MY $9/553Z AND $9/776. 1 U-BOAT SCORED ASTERN.

2ND ATTACKED ON STARBOARD BOW POSSIBLY SUGGERING AT
$628Z AND SANK PENDANT 111 SS YORKLIN, MERCHANTMAN
AIRCRAFT CARRIER NARVAL'S 1ST AIRCRAFT CRASHED TAKING
OFF, NO CASUALTIES. REGRET NO ATTACK CONFIRMED U-BOAT.
ALL LIVING SURVIVORS FROM SS YORKLIN 51 IN NUMBER
RECOVERED. SHIPS ALSO HAVE ON BOARD 1 OFFICER 43
RATINGS (FOLLOWING FOR BRITISH) FROM ORP ORKAN AND
27 PRISONERS OF WAR FROM 2 U-BOATS SUNK BY AIRCRAFT

WEATHER REPORT: 4945 4945. NO STRAGGLERS. ANTIFOILS
REMAINS WITH CONVOY. RPM VIOLATES OIL HOSE.
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COTILLION NOT MET.

WEATHER PASSED AS 91655

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16...263...FX37...BDA0...CNC...NAVADA...FILE.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: SO C-2
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 9 OCT 43
TOR CODEROOM: 1003/9
DECODED BY: MCGEELAN/DECKMAN
PARAPHRASED BY: HAMILTON
ROUTED BY: GERMAN

ADRESSEES:

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSES:

URGENT (PRIORITY)
ROUTINE
DEFERRED

INFORMATION:

FOR ACTION:

COM 10TH FLEET C&R
CINCPAC; ADMIRALTY
NSHO; FONF; HQCC
FOC ICELAND
COMANDER (D) ARGENTIA DEFERRED
COMMODORE (D) W.A.; AGIC

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ACTION CINCWA INFO COM 10TH FLEET C&R CINCPAC
ADMIRALTY NSHO; FONF; HQCC; FOC ICELAND COMMANDER (D)
ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) W.A.; AGIC FROM SO C-2

CONVOY ATTACKED

COMINCH...COG
16...20G...FX37...BADO..CNO...NAVADE...
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CINCPAC INFO COM 16TH FL T C & R CINCPAC; ADITY; NSHQ
CONF; HQCC; FOC ICELAND, COMMANDER D ARGENTIA, COMDEN
D WA, ACIC FROM S.O. C 2.

SC 143 ENEMY D/F ON SERIES 8 8410 AND 8510 INDICATES
CONVOY STILL SHADOWED BY ONE BOAT DESPITE EXCELLENT
AIR COVERAGE YESTERDAY. NO ATTACK, 16TH E.G. AND
ANTARES WILL BE DETACHED 8810 SHORT FUEL. STRAGGLERS
UNKNOWN. MY PCS 5610 56-39 21-29 8869 DEGS 8.
WEATHER REPORT 2855 9746.*
ALL TIME GC T.

CONINCH.....COG

FX37....2100...19....19C....BADO...NMCS....

NAVAIDE.....CNO.....

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: S.C. CR C 2
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 8. OCTOBER 1943
TOR CODEROOM: 1747
DECODED BY: DORSEY/ANDERSON
PARAPHRASED BY: STEELE
Routed by: WILLIAMS

ADDRESSEES: CINC

FOR ACTION: SEE BELOW

INFORMATION:

INFO TO CINC 1ST FLT CAR. CINC CANADIAN NORTH ATLANTIC, ADMIRALTY, NEHA, FOLF, HOGC, FOC ICELAND (C), COMMANDER (2) ARGENTIA, COMMANDER (2) WESTERN APPOACHES, AGIC. ACTION TO CINC CAR FROM S.C. CR C 2.

BY SC 47372. PROBABLE ONLY 6 U-BOATS CONCERNED DROPPING ASTERN. CONVOY NOT YET ATTACKED. U-BOAT DESTROYED 329 KM 2 SURVIVERS IN HIS ORIGIN. SEVERAL OTHER ATTACKS MANY AIRCRAFT OPERATE ASTERN SUPPORTED EG 15. DOUBT WHETHER CONVOY HAS BEEN REPORTED SINCE SC 47372. HEATNO NO STRAGGLES BY POSITION, COURSE, SPEED 244°/2 25-21 25-14 SCB 8. STOP PRESS. 2ND U-3 AT ATTACKED AND SUNK BY AIRCRAFT OF KL 1. 3TH EG HAS SIGHTED SURVIVORS.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM:  HMS MUSKETEER
RELEASED BY:
DATE:  8 OCT. 1943
TOR CODEROOM:  1452
DECODED BY:  WELTON/ANDERSON
PARAPHRASED BY:  CLOSE
ROUTED BY:  WILLIAMS

ADDRESSSES:
ADMIRALTY, CINCWA, CINCHF
FOC DES FLOT. H.F.
COM 10TH FLT. C&R CINCWA,
NSHS, FONF, HCC.
FOC ICELAND (C), CONDR. (D) ARGENTIA,
CDRE. (D) W.A., ACIC

INFORMATION:

DATE AND TIME:  084942Z  NCR 9832

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ACTION

OS: ORKAN SUNK AT 61°2 BTH POSITION 56°30 NORTH
26°25 WEST. 1 OFFICER AND 43 SURVIVORS IN HMS
MUSKETEER. 1 TORPEDO EXPLODED IN WAKE 2ND HIT AFT
CAUSING MAGAZINE EXPLOSION. OFFICER COMMANDING
LOST. FURTHER DETAILS FOLLOW.

CONT.

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DRFT No. 80 CR. C 2

RELEASED BY 8 OCTOBER 1943

TO CODEROOM 1644

DECODED BY DORSEY/KILLINS

PARAPHRASED THOMASON

ROUTED BY SHALL

CORRECTED COPY

8877372 NCR 9456

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ACTION

GCT

(SO CR C2 ORIGINATES. ACTION SHORE SCS, CINCNY. INFO COLTERTHETF O&R. CISUS/CINUS. ADMIRALTY, 1SHC. OTTAWA, FORF, HC COASTAL COMMAND, FGC ISLAND (G) COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA, CCMORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES, ACTO.)

ESTIMATE 5 U-BOATS IN CONTACT. FURTHER 3 DRIVEN OFF BY SUPPORT GROUP. TODAY ATTACK ON U-BOAT OR CONVY.

ORP ORKAN SUNK BY TORPEDO WORKING WITH SUPPORT GROUP. PROBABLY NO STRAGGLERS.

NY PCS 1670Z 156-28 27-35 278 8

*NOTE: LAST WORD IN 3RD LINE OF TEXT IS "SUPPORT."

COUMCH...COG

16...27G...FX-37...BADO...NAVAIDE...CHQ...
(CINCYA, REPEATED CONNAV, CINC CANADIAN NORTH ATLANTIC ADJIRALTY, NHQ OTTAWA, F.O.N.F, A.Q. COASTAL COMMAND, F.O.C. ICELAND (C) COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES, A.Q.I.C., ESCORT GROUP B 7 FROM S.O. ESCORT GROUP B 6)

ON Y06

SEVERAL SIGHTINGS AND ATTACKS ON U BOATS TODAY.

1 SUNK BY AIRCRAFT AT 1830Z IN POSITION Ø58 DEGS 30 MIN NORTH Ø30 DEGS Ø30 MIN WEST. 2 SURVIVORS IN HSM DUNCAN. U BOATS STILL BELIEVED IN CONTACT.

BY 161447Z SURVIVORS FROM LIBERATOR IN HSM PINK.

ON 206 POSITION COURSE SPEED Ø58DEGS 52 MINS NORTH Ø30 DEGS 30 MIN WEST (X) 241 DEGS 9 1/2 WEATHER REPORT 5881Ø762.

WEATHER PASSED.

FX-37, SEE COG.

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TOR:Ø048

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**NAVAL MESSAGE**

**FROM:** ADMIRALTY

**RELEASED BY:**

**DATE:** 16 OCTOBER 1942

**TOR CODEROOM:** 02/7

**DECODED BY:** BATES/WHITE

**PARAPHRASED BY:** SMITH (1) (2)

**ROUTED BY:** DICKEY /88BE1

**ADDRESS:**

- CINCWA
- COMINCH
- FOC ICELAND
- NSHQ OTTAWA
- AOCINCCO

**FOR ACTION:**

- SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 206
- SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 20

**INFORMATION:**

- DEW" REGIONS
- SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 206
- REPEATED CINCWA FOC ICELAND COMINCH NSHQ OTTAWA AOCINCCO

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FROM: B6
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 16 OCTOBER 1943
TOR CORDEROS: 2416
DECORATED BY: O'NEILL-VER
PARAPHRASE BY: HERMAN-3 (K)
ROUTED BY: KNIGHT

CINCWA
A.I.G. 343

ESCORT GROUP B7
COM 19TH FLT C&R
*SEE BELOW

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NCR 25226

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MY 1522#3Z.

HMS VANQUISHER ATTACKED U-BOAT IN POSITION 58° 11' NORTH 24 18 WEST.

*HMS DUNCAN HMS VANQUISHER SUTINING

WEATHER REPORT 4478 #583.

FX-37...CO3

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NOR DIST:

COMING...BG...BADG...16...NAVAIDE

*WEATHER PASSED AS 16#416

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FROM S.O. ESCORT GROUP B & 6
RELEASED BY
DATE 16 OCTOBER 1943
TOR CODEROOM

DECODED BY GILDEA/WHITE
PARAPHRASED BY SMITH (1) (K)
ROUTED BY LT. HOFFMAN /Sobel

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSES
CINCWA

URGENT
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FOR ACTION

INFORMATION
COM 15TH FLT C&R (SEE BELOW)

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ON 286 H/F D/F BEARING INDICATE AT LEAST 1 U-BOAT IN CONTACT WITH CONVOY. POSITION, COURSE AND SPEED 58-12 N 23-53 W 287 DEG 9 KNOTS

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ONS 20, a westbound convoy on the northern route, was engaged in a running battle with a submarine wolf-pack from October 16 through October 18. Only one merchant ship, SS Essex Lance (Br. Cgo. 6625 tons), was torpedoed and sunk.

The escorting ships executed a large number of attacks during the battle. HMS Sunflower, British corvette, severely damaged a sub on the 18th, and shortly before that attack, HMS Byard, British Frigate, sank a sub.

Planes from Iceland, providing cover in for ONS 20 and ON 206, which was in the same general area, sank two submarines on the 16th and a third sub on the 17th. The planes, also, made a large number of other attacks during the period.
NAVAL MESSAGE

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DRAFTER VIA HADON
EXTENSION NUMBER

FROM CINCWA
RELEASED BY
DATE 21 OCTOBER 1943
TOR CODEROOM 1936
DECODED BY KONAHAN/HILLER
PARAPHRASED BY MCAFARLANE (2) (PP)
ROUTED BY J ALLEN

ESCORT GROUP 4TH ESCORT GROUP B 7
COM 10TH FLT C&R
(SEE BELOW)

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ESCORT GROUP 4TH ARE TO BE CONGRATULATED ON THE SUCCESSFUL PASSAGE OF ONS 29. THEIR EFFORTS ON THIS THEIR FIRST VOYAGE AS A CONVOY ESCORT COMBINED WITH THE BRILLIANT WORK OF THE SHORE BASED AIRCRAFT AND THE ABLE SUPPORT OF ESCORT GROUP B 7 HAVE BROUGHT ABOUT A DECISIVE DEFEAT OF THE ENEMY.

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ADMTY FROM CINCNA)

So Escort Group 4 202339 not to all ADEES.

I intend sailing a Destroyer to St. Johns NF to
transfer prisoners from HMS Byard for onward
passage Boston.

Further signal will be made.
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CUS 21.

NO GERMAN U-BOAT SIGNALS RECEIVED SINCE 193377Z.

HMS VANCHERAC ATTACKED POSSIBLE CONTACT AT 1234.

22 MILES 171 DEG FROM CONVOY. MY POS. 54-33 39-45.

231 DEG 7 KNOTS 05-37 37-56 WEATHER REPORT 0862 1676.*

* WEATHER PASSED AS HR 2141Z.

CUS MICH CINCEHA

FX37...16..2...BAD...NAV AL OPENING...CINCEHA...

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ONS-2½

SEVERAL SIGHTINGS AND ATTACKS YESTERDAY WHICH CERTAINLY HARASSED CONCENTRATION.

26 SURVIVORS FROM GERMAN U-BOAT DESTROYED BY HMS BYARD.

APPROACH OF B-7 GROUP DISRUPTED CONCENTRATION ON STARBOARD BOW BUT H/F D/F ACTIVITY INCREASED TO NORTHWARD AFTER FIRING STAR SHELL IN ERROR AT CORVETTES MISTaken FOR GERMAN U-BOAT.

1 SUB A/S CONTACT DETECTED AHEAD CONVOY, DEPTH CHARGED AND LOST UNDER CONVOY BEFORE DEPARTURE.

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I doubt whether German U-boats are in as firm contact as this time yesterday.

Weather report 3672 8063

Weather has been passed as 181546

FX37... CG

C0MT... 16... 24G... 19... 19C... BADO... NAV... IDE...

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FROM 40 ESCORT GROUP B 7
RELEASED BY
DATE 18 OCTOBER 1943
TOR CODE ROOM 825
DECODED BY LOBB-LAX-COURTNEY
PARAPHRASED BY JOHNSON-4 (K)
ROUTED BY JOHNSON/REEGAN

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(CINCWA REPEATED COM TENTH FLEET C&R CINCWA ADIRALTY NSHC FONF HQCC FOC ICELAND ACIC COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ONS 29 FROM SO ESCORT GROUP B 7))

WHILE JOINING ONS 29 HAS SUNFLOWER DETECTED AND ATTACKED U-BOAT IN POSITION 5346 NORTH 3314 WEST 17TH SUNDAY AT 2142Z S/N BLOWN TO SURFACE BY 1ST ATTACK. 2 FURTHER ATTACKS CARRIED OUT MUCH OIL SEEN. HAS SUNFLOWER AND HAS PINK REMAINING VICINITY UNTIL DUSK. REMAINDER GROUP IN COMPANY WITH CONVOY.

WEATHER REPORT 5871 8777.

TOR NCR: 18914

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RELEASED BY
DATE  17 OCT 43
TOR CODE ROOM  1431/17
DECODED BY  READY, BECKMAN/KNOWLES
PARAPHRASED BY  HAMILTON
ROUTED BY  J. ALLEN

TO
CINCWA

FROM SC GROUP 4TH

APPRECIATION ENEMY FORCE AT 704K.

(A) 1 GERMAN U-BOAT SUNK BY AIRCRAFT. MY 161947.

(B) TWO PORT BEAM TORPEDOED MERCHANT SHIP. MY 162255.

(C) 1 PUT DOWN ASTERN BY HMS RENDEZVOUS MY 170018.

(D) 1 PUT DOWN ASTERN BY HMS RENDEZVOUS MY 170019 NOT TO ALL ADDRESSES.

(E) 1 ATTACKED BY HMS BAZELY NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. NO RESULTS. MAY BE SAME, (D).

(F) 1 H/F D/F FIXED ASTERN PROBABLY 1 AHOVE.

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(G) 1 NZ BY H/F D/F TO PORT MOVING.

(H) A FEW INDEFINITE H/F D/F TO NORTH.

(I) CONCLUSION AIR FORCE SUB ATTACK 3 OR 2 VICTORY PORT AND 2 MORE AHEAD.

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CONTROL...16...21G...BADO...NAVDE...CNO...

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ON 29
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 17 OCT 43
TOR CODEROOM: 322
DECODED BY: VALENTINE/ANDERSON
PARAPHRASED BY: QUINN
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(AIC #293 FROM SC ESCORT GROUP 4)

CNS 27, ITS BYRD, BERRY EACH ATTACKING CONTACT.

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RELEASED BY: 17 OCT 42
DATE: 17 OCT 42
TOR CODEROOM: 12/17
DECODED BY: PULLIAM/ YCH
PARAPHRASED BY: TAYLOR
ROUTED BY: REEGAN

ADDRESS TO: CINCINA
FOR ACTION: ACIC
INFORMATION: CINCINA; FFCF
ADMIRALTY: NSH
HCC; FGC; ICELAND (C)
COMMANDER (D), ARGENTIA DEFERRED
COMMANDER (D), WESTERN APPROACHES

(AM #39 FROM S.O. ESCORT GROUP 4)

ON 21ST SEPT 6605T ESSEX LANCE BROKE IN HALF. MY 1621441 REFERS.
U-BOAT CHASED AND DIVED 12 MILES FROM CONVOY BUT NO
A/S CONTACT. ESTIMATE AT LEAST 1 MORE IN TOUCH CONVOY.
(2) MY 161947 NO U-BOAT SURVIVORS FOUND AND ALL ESCORTS
WERE RECALLED.

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RELEASED BY:

DATE: 17 OCT 43

TOR CORDEROOM: 249/17

DECODED BY: PULLIAM/MEYER

PARAPHRASED BY: TAYLOR

ROUTED BY:

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSES:

COM 1, TH FLX CNR
CRocker: USNM, OTTAWA
ADMIRALTY, FONE
HCC: FCC ICELAND (C)
COMMANDER (D) ARGENTINA
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AIRCRAFT 171: 3 REPORT GER. U-BOAT SURVIVORS 57-33 28-33. PROBABLY ANOTHER GER. U-BOAT 2½ MILES FROM 12½ FROM CONVOY.

\[ \text{See 165255, Enola found nil.} \]

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FROM: 60 ESCORT GROUP 4

RELEASED BY: 16 OCT 1943

TOR CODE ROOM: 1115/16

DECODER: RATLIFF/MELTON

PARAPHRASED BY: DIELL

ROUTED BY: WIDMAN

CINCONA


BEARING AT 1922 ON 7524 KC/S INDICATE GERMAN U BOAT MAY HAVE SIGHTED AT 2 1/2.

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COMINCH PASSED TO NOR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION
TOR NOR 1142/16

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### Naval Message

**From:** S.O. GR 02  
**Released By:** 27 OCT 43  
**Date:** 27 OCT 43  
**TOR Code Room:** 27/556  
**Decoded By:** PERRY  
**Paraphrased By:** LT HILL  
**Routed By:**  

**To:** CINCNA  
**Priority:** URGENT  
**Asterisk (*) Mailgram Addresses:**  
- ESCORT CR. 5  
- ESCORT CR B3  
- COM 10TH FLT C&R  
- CIS HONY  
- HONG  
- FOC ICELAND  
- VICE CNO  
- COM (D) ARGENTIA  
- COM (D) NA, ACIC  

**Information:**  
- URGENT  
- PRIORITY  
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**Observer Remarks:**  
- This dispatch will be transmitted with deferred precedence.

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**Date:** 27/2152  
**GCT:** 29  
**Time:** 17  
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**Message:**

FROM S.O. GR 02. ACTION CINCNA. INFO COM 10TH FLT C&R CINCNA ADITY U.S.N. FOC HONG. FOC ICELAND. VICE CNO COM (D) ARGENTIA COM (D) NA, ACIC. ESCORT CR. B3, ESCORT CR. 5.

A BARTER SIGNAL RECEIVED AT 2232/27 OCT. BEARING 020 DEGREES WITHIN 35 MILES ON SERIES 1 FREQUENCY 4014.

KCS INDICATES CONVOY ONS 21 MAY HAVE BEEN SIGHTED.

BY P/G/S 57-13 N 22-46 W 261 7-1/2. WEATHER REPORT 6374 9273.

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PRESENCE OF SUB 55 N 56 W MAY SIGNIFY COM-
PROMISE BY 180147 (NOT TO COM 15TH FLT C&R) 
"PLAN TO ROUTE CONVOYS LABRADOR COASTAL SOUTH OF 
55".

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HNLS RAMIDUS ESCORTING CONVOY ATTACKED AT 2027Z ON THE 24TH POSITION 40-26 N 75-16 E 1 TORPEDO FIRED WHICH MISSED TARGET. IN SAME CONVOY BUT TANKER BRITISH PURPOSE HIT IN BOW BY 1 OR MORE TORPEDOES POSITION 11-49N 74-54 E AT 1730 SAME DAY. TANKER ABLE TO PROCEED TO COCHIN.

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31 JULY 1943

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BAD WASHINGTON

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PARAPHRASED BY

SMITH (1) (X)

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(COM 10TH FLT C&R REPEATED BAD WASHINGTON FROM ADMIRALTY)

(YOUR 291456 TO ADMIRALTY ONLY)

IT IS CONSIDERED THAT SHIPS UNDER 15 KNOTS EXCLUDED FROM UGS CONVOYS WILL LOSE TIME IF SENT THROUGH CONVOY SYSTEM TO BAHIA AND BY SOUTH ATLANTIC.

(2) PROPOSE THEREFORE AS FOLLOWS—UNITED NATIONS SHIPPING FROM NORTH AMERICAN EASTERN SEABOARD TO MIDDLE EAST AND INDIAN OCEAN MAY SAIL IN UGS CONVOY WHEN ACCOMMODATION IS AVAILABLE. OTHERWISE VESSELS SHALL BE SAILLED BY SOUTH ATLANTIC EXCEPT BRITISH CONTROLLED VESSELS TO WHICH FOLLOWING RULES APPLY.

(A) UNDER 15 KNOTS SHIPS WHICH ARE EXCLUDED FROM A UGS CONVOY SHOULD SAIL BY HX FOR UK THENCE KMS TO GIB, UNLESS IT IS CERTAIN THAT NEXT FOLLOWING

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UGS CONVOY CAN ACCOMMODATE THEM.

(B) 15 KNOTS AND ABOVE. INDEPENDENTLY BY SOUTH AFRICAN ROUTE OR GIB, EACH CASE BEING REFERRED TO ADMIRALTY FOR CHOICE OF ROUTE.

(3) REQUEST YOUR EARLY CONCURRENCE.

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REleased by  18 JULY 1943  

DATE  1517  

TOR CODEROOM  THOMSON/REA  

DECODED BY  MACFARLANE (2) (PP)  

PARAPHRASED BY  WIDMAN  

ROUTED BY  

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(ESCORT GROUP 5 REPEATED COM 10TH FLT C AND R HQ Ovation  
CINCPAC ADMIRALTY NSHQ FONF FOG ICELAND AGIC  
COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) WESTERN  
APPROACHES SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY HX 247  
SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY SC 136 SHIPS ESCORTING  
CONVOY ON 193 FROM CINCPAC)  

IF CONVOY IS NOT THREATENED 5TH ESCORT GROUP IS  
TO PART COMPANY WITH HX 247 AT DAWN TOMORROW  
MONDAY AND PROCEED TO JOIN ON 193  
ESTIMATED POSITION COURSE AND SPEED AT 1200B 19TH  
\( \phi 53 N \phi 2 \phi-15 W 270 \) DEGS 9 KNOTS  

MCR DELIVERED FX-37 ................. COG  
MCR PASSD TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION  

MCR DISTRIBUTION:  
COMINCH....19....19C....BADO....NAVAIDE....FILE  

TOR NCR 181625  

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NLR 101  
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94  

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NAVAL MESSAGE

VIA NAVY

NAVY DEPARTMENT

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ADMIRALTY LONDON

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6 JULY 1943

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SHIPS ESCORTING

CONVOY ON 191

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TOR CODERoom

ROBERTSON-LUCKE

DECODED BY

JOHNSON-4 (PP)

PARAPHRASED BY

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( (SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 191 SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY SC 135 EG 1 HMS TAY REPEATED CINAKA FOC ICALAN NSHQ AOGCCG COMINCH FROM ADMIRALTY )))

REFER ADMIRALTY MESSAGE 66, 31.

U-BOAT TRANSMITS PROBABLE SIGHTING REPORT ON 5850 KC/S AT 2312Z AND 2321Z.

INCONCLUSIVE BEARINGS INDICATE GENERAL VICINITY OF CONVOY

MCR PASSED TO FX-37.... COG

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INCONCLUSIVE D/F BEARING ON 791° KC/S AT 2317 5TH JULY INDICATES U-BOATS MAY BE IN THE VICINITY EITHER CONVOY AND MAY HAVE REPORTED IT

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Escort Group 5, repeated ships escorting on 190 ships escorting HX 245, COMINCH C AND R CINCNVA NSHQ FONF HQGC, FOC ICELAND, AGC COMMANDER (D), ARGENTIA, Commodore (T), WESTERN APPRAOCHES ADMIRALTY FROM CINCNVA.

IF CONVOY NOT THREATENED 5TH ESCORT GROUP IS TO PART COMPANY WITH ON 190 A.M. TOMORROW THURSDAY AND PROCEED TO JOIN HX 245.

(2) ESTIMATED POSITION COURSE AND SPEED OF HX 245 AT 2000 30th JUNE 053°-45 NORTH 341°-50 WEST 052° DEGS 9-1/2 KNOTS

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
AFTER PB 44 LEAVE HORMUZ 12TH JUNE MY 91331 IS TO BE CONSIDERED CANCELLED.

(2) TANKERS AND OTHER LONG RUN SHIPS ARE TO PROCEED INDEPENDENTLY FROM LOADING PORT IF FOLLOWING SAILING DATE OF CONVOY NECESSitates THEIR DELAY OF MORE THAN 4 REPETITION 4 DAYS. SHIPS OF OTHER CATEGORIES ARE TO BE INCLUDED IN CONVOY WHENEVER POSSIBLE.

(3) THE TIME TAKEN UP BY SHIPS AWAITING CONVOY UNDER PARAGRAPH 2 IS TO BE USED TO EFFECT MINOR REPAIR.

*ADMIRALTY CINCEF FO CEYLON FORCIN COM RIN CINC SA COMMODORE I/C ADEN CONNA V NOIC KARACHI FORSCA COMMODORE I/C DURBAN FROM SNO PERSIAN GULF*
(4) PRECEDING COMPANY PROCEEDING INDEPENDENTLY TO CEYLON AND INDIAN PORT KATANGA BOMBAY ARE TO BE ROUTED BOMBAY FOR ONWARD CONVOY.

F-37 ACTION
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NAVAL MESSAGE  NAVY DEPARTMENT

FROM AD MIRALTY

RELEASED BY

AD MIRALTY

DATE  10 JUNE 1943

TOR CODESIGN 536

DECODED BY HUGHES/S M I TH

PARAPHRASED BY FACER (2) (QQ)

ROUTED BY

OP PRIORITY

FOR ACTION SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY HX 242

SG 1

INFORMATION COMINCH

(SEE BELOW)

OP PRIORITY

AD MIRALTY

SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY HX 242

SG 1

REPEATED COMINCH

NSHQ OTTAWA FO C ICELAND CIN CWA A00000 FROM

AD MIRALTY

BY D/F ON 76616 KC/S AT 2412 U-BOAT ESTIMATED WITHIN

75 MILES OF 56 DEGS 34 DEGS MIN NORTH 34 DEGS MIN WEST

NO DISTRIBUTION BY MCR

MCR PASSED TO NCR FOR DISTRIBUTION (TOR 616/10)

COMINCH......COG

1620G F37 BADO 10/11

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10 JUNE 1943

**CODEROOM**

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**DECODED BY**

GOFORTH/GOFORTH

**PARAPHRASED**

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NCR 3144

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*NO LOCAL ADDRESSEE.*

FROM CINCPAC.

ENEMY SUBMARINE D/F'D AT 091852Z POSIT Ø8 SOUTH 152 EAST GRADED VICTOR. CASE NUMBER 2552.

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NCR 3116

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POSSIBLE ENEMY SUBMARINE DOG FOXED AT 1317/9 Z

POSIT 51.7 N 177 W GRADED NAM IMPROVEMENT CASE NUMBER 254o.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM NOB TRINIDAD
RELEASED BY 9 JUNE 43
TOR CODEROOM 2026
DECODED BY A CROMPTON
PARAPHRASED BY CASEY
ROUTED BY SOBEL

DECODED BY COMCARIBSEAFRON
PARAPHRASED BY COMINCH
ROUTED BY

INFORMATION
COMCARIBSEAFRON
COMINCH

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$91857
NCR 2965

Act...

A29 ENROUTE NATO TO MELLER FIELD REPORTS SIGHTING DARK COLORED U BOAT ON COURSE 060 FROM 8,000 POBITION 11-20N 64-30W 1445Z. PLANE WENT DOWN FOR INVESTIGATION SUB CRASH DIVED SWIRL OBSERVED.

EVALUATION PROBABLE, AREA UNDER CONTINUOUS AIR SURVEILLANCE DID WHipple and J. D. FOIK UNDER 1930Z UNDERTAKE COMBINED AIR AND SURFACE OPERATIONS. REFER ALDEN'S $90835

COMINCH...ACT
20G...NAYAIDE...FILE

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM
RDO HONO

RELEASED BY

DATE
JUNE 15, 1943

TOR CODE ROOM
§122/

DECODED BY
STRICKLAND/STRICKLAND

PARAPHRASED BY

ROUTED BY

NAVY DEPARTMENT

ADDRESSES

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSES

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ENEMY SUBMARINE D/F'D AT 9/16 0242 POSIT 05 SOUTH 148; 30 EAST GRADED NAM. CASE NUMBER 2547.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CINCWA
RELEASED BY
DATE 3 JUNE 1943
TOR CODEDOM 1312
DECODED BY VER/O’NEILL (PP)
PARAPHRASED BY HUTCHINSON

FOR ACTION
COMMODORE (D) WA
INFORMATION
ESCORT GROUP 1
COMINCH C & R

PRECEDENCE
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*COMMODORE (T) WA REPEATED ESCORT GROUP 1 COMINCH C & R CINCWA ADMIRALTY NSHQ OTTAWA FONF HQCC FOC ICELAND (C) COMMODORE (D) ARGENTIA A.C.I.C. FROM CINCWA*)

(1) REQUEST YOU WILL SAIL ESCORT GROUP 1 CONSISTING OF BITER HMS PELICAN HMS WEAR HMS JED HMS SPEY ON COMPLETION EXERCISE P.M. 4TH JUNE TOWARDS POSITION 54 DEGS NORTH 37 DEGS WEST MAKE GOOD 12 KNOTS.

(2) INTENTION IS FOR ESCORT GROUP 1 TO PROCEED TO SUPPORT HX 242 DETAILS OF WHICH WILL BE SIGNALED TO GROUP IN DUE COURSE.

(3) FURTHER SIGNAL WILL BE MADE CONCERNING MOVEMENTS OF FRIENDLY SUBMARINES

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(4) FOR NEWFOUNDLAND PASS TO ESCORT HX 242.
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**COMMENCING WITH UGS 11 SAILING JUNE 27 UGS CONVOYS WILL**

**SAIL FROM HAMPTON ROADS AND RETURN THERE. INTEND TO**

**CONTINUE DESTROYER OVERHAULS AT NYK. MODIFY BY 272347 SO**

**THAT BULER AND BARKER ARE READY FOR DUTY BASE "H" BY NOON**

**JUNE 26.**

**COMINCH PASSED TO NCR FOR F37.**

**NCR DISTRIBUTION: TOR 1843/31**

**F37...19...19C...ADD-23...39...NAVAIDE...**

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BEGINNING WITH USS-11 SAILING JUNE 27
AND GUS-E ARRIVING ABOUT JUNE 26 JAN ALL USS CONVOYS
MILL SAIL FROM AND ARRIVE AT HAMPTON ROADS
INSTEAD OF NEW YORK.

ORIG.: COMCHUC.
F37...39....ANFB....ARMY(Chief of Transportation,
OPERATIONS DIVISION, GENERAL STAFF)....BAGO....
19...19c....FILE. AND: CMG.....NAVADM......
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By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/74

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#### NAVAL MESSAGE

**FROM:** ADMIRALTY LONDON  
**RELEASED BY:** 25 MAY 1943  
**DATE:** 1648  
**TOR CODEROOM:** GOODLEY  
**DECODED BY:** JOHNSON-4 (X)  
**PARAPHRASED BY:** ROONEY  
**Routed By:**  

**ADDRESSSES**  
NSHQ OTTAWA  
COMINCH C & R  
CINCCNA  
JNFF  
CINCWA  
BAD WASHINGTON  
**ACTION**  
((NSHQ OTTAWA COMINCH C & R REPEATED CINCCNA JNFF CINCWA BAD WASHINGTON FROM ADMIRALTY))  

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**IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THE NUMBER OF SHIPS PRESENTING FOR HX AND SC CONVOYS DURING JUNE WILL BE APPROXIMATELY 50% IN THE PROPORTION OF 3 FOR THE FORMER AND 2 FOR THE LATTER CONVOYS AND THAT THE PRESENTERS FOR ON AND ONS CONVOYS WILL BE RATHER LESS.**

1. By accepting an average of slightly more than 75 ships per convoy with occasional convoys of 80 ships or more due to non-regularity of presenting the HX / ON CYCLE can be opened out to 7-1/2 days and the SC/ONS CYCLE maintained at 11 days.

2. This cycle can be operated by 9 Escort Groups thus releasing 2 Groups to act as Support Groups the value of which has recently been clearly demonstrated.

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NCR 21898

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With these 2 additional groups 7 support groups, including USS "Bogue" and the Canadian group, will be available during June for strategic use in the North Atlantic.

(3) (4) It is therefore proposed that the cycle referred to in (2) above should be put into effect by amending sailing dated as follows

(A) On 137 June 1st. On 188 June 1st. On 189 June 16. On 190 June 24. On 191 July 1st then alternate 8 and 7 day intervals.

(B) HX 241 May 25th. HX 242 May 31. HX 243 June 7. HX 244 June 15. HX 245 June 23 then alternate 7 and 8 day intervals.

(C) Ons 19. June 8th. SC 133 June 7 then 11 day intervals.

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(5). REQUEST YOUR CONCURRENCE

TOR NCR 321896

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**NAVAL MESSAGE VIA NAVM**

**NAVAL DEPARTMENT**

**DRAFTER**
ADMIRALTY LONDON

**EXTENSION NUMBER**

**ADRESSEES**

| SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY SC 130 |
| SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY HX 238 |
| CINCWA |
| FOC ICELAND |
| CINC US FLEET |
| NSHQ |
| AOC CCC |

**RELEASED BY**

**DATE**
19 MAY 1943

**TOR CODEROOM**

**DECODED BY**
COURTNEY-ROBERTSON

**PARAPHRASED BY**
JOHNSON-4 (QQ)

**ROUTED BY**
ROONEY 190128 NOR 29557

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**ACTION**

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( (SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY SC 130 SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY HX 238 REPEATED CINCWA FOC ICELAND CINC US FLEET NSHQ AOC CCC COASTAL COMMAND FROM ADMIRALTY))
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INCONCLUSIVE BEARING ON 565° KC/S AT 2241Z 18TH INDICATES U-BOAT HAS REPORTED A CONVOY.

PROBABLY SC 130

POSSIBLY HX 238

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**NAVAL MESSAGE**

**VIA:** NONE

**NAVY DEPARTMENT**

**DRATER:** CINCW A LIVERPOOL

**EXTENSION NUMBER:**

**ADDRESSES:** SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 183

**PRIORITY:** OP OP OP OP

**ROUTE:** ROUTINE

**PRIORITY:** DEFERRED

**DATE:** 17 MAY 1943

**TOR CODEROOM:** 1223

**DECODED BY:** WALP-SMITH

**INFORMATION:** COMINCH C & R

**OP OP OP OP**

**PRIORITY:** DEFERRED

**(SEE BELOW)**

**PARAPHRASED BY:** JOHNSON-4 (PP)

**INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.**

**ROONEY**

171124Z/5

**NCN 27962**

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**TIME:** OCT

**TEXT**

**ACTION**

| F-00 | (((SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 183 REPEATED COMINCH C & R))

**ADMIRALTY CINCW A NSFW OTTAWA FONF HCCCG FOC ICELAND**

**COMM (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES**

**SO ESCORT GROUP 3 SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ONS 7 HMCS**

**ALGONA HMCS GALT FROM CINCW A))

**F-01**

**F-015**

**F-0015**

**F-05**

**F-07**

**F-1**

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(ESCORT GROUP 3 REPEATED CINCPAC AND R
ADMIRALTY CINCPAC NSRC FOUR HQCC FOC ICELAND
COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA CO HOOD (D) WESTERN APPROACHES
SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY SG 23) SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY
ONS 7 FROM CINCPAC)

PROCEED AT BEST SPEED CONSISTENT WITH WEATHER AND FUEL
CONDITION TO SUPPORT ONS 7.

STEER POSITION Ø57 DEGs NORTH Ø46 DEGs WEST

SHIPS ESCORTING 80

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(COMNAVEU INFORM ADMIRALTY; COMNAVNAW PASS TO COMMOROCANSEAFRON AND CINCMED)

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NUMERICAL DESIGNATOR EFFECTIVE MAY 25. HEREBY CONSTITUTED AS FOLLOWS WITH COMMANDER CONNOR IN COMMAND ACCORDANCE SECHAV LETTER (SC) P17-1 OF JULY 18, 1942:

STEVenson STOCKTON THORN MAYO DUANE SPENCER TARBELL PAUL JONES MAUMEE PUMPER ANTICLINE A NINTH ESCORT WILL BE ADDED IF AVAILABLE. ESCORT CONVOY UGS9 READY NEW YORK ABOUT MAY 28 TO NORTH AFRICAN PORTS. FOLLOW COMINCH C&R ROUTING. ON ARRIVAL DETACH PUMPER AND ANTICLINE AND DIRECT THEM REPORT COMNAVNAW FOR DUTY. WHEN DIRECTED BY COMMOROCANSEAFRON

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RETURN NEW YORK ESCORTING CONVOY GUS-6A ACCORDANCE ADMIRALTY ROUTING. COMDESRON 31 DIRECT VESSELS AS THEY ARRIVE NEW YORK REPORT COMMANDER CONNOR

COMINCH PASSED TO NCR FOR F37  TOR NCR §748/17

F37...11C...12...23...19...160...21P3...GUPERS....
CG...BAD...21OP...CNO...NAPAIDE....
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REPEATED ESCORT GROUP 3 COMINCH C & R ADMIRALTY CINCINNA NSHQ OTTAWA HQCC FOC ICELAND (C) COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (E) WESTERN APPROACHES FOR SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY SC 130 SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ONS 7 FROM CINCINNA

ESCORT GROUP 3 PROCEED FORTHWITH TOWARD POSITION 55 NORTH 47 WEST MAKING 12 KNOTS WEATHER PERMITTING TO SUPPORT ONS 7.

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U.S. ULYSSES 1302/13 MAY. TOWARD. CONVOY 4 SHIPS AND DD EAST 40 HARVEY. SS EAST 45 INNOCENT. SIX SHIP CONVOY AND PC EAST 54 HERMAN. SS EAST 58 OMEGA. SS 82 QUALITY. AT AND TOW 80 HERMAN. USAT AND PC 96 MARTHA. AT AND TOW 95 PILGRIM. AG EAST 11 ETHEL. AK EAST 15 SIMON. AV EAST 18 KENDRICK. AO AND PY CLOSE IN TO SOUTH. AWAY. EIGHTEEN SHIP CONVOY WITH DD EAST 32 ZEAYER. AO EAST 52 ANNA. AK AND YT EAST 18 ORCHARD. USAT, AG AND AK WITH PG EAST FGXOWINE. SS EAST 92 THURSTON. AK EAST 13 TIDEWATER.
ADMIRALTY GENERAL MESSAGE- HOME & ABROAD No. 846A

SHIPS FITTED WITH H/F D/F

CANCEL ADMIRALTY GENERAL MESSAGE 814A* OF 5 MAY.

SERIES 2 HAS NOW BEEN USED FOR ATTACK CONVOY.

2. IN AREAS (A) OF ADMIRALTY GENERAL MESSAGE 636A *

OF 9 APRIL WATCH SHOULD BE SET AS FOLLOWS:

EAST OF 30W--SERIES 8, 2, 7 AND 1

WEST OF 30W--SERIES 8 AND 2.

* Ø91835 APRIL  ** Ø41156 MAY

2ØP1A....ACTION.

COMINCH....2ØP5....2ØG....

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FROM:
ADMIRALTY

RELEASED BY:
6 MAY 1943

DATE:
1709

TOR CODEROOM:
SMITH/STEELE

DECODED BY:
KIRKBRIDGE

PARAPHRASED BY:

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TEXT

(SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOYS ONS 6 AND 181, INFO CINCCWA,
FOMC (REYKJAVIK), NSHQ OTTAWA, COMINCH, AOCCCC,
NOIC LONDONDERRY, FROM ADMIRALTY)

D/F Bearing ON 11068 K/C PER SECOND AT
1318Z INDICATES U-BOAT IN CONTACT WITH 1
OR OTHER OF THE 2 CONVOYS ADDRESSED.

COMINCH...CGG
20G...NAVAIDE...

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CINCPAC TO COMINCH.

WILL DEFER COMMENT ON THROUGH COVERAGE TO SOWESTPAC UNTIL ARRIVAL CAPE ALLEN NOW ON WAY BACK. DIVERSION, INCREASED AIR COVERAGE AND ESCORT NOW IN EFFECT IN SOPAC AREAS. FOR NUCLEUS DESIRE 2A/8 OPERATIONAL OFFICERS 1 FOR PROBABLE DISPATCH SOPAC AFTER CONFERENCE WITH ALLEN. OFFICERS FOR AS TRAINING WILL BE COVERED BY SEPARATE DISPATCH. THIS REPLIES YOUR Ø842/Ø715.

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**FOC ICELAND (C) REYKJAVIK**

AOCCCE COMINCH NSHQ OTTAWA

SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON S5 SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 18Ø INFO SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY SC 128 EG1 HMS EYEBRIGHT CINCW A FOC ICELAND (C) REYKJAVIK AOCCCE COMINCH NSHQ OTTAWA FROM ADMIRALTY.

HEAVY TRAFFIC ON SERIAL 2 LINE 1 AND 2 CONTINUES. ON S5 IS BEING SHADOWED AND IT IS POSSIBLE THAT CONVOY ON 18Ø AND SHIPS IN COMPANY WITH HMS PINK ARE ALSO BEING SHADOWED.

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RELEASED BY: 4 MAY 1943

DATE: 1917

TOR CODED BY: MOUNTAIN/BATES

DECODED BY: MOKOAN (1) (Q)

PARAPHRASED BY: *SEE BELOW

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(SHIPS ESCORTING ONS 5, EG 3, SHIPS ESCORTING SC 128, HMS PENN, HMS PANTHER, HMS DUNCAN, INFO SHIPS ESCORTING ON 189, CINC HA, FGC ICELAND, ACING COASTAL COM, CONINCH, NSHQ OTTARA, HMS EYEBRIGHT) FROM ADMIRALTY

HEAVY AND CONTINUING W/T TRAFFIC ON 12215 KC/S AND 12525 KC/S SINCE 14192 INDICATE THAT A CONVOY IS BEING SHADOWED BUT VERY POOR D/F CONDITIONS MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO SAY WHETHER ONS 5 OR SC 128 IS THE CONVOY SHADOWED

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YOUR COMMENT ON ANTI-SUBMARINE SITUATION SOPAC AND SWPAC
IS DESIRED PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO DESIRABILITY OF
MAKING CINCPAC RESPONSIBLE FOR PROTECTION OF SHIPPING
FROM UNITED STATES ALL THE WAY TO AUSTRALIAN PORTS AS A
MEANS FOR MAKING BEST USE OF ESCORTS AVAILABLE X ABOVE TO
APPLY ONLY TO THROUGH TRAFFIC LOCAL CONVOYS TO BE HANDLED
BY AREA COMMANDERS X STUDY IS BEING MADE OF REASSIGNMENT
OF ESCORT VESSELS BUT THERE CAN BE LITTLE REINFORCEMENT
OF YOUR FLEET IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE X DO YOU NEED ANY
OFFICERS WITH EXPERIENCE IN ANTI-SUBMARINE OPERATIONS IN
THE ATLANTIC

To reply see 060217

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SS FORT LEE WAS FORCED TO LEAVE CONVOY UGF 8 DUE TO BURNED OUT MAIN BEARING ABOUT Ø700Q 1 MAY. TERRY TAILED BY CTF 67 TO ESCORT HER TOWARDS BASE MIKE UNTIL ONE HOUR AFTER DARK IF REPAIRS WERE COMPLETED AND IF NOT COMPLETED TO STAY WITH HER UNTIL COMPLETED OR INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM COMINCH. TANKER HAS BEEN ATTEMPTING REPARIS BUT HAS BEEN ONLY SUCCESSFUL IN REACHING 3 TO 5 KNOTS WITH FREQUENT BREAKDOWNS. PRESENT POSITION TANKER AND TERRY 1800Q 63-06 WEST 35-22 NORTH. COURSE 210 SPEED OF ADVANCE 4. MASTER APPREHENSIVE BEARING WILL NOT HOLD OUT AND DOES NOT CONSIDER REPAIRS COMPLETED. OPINION OF COMMANDING OFFICER THAT TANKER CAN MAKE BASE MIKE BUT AT A SPEED NOT GREATER THAN 4 KNOTS. ESTIMATE CONVOY NOW 470 MILES FROM TERRY WHO HAS 100,000 FUEL. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS.

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CINCWA, CINCWA, COND LONDON DERRY, CAPT DGREENOCK, CAPTDLIVERPOOL, INFO CINCHF, CINCHED, OPNAV, FOIC GIBRALTAR, FOCHAF, CINCSA, NSHQ, SBNOWAT FROM ADMIRALTY.

FOLLOWING NOTES ON U-BOAT W/T TACTICS:

(1) IN ATTACKS ON CONVOYS BASED ON ANALYSIS OF
RECENT EXPERIENCE SHOULD BE PASSED TO 80'S OF ESCORTS
AND H/F D/F OFFICERS. IT IS INTENDED TO AMEND THESE
NOTES BY PERIODICAL SIGNAL AND INCLUDE A SUMMARY AS
AN APPENDIX TO THE CS 4902 N SERIES.

(2) IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO ESTIMATE FROM TRANSMISSIONS
MADE IN THE VICINITY OF A CONVOY THE NUMBER OF U-BOATS
PRESENT THOUGH H/F D/F MAY ESTABLISH THE MINIMUM
NUMBER ENGAGED.

(3) NO CONCLUSIONS CAN BE DRAWN FROM LINKAGES

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BETWEEN THE DIFFERENT U-BOAT SERIES OF FREQUENCIES.

(4) WHEN MESSAGES ARE WEATHER REPORTS AND ARE
UNLIKELY TO BE MADE BY A U-BOAT IN CONTACT THOUGH
THEY ARE COMMON NEAR A CONVOY THAT IS BEING SHADOWED.

(5) A U-BOAT FREQUENCY SERIES ADOPTED FOR THE PURPOSE
OF AN INTENDED ATTACK IS KEPT EXCLUSIVELY FOR THAT
ONE OPERATION. ANY TRAFFIC ON THAT SERIES WILL BE
CONCERNED WITH THE ONE CONVOY.

(6) FIRST SIGHTING REPORTS OR REPORTS OF CONTACT
REGAINED ARE DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY AT THE TIME.
MAJORITY ARE SHORT SIGNALS OF 4 GROUPS, E.G.
B1B2 ABC DEFG HIJK LMNO PQRS TU THOUGH 3 AND 5
GROUP SIGNALS HAVE BEEN USED. MINORITY ARE MESSAGES
IN NAVAL ENIGMA OF LESS THAN 35 GROUPS. E BAR SIGNALS

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ARE IN LITTLE USE BUT WHEN THEY DO OCCUR INVARIABLY INDICATE A SIGHTING. SHORT SIGNALS OF 5 AND 6 GROUPS REGULARLY OCCUR UNCONNECTED WITH SIGHTINGS SHORT SIGNALS OF 7 GROUPS ARE RARE BUT USUALLY INDICATE SIGHTINGS.

(7) AFTER THE FIRST SIGHTING REPORT A LARGE NUMBER OF 5, 6, OR 7 GROUP SHORT SIGNALS OR NAVAL ENIGMA MESSAGES OF LESS THAN 35 GROUPS WOULD INDICATE THAT SEVERAL U-BOATS WERE IN CONTACT. A SERIES OF THESE TRANSMISSIONS AT APPROXIMATELY HOURLY INTERVALS WOULD SUGGEST THAT 1 U-BOAT WAS SHADOWING THIS MIGHT BE CONFIRMED BY AN ALTERATION OF COURSE WHICH SHOULD PRODUCE A REPORT FROM THE SHADOWER.

(8) LOSS OF CONTACT WOULD BE INDICATED BY COMPLETE CESSATION OF W/T TRANSMISSIONS BY CESSATION OF SHORT
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SIGNALS AND NAVAL ENIGMA MESSAGES OF LESS THAN 35 GROUPS OR BY THE TRANSMISSION OF SEVERAL NAVAL ENIGMA MESSAGES OF MORE THAN 40 GROUPS IN QUICK SUCCESSION.

(9) IF IT IS CERTAIN THAT U-BOATS ARE IN CONTACT TRANSMISSIONS ON THE FREQUENCY SERIES IN USE MAY BE CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

A. ORIGINATING WITHIN VISUAL RANGE. SHORT SIGNALS OF 3, 5, 6, OR 7 GROUPS NAVAL ENIGMA MESSAGES OF LESS THAN 25 GROUPS E-BAR MESSAGES.

B. ORIGINATING OUTSIDE VISUAL RANGE. SHORT SIGNALS OF 4 GROUPS. NAVAL ENIGMA MESSAGES OF MORE THAN 40 GROUPS. NW MESSAGES.

(10) INCREASING USE OF SHORT SIGNALS MAY BE AN ANTI-D/F MEASURE.
(11) INFORMATION IN THIS SIGNAL SHOULD NOT BE PASSED
BY W/T.

COWICH...COG
2OP... FILE.
ADD- 2OP8....2OP81....2OP1A....2OP82....F37.....

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Do not consider 80 127 seriously threatened by U-boats at present. Area in the vicinity of convoy was well searched by day with negative result. Direction finder bearings appear to indicate U-boats are in the vicinity of ONS 5. Position, course, speed Ø60-45 Ø26-10 113 DEGS 5 KNOTS

**Weather Report** 58 55 -- 56

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ATLANTIC CONVOY INSTRUCTION 39

5 (2).

(A) 361° 42 21ST MARCH 55-33 NORTH 47-2° MLST

(B) 1 BEARING APPROXIMATE SURFACE, DIVED BETWEEN 61 AND 71

(C) AHEAD

(D) WANSTEAD (31) ASHANTIAN (41), NORTHERN

GIFTHAS 35 SURVIVE, EX WANSTEAD, 2 MISSING

4% EX ASHANTIAN MISSING INCCLUDING COMMODORE ELLIOTT MASTER 2ND AND 3RD MATES CHIEF ENGINEER 3RD ENGINEER AND 3RD RADIO OFFICER. HMS POOPY HAS 12 EX WANSTLDAD
NAVAL MESSAGE

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LT HATCH 240929Z NCR 26160
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COMINCH...16...20G...BADO...39...CNO...NAV...FILE...

TCR NCR 3555/24

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E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94

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TO AVOID SUBMARINE THREAT IN VICINITY 35 DEGS SOUTH 157 DEGS WEST AND TO SOUTHWESTWARD RECOMMEND COMWES DIVERT CHESTER SUN ESRO LITTLE ROCK BRASTAGH H M STOREY CALUSA AND FLAGSHIP SINCO TO APPROX 12 SOUTH 153 WEST THEN 21 SOUTH 163 WEST THEN TO REJOIN ROUTES AT NEAREST LETTERED POSITIONS X RECOMMEND COMSOPAC DIVERT MORMACSEA TO NEW QUEEN 18 SOUTH 161 WEST REJOINING ROUTE AT OBOE OMITTING XXXX NAN

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(H.M.S. BAYNTUN, H.M.S. BERRY INFO WESTERN ATLANTIC S.B.N.O., CINC WA, FOC GIBRALTAR, COMINCH)
FROM ADMIRALTY

D/F OF TRANSMISSION ON 777ø KCS/S AT 192129Z INDICATE THAT YOU MAY HAVE BEEN REPORTED BY A U-BOAT

NO DISTRIBUTION BY MCR
MCR DELIVERED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION
TOR NCR Ø239/20

COMINCH...COG
16...F37...39...2/G...BADO....CNO....NAVAIDE....

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

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NAVAL MESSAGE

DRAFTER: COMCARIBSEAFRON
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 18 APRIL 1943
TOR CODEROOM: 2005
DECODED BY: YORK/ROBERTS
PARAPHRASED BY: 

ADDRESSEES: NOB GUANTANAMO
INFORMATION: COMEASTSEAFRON
COMQULFSEAFRON
COMING C & R

FOR ACTION: PRIORITY
PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE DEFERRED

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LT HILL 181701
NCR 9094
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RECENT ATTACKS AND SIGHTINGS INDICATE ENEMY SUBS

WAIT GK, KG, NG AND GN CONVOYS OFF CAPE MAYSÍ
AND POINT CALETA WHERE ESTABLISHED ROUTES PASS
CLOSE INSHORE. DIVERT CONVOYS SO AS TO MAKE LARGE
VARIATIONS IN DISTANCE FROM MAYSÍ COURSES IN
WINDWARD PASSAGE AND APPROACHES TO GUANTANAMO.
LETTER RECOMMENDING ALTERNATIVE ROUTES FOR
THESÉ CONVOYS TO AVOID ABOVE DANGER BEING
FORWARDED TO INFO ADDRESSEES.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CTNC CW A
RELEASED BY: 4 MAY 1943
TOR CODEROOM: BROWN/ROBERTS

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FOR ACTION: SEE BELOW

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W ESTERN APPROACHES GENERAL MESSAGE: ADMIRALT Y, CTNC PLYMOUTH
F.O. I/C PORTLAND, CTNC PORTSMOUTH, F.O. (S) SHIPS MAINTAINING
W/T WATCH ON BROADCAST CN IN PLYMOUTH COMMAND AREA, EXCEPT
FOR FOC ORKNEYS AND SHETLANDS, FOC GIBRALTAR, NOIC WEST
AF RICA, CTNC MEDFLEET, FROM CTNC CW A.

614.

TO ENABLE MERCHANT SHIPS IN A CONVOY THAT HAVE BEEN
ATTACKED OR THREATENED TO, BE GIVEN A SHORT SUMMARY OF
RESULTS AS SOON AS CONVOY IS CONSIDERED FINALLY CLEAR OF
U-BOATS THE FOLLOWING SIGNAL IS TO BE MADE BY S.O. OF
ESCORTS TO AIG 393 FOR HOMeward BOUND CONVOYS AND AIG 392
FOR OUTWARD BOUND CONVOYS:

(A) ESTIMATED NUMBER OF U-BOATS THAT HAVE BEEN IN
CONTACT.

(B) NUMBER OF ATTACKS DRIVEN OFF.

(C) NUMBER OF SUCCESSFUL ATTACKS MADE ON CONVOYS.

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(E) NUMBER OF U-BOATS ESTIMATED SUNK OR DAMAGED.

(F) ANY PARTICULARS OF STRAGGLERS AND CONVOY DISCIPLINE IN GENERAL WHICH HAS ASSISTED OR DETERRED FROM SAFETY OF CONVOY.

2. IF PROGRESS IS DESIRABLE CINC WESTERN APPROACHES FOR HOMEWARD BOUND CONVOYS AND OPERATING AUTHORITIES WEST OF CHOP FOR OUTBOUND CONVOYS WILL THEN BROADCAST THIS TO SHIPS IN CONVOY BY BAMS MESSAGE.

* AIG 303: ACTION CINCHA, INFO CONROUTE, NSHQ, FONF, CINC CWA, HQCC, FOC ICELAND, COMMANDER (E) ARGENTIA.

** AIG 302: ACTION CINCHA, INFO CONROUTE, ADMIRALTY, CINC CWA, NSHQ, FONF, HQCC, FOC ICELAND (C) COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA.

F37 ACT COMINCH...16...39...23...2G...BADO...NHCC...CNC...NAVY DE.

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DECLASSIFIED E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4 NLR 101 By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

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FOR LAST 3 MONTHS MY RESEARCH SECTION HAS BEEN CONDUCTING A STUDY OF THE RELATIVE MERITS OF LARGE AND SMALL CONVOYS IN REGARD TO MERCHANT SHIP LOSSES. STUDY BASED ON RECORDS OF HX, SC AND ON CONVOYS DURING 1942 AND 1943.

STUDY DISCLOSES THAT NUMBER OF SHIPS SUNK IS ABOUT THE SAME FOR ALL SIZES OF CONVOY AND THEREFORE PERCENTAGE IS LESS FOR LARGER CONVOYS. IT APPEARS THAT SINKINGS ARE MORE DEPENDENT ON RELATIVE STRENGTH OF OPPOSING COMBATANT FORCES THAN ON SIZE OF TARGET. NEITHER COMMODORES REPORTS NOR CONVOY RECORDS SHOW THAT STRAGGLING, STATION KEEPING AND SPEED REDUCTION IS APPRECIABLY GREATER IN LARGE THAN SMALL CONVOYS. RESULTING CONCLUSION OF STUDY IS THAT WE WOULD REDUCE OUR LOSSES IF WE INCREASED STANDARD CONVOY SIZE FROM PRESENT ALLOWABLE 6 to 8 SHIPS AND OPENED CYCLE AND THEREBY GAINED INCREASED ESCORT AND AIR COVER STRENGTH.
PER CONVOY, FACTS AND CONCLUSIONS WOULD SUPPORT EVEN
GREATER CONVOY SIZE.

I AM VERY CONSIDERABLY IMPRESSED WITH THIS STUDY
WHICH IN MANY PARTICULARS CHANGES MY PRECONCEIVED SEAMANS
IDEAS AND I RECOMMEND IT FOR SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. IF
ADOPTED NOW IT MIGHT WELL BE A CONSIDERABLE AID IN
HELPING US OVER THE PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS NEXT FEW
MONTHS.

STUDY FORWARDED BY MAIL BY SECRET SERIAL #8119.

CONINCH PASSED TO OPNAV FOR F-37

F37...CHG...NAVY...FILE.

TOR NCR 1445

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BETWEEN CHESAPEAKE AND LOOKOUT
ESCORT ALL SHIPS LESS THAN 14.5 KNOTS.

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COMINCH...19...17C...FILE
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(Per 19C)
**NAVAL MESSAGE**

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**HATCH** 1019188 NCR 29926

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

**ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME**

**GCT**

**TEXT**

SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ONS 2. SHIPS ESCORTING ON 176.
SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY HX 232. REPEATED CIN CWA, FOC ICELAND, COMIN CH, NSHQ OTTAWA, ACCINC COASTAL COMMAND.
FROM ADMIRALTY.

REFERENCE ADMIRALTY MESSAGE 1014488 NOT REPETITION NOT TO ESCORTS OF HX 232. FURTHER INCONCLUSIVE BEARINGS OF TRANSMISSIONS ON 12950 K/C PER SECOND INDICATE THAT A CONVOY IS BEING SHADOWED, PROBABLY ONS 2 BUT POSSIBLY ON 176 OR HX 232.

NO DISTRIBUTION MADE BY NCR. NCR DELIVERED TO NCR FOR DISTRIBUTION.

COMIN CH...COG

16...20G...F37...CNO...HAVAIDE...BAD 0...FILE

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JCS MEMO 1-17-73 BY RT, DATE

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(CINCWA INFO COMINCH C&R, CTF 24, ADMIRALTY, NSHQ, FONF, CINCWNA, CTG 24.7, HUCC, CTU 24.1.18 FROM CTU 24.1.17)

COMINCH'S 10/142 AND CTU 24.1.18'S 10/325.

BEARINGS OBTAINED OF 2222 AND 0026 TRANSMISSIONS DEGREES AND 60 DEGREES RESPECTIVELY BOTH 4TH CLASS AND OUTSIDE 50 MILES. WERE NOT THOUGHT TO BE REPORTS HX 232 PARTICULARLY AS SOUTHERLY GALE BLOW AT TIME.

(2) POSITIONS OF OTHER MID-OCEAN CONVOYS NOT RECEIVED.

COMINCH...COG

16...27G...F37...3ADO...NAVATE...CNO...FILE

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/44

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**NAVAL MESSAGE**

**FROM:** USS GOFF (INDEF CALL)  
**TO:** U.S.S. Trinidad  
**DATE:** 9 April 1943  
**TOR CODEROOM:** 1628  
**DECODED BY:** Stambaugh  
**PARAPHRASED BY:** Strong

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**GERMAN**  
\(\#91452\)  
\(\text{NCR 2956}\)

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**ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME**

**DATE**  
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**TEXT**

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swlrrzvO
ORIGINATOR GOFF

1200Z/9 POSITION OF GOFF WITH TB10 WAS
\(\phi 6-\phi 1 N 52-21 W, 112\). FIVE OVER THE GROUND.

AIR COVERAGE NOT CONTACTED SINCE AFTERNOON 8TH.
APPARENT ATTEMPTED SURFACE ATTACK BY ONE SUBMARINE
AT \(\phi 630Z\) IN POSITION 06-12 N, 52-47 W. DRIVEN OFF
BY PC 577 WITHOUT DAMAGE TO EITHER SIDE. CONTACT
LOST AND NOT REGAINED.

F37...COG
COMINCH...19...39...20G.. NAVADE...FILE.
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FROM
GOWINCH

RELEASED BY
EDWARDS

DATE
18 MAR 1943

TOR CODEROOM
1795

DECODED BY
PLOSKI

PARAPHRASED BY

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

RCNEY
161647

MCR 7153

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TEXT

ACTION ADEES: ADMIRALTY, NSHO, CINC ART, CTF 24, COMBEASTSFARON, CINCARIBSFARON, COMGULFSFARON, COG US ARMY, CANADIAN AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS OTTAWA, COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF, BAD, CINOPAC

PLEASE MAKE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO REPORT OF CONVOY CONFERENCE APPENDIX A TO ACC 2 PAGE ENTITLED CONVOY PLAN. CHANGE LAST 4 FIGURES IN LINE CURACAO-UK CONVOY TO READ IN ORDER 6666. CHANGE TOTAL TO READ 446.

GOWINCH...ORIG

F97...39...12...11G...CNC...COG ARMY...NWCS...BADO...

COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF...210P...1919O...FILE....

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DECRESSED BY: DEMEYER

INFORMATION: 16 MARCH 1943

TOR CODEROOM: 1551/18

PARAPHRASED BY: ROONEY 161549

NCR 7181

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PROVISIONS MY 122219* ARE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

REF: CONVOY CONFERENCE PROPOSALS

COMMINGH...ORIG

F37.....39.....BADO....FILE...

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

memorandum for Lt Comdr Nott:

3 - 15 - 43

The following convoy requests have arrived at their destinations:

HX 228, 58 ships, 4 sunk, 1 torp but salvagable

NY 7 2 ships, no casualties
   (New York to Iceland)

SG 21 4 ships, no casualties
   (St Johns to Greenland)
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: TU 24.1.16
RELEASED BY
DATE: 14 MARCH 1943
TOR CODEROOM: 1247/14
DECODED BY: MCGOWAN/COFFMAN

ADDRESSEES
FOR ACTION
AIG 301 (SEE BELOW)

INFORMATION
HMS CLEMATIS CHELSEA

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PARAPHRASED BY

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ROONEY

1026Z/14

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME TO VT 24.1.16

DATE
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TEXT

(AIG 301-(COMINCH C&R. INFO: CTF 24. ADMIRALTY, CINCWA, NSHQ. FONF, COAC. CTG 24.7. HQ COASTAL COMMAND) ALSO INFO: HMS CLEMATIS, CHELSEA. FROM TU 24.1.16)

ON 170.

INDICATIONS FROM OWN H/F D/F ARE THAT U-BOATS LOST TOUCH AFTER BEING DRIVEN OFF AND HAVE NOT REGAINED TOUCH SINCE. MOST OF THEM NOW NORTH WEST OF ME. MY P/C/S AT 0930Z 14TH 51-05 NORTH 44-47 WEST (U) 220 9. HAVE ORDERED USS UPSHUR TO RETURN SC 122 IN ACCORDANCE WITH CTR 24'S 2335Z/13TH. WEATHER REPORTS: 4762 0964*.

*WEATHER PASSED.

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**FOLLOWING AGREEMENTS AND UNDERSTANDINGS REACHED IN CONNECTION WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION COMINCH 122219**

(A) US TO TAKE OVER UC-CU CONVOYS. OPERATIONAL CONTROL OVER THESE CONVOYS REVERTS TO CINCLANT UPON ARRIVAL CU 1 IN UK. EXPECTED DATE DEPARTURE UC 2 10-12 APRIL. ESCORT STRENCH 6 VESSELS.

(B) ADMIRALTY ADVISES ICELAND (C) SHUTTLE GROUP SHOULD BE RELIEVED NOT LATER THAN APRIL 3.

(C) 1 US SUPPORT GROUP OF 1 ACV PLUS 5 DESTROYER TYPE OR LARGE CG CUTTERS TO BE FORMED TO SUPPORT NORTH ATLANTIC TRADE CONVOYS AND TO BE UNDER BRITISH OPERATIONAL CONTROL.

(D) ESCORT FOR OT-TO CONVOYS TO BE COMPOSED OF 2 GROUPS OF 4 VESSELS EACH.

(E) ACCEPTABLE TO WITHDRAW SAVANNAH SANTEE PLUS 4 DESTROYERS FROM TASK FORCE 23.

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(F) UG-GU CONVOYS TO BE SUPPORTED AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE WITH 1 ACV. WHEN ADDITIONAL ACV REPORT TO CINCLANT INCREASE TO 2 ACV.

(G) EXPECTED SHIPS PARA 11 WILL BE RETURNED TO US CONTROL ABOUT MAY 1. ADVISE ARRANGEMENTS TO MEET PARA ADEABLE AND EARLIEST DATE PARA CHARLIE CAN BE MADE EFFECTIVE.

CCWO DELIVER COPY TO CAPTAIN EASON
As result of Convoy Conference propose following concerning Convoy only:

(1) Retain present designations for North Atlantic trade Convoy but renumber ONS Convoy with new serial numbers.

(2) Establish Halifax as terminal for SG and ONS Convoy.

(3) Sail North Atlantic Convoy on following schedule:

   (A) HX230 March 18, HX231 March 25, HX232 April 1/7 then 6 day intervals to HX237 April 30 then 5 day intervals.

   (B) SC123 from New York March 13, SC124 from New York March 20, SC125 from Halifax March 31 then 8 day intervals.

   (C) ON179 March 13, ON174 March 21, ON175 9 knot 8 March 24, ON176 March 31 then 6 day intervals to ON178 April 12 then 5 day intervals.

   (D) ON81 March 15, ON82 March 28 then 8 day intervals.

(4) Establish Boston Halifax (BX-XB) Convoy with sailings BX38 from Boston March 23 then 4 day.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM

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(5) CONTINUE UC-CU CONVOYS ON APPROXIMATELY A 54 DAY INTERVAL UNLESS US ESCORT TANKERS TO MAKE UNESCORTED SHUTTLE TRIP TO SUPPLY OIL TO NEW YORK POOL DURING WESTERN END CAYOVER.

(6) CONTINUE O-T CONVOYS FROM RUGA UNDER US ESCORT ON 26 DAY INTERVAL TANKERS TO MAKE SHUTTLE TRIP AS IN PARA 5 ABOVE.

(7) CONTINUE UC CONVOYS UNDER US ESCORT FAST CONVOYS AS AT PRESENT ON ABOUT 26 DAY INTERVAL SLOW CONVOYS TO BE CHANGED TO 18 DAY INTERVAL SAILING SCHEDULE LATER.

ON CONVOYS TO BE SYNCHRONIZED WITH ARRIVALS OF UC CONVOYS AT GIBRALTAR IF PRACTICABLE.

(8) DISCONTINUE ICELAND (C) SHUTTLE AND BAIL ICELAND (C) SHIPPING TO UK TO PROCEED THEN TO ICELAND (C) IN UR CONVOYS.

(9) NORTH RUSSIAN CONVOYS TO SAIL AS REQUIRED UNDER BRITISH ESCORT.

(10) US COASTAL ATLANTIC CONVOYS TO CONTINUE ON PRESENT 5 AND 10 DAY SCHEDULE.

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INTERVALS BUT WITH SOME CHANGES IN SAILING DATES BY SEPARATE DESPATCH.

(11) SHIPS IN A3 MIDOCEAN GROUP TO BE RETURNED TO US CONTROL AS BRITISH NEW CONSTRUCTION PERMITS.

(12) MIDOCEAN ESCORTS TO BE COMPOSED OF 14 BRITISH AND CANADIAN GROUPS.

(13) WESTERN LOCALS TO BE COMPOSED OF 11 CANADIAN GROUPS AND TO ESCORT TRANSATLANTIC TRADE CONVOYS.

(14) BETWEEN NEW YORK, HALIFAX AND WESTUP AND IN ADDITION TO ESCORT BOSTON HALIFAX CONVOYS.

PRESENT COMMAND AND CHOPLINE TO REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

REQUEST YOUR EARLY CONCURRENCE.

COMINC...ORIG

F37....39....BAD....29....190....FILE

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EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THERE ARE SUBSTANTIALLY GREATER LOSSES IN 7 KNOT CONVOYS THAN IN 9 KNOT CONVOYS. DRIVE IS BEING INSTITUTED HERE TO REDUCE NUMBER OF SHIPS IN NORTH ATLANTIC ONLY CAPABLE OF SLOW CONVOYS.

(2) I HAVE BEEN ASKED BY WAR CABINET ANTI-U-BOAT COMMITTEE TO REQUEST YOU TO MAKE SURVEY WITH OBJECTIVE OF ELIMINATION OF AS MANY UNITED STATES CONTROLLED SHIPS AS POSSIBLE SUBSTITUTING FASTER SHIPS AND USING SLOWER SHIPS ON OTHER ROUTES. AS THIS REQUEST RESULTS FROM CONSIDERED OPINION BY THE HIGHEST AUTHORITIES HERE I HOPE YOU WILL GIVE THE MATTER YOUR PERSONAL ATTENTION. HAL 5.

(3) EXPERIENCE SHOWS ELIMINATION OF STRAGGLERS IS EVEN
MORE IMPORTANT AND THEREFORE SHIPS SHOULD NOT BE STEpped UP TO FASTER CONVOYS UNLESS CAPABLE OF SUSTAINING REQUIRED SPEED.

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**TEXT ACTION**

- BAHIA PASS TO LETEMAR FOR INFO

A MISCELLANEOUS COASTAL CONVOY UNDER BRAZILIAN NAVY ESCORT IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART BAHIA FOR RIO 14TH OR 15TH. SAIL ALL SHIPS BOUND FOR SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS BELOW BAHIA IN THIS CONVOY AND ORIGINATE SAILING TELEGRAM.

**COG: F-37**

**COMINCH...19...19C...BADO...39...FILE.**

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AT 2159/2ND NK AND NORTHBOUND CONVOY CROSSED AT 35-12 NORTH 74-57 WEST DEAD RECKONING. PLYMOUTH SIDE SWIPED SC ESCORT NO. UNKNOWN WHICH CONTINUED UNDERWAY APPARENTLY NO MAJOR DAMAGE. ANOTHER ESCORT REPORTED SUNK BY CONVOY VESSEL. BE FURTHER INFORMATION WILL/SENT WHEN AVAILABLE.

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PRELIMINARY REPORT ON ATTACK ON ONS 167 21ST FEBRUARY 1943 POSITION 5°30'NORTH 24°38'WEST. NIGHT CALM OVERCAST VISIBILITY GOOD. NUMBER 11 ROSARIO AND NUMBER 13 H H ROGERS TORPEDOED PORT SIDE AT 2045Z. NO HF/DF BEARING PRIORITIZED ATTACK. U-BOAT PROBABLY SUBMERGED AHEAD OF CONVOY BEFORE DARK. DETECTED BY RDF BY ACONIT IN POSITION ROBERT ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE ON SURFACE.

FORCED TO DIVE WITH STAR SHELL AND ATTACKED WITH ONE PATTERN. CONTACT LOST. U-BOAT SURFACED AT ABOUT 0230Z AND STARTED TRANSMITTING ON SERIES 1 AND GAINING BEARING.

AT 0410Z HARVESTER RAN DOWN CLOSE GROUND WAVE BEARING ON FH4 RDF CONTACT OBTAINED AND U-BOAT SIGHTED. 3 PATTERNS DROPPED IN 17 MINUTES 25 DEPTH CHARGES. FIRST ATTACK CONSIDERED ACCURATE. LARGE AIR BUBBLE NO OTHER EVIDENCE.

OPERATION OBSERVANT WITH NO RESULT. CONVOY WAS NOT REPORTED AGAIN.

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**TOR Code Room:** Meyer/Robbins

**Decoded By:** Guillaume

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### NAVAL MESSAGE

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**Precedence:** OP OP OP OP<br>**GI: 28 FEB 1943**

**TOR CODE DOM:** 444/28  
**Direction:** FOC ICELAND  
**CTG 24.6**  
**VERVAIN**  
**ACANTHUS**  
**OP OP OP OP**  
**Priority:** PRIORITY  
**Routine:** ROUTINE  
**Deferred:** DEFERRED

**Paraphrased by:** ROBBINS  
**Converted by:** COFFMAN

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**HX 227.**

**PC/S AT 21/02 27TH 58-25 NORTH 42-10 WEST (X) Ø76 9.**

**MANY H/F BEARINGS CLOSE MOST ABOUT 2Ø Ø DEGS OBTAINED IN LAST 24 HOURS. SHADOWING SUSPECTED BUT NO U-BOAT SIGHTED. REQUEST ANY INFORMATION SHIPS PRESENT ALL SAFE VERVAIN AND ACANTHUS SHOULD JOIN TOMORROW.**

**WEATHER REPORTS: 4686 1555*.**

*WEATHER PASSED.

**NOTE:** THIS MESSAGE IS BEING SERVICED IN NSS 280632.

**F37...ACTION**

**COMINCH...26G...FILE**

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BEGINNING MARCH 8 DUE TO NECESSARY OVERHAUL OF
RECENTLY ADDED TRAWLERS ESCORTED GROUP SAILINGS
BETWEEN S A PORTS WILL BE WEEKLY INSTEAD OF
BI-WEEKLY AS AT PRESENT. MY Ø21000.
FOG GIB; NOIC ORAN; COM ALG; NOIC BONE; BOUGIE, PHILLIPPEVILLE; SNOCA; FOCHAF INFO ADMIRALTY, COMINCH C & R FROM CINCMED.

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PRESUME IN VIEW OF COMINCH 1415/22ND THAT PARAGRAPH A, B AND C OF YOUR 1635/24TH WILL NOT BE PUT INTO EFFECT.

(2) IN ANY CASE NO ADDITIONAL ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY FORCES ARE AT PRESENT AVAILABLE FOR REINFORCING THE WESTERN LOCAL ESCORT FORCE. CANADIAN LOCAL DEFENSE AND LOCAL CONVOY FORCES WERE CUT DOWN TO BARE MINIMUM IN ORDER TO SEND 17 CORVETTES TO TORCH. FORCES RELEASED AS RESULT OF CLOSING OF ST. LAWRENCE AND SYDNEY C.B. WERE AT ONCE PUT INTO WESTERN LOCAL ESCORT FORCE.

(3) NO IMPROVEMENT IN PRESENT SITUATION IS ANTICIPATED AND IN FACT IT WILL BECOME MORE ACUTE IN APRIL AND MAY WHEN GULF OPENS AGAIN.

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From: COMMHEC
To: MILID

No. FPC 5372 February 22, 1943

Intelligence and air report 3452 air coverage missions flown olds 200 to 2000 feet via 3/4 to 2 miles Comtask Unit 24.1.3 reports 2 vessels torpedoed in convoy night Feb 21st vicinity 48 North 32 West another ship torpedoed same convoy night 22nd at 46533452, cite 383 BS, escorts this convoy attacked at least 6 subs 32nd including escort Campbell which was damaged in collision with sub.

Two ships in another convoy torpedoed night 21st vicinity position 49 North 29 West.

Will report full details above actions when situation clarified.

Brooks

ACTION: G-2CUNA.

INFORMATION: OPD
OG AAF

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IT APPEARS THAT THE NUMBER OF SHIPS NOW PRESENTING FOR CONVOY IN NEW YORK IS FAR IN EXCESS OF THE NUMBERS WHICH CAN BE INCLUDED IF A LIMIT OF 65 SHIPS PER CONVOY IS ADHERED TO. WHILST WE ARE MOST ANXIOUS TO KEEP CONVOYS DOWN TO A REASONABLE SIZE IT IS CLEAR THAT EMERGENCY MEASURES ARE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO DEAL WITH THE PRESENT SITUATION. WE HAVE NO PRECISE INFORMAT AS TO THE EXTENT OR DURATION OF THE PRESENT CONGESTION BUT HAVING REGARD TO THE INCREASED AMOUNT OF SHIPPING NECESSARY TO AUGMENT THE U.K. IMPORT PROGRAMME AND THE INCLUSION OF LST'S IN CONVOYS IT WOULD BE UNWISE TO COUNT ON ANY REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF SHIPS PRESENTING FOR CONVOY IN FUTURE. THE LONG TERM REMEDY IS THE
CLOSING OF THE CYCLE AS PROPOSED IN MY 1119A/19 FEBRUARY (NOT TO ALL ADDRESSEES) BUT THE FOLLOWING MEASURES ARE PROPOSED AS AN IMMEDIATE MEANS OF MEETING THE SITUATION.

(A) SIZE OF CONVAYS TO BE TEMPORARILY INCREASED TO 80 SHIPS.
(B) WESTERN LOCAL ESCORT TO BE INCREASED BY 2 ADDITIONAL TRAWLERS OR MINE-SWEEPERS FROM RCN RESOURCES.
(C) MID-OCEAN ESCORT TO BE INCREASED BY 2 DESTROYERS OF WESTERN SUPPORT FORCES WHICH WOULD BE DETACHED OR RELIEVED AT PRUDENT LIMIT OF ENDURANCE BY ESCORTS FROM UK.

THE FORMER WOULD FUEL IN ICELAND (C) OR LONDONDERRY AS MOST CONVENIENT BEFORE RETURNING TO ST. JOHN.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT ST. LAURENT IS PROCEEDING TO UK SHORTLY AND IT IS SUGGESTED SHE MIGHT FORM ONE OF THE ADDITIONAL ESCORTS. IF CONCURRED IN IT IS MOST
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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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3) We have no exact information of volume of U.S. shipping in UGS and UGF convoys and it may be that 20 and 30 day cycles respectively are not sufficient in which case adjustment may be necessary. MKS/OS cycle could be shortened to 15 days if we could find an additional group, but this is unlikely since we must increase the number of groups for N. Atlantic mid-ocean escorts to enable cycle to be closed to complete with increased volume of shipping.

4) OS and WS convoys will be given through escort to Freetown and it will be necessary for local escorts to RV with KM portion of convoy at Gibraltar splitting point (short title G.I.S.P). Similarly MK portion of convoys would be escorted to join northbound convoys at convoy P2 of 3.
MEETING POINT (SHORT TITLE C.O.M.P.) G.I.S.P. AND C.O.M.P. WOULD BE ABOUT ONE DAYS RUN FROM GIBRALTAR.

5) IT WILL PROBABLY BE IMPrACTICABLE TO ARRANGE R/V OF UG AND MK CONVOYS AT G.I.S.P. AND IT IS PROPOSED FIRST ARRIVAL SHOULD WAIT AT GIBRALTAR AND JOIN REMAINDER IN THE STRAITS.

6) IT IS APPRECIATED THAT 20 DAY CYCLE WILL ALLOW MORE THAN 16 DAYS TURNAROUNDS AT ALGIERS, BUT IT IS HOPED NECESSITY OF ASSEMBLING CONVOYS AT GIBRALTAR CAN BE AVOIDED IN VIEW OF ACUTE WATER SHORTAGE.

7) DETAILED PROPOSALS WILL BE WORKED OUT WHEN RESULT OF WASHINGTON CONFERENCE IS KNOWN, IT WOULD, HOWEVER, BE OF ASSISTANCE IF YOU WOULD SIGNAL WHAT ADDITIONAL LOCAL ESCORTS IF ANY WOULD BE REQUIRED TO OPERATE THE ABOVE CYCLES.
NAVAL MESSAGE

DAVRER

ADMIRALTY

EXTENSION NUMBER

CINCWA 17

COMING & BAR

PRECEDENCE

PRIOR RRRRR

FROM

SNOWAT 821

BRITISH ROUTING LIAISON OFFICERS CURACAO AND ARUBA

RELEASED BY 

21 JANUARY 1943

DATE

1646/21

FOC GIBRALTAR 614

FOC ORANGUN 637

TOR CODEROOM

CRISTOBEL/ARQUART

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FED MAN/ANFILL/SHAW

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FO WEST AFRICA 878

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CINCWA AS REQUESTED PASS TO ADVICE AND NCXFS IN U.K. PORTS AS NECESSARY. SNOWAT 821 BRITISH ROUTING LIAISON OFFICER ARUBA

TEXT

CINCWA 17 SNOWAT 821 NC50 PORT OF SPAIN BRITISH ROUTING LIAISON OFFICERS CURACAO AND ARUBA INFO NCXF 677 FOC GIBRALTAR 614 CINCWA 637 BAD 760 FO WEST AFRICA 878 FROM ADMIRALTY

ACTION

PART 1 - 1937/A/20 NCR 9946

PART 2 - 1933/A/20 NCR 9963

PART 3 - 1937/A/20 NCR 9912

UK CURACAO CONVOYS (UC/CU CONVOYS)

IT IS INTENDED TO CONFERENCE TANKER CONVOYS BETWEEN U.K. AND CURACAO

THE FIRST CONVOY UC 1 SAILING 13TH FEB 1943.

2. CONVOY WILL BE RUN ON 20 DAY CYCLE


4. IT IS REQUESTED ALL SHORE AUTHORITIES IN U.K. AND DUTCH WEST INDIES COMMERCIAL AND NAVAL CONCERNED WITH THE LOAD DISCHARGE AND SAILING OF THESE CONVOYS SHOULD APPRECIATE THE IMPORTANCE MAINTAINING QUICK TURN ROUND. SUM TOTAL OF WASTE TANKER DAYS HAS A DIRECT EFFECT MILITARY OPERATION IN EVERY THEATRE OF WAR.

(v) IT IS INTENDED BUILD UP THE CONVOY TO 40 TANKERS PER CONVOY.

(vi) SOME ADJUSTMENTS SAILING DATES MAY BE NECESSARY DUE TO COURSE OF OTHER “STAGGER” ARRIVALS IN UNITED KINGDOM WITH

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ARRIVALS OTHER CONVOY.

(VII) OCEAN ROUTE WILL BE LAID DOWN WITH COMINCH AND PROMULGATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PRINCIPLES ESTABLISHED FOR TRADE TRANS-ATLANTIC CONVOY.

(VIII) AN ESCORT CARRIER WILL TOUCH WITH EACH CONVOY. PROPOSALS ARE BEING WORKED OUT AND WILL BE PROMULGATED.

IX) EACH SHIP SAILING FROM UNITED KINGDOM WILL BE PROVIDED WITH APPROACH ROUTE TO UNITED KINGDOM PORTS FOR US ON HOMeward JOURNEY. IMPORTANT AMENDMENTS ARISE AFTER SAILING OF CONVOY MUST COMMUNICATE MASTER BY BRLO BEFORE CU CONVOY SAILS.

(19) 2 COMMODORES WILL SAIL WITH FIRST UC 1 OF WHO WILL RETURN AS COMMODORE OF THE FIRST CU THE SECOND REMAINING TO SAIL WITH SECOND CU.

(11) ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE IN CARGO TABLES TO BE SUPPLIED TO CURACAO ARUBA AND TRINIDAD.

(12) COMINCH C&R IS REQUESTED ARRANGE FOR USRO TO COORDINATE INFORMATION IN RESPECT OF JOINERS (IF ANY) FROM ARUBA AND TRINIDAD AND TO RESPECT SAILING TELEGRAM IN 2 PARTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH C.R. 04824 (41) ARTICLE 8.

F37....ACT
30....COMINCH....38....ANPB....19....19C....FILE....X

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ADMIRALTY, COMINCH, NOIC GIBRALTAR, NOB TRINIDAD, QUIBERON, SAMPHIRE, HMS PENSTEMON FROM HMS HAVELOCK.

CONVOY TM 1 ATTACKED AT 2330Z/ BRITISH DOMINION
SUNK. MY POSØ 930 11 NORTH Ø19 46 WEST Ø60 10 KNOTS.
4 OR 5 U-BOATS MADE THE ATTACK.

3 COPIES TO 2G-G

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: H.M.S. HAVELOCK
RELEASED BY: 
DATE: 11 JANUARY 1943
TOR CODE ROOM: 0035/2316
DECODED BY: KELLY/ANDERSON/ROBBING/MANFULL/HUTCHINSON
PARAPHRASED BY: 

ADDRESSES: NOIC GIBRALTAR, ADMIRALTY, COMINCH, H.M.S. PATHFINDER, H.M.S. PENN, H.M.S. PENTSTEMON, NAVAL COMMANDER X F, FLAG OFFICER WEST AFRICA, S.N.O. CASABLANCA, S.N.O. ORAN, CIUBERON, SAMPHERE

TEXT:

YOUR 1115A/14TH NOT TO ALL ADDEES. BY MN ON LEAVING POSITION 26 18 NORTH 27 25 WEST AT 052/9TH THE FOLLOWING WERE AFOAT. NORVIK BADLY DAMAGED PROBABLY SINKING, MINISTER WEDEL NOT SO BADLY DAMAGED MAY BE AFOAT, EMPIRE LYTTON EASILY SALVAGEABLE. ALBERT ELLSWORTH WAS BURNING IN POSITION 27 56 NORTH 28 50 WEST. ABOUT 30 MINUTES AFTER H.M.S. HAVELock LEFT LYTTON WAS AGAIN TORPEDGED AND BLEW UP, AVIATION (SPIRIT). WIND EAST BY SOUTH 2.

POSITION GIVEN IN MY 0652/9TH WAS IN ERROR.
H/F D/F BEARINGS ON 56 50 KCS AT 22 46 22 56 AND 23 062/9TH INDICATED 3 U-BOATS AHEAD OF CONVOY.

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VCON

ALL MAXIMUM STRENGTH. MY DCS AT 14 10/2 1ST
30 04 NORTH 21 30 WEST 51 1 Knots.
INTEND TO SHIFT RADIO TELEPHONY FREQUENCY TO 24 10
KCS AT 1800Z/1ST.

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9 JAN 1943

**TOR CODEROOM** 0234

**DECODED BY** CONNOLLY/MIKELL

**PARAPHRASED BY**

**HATCH** 91912 NCR 54

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**TEXT**

BRITISH TANKER OL'TENA SECOND AND NORWEGIAN TANKER ALBER L. ELLSWORTH UNDER BRITISH CHARTER IN CONVOY TM 1 TORPEDOED 8 JANUARY POSITION 27-59 NORTH 26-50 WEST. FORMER SUNK LATTER ON FIRE PROBABLY TOTAL LOSS. (DAILY SERIAL 9) HANNAH MOLLER SERIAL TWO ZERO TOTAL LOSS. TRAJINUS SERIAL TWO ONE REFLOATED. EXATERINI COUMANTAROU SERIAL SEVEN ARRIVED COLOMBO.

16 ; ; ACT

COMINCH 12/31 F37 29C BADO

ANPB NAVAIDE 260P BUSHIPS 39

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OUTGOING MESSAGE

Combined Chiefs of Staff
December 24, 1942

TO: FREEDOM, ALGIERS
    USFOR LONDON, ENGLAND

Number 451
Number H-4619

Reference your 2392 of December 18.

Material already listed in our message 232 of December 17th will be shipped on UGS 4 to Oran less 8,000 rifles already shipped from UK in KM 6. Further 32 Bofors AA guns are being shipped by 1st available convoy from UK, date of which London will advise.

For Eisenhower Freedom Algiers Fan 47 from Combined Chiefs of Staff.

Following additional items available if required:

(A) From USA. 900 light and 600 heavy machine guns, 800 infantry mortars, 1200 -37 millimeter anti-tank guns, 150 -105 millimeter howitzers, all with 10 units of fire.

(B) From UK, 200-2-pounder anti-tank guns with up to 700 rounds per gun, 120 -75 millimeter guns with 4,000 rounds per gun.

Because inclusion of weapons and ammunition for French displaces organizational equipment of US and British troops of your Forces, we need your specific recommendations as to:

(1) number and type of guns and amount of ammunition you require from US and UK from above list;

(2) number of 1-quarter-ton trucks required: these will come from US.

(3) Convoys in which various items should be shipped.

ORIG: CCS
INFO. COPIES: OPD, ADMIRAL KING

CM-OUT-8367 (12/24/42)
CM-OUT-8375 (12/24/42)

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PROPOSAL HAS BEEN MADE TO OPEN TRANSATLANTIC CONVOY CYCLES TO TEN DAYS AND REDUCE MID-OCEAN GROUPS TO EIGHT. OTHER THREE GROUPS PLUS BAKER FIVE GROUP TO BE ASSIGNED OTHER DUTIES.

COMMENT TO ME ONLY.

COMINCH......ORIG
F=37.........FILE.......
Increase in size of both UGF and UGS convoys by 3 French ships approved by Navy. Reur 2138 December 16 (from Marshall) these French ships must be capable of 15 knots for UGF and 10 knots for UGS convoys. In this connection Navy is being requested to reduce speed of UGS convoys and slower ships may be approved although no decision as yet. No escorts available to bring these ships from Dakar in addition to regular torch convoys therefore necessary for ships to have French escorts or travel alone. Regarding weapons for French and reur 2392 (NAF 44) December 18 certain equipment being shipped, see our 232 December 17 answering your 1825 December 12. Complete answer that subject being prepared.

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INFO. COPIES: CG SOS, CCS, ADM KING, LOG

CM-OUT-7299 (12/22/42) 0103Z ejg

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DATE: 17 DECEMBER 1942
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DECODED BY: WINDUS/OLIVER/ROSS
PARAPHRASED BY:

ADDRESS: S.C. 112, O.N. 152, CINCWA 845, FOC ICELAND 258, COMINCH, NSHQ 69, AO CINC COASTAL COMMAND, CTG 24.7

FROM ADMTY.

D/F BEARINGS ON 4400 KC8 PER SEC. AT 0528Z INDICATE U-BOA T HAS REPORTED EITHER S.C. 112 OR O.N. 152.

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ON 133. CONVOY ATTACKED AT CT50Z IN POSITION 51-35 N 24-13 W
88 ABBJORN, 88 REGENT LION TORP LIED.

ACTION...COMINCH...
16...F37...39...256...BADO...
FILE...350P...CN0....

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ADMIRALTY FOR DIRECTOR ANTI-SUB WAREFARE CINCHWA INFO COMMODORE LONDONDERRY CAPTAIN (D) GREENOCK CTF 24 CTC 24.7 FROM CAPTAIN (D) LIVERPOOL.

MY 1315/14 PART 1. (RECEIVED AS 1302/14)
PRELIMINARY REPORTS HX 217 ESCORTED BY B6, SENIOR OFFICER IN HMS FAME.
CONVOY SIGHTED AND REPORTED BY U-BOAT SOON LEAVING WESTONMP. FROM THEN ON AT LEAST 4 U-BOATS CONSTANTLY IN TOUCH. 33 SIGHTSETTER REPORTS DURING 4 SUCCESSIVE NIGHT ATTACKS.
REPORTS U-BOAT'S TACTICS APPEARED TO BE TO ATTACK IN PAIRS, POSSIBILITY STAGE MANAGED BY U-BOAT ASTERN.

PART 2 FINAL. (RECEIVED AS 1315/14)
S.O. ESCORT'S PLAN 894 TO KEEP HIS SHIPS CLOSE IN TO FLANKS OF CONVOY USING H/F D/F TO PLOT POSITIONS OF U-BOATS WORKING UP INTO ATTACKING POSITION AND REINFORCING THREATENED
ACTION

SECTOR AS NECESSARY. THESE TACTICS WERE SO SUCCESSFUL THAT ONLY 2 SHIPS WERE LOST ONE OF THEM A LARGE PETROL TANKER IN WING COLUMN. U-BOATS SHOWED LITTLE INCLINATION TO PRESS HOME ATTACK A FEW FOUNDS OF STAR SHELLS AND GERMINTKON CAUSED THEM TO RETIRE. NOTABLE FEATURE WAS FREQUENT DETECTION HIGH EXPLOSIVES OUTSIDE RDF RANGE BY ESCORT WITH "Y" OSCILLATOR.

SEVERAL PROMISING COUNTER ATTACKS WERE MADE AND AIRCRAFT IN THE VICINITY OF CONVOY CLAIM DESTRUCTION OF 2 U-BOATS.

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**Paraphrased By:**

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120145  MCR 8619

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**Text:**

COMNAVEU pass to Admiralty for action.


45 merchant ships
May panic in Company

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MODIFY BY 172134 NOVEMBER. COMPOSITION USF3 AS FOLLOWS:
FOR WEST AFRICAN PORTS AP'S ARGENTINA BRAZIL URUGUAY THURSTON
GEOERTHLUS SLOTERDIAK AND HANNA BARRY A C BERNINGTON PLUS
SEATRAINTEXAS USS LAKEHURST; FOR MEDITERRANEAN PORTS AP'S LYON
NIGHTINGALE STANTON DIX PARKER ALEXANDER AO'S NORWALK TICO AND

USS HERRINACK ACCOMPANIES TO FUEL DESTROYERS TOTAL 21 SHIPS.

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**NCXF INFO CINCLANT COMINCH FROM S.N.O. CASABLANCA**

**U N T I L P O R T O F C A S A B L A N C A I S C L E A R E D AND DOCKS REPAIRED.**

5 DAYS INADEQUATE FOR UNLOADING FAST CONVOY. EFFECTIVE UNLOADING TIME REDUCED TO ABOUT 3 DAYS BY TIME REQUIRED ENTRANCE AND

SORTIE FOR RIGGING MERCHANT SHIPS FOR UNLOADING AND FOR

SECURING THEIR MACHES AND HOLDS FOR SEA. STRONGLY RECOMMEND

CONVOY SCHEDULE BE AMENDED ACCORDINGLY TO AVOID UNDUE RISK TO THE SHIPS OF SUCCEEDING SLOW CONVOYS.

**NCXF PASS TO COMINCH CINCLANT INFO.**

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INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. 1435, December 8, 1942

Patton's request for delays (to AGWAR from Freedom Algiers) in sailing of UGS convoys by three days not considered advisable request UGS three sail December one one as scheduled signed Eisenhower.

No Sig.

ACTION COPY: OPD
INFO COPIES: Gen. Deane (CC/S)
Adm. King
LOG

CM-IN-3364 (12/8/42) 1834Z mer

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CONVOY 1 TANKER 3 MERCHANT VESSELS ARRIVED MALTA WITHOUT INCIDENT ABOUT 5TH.

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POSITION GUD2 1400Z/5 DECEMBER 38-00 NORTH 40-00 WEST. GREAT CIRCLE TO NEW YORK ADVANCE 13. ARRIVE 10TH OR 11TH DECEMBER. COMPOSITION GUD2: TRANSPORTS, HERMITAGE, MONTICELLO, MONTEREY, CRISTOBAL, SANTA ELENA, SANTA PAULA, XSANTA ROSA, ERRICSON, MCANDREW, BORINGUEN; CARGO SHIPS, FAIRLAND, SANTA MARGARITA, ROBIN SHERWOOD, DELAIRES, LOUISE LYKEN, MARTIN BAKE, ROBIN TUXFORD, SANTA ISABELLA; TANKERS, CHIEOPEG, SEACAY. SANTA MARIA, EXAMINER, SANTA MONICA DID NOT SAIL WITH CONVOY. COMPOSITION ESCORTS, ARKANSAS, PLUNKETT, BENSON, SNITQACK, MAYO, GLEAVES, TAYLOR, LAVALLETTE, CHEVALIER, STRONG.

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RELEASED BY:
DATE: 2 DEC 1942
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DECODED BY: LOVELL/MANFULL
PARAPHRASED BY: COFFMAN

TO: COAC
ADDRESS: HM8 KELVIN (AIG 362)
ADDRESS: OCF 24
ADDRESS: COMINCH C&R
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TEXT:

(AT 0924Z/18T RESCUE SHIP PERTH HEARD SIGHTING REPORT FROM ENEMY SUB H/F D/F BEARINGS 255. AT 1152Z/18T AIRCRAFT SIGHTED PERISCOPE APPROXIMATELY SAME BEARINGS CLOSE TO CONVOY. NO CONTACTS HAVE BEEN MADE BY ESCORT VESSELS. REMAINING IN POSITION UNTIL 1400Z/18T. POSITION OF HX 217 AT 1152Z/18T 044-49 N Ø58-34 W STEERING READJUSTING COURSE 112 8 KNOTS ALTER TO Ø72 - AT 1800Z/18T. 3 STRAGGLERS HAD ARRIVED. ERRICK PARK, ESCOR, FROM HC 111 HAVE JOINED THE CONVOY. REQUEST PERMISSION TO DETACH THEM WITH LADY RODNEY TO ST. JOHN'S NF THEY ARE DELAYING CONVOY. WEATHER REPORTS 5471 15745.

*WEATHER PAB88ED

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**Addressee:**
- CTF 35
- COMINCH
- COMASTSEAFRON PD AT NEW YORK

**Paraphrased by:**
- PRIORITY
- ROUTINE
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**Text:**

- **CINCLANT IS ORIGINATOR.**
  - **IF DURING FIRST 24 HOURS OUT OF NEW YORK ANY VESSELS OF UGF-3 SMOKE TO SUCH AN EXTENT AS TO ENDANGER THE CONVOY SEND THEM BACK TO PORT. EXPECT TO INCLUDE EDWARDS FOR THIS PURPOSE IN ESCORT FOR FIRST 24 HOURS. PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO H F ALEXANDER.**

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THIS FROM CINCLANT. CTF 38 PASS TO CTG 26.7 FOR INFO. COMNAVEU DELIVER TO ADMIRALTY, CINCAF AND CTG 31.8 ACTION ADEQUATE PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE.

TF 33 COMDESRON 8 HEREBY CONSTITUTED AS DESRON 8 PLUS USS CHAMPLIN. ESCORT CONVOY UGS 3 CONSISTING OF ABOUT 45 CARGO SHIPS READY SAIL NEW YORK ABOUT DECEMBER 6TH TO CASABLANCA AND OTHER AFRICAN PORTS. USS MATAPONI AND USS RAPIDAN ARE INCLUDED IN CONVOY AND ARE TO BE USED FOR FUELLING DESTROYERS AT SEA. FOLLOW ROUTE TO BE PRESCRIBED BY COMINCH(C AND R). OPERATIONAL CONTROL SHIFTS FROM ME TO ADMIRALTY UPON CROSSING LONGITUDE 40°W AND TO CINCAF UPON CROSSING 15°W. VESSELS IN CONVOY BOUND FOR MEDITERRANEAN PORTS WILL BE TURNED OVER TO BRITISH ESCORT AT POINT DESIGNATED INITIALLY BY COMINCH C&R.

UNITS OF TF 33 WHEN IN WEST AFRICAN WATERS ARE AVAILABLE ONLY FOR LOCAL ESCORT DUTY AND NOT FOR OTHER OPERATIONS. TF 33 WILL ESCORT SHIPS RETURNING FROM NORTH AFRICA
INCLUDING AT LEAST 1 FAST TANKER FOR FUELLING DESTROYERS AT SEA (?) WHEN DIRECTED BY CTG 36.7 IN ACCORDANCE WITH ADMIRALTY ROUTING. UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY WE, RETURN TO NEW YORK.
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11-21-42
2126Z

PRIORITY

From: London (21/1845Z)
To: Agwar
No. 5122, November 21, 1942

This headquarters desires to emphasize, reference cable eight nine four (GIB) relayed to you one nine November that his convoy has on board personnel of British Army, RAF, RN and merchant Navy totaling four one officers four eight eight men who are to be transhipped to unit.

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894 is CM-IN-8293 (11/19/42) Gen Deane (CCS)

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**PLEASE PASS TO CINCSA. COMINCH C & R PASS TO ADMIRALTY***

*RAWA, INFO COMINCH C & R, ALUSNA RIO FROM CONSOLANT*

**BECAUSE ESCORTS ARE AVAILABLE I AM ORGANIZING CONVOYS BETWEEN TRINIDAD AND RIO DE JANEIRO AND RETURN WHICH ARE PRIMARILY FOR TANKERS. UNTIL WE HAVE MORE ESCORTS WILL NOT HAVE FIXED SCHEDULE. WILL INFORM YOU OF SAILING DATES WHEN DETERMINED. CAN PICK UP SHIPS ENROUTE.***

**NCR HAS NOT PASSED.**

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CESF CONSIDERS THERE ARE STRONG INDICATIONS ENEMY IS RESUMING SUBMARINE OPERATIONS THIS FRONTIER. TASK GROUPS COMMANDERS WILL BE GUIDED ACCORDINGLY, SHIPS MAKING LESS THAN 14 1/2 KNOTS WILL NOT PROCEED ALONG COAST UNLESS ESCORTED. SHIPS OVER 14 1/2 KNOTS PROCEEDING SINGLY WILL ZIGZAG. CONTACTS WILL BE FOLLOWED UP AND MAINTAINED TO FULLEST EXTENT FORCES PERMIT. PLANES, PATROL VESSELS, INCLUDING COASTAL PICKETS INTENSIFY EFFORTS TO ATTACK AND KEEP SUBS DOWN AND TO PREVENT ENEMY MINING OPERATIONS.

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(CTF 24 INFO COMINCH C&G ADMIRALTY CINCPAC NSHQ FONF COAC FOC ICELAND CTG 24.6 FROM CTU 24.1.14)

SC 197 ATTACKED DURING NIGHT. DALEY SUNK SURVIVORS RESCUED.

INGHAM US DESTROYER LEARY US DESTROYER SCHENCK JOINED 1100.

ZED 5TH. VANESSA DETACHED TO REJOIN HX 213. AIRCRAFT
ATTACKED 3 SUBMARINES ON SURFACE WHILE INVESTIGATING H/F
D/F BEARINGS. SUGGEST ICELAND SECTION AND ESCORTS REMAIN
UNTIL DUSK 7TH NOV. P.O.S. 58.27 NORTH 32-45 WEST (B)

Ø51 DEGS 7.5 KNOTS. WEATHER 7282 26.65.

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REFERENCE COMCARIBSEAFRON 161607.

A. COMEASTSEAFRON CONTINUES OPINION THAT TAG CONVOYS SHOULD ENTER GUANTANAMO FOR ASSEMBLY AND ORGANIZATION INTO GN CONVOYS.

B. HOWEVER COMEASTSEAFRON WILL INTERPOSE NO OBJECTION FOR THE PRESENT TO FORMATION OF GN CONVOYS WITHOUT PRIOR ENTRANCE OF SHIPPING INTO GUANTANAMO PROVIDED FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS ARE MET: 1. THAT CONVOY IS ORGANIZED AND FORMED DURING DAYLIGHT 2. THAT CONVOY IS FORMED AND SAILLED IN TIME TO CLEAR CAICOS MAYAGUANA AND CROOKED ISLAND PASSAGES PRIOR TO DARK ON THE DAY FOLLOWING DEPARTURE 3. THAT VESSELS JOINING OFF GUANTANAMO ARE ASSIGNED CONVOY POSITIONS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FROM THAT PORT AND NOT LEAVING THE ASSIGNMENT OF POSITIONS...
IN THE CONVOY TO THE CONVOY COMMODORE AFTER ARRIVAL AT RENDEZVOUS 4. THAT CONVOY COMMODORE BE INFORMED IN ADVANCE OF ARRIVAL AT RENDEZVOUS OF NAMES, DESTINATIONS AND POSITIONS OF VESSELS ASSIGNED. 5. THAT ON CONVOYS BE SAILED TO MAINTAIN PRESENT ARRIVAL SCHEDULE NEW YORK. C. IF CARIBBEAN 1616#7 IS APPROVED RECOMMEND THAT A MINIMUM 2 DAY INTERVAL BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN GAT-TAG CONVOYS AT ARUBA-CURACAO.

D. FURTHER RECOMMEND THAT TAG-GAT CONVOYS BE ROUTED CLOSE TO ARUBA-CURACAO THUS PERMITTING A 2 DAY TURNOVER OF TANKERS WHICH WILL SAVE SHIPPING DAYS OF TANKER TURN-ABOUT TO NEW YORK AND SAVE 8 DAYS ON SOME UK CONVOYS.
ADMNY 817 RPTD COMINCH FROM NSHQ OTTAWA

REQUEST POSITION OF WESTOMP AND SPEEDS ALLOWED FOR VARIOUS CONVOYS IN CALCULATIONS IN YOUR 1335A/16.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM
ADMIRALTY

TO
COMINCH

DATE
16 OCTOBER, 1942

FOR CODEROOM
MAZZ/POWER/ALLEN/GRENI

DECODED BY
INFORMATION
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MHO

PRIORITY
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CTF 24
CONV FONF
GOMAINT BEAOF
FROM ADMIRALTY

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(Cominach repeat Gincant. MHO 898. Gincna 482. CTF 24.
Conv FONF. Comeast Beaforn. From Admiralty)

CTF 24's 6441/12TH AND MHO'S 2144/12TH IT IS STILL CONSIDERED FOR REASON STATED IN REFERENCE ADMIRALTY 10/18/19TH

THAT IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO OPERATE NORTH ATLANTIC CONVOYS WITH 11 GROUPS RUNNING REGULARLY AND 1 SPARE.

(2) IN VIEW HOWEVER OF THE OBJECTION OF CTF 24 AND FONF TO THIS PROPOSAL IT IS AGREE THAT THE 11 GROUPS SHALL FOR THE TIME BeING BE OPERATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR WISHES.

(3) YOUR 2412/13TH AND COMEAST BEAFORN 4413/13TH FOR MEETING REQUIREMENTS OF (A) INTERVAL BETWEEN THE SAILING DATES FROM UNITED KINGDOM. (B) DATE OF ARRIVAL AT WESTOMP OF ON AND ONS CONVOYS IN RELATION TO ARRIVAL THERE OF HX AND BG (C) INTERVAL BETWEEN ARRIVAL DATES AT NEW YORK. AND (D) INTERVAL BETWEEN ARRIVAL OF WESTBOUND AND SAILING OF EASTBOUND CONVOYS (E) ARRIVAL DATES TO SUIT SAILING DATES OF NK AND NG CONVOYS. IT HAS BEEN CALCULATED THAT ONS 142 AND ON 141 SHOULD SAIL ON 30TH AND 24TH OCTOBER RESPECTIVELY AND THERE AFTER AT 8 DAY INTERVALS. TO MAKE FULL ALLOWANCE FOR WINTER WEATHER. TIME ON PASSAGE FOR ON AND ONS CONVOYS RESPECTIVELY

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**TO CODEROOM**

**DECODED BY**

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- IN THESE CALCULATIONS HAS BEEN ESTIMATED AT (A) LINEAR TO WESTMOPP 11 AND 14 DAYS (B) WESTMOPP TO NEW YORK 7 AND 9 DAYS.
- (4) IF YOU CONCUR IT IS PROPOSED OCEANSHOULD ARRANGE THE MID OCEAN ESCORTS PROGRAMME IN CONSULTATION WITH OIF 24 TO CONFORM WITH PARAGRAPH (2) AND (3) ABOVE.

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CTF 24's 0441 12th* and NSHQ's 2141 12th. It is still considered for reason stated in A. M. 1816 10th** that it would be preferable to operate North Atlantic convoys with 10 groups running regularly and one spare.

(2) In view however of the objection of the CTF 24 and ONF to this proposal, it is agreed that the 11 groups shall, for the time being, be operated in accordance with their wish.

(3) Your 21/13th and OSF 01/03 13th to meet requirements of

(A) intervals between sailing dates from U.K.

(B) date of arrival at Westomp of O.M. and O.N. 8.

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CONVOYS, IN RELATIONSHIP TO ARRIVAL THERE OF HX AND SC.

(C) INTERVAL BETWEEN ARRIVAL DATES AT NEW YORK.

(D) INTERVAL BETWEEN ARRIVAL OF WESTBOUND AND SAILING OF EASTBOUND CONVOYS.

(E) ARRIVAL DATES TO SUIT SAILING DATES OF NK AND NG CONVOYS, IT HAS BEEN CALCULATED THAT O.N.S. 142 AND O.N. 141 SHOULD SAIL ON 30TH AND 24TH OCTOBER RESPECTIVELY AND THEREAFTER AT 8 DAY INTERVALS. TO MAKE FULL ALLOWANCES FOR WINTER WEATHER, TIME ON PASSAGE FOR ON AND ONS CONVOYS RESPECTIVELY IN THESE CALCULATIONS HAS BEEN ESTIMATED AT (A) LIVERPOOL TO WESTUMP 11 AND 14 DAYS (B) WESTUMP TO NEW YORK 7 AND 9 DAYS.
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(4) IF YOU CONCUR IT IS PROPOSED C IN CWA SHOULD ARRANGE THE MID OCEAN ESCORT PROGRAMME IN CONSULTATION WITH CONTASKFORCE 24 TO CONFORM WITH PARAS (2) AND (3) ABOVE.

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16/10/27 - A NCR 21721

**Text**

(Ship escorting on convoy no. 137, ship escorting sc convoy no. 194. Repeated: CinCNA, senior officer 3rd corvette group, nshq ottawa, 694, air officer chief coastal command, noic reykjavik, 455, ctg 24.7. From: Admiralty.)

has

enemy sub/made a first sighting report of a convoy or important unit on no. 137 or sc 194 on 76 186 k/c per sec.

at 0849-z/16th.

**Distribution:**

[COMINCH...CINC...]

F-37...29G...FILE

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

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(CINCLANT AND 80 GREENLAND LOUISBURG AND PRESCOTT WOODSTOCK.
ACTION COMINCH C & R INFO CTF 24, ADMIRALTY, CINCWA, MSHQ, FONF, COAC, CTG 24.7)

SC 100 POSITION 1400Z/21ST DEAD RECKONING 58-27 33-51.
JUDGED COURSE 270 DEGREES IN GALE. SPEED OF ADVANCE 1 KNOT.
NUMBER OF "CONVOY SHIPS" MISSING UNKNOWN. ESCORTS ACCOUNTED
FOR EXCEPT ROSTHERN. LUNENBURG COMPLETELY DEFECTIVE. ASSUME
SUB CONTACT SURFACE WITHOUT ATTACK 2340Z/20TH IN 57-08
36-34.

ACT: F-37......
RECORD COPY: COMINCH....
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NAVAL MESSAGE
(NAVY DEPARTMENT)

OP-38-A-PGB

Originator: VCNO
(From) Le J. Hudson

Released by: Captain, USN
By direction

Date: 20 SEPTEMBER 1942

ADDRESS: (TO) NAVY YARD NEW YORK

ACTION

INFORMATION

COM THREE CINCINNATI

PRIORITIES

ROUTINE

FILLED IN BY OFFICE OF PREPARATION FOR DEFERRED DISPATCHES.

TEXT

ATTENTION INVITED MY SERIAL 173438 OF EIGHTEEN SEPTEMBER
ASSIGNING THE NAME THURSTON TO AFIRM PREP SEVENTY SEVEN
EX DEL SANTOS MAILED ABOUT NINETEEN SEPTEMBER X YARD
DELIVER TO SHIP

Copy to: CominCh - BuPers - BuShips - BuSandA.

This space is for abstract of previous references. If this is a REPLY, reference numbers of incoming dispatch must be shown here.
NAVAL MESSAGE

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RELEASED BY:
DATE: 19 SEPT 1942
TOR CODEROOM: 2111
DECODED BY: GILKER/JONES

ADDRESSEES: EASTSEAFRON
INFORMATION: COMINCH
FOR ACTION: PPPPP
PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE
DEFERRED

PARAPHRASED BY:

ROONEY 191839 MOR 662
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THE LAST 3 NK AND KN CONVOYS HAVE PASSED EACH OTHER DIRECTLY EAST OF KM. THIS COUPLED WITH MOVEMENTS OF NAVAL VESSELS IN AND OUT OF THIS PORT CONSTITUTES AN ADMIRABLE SETUP FOR ENEMY SUBMARINE ATTACK. RECOMMEND THAT STEPS BE TAKEN TO PREVENT THE PASSING OF NK AND KN CONVOYS OFF THIS PORT ON THE SAME DAY.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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TOR CODE ROOM: 104/19
DECODED BY: SHAM
PARAPHRASED BY: BOLTON

ADDRESS: CINCWA HQCC ACIC NSHO OTTAWA COMINCH OTG 24-7

PRIORITY: OPERATIONAL PRIORITY DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

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TEXT

( ESCORTS OF OPTION NEGAT 139 RPT CINC WA HQCC ACIC COMINCH NSHO OTTAWA OTG TWO FOUR POINT SEVEN FROM ADMTY )

INCONCLUSIVE D/F BEARINGS ON 565§ KCS AT §8292/19 SUGGEST THAT ON 139 MAY HAVE BEEN REPORTED. EASY BARRED PROCEDURE USED. Westbound all Convoy

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**COMINCH C&R FROM ADMIRALTY.**

MY 1945/14. ROUTES OF O.N. 131 AND O.N.S. 132 ARE BEING AMENDED TO CONFORM 15492/18

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YOUR ZERO ZERO ZERO FOUR SLANT FIFTEEN CONVOY THAT TRANS- ATLANTIC CONVOY CYCLE SHOULD BE OPENED TO EIGHT DAYS. COASTAL CONVOYS WILL BE OPENED TO EIGHT AND FOUR DAYS TO AGREE. SUGGEST NOVEMBER ONE AS DATE ON WHICH NEW CYCLES BECOME EFFECTIVE.
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OUTWARD INDEPENDENTS:

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By RT, NARA, Date 1/12/44

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ADMIRALTY 1945A/14. THE NECESSITY FOR INCREASED PROTECTION FOR NORTH ATLANTIC CONVOYS IS APPARENT. ANY PRACTICABLE MEASURES TO PROVIDE AIRCRAFT COVERAGE IN MID-OCEAN AREA ARE OF HIGH IMPORTANCE. THE ADDITIONAL DAYS STEAMING REQUIRED IN CONFORMING TO ROUTE OF REFERENCE DESPATCH WILL FURTHER AGGRAVATE THE PRESENT PROBLEM OCCASIONED BY THE RELATIVELY LIMITED CRUISING RADIUS OF MID-OCEAN ESCORTS. HOWEVER, CONSIDER THE PROCEDURE OUTLINED REFERENCE DESPATCH SHOULD BE GIVEN TRIAL.
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RECENT ATTACKS ON TRANS-ATLANTIC CONVOYS EMPHASISE THE NEED FOR MAKING MAXIMUM USE OF POSSIBLE AIR COVERAGE ESPECIALLY FROM ICELAND.

2. WITH THIS OBJECT COASTAL COMMAND LIBERATORS WILL EXTEND THEIR RANGE TO A RADIUS OF 800 MILES FROM REYKJAVIK TOWARDS THE SOUTH WESTWARD WITH A VIEW TO CLOSING THE GAP BETWEEN AIRCRAFT OPERATING FROM ICELAND AND NEWFOUNDLAND.

3. IT IS THEREFORE PROPOSED TO ESTABLISH A CENTRE LINE THROUGH POSITIONS (X) 53-30 43-00 (Y) 58-30 31-00

(2) 58-30 21-30 HX AND 8C CONVOYS TO BE Routed NORTHWARD AND ON AND ONS CONVOYS TO SOUTHWARD OF AND NOT MORE THAN 90 MILES FROM THIS LINE. THE LONGEST VOYAGE ENVISAGED IS ABOUT 220 MILES BETWEEN ARGENTIA AND LONDONDERRY.

4. REQUEST YOUR EARLY REMARKS.

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LOCAL ESCORTS AND LATE SAILING TO OVERTAKE SLOW WESTBOUND CONVOYS WILL BE HELPFUL IN INDIVIDUAL CASES. RECOMMEND THAT LONG RANGE PLANNING INCLUDE (A) INCREASING NUMBER OF ESCORTS TO RELIEVE ENEMY PRESSURE AND PERMIT SOME ALTERATION OF HIGH SPEED SWEET DUTY (B) INCREASING NUMBER OF GROUPS TO GIVE MORE TIME IN PORT FOR MAINTENANCE (C) IMPROVING ENDURANCE OF ESCORTS BY ALTERATIONS IN DESIGN AND IMPROVEMENT IN MAINTENANCE METHODS (D) PROVIDING EASTERN REPEAT EASTERN LOCAL ESCORTS (E) PROVIDING TANKERS IN EACH CONVOY PROPERLY FITTED FOR FUELING AT SEA.

CTF 24 SUBMITTING SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS TO (COPY TO CINCLANT) FONF AND CAC AS TO PRACTICAL METHOD OF IMPROVING MAINTENANCE AND ENGINEERING PERFORMANCE AND WILL FORWARD COPY TO CINCPAC AS A MATTER OF POSSIBLE INTEREST.

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RE YOUR SECRET DISPATCH 382145 USAT COMET AND USAT ARROW EACH CARRYING 310 TROOPS AND 26 OFFICERS SPEED 15 KNOTS DESTINATION PANAMA. READY FOR INCLUSION IN CONVOY NG 306 DEPARTING NEW YORK SEPTEMBER 17 UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY YOU. USAT STATE OF VIRGINIA CARRYING 519 TROOPS AND 74 OFFICERS SPEED 14.2 KNOTS DESTINATION TRINIDAD. READY FOR INCLUSION IN CONVOY NG 306 UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY YOU. USAT STATE OF MARYLAND CARRYING 519 TROOPS AND 74 OFFICERS SPEED 14.2 KNOTS DESTINATION PORTO RICO. READY FOR INCLUSION IN CONVOY NG 306 PENDING AVAILABILITY OF ESCORT FROM GUANTANAMO TO DESTINATION. SUGGESTED ROUTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECRET LETTER 31637 PRESCRIBING PASSENGER RESTRICTIONS ON VESSEL IN US ATLANTIC WATERS. ADVISE.

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WITH THE RETURN OF WOLF PACK TACTICS BY THE U-BOAT AGAINST CONVOYS THE PRESENT STRAGGLERS ROUTE, CLOSE TO AND CROSSING THE CONVOY ROUTE, PLACES STRAGGLERS IN A MOST DANGEROUS POSITION IF THE CONVOY IS BEING SHADOWED. THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE WITH REGARD TO STRAGGLERS IS THEREFORE PROPOSED:

(A) STRAGGLERS' ROUTE SHOULD OPEN OUT AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE HAVING REGARD TO NAVIGATIONAL DANGERS TO A DISTANCE OF NOT LESS THAN 50 MILES IN MID-OCEAN TO ONE SIDE OR THE OTHER OF THE CONVOY ROUTE AND SHOULD NOT CROSS IT.

(B) UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY W/T STRAGGLERS SHOULD ENDEAVOUR TO REJOIN CONVOY AS INDICATED BY THE CINCs R/V FOR THE TWO DAYS FOLLOWING. (MY 1757/21 REFERS.)

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**IF IT IS EVIDENT THAT NEITHER OF THE R/V'S CAN BE MADE THEY SHOULD AT ONCE PROCEED TO THE STRAGGLERS' ROUTE.**

(c) **WHEN THE DIVERTING AUTHORITY HAS REASON TO BELIEVE CONVOY IS SHADOWED HE WILL DIRECT ALL STRAGGLERS BY BAMS MESSAGE TO PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO THE STRAGGLERS' ROUTE.**

(d) **THE COURSE STEERED TO READ THE STRAGGLERS' ROUTE SHOULD BE AT AN ANGLE NOT LESS THAN 30 DEGS FROM THE COURSE OF THE CONVOY.**

**TWO. IF YOU CONCUR IN THE ABOVE, THE NECESSARY INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE ISSUED AND THE RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS AMENDED.**

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(SONO HALIFAX, N.S. REPEATED Flag Officer Newfoundland Forces Captain D HALIFAX NOIC HALIFAX OPNAV CINCLANT 1719 TASK FORCE 24 COMMANDER EASTERN SEA FRONTIER CGSF CANADIAN NAVAL ATTACHE WASHINGTON NAV SER OTTAWA)

**ACTION**

NAVY'S 1633 3RD IS BEING PASSED TO FIRST 4 ADDRESSEES. NOIC HALIFAX, N.S. IS TO DUPLICATE IMPLEMENT THIS SIGNAL MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS DIRECT WITH U.S. NAVAL AUTHORITIES CONCERNED. (2) LOGISTIC ARRANGEMENTS AT QUANTANAMO AND AT NEW YORK FOR CORVETTES EX-HA CONVOYS AND WESTERN LOCAL ESCORT GROUP SHOULD BE DISCUSSED. (3) RECOMMENDATION CANADIAN ATTACHÉ OFFICER QUANTANAMO AND NEW YORK AND FOR PROVISION CANADIAN STOCK ORDNANCE OR OTHER STORES THESE PORTS ARE TO DESIGN BOC AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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VIA VCOM
NAVY DEPARTMENT

FROM: SO ESCORT GROUP 5
RELEASED BY: 7
DATE: 25 SEPTEMBER 1943
TOR CODEROOM: 1845
DECODED BY: HUGHES-THOMSON-STEEL
PARAPHRASED BY: JOHNSON-4 (K)
ROUTED BY: WALLS/VAN GROOS

ADDRESS: CINCPAC
FOR ACTION: COM TENTH FLT C&R
INFORMATION: (SEE BELOW)

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ADMIRALTY NSHQ OTTAWA FONF HQCC FOC ICELAND
ACIC COMMANDE (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D)
WESTERN APPROACHES SO ESCORT GROUP B 6 FROM
SO ESCORT GROUP 5)))

MY 25/4/12 REFERENCE OW 1342/43
(A) HMS TWEED
(B) 03262 25TH
(C) RADAR CONTACT
(D) 051-35 NORTH 031-22 WEST
(E) GUNNED DEPTH CHARGED AND PARTIALLY RAMMED AT
0412. 1 HIT WITH BOW AT BASE CONNING TOWER CLAIMED.
FOLLOWED 2 DEPTH CHARGE ATTACKS
(F) AS IN MY 251355. COURSE SM WAS APPROXIMATELY
110 DEGREES. HMS TWEED SUSTAINED FOLLOWING DAMAGE.
NUMBER 8 BULKHEAD AND 3 FRAMES BENT, LEAKING FORWARD

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MAGAZINE AND NUMBER 1 AND 3 FUEL TANKS WATER 12 UNDER
CONTROL. ANTI SUBMARINE AND RADAR FUNCTIONING

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**SUBJECT**

MY 232259Z* SUBMARINE DETECTED 4 MILES AHEAD SC 142. WAS SIGHTED, DIVED, AND WAS ATTACKED. HMS LOOSESTRIKE IS REMAINING IN POSITION UNTIL DAWN. NO H/F D/F INDICATION, CONSIDER CHANCE ELIMINATED.

**POSITION, COURSE AND SPEED** 052-25 N 232-30 W (X)

**WEATHER REPORT** 6672 2778**

**NOT IN NCR. WILL BE REQUESTED IF DESIRED.**

**WEATHER PASSED AS RDO WASHINGTON'S 241355**

**COMINCH......COG**

16......FX37......2O.....19......19C......BADO......

**NAVAIDE.....CNO.....FILE.**

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EFFECTIVENESS OF NEW U-BOAT TACTICS AND WEAPONS INDICATED IN FOLLOWING RESUMES OF ATTACKS ON ONS-18 AND ON-292 BY WOLF-PACK CONCENTRATION 19-24 SEPTEMBER: 4 MERCHANT SHIPS SUNK AND 2 DAMAGED. FOLLOWING ESCORTS TORPEDOED AND SUNK: POLYANTHUS, ST. CROIX, ITCHEN, LAGAN TORPEDOED AND IN TOW. ESOPADE DAMAGED BY OWN HEDGEHOG. MOST HITS AFT VICINITY PROPELLERS. ICELAND BASED A/C MADE 3 SIGHTINGS 5 ATTACKS. NEWFOUNDLAND BASED A/C MADE 6 SIGHTINGS 6 ATTACKS. NO A/C COVERAGE FOR 2 DAYS. HEAVY FOG, MODERATE SEAS. ONS-18 AND ON-292 JOINED ON 26 SEPTEMBER WITH TOTAL 66 SHIPS 22 ESCORTS OF WHICH 5 DESTROYERS. U-BOAT BOX SCORE: 1 SUNK 1 PROBABLY SUNK SEVERAL DAMAGED.
NAVAL MESSAGE VIA NAV M NAVY DEPARTMENT

FROM S.O. ESCORT GROUP B 3
RELEASED BY
DATE 25 SEPT 1943
TWR CODEROOM 1756
DECODED BY SIRMAN/STEELE
PARAPHRASED BY MACFAHLANE (2) (K)
ROUTED BY VAN GROOS

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S.O. ESCORT GROUP

ESCORT GROUP B

COM 13TH FLT C&R
SEE BELOW)

ON SUNDAY 2ND ESCORT GROUP

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(CINCNA REPEATED CAPT (D) GREENOCK SHIPS ESCORTING ONS 18 SHIPS ESCORTING ON 202 ESCORT GROUP 9 COM 10TH FLT C AND R ADMIRALTY CINCNA NSHQ FONF HQCC FOC ICELAND COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) W.A. ACIC FROM S.O. ESCORT GROUP B 3)

ONS 18 AND ONS 202

FOLLOWING IS PRELIMINARY LIST CLAIMED BY ESCORT UNDER MY ORDER. IT MAY NOT BE COMPLETE SEPT 19TH.

1. DAMAGED BY HMS ESCAPADE, CLAIM NOT RECEIVED. SEPT 12TH 1 BADLY DAMAGED BY HMS KEPPEL HMS ITCHEN AND HMS NARCISUS SEPT 21ST 1 SUNK HMS KEPPEL
2. PROBABLY HIT BY GUNFIRE BY HMS CHAMBLY SEPT 22ND 1 PROBABLY BY NORTHERN FOAM 1 PROBABLY BY HMS LOBELIA 1 DAMAGED BY HMS CHAMBLY 1 SEVERLY DAMAGED BY F.S. ROSELYS SEPT 23RD 1 PROBABLY (GARBLED GROUP)

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RELEASED BY ____________________________________________

DATE 25 SEPTEMBER 1943

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FOR ACTION:

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CINCNDA

COM 14TH FLT C&R

(SEE BELOW)

PRECEDENCE:

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ROUTED BY DICKEY/HILL

BY PETTES/JONAHAN/BATES/ SMITH (1) (K)

TOR CODEROOM 0732

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SURVIVORS EX SHIPS FROM ON 242 AND ONS 18 ARE RECOVERED AS FOLLOWS AS FAR AS IS KNOWN. OKING TO DIFFICULTY OF COMMUNICATIONS IT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN FULL DETAILS AND ITEM IS KNOWN TO BE INCOMPLETE.

(A) 32 INCLUDING CAPTAIN EX FORT JEMSEG IN NORTHERN PORT FOAM.

(B) 43 EX SKJELBRED IN NORTHERN MOST FOAM.

(C) EX OREGON EXPRESS IN SS KINGMAN.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM S.O. ESCORT GROUP B 3
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(D) 64 EX STEEL VOYAGER FROM SOUTHWARD AS ARRANGED IN HMS RANUNCULUS 29 IN HMC MORDEN. NONE WEDDING.

(E) 1/7 EX FREDERICK NORWEGIAN AND THEODORE DIAMOND IN RATHLIN

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SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY FOR 24 HOURS TO 0900Z 24TH SEPT.

A. (1) ONS 18 AND ON 202 ATTACKED BETWEEN 2330Z 22ND SEPT AND ABOUT 0600Z 23RD SEPT.

(2) HMS ITCHEN TORPEDOED AND BLEW UP.

(3) OREGON EXPRESS SUNK.

(4) FORT JEMSEGG, SKJELBRED AND STEEL VOYAGER TORPEDOED AND ABANDONED.

(5) HMS NORTHERN FOAM CLAIMS TO HAVE SUNK 1 U-BOAT, NO DETAILS.

(6) CANADIAN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED U-BOATS 52-45N 43°08W 1520Z 23RD SEPT. AND 52-36N 42-23W 1855Z 23RD SEPT.

(8) A/C P/21 ATTACKED U-BOAT ON SURFACE COURSE 18Ø DEGS 37-33N Ø8-53W Ø3Ø5Z 24TH SEPT.

(9) S.O. 87 REPORTED U-BOAT BEARING 12Ø DEGS 1 MILES 52-2ØN 32-48W 2258Z 23RD SEPT.

(2) A/C A/407 SIGHTED U-BOAT COURSE 14Ø DEGS 47-32N 11-26W 2Ø1ØZ 23RD SEPT.

(3) A/C NAN S 2Ø2 SIGHT POSSIBLE CONNING TOWER COURSE 18Ø DEGS 4Ø-45N 11-Ø7W. Ø718Z 22 SEPT. A.M.
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221046Z PARA A - UNKNOWN SHIP TORPEDOED AT 0727Z 21ST SEPT. WAS WILLIAM W. GERHARD. ON FIRE AND UNCONTROLLABLE.

DELIVERED TO 29-G.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CINCWA
Released by

DATE: 24 SEPTEMBER 1943
TOR CODE ROOM: 11/3

DECODED BY: WHITE/SONAHAN
Paraphrased by: SMITH (2) (PP)

ROUTED BY: BLOYS/HILMAN

ADDRESS TO: S.O. ESCORT GROUP B 3

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ATTN: 15TH FLT C&R

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NOR 23602

(09 ESCORT GROUP B 3 REPEATED SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ONO 18 ESCORT GROUP 9 COM 15TH FLT C & R CINCWA Admiralty WSHQ FONF AGIC HUGC FOC ICELAND COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMMANDER (D) W.A. FROM CINCWA)

ON 18 AND ON 24.

CONVOYS ARE TO SPLIT AS SOON AS YOU CONSIDER YOU ARE NO LONGER THREATENED.

(2) 9TH ESCORT GROUP IS TO BE DIVIDED BETWEEN CONVOY AT YOUR DISCRETION.

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DATE: 24 SEPT 1943
TOR CODEBOOK: A158

DECODED BY: THOMSON/HUGHES/STELLE
PARAPHRASED BY: SMITH
ROUTED BY: ALLEN

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COM 1ST FLT C&G CINCPAC AT YMS NSAC FONF
HOCF FOC ICELAND (C) COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMODORE
(C) WA, ACIO, ALBONINFO CAPT (E) GREENOCK*SHIPS ESCORTING
CONVOY ONS-18. AND SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 232 EG 9
FROM 8.6 ESCORT GROUP B-3.

ONS 18 ON 2-31.

NIGHT 23RD 24TH. MINOR ATTACKS ONLY. BELIEVED NO
CASUALTIES.

FX37...COG

COMINCH...16...24...19...30...BATO...CNO...

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**CINCA**

**Reference:** B 7's 232258Z intend support SC 142 until noon when situation may be clearer.

**Weather Report:** 3782 1871

**Position:** 53-31

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(CINCWA REPEATED) COM 19TH FLT C&R, CINCNA, ADMIRALTY, NSH.Q, OTTAWA, FONG, HCGQ, FOC ICELAND, AGC, COMMANDER (D)
ARGENTIA, COROMOORE (D), WA, CAPT (D), GREENOCK, SHIPS
ESCORTING CONVOY ON 242 SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY 9 NS 18,
ESCORT GROUP 9 FROM S.O. ESCORT GROUP B 3)

SITUATION 1500Z 23RD.

(1) DAY 22ND PENSE FOG TILL 1700Z ALLOWED U-BOATS TO GET INTO POSITION BEFORE 4TH D.F. BECAME EFFECTIVE AND PREVENTED ANY ATTEMPT TO ORGANIZE COMBINED CONVOY BEFORE DARK.

(2) NIGHT 22ND CONDITIONS MORE EXCELLENT FOR THE ATTACKS WHICH CAME FROM EVERY QUARTER. D/F GAVE EXCELLENT WARNING, WHILE A NUMBER OF ATTACKS WERE SECRET.

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by RT, NARA, Date 1/2/64
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PART OF TAPED.

THE ADVANCE SCREEN, CAUSE MAY HAVE BEEN SURFACE
DURING A WEAK TACTIC PATTERNED A SURVEY LIKE A HD
CAUTION: (C) HAS ITSELF APPEARED IN AN
PREVENT: APPARENTLY TO DEPOT COBALT NEAR DIVIDE
PERFORMING A SEARCH ALTHOUGH NO AIRCRAFT ARE
PARALLEL... (B) FLAK WAS FIRED INTO THE AIR
PAIRS AND THEN SEEN BY ADVANCED SCREEN TO BE
(3) POINT OF INTEREST (A) SUBMARINES ABOUT WORK IN
CONTINUED INTERNALLY THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT.
KEEPING AN INTERMINABLE ATTACK ON ADVANCED SCREEN.
ATTACKS WERE VERY DETECTABLE AND PERSISTED IN SPITE
CONTINUED UNTIL TAKEN TO GET INTO WATER UNIDENTIFIED.
FRUSTRATE THE TIME SPACING WHICH THE UNIDENTIFIED

ACTION

OCCURRENCE P/T DUE/IN OR TIME

3-28-45
2-5345

NOTE OR EXTEND GROUP B 3
(4) **ATTACK** INCOMPLETE CLAIMS ARE PROBABLY BY H.M.S CLYDE AN: SEVERAL SEVERELY DAMAGED BY AIR ATTEMPT

(5) **DAY 23RD** NUMEROUS D/F BEARINGS INDICATE SUBMARINES MOVING UP INTO POSITION GUN RANGE

**COMMITS OF OILING AND DISABLED SHIP HAS PREVENTED ADEQUATE INTERFERENCE AND FER HAVE BEEN SIGHTED BY AIR**

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COMINCH...BALDO...NMCS...20G...16G...CMN...NVAIE

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPTM.

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EXTENSION NUMBER

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FROM NSSC

2

43 SEPT 1943

TOR CODEROOM 1441

DECODED BY SMITH/CHOMES

PARAPHRASED BY N. STRONG

ROUTED BY H. LAMAN

ESCORTE ON 232 ESCORT ONS 138

ESCORTS SC 142 PROCLAMATION I/F L/F FIXES

OP OP OP OP

PRIORITY

ROUTINE

DEFERRED

OP OP OP OP

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ESCORT ON 232, ESCORT ONS 138 INFO ESCORTS SC 142, PROCLAMATION I/F L/F FIXES FROM NSSC.

HEAVY W/T SERIES & INDICATES NUMEROUS U BOATS STILL IN CONTACT.

(2) NO INDICATION SC 142 SIGHTED BUT CONVOY IN VERY DANGEROUS AREA.

C00100000000

FX37......16...2/4...BROAD NAVALE.

CG00000000

ACTION

F-0

F-01

F-02

F-05

F-07

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F-2

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FX01

FX30

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FX40

IG-00

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FROM 80 EG B3

RELEASED BY

DATE 23 SEPT 1943

TOR CORDERoom 1259

DECODED BY 1259 MURRAY-HUGHES

PARAPHRASED BY BLACK

ROUTED BY WIDMAN

FOR ACTION

CINCWA

COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA; CINCPAC; COMMODORE (D) WESTERN; APPROACHES; HOQC; ACIC; FONF; NSHQ; FOCIC; ADMIRALTY.

INFORMATION

UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE

230805Z NO 23065

ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME 23 OCT 21

DATE 23 OCT 21

TIME

ACTION

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FX01

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FX30

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FX37

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FX40

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IG-00

42

VCNO

43

(FA) NORTHERN FOAM STANDING BY AND DEEMBARKING CREW. HMCS SACKVILLE SEARCHING FOR.

HMCS ITCHEN UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED ASSISTING NORTHERN FOAM.

(G) WEATHER REPORT 5584 2453 LATER INFORMATION.

IN ABOVE.

(A) FURTHER ATTACK AT 0649Z.

(B) 3

(C) PORT SIDE

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SEARCH

(D) BLANK

(E) ONS-18 (2) STEEL VOYAGER USA PROBABLY
REJOINING UNDER OWN STEAM.

(F) HMS RANJCLUS STANDING BY.

**NOTE: WEATHER PASSED AS 231259.**

*GARbled GROUPS WILL NOT BE SERVICED UNLESS
REQUESTED BY COMINCH.*

NOTE: PART 1 WAS DISTRIBUTED UNTIL RECEIPT AS
230600 NCR 23060.

COMINCH...COG

FX37...16...20G...23...BUSHIPS...39......

HAVAH...CNO......

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DELETE SEARCH IN PROGRESS

SUBSTITUTE "SEARCH BLANK EXCEPT FOR EMPTY RAFT BUT
2 RATINGS HMS ITCHEN AND 1 EX HMS ST CROIX IN
WILHA ADD OREGON EXPRESS, SURVIVORS IN KINGMAN"

PARAGRAPH: (E) ADD STEEL VOYAGER ABANDONED IN POSITION
153-34 NORTH 44-4 3 WEST DOUBTFULLY S-L-C 471
HOLDS NO CASUALITIES 175 SURVIVORS IN HMS RANUNCULUS
AND HMSCS MORDEN

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From: 80 Escort Gr B 3

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Date

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2. Routine
3. Deferred

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FOR ACTION

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230800Z NCR 23060

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THIS IS PART 1. PART 2 FOLLOWS.

CINCWA INFO SHIPS ESC ON-202, SHIPS ESC ONS-18
CAPT (D) GREENOCK COM 10TH FLT C&R, COMMANDER (D)
ARGENTIA; CINCWA, COMMOORE (D) WESTERN
APPROACHES, HQCC, AGIC, FONF, NSHQ, FOCIC, ADMIRALTY
FROM SO EG B3.

W.A.C.I. 39 (5)

(A) NIGHT 22ND, 23RD SEPT STARTING AT 2330Z
053-25 N 039-42 W.

(B) 12 OR MORE. SURFACE.

(C) SEVERAL AHEAD AND ON THE BOW, BUT SOME ALL
AROUND.

(D) HMS ITCHEN. SEARCH IN PROGRESS.

(E) FORT JEMSEG (94) AND SKJELBRED (102) BOTH
SALVAGEABLE AND CONSIDER TUG SHOULD BE SENT.

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ON 13 SEPTEMBER 1943 CINCWA REPEATED COMMAND TO 14TH FLIGHT OFFICER AND CINCWA ADVICE NEW FONP HOC FOR ICHELAND ACIC COMMODORE (O) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (E) W.A. CAPT (D) GREENOCK SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 15 SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 202 ESCORT GROUP B 3)

ON 13 AND ON 202 ATTACKED.

RDO WAS RECOVTD WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO DELAY TO THIS ADD. THE CALL HAS BEEN SERVICED.

I.C. DELIVERED F.M. 37.

CINC PASSED TO WFR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION TO WFR 1152/23

COMINCH....26......2Y.....39......BAU......

CMO......NAVTEX......FILE.

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### MESSAGE

(ADMIRALTY ORIGINATES ACTION TO SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 202, SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON S 18, ESCORT GROUP 9; INFO TO SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY SC 142, CINCWA LIVERPOOL; FOC ICELAND REYKJAVIK, AO CINC COASTAL COMMAND, COMINCH, NSHQ OTTAWA)

REFERENCE ADMIRALTY MESSAGE 22859A NOT TO ESCORT SC 142. W/T ACTIVITY ON SERIES 8 CONTINUES FROM VICINITY OF CONVOYS ON 202 AND ON S 18, LAST TRANSMISSION BEING AT 1944Z. U-BOATS PROBABLY REMAIN IN CONTACT.

COMINCH ACT
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: S.O. ESCORT GROUP B 3
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 23 SEPTEMBER 1943
TOR CODEROOM: 0306
DECODED BY: MONAHAN/WHITE
PARAPHRASED BY: SMITH (1) (K)
ROUTED BY: OLBrys / SOBEL

FOR ACTION:

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSES

OPPROMPT OP ROUTINE DEFERRED

ADDRESSSES

COM 10 TH FLT C & R
(SEE BELOW)

OPPROMTOP
ROUTINE
DEFERRED

INFORMATION

COM 1 0TH FL T C & R
(SEE BELOW)

OPPROMTOP
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DATE: 23 SEPTEMBER 1943
TIME: 1515Z

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F-45
FX01
FX50
FX57
FX40
IG-00
WCNO

POSITION

COURSE

SPEED AT 1515Z.

250 DEGS.

7 KNOTS.

(2) A FEW U-OATS STILL IN TOUCH BUT ARE BEING CHASED.

(3) WEATHER REPORT 1914 2053
WEATHER HAS BEEN PASSED

MCR DELIVERED TO FX-39 COG
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**Information**

By 222902 re hug polymathus after interrogation sub-lieutenant young 020.

Hit 222902 right aft 2 to 5 minutes after D-boat (chow) dive. Atomic contact ahead 2000 yards.

Only fire coming on line of atomic contact 20 knots no pattern fire. Full rudder 0 then hit. No E-H plane.

FX97...CUG

Cvection 16...23...00...000...9AVAIL...FILE

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22 SEPTEMBER 1943

**TOR CODEROOM**

LOBB-COURTNEY-JORDAN-SMITH-WHITE

**PARAPHRASED BY**

JOHNSON-4 (K)

**ROUTED BY**

WALLS /REEGAN

**OP OR OP OR OP**

**ADMIRALTY RPTD COM TENTH FLEET C AND R CINCWA**

**OP OR OP OR OP**

**COMM TENTH FLT C&R**

(SEE BELOW)

**OPERATION H**

**PART 1 2209502**

**PART 2 2209552**

**PART 3 2210032**

**NR 22569**

**ACTION**

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(C) HMS KEPPLE BATTERED, DEPTH CHARGED AND SUNK
U-BOAT ASTERN PROBABLE CONTACT KEEPER MORNING 22ND.

(3) (A) HMS KEPPLE STEAM TURN, SLIGHT LEAK, BUT FULL EFFICIENCY.

(B) HMS ICARUS AND HMCS DRUMHELLER IN MILD COLLISION NO IMPORTANT DAMAGE.

(C) HMCS GATINEAU IN HAND STEERING FROM OWN DEPTH CHARGE

(4) HMS ITCHEN AND HMS NARCISSUS EXPECT TO CATCH UP
1637 22ND. [i.e., convoy joining]

(5) UNFIELDY FOLDING CONVOY WHICH HAS HAD NO VISUAL LARGER COMMUNICATIONS OR CHANCE OF SETTLING DOWN IS DOING SURPRISINGLY WELL.

(6) GERMAN RADAR DECOY RECOVERED.

(7) SC C 2 REPORTS 1/7 SURVIVORS EX FREDERICK DOUGLAS

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(8) EXTREME DELAY ESTABLISHING SHIP SHORE COMMUNICATIONS

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TOR CODE ROOM

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PARAPHRASED BY

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Liberator A/10 R.C.A.F. attacked a surfaced U-boat in 58°40' North 25°3' West with depth charges. U-boat disappeared slowly after first attack. Large oil streaks 250 yards by 100 yards were seen and second attack was carried out immediately after submergence.

2. Considerable U-boat activity now in progress near westbound North Atlantic convoy and several attacks on U-boats have been carried out but full details not yet received.

3. There have been no attacks in Bay of Biscay.
Area during week ending 21st Sept. Night flying from United Kingdom was not repeat not possible on three nights owing to bad weather.

Groups passed to N.S.H.Q.

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TWO PARTS -- PART 1 - 211409Z NCR 8749
PART 2 - 211412Z NCR 8649

(SO 9TH ESCORT GROUP ORIGINATES. ACTION TO CINCWA.
INFO: CONTENTHMT G & O, CINCNA, ADMIRALTY, NSHO OTTAWA,
FONE, HQ COASTAL COMMAND, FOC ICELAND (G) COMMANDER (D)
ARGENTIA, COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES, ACIC,
B3, C2.)

Fleet Destroyer

HMSCS LE CROIX HIT BY 2 TORPEDOES ALONG PORT PROPELLOR
AT 1956Z WHILE HUNTING GERMAN U-BOAT ATTACKED BY AIR-
CRAFT HALF HOUR EARLIER. SPEED 15 KNOTS ZIGZAG 60 DEG
JUST TURNING WHEN HIT. HIT AGAIN AT 2047Z AND SUNK.

HMSCS POLYANTHUS TORPEDOED AT 2336Z RIGHT AFT
WHILE ATTACKING GERMAN U-BOAT PUT DOWN AFTER RADAR
FIRING. HIT 2 MINUTES 45 SECONDS AFTER FIRING 1ST
PATTERN. SHIP WAS UNDER FULL STARBOARD RUDDER AT
THE TIME. TORPEDO FIRED AT HMS ITCHEN WHILE CIRCLING

HMSCS ST. CROIX AT 17 KNOTS, EXPLODED 31 FEET PORT QUARTER
JUST AFTER TURN TO PORT. NO HE BUT 2 ECHHOES GREEN

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90 DEG 150 YARDS PER SECONDS BEFORE EXPLOSION.
3 GERMAN U-BOATS CHASED ON SURFACE AND TURNED AWAY
AT 3500 YARDS AS IN CINCIA 23156.
2 CASES LAST NIGHT OF GERMAN U-BOATS
ADOPTING ANTI-ESCORT TACTIC WORKING IN PAIRS. 1
DIVING TO ATTACK WHILE SECOND LEADS ESCORT TO
FAVORABLE POSITION.

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**PART 1 2199152 NCR 22124**

*(CINCWA REPEATED COM 13TH FLT C&R ADMIRALTY CINCWA YSHQ OTTAWA FJNFG HQS ALCFOC ICELAND (C) COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) WA CAPT (D) GREENOCK SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ONS 18 SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 232 ESCORT GROUP 9 TONY FROM B3)*

ONS 18 26 SHIPS AND ON 232 37 SHIPS.

OF 5 SUBMARINES BELIEVED TO BE AHEAD AT DUSK

ONLY 3 HALF HEARTED AND EASILY FRUSTRATED ATTACKS DEVELOPED. NO CASUALTIES. BEAUREGARD (24) OF ONS 18 NOT SIGHTED THIS MORNING.

FIERCE BATTLE MOST OF THE NIGHT BETWEEN HMS STCHEN HHS NARCISSUS AND 4 UNKNOWN SUBMARINES RIDING ASTERN IN VICINITY OF SURVIVORS OF HMS ST CROIX AND HMS LAGAN. FURTHER DETAILS NOT KNOWN.

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**PART 2 2199202 NCR 22108**

*(1) CONVOY STEER FALSE COURSE DURING THE NIGHT*
Owing to corrupt group in route signal.

(4) Position course and speed at 39°12' 56' 16' N 33° 20' W 230° degrees 7 1/2 alteration to 268° degrees when weather clears to rejoin route.

(5) Weather report 3912 3152.

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Further distribution by NOR NOR TOR: 2114/21
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**TO: CINCWA**

**FROM: S.O. ESCORT GROUP R 3**

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**TOR CODE ROOM:** 2621

**DECODED BY:** SMITH/WHITE

**PARAPHRASED BY:** HIRST-3 (K)

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* *(CINCWA REPEATED COMINCH C&R CINCNA ADMIRALT NY NSH) OTTAWA FONE HC8G FCC ICELAND C&CIC COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) WA CAPT. (D) GREENOCK* SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ONS 18 SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY ON 202 ESCORT GROUP 9TH FROM S.O. ESCORT GROUP R 3)

**FX-37...COG.**

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(AIG 303 FROM 80 GROUP C 2 ON 262)
MY 2408067. THEODORE DWIGHT WELD US PENDANT (21)
SUNK AND FREDERICK DOUGLAS US (11) ABANDONED AFLOAT
AS I HAVE NO TUG. HMS POLYANTHUS SCREENING ---
HMS ICARUS HUNTING GERMAN U BOAT SIGHTED BY AIRCRAFT.
ENEMY TRANSMISSIONS ON SERIES 1 INDICATE AT LEAST
1 U BOAT IN CONTACT AHEAD. HAVE 3 ESCORT IN COMPANY.
NO STRAGGLERS.

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TOR CODEROOM: 2744

DECODED BY: REA/THOSON

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INITIAL SUBMERGED ATTACK AT 21352 BY 2 SUBMARINES IN CLOSE COMPANY FRUSTRATED BY HMS ESCAPE WHO AFTER NUMEROUS ATTACKS IS NOW IN CONTACT WITH 1 SUBMARINE WHICH IS UNINJURED. SHIP OF E.G. 9 WILL JOIN HMS ESCAPE SHORTLY.

(2) ONS 13 POSITION COURSE AND SPEED AT 2359Z.....

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMHVEU
REleased BY: 
DATE: 24 SEPT 1943
TOR CODEROOM: 1842
DECODED BY: DECK
PARAPHRASED BY: STRONG
ROUTED By: NID

ADMIRER: COMINCH

PRIORITY: routine
ROUTINE: 
DEFERRED:

27/651 NCR 7001

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COMHVEU SAYS ACTION VICE COMINCH.

AMERICAN WILLIAM PEPPERELL CONVOY HX-256 ATTACKED
BY SUBMARINE 1918Z/18 SEPT POSIT 54-71 N 29-23 W
PROCEEDING WITH CONVOY. GUAYTACAS SERIAL 14 PREVIOUS
REPORT ERRONEOUS VESSEL ARRIVED PARAGUAY 11 AUGUST.
NORWEGIAN VARA DAMAGED BY FIRE 7/2/18 SEPT OUTSIDE CROTONE HARBOUR (DAILY SERIAL 19) 2 CRAFT
KS 4% ACTIVE YESTERDAY FROM TRONDHEIM OVER NORTHERN
WATERS. 3 CRAFT ACTIVE YESTERDAY FROM BORDEAUX OVER
THE DAY OF BISAYE AND THE NORTH WEST COAST OF SPAIN
NO DETAILS.

ACTION

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NAVAL MESSAGE

CINCWA

COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES:
COM 10TH FLT C&R, CINCWA, ADMIRALTY, NSHQ, FONF, HCC, FOCIC, COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA, ACIC
FROM C5.

MY 181801.

HX-256 POS 2200 054-08 N 028-16 W. (S)
080 DEG 10 KNOTS. 61 SHIPS IN COMPANY.

A.C.I. ARTICLE 39 PARAGRAPH 5.

(A) ABOUT 1740/18TH SERT. IN ESTIMATED POSITION
054-01 N 029-23 W.

(B) PROBABLY ON THE SURFACE.

(C) SUSPECT PORT QUARTER.

(D) NIL

(E) WILLIAM PEPPERELL PENDANT 15

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PORT SIDE EXPLODED. HULL INTACT. 4 SHAFT BEARINGS DAMAGED. RESCUE SHIP AND 2 TUGS IN COMPANY.

(F) HUNT UNSUCCESSFUL.

(G) NIL

(H) RUB _____.

*NOTE: UNDERLINED SPACES REPRESENT GARBLED GROUPS. MESSAGE HAS BEEN SERVICED.

COMING IMC. CDG

16...2G...19...19C...39...FX37...BADO.....

30R...NAVAIDE...CNO......

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**ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSES**
- SEE BELOW
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**PRIORITY**
- ROUTINE
- DEFERRED

**1818/12**
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### ACTION

- (ACTION CINCPAC INFO COM/THLT C AND R CINCPAC ALAST
- NSHC FOMF HQ COASTAL COMMAND FOC ICELAND (C) COMMANDER
- (L) ARGENTIA COMMANDO (R) NA ACTIV FROM 05)

HX206 ATTACKED IN POSITION 54-11N 2923W.
WILLIAM PEPPERELL NUMBER 15 TORPEDOED.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: C4
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 8 SEPT 1943
TOR CODE ROOM: 2026
DECOR: MCCLELLAN/SWIT
PARAPHRASED BY: BLACK
ROUTED BY: WIDMAN

CINCWA INFO COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES, COM 10TH FL &R CINCNA, ADMIRALTY, NSHQ, FONF, HQCC, FOGIC, COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA, ACIC, FROM C4.

(1) HX-254 83 SHIPS Ø54-5Ø N ø18-37 W (X) Ø72 DEGS 9 KNOTS.

(2) H/F D/F BEARINGS ENEMY NAVAL ENIGMA AT Ø11°Z 152 CONCUR 3 SECOND CLASS AND AT Ø462Ø STRENGTH 2 THIRD CLASS.

(3) HMS ATHENE REQUESTS DESTINATION.

(4) REQUEST OWNER SS SANADOLPHO BE INFORMED SHIP IN COLLISION CERTAINTY REQUEST 154 CONFIRM BRISTOL CHANNEL SHIPS NO LONGER CALL BELFAST.

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(6) WEATHER 3772 9847.**

*NOTE. UNDERLINED SPACES REPRESENT SEVERAL GARbled GROUPS WHICH ARE BEING SERVICED.

**NOTE: WEATHER PASSED AS 8226.

FX37....COG
COMINCH....20G....19....19C....39....BADO....
16....BUSHIPS....00....NAVAIDE....CHN....
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FROM (CTF 68.2) COMDESRON 15

RELEASED BY

DATE 3 SEPTEMBER 1943

TOR CODEROOM 1110/292

DECODED BY JOHNSON/JOHNSON

PARAPHRASED BY

ROUTED BY

CTF 68

COMNAVNAW

CINCHED

COM 16TH FLEET

FOC GIBRALTAR

CTG 46.8

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PASSING TO YOU FOR INFORMATION CTF 68.2 MESSAGE 22224EB SENT US AND COMNAVNAW FOR ACTION, FOC GIBRALTAR AND CINCHED HAVE BY OTHER MEANS, CTF 68 SPEAKS, ACTION ADJUD PASS TO CINCHED ALSO FOR ACTION.

WE BEGIN:

FROM 2115 UNTIL 2150 UGF 16 SECOND SECTION SUSTAINED 2 AND POSSIBLY 3 TORPEDO AND ROCKING ATTACKS FROM UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT AT LEAST 1 OF WHICH HAS SHOT DOWN IN POSITIONS 36°43'56"-54. ALL TIMES RAKER ALL POSITIONS NORTH AND EAST. USS DESTROYER KENDRICK SUSTAINED TORPEDO HIT AFT WHILE PATROLLING STATION ASTRIP OF CONVOY. RETURNING TO ORAN AT 12 KNOTS UNABLE TO STEER. ESCORT HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO MEET HER. SURVIVORS IN WATER HEARD BY KENDRICK SPEAKING GERMAN.

CTF 68 PASSED TO CINCHG FOR INFO AS 22224EB

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FROM
FOGWA

RELEASED BY
26 JULY 1943

DATE

TOR CODEROOM
1611

DECODED BY
KNOWLES/SMITH

PARAPHRASED BY
OBERHOLTZER

ROUTED BY
KNIGHT

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COMAR DAKAR NOIC BATHURST GAMBIA

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(ESCORT OT 7 SHIPS IN AREA P1 NOIC BATHURST GAMBIA FROM FOGWA)

CAN CEL MY 250125 NOT TO COMAR DAKAR AND NOIC BATHURST GAMBIA

FURTHER BEARINGS ON THE TRANSMISSION AT 242250
INDICATE THAT THE GERMAN U-BOAT IS WITHIN 150 MILES OF Ø15-Ø1N Ø22-Ø2W

COMINCH...CC

2ØG...NAVAIDE...FILE

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(ESCORTS OT 7 FROM FOCHWA.

INCOMPLETE BEARINGS AT 242250 ON 6792 KCS INDICATE GERMAN U-BOAT WITHIN AREA OF POSITION 24° NORTH, 26° WEST.

COMINCH... CGC

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**25 JULY 1943**

**USS SCHEMEN**
**SHIPS IN AREA P**
**LD ESCORT OF OT 7**
**USS LEARY**
**USS BABBITT**

**CNO**

**22-38W WITHIN 100 MILES**

**COMINCH...COG**

**16...2G...FX37...39...BAD0...NAVIADE...FILE**

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ESCORT CONVOY DT 7 FROM FOGWA

TRANSMISSION ON 12225 KC/S AT 231634 INDICATE THAT YOU MAY HAVE BEEN REPORTED BY A U-BOAT.

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J. PINCKNEY HENDERSON NR2, 3 AND 5 FIRE EXTINGUISHED. FOG SPRAY IN ACTION.

NR 2 HOLD WITH WELDING DOWN IN 3 AND 4/ INTERVALS.

ENGINE ROOM COMPARTMENT IN PROCESS OF PUMPING OUT.

CONDITION OF ENGINE, BOILER AND AUXILIARY UNAFFECTED BY

HEAT. WATER IN ENGINE ROOM CAUSED BY WATER SERVICE TO

MAIN ENGINE BEING LEFT OPEN. REPRESENTATIVE WSA PRESENT

HAS ARRANGED FOR ENGINEER TO TAKE OVER AND MAKE

VESSEL READY FOR TOW TO US PORT. PRESENT INDICATIONS

ARE THAT THIS MAY BE APPROXIMATELY 16TH SEPT. 34

CHARRED REMAINS WITH NO POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION. COMMON

BURIAL WITH NAVAL HONORS ARRANGED FOR SEPT 3RD. BRIDGE
TELEGRAPH SHOW FULL ASTERN ON ENGINE ROOM
TELEGRAPH WHICH IS AT STOP. LINKS OF MAIN
ENGINE IN AHEAD POSITION.

COMINCH...COG
FX37...19...19C...23...39...16...FILE

ADD-JAG...20G...NAVDADE...BAD0...NMCS...BUPERS...

CNO...

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REPLY YOUR 311954 REFER DESPATCH 231922 FROM NCSO AT ST JOHNS TO COMINCH ONLY KNOWN SURVIVORS

SS J P HENDERSON ARE PAT SULLIVAN, LEON MELVIN ELMORE, ALBERT CERIGERS.

FROM J H SENIOR ARE FRANK HUGO FRANZLICH, WALTER GAWLIK, ESKILD LUNDEGTIRD, EARL OSCAR RUUĐ.

HARRY SONDERGARD, STUKE SVERT HILBERG, ALL HOSPITAL FORT PEPPERELL BAD BURNS, INDEFINITE NUMBER UNIDENTIFIABLE REMAINS BODIES PROBABLY 18 FROM SENIOR BURIED AT ST JOHNS NO DATA

AVAILABLE, HENDERSON NOW AT SYDNEY NS. AMOS REPRESENTATIVE WSA FRO. HALIFAX NOW IN ST JOHNS

NAMES OF MISSING NOT AVAILABLE. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

16...ACT

23...SUPERS...COMINCH...FX?7...392BADO...

FILE
J. Pinckney Henderson passed through gate at 1348z 31st Aug in tow HMRT Griper under escort northern sky. Local tugs standing by. All holds smouldering and ship except engine room completely gutted. Mobred to compass buoy approximately 1530z and commenced pumping into number 2 hatch. At 1900z pumped water into all hatches. 2100z number 2 hold exploded due to magnesium and ship abandoned. 2230z ship taken in tow and beached in ballast grounds. Number 2 hatch exploded at interval with showers of miscellaneous sparks. Ship took the bottom at 2345z near high water. Fore part vessel burning fiercely throughout night.
BUT IS NOW SMOULDERING. WORK OF REMOVING CHARRED BODIES INTERRUPTED WHEN SHIP TEMPORARILY ABANDONED BUT 7 REMAINING HAVE BEEN LANDF 17 READY FOR LANDING AND APPROXIMATELY 16 MORE TO BE PICKED UP AND 37 TAGGED. FURTHER PARTICULARS WILL FOLLOW.

CNA, ADMNMC, 16-39, CNVINC, BUPERS.

JAG, NAVFDE, 12C, FILE.

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FROM    COMINCH
RELEASED BY    SMITH-HUTTON
DATE    24 AUGUST 1943
TOR CORDEROM

RECEIVED BY    COMINCH
PARAPHRASED BY    CLOSE
ROUTED BY    ROBINSON

ADVISORY: NAVAL BUOY REMOVED, NO LOSS LIFE AND SHIPS.

UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE

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MY 192115. PRESUMED SERIES OF COLLISIONS NOT TORPEDOES AREA 43-56N 53-02W. J. PICKNEY HENDERSON DERELICT. J.H. SENIOR ARRIVED ST JOHNS DAMAGED.

ALL TIMES "Z".

PARA A. USS BAKER ATTACKS RADAR AND SOUND CONTACT 28-11N 35-37W 25150 TO 25241. VERY LARGE OIL SLICK OBSERVED AT DAYLIGHT. CROATAN PLANE ATTACKS SURFACED SUB 42-06N 24-06W 211800. NO APPARENT DAMAGE. ACTION TO ADMIRALTY FOR OIC FROM COMINCH.

PARA B. USS BADGER ATTACKS RADAR AND SOUND CONTACT 27-56N 35-51W 242215 TO 242332.

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16...BADG...NMCS...FILE

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MY 231244 AUGUST. NOW REPORTED 1 SHIP IN HX 252 HAS SEVERELY DAMAGED BOW. IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER EVIDENCE IT IS NOW ESTABLISHED THAT ALL DAMAGE AND SINKING OF SANTOS WERE THE RESULT OF COLLISIONS ONLY.

FX37......COG
COMINCH....39....23.....BAD0....16.....
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FROM
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RELEASED BY

DATE
23 AUGUST 1943

TOR CODEROOM
1898

DECODED BY
HANSEN

PARAPHRASED BY
HANSEN

ROUTED BY
ROONEY

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CINCCNA

INFORMATION
NSHQ, SO EG B3
ADMIRALTY, SO EG C1
CINCWA, SO EG W6
COMINCH

PRECEDENCE
DEFEERED

RECEIVED BY

231344Z

YOUR 221308 AUGUST NOT TO ALL ADDRESSES, AFTER INTERROGATION OF SURVIVORS FROM J P HENDERSON, J H SENIOR
AND SANTOS AND OF CO'S OF SHIPS CONCERNED IN REPORTED TORPEDOINGS IN HX 252 CONSIDER THAT ON BALANCE THE
EVIDENCE POINTS TO A SERIES OF COLLISIONS IN VERY LOW VISIBILITY, TYPE OF DAMAGE SUSTAINED BY HENDERSON AND
SENIOR BEARS THIS OUT, IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT AN ATTACK WAS MADE OR THAT THERE WAS A SUBMARINE IN THE VICINITY.

WRITTEN REPORT FOLLOWS BUT AWAITS FURTHER INFORMATION FROM SHIPS IN THE CONVOY AS IT APPEARS HIGHLY PROBABLE
ONE OF THEM HAS A DAMAGED BOW.

COMINCH, COG
BUPERS, BADO, CNO, FX37, 16, 20G, JAG

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FROM: NCSSO ST JOHNS NFLD
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 23 AUG 1943
TOR CODEROOM: 1451
DECODED BY: HANSEN
PARAPHRASED BY: SLUTZ
HOSTED BY: ROONEY

PRECEDECE:
COM 10TH FLT C&R
COMINCH ADMIRALTY
NSHQ

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231315Z
NOR 913

(ADMIRALTY COMINCH INFO NSHQ FROM NCSSO ST JOHNS NFLD)

3RD SURVIVORS LANDED FROM SS SANTOS (NOR) EX HX252 PENDANT NUMBER 34. MISSING PRESUMED DEAD--PERRY, DENNIS MESS BOY BRITISH. WALKER, ROBERT ENGINE ROOM BOY BRITISH. MASTER REPORTS VESSEL WAS SUNK AS RESULT OF COLLISION WITH 2 UNKNOWN VESSELS.

COMINCH...ACT
FX37...16...BADO...20G...JAG...NAVALID...FILE.

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REQUEST BAMS BROADCAST GIVES RENDEZVOUS HX 252 BE AMENDED TO READ "AT 1500 GMT" FOR 21ST 22ND 23RD AUGUST.

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SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY HX 252
Inform 10th FLT C&R, ADMIRALTY CINCWA NSHQ OTTAWA FONF HQ COASTAL COMMAND FOC ICELAND (C) COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA. From CINCNA.

YOUR 211005 POSITION RECEIVED CORRUPT FOLLOWING HAS BEEN BROADCAST. RENDEZVOUS 1200 GMT AUG 23RD

Ø53-Ø5 NORTH Ø31-4Ø WEST

FX37...CUG

39...COMINC...19...19C...FILE.

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80 ESCORT GROUP B 3

RELEASED BY

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TOR CODEROME

1401

DECODED BY

MAX-COURTNEY-LOBB

PARAPHRASED BY

JOHNSON-4 (K)

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NY 202215

SITUATION •830 20TH.

(1) SS HENDERSON IN POSITION •44-27 NORTH •53-08 WEST UNTOUCHABLE RED HOT GUTTED HULK BUT STILL FLOATING WELL AND MIGHT BE SALVABLE IN 48 HOURS

(2) NORTHERN SKY AND HESPERIA NOW JOINING SS SENIOR

(3) SS SENIOR APPARENTLY IN FIRST CLASS CONDITION IN TOW ADHERENT SINCE •4302 SCREEN HMS ORCHIS GRENAISIER POSITION COURSE AND SPEED •44-02 •52-24 351 DEGREES 3-1/2 KNOTS

(4) HMCS COBALT HMCS ST FRANCIS HMS URGE DETACHED

(5) INTEND COVER SENIOR WITH GROUP LEAVING IN TIME

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ARRIVE ST JOHN'S NFLD BEFORE DARK 22ND

(6) PRESUME 2 TRAWLERS CAN REMAIN. SUGGEST ADDITIONAL ESCORTS FOR VERY VALUABLE SHIPS

MCR PASSED TO FX-37....COG
MCR PASSED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION
COMINCH...FILE

TOR NCR 1533/21
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**CORRECTED GROUPS**

(CINCCNA REPEATED COM 18TH FLT C AND R ADMIRALTY CINCCNA NSHQ FONE HQOC FOC ICELAND COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) W.A. ACIC HMCS ST FRANCIS CAPT (D) GREENOCK ESCORT GROUP B 3 FROM SO ESCORT GROUP B 3)

**SITUATION 21902**

1. HESPERIA CLOSING NORTHERN SKY AND SS HENDERSON
2. BEARING HMCS COBALT Ø82 DEGS OBTAINED AT 28222Z FROM POSITION 43-53 NORTH 53-20 WEST.
3. ALL GROUPS ST FRANCIS HMCS GRENADE AND ADHERENT CLOSING HMCS COBALT WHO WILL BE DETACHED ON RELIEF.
4. YOUR 281325Z* WERE THOSE SAVED BY HMS NARCISSUS.
5. HMCS COBALT REPORTED WITH SS SENIOR BUT NO CONTACT SINCE 29002 20TH.
6. INTEND SEARCHING THOROUGHLY.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM W6

RELEASED BY

DATE 21 AUGUST 1943

TOR CODERoom $129

DECODED BY MELTON/RATLIFF

PARAPHRASED BY OBERHOLTZER

ROUTED BY KNIGHT

CINCCNA

PRPPPP Routine Deferred

ACTION C1

COM10THFLT C AND R ADMTY CINCCNA

NSHQ FONF HQ COASTAL COMMAND FOC ICELAND (C)

COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES ACIC

C1 HMCS COBALT FROM W6

HX 252 TO SUMMARIZE RESULT OF ATTACK 18TH AUG

NUMBER 42 J P HENDERSON SUNK

NUMBER 32 J H SENIOR HIT NOW BEING SALVAGED BY HMCS

COBALT TUGS SENT

NUMBER 34 SANTOS FEAR SUNK WEAK SIGNAL HEARD NO FURTHER INFO

2ND WRECK SEEN BY HMCS LACHINE DESCRIBED AS TANKER

POSSIBLE TOTAL 4

ATTACK REPORTED BY NUMBER 11 RMONTGOMERY 19TH AUG MAY BE FALSE ALARM

C1 REQUESTED ENQUIRE ABOUT 34 AND IF 2ND TANKER MISS-

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ATTACK FROM QUARTER SHOULD BE TREATED WITH RESERVATION AT PRESENT

CONSIDER ONLY 1 U-BOAT PRESENT  NOTHING HEARD H/F OR M/F D/F

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FX37...16...2¥G...BADO....NMC3...23....FILE
NAVAL MESSAGE  V IA NAVY DEPARTMENT

FROM  80 ESCORT GROUP B 3
RELEASED BY
DATE  21 AUGUST 1943
TOR CODE ROOM  0419
DECODED BY  FAGER/MACFARLANE
PARAPHRASED BY  MACFARLANE (2) (K)
ROUTED BY  WIDMAN

CINCNA
(SEE BELOW)

COM 10TH FLT C&R
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FOLLOWING SURVIVORS LANDED FROM J P HENDERSON (US) TORPEDOED IN HX 252 CERICERON, ALBERT, SHIPS CARPENTER (INDIAN FROM OKLAHOMA CITY) HOSPITAL CASE NO FURTHER INFORMATION OBTAINABLE

COMINCH...ACT

16....FX37.....39.....FILE
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ARRIVAL 930Z AUGUST 24TH PETROL CARRIER EXHX252 LANDED SURVIVORS HOSPITAL CASES.

FX37...ACT

COMINCh...19.....19C....39....BUNED...FILE

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: HMCS COBALT
RECEIVED BY: 
DATE: 26 AUGUST 1943
TOR CODEROOM: 1314
DECODED BY: SMITH/SLUTZ/MONROE
PARAPHRASED BY: 
ROUTED BY: 

ADDRESS: NEWFOUNDLAND CINCCNA

IN A/S WITH S/M WHICH LAY BENEATH WRECK. AM ATTACKING WITH DEPTH CHARGES.

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FROM
CINCNWA

RELEASED BY

DATE
20 AUGUST 1943

TOR CORDEROM
Ø132

DECODED BY
NEWTON/WRIGHT

PARAPHRASED BY
THOMASSON

ROUTED BY
KNIGHT

ADDRESS

COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES, ACIC:
CINCNWA, ADMTY.
COMTENTHFLT C&R
CINCNWA, NSHQ OTTAWA,
FONF, HQ COASTAL COMMAND, FOC ICELAND (C)
COMMODORE (D) ARGENTIA, COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES, ACIC.

INFORMATION

FOR ACTION
W6

PRECEDENCE
OPPOP

PRIORITY
COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES, ACIC;
CINCNWA, ADMTY.
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CINCNWA, NSHQ OTTAWA,
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20012Z
NCR 8966

(CINCNWA ORIGINATES. ACTION TO W6. INFO TO CINCNWA, ADMTY, COMTENTHFLT C&R, CINCNWA NSHQ OTTAWA, FONF, HQ COASTAL COMMAND, FOC ICELAND (C) COMMODORE (D) ARGENTIA, COMMODORE (D) WESTERN APPROACHES, ACIC.)

HX 252 attached again

YOUR 192835.
SEND AMPLIFYING REPORT FORTHWITH.

COMINCH..... COG
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ACTION CINCCNA INFO COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA
COM 16TH FLEET C&R
ADMIRALTY
CINCCNA; COMMODORE (D)
WESTERN APPROACHES
NSHQ; FONF; HQCC
FOC ICELAND (C); ACIC
FROM W-6

HX-252
MY 192035Z.
NUMBER 11 RICHARD MONTGOMERY REPORTED ATTACKED
NOT HIT. AREA EXPLORED. NO CONTACT NO SHIP LOST.
QUIET NOW. FOG.

COMINCH...COG
16...20G...39...FX37...BADO...CNO...NAVAIDE...
FILE

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ALL TIMES ZEBRA. PARA A. J PINCKNEY HENDERSON
TURPEDUED 43-56N 53-2W 19°116 STILL AFOCAT. ACTION
TO ADMIRALTY FOR OIC FROM COMINCH. HMS COBALT AND
LACINE REPORT FOUR ATTACKS ON SUB 43-56N 53-2W
19°116 WITH PROBABLE DAMAGE.

COMINCH...ORIG
16...19...19C...FX37...2°C...23....4...6
BADO...NMCS...CN0...2;6CP...NAVVAIDE...FILE

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HX 252 ATTACKED AGAIN

COMINCH...COG

FILE

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NAVIAL MESSAGE

FROM:

RELEASED BY: W6 HX #252

DATE: 19 AUG 1943

TOR CODE ROOM: 1617/19

DECODED BY: VISSLER/MEYER

PARAPHRASED BY: SLUTZ

ROUTED BY: ROONEY

OP FONF

ASTRONOMER (* MAILGRAM ADDRESSES)

FONF

OP OP OP

PRECEDENCE

ROUTINE

DEFERRED

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191200Z

NUMBER 42.

J P HENDERSON SUNK. HMCS LACHINE HAS ONE SURVIVOR. 32 J H SENIOR FLOATING HMCS COBALT STANDING BY. BURY HAS 6 BURNED SURVIVORS. CONVOY AT 191102 IN POSITION A F COURSE 054 DEGS SPEED 9. ON RELIEF PROPOSE DETACH 1 SHIP FOR ST JOHN'S NF ESCORTED BY HMS CHELSEA AND HMCS LACHINE. HMCS MONTGOMERY SCREEN HMCS COBALT IF TOWING TO RELEASE GRENA DIER AND HESPERIA FOR CONVOY DUTY. HMCS LACHINE TAKE OFF SURVIVORS. FROM BURY WEATHER 5544 1603.

WEATHER PASSED

EX 37...CG

39...COMINCH...16...26G...190...HMCS...BADO...

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: W-6
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 19 AUGUST 43
TOR CODEROOM: 756/19
DECODED BY: MCELLELLAN/SMITH
PARAPHRASED BY: HAMILTON
ROUTED BY: K. XIAN

NAVY DEPARTMENT

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEES
FONF

INFORMATION
CINCNA: ADMIRALTY
CINCNA: ADJUTANT
CINCNA: NSH: FONF
CINCNA: NSH: FONF
HCC: FOC ICELAND: ACIC
COMMANDER (D) ARGENTIA
COMMANDER (D) WESTERN APPROACHES

FONF INFO CINCNA ADMIRALTY COM 16TH FL ET CICR CINCNA
NSH: FONF HCC: FOC ICELAND: ACIC COMMANDER (D)
ARGENTIA COMMANDER (D) WESTERN APPROACHES FROM W-6

HX-252
FOG.
U-BOAT(GER) PROBABLY DAMAGED CONTACT LOST AFTER 4
ATTACKS OF WHICH 3 • HMCS COBALT HUNTING IN THE
VICINITY. HMCS LACHINE INVESTIGATING WRECKAGE.
DETAILS FOLLOW. REQUEST TUG BE SENT TO •51 N 53-12 W.
REQUEST ADDITIONAL ESCORT TO BE TOWED WP CONVOY
SEARCH SCREEN VG BY HMCS MONTGOMERY AND HMCS CHELSEA
* CARDED GROUPS • HAVE BEEN SERVICED
COMPUNTS...COG
16...2/C...FX37...39...BADO...
CNO...NAVAIDE...FILE

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2 SHIPS HIT. HMCS COBALT AND HMCS LACHINE STILL ATTACKING.

COMINCH...COG

FX37...COG...NAVAIDE...16....BADO....FILE
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ON OUTGOING DISPATCHES PLEASE LEAVE ABOUT ONE INCH CLEAR SPACE BEFORE BEGINNING TEXT

CORRECTED TEXT

CINCCNA INFO COM 10TH FLEET C&ADmiralty CINCCNA NSHS FONF HOCF FOC ICELAND COM (D) ARGENTIA COMMODORE (D) W.A. ACIC FROM W-6

HX-252. ATTACKED BY 1 SUB IN APPROXIMATE POSITION 43°56 N 53°42 W AT 1716/19. NO SHIPS IN CONVOY HIT BUT 2 SUBS SURVIVING STRAGGLING. HMSCS COBALT SAW TORPEDO TRACK AND NO ATTACKING CONTACT WITH HMSCS LACHINE

NOTE: COMINCH HAS PASSED TO CINCLANT FOR INFO

COMINCH COG
FX37...2G...NAVAILDE..16..BADO...

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