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(GINOMA, INFO; GINOMA GCH, CTF 24, ADMT. NSHQ, FORC, GINOMA, CTG 24.7, HQCG, FORC ICELAND FROM S.O. ESCORT B3)

MY 112345 AND 123936 AS CORRECTED BY MY 131329.

HX 232.

OF ATTACKS CARRIED ON 3 PATTERNS WERE ON U-BOAT SIGHTED DIVING CLOSE AHEAD OF ESCORT. ONE EACH BY HMS GARLAND, RENWOLL AND HMS ROSLYS. AT LEAST 4 OTHER ATTACKS BASED ON ASDIC CONSIDERED GOOD. NO OBSERVED RESULT EXCEPT FOR HMS GARLAND WHO OBTAINED VIOLENT EXPLOSION ADDITION TO DEPTH CHARGES.

F37...COG

COMINCH...NAVAINS...FILE.

141617Z

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ACTION CINCWA INFO CINCIC C AND R CTF 24 ADMIRALTY NSHQ FONF CINCWA CTF 24.7 HQCC FOC ICELAND EG 4 ESCORTS OF HX-232 FROM SD OF ESCORT B3

PART 1 120926Z NCR 5292
PART 2 120930 NCR 5267

CORRECTED TEXT

MY 112345Z, HX-232. 2ND ATTACK PERIOD BETWEEN 0215Z AND 0447Z BY ABOUT 6 SUBS OF WHICH 2 PENETRATED SCREEN.

TORPEDOED (A) ULYSSES (104) AT 0247. ALL CREW SAVED IN HMS AZALEA.
(B) PACIFIC GROVE (121) AT 0343Z. ALL CREW EXCEPT 4 IN HMS AZALEA.
(C) FRESNO CITY (122) AT 0347. AFLOAT BUT MASTER CONSIDERS UNSALVAGEABLE. HMS AZALEA REJOINING.
(2) ALL ATTACKS FROM VAN AND UP MOON.

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**TEXT ACTION**

**ATTACKS APPEARED COORDINATED 2 OR 3 SUBS FOLLOWING ONE ANOTHER CLOSELY ALONG SAME TRACK.**

(3) MANY GOOD COUNTER ATTACKS BUT NO VISIBLE RESULTS.

(4) SHORT OF WATER HMS GARLAND RENOUNCULE.

(5) MY POS AT 0839Z 54°36 NORT 29°08 WEST

(6) SPECIAL WEATHER REPORT 9480 8873

* WEATHER HAS BEEN PASSED AS MMS 122316

COMINCH...COG

16...BAJO...F37...39...20G...

CHO...NAVIGATION FILE
PART 1 13926Z NCR 5293

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(4) SHORT OF WATER H.M.S GARLAND RENONCULE.

(5) MY P.C & S AT 88°02Z 055-36 NORTH 028-00 WEST

Ø6Ø DEGREES 9.5.

(6) SPECIAL WEATHER REPORT 948Ø Ø873.

COHINCH...COG
CNO...16...BADO...F37...39...AVG...NAVAIDE...
FILE

WEATHER PASSED AS N8S 122316

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HMS ESCAPADE ATTACKED U-BOAT WITH DEPTH CHARGE PATTERN AT 1930Z. CONTACT LOST AFTER ATTACK. SEARCHED UNTIL DARK REJOINING 2359Z.

(2) HX 232 FIRST ATTACKED AT 2219Z. COUNTER ATTACK AT LEAST 3 SUBS BY RENONCULE, HMS WITHERINGTON, HMS NARCISSUS. SCORE NIL NIL SO FAR.

(3) ALL ATTACKS FROM THE VAN UP MOON.

(4) NO FURTHER ATTACK SINCE 2310Z BUT FROM H/F D/F AT LEAST 3 U-BOATS ARE OUTSTANDING AHEAD AND 2 TO STARBOARD OF CONVOY. FURTHER ATTACK EXPECTED SHORTLY.
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(5) P C AND S.
Ø54-30 NORTH Ø30-30 WEST
.5 KNOTS

(6) WEATHER REPORT 648ø 9223

WEATHER PASSED BY NCR AS 1216øø

COMINCH...COC.
CNO...16...BADO...F37...39...2øG...FILE....

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SUMMARY OF ANTI U-BOAT ACTION WHILST ESCORTING ON 176

1. 10 OR 12 U-BOATS WERE IN CONVOY FROM MIDDAY 10TH TO DAYLIGHT 12TH.

2. 3 EVACUATED BY CONVOY EVASIVE TURNS, MIGHT HAVE BEEN 5 BUT FOR EXCESSIVE SMOKE FROM JAMAJE GYDNIA AND TJISALAK VISIBLE OVER 25 MILES BY DAY AND 12 MILES BY NIGHT.

3. OF 7 THAT ATTACKED ALL BUT 1 WERE INTERCEPTED AND ATTACKED BY ESCORT OUTSIDE TORPEDO RANGE FROM CONVOY. THIS WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY EXCELLENCE OF H/F D/F INFORMATION PASSED BY HELROSE ABBEY AND CAIRNVALOMA.

4. THE ONE THAT GOT IN SANK LANCASTRIAN PRINCE FROM STARBOARD BEAM WAS SUBSEQUENTLY LOCATED AND HUNTED FOR SECRE

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2 HOURS.

5. Number of U-boats in vicinity prevented hunting to destruction but clover produced oil on surface and it is hoped 3 other attacks caused damage to greater or less degree.

6. HMS Beverley torpedoed and sunk from outside screen night of 11th April.

7. Submit for consideration that sense of this summary might be given to ships of convoy should another unity arise, as I feel merchant ships see little and know only that 1 of their number was sunk, and there has been a tendency of late for ships to leave convoy after attacks.

8. Reference your serial 4779 regret time before next assignment will not permit of full records being prepared.

Diagrams of attacks, with short account of action and tracing of Highlanders plot will be forwarded before secret.

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FROM

RELEASED BY

DATE

TO CODE ROOM

DECODED BY

PARAPHRASED BY

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ACTION

LEAVING ST JOHNS

TOR NCR 2210

COMINCH 16...24...110...12. NAVSIDE...CNO...FILE

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 12, 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR

LT. COMMANDER MOTT:

ON 176 has, since starting, lost two ships - both yesterday. The first was the British DD BEVERLEY (the old US DD BRANCH), and the second the British ship LANCASTARIAN PRINCE.

This convoy will, at noon, be within 380 miles of St. Johns, Newfoundland, and will have increasing air cover. One sub was counterattacked with promise. Three other attacks on subs have been made by escorts.

Very respectfully,

Robert H. Myers

ROBERT H. MYERS,
Lieutenant (j.g.), U.S.N.R.

10 U Boats in vicinity,
At least 3 in contact.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM
CTU 24.1.18

RELEASED BY
12 APRIL 43

DATE
43C

TOR CODEROOM
KOYER/SHOAF

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NCR 4655

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TEXT

(CINCS FOR INFO TO CINCS C&R, ADITY, FONF, CINCS, CTF 24, CTF 24.7, HQCC, FROM CTU 24.1.18)

ON 176 ATTACKED.

(A) 2345 Z 11TH PLACE 5Y-18 NORTH
42-48 WEST.

(B) ONE.

(C) STARBOARD BEAK.

(D) LANCASTARIAN PRINCE.

(E) NO.

(F) ABELIA.

CINCS...COG

16...F37...39...24C...BADO...CHOL...

NAVALLIS...FILE.

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**RELEASED BY:**  
**DATE:** 18 April 1943  
**TOR Coderoom:** D358  
**DECODED BY:** DECKMAN/KNOLES  
**PARAPHRASED BY:** DECKMAN  

**ADDRESSEES:** CINCHWA  
**DELAYED FOR:** CTF 24 ADMIRALTY NSHQ  
**INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY:** REEGAN  
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O. U. 176.  
1 U-BOAT SIGHTED POSITION 52-47 N, 48-35 W, AT 2317Z.  
ABELIA ATTACKED WITH DEPTH CHARGE. ABELIA AND CLOVER RECALLED AT 0815Z MORE U-BOATS IN THE VICINITY.

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DATE | 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL 1943 | | 
TOR CODERDOM | 4716 | | 
DECODED BY | MOYER/SCHENKEMEYER | | 
PARAPHRASED BY | DRUMMOND | | 

**HILL**

**TEXT**

(ACFT CINCWA INFO COMINCH C&R, CTF 24, ADMTY, NSHQ, CINCWA, FONF, CTG 24.7, HQCC, ESCORTS OF HX FROM CTU 24.1.18)

2 SUBS SIGHTED 15 AND 22 MILES ON PORT BEAM BEING HUNTED BY HMS VIMY CLOVER PENNYWORT. ON 176 53-24 N 39-99 W.

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(CINCWA REPEATED COMINCH C & R CTF 24 ADMIRALTY NSHQ OTTAWA FONF CINCWA CTG 24.7 HQCC FROM CTU 24.1.18)

HMS BEVERLEY IN COLLISION WITH SS CAIRMVALONA AT 2206Z 9TH IN DENSE FOG. HOLE AT 19 STATION STARBOARD, FORE STORE ROOM, PETTY OFFICER MESS AND 1 OIL FUEL TANK FLOODED. ANTI-SUBMARINE AND DEGAUSSING GEAR OUT OF ACTION.

BULKHEADS FORWARD OF 12 AND AFT OF 26 INTACT REMAINING WITH CONVOY ON 176 AT 0809Z 10TH. PCS 54-07 N 38-39 W 194.9 KNOTS. STRAGGLERS MARGARET LYKES

YOUR 051056Z DOES CHOP REMAIN AS IN YOUR 021106Z WEATHER REPORT 4872 3944.

WEATHER PASSED.

COMINCH...CGG...
CNO...16...19...23...39...BADD...F37...BUSHIPS....
BUORD...BUPERS...CG...NAVFE...S...RMCS...FILE...

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ON 175

HMC8 ROSTH ARM CLOSE ON STARBOARD QUARTER CONVOY 14612
IN 49-11 42-45 MADE SOUND CONTACT BOTH ECHO AND
HYDROPHONE EFFECT CLASSIFIED AS U-BOAT. BEGINNING 14612
MADE 5 DEPTH CHARGE ATTACKS FOLLOWED USS DES. GREER WITH
2 ATTACKS. LARGE OIL SLICK SEEN-HUNT CONTINUED 3
HOURS NO FURTHER CONTACT. HMC8 ROSTH ARM
U-BOAT POSSIBLY DAMAGED.

COMINCH CIC CGC
F37 16 294 39
BAD8 CHO FILE

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RELEASED BY:
DATE: 8 APRIL 1943
TOR CODEROOM:
DECODED BY:
PARAPHRASED BY:

TO ADDRESS: CTF 24
FOR ACTION: COMINCH C&R
INFORMATION: ADMY, CINCWA, NSHQ, FONF, CINCCNWA, HALIFAX, CTG 24.7 HQCC, CTU 24.18.6

ADDRESSES:
PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY, ROUTINE, DEFERRED

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(CTF 24 RPTD CTU 24.18.6 HMS NARCISSUS COMINCH C&R
ADMY, CINCWA, NSHQ, FONF, CINCCNWA, HALIFAX CTG 24.7
HQCC CTU 24.18.6 FROM CTU 24.1.17)

MY 080302Z. HMS GARLAND LOST CONTACT AT 0140Z
AFTER FIRING 2 PATTERNS.

CONVY AT 18 KNOTS. HMS

NARCISSUS REMAINING VICINITY TILL 0930Z 8TH THEN
REJOINING. REQUEST AIR COOPERATION WITH HMS
NARCISSUS AT DAWN.

*NCR NOTE: RECEIVED BADLY GARBLED

HX 232

This indicates HX convoy (48 ships)
9,540

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TEXT

ACTION

DAILY SERIAL 9

CONVOY SC 123 HAS REACHED PORT WITH 43 SHIPS.

FRENCH BAYAKO TORPEDOED ON APRIL 9 AT 0452

POST 14-57N 17-15W. HMS NEWFOUNDLAND AND

CONVOY HMF 11A WERE PROBABLY SIGHTED DURING

AFTERNOON BY 6 CRAFT KG 40 ACTIVE FROM BORDEAUX

YESTERDAY. BRITISH BARGE SHAWFORD OF 136 TONS

SUNK APRIL 6 IN THAMES ESTUARY MARINE CASUALTY.

16...ACT

CONINCH...16/11...F97...2Q0...BADQ...

001...NAVYIDE...2Q0P...FILE

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TEXT

(COVINC C&R NSHQ OTTAWA REPEATED CINC WA CINCONA FROM ADMIRALTY)

HX 231

AVERAGE SPEED 3.74 KNOTS.
OFF OVERSAY AT 091600Z;
SHILLONG BRITISH ARDOUR AND WARGONGA TORPEDOED AND SUNK IN CONVOY.
BLITAR TORPEDOED AND SUNK, STRAGGLING.
SUNOHIL AND TALAREN PROBABLY TORPEDOED AND SUNK, STRAGGLING.
REMAINDER HAVE ARRIVED.

NCR DELIVERED TO F-37 COC
NOR PASSED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION

NCR DIST: NCR TOR: 0020/18

F37...ACT

F35...19...19C...BAD...39...16...11/11...

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GLAD TO REPORT A SECOND QUIET NIGHT BROKEN ONLY BY NOISE OF HMS INGLEFIELD ATTACKING SUBMARINE DETECTED BY H/F D/F AND SIGHTED BY STAR APERTOURE SEARCH 15 MILES ASTERN 55 SHIPS IN BEMIX COMPANY. MY POSITION COURSE AND SPEED 057DEG 53MIN NORTH 014DEG 25MIN WEST (2) 071DEG NW 5.

EXPECT POSITION W 0600Z9. ESCORT GROUP 4 LEFT DAWN AFTER INVALUABLE HELP.

HMS LOOSESTRIFE HAS 75 SURVIVORS ABOARD HMS SNOWFLAKE S4 AND JROGER POINTBETT 24. ARUBA HAS DAMAGED RUDDER AND REQUESTS TUG BEFORE ENTERING NORTH CHANNEL.

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DATE APRIL 8 1943

TOR CODEROOM 1715

DECODED BY JOYCE/ LAIRD

PARAPHRASED BY HERMAN -3

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TUJIBADAK ALSO HAS DEFECTIVE STEERING.

HMS VIDETTE SWEEPING AREA DOCKING URGENT FOR LEAKY OIL TANK.

YOUR 676774B UNTENABLE CHANGE OR DESTINATION NOT FLAURED TO VAARLANGEN WHO BROKE CONVOY.

WEATHER REPORT 58722264.

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TOR: 2043
F35......BAD......39......1/9......19C......2/16.....FILE...

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\( \text{MAJOR} / \) EXTENSION NUMBER ADDRESS
FROM B 7 CINCPAC
RELEASED BY 8 APRIL 1943 PRIORITY
DATE 1441 ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM ( SEE BELOW ) DEFERRED
DECODED BY WHITE/TICKIE
PARAPHRASED BY DONAHAN (1) (R)

\( \text{INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.} \)

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TEXT (CINCPAC REPEATED COMINCH C & R, CTF 24, ADITY, NSC OTTOKA,
FOUR, COAC HALIFAX, CTG 24.7, H.S. COASTAL COMMAND,
FOC IRELAND, ROIC GREENOCK, ROIC LONDON, ETC.)

FROM B 7 HX231

BY OXO437Z ANT 051431Z. 4 DESCRIBED BELOW ABORTIVE ATTACKS
BEFORE DAWN, AT 0507 BB ATTACKED ANT SEVERELY DAMAGED A U-BOAT
WHICH PARTLY SURFACED 200 YARDS REPORT RESULTS CONFIDENTIAL.
NO SHIP ATTACKED. 4TH ESCORT GROUPS ARE DURING THE NIGHT
CONTINUING HUNT. PERPET TO REPORT MAROOGOA'S BUNKER'S
COLLAPSED AND SHE SANK AT 0507 ALL SURVIVORS ON BOARD H.S.
LOOSTRIDE, ANT JEAL ROGER NUMBER 24 COUTE 154 ENVELOPE
NORTHBOUND DELAY LEFT TO CONFIDENTIAL BOOK'S DES TROYED AND
LEFT SINKING BY H.S. F. VIFETTE.

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THE FOLLOWING IS A RECOPED VERSION OF B 7's 061700:

"CINCLA INFO COMINCH C & R, ADMIRALTY, CTG 24.7, MSHG, FONF, CTG 24, CINC ONIA, HQCC, FOC ICELAND, NOIC LONDONERREY, NOIC GREENOCK, HX 231 FROM 87 MY 062855:

SNOWFLAKE HAS ENTIRE CREW 54 MEN OF BRITISH ARDOUR ON BOARD. 6 PASSENGERS AND 11 CREW OF MAROONGA ARE MISSING. HMAS ALISMA IS SHORT OF DEPTH CHARGES, 55 SHIPS PRESENT, 3 SUNK, 3 STRAGGLERS. ALL ESCORTS IN COMPANY AND 4 SHIPS OF 4TH EG. LACK OF H/F ACTIVITY INDICATES U-BOATS HAVE LOST TOUCH. AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN SPLENDID. MY POSITION, COURSE, AND SPEED, make original only. Deliver to communication watch officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)
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MCR DISTRIBUTION:

DENNISON...CHI...F-37...280...16...BAD...39...
FILE....

TOR MCR, 682245Z.
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**NAVAL MESSAGE VIA NAVCOM**

**DATE**
6 April '43

**TO & CC**
CINC WA

**DESTINATION**
CINC WA

**DECODED BY**
MOUNTAIN/PEITES
-1-(B)

**PARAPHRASED BY**
BARTLETT/MONAHAN

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**TEXT**

- (CINC WESTERN APPROACHES REPEATED COWINCH C&Q CTF 24.
- HQ COASTAL COMMAND FOR ICELAND, NO1C LONDONDERRY, NO1C GREENOCK EG4 FROM B 7 HX 988)
- 2 ATTEMPTED ATTACK SINCE DUSK DRIVEN OFF. NONE SUCCESSFUL.
- ESTIMATE SEVERAL SUBMARINES DAMAGED. ALL APPEAR NOW TO BE EASTERN. ALL ESCORTS IN COMPANY. POSITION COURSE AND SPEED 158 DEGREES 15 MINS NORTH 129-13 WEST. 087 DEGREES 9.
- WEATHER REPORT 5872 2365.

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**TO**
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**TOH NCR:** 1624

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM

B 7

RELEASED BY

6 APRIL 1943

DATE

2158 (5 APRIL)

TOR CODEROOM

THOMSON/BUCHES/Powell

DECODED BY

SIRMAN (3) (B)

PARAPHRASED BY

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ROBINSON

0514312

NCR 27562

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TEXT ACTION


HX 231 ATTACKED IN POSITION 098 DEG S 98 MINS NORTH

©3° DEG 9 58 MINS WEST AT 1415Z BY ONE SUBMARINE WHO FIRED SUBMERGED FROM PORT BOW TORPEDDO ESCORT OILER BRITISH ARDOUR IN EFFECTIVE RANGE.

BRITISH ARDOUR SINKING, M.W.S. SNOWFLAKE TAKING COLLISION CREW, NO COUNTER ATTACK, MANY H/F DIRECTION FINDING BEARS HEARD, AIRCRAFT ALREADY ATTACKED ONE. WEATHER REPORT 9580 2433

Reported "CR" +5-43 /870

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REQUEST TUG MAY BE SAILED IMMEDIATELY.

HMS PINK NOW REJOINING AFTER UNSUCCESSFUL SEARCH FOR SURVIVORS, REMAINING ESCORT PRESENT.

57 SHIPS, ARUBA AND BILITAR BROKE CONVOY TO EASTWARD.

SUNDIL STRAGGLED. 4/15

2 ATTEMPTED ATTACKS DURING THE NIGHT WERE FOILED.

U-BOAT STILL IN CONTACT.

HOMING SIGNALS HEARD ON 384 KCS WEATHER REPORT 6479 2974

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(FROM RADIO WASHINGTON FROM ADMIRALTY)

YOUR 1010/30

FOLLOWING IS REPETITION OF HMS PELICAN'S 2102/29
BEGINS - ADDRESSED ADMIRALTY C IN C WA FROM HMS
PELICAN. SL 126 ATTACKED POSITION 46-27 NORTH 16-48
WEST COURSE 036 DEG 8 KNOTS. 2102/29 ENDS.

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SMITH/LOBB

KAVEBERG-4 (K)

(CINCWA RPT. ADMITY COMINCH C&R CTF 24 NSHQ FONF COAC HALIFAX CTG 24.7 HQ COASTAL COMMAND FROM HMS PELICAN)

MY 210229TH* - UMARIA - TORPEDOED AT 2145Z IS MAKING 8 KNOTS AND IS 11 MILES ASTERN OF CONVOY ESCORTED BY HMS WEAR TILL DAWN -

AT 0215Z 1 OF SHIP MENTIONED IN MY 231729TH WAS PROBABLY TORPEDOED -

MY POSITION 047-28 NORTH

015-51 WEST

*HAS BEEN REQUESTED.

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TO CINCHER C & R

FROM CTU 24.1.15

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TOR CODEROOM 1124

DECODED BY STEELE/SMITH/COURTNEY

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ADDRESSES COMINCH C & R

FOR ACTION CTF 24, ADMIRALTY

INFORMATION APPROACHES NSHQ OTTAWA, FONF COAC HALIFAX, CTG 24.7, HQ COASTAL COMMAND, FOC ICELAND CTG 24.6 FROM CTU 24.1.15

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COMINCH C & R REPEATED CTF 24, ADMIRALTY CINCHER WESTERN APPROACHES NSHQ OTTAWA, FONF COAC HALIFAX, CTG 24.7, HQ COASTAL COMMAND, FOC ICELAND CTG 24.6 FROM CTU 24.1.15

2 UBATS LOCATED SHADOWING 8 MILES ASTERN IN VISIBILITY 2 MILES.

BOTH AT LEAST DAMAGED.

WATCHMAN (HMS) REMAINING IN THE VICINITY, hurricane (HMS) REJOINING.

CONVOY COURSE DEGREES 348 UNTIL 0900Z.

WEATHER REPORT 5461 8346. Weather has been passed

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THIS IS PART 1 OF MY 221505 IN 3 PARTS. RESUME SUBMARINE ENGAGEMENT UGS 6. ON NIGHTS MARCH 12 AND 14, 2 SUBMARINES ATTEMPTED APPROACHES ON SURFACE NEARLY SIMULTANEOUSLY FROM AHEAD AND FROM STARBOARD QUARTER WHICH WERE DETECTED BY SG RADAR AND DRIVEN DOWN AND ATTACKED WITH DEPTH CHARGES. ON NIGHT MARCH 13 KEYSTONE UNECORITED STRAGGLER 50 MILES BEHIND CONVOY TORPEDOED. ON MARCH 15, 1 SUBMARINE CAME IN SUBMERGED FROM AHEAD PIERCED SCREEN AND SANK WYOMING ON STARBOARD QUARTER OF CONVOY AT SUNSET WITH 2 TORPEDOES. THIS SUBMARINE ESCAPED IN WAKES OF SHIPS OF CONVOY BUT WAS LOCATED FOUR HOURS LATER ON SURFACE BY SG AND ATTACKED BY DESTROYER LEFT AT SCENE TO HUNT. ON MARCH 16, 3 OR MORE SUBMARINES ATTEMPTED SUBMERGED TACTICS AS USED MARCH 15TH, TWO OR MORE AT SUNSET AND 1 ABOUT 3 HOURS EARLIER. PART TWO FOLLOWS.

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THIS PART 2 MY 221500.

ALL BUT 1 OF THESE WERE DETECTED BY SOUND AND PREVENTED FROM FIRING BY ATTACKS WITH DEPTH CHARGES. THIS ONE ALTHOUGH NOT LOCATED BELIEVED TO HAVE REACHED FIRING POSITION OUTSIDE AND TO STARBOARD OF SCREEN AT SUNSET AND HIT BENJAMIN HARRISON IN CENTER OF CONVOY WITH 1 TORPEDO FROM LONG RANGE SALVO. ON 17 MARCH 20 MINUTES AFTER SUNSET MOLLY PITCHER IN CENTER OF CONVOY HIT BY 1 TORPEDO FROM SALVO FIRED AT LONG RANGE FROM PORT QUARTER OF CONVOY FROM SUBMERGED SUB. SUBMARINE NOT LOCATED BUT 4 TORPEDO WAKES SEEN. NIGHT 17-18 MARCH 2 SURFACE SG CONTACTS MADE AND DRIVEN DOWN. 1 OF THESE LOCATED BY SOUND AND ATTACKED BY DEPTH CHARGES OTHER NOT LOCATED AFTER SUBMERGING. NEITHER REACHED POSITION TO ATTACK CONVOY. ALTHOUGH NUMEROUS DEPTH CHARGE ATTACKS APPEARED WELL DELIVERED HAVE NO DEFINITE EVIDENCE.
OF DAMAGE TO ANY SUBMARINE. DURATION OF HUNT 10 HOURS
ON FIRST DAY OF CONTACT BUT AS SIZE OF PACK INCREASED THIS
PROGRESSIVELY REDUCED DUE TO LIMITED NUMBER OF ESCORTS.
BECAUSE BRIGHT MOONLIGHT AND APPARENT ALERTNESS SUBMARINE
LOOKOUTS AFTER FIRST NIGHT NOT ABLE TO CLOSE SURFACED
SUBMARINE TO LESS THAN 3000 YARDS.

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FINAL PART MY 221500. MUCH HIGH-FREQUENCY RADIO ACTIVITY BY SUBMARINE. BUT NO WELL IDENTIFIED MEDIUM FREQUENCY SUBMARINE TRANSMISSIONS INTERCEPTED. EVASIVE MANEUVERS OF VARYING DEGREES OF VIOLENCE BY NINE KNOT CONVOY. UNIFORM.Y UNSUCCESSFUL IN ELUDING SHADOWERS BUT BELIEVED TO HAVE RENDERED REACHING POSITION FOR SUBMERGED APPROACH MORE DIFFICULT. EFFECTIVENESS OF DESTROYER HIGH SPEED SWEEPS AWAY FROM CONVOY IN VARIOUS DIRECTIONS UNDETERMINED. AIRPLANE COVERAGE PROMPTLY BROKE UP SUBMARINE CONCENTRATION BY PREVENTING SHADOWING CONVOY ON SURFACE FROM POSITIONS BEYOND HORIZON OF ESCORTS.

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