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H.H. SMITH-HUTTON,
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02.4 Delaware Group
Rear Admiral Draemel
Delaware Ship Lane Patrol
Navy LDF, 4 ND.
Coastal Pickets
Delaware Air Patrol:
#VS 36
Fit A/C detach avail in emerg.

02.5 Chesapeake Group
Rear Admiral Simons
Chesapeake Ship Lane Patrol
Navy LDF, 5 ND.
Coastal Pickets
Chesapeake Air Patrol:
CG & Navy A/C AirStas
Elizabethtown
AirShip 19, NAS Eliz.City
Navy Air Sta Norfolk A/C
#VS 37
#VP 31 (less VPB otherwise used
+Fit Air Detach A/C avail in emerg.
VS 38 (least 2 sections)
YMS 16 SC 664 (Temp)

02.6 Southern Group
Rear Admiral Glassford
So. Ship Lane Patrol
Navy LDF 6 ND
Coastal Pickets
So. Air Patrol:
NAS Jacksonville A/C avail.
#2 Sections of VS 38

02.7 Striking Group
Col. W.E. Whitton, USA
25th A/S Wing m/FASC
Civil AirPatrol, Coastal Patrol
units controlled by 25th
A/S Wing.

02.8 AirShip Group
Captain Wills
Fleet AirShip Wing 30 Hqtrs
27 Squadron 12

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TF 02 - U.S. FLEET (EASTSEAFRON)
02.9 Surface Escort Group

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02.10 Killer Group

02.11 Potomac River Group

02.12 Newport River Group

02.13 Fleet Air Wing 5

02.14 Fleet Air Wing 9

02.15 Air Escort Group

02.16

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#Temporarily in T.F. indicated in parenthesis.
Under Comdr 8th Naval District
PYC ONYX
YP's 156, 157, 159, 160, 162, 406

14th INSPECTOR PATROL, 7 ND
YMS 2, 69, 85

03.1, 6 SC 498
SC 978
SC 656
YMS 65

03.2 Naval Air Group

03.2.1 Coast Guard A/C assigned
C.G. Air Base, Miami

03.2.2 Coast Guard A/C assigned
C.G. Air Base St. Petersburg

03.2.3 Coast Guard A/C assigned
C.G. Air Base, Biloxi

03.2.4 LantFleet A/C assigned
Fairwings 12, key west

03.2.5 LantFleet A/C assigned
AP Group 2 (Zp21), Richmond

03.5 CG assigned Banana River, Fla.
cnd Housa, LA

03.3 Army Air Group

03.3.1 Eighth A/S Squadron, Miami

03.3.2 76th Bombardron, Detach, San Antonio

03.3.3 10th A/S Squadron, Galveston

03.3.4 17th A/S Squadron, Key West

03.3.6 128th Observron, New Orleans

03.3.7 Civil Air Patrol Units assigned to
26th A/S Wing, AAFAC

April 7, 1943

TASK FORCE O3
GULF SEA FRONTIER
Rear Admiral Monroe
(Com 7 & Comdr Gulf SF)

03.1 Striking and Escort Group
VINTAGE
BOW TIE
WOODSURY
PROVIDER
TUCKALO
BLUENOSE
CORAL
RUBY

SC Boats

453 638 663
499 642 673
500 646 674
511 647 676
512 652 675
540 653 710
541 657 711
635 660 977
634 661 1063

YMS Boats

1 38
36 63
37 64
74 (Temp)

49 CGO

16 YP Boats

2 IX Boats

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TF 03 - U.S. FLEET (GULF SEA FRONT)
03.4 Emergency Surface Striking Group (Avail only in Emerg)
03.4.2 Convoy Escorts.
03.4.3 SubTrainCenter
03.4.4 Other combat ships (passing through Frontier waters).
03.5 Emergency Naval Striking Group (Avail in emergency)
03.5.1 NAS Pensacola
03.5.2 NAS Corpus Christi
03.5.3 NAS Vesti
03.5.4 NAS Ft. Lauderdale
03.5.5 NAS Melbourne
03.5.6 NAS Banana River
03.5.7 NAS Vero Beach
03.5.8 NAS Sanford
03.5.9 NAS Oland
03.5.10 NAS Lake City
03.5.11 NAS Daytona Beach
03.6 Emergency Army Air Striking Group (Avail in Emergency)
03.6.1 3rd AirFor units available
McDill Field, Tampa.
03.6.2 3rd AirFor units available
Barksdale Field, Shreveport.
03.6.3 3rd Trin Centr., Sebring.
03.6.4 ASC School, W. Palm Beach.
03.6.5 PANAM NavSec, Miami.
03.6.6 Others as available.
03.7 7th Naval District Forces
03.7.1 Inshore Patrol.
03.7.2 District Coast Guard
03.7.3 As designated
03.7.4 Naval Air Task Unit
03.7.5 Army Air Task Unit
03.7.6 District Port Director
03.8 8th Naval District Forces
03.8.1 Inshore Patrol
03.8.2 Coast Guard
03.8.3 Others assigned
03.9 Ship Control Group
03.10 Royal Air Forces, U.T.C.
(Patrol and escort missions coordinated with operations of Gulf Sec Frontier. Striking missions as requested by commander, Gulf Sec Frontier)
03.12 U.S.C.G. Cuban Flotilla.
CGR 448 942
931 945
931 1455
940 2101
03.7 YMS 73 (Tamp)
03.13 PC 454
551
611
1191

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**Task Force O4**
CARIBBEAN SEA FRONTIER
Vice Admiral Hoover
(Com 10 & Cond BF Carib SF)

### 04.1 Surface Vessels Assigned to Escort Duty

#### 04.1.1 *TARBELL*
- PC 573

#### 04.1.5 *JAN VAN BRAKEL*
- PC 564
- PC 1192

#### GTMO Reserve
- BIDDLE
- UNALGA

#### Trinidad Group
- PC 469

#### 04.1.3 *UPSHUR*
- PC 565

#### 04.1.4 Breckenridge

#### 04.1.6 Blakely
- TURQUOISE

#### Trinidad Reserve
- BARNEY
- OPAL

### Trinidad East Convoys

- **CLARKIA**
  - CUYAHOGA
  - LEGARE
  - PC 588
  - SC 503
  - SC 506
  - SC 522
  - SC 532
  - SC 534
  - #SC 1268
  - SC 1278

- **LEARY**
  - BADGER
  - HOMTCAL
  - #PC 484
  - #PC 551
  - PC 563
  - PC 591
  - PC 627
  - PC 651
  - PC 568
  - PC 624
  - PC 625
  - PC 1191
  - PC 1251
  - YP 436
  - YP 437
  - YP 440
  - YP 441
  - YP 442
  - SC 690
  - SC 693
  - SC 979
  - SC 1172

### NOTE:
**Following ship is to be assigned to T.G. 24.6**

- TARBELL

**Following ships are to report from T.G. 24.6**

- BABBITT
- SCHENCK

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*Light Duty Ships*
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T.F. 04 - Continued.

04.2 Navy Aircraft
*VP 32, 34, 53
*VS 43, 44, 45, 63
*1 section of VP 81
*VP 204
*LAPELING
ZP 51

04.3 *Submarines
S-42
S-44
S-46
R-6
R-10

04.4 NOB, St. Thomas
Station Ships
CONQUEST
CONQUEROR
CANASTEO

04.5 Marine Aircraft
St. Thomas

04.6 NOB Guantanamo Bay
Captain Weyler
*ALGORNIA
*R-5
Station Ships
YMS 4
ENDURANCE
NULBERRY
KESHEMA

04.7 NOB Trinidad
Reed adm. Oldendorf
*ALTAF
Station Ships
YMS 33
YMS 63
CARACACARA
CHACHALACA
LARH

04.8 Curacao-Aurba Group
Near Admiral Robinson
Station Ships
COLFAX
DIX
*QUEEN WILHELMINA
SC 694
SC 695
YMS 56
YMS 59
YMS 61
YMS 81

04.8.10 *VAN KINSBERGEN
*GASSIZ
SC 533

04.9 Lighter-Than-Air Ships

04.10 Killer Group
San Juan Station
CRAWFORD
HARTON
BATAAN
SC 639
YMS 19
YP 64
YP 202
St. Lucia Station
*LAPELING

04.7 For Temporary Service
HMS MARLTHUS (PG)
HMS ADORIS DANCE (Trawler)
HMS TAHARIK (PG)
HMS TESORO (A/S Aux)
HMS MILFORD (PG)

04.7 YEATON
PC 1122
RUSH
596
BLACK SHAW
608
CATOCTIN
SC 696
HIDEBER
1473
REDWOOD
DONACOA
MANKATO
37 000

T.F. 04 - U.S. FLEET (Caribbean-Africa)
TASK FORCE 05
PANAMA SEA FRONTIER
Near admiral Van Hook
(Con 15 & Comdr PAN SP)

05.1 Aircraft Group
*VP 33
*VS 59
*VS 60
*1 VP of Fairing 3
AirSta Utility Unit
*RCHK/HAY

05.2 Escort Group
J.F. Valdott
TATTN:LL
JADE
PC 164
PC 470

05.3 Special T.G.

05.4 *Submarine Group
S-11
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MILLARD

05.5 Inshore Patrol Lent

05.6 Inshore Patrol Pac.

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WOODOCK
MOONSTONE
TOPAZ
AGATE

PC Boats
454 456
465
463
466
509

SG Boats
497 1023
530 1039
614 1040
677 1042

VP Boats
234 279
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YAS Boats
6 41
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| 06.5 | Escort Group As designated |
| 06.6 | Army Bomber Command |
| 06.7 | Special Air Units and Surface Forces temporarily assigned. |
| 06.8 | LDF, 11 ND |
| 06.9 | LDF, 12 ND |

| 07.1 | Air Task Group, N.W.S.F. |
| 07.2 | Air Group, N.W. Sector |
| 07.4 | (N.W) Air Striking Group Frontier aircraft assigned. Army Bombardment a/C assigned to Navy. |
| 07.5 | Air Groups, Alaskan Sector |
| 07.6 | (Alaskan) Air Search Group | Army A/C assigned to Navy Frontier A/C & Tenders assigned |
| 07.7 | (Alaskan) Air Striking Group | Frontier a/C assigned. Fleet A/C assigned Army a/C assigned. |
| 07.8 | Surface T.G. N.S. SF. |
| 07.9 | Surface Group, N.W. Sector Frontier surface units assigned N.W. Sector less A/C tenders |
| 07.10 | Surface Group, Alaskan Sector Frontier surface units assigned Alaskan Sector less A/C tenders. |
| 07.11 | Submarine T.G. Alaskan Sector, Fleet Subs and Tenders assigned. |
| 07.12 | Amphibious T.G. Alaskan Sector, Fleet units assigned. |
**PACIFIC (FIRST) FLEET**

Admiral C.W. Nimitz
Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet

**April 7, 1943.**

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**TASK FORCE 12**

**Special Detail**

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   RICHMOND
   DETROIT
   RALPH

   COGHLAN
   BAGCROFT
   CALDWELL

16.6.16 SALT LAKE CITY
   BAILEY

16.6.17 FRAZIER
   GANSEVOORT
   HEADS

16.8 Transport Group
   ARTHUR MIDDLETON
   NORTH COAST
   LERINA
   DELTA
   VEGA
   Tugs, Lighters, Barges.

16.9 Tanker Group
   BRAZOS
   CUYABA
   RAMAPO
   TIPPECANOE
   ARAB

16.10 Landing Forces
   Capt. Kingman
   IDAHO
   NEVADA

   GOFF
   HULL
   MACDONOUGH

16.12 AING
   HATFIELD
   UTE
   BLACKHAWK
   DISCOVERER
   HYDROGRAPHER

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17. TASK FORCE 17
Ann. Adm. Lockwood
(Com Sub, Pac.)

17.1 Empire Patrol Group
17.1.1 WAHOO
17.1.2 POMPANO
17.1.3 SCAMP
17.1.4 PICKEREL
17.1.5 KINGFISH
17.1.6 FLYING FISH

17.2 Mandate Patrol Group
17.2.1 WHALE
17.2.2 PLUNGER
17.2.3 TRIGGER
17.2.4 POLLACK
17.2.5 KIWI
17.2.6 PORPOISE
17.2.7 HADDOCK
17.2.8 TUNNY
17.2.9 TARPON

17.3 Miscellaneous Operations
17.3.1 STERLING
17.3.2 SKIPJACK
17.3.3 SEAL
17.3.4 SALMON

17.4 Subcon 4 - Independent
Operations and Training
SEAGULL
WIDGEON
DOLPHIN
PIKE
SMOWolf
PERMIT
POG

17.4.9 LITCHFIELD

17.5 Subordinate Command, midway.

17.7 Subcon 10 - Independent
Operations and Training
HALIBUT
SUNFISH

17.7 Subcon 2 - Independent
Operations and Training
STINGRAY

17.7 Subcon 14 - Independent
Operations and Training
RUNNER
SCORPION
SAWFISH
SNOOK

17.8 Submarine Administration,
Nar Inland.
SLURY
SEADRAGON
STORGETON
SALIFISH
SEAGO
SPEARFISH
SEAFLY
SWORDFISH
SNAPPER
TUNO
TULLIBEE

17.9 San Diego Training Group
(Also see T.G. 16.5)

17.9 S-38

NOTE: TF's 18 and 19 are shown on page 9

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ATLANTIC (2nd) FLEET
Admiral E.R. Ingersoll
Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet
April 7, 1943.

TASK FORCE 20
Rear Admiral Kirk
(ComAmphibForLant)

20.1 Support
Combatant vessels and aircraft
when and as assigned. Army Aircraft,
when and as assigned.

20.2 Transports.

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20.3 Landing Flotillas
(Captain Quigley)
LST Flot One less detachments
LCI (L) Flot One less detach.
LCT (5) Flot One, Two, Less detachments.

20.4 Landing Boat Flotillas
(Captain Olbranson)
Minor landing craft and crews as
assigned. Temporary Amphibious
Training Base, FORT PIERCE, Fla.

20.5 Army Troops
As assigned for amphibious training.

20.6 Amphibious Force Organic Troops
(General Johnston, USA)

20.7 Training Center
(General McCravey, USA).

20.8 Landing Craft Training Group
(Captain Quigley)

20.8.1 Amphibious Training Base,
SOLOMONS, Md.

20.8.2 Amphibious Training Base,
LITTLE CREEK, Va.

20.8.7 Temporary Amphibious Training
Base, ST. ANDREWS BAY, Fla.

20.9 Naval Landing Force equipment
Rep. (Capt. Laird).

20.10 Amphibious Training Base
CAMP BRADFORD, Va.
(Capt. Whitfield).

20.12 SC 977 - 3 LCI's.

20.14 3 LST's.

20.7 1BH 9  YR 23
YOG 17  YR 2a
YOG 39  YT 332
YP 554  ANCON

20.61 Headquarters Command
Major Forbes, USA.

20.62 Armored Command

20.63 Shore Party Command

20.64 Amphibious Assault Command

20.65 Amphibious Infantry Command

20.66 Amphibious Chemical Command

20.67 Amphibious Supply Command

20.68 Amphibious Engineer Topographical Command

SC 725 (Temp)

TF 20 - ATLANTIC
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**TASK FORCE 22**

Rear Adm. A.D. Berndt.
(T.F. Commander)

RINGE

22.2.1 TUSCADOOSA

AUGUSTA

Destroyers as assigned)

22.2.2 ALABAMA (Temp)

SOUTH DAKOTA (Temp)

Destroyers as assigned)

#EMMONS (Temp)

#MACOIL (Temp)

ELLYSON

RODDY

FORREST

FITCH

CORY

ROBSON

**TASK FORCE 23**

Operational Training Command,

Atlantic

Rear Admiral B. E. Bayly.

23.1 HAUUL (P)

WYOMING

DAHLERUP

NOA

LAEGS 19

EAGLE 27

EAGLE 48

EAGLE 55

EAGLE 56

BEAVEL

PENAKITE

JOLITE

FULLAM

#WILLIMSBURG

FLICKLR

#LINDO

#AUSTIN

#BUDOC

#JOHRA

ABILITY

CORAL

SC's 449, 450

PC's 451, 452

R-13

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TASK FORCE 24

Vice Admiral Brainard
T.D. Condr - FRANKI, Flag).

24.1 ALLIED MID-OCEAN TRADE CONVOY ESCORT GROUP

24.1.3 Escort Unit A-1

ORDER

TRILLIUM
SP HNLR DIANTHUS
DAUPHIN ROSELAIR
SHERBROOKE

24.1.4 British Escort Unit B-6

FAEN VISCONTI
DIOANTINE WENAUD
KINGOUP POTENTILLA
CHELSEA ROSE

24.1.5 British Escort Unit B-7

T.Y. LOCOERSTRAIF
SNOWFLAKE PINK
ALISA VIKETTE

24.1.11 Escort Unit C-1

24.1.12 Escort Unit C-2

24.1.13 Escort Unit C-3

BURNISH BITTERCUT
L.V. LALBAIR EYEBRIGHT
JED J.Y. PLOW R

24.1.14 Escort Unit C-4

24.1.15 Escort Unit C-1

24.1.16 British Escort Unit B-2

CHE. PR. L GENTLE
WHITEHALL HUMPHREY
V. NISSA CLEATUS
SALISAY SULFURIC

24.1.17 British Escort Unit B-3

FASCISSUS ESCAP.D.
HANOVILLE G.R.L.MD
AZALIA ROSELYS

24.1.18 British Escort Unit B-4

HIGHLANDER VENY
AN.-ONE ABELLA
FLAMWORT HOWARD
CLOWD ASHMOLE
ILLILOAD ABBEY

24.1.19 British Escort Unit B-5

MOOLOCK VOLUNTEER
ATT. ROCUP L WILDER
SWANS S.X.I.F.R. GL
PE PARNALL

24.2 S.R.V.C. GROUP

FALIRID

24.3 S.R.O. GROUP

FAIRING 7

24.3.1 Fairing 7

24.3.4 Pardon 84

24.3.5 Argentine Fair Group

24.3.6 Greenland Fair Group

24.3.10 Iceland Fair Group

24.3.11 H.Q. Fairing 7

24.3.12 VE 145

24.3.15 quenet Fair Group

24.4 A.U.I.R.Q. GROUP

Mid-Ocean Escort Carrier Group

BOGUE GREENS H.M.Y.
G.S. BAGGER OS.O.D. INGRID

24.4.2 Special Task Unit.

24.5 WEATHER PATROL GROUP

S. SQUAD. A.R. ASSIST
MRS. SMA MARCHY
S. CLOUD

24.6 TF 24 ESCORT CONTROL ICEL. O.

24.6.1 Escort Control Service, Iceland

24.6.2 Iceland Escort Group

24.6.3 Iceland Escort Group

24.6.4 Iceland Escort Unit

24.7 TF 24 ESCORT CONTROL

United Kingdom.

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24.8.3) Convoys

24.8.4 Ice Info Detach. Argentina

24.8.5 Canadian Arctic T.U.

24.8.6 Plane Guard Vessel Station "A"

24.8.7 Plane Guard Vessel, Station "B"

24.8.17 Greenland Fleet Air Group.

24.8.19 Canadian Arctic Unit of Greenland Petrol.

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24.9  NOB Argentina

24.9.1  PAS Argentina

24.12  Allied Western Support Force

24.12.1) to )-Escort Units as designated.

24.12.6)  

24.18  Canadian Western Local

24.18.1) to )-Escort Units (h-1 to
24.18.10) h-10, inclusive.)

24.19  Mid-Ocean Escort Units at

24.19.2 all "C" Escort Units at

24.7  LILAHIE

SANDPIPER

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25.3.2. Subdiv 72 - less units elsewhere
R-7
R-9
R-12
R-16
R-18

25.3.3. GEMINUS

25.4. New Construction subs operating during shakedown period from Portsmouth, N.H.
HKE
BALAO

25.5. New Construction subs operating during shakedown period from New London
JACK
HARDER
PASKALLRIGE
LAPON
PADDLE
NINGO

25.6. New construction subs operating during shakedown period from New Orleans.

25.7. GUNNEL Subdiv 32 - less units elsewhere
GUARD S-41
MARGE S-46
NADOO S-46

Subdiv 31
BACK OUDER
EQUILA
BASS

25.8. Subdiv 31

#Under orders of CTG 26.4 (See TF 04)

25.1. Flagship
FURON (Temp)

25.2. SUBRON 1
SAPPHIRE

25.2.1. Subdiv 11
O-2
O-3
O-6
O-7
O-8
O-10
SACHALIS
CUTTHAWAY

25.2.2. Subdiv 12
MARLIN
S-16
S-17
S-20
S-40
MACKEREL

25.2.3. FALCON

25.3. SUBRON 7

25.3.1. Subdiv 16
Assigned to
ServRon 9

-17- TF 25 - ATLANTIC
26.1 **BERMUDA GROUP**

*Hrtr Admiral James*  
(Comdt NOB Bermuda)

- Combined LDF, Inc.  
- NOB Bermuda  
- Navair Ste.  
- Naval Hosp No. 1

- H-1  
- H-15  
- OWL  
- JACAR  
- DYNAMIC  
- YMS 44  
- YMS 45  
- YP 61  
- YP 60  
- YOQ 38  
- YF 275  
- YC 703  
- HEROIC  
- NARABOUT  
- DESPITE  
- #DIRECT (68)  
- EFFECTIVE  
- ENGINE  
- MONTZUM  
- SC 678  
- SC 679  
- #SC 680  
- #SC 681

SCOHNS VS 32 & 35  
Pet Tors, Tenders  
1 Div from VP 52.

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26.2 **EASTERN S LAPEON GROUP**

(See Task Force 02.1)

26.3 **GULF S LAPEON GROUP**

(See Task Force 03)

26.4 **CARIBBEAN S LAPEON GROUP**

(See Task Force 04)

26.5 **PALESTINIAN S LAPEON GROUP**

26.6 **ICELAND GROUP**

*Hrtr Admiral Bennett*  
(Comdt NOB Iceland)

- Navy LDF assigned  
- NOB Iceland  
- Fleet air B. so  
- WILLIAMSBURGH  
- VULCAN  
- #KEYÄDIN (27)  
- GLENN  
- PLSSACUS  
- ULMUS  
- UCUS  
- GLIDER  
- SYCOL

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TASK FORCE 27

27.1 SOPA Casco Bay
SS's as detailed
S-16
S-17
EXCEL
FIDELITY
FIRAC
*FIRE
*FORCE
IUKA
KAI In
CHI/HGO
GOTINGA
FULLER
YES 22
YES 78
YES 79
YO 57
YAG 12
YG 721
YO 385
YPF 521
YO 54
1 S. Section
Patron 52
YES 80

27.2 SOPA Bermuda

27.4 SOPA Argentine
GOLDEN
CRAGGLE
GULL
KITE
*CHEKILLI
DRILLER
GUNTALE
*JUAN LUIS
ANDIAMY
FALU
ACTIVE
PAUSE
FREDERICK LEE
TRAVIS
SC 706
SC 708
SC 709
YES 5
YES 7
YES 25
YES 32
YES 73
YES 79
YP 62
YT 175
YP 300
YT 176
YSD 23
YO 728

27.5 SOPA Iceland
27.6 SOPA Hampton Roads
27.7 SOPA Boston

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28.1 FLEET AIR COMMAND, QUANTZET POINT

Carrier Air Groups

Group Sixteen (USS Lexington)
VF-16, VB-16, VS-23, VT-16

Group Twenty-Four (USS Belleau Wood)
VF-24, VC-24

Group Twenty-Five (USS Col. Pens)
VF-25, VC-2

Group Thirty-One (USS Carot)
(Com. about May 1, 1943)
VF-31, VC-17

Group Thirty (USS Arno)
(Com. about April 1, 1943)
VF-30, VC-30.

Night Fighting Squadrons
(Com. about April 1, 1943)
VF-11-75.

FLEET AIR WING 5 (Norfolk)
VF-209, VF-211

FLEET AIR WING 11 (San Juan)
VF-205, VF-207

PBM-3 Squadrons (Former Commissioning and Training)
VF-213, VF-215, VF-216,

Fighting 9 Hudson
ESSEX
ALVIS
BANGKOK
GOLDSBOROUGH
INDEP
CLE SON
S. M. H.
TAUSH

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28.17 F. I. I. M. 9
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28.19 ESSEX
28.25 ALVIS
28.26 BANGKOK
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Northwest African Forces
Vice Adm. H.K. Hewitt

April 7, 1943

Moroccan Sea Frontier Forces
Rear Admiral F.J. Lowry

Escort Units:

#AUK | PC 474
PC 471 | PC 475
PC 472 | PC 480
PC 473 | PC 481
CHICKADEE (Temp) | PC 482
MORENO (Temp)

Fleet Air Wing 15
NAS Port Lyautey
VP 73, VP 92
BISCAYNE (F)
VB's Temp. assigned by Army.

Safi Section Base
2 110' SC; 2 YMS
Harbor Craft

Pedulla Sec. Base
2 100' SC; 2 YMS
Harbor Craft.

Moroccan Operating Base, ORAN
4 110' SCs; 5 YMS
Harbor Craft.

#CHEROKEE
R.E.1.ING
BR. NT
YEA.

NIGHTHIBUS FORCE, NORTHWEST AFRICAN WATERS
Rear Admiral J.L. Bell

S. J. M.ELL CH/SE LST Div 7 (6 LST)
DELTA LCI Flot 2 (24 LCI)

Landing Craft and B. S. Ls., NIGHTHIBUS FORCE, NORTHWEST AFRICAN WATERS.
Rear Admiral H.L. Conolly.

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TF 80 - NORTHWEST AFRICAN FORCES

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#To report for temporary duty.
%Assignments based on assumption that Commodore will assign former TO 26.7 forces to MORSE FORCE and 25.8 forces to MOB ORAN.

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Ninth Fleet
(U.S. Fleet)

Task Force 92
Admiral Stark
(Connecticut)

92.1 BELLWATER
HARBOUR
HANNIBAL

92.1.2 BLOCKFISH

92.1.4 SHAD

92.2 MADISON
LANDSMAN
O.P. HUGHES
H.P. JONES

92.7 *HARPOON
*HARPOON

Task Force 93
South Pacific Force
Rear Admiral Whiting
(Com SE Pacific Force)

93.1.1 CONCORD
93.1.2 SIMPSON

93.3.2 TROYTON

93.4.1 WASHINGTON
93.4.2 MCDONOUGH
93.4.4 CLARK

Task Force 94
Naval Transportation Service
Ships as assigned.

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