDIV AND PROTECTED THE RIGHT FLANK OF THAT DIVISION. THIRD BN 21 MAR DESIGNATED CORPS RESERVE FROM 1900 TO 0600 PRESENT LOCATION TA 200 GH. FOR NIGHT DEFENSE THE 21 MAR OCCUPIED THE LINE TA 235 I SOUTHEAST O SOUTHEAST 236 P SOUTH CENTER R SOUTH CENTER. FOLLOWING IS ESTIMATE OF CASUALTIES TO DATE

KIA 35 OFFICERS 637 ENL. WIA 128 OFF 2694 ENL. MIA 2 OFF 129 ENL. TOTAL CASUALTIES 3625. SUPPLY LEVELS IN DIVISION DUMPS. AMMO SMALL ARMS 11/2 U/F 60 MM MORTAR HE 1 1/4 U/F 60 MM MORTAR ILLUM* 1 3/4 U/F 81 MM MORTAR LIGHT 11/2 U/F 81 MM MORTAR HEAVY 1 1/2 U/F 75 MM PACK HOWITZER HE 3/5 U/F. 105 MM HOWITZER HE. 3/10 U/F. RATIONS BAKERY RATION 12 DAYS LANDING RATIONS 10 DAYS EMERGENCY RATIONS 1162 DAYS. WATER 1 DAY IN RESERVE. FUEL 12 DAYS. GENERAL SUPPLY SITUATION SATISFACTORY.

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COM CTG 51.21		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY	<i>[Signature]</i>	COM 5TH FLT	PRIORITY
DATE 15 MARCH 1945			ROUTINE
TOR CODE ROOM 0707			DEFERRED
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CTG 51.21 ORATES. ACTION COM 5TH FLT. INFO CINCPAC FORWARD AND REAR. ALL TFCS 5TH FLT.

(PASSED BY CINCPAC/CINCPA ADV HED TO COMINCH AND DEP COM 20TH AIRFORCE ADV ECH FOR INFO AS 141257.)

**SUMMARY 47 141800.
3RD AND 4TH MARDIV CONTINUE MOPPING UP POCKETS. SITUATION IMPROVING ON 5TH MARDIV FRONT WITH GAINS IN THE CENTER AND ON THE RIGHT FROM 200 TO 400 YARDS. JAPS CONTINUE TO BOOBY TRAP OUR DEAD. 16 P-51'S TO CHICHI THIS AFTERNOON. BOMBED AND STRAFED GUN POSITIONS NORTH OF SUSAKI AIRFIELD AND WEATHER STATION. ALL PLANES RETURNED SAFELY. 1 PB4Y SEARCH PLANE MADE EMERGENCY LANDING IWO. 5000 FEET NE SW RUNWAY AIRFIELD OPERATIONAL 16 MARCH FOR TRANSIENT AIRCRAFT. B-29'S. SEARCH PLANES. BOUNTIFUL SAILED WITH 555 CASUALTIES. DUE TO SWELL TRANSFER TO APA'S AND AKA'S BEING MADE OFF WESTERN BEACHES. NET INSTALLATION PROCEEDING. 800 FEET INSTALLED. ADDITIONAL 800 FEET PARTIALLY INSTALLED.**

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 COM 7TH FLEET SENDS ACTION TO CINCSWPA TARLAC AND LEYTE INFO TO COMINCH COM 5TH FLEET CINCPAC GUAM.

ZAMBOANGA PT'S IN COORDINATED ATTACK WITH B-25'S DAYLIGHT 12TH DESTROYED 3 LAUNCHES A PT AND A WHALE BOAT AT NORTH ISABELA. NIGHT 12/13 BOATS STRAFED 1 MOTOR WHALE BOAT A LIGHTHOUSE AND ADJACENT SHORE AREA ON SIRAGO ISLAND. A SUPPLY DUMP ON SAME ISLAND WAS FIRED. SEARCH PLANES SANK 2 SMALL AK'S ALONG WESTCOAST BORNEO. A SCHOONER AND A LUGGER WERE SUNK AND 2 SMALL AK'S WERE DAMAGED IN FORMOSA STRAIT. OFF OKINAWA 1 SMALL AK WAS SUNK ANOTHER DAMAGED AND 2 SEA TRUCKS STRAFED WITH SLIGHT DAMAGE.

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DATE 15 MARCH 1945			ROUTINE
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ACTION TO 5TH PHIBCORPS. INFO TO CG 3RD MARDIV, CG 4TH MARDIV. RDO GUAM PASS TO CG FWD ECH FMF, PAC WHO GIVES INFO TO CG EXTROPAC. OTHERS HAVE. FROM 5TH MARDIV.
CINCPAC/CINCPA ADVHD PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 150817

DISPATCH SUMMARY FOR THE PERIOD 131700 TO 141700 FOLLOWS. THE MOST ACTIVE PART OF THE FRONT DURING THE NIGHT WAS ON

THE RIGHT FLANK IN THE Z OF A OF 3/27. CONSIDERABLE VOLUMES OF MORTAR AND SNIPER FIRE WAS RECEIVED THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT.

INFILTRATION ATTEMPTS WERE NUMEROUS. THE MOST FORCEFUL BEING MADE BY ABOUT 30 JAPS. ALL ATTEMPTS WERE UNSUCCESSFUL

AND 15 JAPS WERE KILLED. ACTIVITY ON FRONT OF LT2/26 COULD BE HEARD BUT THIS WAS BROKEN UP BY MORTAR FIRE. THE REST OF THE

LINE WAS RELATIVELY QUIET ALTHOUGH THERE WAS A LIVELY EXCHANGE OF HAND GRENADES ON THE EXTREME LEFT FLANK OF 2/23 ABOUT

DAWN. THE JAPS RESISTANCE TO OUR ATTACK CONTINUED TO BE A FANATICAL RESISTANCE TO THE END. THE 2 DAYS OF SOFTENING UP

OF THEIR FINAL DEFENSIVE POSITION HAD ITS EFFECT AND AN ADVANCE WAS REGISTERED IN THE CENTER AND ON THE RIGHT BY CT 26 AND

CT 27. THE KEY TO THE DEFENSIVE POSITION CONTINUES TO BE THE

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THE STRONG POINTS TO THE SOUTH AT 234J AND 235F. THE OPPOSITION CAME MAINLY FROM SMALL ARMY WEAPONS AND KNEE MORTARS WITH OCCASIONAL PILLBOXES AND THE EVER PRESENT CAVES FURNISHING THE STRONG POINTS. THE JAPS ARE STANDING FIRM AGAINST ALL OUR WEAPONS EXCEPT FLAME THROWING TANKS. THIS WEAPON HAS CAUSED THEM TO BREAK AND RUN ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. AT 1030 AN AIR STRIKE WAS PUT IN IN 251V. THIS STRIKE WAS A BOMBING RUN WITH WING TANKS FILLED WITH A MIXTURE OF DIESEL OIL AND GASOLINE. THE TARGET AREA WAS COVERED AND AN INTENSE FIRE WAS OBSERVED FOR A PERIOD OF 3 OR 4 MINUTES. TANKS SUPPORTED THE ATTACK WITH GOOD EFFECT. THE FLAME THROWING TANKS PROVED TO BE INVALUABLE. THERE ARE 33 TANKS OPERATIONS OF WHICH 3 ARE FLAME THROWERS. INCLUDED IN THIS FIGURE ARE 2 TANKS AND 2 FLAME THROWERS OF THE 4TH DIVISION. IN THE ZONE OF CT 27 THERE WAS AN ADVANCE TODAY OF 600 YARDS. AS OF 1700 THE FRONT LINES ARE 250W CENTER TO 234D SOUTH TO 234J SOUTHWEST TO 234O EAST TO 235K CENTER TO 235F SOUTHWEST TO 235F NORTHEAST TO 235B SOUTHEAST TO 235C SOUTH CENTER TO ITEM CENTER. OUR CASUALTIES AS OF 1500. KIA 79 OFF 1440 ENL. WIA 233 OFF 5384 ENL. SK 15 OFF 672 ENL. MIA 4 OFF 200 ENL. TOTAL 331 OFF 7696 ENL. 58 OFF 1455 ENL 31 UNIDENTIFIED INTERRED IN DIVISION CEMETERY. 18 TO BE INTERRED. ENEMY DEAD 3789. POW 35. SUPPLY. 15 EVACUATIONS WERE MADE BY AIR DURING LAST 24 HOURS. THERE ARE 25 DISTILLATION UNITS IN OPERATION WITH 28000 GALLONS OF WATER BEING DISTILLED DURING LAST 24 HOURS. THERE ARE 50000 GALLONS OF WATER IN DIV DUMP. NO ARTY AMMO RECEIVED FROM RESUPPLY SHIP DURING LAST 24 HOURS. AT 1500 FOLLOWING NUMBER OF RDS OF ARTY HE AMMO WERE IN POSITION AS LISTED. 1ST BN 3837. 2ND BN 1022. 3RD BN 2109 4TH BN 1272. ALSO DURING LAST 24 HOURS RECEIVED FOLLOWING RDS AMMO FROM RESUPPLY SHIPPING. 60 MM HE 7574. 60 MM ILLUMINATING 1300. 81 MM LIGHT 2060. 81 MM HEAVY 1720. 7.2 INCH ROCKETS 112. 4.5 INCH ROCKETS 2000. LVTS SERVICEABLE 27. LOST OR DESTROYED 8. LVTS SERVICEABLE 75. UNDER REPAIR 6. LOST OR DESTROYED 63. DUKWS SERVICEABLE 18. UNDER REPAIR 1. LOST OR DESTROYED 31. WEASELS SERVICEABLE 10. LOST OR DESTROYED 8. AMPHIBIOUS TRAILERS SERVICEABLE 13. UNDER REPAIR 11. NO CHANGE IN LOCATION OF COMMAND POSTS.

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SITUATION AS OF 1700.
FRONT LINES.

NO APPRECIABLE CHANGE ALTHOUGH SLIGHT GAINS MADE THROUGHOUT DAY IN ADV TOWARDS BEACH ROAD. ORDER OF UNITS LEFT TO RIGHT.

3/24 2/24 2/25 3/25 1/25. RCT 23 CONTINUED MOPPING UP OPNS BURIAL ENEMY DEAD. SMALL SKIRMISH IN 185 B WITH SNIPERS

RESULTED 1 KIA 4 WIA. PATROL MOPPING UP THIS AREA. RCT 25 CONTINUED ADV AGAINST ENEMY RESISTANCE. NIGHT QUIET WITH FEW

INFILTRATIONS ATTEMPTED. ENEMY IN POCKET CONTINUES DESPERATE DEFENSE FROM TUNNEL AND CAVES IN DEEP CREVICES. SNIPERS ACTIVE

MORTAR FIRE AND OCCASIONAL LARGE ROCKETS FROM DEEP UNSEEN POSITIONS FIRING AT EXTREMELY HIGH ANGLES. ENEMY REPORTED

BOOBY TRAPPED OUR DEAD. ENEMY DEAD TOTAL 200 INCLUDING PREVIOUSLY KILLED BUT UNREPORTED. 1 POW. REEMBARKATION OF

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GRAND TOTAL 8877.

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To: War Department

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War Department C 12189. Operations report SOWESPAC area
period 1500Z/12 to 1500Z/13 signed MacArthur.

Formosa: Five seatrucks sighted at anchor off
Tansui March 12, large freighter transport one destroyer
one destroyer escort two seatrucks in Keelung next day.

China coast: Reconnaissance planes March 13
reported three freighters three escort vessels heading
northeast off Foochow, seven seatrucks anchored vicinity
Haitan Island, large freighter transport two escort vessels
off Swatow, two large transports one destroyer one
destroyer escort Hong Kong.

French Indo China: Mindoro searchplanes March 13
reported nil shipping Cape Saint Jacques, Camranh Bay,
Quinyon.

Nansei Shoto: Clark reconnaissance plane over
Okinaaa reported one fighter taking off Naha, two off
Yontan.

Part 2. Naval:

Destroyers furnished fire support Zamboanga
March 12; at night PT boats destroyed three launches one
whaleboat Dasilan Island, hit targets Sibago Island east
Zamboanga and fired supply dumps; Ormoc boats sank troop

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and cargo laden seatruck off Opon Island east Cebu,
destroyed two barges.

Air. Operations March 12:

(1) Shipping sweep Indo China coast cancelled
due weather; 4 B 25's penetrated weather to China coast,
strafed many junks; 16 P 51's found nil targets same area;
16 other B 25's unable reach target area bombed barracks
buildings and supplies east Vigan.

(2) Predawn B 24's hit Takao town Formosa; 19
P 47's bombed Tainan railyards destroyed three bombers on
airdrome nearby; 14 P 51's bombed Jitsugtsu hydro
electric plant central Formosa; 28 B 24's escorted by
7 P 38's weathered out from Pescadores caused fires and
explosions amongst railyards fuel tanks warehouses and
barracks Tainan and Takao.

(3) Two B 25's harassed concentrations Pattao
east Aparri; P 51's destroyed fighter west Aparri; 5 B 24's
struck Ipo north Manila; 150 Dauntless supported ground
forces Antipolo sector, also bombed bivouacs and defences
Baleta Pass and south Baguio; 48 A 20's and 23 P 47's
furnishes ground support north Batangas caused destruction
Dita and Lips towns; 11 P 51's bombed and strafed Caballo
Island; 8 P 38's, 16 P 47's, one P 61 and four B 25's on
patrol.

(4) Six Beaufighters strafed targets of opportunity
northern Celebes; 4 RAAF P 40's and 6 Spitfires strafed
barges and bivouacs Halmahera.

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(5) 29 Beauforts attacked assigned targets Wewak area.

(6) 9 Beauforts struck enemy positions Waitavalo plantation Wide Bay New Britain.

Operations March 13:

(7) Patrol planes destroyed grounded bomber sank one coastal vessel damaged two seatrucks one coastal vessel Hansel Shoto, destroyed lugger off Formosa, damaged two coastal vessels Amoy, shot down Oscar Swatow, sank one seatruck set another afire northeast Hong Kong, destroyed schooner Sulu Archipelago, sank one coastal vessel Jesselton northwest Borneo, damaged another towards Kuching.

(8) 12 B 25's sank three sampans damaged 8 Hainan coast through adverse weather; 12 P 51's over Hainan shot down two of five intercepting fighters, one P 51 lost; 16 other P 51's found nil targets China coast; 4 B 25's sank medium tanker and destroyer northeast Swatow, one B 25 failed return; 12 other B 25's demolished buildings and ammunition dumps east Vigan northwestern Luzon.

(9) Five B 24's exploded fuel tanks Mako in Pescadores; 16 B 24's started large fire Jitsugetsu hydro electric plant central Formosa; 12 B 24's started fires Tainan and nearby Shinka; 17 B 25's bombed Hokko, Tairin and Kobi towns further north.

(10) 46 A 20's raided Aparri, support ground forces Solvec Bay and San Fernando La Union; 151 Dauntless supported ground action Luzon; 50 P 38's hit Tuguegarao

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left nearby Iguig town ablaze started many fires Bontoc town to southwest; 62 P 47's and 77 P 51's raided Cagayan Valley targets destroyed one fighter cratered runways and fired fuel dumps Tuguegarao also struck defence positions east Manila; two P 47's and 12 P 51's bombed and strafed Caballo Island.

(11) 51 B 29's caused explosions amongst personnel areas and supplies Sarangani Bay Mindanao; refer preceding report paragraph 14; later information indicated target Sarangani Bay.

(12) Patrol B 24 bombed Zettelfield Sulu Archipelago; three other B 24's, four B 25's and 11 P 38's on patrols and searches; fighter cover Zamboanga cancelled due weather.

(13) 12 RAAF B 24's caused fires Mapin waterfront and installations western Soembawa Island; RAAF B 24 patrols near missed coastal vessel and jetty Macnere Flores Island, bombed Raha village southeastern Celebes.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations March 12:

(14) Two Venturas 4 Corsairs patrolled Kavieng throughout adverse weather; one Ventura 6 Corsairs harassed motor traffic Rabaul; 36 Corsairs and one B 25 raided gun positions supplies and bivouacs Bougainville.

Land. Luzon: Sixth Army: I Corps:

32nd Division reported continued bitter resistance Villa Verde trail, local counter attacks repulsed; elements

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25th Division occupied high ground 1500 yards northwest Putlan, other reached point 3000 yards south stone block-house (912472) against strong resistance. XIV Corps: elements 11th Airborne Division attacking Mount Bijiang (0113) pinned down by heavy enemy fire, 158th Regimental Combat Team attacked strong positions vicinity Camp McGrath (8965); 1st Cavalry Division: secured Antipolo March 12; 6th Division repulsed counter attack 3000 yards north northeast benchmark B with heavy enemy losses.

Mindanao: Eighth Army;

41st Division reported peninsula east Zamboanga and south Tumaga River cleared of enemy; Mercedes occupied unopposed, patrols reached Mululuan and Taluksangay without contact; detonations of 8/10 ton explosive charge south Pasananca temporarily halted progress; artillery supported counter attack forced withdrawal from San Roque.

Part 3.

(1) Four B 25's fired 3300 rounds 50 calibre; 16 B 25's dropped 18 tons bombs.

(2) F 51's dropped 42 260 pound frags; B 24's dropped 208 1,000 pound bombs from 13,000 feet, met moderate to intense medium and heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.

(3) B 25's dropped 24 100 pound parademos, fired 2500 rounds 50 calibre; B 24's dropped 30 1,000 pound bombs from 7500 feet; Dauntless dropped 73 tons bombs, fired 20,700 rounds 50, 18,600 rounds 30 calibre; A 20's dropped 23 tons parademos, 85 100 pound napalms.

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(8) B 25's dropped 58 500 pound, 19 250 lb bombs,
fired 20,000 rounds 50 calibre.

(9) Dropped 282 1,000 pound, 132 500 pound bombs
from 13,000 to 11,300 feet; slight to moderate medium and
heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(10) A 20's dropped 24 tons bombs, fired 61,200
rounds 50 calibre; Dauntless dropped 74 tons bombs;
fighters dropped 113 tons bombs plus 20 napalms, fired
65,400 rounds 50 calibre, 930 rounds 20 MM.

(11) 51 B 24's dropped 717 100 pound bombs 818
260 pound frags from 11,000 to 7,600 feet.

(12) Dropped 9 500 pound bombs from 7,500 feet.

(13) Dropped 67 500 pound medium capacity bombs
.025 second delay, 16 500 pound incendiary clusters, 60
125 pound frags from 12,000 feet, met slight medium in-
accurate anti aircraft fire.

(14) B 25 dropped one 2,000 pound bombs; Corsairs
dropped 24 1000 pound, 12 500 pound bombs.

Allied Air Force preliminary summary of sorties
March 12 and 13: 506 fighters 397 bombers 723 others of
which 380 fighters 240 bombers 659 over Philippines.

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Additional sorties from late reports March 5
throughout March 11: 1103 fighters 764 bombers 1517 others
including 867 fighters 533 bombers 1442 others over
Philippines.

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- SAIPAN 11 JAPS KILLED 3 POW.
- TINIAN 8 JAPS KILLED.
- GUAM 29 JAPS KILLED 8 POW.
- PELELIU . 2 POW. .

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FROM CTG 51.21

SUMMARY NUMBER 45 131800 K.

ENEMY SMALL ARMS MG AND KNEE MORTAR FIRE FROM PILL-BOXES AND BUNKERS MANY OF WHICH RESISTED OUR ARTILLERY

FIRE HAVE LIMITED ADVANCE TO SMALL GAINS OF 5TH MAR-DIV. 4TH MARDIV CONTINUED TO REDUCE ENEMY POCKET IN

183 K. MOPPING UP PROCEEDS. LANDING MADE ON KANGOKU ROCKS. NO ENEMY PRESENT BUT SIGNS OF PREVIOUS OCCU-

PATION. NO CLOSE SUPPORT MISSIONS FLOWN TODAY. JAPS MAINTAINING CLOSE CONTACT WITH OUR LINES TO REDUCE EFFECT

OF OUR ARTILLERY. NO ENEMY ARTILLERY. 16 P-51'S WITH BOKAS TO CHICHI. ALL RETURNED SAFELY. DIRECT

HIT ON RADAR STATION SE OF SUSAKI AIR RUNWAY. HITS IN WHARF AND DOCK AREA WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. LIGHT AA

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INTENSE AND ACCURATE. TG 12.6.2 PLUS PRESIDENT POLK AND CHINA VICTORY COMMENCE REEMBARKATION OF 4TH MARDIV TOMMOR-

ROW. FIGURES SUBMITTED BY DIVS SHOW 19995 ENEMY BURIED BY LANFOR AND BY JAPANESE OR SEALED IN CAVES. UNKNOWN

NUMBER AWAITING BURIAL. HAVE REQUESTED CLARIFICATION. TOTAL POWS TO 131800 121. TOTAL LANFOR BATTLE CASUALTIES

850 OFF 17736 ENL. TOTAL 18586 OF WHICH 3758 KIA. NO APPRECIABLE CHANGE IN FRONT LINES.

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 INFO COMINCH COM 5TH FLEET CINCPAC GUAM)

2 DD'S PROVIDED FIRE SUPPORT AT ZAMBOANGA ALL DAY 12TH AND 1 DD WAS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE NIGHT. SPORADIC MORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE CONTINUES TO FALL ON BEACHES AND OFF SHORE NEAR ZAMBOANGA PIER FROM NIP POSITIONS IN NEARBY HILLS. ALL PLANNED AREA SWEEPS WERE COMPLETED WITH NO MINES FOUND OTHER THAN 1 PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. ZAMBOANGA PT'S NIGHT 11/12 DESTROYED 1 BARGE 1 MOTOR WHALE BOAT AND A LARGE CANOE IN VICINITY BASILAN ISLAND. SEARCH PLANES ON THE 12TH DAMAGED A MEDIUM AK EAST OF HONG KONG AND 5 SMALL CRAFT IN FORMOSA STRAIT. A JILL WAS SHOT DOWN NORTH OF WENCHOW. OFF OKINAWA 2 SMALL AK'S WERE SUNK AND 2 OTHERS SERIOUSLY DAMAGED. ALSO BOMBED AND DESTROYED 2 TROOP LOADED TRUCKS ON ROAD ASHORE.

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SUMMARY NUMBER 44 131200K.

QUIET NIGHT ALL ALONG FRONT. MINOR INFILTRATION ATTEMPTS SPORADIC MORTAR FIRE. TOTAL OF 106 JAPS KILLED DURING NIGHT. ILLUMINATION AND HARASSING FIRE PROVIDED BY 3 DD. ATTACK RESUMED AT 0730 K BY 5TH MARDIV WITH 2 RCT IN ASSAULT. 3RD AND 4TH MARDIV CONTINUES SYSTEMATIC MOPPING UP. YESTERDAY 1 RCT REPORTED SEALING UP 115 CAVES. NGF SUPPORT PROVIDED BY 3 DD. AFTER RECONNAISSANCE LATE YESTERDAY 1 COMPANY LANDED ON KAMA ROCK THIS MORNING. NO ENEMY PRESENT. DURING MORNING 1 B-29 AND 1 PB4Y MADE EMERGENCY LANDINGS ON AIRFIELD NUMBER 1. 1 OY CRASHED IN 235H. DETAILS NOT AVAILABLE. HUNTER KILLER OPERATION ON SUB LAST CONTACTED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON CONTINUES WITHOUT RESULTS. TOTAL CASUALTIES TO 121800 LANFOR BATTLE 840 OFF 17364 ENL. TOTAL 18204 OF WHICH 3653 KIA. GARRISON FORCE BATTLE

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

To: War Department

Nr: C 12136

13 March 1945

From GHO SWPA to Chief of Staff War Department
C 12136. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/11th
to 1500Z/12th signed MacArthur.

China Coast:

Three small merchant vessels, one destroyer, two
destroyer escorts reported at anchor off Haitan Island
March 11th; following day large freighter transport, two
freighters 2,000 tons one destroyer anchored at ANOY;
medium freighter transport sighted at Hong Kong midday
March 11th, another approaching from east same night,
eight unidentified vessels reported deep in harbor following
day; thick weather along coast south Foochow March 12th.

Philippines:

Mindanao: Enemy force reported moving on Dipolog Air
Strip.

Ransei Shoto: Okinawa: Ten unidentified aircraft
sighted Yontan Airdrome March 12th, seven on Katena previous
day; airfield construction reported Mayko Island.

Part 2. Naval:

Naval units continued bombardment support Zamboango
March 11th; PT boats destroyed barge and whaleboat Basilan

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13 March 1945

Island at night;
Royal Australian Naval sloop shelled wide bay targets
New Britain.

Air.

Operations March 11th:

1. 12 B-25's swept Indo China Coast probably sank tanker damaged three luggers near Tourane; fighters escort shot down one Betty.
2. Six B-24's caused explosions and fires Mako Pesadore.
3. 16 P-47's caused large explosion hydro electric plant Akao in dive bombing attack.
4. Mindoro based missions cancelled due weather; 2 B-25's through Lingayen bombed Ishigaki in Nansei Shoto.
5. 48 A-20's supported ground forces Solves Bay and San Fernando; P-38's also raided San Fernando; 4 P-40's and 38 P-51's destroyed one plane Tuguegarao demolished gun positions knocked out bridge south Bayombong; other fighters shot down bomber central Luzon;
61 P-51's and 143 Dauntless plus other planes demolished buildings north Baguio supported ground forces east Manila, exploded ammunition dumps west Stotsenburg;
23 B-24's hit enemy positions Wa Wa; ().

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13 March 1945

12 P-47's attacked Caballo Island.

6. Eight Corsairs attacked Tigbauan and Saint
Barbara Panay Island;
Single B-24 demolished building Ampayon northern
Mindanao;
16 Corsairs bombed and strafed targets Zamboanga.

7. 12 Beaufighters swept Celebes;
7 Spitfires 16 RAAF P-40's hit Wasile Bay
supplies and targets of opportunity Halmahera.

8. 15 Beauforts raided assigned targets Wewak.

Operations March 12th.

9. Patrol planes bombed Pratas Reef, shot down torpedo
bomber east Taichow, strafed five fuel barges northern Formosa,
exploded large seatruck sank one coastal vessel one launch
seriously damaged two other coastal vessels Nansei Shoto.

10. Nine B-24's bombed Aparri Town northern Luzon.

11. Eight Corsairs hit assigned targets Guimeras
Island.

12. Nine B-24's raided supply and personnel area
Malabang and Sarangani Bay Mindanao.

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13 March 1945

13. 27 B-25's assisted ground forces Zamboanga
and bombed waterfront installations Basipun Island;
14 P-38's patrolled Zamboanga and searched
Cotabato.

14. 25 B-24's attacked personnel areas and supply
dumps northern Borneo;
Single B-24 hit Malimpoen airdrome southwestern
Celebes, met five intercepting fighters east Balik Papan.

15. RAAF B-24 patrol attacked jetty Alor Island;
Two Dutch B-25's destroyed launch Flores Island.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations 11th March.

16. Six B-25's unable reach Tobera bombed Kavieng, six
Corsairs two Venturas patrolled area;
One Ventura over Rabaul, other strikes cancelled
due weather;
18 Corsairs raided Bougainville targets.

Land. Luzon: Sixth Army:

I Corps: Elements 32nd Division reached Tebbo
(530704) unopposed, patrolled to Antamok (430845);
25th Division units advanced north from Putlan
encountering strong positions.

XI Corps: 38th Division mopped up in zone of
Achon with minor contacts;
43rd Division passed to XIV Corps control.

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13 March 1945

XIV Corps. 11th Airborne Division: 158th Regimental
Combat Team secured Batangas town unopposed;
Leading elements 1st Cavalry Division (with 103rd
Regimental Combat Team, 43rd Division, attached) entered
Antipolo from northwest, others were one west of town;
Elements 6th Division advanced 1,000 yards from
positions 10,000 yards north Antipolo.

Cumulative casualties to March 12th:

Allied:	3,754 killed,
	14,113 wounded,
	191 missing;
	<u>18,058</u>
Enemy:	73,768 killed,
	773 captured.

Mindanao: Eighth Army:

41st Division units reached Kawit (968413), others
advancing north Santa Maria toward Pasananca encountered
artillery and small arms fire.

Romblon and Simara:

Reinforced companies 19th Infantry landed unopposed
Romblon and Simara Island.

Part 3.

1. No details.

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13 March 1945

2. Dropped 54 500 lb bombs from 12,500 feet.
 3. P-38's dropped 10 1,000 lb bombs;
P-47's dropped 15 500 lb bombs.
 4. Dropped 24 100 lb bombs from 2,000 feet.
 5. A-20's dropped 23 tons parademos; Dauntless
dropped 73 tons bombs; B-24's dropped 172 500 lb bombs;
P-47's dropped 13 500 lb bombs.
 6. B-24 dropped 9 500 lb bombs from 6,000 feet;
Corsairs dropped 15 1,000 lb bombs.
- Paragraphs 7 thru 9 no details.
10. Dropped 54 1,000 lb bombs from 5,000 feet.
 11. Dropped 16 500 lb bombs.
 12. Dropped 60 300 lb bombs, 120 260 lb frags
from 8,000 to 6,000 feet.
 13. B-25's dropped 24 500 lb, 232 100 lb bombs.
 14. Dropped 9 500 lb, 345 250 lb bombs, 72 500
lb incendiaries from 11,000 feet.
 15. B-24 dropped 6 500 lb bombs, B-25's fired 1,100
rounds 50 calibre.

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16. B-25's dropped 5 2,000 lb, 2 500 lb bombs;
Corsairs dropped 8 1,000 lb, 18 500 lb bombs.

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SUMMARY NUMBER **43 121800**.
 AT 1200K 16 P-51'S STRUCK OKIMURA TOWN WITH BOMBS AND STRAFING. INTENSE AA FIRE. 1 PLANE HIT BUT ALL RETURNED SAFELY. AT 1145K SUBMARINE SIGHTED BEARING 125 DISTANCE 40 MILES FROM HOT ROCKS IN ASP PLANE. SUB DIVED. DEPTH HUNTER KILLER OPERATIONS CONTINUING. AT 1410 DAMAGED PB4Y SEARCH PLANES LANDED. MOPPING UP CONTINUES IN 3RD AND 4TH AIR ZONES. AT 1240 3RD MARDIV REPORTED ALL ORGANIZED RESISTANCE CEASED THEIR ZONE OF ACTION TO BOUNDARY AT TA 236 G. RESISTANCE IN 4TH MARDIV AREA NOW CONFINED TO SMALL POCKET ABOUT 200 YARDS SQUARE TA 185 K. 5TH MARDIV MEETING CONTINUED STIFF RESISTANCE. FRONT LINES AS OF 1730K TA 250 W WEST CENTER AT 34 D SOUTHWEST TO CR 291 TO RJ IN 235 K TO K CENTER BUOY SOUTHEAST A SOUTHEAST ALONG DIV BOUNDARY TO COAST AT 236 G. SITUATION SHOWS MORE IMPROVEMENT THAN IS REFLECTED IN SPACE GAINED.

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MANY IMPORTANT ENEMY DEFENSIVE INSTALLATIONS HAVE BEEN DESTROYED INCLUDING 23 PILLBOXES IN TA 234 DI AND THE STRONG ENEMY POSITION IN TA 235 RST HAS BEEN TAKEN. NO ENEMY ARTILLERY REPORTED. FIRST GARRISON CAME IN 73 PERCENT UNLOADED.

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WITH B25 SHOT UP 2 BOATS AT ROABELLA BASILAN AND SANK A STEAM
DRIVEN PUMPING BARGE PT'S NIGHT 10/11 DESTROYED 2 LUGGERS AT
VALISAY CEBU AND 2 Q BOATS, AMMUNITION AND FUEL DUMP AT BATANGAS.

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ON 13 MARCH SEND 6 PV TO WORKMAN. ON 14 MARCH 6 PV SWEEP AREA BETWEEN LATITUDE 25-00 AND 28-00 LONGITUDE 133-00. DESTROY

PICKET BOATS AND DEVELOP ANY CONTACT REPORTED BY 4Y SEARCHES. ON 15, 16 AND 17 PROVIDE AGGRESSIVE SWEEP 50 MILES EITHER SIDE

IN ADVANCE OF TRACK OF TF 58 APPROACHING FOR STRIKE ON KYUSHU. ON 16 AND 17 MARCH PROVIDE 2 PLANE LIBERATOR DAWN TO DUSK PICKET

BOAT AND BETTY BARRIER 40 MILES IN ADVANCE OF TF 58 ALONG SCHEDULED ROUTE. PREVENT DISCOVERY DURING APPROACH FOR INITIAL STRIKE.

REGULAR SECTORS SPECIALIZE PICKET BOAT ATTACKS THESE DAYS. ON MARCH 20, 21 AND 22 PROVIDE 2 PLANE LIBERATOR DEFENSIVE SCREEN

DAWN TO DUSK DURING RETIREMENT ** 50. ON MARCH 20 PROVIDE BEST YEOMAN IN FIRST LIBERATOR PATROL TO COPY 500 WORDS PRESS MATERIAL

SHOW AND TRANSMITTED OVER VHF FOR RELEASE ON RETURN TO BASE. NOTIFY INFO ADEES CALLS OF SPECIAL PLANES.

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 DEPUTY COMMANDER 20TH AF HICKAM FIELD T H AND COMINCH.

SUMMARY NUMBER 42 121200K.
 QUIET NIGHT ON ALL FRONTS. MINOR INFILTRATION ATTEMPTS
 AND MORTAR FIRE IN 4TH AND 5TH MARDIVS SECTORS. POW
 ESTIMATES 300 JAPS REMAIN IN POCKET OF RESISTANCE. TA 185
 PQU VINAXAHX* K HOUR ADVANCED TO 0700K. 3RD AND 4TH
 MARDIV CONTINUE MOPPING UP. JAPS REMAINING IN CAVES ARE
 BEING SEALED IN. SOME JAPS KILLED HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO BE
 IN MARINE UNIFORMS. 50 MARDIV REPORTS GENERAL MOVEMENT
 ALONG FRONT AND ADVANCE OF 75 TO 100 YARDS. NGF SUPPORT
 PROVIDED BY 1 CA 2 DD 2 LCI (G). P-41'S CONTINUE TO GIVE
 SUPPORT IN TA 250 AND 251. LAST NIGHT 2 AND THIS MORNING
 7 B-29'S MADE EMERGENCY LANDINGS. 3 B-29'S HAVE ALREADY

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5800 FEET. AIRFORCE NUMBER 2 WILL BE OPERATIONAL ABOUT 14
AND E-W RUNWAY 1200 FEET LONG.
MARCH WITH NE-SW RUNWAY 2200 FEET LONG. BEGIN EVACUATION OF
4TH MARDIV MORNING 14 MARCH. RDO IWO JIMA RADIO TELETYPE
INSTALLED AND READY TO TEST. BOUNTIFUL ARRIVED AND IS LOADING
CASUALTIES. NET LAYING OPERATIONS COMMENCED.

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Ocean Areas
Manila Philippines

To: War Department

Hr: C 12088

12 March 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff WD
C 12088. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/10 to
1500Z/11 signed MacArthur.

China Coast:

2 destroyers, 5 transports reported in Hong Kong
Harbour March 9th, reconnaissance plane following night
reported 1 medium 3 smaller freighter transport northbound
50 miles southeast; 2 destroyer escorts reported March 11th
heading northeast off Amoy.

Formosa:

Medium freighter and freighter transport sighted
Tainan March 10th, convoy reported entering Keelung following
day consisting of large tanker and transport medium freighter
and freighter transport, 1 destroyer, 4 destroyer escorts,
2 gunboats.

Luzon:

500 enemy with 10 light tanks reported in positions
along Galinno River northwest Baguio. (C 12068).

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Mindanao:

Extensive defense positions with much wire reported east Zamboanga town, indications enemy intention to defend hills to north.

Part 2 Naval:

PT boats exploded ammunition and fuel dump, destroyed 2 Q boats Batangas area southern Luzon, destroyed 2 laden luggers .

Cebu night March 10th:

Shot up shore targets rendered 2 speedboats unusable Basilan Island.

Air. Operations March 10th:

1. Search planes set coastal vessel afire south east Foochow, exploded 1 barge damaged another southern Formosa.

2. 6 B 25s left medium tanker sinking, small freighter listing with direct hits Tourane Bay; other B 25s left large tanker burning fiercely off Indo China Coast, 1 B 25 lost; 8 B 25s searched Formosa strait, probably sank lugger; 3 B 25s weathered out Nansei Shoto; single B 25 weather reconnaissance Formosa, bombed Cabuagao northern * return.

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3. 4 P 40s and 20 P 51s raided target northern Luzon, 1 plane lost; 131 Dauntless hit defense positions, demolished buildings Solvec Bay and San Fernando; 4 B 25s and 12 A 20s supported ground forces San Fernando; 66 P 38s, 109 P 47s and 76 P 51s struck Baguio area, caves west Stotsnourg, defense installation Iwo and east Manila, Cabalwo Island and assigned targets Batangas area; Mindoro fighters covered convoys and troop carrier movements.

4. 73 A 20s and 70 B 24s attacked Tamboan Sii supports Waning operations.

5. 5 B 24s bombed * Sulu archipelago, 6 B 24s cratered Miri runways, 5 B 24s struck Labuaf airdrome, 6 B 24s bombed Kudat, 11 B 24s hit * northern Borneo; Sungwe B 24 sank 2 unidentified vessels* northeast Balicapan.

6. 6 Spitfires sank 1 tanker, strafed 2 barges Halmahra.

Operations March 11:

7. Patrol planes sank landing barge south *** freighter transports * direct hit ** small freighter burning further west, destroyed ****Miri northwestern Borneo; Ventura damaged*** northern forces.

8. 8 B 24s against Wawa northeast Manila; 1 plane hit target, 7 planes weathered out and bombed Aparri.

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9. 12 Corsairs supported ground forces Cebu city;
2 Corsairs strafed left listing coastal vessel Mindanao.

10. 27 B 25s raided Zamboanga north San Roque and
Merceded village; 18 P 38s patrolled area and strafed
Merceded village.

11. 9 B 25s attacked Basilan Island, Sulu Archipelago;
9 B 24s cratered Tettlefields airdrome; 5 B 24s hit Sanga
Sanga airdrome Zawi Zali.

12. 7 B 24s bombed Jesselton runways; 11 B 24s started
large fires Tarakan Airdrome Borneo.

13. RAAF B 24 from Darwin bombed barracks Boetoeng,
southeastern Celebes.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations March 10th:

14. 10 Corsairs 4 swept New Ireland and Rabaul;
B 25 mission cancelled due weather; 38 Corsairs attacked
personnel areas and supplies Bougainville.

Land. Luzon: Sixth Army: XIV Corps: Elements 11th
Airborne Division captured hill 1000 yards east Santor, 158th
Regimental Combat Team occupied Mojon Hil (765717) patrolled
east and northeast from line Bauan/Balibag; Elements
1st Cavalry Division employing flame throwers supported by
machine guns drove enemy from cave network 1400 yards west

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Antipolo, other secured Benchmark 9 ridge (0267) and *
3,000 yards southwest BMB (034715); Sixth Division units
secured high ground 1300 yards north northeast BMB against
intense machine gun and mortar fire.

XI Corps: Elements 38th Division relieved elements
43rd Division West Fort Stotsenburg, repulsed enemy Banzai
attack killed 166. I Corps: 25th Division unit encountering
well organized resistance advanced from vicinity Anabat to
positions southwest Putlan bridge; elements 32 Division
reached point 1500 yards west Imugan, others pushed north
from*.

Mindanao: Eighth Army: 41st Division: 163rd
Infantry units seized Santa Maria and San Roque airfield
(0737) against slight opposition, other units captured
Zamboanga encountering mines and small suicide groups in
concrete houses; 162nd Infantry reached * without contact.

Part 3

1. No details.
2. Dropped inter alia 18 by 500 lb bombs * 5 tons
bombs, fired 9,000 rounds 50 calibre.
3. Dauntless dropped 50 tons bombs; B 25s and A 20s
dropped 10 tons bombs, fired 20,100 rounds 50 calibre;
fighters inter alia dropped 94 ***, 55 by 500 lb, 10 by 250

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1b bombs, 24 by 260 lb frags, 36 napalms plus 129 tons bombs
type unstated, fired 800 rounds 20 mm, 25,100 rounds 50
calibre.

4. A 20s dropped 49 tons bombs including demolition
and paredemo types from minimum altitude, fired 99,200
rounds 50 calibre; B 24s dropped 432 by 1,000 lb bombs from
9,800 feet to 7,000 feet.

5. Dropped 217 by 1,000 lb, 9 by 500 lb bombs from
12,600 to 8,900 feet.

6 and 7. No details.

8. Dropped 48 by 1,000 lb bombs from 8,500 feet.

9. Dropped 11 by 1,000 lb, 6 by 500 lb bombs.

10. Dropped 301 by 100 lb bombs, met slight light
and medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

11. B 25s * 2 by 500 lb, 12 by 100 lb bombs; B 24s
dropped 104 by 1,000 lb, 6 by 500 lb bombs from 10,000 to
6,300 feet.

12. Dropped 34 by 1,000 lb bombs, 440 by 100 lb
napalms from 8,400 to 5,000 feet.

13. Dropped 4 by 500 lb bombs from 6,000 feet.

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14. Dropped 24 by 1,000 lb, 12 by 500 lb bombs.

Allied Air Force preliminary sortie report March 10th
excluding Fifth Air Force :

76 fighters, 73 bombers, 31 others including 26
fighters, 2 bombers 6 others on Philippines.

March 11th :

171 fighters, 160 bombers, 191 other including 113
fighters, 67 bombers, 175 others over Philippines.

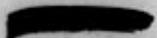
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SUMMARY NUMBER 41 111800 K.

ORGANIZED RESISTANCE WAS OVERCOME ON 3RD AND 4TH MARDIV SECTORS EXCEPT FOR NORTHEAST CORNER OF 3RD MARDIV SECTOR AND

SMALL POCKET OF RESISTANCE IN 4TH MARDIV SECTOR. 5TH MARDIV MADE SMALL GAINS AGAINST HEAVY RESISTANCE FROM NORTHERN TIP

OF ISLAND. 5TH MARDIV ESTIMATES 1000 JAPS STILL REMAIN IN 5TH MARDIV ZONE OF ACTION. FRONT LINES AS OF 1700 POCKET IN

4TH MARDIV ZONE TA 185 RLPV 168A. IN 5TH DIV ZONE TA 250 W234 0235 LRW. TA 219 A 236 VW. LANFOR REPORTS GENERAL

SUPPLY SITUATION SATISFACTORY. TOTAL LANFOR BATTLE CASUALTIES TO 111800K 817 OFFICERS 6646 ENLISTED GRAND TOTAL 17463 OF

WHICH 3449 KIA. TOTAL NONEFFECTIVES 3094. COMBAT EFFICIENCY VERY GOOD. P-51'S EXECUTED 2 SUPPORT MISSIONS DURING AFTERNOON

JTA 250 AND 251. AT 1140 ALL P-51'S WHICH ATTACKED CHICHI JIMA RETURNED SAFELY. PILOTS REPORT 22 HITS ON SUSAKI FIELD ON

RUNWAY AND AMONG PLANES, 1 TRANSPORT 1 DAMAGED KATE 2 UNIDENTIFIED PLANES. 1 DIRECT HIT 2 PROBABLES 5 NEAR MISSES ON

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ESTIMATED 16 TO 18 SMALL SHIPS IN HARBOR. STRAFED SUSAKI FIELD AND KITAMURA TOWN AND OKIMURA TOWN ON HAHA. SET FIRE TO RADIO WEATHER STATION AT OKIMURA. AT 1017K CTU 12.6.1 REPORTED 1 HORNED TYPE MINE HAD BEEN EXPLODED BY GUN FIRE IN AREA CELLAR. UNLOADING NOW BEING CONTROLLED BY PORT DIRECTOR IWO. PLAN TO CONTINUE THE ATTACK AT 0800.

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FIRST CONTACT 9 UNIDENTIFIED ENEMY PLANES COURSE 180 SPEED 180 SECOND CONTACT 2 NICKS INVESTIGATING BUT NO ATTACK THIRD CONTACT EMILY COURSE 200 SPEED 160 SHOT DOWN SAME ELAPSED TIME 15 MINUTES POSITION NORTH 28-00 LAT 130-50 LONG CONTINUING PATROL.

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SUMMARY NUMBER 40 111200K. THE NIGHT WAS GENERALLY QUIET WITH ONLY MINOR INFILTRATION ATTEMPTS. ISCOM AND CORPS

REPORTED RECEIVING ROCKET FIRE DURING THE NIGHT. 1 CA AND DD PROVIDED ILLUMINATION FOR HARASSING FIRE ON CALL. ATTACK

RESUMED AT K 40830. 3RD AND 4TH MARDIVS ATTACKED AT K MINUS 60. 5TH MARDIV AT K HOUR. NO CHANGE IN BOUNDARIES. CORPS

ARTY SUPPORTED 5TH MARDIV. NGF SUPPORT BY 1 CA 3 DD 2 LCI(G). 7 P-51'S BOMBED AND STRAFED TA 250 AND 251 AT 0820. THE

3RD MARDIV HOLDS THE BEACH BETWEEN TA 219 DY. AS OF 1145 NO INFORMATION ON PROGRESS OF ATTACK, COMBAT EFFICIENCY

VERY GOOD CASUALTY TOTAL TO 101800K TOTAL LANFOR BATTLE CASUALTIES 791 OFF 15923 ENL. TOTAL 16714 OF WHICH 3304 KIA.

TOTAL LANFOR NONEFFECTIVES 2756. AT 0905 15 P-51'S LOADED WITH 2 500 POUND BOMBS EACH TOOK OFF FOR CHICHI JIMA. UN-

LOADING CONTINUES ON EASTERN BEACHES UNDER FAVORABLE CONDITIONS AT 1100 DICKERSON APD 21 DEPARTED FOR GUAM WITH 58 POWS INCLUDING 24 JAPS AND 34 KOREANS.

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Advance Echelon, Manila Philippine Island

To : War Department

No : C 12004 11 March 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War
Department C 12004, Operations report SOWESPAC area period
1500Z/9th to 1500Z/10th.

China Coast: Reconnaissance planes March 9th reported
two large tankers one medium freighter transport one destroyer
one gunboat on northeasterly course northeast Amoy, one large
one medium freighter transport one gunboat to southeast head-
ing southwest, following day Hong Kong reported empty.

Formosa: 31x medium freighter transports three
destroyers escorts reported Keelung March 9th.

French Indo China: Two escort vessels sighted on
southerly course March 10th, Cape Saint Jacques Tourane
reported empty.

Part 2. Naval: PT-boats destroyed power boat and
barge damaged anchored fuel barge Basilan Island night March
9th.

Air. Enemy action: Lone fighter shot down when
attacking Allied Motor launch Cape Orford New Britain March
9th.

Operations: (1) Refer preceding report paragraph 3:
six more * south Laguna De Bay and enemy positions *

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(2) 14 corsairs hit LaPaz on Panay Island; 16 Corsairs two B 24's bombed Cotabato, eight Corsairs attacked Parang Mindanao.

Operations March 9th:

(3) Patrol B 24's from Clark Field sank three * left another burning Swatow area, scored two direct hits medium freighter transport northeast * intercepting fighters north Formosa.

(4) B 24's caused fires and explosions Takao city and dockyards with 80 tons bombs, 4 enemy fighters made nil interception.

(5) Six B 25's on search over China Sea's; single B 25 returning from Formosa reconnaissance bombed Cabugao north western Luzon; three B 25's turned back from Mansel Shoto due weather, bombed Aparri.

(6) 44 A 20's supported ground forces San Fernando La Union, caused heavy destruction Cauayan town north Echague; 65 fighters and dive bomber sorties against northern Luzon; 152 Dauntless attacked defence positions Antipolo Wawa line east Manila, one dauntless missing; 50 P 51's, 21 P 38's, 12 P 47's and eight P 40's resisted ground forces central and southern Luzon hit Caballo Island and demolished two bridges Bayombong; one P 61, 36 more P 51's plus P 38's on patrol.

(7) 32 * on Negros; eight Corsairs attacked Cebu city and barracks Panay Island.

(8) 24 more B 24's raided *.

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Operations March 10th:

(9) B * planes shot down Betty east * naval left medium transport sinking with six direct hits Hainan, damaged tug and one of two intercepting fighters near Hon Kong.

(10) Two predawn B 24's caused fires Toko and Taina Formosa.

(11) 5 B 24's bombed Ipo North Manila.

(12) 26 B 25's raided Zamboanga; eight B 25's hit town and docks Basilan Island and cooperated with PT boats; two Corsairs strafed beach area.

(13) Six B 24's attacked Jesselton Borneo.

(14) RAAF B 24 patrol from Darwin bombed village southeastern Celebes.

(15) 3 A 20's raided Kairiru Island village Newak

(16) 9 B 24's bombed Keravat Airdrome Rabaul *

Air. Operations March 9th:

(17) Nine Venturas and 23 B 25's bombed airdrome and gun position Kavieng, hit nearby plantations; single Ventura ten corsairs patrolled Rabaul, 16 B 25's attacked personnel and supplies Sulphur Creek; 44 Corsairs struck bivouacs and headquarters area Bougainville.

Land. Luzon: Sixth Army: I Corps: Elements 33rd Division occupied positions 9,500 yards east Sison and along line extending from point 9,000 yards east camp * Klondike * road, patrols reached point 11,000 yards north Aringay; * second Division broke resistance 3,500 yards west Imugan, encountered other enemy position further east;

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Elements 25th Division advancing north contacted units
vicinity Putlan.

XI Corps: 38th Division reported extensive patrolling
with only minor contacts.

XIV Corps: Elements 11th Airborne Division from
Bukal (0316) effected patrol contact with other elements
at Talaga (932058), 158th Regimental Combat Team Units
reached point 1,000 yards west Bungahan (8878); 1st Cavalry
Division captured knob 600 yards southeast Bench mark 11
(036629), encountered heavy mortar fire attacking high
ground 1,500 yards west northwest Antipolo; 6th Division:
First to * made limited gains against enemy small arms and
mortar fire. Cumulative casualties to March 10th:

Allied: 3673 killed, 13,871 wounded, 193 missing;

Enemy: 71,945 killed, 754 captured *

Mindanao: Eighth Army: 41st * vicinity
San Mateo; 162nd Infantry captured Wolfe Airdrome and San
Roque village against light opposition, elements 163rd
Infantry reached Baliwasan Creek.

Map reference: Mindanao, scale 1/50,000 Australian
Survey Corps:

Part 3.

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(1) 6 A 20's dropped 58 100 lb delay bombs, 12 100 lb
napalms * bombs from 16,000 feet, met slight to intense
heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.

(5) 4 B 25's dropped 4 500 lb, 36 100 lb bombs.

(6) A 20's dropped 17 tons parademos, fired 45,400
rounds 50 calibre; 65 sorties dropped 42 tons demolition
bombs, eight tons fragmentation bombs northern Luzon;
Dauntless dropped 75 tons bombs; other planes expended inter
* 67 260 lb frage, 21 tons demos, fired 24,200 rounds 50
calibre.

(7) 32 Corsairs dropped 18 1,000 lb bombs

(8) * *
(9) No details.

(10) Dropped 24 500 lb bombs.

(11) Dropped 30 1,000 lb bombs from 9,000 feet.

(12) B 25's dropped 20 500 lb, 302 100 lb bombs.

(13) Dropped 36 1,000 lb bombs from 8,000 feet.

(14) No details.

(15) Dropped * 15 bombs eight to 15 seconds delay,
fired 4,900 rounds 50 calibre.

(16) Dropped 64 1,000 lb, 12 500 lb bombs from 10,000
feet.

(17) B 25's dropped 32 2,000 lb, two 1,000 lb,
16 500 lb bombs, two * lb depth charges; other planes
dropped 18 1,000 lb 72 500 lb bombs, two 325 lb depth

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charges, eight 500 lb oil incendiaries.

Allied Air Forces summary of sorties March 8th and
* Fifth Air Force: 60 fighters 120 bombers 29 others of
which 54 fighters and 73 bombers 19 others in Philippines.

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To: War Department

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From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War
Department C 12004.

Correct page 1 Line 21 to read.

Operations March 8:

(1) Refer preceding report paragraph 3: six more
A 20's raided San Pablo south Laguna De Bay and enemy
positions west Ternate.

(2) 14 Corsairs hit LaPaz on Panay Island;

Correct page 2.... Line 5 to read

(3) Patrol B 24's from Clark Field sank 3 coastal
vessels left another burning Swatow area, scored two direct
hits medium freighter transport Northwest Amoy, damaged 2
intercepting fighters north Formosa.

Correct page 2.... Line 24 to read

(7) 32 Corsairs struck Dumaguette on Negros; 8
Corsairs attacked Cebu City and barracks Panay Island.

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(8) 24 more B 24's raided Zamboanga. Operations
March 10.

(9) B 24 search planes shot down Betty east Tourane,
shot down naval left medium transport sinking with six
direct hits Hainan, damaged tug and one of two intercepting
fighters near Hong Kong.

Correct page 3 Line 2 to read

(16) 9 B 24's bombed Keravat Airdrome Rabaul. Sol-
omons Forces. Air.

Correct page 3 Line 16 to read

Luzon: Sixth Army: 1st Corps:
Elements 33rd Division occupied positions 9500 yards
east Sison and along line extending from point 9000 yards
east Camp one to Klondikes on Kennon Road, patrols reached
point 11000 yards north Aringay; 32 Division broke resistance
3500 yards west Imugan, encountered other enemy positions
further east;

Correct page 3 Line 25 to read

6th Division: 1st infantry attacking east made
limited gains against enemy small arms and mortar fire.

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Cumulative casualties to March 10:
Allied: killed 3673 wounded 13871 missing 193
Enemy: killed 71945 captured 754.

Mindanao: Eighth Army: 41st Division (less 186
regimental combat team): landing effected vicinity San
Mateo; 162 Infantry captured Wolfe Airdrome and San Roque
village against light opposition, elements 163 Infantry
reached Baliwasan Creek.

Correct page 4... Line 12 to read

(1) Six A 20's dropped 58 100 lb delay bombs, 12 100
lb napalms; 42 A 20's fired 50800 rounds 50 calibre.

Correct page 5.... Line 2 to read

Dauntless dropped 75 tons bombs; other planes ex-
pended inter Alia 67 250 frags, 21 tons demo, fired 24200
rounds 50 calibre.

(7) 32 Corsairs dropped 18 1000 lb bombs

(8) Dropped 716 100 lb bombs.

(9) No details.

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Correct page 5.... Line 9 to read

(15) Dropped 12 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay,
fired 4900 rounds 50 calibre.

(16) Dropped 64 1000 lb, 12 500 lb bombs from 10000
feet.

(17) B 25's dropped 32 2000 lb, 2 1000 lb, 16 500 lb
bombs, 2 700 lb depth charges;

Correct page 5... Line 19 to read

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9th exclusive Fifth Air Force: 60 fighters 120 bombers
29 others of which 54 fighters 73 bombers 19 others in
Philippines.

End.

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AFTER 2 DAYS PRELIMINARY OPERATIONS BY MINE-SWEEPING AND BOMBARDMENT GROUPS AN AMPHIBIOUS ATTACK GROUP COMMANDED BY RADM ROYAL LANDED THE 41ST INFANTRY DIVISION COMMANDED BY MAJ GEN DOE AT ZAMBOANGA THIS MORNING. THE FIRST WAVE HIT THE BEACH AT 0915/1 MEETING ONLY LIGHT MACHINE GUN FIRE FROM THE BEACHES. THE LANDING IS PROCEEDING ACCORDING TO PLAN. AT THE MOUTH OF LUPAR RIVER BORNEO ON THE 9TH SEARCH PLANES SANK 2 SMALL AK 1 TUG 1 BARGE AND DAMAGED A SCHOONER AND A TUG. PBAY'S BOMBED AND DAMAGED PARACEL ISLANDS RADIO STATION ON 8TH. OFF HONG KONG PLANES SANK 1 AK 1 LUGGER 1 TUG AND DAMAGED 3 AK. IN FORMOSA STRAIT A MEDIUM FREIGHTER WAS STRAFED WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS.

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FOLLOWING IS 101200K SITUATION SUMMARY:
NIGHT FAIRLY QUIET WITH MINOR ATTEMPTS AT INFILTRATION. 4TH MARDIV REPORTED AT 1130K THAT INITIAL MORNING ADVANCE MET ONLY LIGHT FIRE. RCT 24

REPORTED HELD UP BY SNIPER FIRE AND RCT 25 GETTING SNIPING FROM REAR. HAVE ENCOUNTERED NO LARGE GROUPS

OF ENEMY. RESISTANCE GENERALLY SPOTTY. 3RD MARDIV REPORTED AT 1150K LITTLE ACTIVITY IN RCT 21 SECTOR.

BLT 1/21 HAS PATROLS ON BEACH IN TA 236W AND 219D. RCT 9 ON BEACH SWINGING SOUTH AT 1120K. BLT 2/21

ESTIMATES FEW ENEMY ON ITS FRONT. BLT 3/21 MOVING SLOWLY AGAINST CAVES AND PILLBOXES. 5TH MARDIV RE-

PORTED 1130K RCT 26 BEING HELD UP ON FLANKS. RCT 28 HAVING TROUBLE WITH BLOCKHOUSE OR PILLBOX IN

TA 235A.

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RDO HONO INTERCEPT

RDO LUZON PASS ACTION TO MACARTHUR. CTG 78.1 SENDS
Jamboanga
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To: War Department

Nr: C 11939 10 March 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War
Department cite C 11939. Operations report SOWESPAC area
period 1500Z/8 to 1500Z/9 signed MacArthur.

China coast:

Large transport reported southbound northeast Hong
Kong night March 8, two medium freighter transports one
gunboat following day on southwesterly course northeast
Amoy.

Hainan:

Destroyer and destroyer escort sighted heading north-
east off east coast March 9.

French Indo China:

3000 ton transport one escort sighted southbound off
Cape Padaran evening March 8, following day searchplanes
reported one merchant vessel Tourane, Cape Sait Jacques
Camranh Bay QuiNhon anchorages empty.

Philippines:

Aircraft over Zamboanga March 9 reported no evidence
enemy activity in town.

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Part 2 Naval:

Allied warships continued bombardment Zamboanga March 9; PT boats fired fuel barge Basilan Island Sulu Archipelago; other boats destroyed one barge and radio station Batangas area, sank one barge Cebu night March 7.

Air.

Operations March 8:

(1) 19 B25's turned back from Pescadore Swatow Hong Kong and Hainan due weather, three planes bombed targets north western Luzon; six other B25's on search for missing plane.

(2) Refer preceding report paragraph six: 34 more B24's against Balete Pass; nine planes bombed estimated target, remainder unable penetrate weather.

(3) 5 B25's and 36 A20's supported ground forces Tangadan South Vigan and San Fernando; 62 P47's raided Tangadan and Baguio area; 150 Dauntless sorties against Antipolo Wawa defences; 42 P38's, 8 P40's and 94 P51's hit supplies and concentrations northern Luzon attacked main defence line east Manila, bombed Caballo Island and personnel Lake Taal area. Mindanao.

(4) 7 Corsairs attacked Malabang personnel areas and small boats afloat; 6 Spitfires 16 RAAF P40's harassed supplies and bivouacs Halmahera.

(5) 3 A20's bombed and strafed assigned targets Wevak.

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Operations March 9:

(7) Patrol planes sank one coastal vessel one tug off Hong Kong, sank one barge one tug one coastal vessel one small freighter, damaged large schooner and tug north-western Borneo.

(8) Two flights P38's detailed air patrol Zamboanga forced back due weather; 46 B24's demolished buildings fired fuel dumps Zamboanga.

(9) B24 patrolling Macassar Strait bombed unidentified vessel south Balikpapan.

(10) 10 Beaufighters 2 Spitfires and 8 RAAF P40's struck targets of opportunity Celebes and Halmahera.

(11) 2 RAAF B24's raided Mica mines Banggai Archipelago and Raha village southeastern Celebes.

(12) 12 B24's cratered Cape Wom; 3 A20's attacked coastal targets Wewak.

Solomons forces. Air. Operations March 8:

(13) No reports New Ireland strikes; 10 Corsairs 1 Ventura covered Rabaul; 36 Corsairs raided bivouacs Bougainville.

Land. Luzon: Sixth Army: XIV Corps:

Elements 11th Airborne reached point 500 yards west Sector (9505), others held high ground from Quintin Point on Lake Taal to point 1000 yards northeast Janopol (925038); 158th Regimental Combat Team units reached Boman on Batangas Bay, others reached road junction at Balibag (842776); forward elements 1st Cavalry Division entered south west corner Antipolo;

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6th Division: 1st Infantry advanced 2,000 yards from positions 8,000 yards east Bayanbayan without reported opposition.

XI Corps:

Elements 43rd Division advancing southwest along Bengat and Malango River valleys reported 267 Japanese killed 590 found dead since March 8.

I Corps:

Elements 25th Division advancing north along Barak River, engaged enemy force 12,000 yards north northeast Carraglan, other elements advancing north on highway number 5 reached positions 2,500 yards southwest Putlan; 32nd Division units cut enemy escape route to rear 3,000 yards West Imugan; 33rd Division patrolled throughout Zone of Action without reported contact.

Mindanao:

Preliminary report 41st Division effected landing vicinity Zamboanga without opposition 0015Z/10.

Part 3.

- (1) Dropped 12 by 500 lb bombs.
 - (2) Dropped 36 tons 1,000 lb bombs from 8,000 feet, jettisoned 76 tons.
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(3) B 25s dropped 20 by 250 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay; A 20s dropped 144 by 250 lb parademos; 47 P 47s dropped 90 by 1,000 lb bombs; Dauntless dropped 74 tons bombs including 7 by 1,000 lb, 62 by 500 lb, 124 by 250 lb bombs; P 38s dropped 81 by 1,000 lb bombs; 78 P 51s dropped 152 by 500 lb bombs; 76 P 51s fired 52,300 rounds 50 calibre; 16 P 47s fired 7,700 rounds 50 calibre; no other details ammunition expended.

(4) Dropped 7 by 1,000 lb bombs.

(5) No details.

(6) Dropped 12 by 300 lb 8 to 15 seconds delay bombs from minimum altitude, fired 400 rounds 50 calibre.

(7) No details.

(8) Dropped 324 by 1,000 lb bombs from 11,900 to 8,000 feet; 1 B 24 from Samar late over target destroyed by bomb from higher formation.

(9) Dropped 9 by 500 lb bombs.

(10) No details.

(11) Dropped 6 by 500 lb bombs, fired 1,300 rounds 50 calibre.

(12) B 24s dropped 8 by 1,000 lb, 132 by 500 lb bombs from 8,500 feet; A 20s dropped 12 by 300 lb bombs 8 to

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15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 4,100 rounds 50 calibre.

(13) Dropped 20 by 1,000 lb, 12 by 500 lb bombs, 4 by 650 lb depth charges.

Refer report operations March 7 paragraph 6: 65 A 20s dropped 183 by 250 lb, 170 by 100 lb parademos, 34 by 100 lb napalms, fired over 70,800 rounds 50 calibre.

Air status:

2 squadrons 50th Bomber Group operation from Guiuan airdrome on southeast point Samar, 475th Fighter Group, 2 squadrons 380th Bomb Group operating from Mindoro.

Airdromes:

On Mindoro Murtha runway in operation, MacGuire drome under construction; on Palawan Puerto Princesa north runway being extended, 4,500 feet estimated available March 16.

Part 4.

G2 Intelligence summary. Defense of the Ipo-Antipolo line: Defense zone organized in considerable depth, probably extending as far east as Bosobosc and Tanay. Captured map reveals front line in rear present Antipolo-Wawa line. Guerrilla reports and pattern of road traffic suggest that enemy salvaging troops and supplies from south displacing them north

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into areas astride highway 21. Combat thus far has developed two principal strongly defended areas, Antipolo and high ground to northeast Montalban. In the former, positions were well organized and supported by artillery and mortars, evident intent to cover highway 21 and south flank. Our patrol activities in mountain areas north of Montalban indicate Ipo a defense zone independent of Antipolo-Wawa sector. Extensive frontage to be held with forces available limits enemy defense capability to isolated centers of resistance. Reduction of these defense areas will be difficult as enemy has characteristic positions utilizing terrain to maximum.

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SUMMARY NUMBER 37 091800K.

DURING NIGHT OF 8 MARCH 5TH MARDIV FRONT GENERALLY QUIET. 3RD MARDIV RECEIVED SNIPER AND ROCKET FIRE. 4TH MARDIV

REPORTED HEAVY ROCKET AND MORTAR FIRE AND INFILTRATION ATTEMPTS IN STRENGTH. 564 ENEMY DESTROYED IN ATTEMPTS.

1 CA AND 7 DD PROVIDED ILLUMINATION AND HARASSING FIRE. ATTACK RESUMED AT 0700 WITH 3 DIV ABREAST. NO CHANGE IN

ZONES OF ACTION. ENCOURAGING PROGRESS WAS MADE BY TROOPS TODAY AGAINST CONTINUING STIFF RESISTANCE. AT 1315 PATROLS

OF RCT 21 REACHED THE BEACH AT TA 236 W. ROCKET FIRE REPORTED FROM KAMA OR KANGORO ROCKS CORPS ARTY CONTINUES

TO PROVIDE GENERAL SUPPORT. NGF PROVIDED DURING DAY BY 1 CA AND 4 DD. CVE GROUPS CONTINUED CLOSE SUPPORT MISSIONS.

P-51'S GAVE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS. 1 P-51 CRASHED ON LANDING AND DAMAGED 2 PARKED PLANES.

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AT 1421 1 B-29 MADE SUCCESSFUL FORCED LANDING ON AIRFIELD NUMBER 1.

CASUALTIES AS OF 1700 9 MARCH.

||| BATTLE CASUALTIES 760 OFF 15251 ENL GRAND TOTAL 16011 OF WHICH 3098 KIA. NON EFFECTIVES TOTAL 2118.

UNLOADING AND EVACUATION CONTINUES ON EASTERN BEACHES. ZERO GARRISON FORCE COMPLETED UNLOADING THIS MORNING. TOTAL TONNAGE LAST 24 HOURS

2810. BETWEEN 0345 AND 0400 ESTIMATE 3 BOGIES CLOSED WITHOUT ATTACKING AS DESCRIBED CTF 51 DISPATCH 082020. LANDING CONDITIONS

EASTERN BEACHES GOOD WESTERN BEACHES UNSATISFACTORY.

FRONT LINES AS OF 1700K.

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HAS BY HAND FOR ACTION.

CRUISER COVERING GROUP (2 CL 6 DD) UNDER THE COMMAND
OF ADM BERKEY SUPPORTED MINE SWEEPING OPERATIONS
AND BOMBARDED ZAMBOANGA AREA ON THE 8TH AND IS
CONTINUING SUPPORT TODAY 9TH. NO ENEMY REACTION
NOTED AND NO MINES WERE CUT IN AREA. NIGHT 7/8 PTS
SANK 1 BARGE OFF CEBU AND DESTROYED 1 BARGE AND A
POSSIBLE RADIO STATION AT LOBO BATANGA. SEARCH PLANES
ON 8TH DAMAGED 2 LUGGERS AND 1 SEATRUCK NORTHEAST
OF HAINAN. IN FORMOSA STRAIT A LUGGER WAS LEFT
SINKING AND A MEDIUM FREIGHTER WAS STRAFED WITH

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UNKNOWN RESULTS. 2 PBY'S LAID MINES IN PESCADORES
GROUP ON THE NIGHT OF THE 7TH.

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Century frag clusters and quarter tonner GP's visited on Chichi Jima Airfield by three Army Snooper Liberators March 4th.

March 5th saw two single engine and two twin engine aircraft * * * circled and rocketed by carrier planes through solid overcast at dusk. Marine torpedo bombers and Corsairs struck targets in Palau and at Yap. Rota targets strafed by Marine fighters. Single Superfort reconnoitered Nansei Shoto area. Antiair and interception nil.

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Seven B-29's were airborne for predawn bombing of Wagayama and Nagoya. Wagayama got eight quarter tonner incendiaries. Nagoya received sixteen quarter tonner incendiaries and 32 GP's of like weight. Meager inaccurate AA met.

Additional predawn Superfort on run of Nagoya encountered moderate inaccurate anti-air.

One weather striking B-29 over Kyushu and another over Tokyo carrying no bombs met no interception or flak.

27 quarter tonner GP's, 16 quarter tonner incendiaries and 12 photo flash bombs dropped on Shisuoka night 6th-7th March by six Superforts. Meager to moderate inaccurate anti-air received.

Join 7th March action now. Carrier planes made special intruder patrol over Chichi Jima during two hours before dawn. Other carrier aircraft made dawn sweep on same target where AA downed one torpedo bomber; no survivors observed.

One each predawn Superfort over Okayama and Kochi loosed total of 12 quarter tonner GP's. Saw large fires in oil storage area of Okayama. AA and interception nil.

One predawn weather strike Superfort loosed ten quarter tonner GP missiles on target reported as Sumura Naval Base. Interception and flak nil.

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Navy pilot sighted possible Hip free balloon at 7,000 feet altitude over Oahu at 071800Z. Pilot unable to shoot balloon down because of lack of oxygen mask and great height to which balloon rapidly ascended. Balloon last seen at 071835Z.

Herewith Iwo Jima situation as reported in Navy dispatches.

Naval guns and carrier aircraft supported Marine offensive throughout day 6th March. Marines made small gains in center of line and on left flank by 1730K hours.

Relatively quiet way night 6th-7th March. Naval vessels lent illumination and harrassing fire during night. 3rd MARDIV rushed off at 070500K hours while 4th and 5th MARDIVS resumed attacks shortly after dawn. 3rd MARDIV seized a hill and 1030K hours made approximate 500 yard advance in hand to hand fighting before being checked. 4th MARDIV made 100-200 yard gains in left center of line by 1100K hours. Staff casualties caused when a Battalion Landing Team Command Post got direct hit.

Nine DD's aided Marines with call fire during day. Carrier aircraft gave direct air support during morning.

March 7th saw best sea conditions for supply unloading thus far. Iwo Combat Air Patrol taken over at 071200K hours by Army Mustangs.

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Marine casualties as of 071700K hours were 14,293
of which 2681 were killed.

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ACTION: OPD

INFO : CG AAP, G-2, Admiral King, Log, Colonel Park.

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Leyte, Philippines.

To: War Department

Nr: C 11869 9 March 1945

Chief of Staff War Department from GHQ SWPA sgd
MacArthur C 11869. Operations report SOWESPAC Area period
1500Z/7 to 1500Z/8.

China Coast: Sightings by reconnaissance planes
March 8th included large freighter transport two seatrucks
three escort vessels 30 miles southeast Swatow heading
northeast, large tanker two destroyer escorts on similar
course 30 miles southeast Amoy. Formosa: Photographs March
5th showed 79 single engined plane (some considered trainers)
Tainan 12 fighter three Dober Takao 14 single engined five
twin engined planes Okayama 25 fighters two bombers Heito,
in Taka harbour 70 vessels totalling 28,000 tons.

Hiana: China based search plane reported merchant
vessel transporting aircraft with two escort vessels and air
cover off east coast midday March 8th, medium transport small
freighter transport four destroyer escorts sighted entering
Yulin harbour same day.

Borneo: Photographs Balikpapan March 8th showed
large freighter transport 19 small coastal vessels 45
barges, three fighters Sepinggan Airdrome. ()

Part Two. Naval: Allied warships bombarded Zamboanga
March 8th.

Air: Operations March 6th:

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(1) RAAF B24's patrol attacked coastal vessel exploded PTT boat Flores Island.

Operations March 7th:

(2) Reiter preceding report paragraph 6: 33 more A20's, 106 Dauntless, 12 P38's, 18 P47's and 20 P51's against Luzon targets.

(3) 16 Corsairs demolished buildings Panay Island; 39 Corsairs raided Malabang Parang and Scotabato on Mindanca.

(4) 16 RAAF P40's 4 spitfires attacked supplies bivouacs and gun positions Halmahera. Operations March 8th.

(5) B24 patrols from Clark Field left coastal vessel and barge sinking off China Coast.

(6) 12 B24's bombed Baleta Pass Luzon.

(7) 8 Corsairs hit enemy concentrations Cebu City.

(8) 69 B24's attacked Zamboanga; 18 P38's patrolled Zamboanga; other patrols shot down enemy fighter attempting land airdrome.

(9) Single B24 bombed Manggar runway, another B24 attacked seatruck, scored one direct hit two near misses

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small freighter 80 miles south Balikpapan.

(10) Five RAAF B24's patrolling from Darwin bombed Mica mines Banggai Archipelago, targets southern Celebes, met two intercepting fighters near Soembawa; four RAAF B25's damaged barge destroyed bridge Flores Island.

(11) Six B25's bombed and strafed assigned targets Wewak.

(12) Six B24's from Nadzab raided Tobera airdrome Rabaul.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations March 7th:

(13) Two Venturas four Corsairs covered New Ireland; One Ventura eight Corsairs nine B25's caused fires amongst buildings west Rabaul, strike against Tobera weathered out; 38 Corsairs supported ground forces raided supplies and bivouacs Bougainville.

Land. Luzon. Sixth Army: I Corps: Elements 33rd Division seized high ground 3000 yards northwest Twin Peaks against strong resistance, others occupied key terrain 3000 yards north and 2000 yards east Bataan; 32nd Division units on Villa Verde Trail reached point 3500 yards west Imugan; elements 25th Division advancing northwest secured Putian Bridge, others advancing north on highway number five were within 6000 yards of Anabat (7441).

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Leyte, Philippines.

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XI Corps: No change.

Retained
XIV Corps: 11th Airborne Division units reached Ambulong on northeast shore Lake Taal and Sulpok (902105); 158th Regimental Combat Team overcame strong opposition to secure Botong, sent patrols northeast to San Nicolas on Lake Taal; Elements 1st Cavalry Division attacking east reached point 900 yards southwest Antipolo, others were 1800 yards west of town without enemy contact; 6th Division launched coordinated attack to east, no details received. Elements ~~185~~ ¹⁸⁶ overcame strongly resistance hill KX 14 * 5 * north Iranian)

Part three. (1) * Dropped three by 500 lb, nine by 100 lb bombs, fired 1700 rounds 50 calibre.

Paragraphs 2 * . No details.

* dropped 48 by 1000 lb bombs from 9000 feet.

(7) Dropped 12 by 1000 lb bombs, met light inaccurate antiaircraft fire.

* Dropped * hundred * thousand lb * and 80 by *1b, 600 by 100 lb bombs, 50 by 200 and 60 lb frags from 14,500 to 9000 feet.

(9) Dropped 18 by 500 lb bombs.

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(10) B24's dropped 30 by 500 lb bombs, fired 2,600 rounds 50 calibre; B25's dropped 16 by 500 lb bombs 11 seconds delay, fired 2,700 rounds 50 calibre.

(11) Dropped 24 by 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 5000 rounds 50 calibre.

(12) Dropped 48 by 1000 lb bombs from 9,700 feet.

(13) B25's dropped 9 by 2000 lb bombs, Corsairs dropped 14 by 1000 lb, 24 by 500 lb bombs, four by 650 6 by 325 lb depth charges, 4 by 500 lb incendiaries. Refer report operations March 6th Paragraph 11: 73 A20's dropped 151 by 250 lb parademos, 322 by 100 lb bombs, 62 by 100 lb napalms, fired over 63,000 rounds 50 calibre; ten B25's dropped 36 by 500 lb bombs Luzon.

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ACTION: OPD

INFO : CCS, CGAAF, ASP, G-2, Statistics, Adm. King,
Col. Park, Log

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SUMMARY 36 081800K.

RESULTS OF GROUND ACTION FOR THE DAY SHOWED SLOW BUT STEADY PROGRESS BEING MADE AGAINST ENEMY DE. ENDING DESPARATELY EVERY INCH OF GROUND. EARLY MORNING ATTACK APPEARED TO CONFUSE ENEMY BUT HE REORGANIZED QUICKLY AND SLOWED DOWN OUR PROGRESS WITH HEAVY MACHINE GUN SMALL ARMS MORTAR FIRE. OUR TANKS TOOK OUT MANY PILLBOXES MOVING OVER VERY DIFFICULT TERRAIN. JAPS BOOBY TRAPPED MARINE DEAD DURING NIGHT WITH PRESSURE RELEASED FUZE SACHEL CHARGES. FRONT LINE

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TROOPS AGAIN REPORT SNIPERS WEARING MARINE UNIFORMS.
AS DAY ENDED TROOPS WERE IN POSITION ALONG LINE:
TA 233E 234FGHNT 235PQRST 236U 219A5QV 202AGK 2010SV
184CHMSY 167E PREPARED TO RESUME THE ATTACK AT DAWN.
OVERTON APD 23 DESTROYED HORNED MINE 1715 7 MARCH
21-15 N 141-17 E. LCT 1029 BROACHED AND HEAVILY
DAMAGED EASTERN BEACH. SALVAGE AND REPAIR IMPOSSIBLE.
CRAFT TOWED TO SEA SUNK 153 FATHOMS. SAMARITAN DEPARTED
GUAM 1800 WITH CASUALTIES.

CVE BASED PLANES CONTINUED DIRECT SUPPORT MISSIONS.
1 STRAFING MISSION FLOWN BY SHORE BASED P-51'S WHEN COMING
OFF CAPOBJJCLAP.* 1 RUDYERD BAY TBM HIT CRASH LANDED IWO
FIELD WITH SLIGHT INJURY 1 CREWMAN. 2 ADDITIONAL ARMY
P-51 SQUADRONS AND 1 MARINE TBM SQUADRON ARRIVED AFTERNOON
IWO FIELD. FURTHER INFORMATION DAWN SWEEP CHICHI INDICATES
FIELD CLEARED OF WRECKS AND OPERATIONAL.

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(COM 7TH FLEET GIVES INFO COMINCH. CINCSWPA LEYTE HAS ACTION)

CLEARANCE SWEEP OF BALER BAY WAS COMPLETED ON THE 7TH WITH A TOTAL OF 98 MINES SWEEPED. NAVY PATROL SEAPLANES COMMENCED OPERATIONS FROM MANILA BAY ON THE 7TH. NIGHT OF THE 6TH/7TH PT'S DESTROYED 2 BARGES ON CEBU. 3 BOATS COOPERATED WITH ARMY IN SEARCH FOR JAPS ON HULKS IN MANILA HARBOR. 17 WRECKS WERE CLEARED AND 25 NIPS FOUND DEAD 6 KILLED AND 1 WAS CAPTURED. SEARCH PLANES ON 7TH SHOT DOWN 1 FRANK OFF SWATOW AND BOMBED MEDIUM TANKER WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. 2 MEDIUM FREIGHTER TRANSPORTS WERE DAMAGED IN FORMOSA STRAIT WHILE EAST OF FORMOSA 2 ANCHORED LANDING BARGES WERE DAMAGED.

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DATE 3 MARCH 45			ROUTINE
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CTF 51 SENDS ACTION COM 5TH FLT INFO ATFC 5TH FLT CINCPAC (BOTH HDQS)

SUMMARY NUMBER 35 081200K.

NIGHT 7-8 MARCH UNEVENTFUL. CORPS CONTINUED ATTACK IN EC
TO CAPTURE REMAINDER OF ISLAND. 4TH MARDIV ATTACKED
0620 WITH MAIN EFFORT ON ITS LEFT. 3RD MARDIV 5TH MARDIV
ATTACKED AT 0750 WITH MAIN EFFORT BOTH DIVS ON RIGHT.
ZONES OF ACTION BOUNDARIES UNCHANGED EXCEPT BOUNDARY
BETWEEN 5TH AND 3RD MARDIV EXTENDED TO TA 236F. 4TH
MARDIV REPORTS ENEMY WITHDRAWING FROM CAVES ON ITS FRONT
SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS INDICATE STUBBORN RESISTANCE
CONTINUES. LITTLE ADVANCE ON ALL FRONTS. 1030 REPORT SHOWS

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200 YARD GAIN ALONG 5TH MARDIV CENTER AND LEFT FLANK WITH
200 YARD SALINET EXTENDED TO TA 236U OPPOSITE LEFT FLANK 3RD
MARDIV AND 200 YARD SALIENT ADVANCED TO TA 200CL OPPOSITE LEFT
FLANK 4TH MARDIV. TRANSLATION CAPTURED UNDATED DOCUMENT
REVEALS ORDER ISSUED BY COMMANDER DEFENSE FORCE TO POISON
WITH HYDROCYANIC ACID ALL WATER NOT REMOVED TO BEAR. LANFOR
EFFECTIVE CASUALTIES 1700 7 MARCH ; 720 OFF 14090 EM.
GRAND TOTAL 14810 OF WHICH 28 (GARBLED GROUPS). TOTAL
LANFOR NON-EFFECTIVES INCLUDING SICK AND INJURED NON-BATTLE
47 OFF 2265 EM.

NIGHT FIRE SUPPORT BY 1 CA 7 DD'S 2 LCSL WITH 1 CA 7 DD'S
AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT DAY. SOLACE ARRIVED 0930 FOR CASUALTY EVACUATIO
EVACUATIONS. SEAPLANE BASE GROUP WAMLIN AV 15 AND CHINCOTEAGUE
AVP 24 DEPARTED SAIPAN 0900. SEAPLANE BASE DISCONTINUED.
SUMNER (AGO 5) HIT BY SMALL CALIBER ENEMY SHELL WITH 1 EM KIA
2 EM WIA SHIP UNDAMAGED. (GARBLED GROUPS)

NITE 27-28 FEB TROOPS REPORTED PARACHUTES DROPPED
(GARBLED GROUPS.) NOW CONFIRMED AS JAP PLANE ATTEMPTING
RESUPPLY (GARBLED GROUPS). AT TIME FIRST NOTED BOGEY REPORT
RECEIVED BUT EVALUATED AS ASP(GARBLED GROUPS) A LOW FLIER NOT SEEN
VISUALY AND ONLY FNSHTENTARY GHTING BY RADAR. ENTERPRISE
DAWN SWEEP CHICH1 8 MARCH STRAFED ROCTDMMD FIELD AREA NAVAL BASE
RESULTS UNOBSERVED.

UNLOADING AND EVACUATION FROM WESTERN BEACHES EVRTTD TO EASTERN
BEACHES DUE SURF CONDITIONS. 1ST ECHELON GARRISON SHIPPING
ARRIVED ON LAUBA UNLOADING. 4250 TONS UNLOADED ALL BEACHES PAST 24
HOURS. WEATHER WIND NORTHWEST 16 KNOTS. TEMPERATURE 66. 4/10 CUMULU
3000 FEET. VISIBILITY GOOD. LOW SWELLS NORTHWEST 3 FEET SURF EASTER
BEACHES WITH 6 FEET SURF WESTERN BEACHES

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CVE PLANES. RUDYERD BAY FIGHTER PILOT SHOT DOWN OVER IWO
0900 MAKING CRASH LANDING IN WATER. PILOT RESCUED BY YMS 478
HUDSON AT 1100 POSITION 77-25 N 153-25 E RESCUED 8 OF 12
SURVIVORS OF B-29 46 SECTOR 609 WHICH MADE WATER LANDING.
6 OF 8 SURVIVORS INJURED. 3 LAND CATS ARRIVING IWO 1535
7 MARCH TOOK OVER DUMB. DJSK STRIKE CHICHI JIMA 7 MARCH
CANCELLED DUE WEATHER.

NITE 27-28 FEB TROOPS REPORTED PARACHUTES DROPPED CLOSE TO
FRONT LINES. NOW CONFIRMED AS JAP PLANE ATTEMPTING RESUPPLY
IWO TROOPS. AT TIME FIRST NOTED BOGEY REPORT RECEIVED BUT
EVALUATED AS ASP. BELIEVE NOW PLANE WAS A LOW FLIER NOT SEEN

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VISUALLY AND ONLY FRAGMENTARY SIGHTING BY RADAR. ENTERPRISE
DAWN SWEEP CHICHI 8 MARCH STRAFED ROCKETED FIELD AREA NAVAL
BASE RESULTS UNOBSERVED.
UNLOADING AND EVACUATION FROM WESTERN BEACHES SHIFTED TO
EASTERN BEACHES DUE SURF CONDITIONS. FIRST ECHELON GARRISON
SHIPPING ARRIVED COMMENCED UNLOADING. 4250 TONS UNLOADED
ALL BEACHES PAST 24 HOURS. WEATHER WIND NORTHWEST 16 KNOTS.
TEMPERATURE 66. 4/10 CUMULUS 3000 FEET. VISIBILITY GOOD.
LOW SWELL NORTHWEST 3 FEET SURF EASTERN BEACHES WITH 6 FEET SURF
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To: War Department.

Nr: C 11805 8 March 1945.

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff
War Department cite C 11805. Operations report SOWESPAC area
period 1500Z/6 to 1500Z/7.

China Coast: Reconnaissance planes along China
coast March 7th * north ninety miles South West Swatow,
similar convoy northbound 40 miles southwest Swatow and
third escorted tanker off Lamyit Island on same course;
Off Amoy large freighter transport three destroyer escorts,
large tanker medium freighter transport one destroyer 60
miles to north east, both convoys on northerly courses.

Formosa: Medium freighter transport three small
freighters reported Keelung, 50 fighters photographed Taichu
airdrome March 2nd.

Hainan: Approximately 20 fighters intercepted B25's
attacking same March 6th.

French Indo China: Search planes from Mindoro March
7th sighted two merchant vessels 3,000 tons Tourane, reported
Camranh Bay empty 5 fighters over area.

Luzon: Only 750 enemy estimated remaining in area
west Stotsenburg.

Part 2.

Naval: Ormoc PT boats destroyed two barges Cebu night

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March 6th.

Air.

Operations March 6:

(1) Refer preceding report paragraph eleven:
128 Dauntless sorties included 49 planes with 54 tons bombs
* eighteen planes Vigan area 18 planes * area; 12 A20's
Polillo Island and San Fernando; 32 P51's and 31 P47's
dive bombed and strafed supply and ammunition dumps destroyed
15 motor trucks southern Luzon also hit Fort * Manila
Bay.

(2) Sixteen Corsairs demolished building * Island;
16 Corsairs on ground support Cebu; Eight Corsairs similar
mission Bohol Island; 24 Corsairs raided Mupabang and Parang
Mindanao.

(3) Three RAAF B24's from Darwin bombed Klaka village
north Pomelaa 1: Celebes; Two floatplanes attempted inter-
ception.

(4) * RAAF P40's 4 Spitfires eight Beaufighters swept
Halmahera and north Celebes, destroyed huts trucks and barges.

Operations March 7th:

(5) B24's from Clark Field shot down one fighter
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damaged one float plane, hit two landing barges Formosa Strait.

(6) 17 APO's demolished remaining buildings Nallo town south Aparri; 107 B24's dropped 247 tons bombs on designated targets Balete Pass through adverse weather, two B24's collided over target; other planes destroyed bridge and buildings demolished gun positions north Balete Pass, bombed enemy groups west Stotsenburg, caused explosions Caballo Island; Many ground support missions included strike San Fernando and destruction of headquarters buildings and gun positions Lake Taal; Dive bombers demolished guns and defence positions Antipolo.

(7) 20 Corsairs hit bivouacs and fortified positions Cebu City.

(18) 28 B24's, five B25's and 19 P38's caused explosions and fires amongst personnel and supply areas Zamboanga.

(9) Six B25's searched Sulu Archipelago, bombed Sanga Sanga Airdrome and installations.

(10) Two B24's cratered Manggar runways Balikpapan; Four P38's patrolled Macassar Strait; One B24 bombed Donggala northwestern Celebes.

(11) Venturas patrol damaged beached lugger Sangihe Islands.

(12) Two RAAF B24's from Darwin raided Mica mines
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Banggai Archipelago and Rahu village Southeastern Celebes;
Two RAAF Venturas hit lugger Flores Island.

(13) Six B25's attacked targets Wewak area.

Solomons Forces.

Air.

Operations March 6th:

(14) Adverse weather allowed only 12 Corsairs one
Ventura over Gabaul; 49 Corsairs nine B25's attacked supplies
and Bivouacs Bougainville; Other reports outstanding.

Land.

Luzon: Sixth Army: I Corps: 33rd Division attack-
ing north secured Aringay bridge, held the extending from
Aringay generally southeast to Twin Peaks on Kenmon road;
Elements 32nd Division continued attacks toward Igen;
Elements 25th Division moved northwest along Bonga River
from San Augustin (915340) to point 10,000 yards east south-
east Putlarn (7444) without opposition, other elements
reached point 3,000 yards north Digdir on highway number
five.

XI Corps: 40th Division reported resistance com-
pletely broken west Fort Stotsenburg, units advancing south

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reached east west line 8,000 yard south Tiaong against scattered resistance; 38th Division patrolled in zone of action with minor contacts.

XIV Corps: Elements 11th Airborne Division mopped up hills southwest Ternate; 158 Regimental Combat Team reached Lemery (7179);

First Cavalry and 6th Divisions completed preparations for coordinated attack eastward.

Cumulative casualties to March 8th:

Allied: 3465 Killed,
13235 Wounded,
200 Missing;

Enemy: 68822 Killed,
686 Japanese captured.

5th: Rear areas: Cumulative enemy casualties to March

Morotai: 1169 Killed
63 Captured.

Sansepor: 1415 Killed
97 Captured.

Hollandia: 4521 Killed,
659 Captured.

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Wadke: 4009 Killed,
57 Captured.

Blak: 7446 Killed,
610 Captured.

Noemfoor: 2013 Killed,
265 Captured.

End of Part 2.

Part 3.

- (1) No details.
- (2) Dropped 53 by 1,000 lb, 47 by 500 lb bombs.
- (3) Dropped 27 by 500 lb bombs from 19,000 feet,
fired 500 rounds 50 calibre.

Para 4 and 5. No details.

- (6) B 24's dropped 247 tons 1,000 lb bombs.
- (7) Dropped 24 by 1,000 lb bombs.
- (8) B24's dropped 190 by 1,000 lb, 12 by 500 lb
bombs, 12 by 260 lb frags from 12,500 feet; B25's dropped
50 by 100lb Napalms, met moderated light accurate anti air-

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craft fire; P38's dropped 13 by 165 gallon, 6 by 155 gallon
Napalm from minimum altitude.

(9) Dropped 36 by 250 lb bombs from minimum altitude.

(10) Three B24's dropped 10 by 1,000 lb bombs, 28
by 100 lb frags.

(11) No details.

(12) B24's dropped 6 by 500 lb bombs, fired 1,300
rounds 50 calibre; Venturas dropped 5 by 250 lb bombs five
seconds delay, fired 400 rounds 50 calibre.

(13) Dropped 24 by 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds de-
lay, fired 3,300 rounds 50 calibre.

(14) B25's dropped 9 by 2,000 lb bombs; Corsair
dropped 20 by 1,000 lb, 12 by 500 lb bombs, 8 by 650 lb,
12 by 325 lb depth charges.

Refer report Operations March 5th paragraph eight:
38 B25's dropped over 91 by 500 lb bombs, fired over 47,500
rounds 50 calibre.

Allied Air Forces summary sorties March 7th for South
West Pacific Area: 225 fighters 181 bombers 377 other sorties
including 209 fighters 164 bombers 318 other sorties over
Philippines.

* Being Serviced.

End.

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

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SUMMARY NUMBER 34 071800 K.

CONTINUED HEAVY RESISTANCE MAINLY SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUN FIRE HELD GROUND TROOPS TO LIMITED GAINS THROUGHOUT AFTERNOON.

5TH MARDIV ESTIMATES JAPS WITHDRAWING FROM CAVES VICINITY TA 234SP. JAPS BLEW UP AMMUNITION DUMP TA 233. 3RD TANK BATTALION

STATES JAP SUICIDE GROUP CHARGED TANKS AND WERE MOWED DOWN. POSITIONS ORDERED CONSOLIDATED AT 1700 WITH ATTACKS AFTER THAT

hour AUTHORIZED TO SEIZE LIMITED OBJECTIVES. GAINS OF 500 YARDS MADE ALONG LEFT FLANK OF 5TH MARDIV NARROWING TO 200

YARDS CENTER AND RIGHT. COMCRUDIV 5 RELIEVED COMPHIBGRP 11 AS CTF 54. ALL OBB'S DEPARTED FOR ULITHI 1800. CAPE STEPHENS

PROPELLER DAMAGED BY LCM. THICK WEATHER CANCELLED SUPPORT MISSIONS BY CVE PLANES 1500.

CAP BY GARRISON P-51'S SECURED 1530 DUE WEATHER. SPECIAL SEARCH FOR ANZIO TBM PILOT LOST OVER CHICHI JIMA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

FAVORABLE CONDITIONS FOR UNLOADING.

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(ACTION ON CINCSWPA LEYTE AND TARLAC. INFO CONTINUED CINCPAC GUAM AND COM 5TH FLT SAYS COM 7TH FLT.)

CATALINAS MINED HAINAN STRAIT AND YULINEAN BAY NIGHTS 3RD 4TH 5TH WITHOUT OPPOSITION. SEARCH PLANES ON 6TH STRAFED AND DAMAGED 1 BETTY 1 IRVING 1 OSCAR ON STRIP NORTH TIP OF BORNEO. OFF HONG KONG PLANES SANK 2 SMALL AKS 1 LARGE TANKER 1 LUGGER AND LEFT SINKING 2 SMALL AK 1 LUGGER AND DAMAGED ANOTHER LARGE TANKER. IN FORMOSA STRAIT A MEDIUM FREIGHTER TRANSPORT WAS DAMAGED BY A NEAR MISS AND STRAFING. PT'S NIGHT 5/6 SANK 1 ANCHORED LUGGER AT DUMAGUE'E SOUTHEAST TIP NEGROS AND DESTROYED A BARGE 1 MILE TO THE NORTH. CONTINUED SWEEPING IN BALER BAY OUT 4 MORE MILES ON THE 6TH. EXPECT COMPLETION OF SWEEPING OPERATIONS THE 7TH.

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RDO HONOLULU INTERCEPT

CTU 73.2.1 SENDS ALL INTERESTED LINGAYEN NITE SEARCHES.
 4 MARINERS SENT FROM LINGAYEN NIGHT OF 6-7 MARCH TO ATTACK
 CONVOY ESTIMATED AT 22-40 N 112-40 E AT 1900E.
 DISSIPATE 13 ATTACKED CONVOY 1 S 2 STACKS 1 SA 3 ESCORT
 SHIPS AT 2330I POSITION 22-55 N 116-07 E COURSE HERXI
 SPEED UNDETERMINED. DROPPED 5 BOMBS AT S 2 STACKS. RESULTS
 UNOBSERVED. NO FURTHER SIGHTINGS. DISSIPATE 11 UNABLE TO
 PENETRATE FRONT EXTENDING FROM 60 MILES EAST PROAS TO VHUA
 COAST TURBULENCE INCREASING NORTHEAST. DISSIPATE 14 PENETRATED
 FRONT TO NORTH. FUEL EXHAUSTION FORCED RETURN BEFORE CONVOY
 SIGHTED. DISSIPATE 12 RETURNED ENGINE TROUBLE 1 HOUR OUT.
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To : War Department

Nr : C 11750

7 March 1945

From GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur to Chief of Staff
War Department C 11750. Oper rpt SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/
3 to 1500Z/6 signed MacArthur.

China coast: Reconnaissance planes March 6 reported
heavy cruiser 1 destroyer 2 medium freighter transports
northeast Hainan before dawn, later sighted large tanker 3
escort vessels covered by 2 fighters 100 miles southwest
Hong Kong course north, also in vicinity Hong Kong convoys of
2 tankers 3 destroyers northbound and 1 tanker 2 destroyer
escorts heading east.

Hainan: B 25's reported 12 merchant vessels * Naval
escort vessels Yulin Harbour March 6;
29 fighters 7 bombers photographed Sama Airdrome
March 4.

French Indo China: 4 tankers 4 destroyer escorts
reported arriving Tourane March 5;

Photographs French Indo China airdromes March 2
showed 5 fighters 11 bombers Tan Son Nhut, 6 fighters Thu
Dan Mot, 1 bomber Whatrang.

Part 2. Naval:

Allied units bombarded Masbate prior guerilla
landing morning March 3. PT boats destroyed 3 Q boats
southeast Batangas Bay night March 3;

Ormoc boats sank lugger destroyed barge Negros Island
night March 5.

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Leyte Philippines

Nr : C 11750

7 March 1945

Air. Enemy action: Predawn raider attacked
Palompon northeastern Leyte March 6.

Operations March 4:

- (1) Predawn B 24 exploded and sank large tankers north Hainan.
- (2) 6 A 20's started fires Salomague town northwestern Luzon;
18 A 20's supported ground forces San Fernando;
12 A 20's attacked enemy concentrations near Bagio;
12 A 20's raided Santo Tomas town north northeast Batangas.
- (3) 17 Corsairs supported ground forces Cebu City;
15 Corsairs caused many fires Lapaz Panay Island;
48 Corsairs cratered Lahug and Bacolod runways hit Mabini Negros Island, 1 Corsair * March 5;
- (4) Patrol planes set small freighter afire shot down 2 transport planes Formosa area, near missed freighter transport sank destroyer Hainan area.
- (5) Refer preceding report paragraph 10:
6 A 20's caused explosions Salomague;
2 P 40's set two barges afire south Tuguegarao;
2 P 51's destroyed 1 plane damaged 4 others Echague;
6 A 20's on ground support east San Fernando;
18 A 20's on similar missions Batangas and Cavite provinces;
18 P 47's, 11 P 51's and 6 B 25's attacked Fort Drum Manila Bay;
36 Dauntless bombed and strafed Yamahhita line defences;

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20 fighters against positions west Stotsenburg.
(6) 8 Corsairs supporting ground forces bombed assigned targets Bohol Island;
17 Corsairs on similar mission Cebu City.
(7) 16 Spitfires strafed gun positions and other targets Halmahera.

Operations March 6:

(8) Search planes sank 1 coastal vessel set similar vessel afire damaged another Nansel Shoto, damaged small freighter transport northeast Amoy, sank 1 seatruck 3 coastal vessels 2 luggers, damaged freighter transport seatruck and lugger, probably destroyed 1 damaged another of 4 intercepting fighters east Hong Kong.

(9) B 25's with fighters escort bombed and strafed Sama airdrome Hainan Island from low level, left target area mass of flames, destroyed or seriously damaged 12 planes on ground, shot down 5 probably 4 others of 15 interceptors; 1 B 25 shot down by anti aircraft, 2 collided over target, 2 ditched on return flight.

(10) Fighter sweep harassed southern Formosa.

(11) 34 A 20's struck headquarters area exploded ammunition dumps Lallo south Aparri;
Close ground support missions included San Fernando La Union;

97 B 24's plus divebombers and fighters hit Antipolo defences east Manila throughout day;

Other planes raided Caballo Island and Fort Drum Manila Bay.

(12) 2 P 38's shot down transport plane approaching

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Silay airdrome Negros from Mindanao.

(13) 32 B 24's, 12 B 25's and 18 P 38's caused
fires and explosions Zamboanga supplies barracks and town.

(14) 6 B 25's swept Sulu Archipelago, found nil
targets; Patrol B 24 near missed unidentified vessel Macassar
Strait.

(15) B 24 at 1325Z/6 scored 3 direct hits 2 near
misses possible escort carrier 110 miles north northeast
Balikpapan.

(16) RAAF B 24 patrols from Darwin bombed mica mines
Benggai Archipelago and Raha village southeastern Celebes;
4 Dutch B 25's strafed sampans Flores Island.

(17) 6 B 24's, 6 B 25's, 3 A 20's, 8 Beauforts,
3 Boomerangs, 1 Whirlaway against targets Wewak area.

Solomons forces. Air. Operations March 5:

(18) 3 Venturas 2 Corsairs patrolled New Ireland;
7 Venturas 10 Corsairs 21 B 25's caused explosions
amongst supplies and personnel area Tobera, harassed Rabaul;
37 Corsairs and 18 B 25's assisted ground forces, raided
tank hideouts Bougainville.

Land. Luzon: I Corps:

33rd Division reported minor contacts resulting
from extensive patrolling;

Elements 32nd Division advanced north Lavican, met
continued stubborn resistance on Villa Verde trail;

25th Division units occupied positions 4,000 yards
west Digdig, others patrolled to point 5,000 yards north

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Digdig without contact.

XI Corps: 43rd Division systematically reduced enemy positions remaining in area west Fort Stotsenburg, made further advances south Tiaong.

XIV Corps: 11th Airborne Division: Elements 158th Regimental Combat Team (attached) in attack to secure Batangas Bay reached point 2 miles east Balayan (south west Batangas);

Others patrolled south to Galatagan without contact; 1st Cavalry, and 6th Divisions: No change.

Part 3.

(1) No details.
(2) Dropped 175 250 lb parademos, fired 38,000 rounds 50 calibre.
(3) Dropped 60 1,000 lb, 38 500 lb bombs.

Paragraphs 4 and 5 no details.

(6) Dropped 41 1,000 lb bombs, intense light accurate anti aircraft fire Cebu.

Paragraphs 7 through 10 no details.

(11) B 24's dropped 648 1,000 lb, 156 500 lb bombs.

(12) No details.

(13) B 24's dropped 228 1,000 lb bombs, 40 by 260 lb frags from 14,200 to 12,400 feet;

B 25's dropped 117 100 lb napalms from minimum

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altitude, met slight to intense light and medium some accurate
anti aircraft fire;

P 38's dropped 18 165 gallon napalms from
minimum altitude.

(14) B 24's dropped 9 500 lb bombs.

(15) Dropped 9 500 lb bombs.

(16) B 24's dropped 3 500 lb bombs fired 300
rounds 50 calibre;

B 25's fired 1400 rounds 50 calibre.

(17) B 24's dropped 48 1000 lb bombs; B 25's and A 20's
dropped 36 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum
altitude, fired 4700 rounds 50 calibre.

(18) B 25's dropped 30 2,000 lb, 25 1,000 lb
bombs;

Other planes dropped 18 by 1,000 lb, 41 500 lb
bombs.

Refer report operations March 4 paragraph 7:

* B 25's * 2 500 lb bombs, fired 5800 rounds Pratas Reef;

9 B 25's fired 4,000 50 calibre Camranh Bay. Allied air

Forces preliminary report total sorties south west Pacific
Area March 3 through 6: 536 fighters 729 bombers 378 others,
of which 434 fighters 458 bombers 334 others flown against
Philippine targets (fighters dropping bombs listed as fighters).

Refer your W 48361 query, 1 B 24 reported missing
Tarakan Feb 27.

End

* Being Serviced

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CC/C; CGAAP; ASF; G-2; Statistics; Adm King;
Col Park; Log

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FROM		NAS JOHNSTON	PPPPPPP
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION INFORMATION	PRIORITY
DATE	7 MARCH 1945		ROUTINE
TOR CODE ROOM	0450/7		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	W. STRONG		PPPPPP
TYPED BY	W. STRONG / <i>W. Strong</i>	SHOREBASED AIR MARGIL	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY		CINCPAC ADV AND REAR	ROUTINE
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COMAIRGILS AREA SENDS ACTION INFO TO NAS JOHNSTON AND INFO COMNAWSEAFRON, SHOREBASED AIR MARGIL, CINCPAC ADV & REAR, CG AAFPOA, NATS, OATC AND ATC KWAJALEIN, NATS EBEYE, CTG 12.3, CTG 12.2.

(COMINCH RECEIVED AS 062122)

HARMON SEARCH RESULTS 6 MARCH REF MY 051233. MAIN SEARCH EMPLOYING 33 AIRCRAFT PLUS 2 ADDITIONAL TO COVER 12-MILE PANEL TO NORTH. 12 PLANES REACHED 180 DEGS. AVERAGE SHORTAGE AREA COVERED 100 MILES. OTHERWISE FULL COVERAGE. REF AAFPOA 050021 FAILURE TO LOCATE RIONAL REEF PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULTS. SPECIAL B-24 SEARCH NIGHT OF 5-6 MARCH VICINITY 12-28 N 176-32 E NEGATIVE. REFERENCE CTG 96.1 DISPATCH 052141Z SPECIAL ATTENTION IN AREA OF RADIO FIX ON KWAJALEIN FREQUENCY OF 1245 KCS VICINITY 13-45 N 174-17 E NEGATIVE. AT 052035Z ONE C-46 ENROUTE KWAJALEIN SIGHTED 2 ORANGE COLORED OBJECTS RESEMBLING BOARDS AT 16-45 N 173-30 W. LOCAL SEARCHES MAJURO FULL COVERAGE AND NEGATIVE. ROI 85 PERCENT COVERAGE AND NEGATIVE.

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DATE	1417		3
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SUMMARY NUMBER 32 061800K.

IN SPITE OF ~~ENEMY~~ PROLONGED ARTILLERY FIRE REINFORCED BY STRONG NAVAL GUNFIRE AND AIR STRIKES TROOPS PINNED DOWN BY HOSTILE SMALL ARMS AND MORTAR FIRE THROUGHOUT DAY. SMALL SALIENT WAS EXTENDED TO DEPTH 200 YARDS VICINITY OF RJ AT TA 235S ALONG DIVISION BOUNDARY FIFTH MARDIV THIRD MARDIV. SMALL GAIN OPPOSITE CENTER THIRD MARDIV EXTENDING TO 331 IN TA 218T. OTHERWISE NO CHANGE FRONT LINES WHICH AT 1730K WERE 233UY 234UWST 235UVWRSY 218EJOTYX 201DEJINRW 184BGHNTY 167E TRARODIVS* 31 32 WITH CASUALTIES DEPARTED 1800 GUAM.

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DOYEN APA 1 STRADDLED BY LIGHT CALIBER ARTILLERY PROJECTILES
1 HIT FORWARD BOOM PUTTING IT OUT OF COMMISSION. NIL CASUALTIES.
NOT KNOWN WHETHER FIRE FRIENDLY OR ENEMY.
CVE PLANES CONCENTRATED ON ROCKET STRAFING ATTACKS AGAINST SMALL
TARGETS THROUGHOUT AFTERNOON.
1 SALT LAKE CITY OS2U SHOT DOWN 1500 CRASHED NIL SURVIVORS.
12 P-61 NIGHT FIGHTERS ARMY GARRISON ARRIVED 1300.
2 TBM'S ENTERPRISE MADE ROCKET ATTACK SEAPLANE BASE CHICHI
JIMA 0430 RESULTS NOT OBSERVED.

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CTF 51 ORIGINATES ACTION COM 5TH FLT INFO ALL TFC'S 5TH FLT AND CINCPAC - BOTH HDQTS.

COMINCH RECEIVES FOR INFO AS PAC/POA ADVHED'S 061434.

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DATE 8 MARCH 1945	<i>[Signature]</i>		ROUTINE
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SUMMARY NUMBER 31 061200K USUAL INFILTRATION ATTEMPTS WITH SMALL ARMS MORTAR FIRE RECEIVED DURING NIGHT 5-8 MARCH. TROOPS

COMPLETED REORGANIZATION, PRECEDED BY MOST INTENSIVE ARTILLERY PREPARATION THIS OPERATION AND REINFORCED BY NAVAL GUNFIRE 5TH

AMPHIBIOUS CORPS ATTACKED IN ECHELON ON LIMITED FRONT WITH 3 DIVISIONS ABREAST K HOUR 0800 WITH CORPS OBJECTIVE 0-3 LINE.

A ROLLING BARRAGE ACCOMPANIED ATTACK EACH DIVISION. 5TH MARDIV COMMENCED ATTACK 0800 WITH MAIN EFFORT ON RIGHT. SEIZE HIGH

GROUND TO NE IN CONJUNCTION WITH 3RD MARDIV ON RIGHT. 3RD MARDIV JUMPED OFF 0800 WITH MAIN EFFORT ON LEFT ZA IN CONJUNCTION WITH

5TH MARDIV SEIZE 0-3 LINE RIGHT ELEMENTS OF THIS DIVISION SUPPORTING. AT 0900 RIGHT ELEMENTS OF 3RD MARDIV ATTACKED ON

THE RIGHT ZA IN CONJUNCTION WITH LEFT OF 4TH MARDIV TO SEIZE HIGH GROUND VICINITY HILL 362 TA 219U. RIGHT ELEMENTS 4TH

MARDIV SUPPORTED ADVANCE OF ATTACKING ELEMENTS. 4TH AND 5TH MARDIV AUTHORIZED MOVE TROOPS SUPPLIES THROUGH ZA 3RD MARDIV WHEN NECESSARY SUPPORT ATTACK THEIR INTERIOR FLANK ELEMENTS.

14 BNS ARE IN ASSAULT DISPOSED AS FOLLOWS: 5TH MARDIV BLTS 3/28 3/27 3/26

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2/26 2/27. 3RD MARDIV BLTS 2/21 1/21 2/9 1/9. 4TH MARDIV BLTS 2/23
2/24 1/24 1/25 2/25 3/25. 11 BNS ARTILLERY WERE MASSED FOR K HOUR

AND K PLUS 6Ø PREPARATIONS. 2232Ø ROUNDS ARTILLERY FIRED PREPARATION
AND BARRAGE. NAVAL GUNFIRE REINFORCED ARTILLERY PREPARATION WITH 5Ø

ROUNDS 14 INCH 2ØØ ROUNDS 8 INCH. REPORT 12ØØ INDICATES 3RD MARDIV
HAS ADVANCED AVERAGE 4ØØ YARDS ALONG ITS ENTIRE FRONT. 4TH 5TH MARDIVS

NO REPORT. PROGRESS GENERALLY IS SLOW AGAINST HEAVY OPPOSITION. REVISED
CASUALTY LISTS 18ØØ 5 MARCH NOW SHOW KIA 2584 WIA 1Ø664 MIA 589 TOTAL

13837. THIS FIGURE LESS THAN PREVIOUSLY REPORTED DUE FACT SICK PRE-
VIOUSLY CARRIED AS WIA. DIVISIONS REPORT TOTAL 14456 ENEMY DEAD.

2 CA 7 DD 2 LCSL FURNISHED ILLUMINATION CALL FIRES THROUGHOUT NIGHT
WITH 1 OBB 2 CA 7 DD AND 2 LCSL AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT DAY. YANCEY

AKA 93 HAS ACCUMULATED EXTENSIVE STRUCTURAL DAMAGE DURING UNLOADING
OPERATIONS SINCE D DAY STILL OPERATIONAL.

SEA DROME DECOMMISSIONED WITH PBM SEAPLANES RETURNING SAIPAN ØØØØ.
PB4Y SEARCH PLANES NOW REFUEL IWO ON RETURN FLIGHT TO TINIAN. 28

ARMY P-51 LANDED 12ØØ WITH 12 ARMY P-61 PLANES DUE ARRIVE AFTERNOON.
CVE'S FURNISHED DIRECT AIR SUPPORT. 1 TBM SAGINAW BAY HIT BY GUNFIRE

ØØ3Ø MADE WHEELS UP LANDING IWO FIELD WITH 1 CREW MEMBER KIA.

UNLOADING CONDITIONS BOTH BEACHES GOOD. WEATHER CLEAR HIGH SCATTERED
CLOUDS. VISIBILITY EXCELLENT. WIND SSE 8 KNOTS. TEMPERATURE 75.

SURF 2 FEET LOW EASTERLY SWELL.

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To: War Department

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From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War
Department C 11701. Operations report SOWESPAC area period
1500Z/4 to 1500Z/5.

China coast:

1 large, 1 small freighter, 1 escort vessel, sighted
heading southwest off Amoy, March 4th; following day convoy
reported by search plane as 1 heavy cruiser, 1 destroyer,
2 medium freighter transports, on course 100 degrees, 100
miles southwest Hongkong.

Nansei group:

4 destroyers, 3 medium freighters, 1 sea truck,
sighted on southeasterly course, vicinity Amami Island,
March 4.

Formosa:

Photographs March 2 showed 46 fighters, 10 bombers,
Akayaman, 6 fighters, 1 bomber Chosu, 28 fighters, 5 bomb-
ers Toyohara.

French Indo China:

4 large vessels, 2 escorts, sighted heading north
off Iape Varella, 1 tanker, 1 escort vessel, anchored in
vicinity March 4.

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

Nr: C 11701

6 March 1945

Boerce:

Night reconnaissance plane reported medium vessel and escort off Balikpapan, predawn March 5, also indications 5 other vessels in area. Darwin Venturas attacking small shipping Soembawa intercepted by 2 fighters, March 4.

Part 2. Naval:

Mindoro PT boats destroyed barge set buildings afire, Coron Bay, Calamian Islands; Morotai boats plus LCI shelled Baloeta in Halmahera March 4.

Air. Enemy action:

6 bombers reported over southwestern Luzon, some bombs dropped Stotsenburg; lone raider bombed Dulag area Leyte night March 4.

Operations, March 3:

(1) 16 Corsairs caused explosions fires Cotabato warehouses Mindanao; 5 RAAF P 40s sank lugger probably destroyed barge, strafed guns man-of-war, Dutch New Guinea.

Operations, March 4:

(2) Patrol B 24s from Clark Field shot down 1 float plane, damaged 1 minesweeper, 1 picket boat, 3 coastal vessels, 2 luggers, Nansei Shoto, sank lugger northern Formosa.

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6 March 1945

(3) 16 Corsairs wrecked defence positions San Jose Panay Island; 16 Corsairs supported Guerilla forces Cebu City, hit barges and small craft, fired fuel dumps Sogod.

(4) 16 Corsairs demolished buildings Butuan Mindanao; 24 B 24s hit Zamboanga, caused fires and explosions.

(5) 6 Beaufighters set Gorontalo warehouses afire northeastern Celebes; 2 B 24s unable reach Zamboanga bombed Manado town.

(6) 14 RAAF P 40s raided supply dumps Halmahera; 6 Beaufighters swept Boerce and Ceram, strafed barge and fuel dumps.

(7) 2 RAAF Venturas strafed 2 coastal vessels, destroyed or damaged 4 barges, encountered 2 intercepting fighters Soembawa Island.

Operations 5 March:

(8) 2 fighter sweeps over Formosa shot down 1 bomber, destroyed warehouses, powerhouse, motor trucks and rolling stock along railroads; B 25s through Formosa Strait sank 2 small freighters, 1 sea truck, 1 patrol craft, 1 lugger; left 3 small freighters, 1 corvette sinking, damaged 2 sea trucks; other B 25s swept Indo China coast north from Camran Bay, sank 1 small freighter, 1 sea truck; left 2 small freighters burning and listing.

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6 March 1945

(9) Search planes set coastal vessel afire Nansel Shoto, sank medium freighter transport southwestern Formosa, bombed Pratas Reef, left small freighter burning north Quinhon.

(10) 99 B 24s bombed supply dumps gun positions and troop concentrations behind Yamashita line north Antipolo; fighters dive-bombed and strafed same targets; dive bombers caused heavy damage San Pablo in Laguna province; other planes supported Guerilla forces attacking San Fernando La Union and further damaged Fort Drum, Manila Bay.

(11) 10 B 24s demolished buildings, started fires Sassa airdrome Davao; 17 other B 24s struck Liganan airdrome.

(12) 18 P 38s fired buildings with napalm bombs Zamboanga; 18 B 25s hit Zamboanga town and personnel areas San Roque airdrome; silenced gun positions, started fires.

(13) 9 B 25s raided Zettelfield personnel and supply areas, Sulu Archipelago; B 24 patrol scored 2 near misses large unidentified vessel near Balikpapan.

(14) 3 RAAF B 25s attacked bridges Flores Island.

(15) 6 B 24s bombed bivouacs Wewak area; 5 B 25s and 2 A 20s raided Muschu Island and coastal targets.

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area,
Leyte, Philippines

Nr: C 11701 6 March 1945

Operations March 4:

(16) 3 Venturas, 2 Corsairs, 3 B 25s, bombed
Kavieng; 34 Corsairs raided concentrations Bougainville;
remaining strikes cancelled due weather.

Land. Luzon: 6th Army: I Corps:

Elements 33rd Div advancing north occupied line ex-
tending from Santo Tomas (1070) to Bail (123707) to Macasoa
(232697); 32nd Div units captured Lavican (554645) after
eliminating delaying forces to south; other units attacking
strong positions along Villa Verde Trail were 4,500 yards
west Imugam.

XI Corps: 43rd Div elements reached point 4,000
yards south Tiaong without contact, organized resistance
division zone reported limited to strong pocket 6,000 yards
west Fort Stotsenburg.

XIV Corps: 37th Div passed to control Commanding
General 6th Army in Manila; 1st Cavalry and 6th Div con-
tinued reconnaissance in zones of action preparatory to
launching coordinated attack to east. Cumulative casual-
ties to March 5:

Allied 3,516 killed
13,307 wounded
214 missing

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Leyte, Philippines

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6 March 1945

Enemy:

67,138 killed
662 captured

Leyte/Samar:

Elements American Div encountered strong local re-
sistance Villaba/Abijao area; cumulative enemy casualties
to March 5:

76,510 killed
743 captured.

Palawan:

Minor contacts only, 49 Japanese killed on March 5.

Part 3.

- (1) Corsairs dropped 16 1,000 lb bombs.
- (2) No details.
- (3) Dropped 28 1,000 lb, 8 500 lb bombs.
- (4) Corsairs dropped 16 1,000 lb bombs; B 24s dropped
118 1,000 lb bombs from 16,000 to 9,000 feet.
- (5) B 24s dropped 10 1,000 lb bombs.
- (6) No details.
- (7) Dropped 3 500 lb bombs, 5 seconds delay; fired
1,400 rounds 50, 1,400 rounds 30 calibre.
- (8) No details
- (9) No details.
- (10) B 24s dropped 189 tons 500 lb bombs, 70 tons
250 lb bombs.

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- (11) Dropped 794 260 lb frags from 13,100 to
10,300 feet.
(12) P 38s dropped 18 165 gallon napalms
B 25s dropped 200 100 lb napalms from minimum
altitude; light to intense light and medium inaccurate
anti-aircraft fire.
(13) B 25s dropped 36 250 lb bombs
B 24 dropped 9 500 lb bombs.
(14) Dropped 16 500 lb bombs, 11 seconds delay.
(15) B 24s dropped 38 1,000 lb bombs from 9,100
feet; other planes dropped 28 300 lb bombs.
(16) Dropped 22 1,000 lb, 14 500 lb bombs.

Refer report operations March 3.

Para 9.

6 B 25s led fighters Indo China coast.

Para 10. 22 B 24s dropped 138 1,000 lb bombs Keelung.

Para 11. 22 B 25s dropped 242 100 lb bombs, fired
11,200 rounds 50 calibre Batan Island.

Para 12. 34 A 20s dropped 2,110 23 lb parafrags,
fired 41,800 rounds 50 calibre.

End

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DATE 7 MARCH 1945				ATFC 5TH FLT		DEFERRED	
TOR CODE ROOM 0552		INFORMATION		CINCPAC (BOTH HDQ)		ROUTINE	
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6TH MARDIV AND 5TH MARDIV COMPLETED REORGANIZING WITH 3RD MARDIV REPORTED PROGRESSING SATISFACTORILY. RESERVE AMMUNITION BUILT UP AND REEQUIPPING OF PERSONNEL ACCOMPLISHED. MOPPING UP REAR AREAS IN PROGRESS. DETAIL PLAN OF ATTACK TOMORROW UNAVAILABLE AT THIS TIME. SEARCH PLANE 1400 SANK SMALL ENEMY VESSEL 28-30 N 134-50 E. FRANCIS SHOT DOWN 1215 3 MARCH BY FIGHTER STEAMER BAY INSTEAD NATOMA BAY PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. TINIAN SEARCH PB4Y'S STAGE THROUGH IWO TO RETURN TRIP COMMENCING 5 MARCH AND LANDCATS WILL REPLACE SEACATS. EXPECT TO DECOMMISSION SEAPLANE BASE 6TH. ENEMY AA HIT 2 TBM'S MAKIN ISLAND

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1205-1220. BOTH LANDED SAFELY IWO FIELD. 1 CREW MEMBER
WIA. PREVIOUS REPORT POSSIBLE DITCH UNKNOWN PLANE
30-25 N 141-45 E NOW IDENTIFIED AS B-29 WHICH MADE
IWO BASE.
SURF CONDITIONS FAVORED UNLOADING THIS AFTERNOON.

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PLANE BASE 6TH. ENEMY AA HIT 2 TBM'S MAKIN ISLAND
1205-1220. BOTH LANDED SAFELY IWO FIELD. 1 CREW

MEMBER PIA*. PREVIOUS REPORT POSSIBLE DITCH UNKNOWN
PLANE 30#25 N 141-45 E NOW IDENTIFIED AS B-29

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COM 7TH FLEET GIVES ACTION CINCSWA INFO COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM AND COM 5TH FLEET

(SWEEPING OPERATIONS AT BALER BAY THROUGH 4TH HAVE CUT 22 MINES WITH AREA NOT YET COMPLETELY SWEEPED. NO

MINES HAVE SO FAR BEEN SWEEPED IN SAN BERNARDINO STRAIT WHERE SWEEPING CONTINUES. MANILA HARBOR SWEEPING

OPERATIONS ARE COMPLETED EXCEPT NEAR UNDERWATER OBSTRUCTIONS WHERE YMS WERE UNABLE TO OPERATE. HAVE

NOW SWEEPED A TOTAL OF 50 MINES IN MANILA HARBOR AREA. A SALVAGE TASK GROUP UNDER COMMAND OF COMMODORE

SULLIVAN COMMENCED OPERATIONS ON 4TH TO CLEAR MANILA HARBOR OF SUNKEN WRECKS. GUERRILLA SUPPLY GROUP COM-

POSED OF 2 LCI AND TWO LCS DELIVERED SUPPLIES AT TOLEDO CEBU 1ST AND BOMBARDED SAN CARLOS NEGROS WITH

UNOBSERVED RESULTS. MORNING 3RD 230 GUERRILLAS WERE LANDED AT DIMASALANG MASBATE ISLAND. PRELIMINARY

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BOMBARDMENT KILLED SEVERAL JAPS STARTED FIRES AND BLEW UP AMMO DUMP. SUBIC PT'S SANK SMALL SAILBOAT KILLED 19 NIPS

AND CAPTURED SEVEN. MINDORO BOATS STRAFED CORON TOWN FIRING SEVERAL BUILDINGS AND ALSO DESTROYED A NIP BARGE. MORATAI

PT'S AIDED BY AN LCI SHELLED SALOETA STARTING 2 FIRES. NAVY PB4Y SEARCH PLANES 4TH HARASSED ENEMY COASTAL SHIPPING

FROM HAINAN STRAIT TO WENCHOW. SANK 1 LUGGER AND DAMAGED VARIOUS OTHER SMALL CRAFT. 1 ENEMY AIR CRAFT WAS SHOT DOWN.

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SUMMARY NUMBER 29 051200K.

FRONT LINE REPORTS INDICATE NIGHT 4-5 MARCH ENEMY INFILTRATION ATTEMPTS BROKEN UP BY ARTILLERY FIRE. CONSIDERABLE SMALL ARMS MORTAR FIRE RECEIVED. MORNING ACTIVITIES MARKED BY REORGANIZATION DIVISIONS IN PREPARATION FOR CONCERTED CORPS ATTACK EASTWARD 6 MARCH. TOTAL TROOP CASUALTIES TO 1700 4 MARCH: 3RD MARDIV LESS 3RD MARINES KIA 27 OFF 388 EM
WIA 85 OFF 1732 EM
MIA 2 OFF 67 EM
TOTAL 3RD MARDIV 115 OFF 2188 EM.

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4TH MARDIV	KIA	67 OFF	1028 EM
	WIA	249 OFF	5372 EM
	MIA	1 OFF	231 EM
TOTAL 4TH MARDIV		317 OFF	6631 EM.
5TH MARDIV	KIA	49 OFF	846 EM
	WIA	179 OFF	3677 EM
	MIA	2 OFF	197 EM
TOTAL 5TH MARDIV		230 OFF	4729 EM
CORPS TROOPS	KIA	1 OFF	7 EM
	WIA	5 OFF	102 EM
	MIA	0 OFF	2 EM
TOTAL CORPS TROOPS		6 OFF	111 EM.
CORPS ARTILLERY	KIA	0 OFF	5 EM
	WIA	1 OFF	17 EM
	MIA	1 OFF	1 EM
TOTAL CORPS ARTILLERY		2 OFF	23 EM.
AA ARTILLERY	KIA	0 OFF	1 EM
	WIA	1 OFF	9 EM
	MIA	0 OFF	0 EM
TOTAL AA ARTILLERY		1 OFF	10 EM

TOTAL LANDING FORCE 671 OFF 13684 EM.

GRAND TOTAL 14355 OF WHICH 2419 KILLED IN ACTION.

1 CA 1 CL 7 DD'S AND 2 LCS(L) PROVIDED NIGHT ILLUMINATION AND
CALL FIRES WITH 1 CL 1 CA AND 6 DD'S AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT DAY.
7 SEARCH SECTORS FLOWN BY PBM'S IWO SEA DROME. 1 PBM SEARCH PLANE

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INVESTIGATING SUBMARINE REPORT POSSIBLE DITCH UNKNOWN PLANE
POSITION 30-25 NORTH 141-45 EAST. CVE FURNISHED DIRECT AIR
SUPPORT CAL MISSIONS THROUGHOUT MORNING.

UNLOADING PROGRESSES OVER BOTH WESTERN AND EASTERN BEACHES.
WESTERN BEACH IS TAKING LCT'S LCM'S DUKWS WHILE EASTERN
BEACHES RESTRICTED TO LST'S LSM'S DUE SURF CONDITION THOUGH
THIS IS IMPROVED. WEATHER OVERCAST SCATTERED LOW CLOUDS.
WIND LIGHT NORTHERLY 5 KNOTS. TEMPERATURE 73. VISIBILITY POOR.
LOW SWELL WITH 4 FEET SURF.

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CINCPAC/POA ADV HQS PASSED INFO TO COMINCH AS 051700

ADD CTF 93 STRIKE RESULTS 2 MARCH. 3 NAVY PHOTO LIBS TO OKINAWA FROM SAMAR GOT PARTIAL VERTICAL COVERAGE NAHA

AIRFIELD, OTHER SECTIONS OF OKINAWA AND 2 SMALL NEARBY ISLANDS FROM 13,000 FEET. EVALUATION POOR. OBSERVED

4 TO 6 SINGLE ENGINE AIRCRAFT NAHA AIRFIELD. FOLLOWING STRIKES BY PLANES OF 7TH ARMY AIR FORCE. 3 MARCH.

SNOOPING CHICHI AT NITE 4 LIBS 90 MINUTES APART TOGGLED QUARTER TONNERS SUSAKI AIRFIELD FROM 7 TO 8,500 FEET.

1 LIB SAW HITS EAST SIDE OF AIRFIELD REST UNOBSERVED. 4 MARCH. OVER SUSAKI AIRFIELD WITH 10 TONS 500 POUNDERS

WENT 10 LIBS ON DAYLIGHT STRIKE. 6 LIBS UNLOADED 70 PERCENT IN TARGET AREA FROM 4,800 TO 16,000 FEET. 30

PERCENT HITS APPROXIMATELY 2,000 FEET WEST OF SUSAKI RESULTS 4 PLANES UNOBSERVED. 1 LIB MINOR DAMAGE DUE AA. 1 ENLISTED MAN SLIGHTLY WOUNDED.

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Leyte Philippines

To : War Department

Nr : C 11613 5 March 1945

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department cite C 11613. Oper Report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/3 to 1500Z/4 signed MacArthur.

China coast: Reconnaissance plane March 2 reported 2 freighters 2000 tons 1 destroyer 2 escorts on south-westerly course northeast Wenchow, tanker and destroyer escort sighted south Amoy following day.

Hainai: 4 large vessels 2 medium freighter transport and other vessels reported by search plane over area night March 2.

Formosa: Photographs March 2 showed 48 vessels at Keelung totalling 8,500 tons, search plane same day attacked convoy of 3 medium freighter transports 3 destroyer escorts on westerly course 180 miles to northeast;

Photographs March 2 Matsuyama airfield showed 25 single engined 27 twin engined aircraft with another 30 planes unserviceable.

French Indo-China: 7 unidentified vessels reported off Cape Saint Jacques night March 3, B 25's reported 4 medium merchant vessels Camranh Bay following day; 2 tankers 4 escorts sighted northbound off Cape Padaran evening March 3.

Luzon: Aircraft report repairs made to Tuguegarao strip.

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5 March 1945

Part II. Air. Operations March 2:

- (1) 14 A 20's started many large fires, demolished many buildings Atimonan 60 mile southeast Manila; 6 A 20's on ground support Lubang Island.
- (2) 5 Beaufighters swept eastern Celebes, set warehouses afire;
16 RAAF P 40's raided bivouacs and supplies Wasile Bay Halmahera.

Operations March 3:

- (3) Search planes near missed seatruck southwest Formosa, sank fuel laden seatruck off Swatow, shot down floatplane Camranh Bay.
- (4) 2 Corsairs set buildings afire Masbate; 12 Corsairs supported ground forces Burias Island; 12 Corsairs destroyed warehouses Cebu City.
- (5) 20 Beaufighters raided warehouses barracks and bridges Gorontalo northeastern Celebes; 16 RAAF P 40's hit Wasile Bay personnel areas Halmahera, caused fires and explosions.

Operations March 4:

- (6) Patrol planes probably sank 2 coastal vessels 1 schooner southeast Hong Kong, shot down 2 bombers off Cape Varella Indo-China, sank coastal vessel northeast Brunei Bay Borneo.
- (7) B 25 shipping sweeps found Formosa Strait empty, found nil shipping China coast and bombed Pratas reef on

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Mr : C 11633

5 March 1945

return, destroyed 6 large motor boats Camranh Bay.
(8) Negative fighter sweep Formosa.
(9) Preliminary report Fifth Air Force strikes:
2 planes destroyed, another damaged Alacri, runways Aparri
and Tuguegarao rendered unserviceable;
Fuel and ammunition dumps destroyed, town buildings
destroyed Eastang, southwest Bagubac;
Numerous ground support missions;
Landslide caused, gun positions and ammunition dumps
destroyed Antipolo Wava defence line east Manila;
Direct hits on pillboxes and guns, supplies
exploded Caballo Island.
(10) 23 B 25's set supply dumps afire hit gun
positions San Roque, 3 B 25's lost to anti-aircraft fire;
7 P 38's started fires amongst buildings Zamboanga.
(11) 33 B 24's unable reach Zamboanga, scored
excellent results stores and dispersals Zettelfield,
Sulu Archipelago;
1 F 24 returned early, bombed Manado town Celebes.
(12) 6 B 25's swept Sulu Archipelago, bombed
Zettelfield.
(13) RAAF B 24 from Darwin bombed Boetoeng,
southeastern Celebes.

Holomonas forces. Air. Operations March 3:
(14) 6 Corsairs 3 Venturas 12 B 25's harassed Kavieng,
bombed personnel areas New Ireland;
20 Corsairs 1 Ventura 9 B 25's attacked Rabaul, 5
Ventura 20 B 25's bombed Matupi;

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49 Corsairs raided headquarters area southwestern
Bougainville and barge hideouts Faisi Island.

Land. Luzon: Sixth Army: I Corps:

Elements 33rd Division advanced north secured
objective high ground 7000 yards northeast Rosario;
32nd Division gained 400 yards on Villa Verde trail
against strong opposition;
25th Division elements eliminated enemy road block
600 yards south Digidig contacted other elements at point
1000 yards north Punran.

XI Corps: Reconnaissance elements 38th Division
advancing west contacted mtr 38th Division units at Ticong
(096478);
503rd Infantry continued to mop up isolated pockets on
Corregidor.

XIV Corps: 11th Airborne Division:
Patrols reached point 3500 yards north Santo Tomas
in Batangas;
37th Division reported resistance in Manila reduced
to a few snipers being rapidly eliminated;
1st Cavalry Division continued reconnaissance to
fix enemy defensive installations Antipolo area;
6th Division: Strong combat patrols probed enemy
defences Mounts Mataba Pacavagan and Oro.

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5 March 1945

Eighth Army: Burias Island:
Elements 132nd Infantry (American Division) landed
unopposed vicinity Navasagan March 3;
Reinforced company alnded San Fernando on Ticao
Island same day, advanced north to Daplain and south to Buyo
with no reported contact.

Palawan: Elements 186th Infantry repulsed small
night counter attack northeast Irahuan, sent motorised
patrol north through Tahul (15 miles north Puerto Princesa)
to Baheli and Ulugan Bay without contact.

New Guinea: Elements Sixth Australian Division
advancing east from Dogreto Bay reached Simbi Creek, 7
miles west of But.

Part III.

- (1) Dropped 28 250 lb, 190 100 lb bombs, fired 19,400
rounds 50 calibre.
- (2) P 40's dropped 28 100 lb napalms, met slight
heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.
- (3) No details.
- (4) Dropped 12 1000 lb, 2 500 lb bombs, 24 250 lb
frags.
- (5) Beaufighters dropped 36 500 lb bombs;
P 40's dropped 16 500 lb, 14 250 lb bombs.

Paragraphs 6 through 9 no details.

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- (10) B 25's dropped 238 100 lb napalms from minimum altitude, met slight to intense accurate anti-aircraft fire of all calibres;
P 38's dropped 7 165 gallon napalms from minimum altitude.
- (11) Dropped 246 1000 lb, 2 500 lb bombs from 6,500 to 3,200 feet, met slight light inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.
- (12) Dropped 20 250 lb general purpose bombs from minimum altitude.
- (13) Dropped 4 500 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.
- (14) B 25's dropped 46 2000 lb, 6 1000 lb bombs;
Other planes dropped 28 1000 lb, 60 500 lb bombs,
4 650 lb depth charges.

Refer preceding report paragraph 10:

35 B 24's dropped 510 120 lb, 2,520 20 lb frags from 17,500 to 15,000 feet, met moderate heavy some accurate anti-aircraft fire Tainan area;
P 38's dropped 11 tons bombs.

Refer report operations March 2 paragraph 5:

25 B 24's dropped 171 500 lb, 1800 20 lb frags from 10,500 feet, met intense heavy accurate anti-aircraft fire Matsuyama;
16 B 25s dropped 362 100 lb bombs, 1534 23 lb parafrags, fired 180,000 rounds 50 calibre, met moderate to intense light and medium accurate anti-aircraft fire Taichu

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and Toyohara;

35 A 20's dropped 2311 23 lb parafrags, fired 48,400 rounds 50 calibre, met intense slight accurate anti-aircraft fire Kagi area.

Paragraph 6: 6 B 25's dropped 9 500 bombs, fired 8000 rounds 50 calibre, met intense medium and heavy accurate anti-aircraft fire, 1 B 25 lost.

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SUMMARY NUMBER 28 041800K.

STIFFENING ENEMY OPPOSITION HELD TROOPS TO SMALL LOCAL GAINS DURING PERIOD. BLT 3/21 PASSED THROUGH BLT 1/21

PINNED DOWN BY SMALL ARMS FIRE AFTER ADVANCING AVERAGE 50 YARDS. FRONT LINE REMAINS STATIC SINCE LAST REPORT.

TOTAL COUNTER ATTACK ZA RCT 28 SEVERAL HUNDRED JAPS 1340 REPULSED MANY KILLED. ENEMY LAND MINES FOUND ALONG

WET RUNWAY AIRFIELD, NUMBER 3. LAND FORCE RECORDS 12864 ENEMY DEAD WITH POWS 45 KOREANS 36 JAPS TOTAL 81

AS OF 1800/3 MARCH. SEVERAL ROUNDS ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE HIT AIRFIELD NUMBER 1 1339 WITH NO DAMAGE REPORTED.

LARGE WATER DISTILLATION UNIT ESTIMATED 300,000 GALLONS PER DAY CAPACITY AND LARGE TANKS DISCOVERED CAVE TA 182R

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GUNFIRE MISSIONS PROVIDED BY 7 DD 2 LCSL THIS AFTERNOON.
HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY UNIT IN SUMNER AGS 5 WITH YP 42 ARRIVED.

COMDESRON 50 IN DESDIV 99 ARRIVED.

UNFAVORABLE WEATHER PREVENTED AFTERNOON AIR SUPPORT
OPERATIONS. 1B-29 RETURNING EMPIRE STRIKE MADE SUCCESS-

FUL EMERGENCY LANDING IWO 1457 REFUELED DEPARTED TINIAN
1720. 2 TBM'S MAKIN ISLAND STRAYED DOT OCCUPIED AREA

SURE CONDITIONS EASTERN BEACHES IMPROVED BUT UNLOADING
RESTRICTED TO LST'S LSM'S. WESTERN BEACHES TAKING LCT'S

LCM'S WITH EXCELLENT DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL. ROAD NET
SHOWS IMPROVEMENT.

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MINE SWEEPING OPERATIONS NOW UNDERWAY IN OUTER SAN BERNARDINO STRAIT HAVE BEEN HINDERED BY STRONG CURRENTS AND LOST SWEEP GEAR. NO MINES YET ENCOUNTERED. SWEEPING AND RECONNAISSANCE OF CASIGURAN SOUND COMPLETED TO 80 FEET WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. SWEEPING CONTINUED OFF MANILA BREAKWATER WHERE THREE MORE MINES WERE CUT WHICH ARE A NEW MOORED CONTACT TYPE. MANILA HARBOR WAS OPENED ON 1 MARCH AND A LARGE NUMBER OF ALL TYPE SHIPS INCLUDING LIBERTIES AND LSTS ENTERED HARBOR AND COMMENCED DISCHARGING IN NORTH HARBOR. CTF 78 VADM BARBEY ASSUMED COMMAND OF MARIVELLES CORREGIDOR OPERATIONS AS OF 2400 3RD. BURIAS ISLAND OPERATION REPORTED AS CARRIED OUT ON 3RD BUT DETAILS

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NOT YET AVAILABLE. OUR FORCES AT PUERTO PRINCESSA CONTINUE
ADVANCE AGAINST NIL OPPOSITION AND HAVE ESTABLISHED PERIMETER
2 MILES INLAND AROUND BAY. NIGHT 2/3 PT'S KILLED 1 JAP MARIVELLES
HARBOR. BOATS ALSO LANDED 2 GUERILLAS AT HONDA BAY NORTH OF
PUERTO PRINCESSA AND SALVAGED ENEMY DOCUMENTS FROM 5 SMALL CRAFT
FROM WHICH SMALL NUMBER OF JAPS HAD LANDED ON PREVIOUS NIGHT.
SEARCH PLANES SHOT DOWN 1 RUFF OFF CAMRANH BAY A KATY OFF TAKAO
AND SANK 2 SMALL AK'S AND A BARGE NORTH OF WENCHOW.

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 FOLLOWING QUIET NIGHT ATTACK RESUMED BY 4TH 5TH MARDIVS ~~8738~~
 AND 3RD MARDIV ~~8838~~. BOUNDARIES OBJECTIVE UNCHANGED. 16
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 DIVISION REPORTS DECREASING RESISTANCE ON ITS FRONT WITH
 PROGRESS SLOW DUE DIFFICULT TERRAIN. BLT 2/27 ENGAGED
 SEALINE CAVES SURIBACHI. 5TH MARDIV REPORTS HAND TO HAND
 FIGHTING ALONG ITS FRONT REPORTS ENEMY DEFENSIVE POSITIONS
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To: War Department

Nr: C 11551 4 March 1945

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War Department cite C 11551. Operations report SOWESPAC
Area period 1500Z/2nd to 1500Z/3rd signed MacArthur.

China Coast:

Reconnaissance Liberator from Clark Field March 3
reported one tanker two medium freighter transports one
destroyer one destroyer escort heading up coast northeast
Poochow, second convoy of one medium two small freighter
transports two escort vessels in same area on similar course;
one tanker two escorts sighted on northeasterly course
vicinity Amoy same day.

Formosa:

Photographs February 28 showed 40 fighters nine
bombers Okayama airdrome, 21 single-engined ten twin-
engined planes Tainan, 66 single engined planes (majority
considered trainers) on Kamka.

French Indo China:

One transport one destroyer two escort vessels
reported Saigon March 2.

Philippines:

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Three enemy planes indicated over Leyte coasts on two occasions March 2.

Netherlands East Indies:

B-24's reported attack by five fighters vicinity Den Pasas, Bali, March 2.

Part II. Naval:

Destroyer on gunfire support duty Corregidor operations, two destroyers shelled Burias Island prior Allied landing March 3.

Air. Operations March 1:

(1) 53 A 20's raided Tangado south Echague, hit concentrations San Fernando and near Baguio, bombed gun positions Ternate, assisted landing operations Lubang Island.

(2) Seven Corsairs cratered runway Fabrica, bombed gun positions Lahug airdrome Cebu; 16 Corsairs destroyed buildings Parang Mindanao, nine more Corsairs hit Kabacan.

(3) 12 Beaufighters damaged bridge Pagimana south Tomini Gulf Celebes; 16 RAAF P-40's raided Wasile Bay bivouacs Halmahera.

Operations March 2:

(4) 15 B-24's bombed Kamka dispersal areas near Tainan.
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(5) Refer preceding report paragraph 7: Four P-40's and five P-47's bombed and strafed Tuguegarao; 16 Dauntless attacked San Fernando also troop concentrations and supplies near Baguio; 35 Dauntless hit Wawa Antipolo defences east Manila; two P-51's destroyed four barges Laguna de Bay; 17 Dauntless raided Paniman Bay west Ternate; 49 fighters attacked Ceballo Island.

(6) 23 Corsairs caused large fire San Jose on Panay Island; eight Corsairs supported guerilla forces Cebu City; four Corsairs demolished gun positions Lumbia on Mindanao; ten other Corsairs on patrol.

(7) Six RAAF B-24's against Banjoewangi airdrome eastern Java: One plane bombed target; five planes weathered out, bombed building area Ampenan western Lombok Island, damaged one of five intercepting fighters near Den Pasar.

Operations March 3:

(8) B-24 searches from Clark Field shot down torpedo bomber south Formosa, sank seatruck and coastal vessel north-east Wenchow.

(9) B-25's found nil shipping Indo-China coast; fighters escort shot down one bomber.

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(10) Five squadrons B-24's bombed shipping Keelung harbour northern Formosa by instruments through solid overcast; 32 B-24's attacked airdromes Tainan area; 26 P-38's weathered out Takao, scored direct hits barracks warehouses and bridge Koshun.

(11) 24 B-25's unable reach Kagi, heavily damaged Basco airdrome and installation Batan Island; 24 other B-25's with 23 fighters cover forced back due weather.

(12) Two P-51's raided Aparri; six P-40's and 34 A-20's demolished fuel dump motor trucks and buildings Echague airdrome, one P-40 missing; 26 Dauntless hit bivouacs Villa Verde trail to southeast; eight P-51's and 41 Dauntless attacked Wawa Antipolo defences; eight P-47's harassed Caballo Island; other planes attacked buildings near Ternate, destroyed five barges damaged three others south-eastern Laguna de Bay.

(13) 24 B-25's raided supplies and bivouacs San Roque Samboanga; 21 P-38's forced back from same target due weather.

(14) 12 B-24's started large fires bivouacs and supplies Jesselton; 23 B-24's caused many fires similar targets Tarakan; another B-24 sank one vessel (of 150 feet) south Balikpapan.

(15) RAAF B-24 patrol bombed village Boetoeng Island;
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four Dutch B-25's attacked bridges left lugger ablaze Flores
Island.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations March 2:

(16) Three Venturas six Corsairs five B-25's
harassed Kavieng area; two Venturas 18 Corsairs bombed
Rabaul targets; 36 Corsairs and seven B-25's attacked
bivouacs and supplies southwestern Bougainville.

Land. Luzon: Sixth Army:
I Corps:

33rd Division reported minor patrol contacts vicinity
Labayug (3254), Buebus (3264) and Santo Tomas (3176);
elements 32nd Division occupied Santa Rosa north Sapinit,
others continued attack well prepared positions 7,000 yards
west Imugan; 25th Division units advancing east secured
Digdig.

XI Corps:

43rd Division patrolled vigorously to locate and
develops enemy positions in area six miles northwest
Sapangbato; 38th Division reported only minor contacts in
patrolling throughout Bataan and Zambales mountains north
to Paluig Bay and east to Mount Gata.

XIV Corps:

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37th Division secured finance building; elements 1st
Cavalry Division occupied hill mass 2,000 yards southwest
Antipolo; 6th Division units on Mount Pacawagan repulsed
counter attacks inflicting heavy enemy casualties; elements
11th Airborne Division seized Ternate (4828) against dis-
organized resistance.

Part III.

- (1) Dropped 160 250 lb parademos, 120 100 lb bombs,
fired 49,000 rounds 50 calibre.
- (2) Dropped 23 1000 lb, 15 500 lb bombs.
- (3) Beaufighters dropped 22 500 lb bombs, 2 325 lb
depth charges; P-40's dropped 15 500 lb bombs, 16 260 lb frags.
- (4) Dropped 2700 20 lb frags from 12,000 feet, met
moderate medium accurate anti-aircraft fire.
- (5) No details.
- (6) Dropped 32 1000 lb, 8 500 lb bombs.
- (7) Dropped 42 500 lb bombs, 12 500 lb incendiary
clusters, fired 4400 rounds 50 calibre.

Paragraphs 8 through 12 no details.

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(13) Dropped 256 100 lb parademos from minimum altitude, met slight to moderate inaccurate anti-aircraft fire of all calibres.

(14) Dropped 1286 100 lb napalms, 20 120 lb frags, 9 500 lb bombs from 10,400 feet.

(15) B-24 dropped 8 500 lb bombs fired 1800 rounds 50 calibre; B-25's dropped 24 300 lb bombs, fired 2000 rounds 50 calibre.

(16) B-25's dropped 16 2000 lb bombs, 24 500 lb incendiary clusters; other planes dropped 23 1000 lb, 17 500 lb bombs, 2 500 lb incendiaries, 4 100 lb parafrags.

Refer report operations March 1 paragraph 8:

43 B-24's dropped 405 500 lb bombs from 13,000 to 10,500 feet Tainan met slight to intense, medium and heavy some accurate anti-aircraft fire.

Paragraph 10: 18 B-25's dropped 42 500 lb bombs, fired 18,000 rounds 50 calibre against shipping China coast, met parachute type anti-aircraft fire; seven other B-25's dropped 28 500 lb bombs, fired 3300 rounds 50 calibre Pratas Reef.

Supplementary paragraph. Preliminary total sorties March 1 and 2: Philippines 145 fighters 49 bombers; total Southwest Pacific Area 284 fighters 493 bombers 28 others.

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UNITS 24TH INFANTRY DIVISION LANDED LURANO ISLAND MARCH 1. NO OPPOSITION REPORTED. PALAWAN LANDING GOING AHEAD WITHOUT RESISTANCE. STILL KILLING JAPS IWO ISLAND. PROGRESS SATISFACTORY. NAVY CASUALTIES IWO TO 2 MARCH KIA 149 WIA 527 MIA 452 TOTAL 1,128.

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CTF 51 ORIGINATES. COM 5TH FLEET GETS ACTION. INFO ATFC 5TH FLEET AND CINCPAC.

SUMMARY NUMBER 26 031800K.

LAND FORCE ACTION MARKED BY SLOW PROGRESS AGAINST STUBBORN RESISTANCE. 5TH MARDIV STRAIGHTENED OUT ITS LINES AND

ADVANCED FROM 200 TO 400 YARDS WITH DEEPEST PENETRATION TO CR 315 TA 234W. MUCH SMALL ARMS AND MORTAR FIRE RECEIVED

THIS AREA COMPARED PREVIOUS DAY. 3RD MARDIV REPORTS PROGRESS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT UNDER HEAVY FIRE MORTAR ROCKETS HIGH

VELOCITY WEAPONS. THIS DIVISION GAINED UP TO 400 YARDS OPPOSITE ITS LEFT FLANK AND CENTER PROGRESSING VICINITY

RJ 322 TA 218T FOLLOWING A 5 MINUTE ARTILLERY PREPARATION INCLUDING SMOKE HILL 362 TA 219UX 3RD MARDIV LAUNCHED ATTACK

1500. REPORTS OF THIS ATTACK NOT AVAILABLE. BLT 3/9 OPERATING IN 5TH MARDIV ZA PASSED THROUGH BY BLT 1/27.

BLT 3/9 MOVED INTO POSITION LEFT FLANK 3RD MARDIV ZA. BLT 1/21 ENTERED LINE 3RD MARDIV ZA BETWEEN BLT'S 2/21 2/9.

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5 BN'S NOW 3RD MARDIV ASSAULT WITH TOTAL 18 BLT'S IN LINE. 4TH MARDIV HELD UP BY HEAVY MORTAR FIRE TA 201QVY. DIVISION MADE 200

YARD GAIN ON EXTREME RIGHT FLANK. POCKET REMAINS MINAMI AREA OTHERWISE FRONT LINES AS 1800 ARE: TA 216AE 217A 234UWY 235UWX

218DEJO (8 GROUPS MISSING IN CODE) RZV 187 BQHMSXY 167E. 75MM SHELL OUR GUNS ASHORE HIT BOLIVAR 1 EM KIA 2 EM WIA. NO DAMAGE

SHIP. BENNET FOUND HOLE IN BOTTOM FRAME 15 2 COMPARTMENTS FLOODED POSSIBLY DUE DUD TORPEDO OR BOMB FROM PLANE SHOT DOWN 1 MARCH,

REQUIRES DOCKING.

SPECIAL STRIKE BONINS 1300-1500 3 MARCH BOMBED ROCKETED DOCK BUILD-

INGS OBURA TOWN. NO SHIPS PRESENT EXCEPT SAMPANS CHICHI. ROCKETED STRAFED SEAPLANE BASE HANGAR BUILDING *45G. BUILDING TOWER 213U.

BUILDING TA 247A. 1 15000 TON AK AT PIE** HARBOR HAHA JIMA STRAFED AND RUNS MADE COVERING ENTERPRISE TORPEDO ATTACK 3RD ATTAINED DIRECT

HITS SANK SHIP AT DOCK. 3 OTHER STRAFING RUNS MADE VESSELS BIGASHI HARBOR. NO CHANGE AA CHICHI JUMA. AA MEDIUM MODERATE HAHA JIMA.

1 HEAVY BATTERY NAHA JIMA HAHA JIMA GUNTO. NO REPORT DAMAGE OUR AIRCRAFT. CLOSE AIR SUPPORT RESTRICTED DUE SMALL ENEMY AREA

REMAINING 1 B-24 PHOTO PLANE ON STATION MAKING COLORED MOVIES OF ISLAND. COMMENCED EVACUATION CASUALTIES BY LANDPLANE.

SEVERAL SHIPS NOW UNLOADING OVER WESTERN BEACHES. 5 FOOT SURF STILL RESTRICTS EASTERN BEACHES.

- *1 GARBLED GROUP
- **2 GARBLED GROUPS

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COM 7TH FLT SENDS ACTION COMINCH

MINESWEEPING OPERATIONS MANILA BAY CONTINUE AS AREA NOT YET CONSIDERED SAFE FOR SHIPPING. 7 MINES WERE SWEEPED ON 2ND MARCH. MILE WIDE CHANNEL HAS BEEN SWEEPED THROUGH TICAO PASS WITH NIL MINES FOUND. EXPLORATORY SWEEP FOR MINES IN CASIGURAN SOUND ON 2ND WAS NEGATIVE WITH ADDITIONAL SWEEPING SCHEDULED. NO ENEMY ACTIVITY FOUND BY SCOUTS PUT ASHORE IN VICINITY CASIGURAN SOUND. DELAYED REPORT 26TH SAUNTER (AM295) STRUCK CONTACT MINE WHILE SWEEPING MANILA BAY. EXTENSIVE DAMAGE SUSTAINED WHICH REQUIRES TOWING SHIP TO REAR AREA. NO REPORTS RECEIVED ON SCHEDULED LANDING TRIED. AT BURIAS AND TICAO ISLANDS OF FURTHER PROGRESS OF OPERATIONS AT PUERTO PRINCESA. SEARCH PLANE NIGHT ONE HALF PROBABLY SANK A SMALL SCHOONER OFF HONG KONG. PTLY SANK MEDIUM FREIGHTER-TRANSPORT AND LEFT ANOTHER BURNING. ALSO FIRED DE WEST OF OKRENGWA. PT'S NIGHT ONE HALF CAPTURED ONE JAP IN MANILA BAY AND LANDED NICA SCOUTS ON SALANGADEKE ISLAND NORTHEAST TIP HALMAHERA.

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China coast: Reconnaissance plane from Clark Field sighted 1 destroyer, 2 escort vessels, 2 freighters heading southeast 100 miles northeast Wenchow March 2nd. Formosa: 2 cargo vessels, 2,000 tons, 3 seatrucks sighted Takao March 1st, next day large tanker, 1 freighter, 2,000 tons, 1 seatruck reported off coast to north; medium transport, 1 freighter, 1 seatruck also reported off Wako in Pescadores March 2; 35/40 aircraft reported Matsuyama Air-drome by attacking B 24s March 2. French Indo China: 3 destroyers, 2 tankers reported by 14th Air Force heading east off north west point Hainan March 1st, tanker and 2 small freighter transports on northerly course vicinity Nhatrang following day, reported at Saigon March 2nd large transport, 1 destroyer, 2 escort vessels.

Part 2.

Naval: 2 landing craft support sank barge, destroyed buildings and sugar plant San Carlos eastern Negros Island March 1st.

Air: Enemy Action: 4 Bettys exploded ammunition dump damaged buildings and grounded planes caused many casualties Mangaldan strip Lingsayen night March 1, 1 Betty shot down. Operations February 28th: (1) Single B 25 found 3 camouflaged floatplanes Quinhon, destroyed 2 probably destroyed

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3 March 1945

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(2) 4 Corsairs raided Lahug and Fabrica Airdromes in
Visayas, anti aircraft fire shot down 1 Corsair.

Operations March 1st:

(3) 11 Corsairs bombed and strafed Cebu City in support
Guerrilla forces; 15 Corsairs demolished buildings Kabacan
Central Mindanao.

Operations March 2nd:

(4) B 24s from Clark Field exploded and sank medium freighter
transport left similar vessel and 1 destroyer escort burn-
ing 180 miles east by south Wenchow, sank 1 coastal vessel
damaged another southeast Shanghai, damaged bomber heading
south from Formosa.

(5) Preliminary reports Formosan strikes: 5 squadrons B 24s
destroyed 12 planes Matsuyama Airdrome; 3 squadrons B 24s
bombed Tainan Airdrome; B 25s struck Taichu and Toyohara;
A 20s raided Kagi Airdrome; fighters bombed and strafed
Kato Airdrome; estimated 25/30 planes destroyed all missions;
nil interception from enemy planes airborne; 1 B 24, 2
B 25s and 1 A 20 lost to anti aircraft fire.

(6) Reconnaissance B 25s sank medium freighter transport
shot down 2 fighters Pescadores.

(7) Ground support missions east Manila and cave entrances
Corregidor.

(8) 33 B 24s bombed runways and dispersals Seppinggan
Balikpapan, met 2 ineffective interceptors; another B 24 hit
Manggar workshops; 10 P 38s made no contact same area.

(9) 3 B 24s attacked warehouses and docks Sandakan.

(10) 4 Dutch B 25s swept Lesser Soendas, attacked jetties
and barges under repair Alor Island.

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Solomons forces. Air. Operations March 1st:
(11) 6 Corsairs, 3 Venturas, 19 B 25s bombed Kavieng Air-
drome and plantations New Ireland; 18 Corsairs, 6 Venturas
18 B 25s harassed Rabaul, bombed bivouacs and supplies
Vunakanau; 36 Corsairs, 9 Venturas, 10 B 25s hit southern
Bougainville targets caused explosions fires suspected head-
quarters area Monoitu.

Land. Luzon: 6th Army:

I Corps: 33rd Division patrolled extensively in zone of
action with long range patrols to Cabuyo (3179) Tubao and
Aringay reporting minor contacts only; elements 32nd Div-
ision attacked enemy forces in caves 2,000 yards north
Sapitit, others progressed against stubborn resistance
7,000 yards west Imigan; 25th Division units entered Punoan
against minor opposition, patrols reached Digidig.

XIV Corps: Elements 6th Division repulsed 45 minute counter
attack Mount Pacawagan; 1st Cavalry Division regrouped
prior to assaulting organized positions west Antipolo; 37th
Division captured 1st 3 floors finance building, engaged
bitter resistance 4 floor; 11th Airborne Division patrolled
throughout Mount Sungay area (4 miles north Lake Taal)
without reported contact.

XI Corps elements 38th Division reached Mount Gata (approx-
imately 14 miles northwest Fort Stotsenburg), patrolled
north and east, no contact reported.

Cumulative casualties to March 2nd:

Allied: 3405 killed, 12987 wounded, 207 missing;

Enemy: 62678 killed, 617 captured.

Operations report SOWESPAC area.

1500Z/1 to 1500Z/2 signed MacArthur.

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8th Army: Lubang Island: Minor contacts resulted from extensive parolling.
Palawan. Elements 186th Infantry encountered estimate 50 enemy dug in 2 miles west Tagbueros.

Part 3.

- (1) No details.
- (2) Fired 2,500 rounds 50 calibre.
- (3) 11 Corsairs dropped 11 by 1,000 lb bombs, fired 12,500 rounds 50 calibre.
- (4) through (7) No details.
- (8) Dropped 127 by 1,000 lb bombs, 17 by 500 lb bombs, 360 by 120 lb frags from 16,400 to 14,400 feet, met moderate to intense heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.
- (9) Dropped 9 by 500 lb, 46 by 260 lb frags.
- (10) Dropped 12 by 300 lb bombs, fired 600 rounds 50 calibre.
- (11) B 25s dropped 34 by 2,000 lb, 2 by 1,000 lb bombs, 24 by 500 lb incendiaries; other planes dropped 36 by 1,000 lb, 67 by 500 lb bombs, 4 by 650 lb depth charges.

Refer preceding report paragraph 3:

21 A 20s dropped 48 by 250 lb para demos 880 by 20 lb frags, fired 20,000 rounds 50 calibre, met slight light and medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire; 6 other A 20s weathered out.

Refer report operations February 28th paragraph 9:

4 B 25s dropped 9 by 500 lb bombs Paratas Reef, 4 by 500 lb bombs Trinidad near Baguio, fired 8,500 rounds 50 calibre; Paragraph 11:

37 B 24s dropped 1,362 by 260 lb frags from 9,500 to 3,400 feet, 22 other B 24s weathered out;

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(12) 15 A 20s dropped 30 by 250 lb, 150 by 100 lb bombs,
fired 27,200 rounds 50 calibre, 22 other A 20s found nil
targets.

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SUMMARY NUMBER 24 021800 K.

5TH AMPHIBIOUS CORPS WITH 15 BNS IN ASSAULT FROM LEFT TO RIGHT AS FOLLOWS 5TH MARDIV BLTS 3/28 2/28 1/28 2/26 3/26

3RD MARDIV BLTS 3/9 2/21 1/21 2/9 1/9 4TH MARDIV BLTS 3/24 2/24 1/24 1/25 2/25 3/25 CONTINUED TO EXPAND ITS SALIENT

NORTHWEST. DURING MORNING 3RD MARDIV IN CENTER ADVANCED ABOUT 700 YARDS ALONG DIVISION BOUNDARY TO SEIZE HILL 362 TA

235U. THE CENTER AND LEFT FLANK OF 3RD MARDIV ADVANCED 200 YARDS AGAINST SMALL ARMS AUTOMATIC WEAPONS MORTAR FIRE. AT

1530 THIS DIVISION JUMPED OFF IN RENEWAL OF ATTACK WITH MAIN EFFORT ON DIVISION RIGHT WITH HILL 362 TA 219U AS OBJECTIVE.

20 MINUTE ARTILLERY PREPARATION PRECEDED ATTACK. AT SAME TIME BLT 2/21 ATTACKED NORTH TO FILL GAP BETWEEN BLT 3/9 BLT

1/21 WITH BLT 3/9 ATTACKING SOUTHEAST. 5TH MARDIV HAD LIMITED GAINS BOTH FLANKS. RCT 28 GAINED 200 YARDS ON CORPS LEFT

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ALONG COAST. BLT 3/26 ADVANCED GENERALLY (1 GR MISSING) EAST OF BLT 3/9 OF 3RD MARDIV ON RIGHT CAUSING GAP BETWEEN BLT 3/26 AND RCT 28.

GAP WAS FILLED BY BLT 2/26. 1530 RCT 28 REPELLED LOCAL COUNTER ATTACK ESTIMATED 150 ENEMY KILLED MANY. 4TH MARDIV ADVANCED SLOWLY AGAINST- HEAVY MORTAR ARTILLERY AND SNIPER FIRE IN ITS ZA. 200 YARDS GAINED BY 24TH RCT SOUTHEAST MOTOYAMA 1500. LIMITED GAINS MADE ON EXTREME EAST

FLANK BY 25TH RCT. TROOPS CONSOLIDATED AT 1700 WITH LINES ALONG TA 216 A B G H M N O 217 K F B G H I E 234 Y 235 UV T18 BF L M N S Y 201

E I H M Q P U 184 B G H M S Y 167 E. CAVE SYSTEM ON ISLAND COMPLEX. 1 FOUND IN TA 183L HAS 9 ENTRANCES MAIN PASSAGEWAY EXTENDED 800 YARDS

CAME OUT MINAMI VILLAGE. SEARCHED BUT DOCUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT PREVIOUSLY DESTROYED. MANY JAP DEAD FOUND. FORIER CP. PRISONERS INDICATE MOST

CAVES IN NORTH PART ISLAND ARE SMALL FILLED WITH WOUNDED FOOD WATER LOW. KOREAN POW SAYS 18000 ENEMY ON ISLAND ON D DAY BELIEVES 5000 TO 6000

REMAIN. PAST 24 HOURS HAS SEEN GOOD COUNTER BATTERY WORK BY MARINE ARTI- LLERY DEFINITELY TAKING OUT NUMEROUS MEDIUM CALIBER FIELD PIECES

ISOLATED CAVE POSITIONS. ENGINEERS DESTROYED MANY CAVES PILLBOXES CONTAINING STORED AMMUNITION.

LCT 102 STRUCK UNDERWATER OBJECT AT 0310. HULL PIERCED ENGINE ROOM FLOODED SHIP BROACHED ON BEACH. 175 TONS AMMUNITION SUCCESSFULLY

UNLOADED. HEAVY SURF PREVENTS PRESENT SALVAGE. HERCULES (AK 41) GROUND ON PINNACLE SHOAL NORTHEAST BLUE BEACH 1245 TOWED CLEAR NO

VISIBLE DAMAGE. SOLACE DEPARTED 1700 WITH CASUALTIES FOR GUAM. LST 224 STRUCK PORT SIDE BY LCS 52 AS SHE CAME ALONGSIDE INFLECTING FOLLOWING

CONSIDERABLE STRUCTURAL DAMAGE. 0945 LST 634 STRUCK SAME SHIP STARBOARD QUARTER IN RETRACTING WHILE ON BEACH INFLECTING TEAR IN HULL PLATING

BETWEEN FRAMES 39 40 OTHER MINOR DAMAGE.

SUMMARY NAVAL BATTLE CASUALTIES CUMULATIVE TO 2 MARCH ARE: BEACH PARTIES KIA 4 WIA 49 MIA 12 SHIPS PERSONNEL KIA 145 WIA 478 MIA 180 TOTAL 1063.

CVE'S CONTINUED DIRECT AIR SUPPORT. SEA DROME CONDITIONS PREVENTED SEAPLANE SEARCHES TODAY. LAST INSTANT IDENTIFICATION 2235 1 MARCH

SAVED 1 B-24 FROM GUN ATTACK BY ENTERPRISE. PLANE SHOWED VERY WEAK IFF AND FLEW DIRECTLY OVER TG 52.2.5. BENNION SIGHTED VISUALLY 1 SNOOPER

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ZEKE 1805 1 MARCH TAKEN UNDER FIRE NO HITS. ENTERPRISE FIGHTERS
CHASED THIS PLANE NORTHWARD WITHOUT RESULT. CHICHI JIMA SWEEP BY

ENTERPRISE PLANES 1830 1 MARCH DROPPED BOMBS SHOT ROCKETS CAUSING
EXPLOSIONS AND FIRES. 2 TBM'S SPRAYED DOT 1715 TODAY PREVIOUS COVERAGE
AND TOXIC EFFECT REPORTED EXCELLENT.

APPROXIMATELY 4000 FEET NORTHEAST-SOUTHWEST RUNWAY AIRFIELD NUMBER 1
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LAND NOW AND HAVE BEEN REQUESTED. LIMITED RESERVICING FACILITIES
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LONG SWELL FROM EAST MAKE EASTERN BEACH CONDITION BAD. EXPECT USE
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ACTION CINCSWPA LEYTE TARLAC INFO COMINCH CINCPAC GUAM COM 5TH FLT FROM COM 7TH FLT.

off Manila Bay

LANDING ON LUBANG ISLAND BY ELEMENTS OF 24TH DIVISION OF THE 6TH ARMY WAS CARRIED OUT ON 1 MARCH ACCORDING TO PLAN WITH NO REPORTED OPPOSITION. AT PUERTO PRINCESA OUR FORCES ARE STILL ADVANCING WITH NIL ENEMY CONTACTS. EVIDENCE INDICATES HASTY EVACUATION OF WELL CONSTRUCTED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS. UNLOADING CONTINUES SLOW BUT IS IMPROVING.

PB4Y SEARCHERS ATTACKED A MEDIUM SIZED SHIP AT CAPE ST JACQUES WHICH WAS LEFT BURNING AND SINKING AND MADE STRAFING ATTACKS ON NUMEROUS SMALL CRAFT OFF HONG KONG. ALSO FIRED BARRACKS AND STRAFED AREA ON SOUTHWESTERNMOST ISLAND IN THE PESCADORES GROUP. PT'S NIGHT 28/1 STRAFED LILOAN AND AT TALISAY STARTED LARGE FIRE. IN MANILA BAY RESCUED P 47 PILOT AND CAPTURED 2

JAPS. DAYLIGHT 28TH COORDINATED AIR PT STRIKE DESTROYED 7 SUICIDE BOATS SOUTHEASTERN TIP BATUNGAS BAY. MINE SWEEPING OPERATIONS CONTINUED IN MANILA BAY. ABOUT 20 MINES REPORTED SWEEPED SOUTH OF WEST BREAKWATER. CARRIED OUT MINESWEEPING OPERATIONS IN BALER BAY 1ST AND 14 MINES SWEEPED. SWEEPING

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OPERATIONS NOW IN PROGRESS IN CASIGURAN BAY CASIGURAN SOUND.
RESULTS SO FAR NEGATIVE.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FROM CTF 51		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		COM 5TH FLT	PPPPP
DATE 3 MARCH 45			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0724			DEFERRED
DECODED BY VEROSKY		CINCPAC BOTH HQS	
PARAPHRASED BY MANUEL		ATFC 5TH FLT	PPPPP
ROUTED BY			ROUTINE
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(CTF 51 ORIGINATES. ACTION TO COM 5TH FLT AND INFO BOTH HEADQUARTERS CINCPAC AND ATFC 5TH FLT)

SUMMARY NUMBER 23 021200K.
LITTLE HARRASSING FIRE OUR REAR AREA DURING NIGHT 28 FEBRUARY-1 MARCH WITH SLIGHT VOLUME SMALL ARMS MORTAR FIRE ON FRONT LINES SIGNIFICANT. OUR ACTIVITIES DURING

NIGHT LIMITED TO HARRASSING INTERDICTION ILLUMINATION MISSIONS BY ARTILLERY AND NAVAL GUNFIRE. JUMPING OFF

AT 0800 TROOPS RESUMED ATTACK WITH 3 DIVISIONS ABREAST WITH THE OBJECTIVE 0-3 LINE. MAIN EFFORT CORPS CENTER

IN ZA 3RD MARDIV. BOUNDARIES UNCHANGED. 14 ASSAULT BNS NOW DEPLOYED ALONG FRONT LINE FROM RTY JAW TO RIGHT

AS FOLLOWS: 5TH MARDIV-BLT'S 3/28 2/28 1/28 3/26 3RD MARDIV BLT'S 3/9 2/21 2/9 1/9 4TH MARDIV BLT'S

3/24 2/24 1/24 1/24 1/25 2/25 3/25. BLT 2/27 CORPS RESERVE SURIBACHI AREA. BLT 2/23 CORPS RESERVE FORWARD

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PREPARED SUPPORT ATTACK ANY DIVISIONS. ATTACK PRECEDED BY
45 MINUTE ARTILLERY NAVAL GUNFIRE AIR STRIKE PREPARATIONS.

AIRFIELD NUMBER 2 NOW OUR HANDS. OUR OCCUPATION DOMINATING
GROUND VICINITY AIRFIELD 3 THREATENS TO SPLIT JAP FORCES AND

PLACES OUR TROOPS ON GROUND MORE FAVORABLE FOR MANEUVER.
3RD MARDIV YESTERDAY DESTROYED 8 ENEMY TANKS.

FRONT LINES REPORTED 1155 ARE: TA 216AGMNO 217KLGH 217JO
218KLMNX 201DIKPU 184ABFGMRSX 167D.

CUMULATIVE GROUND FORCE CASUALTIES 1700 1 MARCH:
592 OFFICERS 10663 EM TOTAL 11255 WITH 1774 KIA.

ENEMY DEAD REPORTED BY GROUND UNITS IS 3RD MARDIV 1344;
4TH MARDIV 2740; 5TH MARDIV 3038; LAND FORCE TROOPS 5

TOTAL 7127. 15 JAPS 17 KOREANS POWS. KOREANS REPORT OUR
PROPOGANDA LEAFLETS INDUCED SURRENDER.

1 OBB 2 CA 7 DD 1 GUNBOAT AND 1 MORTAR SUPPORT UNIT CARRIED OUT
NIGHT ILLUMINATION AND QALL* MISSIONS THROUGHOUT NIGHT.

MORTAR LCI'S RECEIVED NO RETALIATORY FIRE FIRST TIME SINCE
D DAY. THEY HAVE PROVED GREAT VALUE TO LANDING FORCE. 1

OBB 1 CA 1 CL 10 DD PARTICIPATED IN PREPARATION FOR MORNING
ATTACK EXECUTED CALL FIRE MISSIONS THROUGHOUT MORNING. HEAVY

SHIPS DISPOSED FOR COUNTER BATTERY MISSIONS. DD'S GUNBOATS
SUPPORT UNITS WITH SHORE FIRE CONTROL PARTY TEAMS WORKING AT

CLOSE RANGE ON COASTAL CAVES. GARRISON GROUP ϕ ARRIVED TRANSPORT
AREA THIS MORNING AND UNLOADING STARTED. SAMARITAN DEPARTED

1 MARCH WITH CASUALTIES.

CVE'S FURNISHED AIR STRIKES IN PREPARATION FOR ATTACK AND
OTHER CLOSE AIR SUPPORT MISSIONS THROUGHOUT MORNING. PBM

SEARCH ACTIVITIES CURTAILED DUE ROUGH WATER SEA DRONE AREA.
1 PLANE HOLED IN STARBOARD WING BY ENEMY AA WHILE ON SEARCH

MISSION. 1 PLANE DRAGGED ON BEACH 27 FEBRUARY PROBABLE TOTAL
LOSS CREW SAFE ASHORE. 1 TBM RUDYARD BAY HIT IN ENGINE BY

MEDIUM AA FSELF* PLANE MADE EMERGENCY LANDING AIRFIELD NUMBER 1
WITH NO CASUALTIES. 1 PBM NEUKQXLPHRQIVE* 1 MARCH SIGHTED

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5 FTC 31-10 NORTH 138-30 EAST. PETROFF BAY FIGHTER REPORTED HIT
MY SUMMARY NUMBER 21 IS ERROR. EMERGENCY LANDING DUE

MECHANICAL FAILURE AUXILIARY TANK. ENTERPRISE SENT 2 VFN
4 VTN OVER CHICHI 1830 TO 1915K 1ST MARCH. NIL ENEMY AIRBORNE

NIL SHIPPING AND AIRCRAFT ON GROUND OBSERVABLE. FROM 2000
FT DROPPED 24 GP CENTURIES INCLUDING 12 WITH 1-6 HOUR DELAY

PLUS 16 ROCKETS ON OMURA TOWN 1 EXPLOSION AND FIRE OBSERVED.
ON BARRACKS AREA NE SUSAKI 12 GP CENTURIES HALF WITH 1-6 HOURS

DELAY PLUS 19 ROCKETS. ON MANAMISAKI GUNS AND SEARCHLIGHT
POSITIONS 4 ROCKETS. ON AA POSITIONS WEST SUSAKI AIRFIELD

4 ROCKETS. ALL RESULTS UNOBSERVED. SEARCHLIGHTS OBSERVED
AT 213Q 280Y AND POSSIBLY 245S INNACCURATE. AA HEAVY AND

MEDIUM MEAGER INACCURATE

GENERAL SUPPLY STATUS GOOD EXCEPT ARTILLERY AMMUNITION LOW
DUE LOSS ENEMY ACTION AND DIFFICULTIES UNLOADING RESUPPLY SHIP.

ROADS 4TH MARDIV AREA BEING SURFACED WITH CLAY FROM LOCAL
QUARRY. WEATHER SCATTERED CUMULUS 2000 FEET WIND EAST

AND EAST-NORTHEAST 16-20 KNOTS TEMPERATURE 68 VISIBILITY
UNLIMITED 5 FOOT SWELL SERIOUSLY HAMPERED UNLOADING ON

BEACH LAST NIGHT AND TODAY.

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2	FROM		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
3	RELEASED BY	COM 7TH FLT	CINCSWPA (TARLAC AND LEYTE)	PRIORITY
4	DATE	2 MAR 1945		ROUTINE
5	TOR CODE ROOM	0403		DEFERRED
6	DECODED BY	TURLEY		
7	TYPED BY	TURLEY/walp	COMINCH CINCPAC COM 5TH FLT	PRIORITY
8	ROUTED BY			DEFERRED
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(COM 7TH FLT GIVES ACTION CINCSWPA (TARLAC & LEYTE)
INFO COMINCH CINCPAC COM 5TH FLT)

M OCCUPATION OF PUERTO PRINCESSA PROCEEDING ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE AS NO CONTACT WITH ENEMY REPORTED SO FAR. CRUISER DESTROYER FIRE SUPPORT UNIT, APD'S, MINESWEEPERS AND LSD ALL RELEASED AND DEPARTED AREA 28. SEARCH PLANES NIGHT OF 27/28 STARTED INCENDIARY FIRES ON A MEDIUM CARGO-TRANSPORT AND SANK A SMALL STACK-AFT VESSEL OF HONG KONG. LARGE FREIGHTER-TRANSPORT HIT AMIDSHIPS OFF SWATOW AND LEFT BURNING BOMBED AND STRAFED. LUGGER OFF NORTH COAST OF FORMOSA. SANK SMALL AK NORTHEAST OF FORMOSA. SAME VICINITY ANOTHER SUNK BY STRAFING. SAME NIGHT PT'S AT TALISAY BEACH SOUTH OF CEBU CITY STARTED LARGE FIRE BY STRAFING AND ROCKETS. SAME VICINITY 2 SCHOONERS WERE SUNK. 1 LARGE BEACHED SAILBOAT DESTROYED NORTH MASBATE TOWN WHERE GUERRILLA SUPPLIES WERE LANDED NIGHT OF 28/1 LANDED ARMY RADAR TEAM AT LONG POINT WEST COAST PALAWAN. MANILA HARBOR NOW CLEARED OF MINES EXCEPT ALONG BREAKWATER.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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FROM	CTF 51	COM FIFTH FLEET	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52
RELEASED BY			PRIORITY OP OP
DATE	1 MARCH 1945		ROUTINE
TOR CODE ROOM	0117		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	PICK	CINCPAC (PEARL & ADV HQ) ALL TFC FIFTH FLEET	PRIORITY OP OP
TYPED BY	SANDBERG / THOMAS		ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED

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(ACTION COM FIFTH FLEET FROM CTF 51 INFO CINCPAC (BOTH) AND ALL TASKFORCE COMDRS FIFTH FLEET.)

SUMMARY NUMBER 22 011800K

MEAGER REPORTS WERE AVAILABLE THIS AFTERNOON CONCERNING FIGHTING IN FIFTH AND FOURTH MARDIV ZONE. EARLY AFTERNOON FIFTH DIVISION HEADED BY TANKS PROGRESSED TO VICINITY OF TA 216 GHS BUT LATER WITHDREW TO LINE 216 FLM RCT 28 ON THE DIVISION RIGHT RECEIVED HEAVY MORTAR FIRE FROM AREA NISHI. IN THIRD DIVISION ZONE BLT 1/21 IN AREA 217 PM COVERED THE GAP BETWEEN THIRD AND FIFTH DIVISION DUE THIRD DIVISIONS MORNING GAIN.

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FIFTH DIVISION BROUGHT UP 3/26 BETWEEN THE RIGHT OF THE
 28TH RCT AND TWO/21. SLIGHT CHANGE MADE IN RIGHT
 BOUNDARY PGBC* ** QFJJVPQMCTYBAAUEGFLIHBYCBOR THBS*
 BN MJ ** LT 2/21 THIRD DIVISION WMNBVVNNED* DOWN BY FIRE
 FROM HULL ~~DOGAM-NKS*~~ ^{DOWN TANKS} AND GOING LITTLE BEYOND THIS MORNINGS
 POSITION WHILE BLT 3/21 ON DIVISION RIGHT FLANK EXTENDED
 ITS POSITION GENERALLY ALONG SOUTH EDGE AIRFIELD NUMBER 3
 AND PUSHED EAST TO LINE 218 R 201 **
 BLT 3/24 PASSED THROUGH THIRD DIVISION ZONE TO OCCUPY
 GAP EXISTING BETWEEN THIRD AND FOURTH DIVISIONS AND NOW
 EMPLOYED ALONG THIRD AND FOURTH DIVISION BOUNDARY LINE.
 FOURTH DIVISIONS FRONT SEGO* WAS STATIC EXCEPT IN SECTOR
 OCCUPIED BY BLT 3/25 ON THE DIVISION RIGHT FLANK WHICH
 GAINED 200 YARDS OVER RUGGED TERRAIN.
 FRONT LINES AS OF 1700: TA 216 FKLMS 217 PQMINT
 218 PORWX 2 TEHONNTU G* IHLKPU 184 ABGLMRS VAUBTXY*
 THE END.
 OCCASIONAL ARTILLERY FIRE FELT ON BLUE BEACH. ZERO
 CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE REPORTED. THIRD ** DIV TOOK 17 POWS.
 442ND PORW* COMPANY TRANSFERRED TO FOURTH DIVISION SHORE
 PARTY

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15 HEAVY AA AND CD GUNS REPORTED DESTROYED BY MAIN
BATTERY FIRES FROM 3 OBB 3CA.

W TULAGI GROUP COMPLETED HUNTER-KILLER OPERATIONS AND
NEGATIVE RESULTS AND REJOINED TU 52.2.1
DIRECT AIR SUPPORT THIS AFTERNOON US ID* NAPALM FIRE
BOMXA JLMDEOPFC*

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FROM CTF 51		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PPPPPP
RELEASED BY		COM 5TH FLT <i>PS</i>	PRIORITY
DATE 2 MAR 1945			ROUTINE
TIME 0914			DEFERRED
TOR CODE ROOM TURLEY		CINCPAC (BOTH) ALL TFC'S 5TH FLEET	PPPP
DECODED BY			PRIORITY
TYPED BY <i>Walf</i>			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED
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SUMMARY NUMBER 22.
 011000K. MEAGER REPORTS WERE AVAILABLE THIS AFTERNOON CONCERNING FIGHTING IN 5TH AND 4TH MARDIV ZONE. EARLY AFTERNOON 5TH DIVISION HEADED BY TANKS PROGRESSED TO VICINITY OF TA 2160HS BUT LATER WITHDREW TO LINE 216ELM RCT 28 ON THE DIVISION RIGHT RECEIVED HEAVY ARTYR FIRE FROM AREA NISHI. IN 3RD DIVISION ZONE BLT 1/21 IN AREA 217PM COVLRED THE GAP BETWEEN 3RD AND 5TH DIVISION DUE 3RD DIVISION MORNING GAIN. 5TH DIVISION BROUGHT UP 3/26 BETWEEN THE RIGHT OF THE 28TH RCT AND 1/21. SLIGHT CHANGE MADE IN RIGHT BOUNDARY 5TH MARDIV TO EAST TO MAKE ROOM FOR THIS BN. BLT 2/21 3RD DIVISION WAS PINNED DOWN BY FIRE FROM HULL DOWN TANKS ADVANCING LITTLE BEYOND THIS MORNINGS POSITION WHILE BLT 3/21 ON DIVISION RIGHT FLANK EXTENDED ITS POSITION GENERALLY ALONG SOUTH EDGE AIRFIELD NUMBER 3 AND PUSHED EAST TO LINE 216R 201D. BLT 3/24 PASSED THROUGH 3RD DIVISION ZONE TO OCCUPY GAP EXISTING BETWEEN 3RD AND

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4TH DIVISIONS AND NOW DEPLOYED ALONG 3RD AND 4TH DIVISION BOUNDARY LINE. 4TH DIVISION FRONT LINE WAS STATIC EXCEPT IN SECTOR

OCCUPIED BY BLT 3/25 ON THE DIVISION RIGHT FLANK WHICH GAINED 200 YARDS OVER RUGGED TERRAIN. FRONT LINES AS OF 1700:

TA 216FKL MST 217QMINT 218PQRWX 201DIHLKPU 184ABGLMRSX 167D

OCCASIONAL ARTILLERY FIRE FELL ON BLUE BEACH. NO CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE REPORTED. 3RD MARDIV TOOK 17 POWS. 442ND PORT COMPANY

TRANSFERRED TO 4TH DIVISION SHORE PARTY.

15 HEAVY AA AND CD GUNS REPORTED DESTROYED BY MAIN BATTERY FIRES FROM 3 OBB 3CA. TULAGI GROUP COMPLETED HUNTER-KILLER OPERATIONS AND

NEGATIVE RESULTS AND REJOINED TO 50.2.1

DIRECT AIR SUPPORT THIS AFTERNOON USED NAPALM FIRE BOMBS

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2	FROM <i>lhm</i> CTU 50.5.3		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSES	
3	RELEASED BY		COM 5TH FLEET	OP OP OP
4	DATE 2 MARCH 45			ROUTINE
5	TOR CODE ROOM 2219/01			DEFERRED
6	DECODED BY THOMAS			
7	TYPED BY THOMAS / SANDBERG		ATFC'S 5TH FLT	OP OP OP
8	ROUTED BY		CTF 93	PRIORITY
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CTU 50.5.3 SENDS ACTION COM 5TH FLT; INFO ATFC'S 5TH FLT
 CTF 93 CTF 94 CTG 50.5

ALL V402 SECTORS GOT FULL COVERAGE WITH ****% COVERAGE** OVER
 ICEPT 27V WENT TO 875 14 HOURS COVERAGE OF SURVIVORS
 LOCATED AT 0930 CDCPG* POSITION 20-52 N 135-30 E. 7 SURVIVORS
 IN 1 RAFT AND SINGLE SURVIVOR IN RAFT 10 MILES DISTANT
 BEARING 230T FROM OTHER. DROPPED ALL EMERGENCY SUPPLIES AND
 TRANSMITTER. CONTACTED DUMBO BEFORE LEAVING STATION PHLL MEY*
 APPEARED IN GOOD CONDITION. OTHER SECTORS NEGATIVE

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PASSED TO COMINCH BY RADIO GUAM.

SUMMARY NUMBER 21 011200K.
HOSTILE ARTILLERY FIRE HARRASSED OUR REAR AREA DURING NIGHT

EXPLODING FIFTH MARDIV AMMUNITION DUMP WITH SERIOUS LOSS SEVERAL TYPES OF AMMUNITION. NO HOSTILE COUNTER ATTACKS.

0830 TROOPS RESUMED ATTACK. RCT 28 LESS 1 BN REVERTED TO 5TH DIVISION CONTROL AT 0630 PASSED THROUGH RCT 27 WITH

MISSION SEIZING HIGH GROUND ALONG BOUNDARY BETWEEN 5TH MARDIV AND 3RD MARDIV. 3RD MARDIV MAIN EFFORT ON RIGHT; 4TH MARDIV TO MAINTAIN ITS CENTER AND RIGHT AND THE LEFT KEEP PACE WITH ADVANCE OF 3RD MARDIV. ATTACK PRECEDED BY 45 MINUTE ARTILLERY PREPARATION. MOPPING UP SURIBACHI CONTINUES. 5TH DIVISION PUSHED FORWARD THROUGH MODERATE RIFLE AND MORTAR FIRE

LATE REPORTS INDICATE TROOPS AND TANKS APPROACHING TA 216GHI 3RD DIVISION FRONT MOVING FORWARD RAPIDLY. BLT 3/21 BY 1015 REPORTED AT CR 325 IN TA 201B. ELEMENTS OF BLT 2/21

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REPORTED ACROSS MOTOYAMA AIRFIELD NUMBER 3 VICINITY TA 2171 1130.
NO REPORTS AVAILABLE ON 4TH DIVISION AS OF 1200. RUGGED NATURE

TERRAIN IN ZONE OF ACTION 4TH MARDIV PROHIBITS USE MECHANIZED
EQUIPMENT AND FIELD ARTILLERY FIRE RELATIVELY INEFFECTIVE. HOSTILE

ARTILLERY FIRE WAS RECEIVED ALL MORNING FROM ALONG NORTHEAST COAST
IN TA 202 219 236 235. BANZAI CHARGE IN ZONE 3/25 REPULSED. RE-

MINOR
SULT OF MORNINGS OPERATION REVEALS GOOD PROGRESS MADE IN CORPS CENTER
ZONE OF ACTION BUT FRONT LINES CAN NOT BE ACCURATELY REPORTED. GROUND

FORCE CASUALTIES 1800 28 FEBRUARY KIA 1635 WIA 8204 MIA 606 TOTAL
10445. CASUALTY EVACUATION NOW DIRECT FROM BEACHES TO HOSPITAL

SHIPS AND TO TRANSPORTS BY DUKWS LVT'S. COMBAT EFFICIENCY MORALE
REPORTED EXCELLENT.

1 OBB 2 CA 8 DD 1 GUNBOAT AND 1 MORTAR SUPPORT UNIT PROVIDED NIGHT
ILLUMINATION HARRASSING FIRES THROUGHOUT NIGHT. NAVAL GUNFIRE

OPERATIONS FOR THE DAY INCLUDE COUNTERBATTERY AND REINFORCING FIRE
MISSIONS BY 1 OBB 3 CA 8 DD 2 LCSL AND 1 LCIM UNIT WITH 6 VOF PLANES

SPOTTING FIRES. SHIP CASUALTIES FOLLOW: LSM 59 AT 0420 HOLED
FLOODING ENGINE ROOM AND WITHOUT POWER. DAMAGE CAUSED WHILE RE-

TRACTING FROM BEACH. TERRY IN SCREENING STATION C-5 RECEIVED 1
MEDIUM CALIBER HIT ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE AT 0721 PENETRATING STAR-

BOARD SIDE MAIN DECK AND HULL NEAR FRAME 100 FILLING FORWARD ENGINE
ROOM TO WATER LINE 9 KIA 18 WIA. STEMBEL TN SCREEN STRADDLED BY

ENEMY FIRE NO DAMAGE. CALHOUN AT 1008 ON FIRE SUPPORT MISSION HIT
BY 1 MEDIUM CALIBER ENEMY SHELL IN AFTER TORPEDO MOUNT NUMBER 3 GUN

MOUNT AND MK 51 DIRECTOR 1 KIA 7 WIA. COLUMBIA VICTORY AT 1046
STRADDLED BY MEDIUM CALIBER SHELLS OFF WESTERN BEACHES WITH DAMAGE

SUPERFICIAL 1 EM WIA.

CLOSE DIRECT AIR SUPPORT MISSIONS REINFORCED GROUND TROOPS WITH CON-
TROL ASSIGNED LANDING FORCE CASCU ASHORE. NIGHT INTRUDERS OVER

CHICHI JIMA 28 FEBRUARY FIRED ROCKETS SEAPLANE BASE SMALL SHIPS IN
HARBOR RESULTS UNOBSERVED. NO ENEMY AIRCRAFT AIR BORNE. ANTI-

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AIRCRAFT MEAGER INACCURATE. NO SERVICEABLE ENEMY AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.
PBM PLANES OPERATION IWO SEAPLANE BASE MORNING 1 MARCH COVERED 7

SECTORS SEARCH TO 500 MILES. 17 OY SPOTTING PLANES NOW OPERATING
FROM AIRFIELD NUMBER 1. AIR RAID IWO AREA 0230-0430 BY ESTIMATED

4 PLANES BETTS POSSIBLY 1 HELEN. BENNETT RADAR PICKET STATION 2
SHOT DOWN 1 BETTY. PLANES USED WINDOW. NIGHT FIGHTERS AIR BORNE

WITH 1 CONTACT NO KILLS. ALL PLANES CAME IN LOW WITH NO PLANES OVER
TRANSPORT AREA OR ISLAND. 1 PLANE DROPPED BOMBS 5000 YARDS FROM

RADAR PICKET. MAIL DELIVERED TROOPS BY PARACHUTE FROM R5C PLANE.
1 TBM LUNGA POINT 0932 WITH 3RD MARDIV OBSERVER SHOT DOWN CRASHED

WITHIN OUR LINES BURNED WITH NO SURVIVORS. 1 PETROFF BAY FIGHTER
HIT 1020 MADE EMERGENCY LANDING AIRFIELD 1. NO CASUALTIES.

NORTH-SOUTH RUNWAY AIRFIELD NUMBER 1 NOW AVAILABLE EMERGENCY LANDINGS
CARRIER PLANES. PERMANENT CEMETERY NOW ESTABLISHED ASHORE. WEATHER
2/10 SCATTERED LOW CUMULUS CLOUDS AT 2000 FEET WIND EAST-NORTHEAST

13 KNOTS TEMPERATURE 65-70 LIGHT NORTHEAST SWELL VISIBILITY HIGH
BEACH CONDITIONS FAIR TODAY BUT ROUGH DURING NIGHT.

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27 to 1500Z/28 signed MacArthur.

China Coast:

Catalina from Lingayen sighted 3 medium
freighter transports 2 destroyers Amoy night February 27, 3
freighter transports, 1 destroyer, 1 destroyer escort re-
ported off Swatow by Leyte Liberator next day.

French Indo China:

Two tankers, 3 escorts sighted on northerly
course vicinity Quinhon February 28, 2 transports, 3
destroyers reported southbound by local source preceding day;
4 tankers, 2 destroyers reported by Fourteenth Air Force
plane northbound north Tourane same night.

Formosa:

Six medium freighter transports, 8 seatrucks
sighted Keelung February 28.

Nansei Shoto:

One tanker, 2 medium freighter transports, 2
destroyers, 2 destroyer escorts sighted heading southwest

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30 miles north Miyako Shima February 28; photographs by 21
BOMCOM same day showed 117 single engined 14 twin engined planes
on four Okinawa airdromes.

Singapore:

Photographs February 27 show 44 merchant vessels
totalling 98,000 tons, 2 submarines, 2 small naval vessels.

Part 2. Air.

Operations February 26:

(1) 15 RAAF P-40's demolished gun position bombed
bivouacs Wasile Bay Halmahera.

Operations February 27:

(2) Refer preceding report Paragraph 13: 4 P-51's
demolished buildings Daligan;

25 A-20's bombed and strafed concentrations
Lungog and Tangado, southeast Vigan;

16 P-51's against Headquarters area Baguio;

145 sorties against targets eastern and
southern Luzon.

(3) 32 Corsairs set warehouses afire Masbate town;

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12 Corsairs strafed Lahug Airdrome bombed
assigned targets Cebu City.

(4) 44 B-24's and 40 more P-38's caused explosions
large fires Puerto Princesa, Palawan Island.

(5) 22 B-24's cratered Libby and Daliao runways
Davao;

24 Corsairs demolished buildings hit other
airdromes Mindanao, 1 Corsair lost to anti-aircraft fire.

(6) 8 Beaufighters demolished bridge northeastern
Celebes;

8 Spitfires strafed targets of opportunity
Halmahera.

(7) 12 B-24's bombed Brandi Plantation Wewak.

Operations February 28:

(8) B-24 patrols from Leyte sank 2 seatrucks one coast-
al vessel set 5 other seatrucks afire Anansei Shoto, damaged
lugger northeast Formosa, sank fuel laden seatruck damaged
coastal vessel northeast Hong Kong.

(9) B-25's unable attack convoy off China Coast due
fighter protection, sank 6 junks, damaged radio station gun
position and grounded fighter Pratas Reef on return.

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(10) 16 P-38's swept Formosa strafed small craft,
damaged factory and radar station, destroyed 15 rail cars
and locomotives, killed 50 personnel.

(11) 48 Dauntless and 16 P-51's on ground support
northeast Manila;

59 B-24's bombed installations and guns in
heavily defended area near Ipo Dam;

38 P-47's exploded ammunition dumps, destroyed
guns and pillboxes, caused large fires Caballo Island;

Other planes hit suspected gun positions Verde
Island.

(12) 21 P-38's and 3 A-20's supported operations
Puerto Princesa, Palawan Island;

Other A-20's detailed similar mission not re-
quired.

(13) 4 P-38's swept central Mindanao, bombed Davao
airdromes, 1 P-38 missing;

18 B-25's bombed and strafed Sanga Sanga Airdrome
Tawi Tawi, attacked fuel dump Papahag Island and barges
Bongao Town, damaged float plan.

(14) 12 B-24's raided Labuaf Airdrome Borneo;

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18 B-24's started fires cratered runway Sandakan;
Balikpapan. B-24 patrol bombed unidentified vessel near

(15) RAAF B-24 search plane bombed Viqueque Timor.

(16) 12 B-24's caused explosions and fires enemy
bivouacs But Valley;

Only 1 of 6 B-25's reached same target;

14 Beauforts attacked Hqs area West But and
villages to south.

Solomons Forces.

Air.

Operations February 27:

(17) 18 Corsairs raided Duke of York Island and
Tobeca supplies;

8 Venturas, 7 B-25's caused explosion in plane
hideout Vunakanau;

34 Corsairs harassed concentrations Bougainville;

Other reports not received.

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Land.

Luzon:

Sixth Army:

I Corps:

Elements 32nd Division occupied Sapanit (5756) against light resistance; 25th Division units secured Meringalu (849306), continued advance westward; extensive patrolling continued throughout I Corps zone of action.

XIV Corps:

37th Division secured agricultural building and legislative building excepting basement, continued mopping up south Pasig Jier; 1st Cavalry Division continued attacks on enemy positions west Antipolo; 6th Division attacking high ground east and south Montalban and vicinity Mount Oro (0387) encountered heavy resistance supported by artillery and rocket fire.

XI Corps:

Elements 38th Division patrolled throughout Betaan and north along west coast Zambales with only minor contact east Betolan.

Cumulative casualties to February 28:

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Allied: 3302 killed
12676 wounded
20 missing

Enemy: 59044 killed
575 captured

Palawan:

Eighth Army:

186 Infantry captured Puerto Princesa and both airstrips by 0400Z/28; Puerto Princesa Peninsula completely occupied, troops landed mouth Iwahig River (0379), no opposition encountered.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 14 500 lb bombs, 16 300 and 25 lb depth charges.

(2) No details.

(3) Dropped 42 1000 lb bombs; intense medium accurate anti aircraft fire Cebu.

(4) B-24's dropped 300 1000 lb bombs from 6000 to 4000 feet, met intense light inaccurate anti aircraft fire; F-38's dropped 80 165 gallon napalms, met nil anti aircraft fire.

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(5) B-24's dropped 197 500 lb bombs from 12000 to 5000 feet; Corsairs dropped 15 1000 lb, 2 500 lb bombs, met moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire Licanan.

(6) Beaufighters dropped 14 500 lb bombs.

(7) Dropped 96 1000 lb bombs.

Paragraphs 8 through 10: No details.

(11) P-47's dropped 68 500 lb bombs and napalms, fired 38,000 rounds 50 caliber.

(12) No details.

(13) P-38's dropped 4 1000 lb bombs; B-25's dropped 160 100 lb napalms from medium altitude, met light and medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(14) Dropped 127 1000 lb, 134 500 lb bombs from 11,600 to 8,300 feet.

(15) Dropped 6 500 lb bombs.

(16) B-24's dropped 96 1000 lb bombs from 9000 feet; B-25's dropped 4 300 lb bombs; Beauforts dropped 25 500 lb, 63 250 lb bombs, fired 7200 rounds 50 caliber.

(17) B-25's dropped 14 1000 lb bombs; other planes dropped 37 1000 lb, 30 500 lb, 6 300 lb, 42 250 lb bombs, 6 650 lb depth charges.

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Refer preceding report:

Paragraph 4: 29 B-24's dropped 348 500 lb bombs
from 13,600 to 12,000 feet, 27 B-25's turned back from China
Coast.

Paragraph 5: 36 A-20's dropped 140 250 lb parademos,
fired 43,800 rounds 50 caliber, met slight light accurate
anti aircraft fire.

Paragraph 6: 36 A-20's dropped 130 250 lb parademos,
fired 26,100 rounds 50 caliber.

Paragraph 10: 74 A-20's dropped 73 250 lb, 605 100
lb bombs, fired 99,700 rounds 50 caliber.

Part 4.

G-2 Intelligence Summary.

Defense of Benguet - Caraballo Line:

Three general defense areas, now fairly well
defined, are hinged on mountain features: Nagulian-Tubao
(La Union); Baguio Road; Villa Verde Trail-Highway 5 sector
north of San Jose.

Outwardly enemy units available for able defense
of Benguet-Caraballo line, appear imposing, but casualties
and other attritions have cut deeply into combat strength.
This depletion, together with frontage of nearly 60 miles to

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be held, argues against capacity for strong strategic defense of approaches into north Luzon. Terrain favors enemy tactically, and certain areas are strongly organized; however, effective combat strength throughout probably approximates reinforced division; this not sufficient for successful prolonged strategic defense, assuming sustained pressure by our forces.

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