MR 451(3), Sec. 5 - SUB WARFARE "SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY"

January - April, 1945
COM 12TH FLT SENDS ACTION COMINCH INFO CFAW 7 COMNAVNAV.

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YOUR 022009 AS TO ANTI SUBMARINE WORK ONLY. THE FIRST
SEA LORD THANKS YOU FOR YOUR OFFER OF BLIMPS AND STATES
THEY WILL BE A MOST USEFUL CONTRIBUTION TO THE WAR AGAINST
THE U-BOATS IN THE INSHORE WATERS OF UKAY ESPECIALLY FOR
CONVOY ESCORT PATROLS OVER SHIPPING LANES IN SW APPROACHES
AND ENGLISH CHANNEL. HE ALSO STATES THAT THEIR USE WILL
RELEASE LONG RANGE AIRCRAFT FOR OPERATIONS FURTHER AT SEA.
I CONCUR. REQUEST 1 SQUADRON OF 6 BLIMPS WITH ASSOCIATED
STANDARD COMPLEMENT OF OFFICER AND ENLISTED PERSONNEL,
1 COMPLETE AIRSHIP SERVICE GROUP, 1 LTA OFFICER FOR STAFF
BE ORDERED THIS COMMAND FOR DUTY IN FAW 7 AS SOON AS

ACTION: FX-01

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PRACTICABLE. THE FOLLOWING SUPPORT PLAN HAS BEEN ENDORSED BY ALL BRITISH AND USN AUTHORITIES CONCERNED: PRIMARY OPERATING BASE CHIVENOR DEVON, SECONDARY OPERATING BASE AT EVAL CORNWALL, OVERHAUL AND MAINTENANCE UNIT AT CARDINGTON BEDFORDSHIRE WHICH HAS LTA HANGARS, EMERGENCY FACILITIES DUNKESWELL. MAST REQUIREMENTS 6 MOBILE AND 4 STICK TYPE. ALL OTHER FACILITIES REQUIRED CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE.

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(SAYS COMNAVZOR, PASSING FOR AOC 247 GROUP RAF)

FOR HUNT WITH TG 21.1 AZORES CAN PROVIDE 6 SEARCHLIGHT
SONO BUOY LIBERATORS EACH 24 HOURS FOR 10 DAY PERIOD
EACH AIRCRAFT AVERAGING 3 PLUS HOURS ON STATION AT 600
MILES RANGE. 8 AIRCRAFT FOR SHORTER PERIOD. ANXIOUS
TO COOPERATE.

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ACTION: COMINCH INFO BAD WASHINGTON CINCLANT COMAIRLANT ASDEVLANT FROM ADMIRALTY

A. SONO BUOY INDICATION 1 ATTACK WITH 2 MARK 24 MINES.
B. 2
C. 30S FT 168 KTB.
D. SMOOTH.
E. 590 DEGREES T 39 YARDS
F. NOT KNOWN
G. NOT KNOWN
H. YES 168 RPM
I. NORMAL
J. HEAVY STREAKS OF REDDISH BROWN THICK LOOKING OIL SEEN AFTER EXPLOSION NEAR GREEN FLUORESCENCE. A FEW AIR BUBBLES PERSISTING 1 MINUTE. WHITE AND YELLOW DEBRIS INCLUDING PIECE OF WOOD 6 FEET LONG.
K. 13 MINUTES.
L. NO

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N. 140/RS/8 APRIL.
O. 58-53 24-51 IN

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1 ATTACK WITH 2 MARK 24 MINES DROPPED 25 MINUTES APART:

A. SONO BUOY INDICATION.
B. 2.
C.(1) 300 FT. 152 KNOTS.
    (2) 300 FT. 158 KNOTS.
D. SEA CALM.
E. ON A TIMED RUN FROM BASIC PATTERN.
F. NOT KNOWN.
G. NOT KNOWN.
H.(1) YES 100 RPM NO CAVITATION SWISH.
    (2) NEITHER RHYTHMIC BEAT NOR CAVITATION SWISH HEARD.
I.(1) NORMAL RUN BELOW SURFACE BRIEFLY, THEN TURNED 30 DEGREES GREEN.
    (2) SURFACED ONCE WITHIN 10 SECS. THEN APPEARED TO HOLD COURSE.
J.(1) 1 BANG NO EXPLOSION.
    (2) NONE BUT STREAKS OF RUST-COLOURED AND IRIDESCENT OIL SEEN LATER.
K.(1) ABOUT 1 MINUTE.
    (2) N/A.
L.(1) NO.
    (2) 4 250 LB. DCS DROPPED 2 HRS. 44 MINS. LATER.

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M. LEIGH LIGHT LIBERATOR A/224.
N. (1) 1205/6 APRIL
    (2) 1230/6 APRIL.
O. (1) 59-08N 05 02W
    (2) 500 YDS. NORTH EAST OF 1 ATTACK.

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NCR REENCIPHERS TO CINCLANT COMAIRLANT ASDEVLANT AS NSS 081527
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B. 2

C. (1) 300 FT. 152 KNOTS
   (2) 350 FT. 158 KNOTS.

D. SEA CALM
E. ON A TIMED RUN FROM BASIC PATTERN.

F. NOT KNOWN
G. NOT KNOWN

H. (1) YES 130 R.P.M. NO CAVITATION SWISH.
     (2) NEITHER RHYTHMIC BEAT NOR CAVITATION SWISH HEARD.

I. (1) NORMAL RUN BELOW SURFACE BRIEFLY THEN Turned 36 DEG5 GREEN.
     (2) SURFACED ONCE WITHIN 10 SECS THEN APPEARED TO HOLD COURSE.

J. (1) BANG NO EXPLOSION.
     (2) NONE BUT STREAKS OF RUST COLOURED AND IRIDESCENT OIL SEEN LATER.

K. (1) ABOUT 1 MINUTE
     (2) N/A.

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| O.  | (1) 59-3B N 85-82 W  |
|     | (2) 500 HUNDRED YARDS NORTH EAST OF 1ST ATTACK. |

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Night 3rd/4th D17 with HMS Onslow, HMS Zealous, HMS Zest and HMCS Iroquois attacked convoy 4 merchant ships 2 U-boats 3 escorts south east of Egersund. 1 merchant ship torpedoed 1 probably torpedoed third set on fire. 1 m class M/S damaged, reported that on third ship about 7 thousand ton anchored near Lorient was sunk by allied shore batteries at range of over 10 thousand yards.

Night 4th/5th Coastal Aircraft over Skagerrak and Kattegat sound set on fire 2 merchant ships 1 of which blew up. Following day mosquitoes attacked shipping off Anholt and set on fire 5 merchant ships and 1 escort. 1 merchant ship blew up.

On 31st March Naval aircraft of B.P.F. attacked islands in Sakishima Group (Ryukyus) no air opposition met. On 1st April about 10 enemy aircraft attacked.
BRITISH FLEET, 4 WERE SHOT DOWN BY FIGHTERS. SUICIDE AIRCRAFT HIT HMS INDEFATIGABLE AT BASE OF ISLAND THOUGH

NOW SHORT OF AIRCRAFT SHE IS REASONABLY OPERATIONAL. HMS ULSTER WAS HIT BY A BOMB BUT WAS TAKEN IN TOW. IN FURTHER ATTACKS BY 4 ENEMY A/C 2 WERE SHOT DOWN WITHOUT DAMAGE TO OUR FORCE.

PM 1ST APRIL JAPANESE ATTEMPTED TO LEAVE BY AIRCRAFT THROUGH ISLANDS TO OKINAWA; OF 20 PLANES SEEN BY OUR A/C 14 WERE DESTROYED ON THE GROUND AND 6 OTHERS DAMAGED. ON 30TH MARCH U.S. MITCHELL A/C AT HAINAN SANK 1 DESTROYER ESCORT, SET 1 TRAWLER ON FIRE, DAMAGED A W/S OF 1000 TONS.

ON 1ST AND 2ND LIBERATORS ATTACKED DOCKS AT HONG KONG AND DRY DOCK AT TAINAN (FORMOSA). 4 ENEMY SHIPS SUNK IN HAINAN STRAIT.

COPY TO 20G.
RECEIVED BY HAND FROM BAD
TWO ATTACKS WITH TWO MARK 24 MINES EACH.

(A) (1) TARGET. SCHNORKE1 SMOKE.
(2) TARGET OIL SLICK.

(B) (1) AND (2) 2.

(C) (1) 300 FEET 145 KNOTS.
(2) 350 FEET 145 KNOTS.

(D) (1) SEA THREE.
(2) SEA TWO.

(E) (1) APPROXIMATELY 150 YARDS S.E. OF TARGET.
(2) 130 DEGS TRUE 50 YARDS FROM HEAD OF SLICK.

(F) (1) ESTIMATED BEFORE THE BEAM.
(2) UP TRACK.

(G) (1) AND (2) NOT KNOWN.

(H) (1) NO CMP BUT EXPLOSION (SEE BELOW) HEARD ON PURPLE
TWO MINUTES AFTER MINE DROPPED. AT 1735 WEAK
EXPLOSION HEARD ON RED. FROM 1800 TO 1850
METALLIC CLANGING HEARD AT IRREGULAR INTERVALS.

(2) NO.

(1) ONE MINE NORMAL. PARACHUTE AT SECOND FAILED TO
OPEN FULLY AND CORD FELL WITH IT. ONE MINE SEEN
TO EXPLODE TWO MINUTES AFTER DROPPING FORMING
PLUME 1000 FEET HIGH. PATCH OF FLUORESCENCE SEEN
IMMEDIATELY AFTER EXPLOSION.

(2) NORMAL.

(J) (1) AND (2) NONE SEEN.

(K) (1) AND (2) N/A

(L) (1) PRECEDED 3 SECONDS BY 4 250 LB DEPTH CHARGES.
(2) NO.

(M) (1) LIBERATOR U/224.
(2) LIBERATOR R/224.
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(N) (1) 16158 3RD APRIL.
(2) 14558 4TH APRIL.

(0) (1) 6142 N 5824 W.
(2) 5747 N 5217 W.

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REPORT.

A) 1 ATTACK WITH 2 MARK 24 MINES EACH. BELIEVED PERISCOPE OR SCHOONER.

B) 2.

C) 300 FEET 120 KNOTS.

D) SEA 5.

E) POSITION OF ENTRY OF MINES COULD NOT BE JUDGED ACCURATELY BUT 1ST BELIEVED 50 YARDS BEARING 170 DEG TRUE, 2ND BELIEVED 120 YARDS BEARING 270 DEG TRUE.

F) AIRCRAFT COURSE 27 DEG TRUE. TARGET BELIEVED STATIONERY BUT OIL SLICK HEADED 330 DEG TRUE.

G) NOT KNOWN.

H) NOTHING HEARD ON SONOBuoYS.

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- **J**) NONE
- **K**) N/A
- **L**) NO
- **M**) LIBERATOR (CF/59)
- **N**) 1807B/3 APRIL
- **O**) 53-39 NORTH 13-03 WEST

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1 ATTACK WITH 1 MARK 24 MINE. IN ADDITION 1 MINE DROPPED ON SUSPECTED SCHNORKEI AND MAKE BY LIBERATOR VLR F/59 AT 1636A/36

MARCH IN POSITION 53-38 NORTH 18-26 WEST, BUT TARGET WAS AFTERWARDS POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED AS WATER SPOUT.

A. U-BOAT SCHNORKELLING.
B. ONE
C. 125 FT. 38 KNOTS.
D. SEA 4.
E. ESTIMATED BEARING 120 DEG T DISTANT 38 YARDS
F. STARBOARD BEAM.
G. NOT KNOWN.
H. RHYTHMIC BEAT HEARD 52 RPM. CAVITATION SWISH NOT HEARD.
I. NOT SEEN OR HEARD.
J. NONE SEEN.
K. N/A.
L. NO.
M. CANSO A 8/162.
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C. 68-23 NORTH 14-19 WEST.

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2 ATTACKS WITH 2 MARK 24 MINES EACH. A 3RD ATTACK WITH 2 MINES WAS CARRIED OUT BY LIBERATOR T/86 IN POSITION 60-00N, 05-10W.

AT 1626A/30TH MARCH, BUT TARGET WAS AFTERWARDS RECOGNISED AS BEING A WATER SPOUT. FURTHER INVESTIGATION WITH SONO BUOYS

CONFIRMED CONCLUSIVELY TARGET NOT A U-BOAT MINES FUNCTIONED NORMALLY.

(A) (1) AND (2) DROPPED ON SONO BUOY INDICATION.
(B) (1) AND (2) 2.
(C) (1) 300 FEET 135 KNOTS.
(2) 350 FEET 160 KNOTS.
(D) (1) SEA 5
(2) SEA 2.
(E) (1) 060 DEG 2000 YARDS FROM CENTRE OF PATTERN.
(2) 270 DEG 400 YARDS FROM SONO BUOY 2ND MINE FELL WITHIN 100 YARDS OF SONO BUOY.
(F) (1) AND (2) NOT KNOWN.
(G) (1) NOT KNOWN.
(2) 47 AND 49 MINUTES RESPECTIVELY AFTER U-BOAT SUBMERGED AND 12 MINS. AFTER CONTACT ON SONO BUOY CEASED DELAY DUE TO FAULTY LOADING MINES FINALLY CUT AWAY.

No. 1 ADMIRAL.
No. 2 FILE.
No. 3F-1 OR CHARTROOM.
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(H) (1) Propeller beats heard too weak to count.
   (2) No.

(I) (1) Normal.
   (2) 1st mine seen to break surface 3 times.

(J) (1) And (2) None.

(K) (1) And (2) N/A.

(L) (1) No.
   (2) Preceded 49 and 47 mins. respectively by release of
    4 KCS.

(M) (1) Leigh light Liberator V111 S/86
   (2) Liberator O/224.

(N) (1) 0847A/29 March.
   (2) 1047A/ And 1049A/29 March.

(O) (1) 6007N 0514W.
   (2) 6146N 0216W.

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**DATE** MARCH 31 1945

**TOR CODEROOM** 311733

**DECODED BY** P/L W. MONTGOMERY

**PARA PHRASED** BY W. MONTGOMERY

**ROUTED** BY W. MONTGOMERY

**INFORMATION** BAD WASHINGTON

**IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW**

1 ATTACK WITH 2 MK. 24 MINES.

- **A** MINES DROPPED ON SONO-BUOY INDICATION.
- **B** DROPPED SEPARATELY.
- **C** 300 FT. AND 310 FT. 120 KTS.
- **D** SEA 5
- **E** 090 T AND 440 YDS. FROM SONO BUOY
- **F** NOT KNOWN.
- **G** NOT KNOWN.
- **H** RHYTHMIC BEAT NOT HEARD, BUT LOUD HUMMING NOISE LIKE HIGH SPEED ELECTRIC MOTOR.
- **I** NORMAL
- **J** NIL
- **K** N/A
- **L** FOLLOWED BY 4 DEPTH CHARGES AT INTERVAL OF 21 MINS.

**ACTION:** FX-01

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ON 26TH HMS PUFFIN RAMMED MIDGET U-BOAT OFF LOWESTOFT, MIDGET EXPLODED, HMS PUFFIN SUSTAINED DAMAGE. NIGHT 25TH/26TH, 3 NORWEGIAN-MANNED MTB'S ATTACKED SMALL NORTHBOUND CONVOY SOUTH OF STADALNDET. HITS BY GUNFIRE WERE MADE ON ALL 3 SHIPS. NIGHT 27TH/28TH, COASTAL A/C SET ON FIRE 1 DESTROYER, 1 MERCHANT SHIP IN KATTEGAT SOUND AND HIT 1 M/S OFF DUTCH COAST.

ON 26TH * WITH 4 DESTROYERS AND LIBERATORS CO-OPERATING ATTACKED CONVOY EAST OF ANDAMAN IS.

1 MERCHANT SHIPS 1500 TONS WAS SUNK BY BOMBS, ANOTHER MERCHANT SHIP 400 TONS SUNK BY GUNFIRE

2 S/M CHASERS WERE SUNK, 52 PRISONERS TAKEN. OUR SHIPS SUSTAINED SUPERFICIAL DAMAGE. 1 LIBERATOR STRUCK MAST OF MERCHANT SHIP AND CRASHED. NIGHT

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22ND/23RD US CARRIER-BORNE A/C DESTROYED CONVOY OF 3 LARGE MERCHANT SHIPS, 3 ESCORT VESSELS, 2 DESTROYERS IN RYUKU ISLANDS AREA.

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ONE ATTACK WITH 2 MARK 24 MINES.

A. DROPPED IN SONO BUOY INDICATION (BLUE).
B. TWO.
C. 300 FT. 154 KTS.
D. SEA 2-3.
E. NO. 1 MINE 7 FT. EAST OF BLUE SONO BUOY, NO. 2 MINE APPROXIMATELY 200 FT. EAST OF BLUE SONO BUOY.
F. NOT KNOWN. U-BUOY APPEARED TO BE CIRCLING IN VICINITY OF SONO BUOY.
G. NOT KNOW.
H. YES 125 BEATS PER MINUTE VERY DEFINITE.
I. NORMAL.
J. AT 1435 2 DISTINCT BANGS (3 SECS. INTERVAL BETWEEN THEM) HEARD, FOLLOWED BY COARSE SCREECHING SOUND. AT 1545 OIL PATCH 100 FT. IN DIAMETER NOTICED 50 YDS. WEST OF MARKER MARKING POINT OF ENTRY OF MINES.
K. BANGS 13 MINUTES, OIL 1 HR. AND 13 MINUTES.
L. NO.
M. LEIGH LIGHT LIBERATOR VII P M/125.
N. 1422 A/22 MARCH.
O. 5523 N 0640 W.

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**P-SECRET Dispatch**

**Drafter**
FROM: ADMIRALTY

**Released By**

**Date**
23 MARCH 1945

**TOR Coderoom**
249219

**Decoded By**

**Paraphrased By**
FRUIN

**Checked By**
LENIHAN

**Dittoed By**
FRUIN

**Routed By**

**Addressees**
ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

**FOR ACTION**

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**INFORMATION**
BAD WASHINGTON
CINCLANT
COMAILANT
ASDEVALT

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1. ATTACK WITH 2 MARK 24 MINES.
2. SONO BUOY INDICATION.
3. 328 FT. 116 KTS.
4. SEA 4.
5. QUARTER OF A MILE NORTH OF GREEN BUOY, POSITION OF WHICH IS GIVEN IN 0. (SEE UNDER).
6. N/A
7. N/A
8. BEATS HEARD - 57 IN 30 SECS.
9. NOT OBSERVED.
10. 1 LOUD EXPLOSION HEARD BY 2 OPERATORS.
11. 6 1/2 MINUTES AFTER RELEASE OF MINES.
12. NO.
14. 203A/20 MARCH.
15. 5942 N, 0455 W.

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TWO ATTACKS WITH 2 MARK 24 MINES NUMBERED (1) AND (2)--

A. 1. DROPPED ON REMNANT OF SMOKE PATCH.
   2. TOTALLY SUBMERGED, NO WAKE, SWIRL OR SMOKE VISIBLE.

B. 1. TWO
   2. TWO

C. 1. 300 FT 160 KTS
   2. 300 FT 132 KTS

D. 1. SEA 4.
   2. SEA 2.

E. 1. AND (2) NOT SEEN

F. 1. UP TRACK
   2. NOT KNOWN

OBM KQL N/A (2) 60 SECS.

H. 1. SONO BUOYS Dropped AFTER D.C. ATTACK WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.
   2. SONO BUOYS RELEASED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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I. 1. AND (2) NORMAL.

II. 1. GREENISH OIL SURROUNDING D.C. SCUM.
   2. NONE.

III. 1. THREE TO FIVE MINUTES.
     2. N/A.

IV. 1. 5 D.C.S. DROPPED WITH 2 MINES IN ERROR.
     2. NO.

V. 1. LIBERATOR MK VI K/547
    2. LIBERATOR MK VI E/547

VI. 1. 1023/16 MARCH.
     2. 0753/17 MARCH.

VII. 1. 07:30 NORTH 31-50 WEST.
     2. 06:14 NORTH 32-32 WEST.

SCR DELIVERED TO CINCPLANT, COMAIRLANT AND ASDEVLANT AS 212339
      NCR 41135

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BY SR, DATE JUN 20 1974
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ADMIRALTY very grateful for your offer and would like first
de Support Group to report Command DR in chief Western Approaches
at Liverpool. URDIS 171830 refers.

E.O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 5(D) or (E)
OSD letter, May 4, 1972

By SLR Date JUN 20 1974

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ACTION: FX-51
TG 22.14 obtained sonar contact in 43-23 N 61-08 W at 1505Z/18.

And attacked with H/H. 2 explosions followed attack then several more, time interval indicating bottomed U-boat at depth 60 fathoms.

(2) Large quantities wood and paper appeared after 30 minutes. Oil samples were recovered also official Nazi paper dated 22/12/44. Other letters, German first-aid packets, part of deck planking and desk with hair and flesh adhering.

(3) 3 d/c patterns set magnetic on target were dropped. Full explosions obtained from all.

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(4) TASK GROUP REMAINING IN AREA FOR FURTHER EVIDENCE

CÔM: NCH. COG

FX37 ...16...20G...BAD...CNO...

E. O. 11652, Sec. 3(D) and 5(D) or 30
OSD letter, May 4, 1972

By SLB Date JUN 20 1974

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SHOUTS CTG 22.14. CINCLANT PASS TO ADEES AND OTHERS WHO NEED TO KNOW. ACTION CINCCNA CINCLANT COMINCH.

CINCLANT PASSED TO CINCCNA COMINCH FOR ACTION AND CTG 22.13 COM 10TH FLT CTG 22.8 FOR INFO AS 182007

MY 181721. FOLLOWING HH ATTACK 2 EXPLOSIONS FOLLOWED BY SEVERAL MORE. TIME INTERVAL SHOWED BOTTOM FOR LATTER. DEPTH 60 FATHMS. AFTER 30 MINUTES LARGE QUANTITIES OIL WOOD AND PAPER APPEARED. RECOVERED OIL SAMPLES OFFICIAL NAZI PAPER DATED 22/12/44 AND OTHER LETTERS. ALSO PART OF DECK PLANKING AND DESK WITH HAIR AND FLESH ADHERING PLUS GERMAN FIRST AID PACKETS. PLACED 3 DC PATTERNS SET MAGNETIC ON TARGET OBTAINING FULL EXPLOSIONS FROM ALL. VISIBILITY POOR, REMAINING IN AREA FOR FURTHER EVIDENCE. IF NO FURTHER EVIDENCE WILL MAKE ETA CINCCNA 171254Z WITHOUT FURTHER REPORT.

DELIVERED 20-G

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IN VIEW INCREASED U-BOAT ACTIVITY UK WATERS INFORM ADMIRALTY
I AM PREPARED TO PLACE UNDER THEIR OPERATIONAL CONTROL 1 DE
SUPPORT GROUP OF 4 DE'S IMMEDIATELY AND A SECOND AND PERHAPS
A THIRD LATER IF NEEDED.

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ONE ATTACK WITH ONE MARK 24 MINE.

A. INDEFINITE Owing to BAD VISIBILITY BUT NOT ON SOKO BUOY INDICATION.

B. ONE.

C. 275 FEET 155 KNOTS.

D. SEA 3.

E. NOT ESTIMATED.

F. NOT KNOWN.

G. NOT KNOWN.

H. NO.

I. NORMAL.

J. NONE.

K. N/A

L. NO.

M. LIBERATOR MARK VIII D/53.

N. 2150A 13TH MARCH 1945.

O. 6127N 1221W.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMINCH

RELEASED BY: K A KNOWLES

DATE: 16 MARCH 1945

TOR CODE ROOM: 2125/15

DECODED BY: EXNER/lyn

TYPOED BY: MORRIS

ROUTED BY: MORRIS

COMINCH U/BOAT TRENDS. BIWEEKLY NUMBER 62.

ANTICIPATE INCREASED ENEMY ACTIVITY IN UKAY AREA PARTICULARLY SOUTHWEST APPROACHES AND ENGLISH CHANNEL WHERE ABOUT 15 U/BOATS ARE NOW ESTIMATED PATROLLING. RECENT CONTACTS INDICATE SEVERAL U/BOATS OFF NORTH IRELAND BETWEEN MALIN HEAD AND NORTH CHANNEL WITH PROBABLY A HALF DOZEN MORE SCATTERED BETWEEN NORTH SCOTLAND AND THE EAST COAST OF ENGLAND. THE INCREASED FLOW OF OUTBOUND U/BOATS NOTICEABLE DURING THE LATTER PART OF FEB DOES NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN SUSTAINED. CURRENTLY ABOUT 10 ARE ESTIMATED IN PASSAGE BETWEEN ICELAND AND THE SHETLANDS OF WHICH HALF ARE CONSIDERED OUTBOUND. 1 U/BOAT IS PROBABLY STILL PATROLLING OFF
REYKJAVIK WHERE A TRAWLER WAS TORPEDOED ON 3 MARCH.

4 U/BOATS ARE CURRENTLY FIXED IN THE CENTRAL NORTH ATLANTIC OF WHICH 1 IS REPORTING WEATHER ABOUT 400 MILES SSW OF ICELAND. THE OTHER 3 ARE APPARENTLY HEADING FOR THE WESTERN ATLANTIC. SEVERAL OF OUR DE SUPPORT GROUPS ARE HUNTING FOR 2 U/BOATS SOUTH OF NEWFOUNDLAND. ANTICIPATE THESE WILL MOVE INTO THE SHIPPING LANES IN THE HALIFAX-
NEW YORK AREA. IN SPITE OF SEVERAL CONTACTS IN THE GIBRALTAR AREA THERE IS NOT SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO CONFIRM PRESENCE OF ANY U/BOAT ALTHOUGH PREVIOUS SUCCESSSES POINT TO EARLY RESUMPTION OF ENEMY ACTIVITY THERE. THE 4 U/BOATS RETURNING FROM THE SOUTH ATLANTIC REMAIN ENTIRELY UNLOCATED. THE NORTHERNMOST OF THESE SHOULD NOW BE ABOUT 600 MILES SOUTHWEST OF AZORES WITH THE SOUTHERNMOST 2 PROBABLY IN THE GENERAL AREA EAST TO SOUTHEAST OF ASCENSION ALTHOUGH LATTER 2 MAY HAVE TAKEN ROUTE WEST OF ASCENSION. THERE ARE NO INDICATIONS OF ANY U/BOAT ACTIVITY IN THE INDIAN OCEAN.

RESTRICT INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN TO THOSE WHO NEED TO KNOW. MARCH SHIPPING LOSSES TO DATE HAVE BEEN LIGHT PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF NUMBER OF U/BOATS AT SEA. 4 MERCHANTS HAVE BEEN TORPEDOED ALL OF WHICH OCCURRED IN THE SOUTHWEST APPROACHES AND ENGLISH CHANNEL. 3 U/BOATS HAVE ALSO BEEN SUNK IN THE SAME AREA 2 BY BRITISH SUPPORT GROUPS AND THE 3RD BY A USN LIBERATOR. A 4TH U/BOAT WAS APPARENTLY SOUTAINED OFF SOUTHERN IRELAND WHERE 46 OF CREW LANDED ON 12 MARCH. A
RESURGENCE OF MIDGET U/BOAT ACTIVITY OFF THE DUTCH COAST
THIS MONTH RESULTED IN 17 BEING SUNK, 4 DRIVEN ASHORE AND
1 CAPTURED WITHOUT ANY ALLIED LOSSES.
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 (COMINCH REPEATED BAD WASHINGTON CINCLANT COMAIRLANT ASDEVLANT FROM ADMIRALTY)

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 A. U-BOAT SCHNORKELLING.
 B. 2.
 C. 250 FEET. 13 KTS.
 D. CALM
 E. MINES STRADDLES. NO ONE ENTERED 100 FT ASTERN. NO 2 100 FT AHEAD.
 F. UPTACK.
 G. N/A
 H. NO.
 I. NORMAL.
 J. NONE.
 K. N/A.
 L. FOLLOWED BY D/C ATTACK. 4 BY 25% POUND DC'S RELEASED 4 MINUTES AFTER MINES. 1 ATTACK WITH 2 MARK 24 MINES.

 No. 1 ADMIRAL.
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SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY FOR 24 HOURS TO 0900Z 15TH MARCH.

(Signed O-1224)

A. (1) MACE SUNK PROBABLY BY U-BOAT AT 1300Z 14TH MARCH IN 55-52 N 01-59 W.

B. (1) HMS NATAL ATTACKED CONTACT AT 1500Z 14TH MARCH IN 55-53 N 01-58 W.

(2) HMS WIVERN ATTACKED CONTACT AT 1826Z 14TH MARCH IN 55-52 N 01-58 W.

(3) HM SHIPS CONCERTATOR AND LORRAINE ATTACKED PERISCOPE WITH DEPTH CHARGES AT 1455Z 10TH MARCH IN 50-36 N 05-15 W.

(4) A/C X/107 SAW SMOKE AND WAVE AT APPROX 1815Z 14TH MARCH IN 51-44 N 07-10 W.

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C. (1) E.G. 17 ATTACKED BOTTOM CONTACT PROBABLY WRECK AT 1014Z
14TH MARCH IN 59-54 N Ø2-Ø1 W.

(2) HMS SHIPS ABDRIGHTON AND BRISSENDEN ATTACKED CONTACT
AT 1720Z 13TH MARCH IN 51-52 N Ø1-Ø2 E.

(3) HMS HARRIER ATTACKED DOUBTFUL CONTACT AT 1729Z 14TH MARCH
IN 51-22 N Ø2-35 E.

(4) HMS LANCASTER ATTACKED DOUBTFUL CONTACT AT 2235Z 14TH MARCH
IN 55-53 N Ø1-59 W.

(5) ROLFSBORG (EX TBC 98) REPORTED HEAVY UNDERWATER EXPLOSION AT
1400Z 14TH MARCH IN 50-34 N Ø5-Ø7 W.

(6) HMCS GLACE BAY HAD CONTACT BELIEVED WRECK AT 1505Z 14TH
MARCH IN 51-27 N Ø6-23 W.

(7) A/C T/14 HAD RADAR CONTACT AT 2057Z 14TH MARCH IN
50-40 N Ø5-Ø0 W.

(8) E G 14 REPORTED UNEXPLAINED EXPLOSION AT 2124Z 14TH MARCH
IN 51-49 N Ø6-32 W.

(9) A/C Z/202 OBTAINED DISAPPEARING RADAR CONTACT AT Ø63ØZ
15TH MARCH IN 57-44 N 15-52 W.
(10) A/C HAD DISAPPEARING RADAR CONTACT AT 2315Z 18TH MARCH IN 36-41 N 07-57 W.

D. (1) HMS YORK CITY ATTACKED CONTACT AT 0232Z 18TH MARCH IN 58-43 N 04-51 W.
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TWO ATTACKS WITH MARK 24 MINE NUMBERED (1) AND (2)

A. (1) SONO BUOY (2) SCHNORKET RECENTLY DISAPPEARED.

B. (1) AND (2) TWO

C. (1) 300 FEET 146 KNOTS (2) 300 FEET 145 KNOTS

D. BOTH CALM

E. (1) 90 DEGREES 20 AND 35 YARDS FROM PURPLE BUOY (2) PROBABLY ASTERN OF SUBMERGED SCHNORKEL

F. (1) ASSUMED UP-TRACK (2) 20 DEGS ABAFT BEAM

G. (1) ESTIMATED 1 MINUTE (2) N/A

H. (1) YES 120 REVS. (2) NO.

I. (1) NORMAL. NOTE, SECOND MINE WAS FORCIBLY RELEASED 25 MINUTES AFTER THE FIRST (2) NORMAL.

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**J. (1) 3 SHARP EXPLOSIONS FOLLOWED BY PEAR-SHAPED PATCH OF PAPER FRAGMENTS (2) SMALL OIL PATCH OF DC SCUM (SEE L).**

**K. (1) EXPLOSIONS 5 MINUTES PAPER 15 MINUTES (2) 8 MINS.**

**L. (1) NO (2) 4 DCS DROPPED 5 MINUTES AFTER MINES**

**M. LIBERATORS (1) W/86 (2) W/126**

**N. (1) 1825A/11 (2) 1947A/11 MARCH**

**O. (1) 58-44 NORTH Ø2-Ø3 WEST (2) 53-Ø8 NORTH Ø4-Ø5 WEST.**

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SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY FOR 24 HOURS TO 0900Z
14TH MARCH.

A. (1) A/C Q/304 SIGHTED U/B ON SURFACE COURSE 180 DEGS
AT 1835Z 13TH MARCH IN 51-48N 05-35W.

B. (1) EG2 ATTACKED U/B CONTACT AT 2146Z 12TH MARCH IN
49-52N 05-52W.

   (2) A/C U 537 ATTACKED CONTACT AT 0825Z 13TH MARCH IN
60-02N 03-28W.

   (3) HMS GRAEMAY SIGHTED TORPEDO TRACK AND CARRIED OUT
ATTACK AT 0247Z 14TH MARCH IN 57-41N 01-41W.

   (4) HMCS STELLER (EG 16) ATTACKED CONTACT COURSE 180
DEGS AT 0336Z 14TH MARCH IN 52-18N 30-00W.

C. (1) A/C M/86 OBTAINED ASV CONTACT HT NEGATIVE AT 0800Z
13TH MARCH IN 59-28N 06-05W.

   (2) A/C G/86 OBTAINED ASV CONTACT HT NEGATIVE AT 0800Z
13TH MARCH IN 58-58N 02-07W.

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(3) HMS HASTINGS SIGHTED PERISCOPE COURSE 090 DEGS AT 1350Z
13TH MARCH IN 58-43N 04-40W.

(4) HMS HASTINGS ATTACKED CONTACT COURSE 090 DEGS WITH DEPTH
CHARGES AT 1645Z 13TH MARCH IN 58-43N 03-57W.

(5) A/C OBTAINED ASV CONTACT AT 1822Z 12TH MARCH IN 35-34N
06-26W SEARCH PROVED NEGATIVE.

D. (1) HMS TERPSICHORE ATTACKED VERY DOUBTFUL CONTACT AT 1810Z
13TH MARCH IN 58-40N 06-09W.

(2) FISHING BOAT JUBILEE REPORTED POSSIBLE U/B AT 1045Z 13TH
MARCH IN 54-12N 05-34W.

COPY TO 20-G
REFERENCE ADMIRALTY'S 81815Z MARCH PARAGRAPH C(1) FOR 25 FEET READ 25% FEET.

1 ATTACK WITH MARK 24 MINE.

A. SWIRL
B. 2
C. 25% FEET 14% KNOTS
D. VERY CALM

E. FIRST 34 YARDS 210T SECOND 34 YARDS 330T FROM CENTRE OF SWIRL.
F. FROM 30 DEGREES STARBOARD BOW

G. 12 SECONDS ESTIMATED AFTER SCHNORKEL DISAPPEARED
H. PROPELLER BEATS 88 TO 90 14 MINUTES AFTER RELEASE
I. 1 MINE BEHAVED NORMALLY THE OTHER PORPOISED 4 TIMES VIOLENTLY ON CIRCULAR COURSE NEAR ENTRY POINT 1% MINUTES AFTER DROP

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J. NOTHING PROMISING ON SONOBUEYS. LATER OIL AND FLOTSAM SEEN IN VICINITY BUT U-BOAT WAS TRACKED FOR OVER 3 HOURS AFTER RELEASE.

K. 2 HOURS 14 MINUTES

L. AN ATTACK WAS MADE WITH DEPTH CHARGES LATER POSSIBLY ON SAME U-BOAT

M. LIBERATOR W/128

N. 0852A/9 MARCH

O. 52-45N 05-08 W.

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NIGHT 5TH/6TH. MERCHANT SHIP ESTIMATED 1000 TONS

WAS BOMBED AND HIT BY COASTAL AIRCRAFT IN SKAGERRAK.

NIGHT 6TH/7TH. DURING ATTACK COASTAL AIRCRAFT ON

SHIPS IN SKAGERRAK ONE SHIP 3000 TONS WAS HIT AND

SET ON FIRE. AT NOON ON 7TH MOSQUITOES SANK 7 LARGE

BARGES IN SKAGERRAK AND KATTEGA.T. BETWEEN 13TH AND

18TH FEB HMS/M THOROUGH SANK 13 NATIVE CRAFT OFF

BURMESE COAST. ON 23RD FEB SHE SANK ONE HEAVILY

CAMOUFLAGED LCT OFF MERGUI AND NEXT DAY SANK 3

NATIVE CRAFT IN SAME AREA. ON 28TH SHE SANK 150

TON JUNK OFF HASTINGS HARBOR. US CARRIER BORNE

AIRCRAFT ATTACKED NANSEI SHOTO ISLANDS, EAST OF FORMOSA

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ON 1ST. REPORTED 13 ENEMY SHIPS SUNK, 13 PROBABLY SUNK, 29 DAMAGED. ON 3RD LIBERATORS SANK MERCHANT SHIP IN MACASSAS STRAIT AND US NAVAL AIRCRAFT SANK LARGE MERCHANT SHIP AT HAHAJIMA. ON 5TH US LIBERATORS SET ON FIRE MERCHANT SHIP OFF INDO CHINA COAST AND ANOTHER IN NANSEI SHOTO GROUP. ON 5TH MITCHELL AIRCRAFT SANK 3 MERCHANT SHIPS AND DAMAGED 3 OTHERS IN FORMOSA STRAIT. NIGHT 4TH/5TH US NAVAL AIRCRAFT SANK MERCHANT SHIP OFF INDO CHINA COAST.
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(COMINCH RPTD BAD CINCLANT COMAILANT ASDEVLANT FROM ADMIRALTY)

NUMBERED (1) (2) (3).

3 ATTACKS WITH MARK 24 MINES.
A. ALL ON SONO-BODY INDICATION

B. ALL DROPPED 2 MINES.
C. (1) 25 FEET, SPLED UNKNOWN (2) 370 FEET, 140 KNOTS
   (3) 275 FEET, 123 KNOTS.

D. ALL CALM
E. (1) ESTIMATED OVER TARGET (2) MINES FELL WIDE DUE TO FAULTY

RELEASE BUT WITHIN HIGH TAN PATTERN (3) 2100 AND 1350 YARDS FROM
APEX OF OIL, ABAFT BEAM OF TARGET AND CLOSING.

F. (1) AND (2) NOT KNOWN, (3) 15 DEGS FROM UP TRACK.
G. (1) AND (3) NOT KNOWN, (2) SMOKE REPORTED BY SUNDERLAND 3 HOURS
   PREVIOUSLY.

H. (1) NOT REPORTED, (2) AND (3) PROPELLER NOISES DIAGNOSED

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1. (1) NOT SEEN. (2) MINES FELL 15 FEET APART. BOTH DIVED THEN SURFACED FOR SOME SECONDS, FINALLY DIVING (3) NOT REPORTED.

J. (1) DISTURBED PATCH OF WATER 50 FEET FROM MINE ENTRY SWIRL (2) NONE (3) PROPELLER BEATS CEASED, TEARING NOISES HEARD.

K. (1) 2 MINUTES (2) NA (3) TEN MINUTES.

L. ALL, NO.

M. LIBERATORS (1) S/12Ø (2) Z/59 (3) L/59.

N. (1) Ø51245/MARCH (2) Ø51580 MARCH (3) Ø51555 MARCH.

O. ALL NORTH AND WEST. (1) 55-29. Ø6-58. (2) 53-45 13-ØØ (3) 55-47 Ø8-36.

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No. 1 ADMIRAL. No. 2 FILE. No. 3F-1 OR CHARTROOM. No. 4 SPECIAL.
RESULT OF INVESTIGATION JUSTIFIES A REQUEST FOR 24 ARB'S COMPLETE WITH 12 CONTROLLING AIRCRAFT, SUBJECT TO EXAMINATION BY YOU PROVING SATISFACTORY AM 131412/FER REFERS. INTENTION IS FOR SIMULTANEOUS ATTACK ON 3 OR MORE TARGETS.

2. IF SUPPLY CAN BE ARRANGED PROPOSE OPERATIONAL CONTROL BY ADMIRALTY WITH ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL AND LOGISTIC SUPPORT BY COMNAVEU.

3. COMNAVEU AGREES PARA 2. DECASSIFIED JCS MEMO. 1-17-73 BY S/K, DATE JUN 20 1974

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<td>On 2nd large Russian A/S craft torpedoed and sunk off Murmansk coast.</td>
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NIGHT 3RD/4TH COASTAL AIRCRAFT HIT AND SET ON FIRE 5,000 TON MERCHANT SHIP IN SKAGGERAK AREA.
ON 2ND US LIBERATORS ATTACKED CONVOY NORTH EAST OF WENCHOW.
1 MEDIUM SIZE TRANSPORT WAS SUNK AND 1 MERCHANT SHIP AND 1 DESTROYER SET ON FIRE.
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TOTAL: COMINCH REPEATED BAD WASHINGTON CINCLANT COMAIRLANT ASDEVLANT FROM ADMIRALTY.

1 ATTACK WITH 2 MARK 24 MINES.

A. SONO BUOY.
B. 2
C. 350 FEET 148 KNOTS.
D. CALM
E. NEAR SONO BUOY GIVING RESPONSE.
F. NOT KNOWN.
G. NOT SEEN TO SUBMERGE
H. FULL DETAILS FROM ICELAND (C) NOT YET RECEIVED.

COMINCH DELIVER TO BAD.
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NIGHT 26TH FEBRUARY, 1ST MARCH, COASTAL AIRCRAFT HIT 2 E-BOATS OUT OF 3 FORMATION SIGHTED OFF DUTCH COAST.

A WELLINGTON AIRCRAFT BOMBED ESCORTED TLC OFF THE HOCK AND HEAVY EXPLOSION WAS SEEN. BEAUFIGHTERS CLAIM HITS ON 4 OUT OF 9 E-BOATS WEST OF DEN HELDER. TELUG (PISCOPI) ISLAND, NORTH WEST OF RHODES HAS BEEN CAPTURED BY LANDING FORCE OF 500 SUPPORTED BY HMS LIDDESDALE AND RAF AIRCRAFT. ON 26TH US PT BOATS SUPPORTED BY AIRCRAFT DESTROYED 7 SPEED BOATS AND PROBABLY 6 OTHERS WHICH WERE HIDDEN IN CAMOUFLAGED SHELTERS ON SOUTH COAST OF LUZON.

USA LANDBINGS BY US FORCES HAVE BEEN MADE ON PALAWAN ISLAND AND AN ISLAND IN SOUTH WEST CORNER OF MANILA BAY WHERE 14 SMALL CRAFT WERE CAPTURED. BETWEEN 26TH FEBRUARY AND 1ST MARCH ALLIED AIRCRAFT SANK 1 LARGE TANKER 4 MERCHANT SHIPS 1 COASTER 4 SEA TRUCKS AND SET ON FIRE 5 SEA TRUCKS AND 2 MERCHANT SHIPS IN

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ON 23RD LA COMBATANTE PATROLLING N.E. OF THE BASH BLEW UP AND SANK. LARGE NUMBER OF SURVIVORS RESCUED. AMERICAN

SHIP 7177 TONS STRAGGLING FROM CONVOY FROM NORTH RUSSIA WAS TORPEDOED BY ENEMY AIRCRAFT ABOUT 367 MILES S.E. OF JAN

MAYEN ISLAND.

NIGHT 24TH/25TH, H.M.T. ELLESMERE ON ESCORT DUTY WAS TORPEDOED AND SUNK ABOUT 55 MILES SOUTH OF THE LIZARD. SAME

NIGHT CONSIDERABLE E-BOAT ACTIVITY IN SOUTHERN NORTH SEA.

E-BOAT SUNK, 12 PRISONERS WERE TAKEN. MINELAYING SUSPECTED.

ON 23RD SHIPPING AT HORTEN (OSLOFUORD) WAS ATTACKED BY 63 AIRCRAFT. MANY HITS MADE, ONE DOCKYARD. 1 M/S PROBABLY DAMAGED.

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Replied to CNO 231751. 1 A/S Attack Teacher Modernized Sangamo Type. One Advanced Bearing Trainer, 1 Tactical Ranger Recorder Teacher, 1 Dead Reckoning Tracer, 1 Depth Charge Driller, 1 Echo Repeater (Stationery Type), 1 Echo Repeater (Towed Type), 2 Primary Bearing Trainers for Echo Ranging, 1 Primary Bearing Trainer for Listening, 1 Attack Plotter, 1 Bearing Deviation Indicator, 1 Film Projector and Anti/S Films, 1 Phonograph and Training Records Are Available in 17th Naval District for Use Hula. Not Available This Area Are: 1 Hedgehog Driller, 1 Mouse Trap Driller, 3 Echo Repeaters (Towed Type), 1 Primary Bearing Trainer for Echo Ranging. These Must Be Furnished From U.S. Training Unit Consisting 2 Officers and 12 Men Can Be Made Available From 17th Naval District. However, Utilization Either Training Equipment or Personnel Indicated as Available in 17th Naval District.
WILL INTERRUPT ESSENTIAL TRAINING NORPAC AND ALSEAFRON FORCES UNTIL SUITABLE REPLACEMENTS ARE MADE.

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Present threat from U-boats or surface forces is now negligible and I see no reason for any change.

2. Request therefore you will obtain concurrence of U.S. authorities to sailing of American troop ships unescorted.

3. Request continuance of early advice of future moves to enable provision of escort should a threat develop.

4. Escorts have already been removed from ABF and BAF convoys. My O20534 not to BAD Washington or CNO Washington refers.

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CDRS ALL SEAFLRON LANT
NOB GUANTANAMO CINCLANT
NOB TRINIDAD CAFAC
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TRENDS. POSITION OF SIGHTING SUGGESTS TRACK WILL PASS TO WEST OF ASCENSION. ATTEMPTS TO RAISE SHIP WHICH REPORTED U-BOAT HAVE SO FAR BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL. 3 OTHER U-BOATS ENROUTE TO NORTH ATLANTIC ARE ESTIMATED IN GENERAL AREA ABOUT 620 MILES SOUTH OF DURBAN.

RESTRICT INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN TO THOSE WHO NEED TO KNOW. A US LIBERTY SHIP WAS TORPEDOED ABOUT 600 MILES WEST OF AUSTRALIA ON 6 FEBRUARY PROBABLY BY GERMAN U-BOAT RETURNING FROM OPERATIONS OFF SYDNEY WHERE A SHIP WAS SUNK IN DECEMBER. THERE APPEARS TO BE NO OTHER U-BOATS AT SEA IN INDIAN OCEAN AT PRESENT. PACIFIC ACTIVITY DURING THE MONTH INCLUDES AN LST TORPEDOED BY JAP U-BOAT WEST OF PALAU AND THE OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE OF 2 US SUBS IN SINKING 4 ENEMY U-BOATS OFF THE CHINA COAST IN A 5 DAY PERIOD.
**TOP SECRET**

**Dispatch**

**From:** (Originator Not Given)

**Released By:**

**Date:** 13 Feb 1945

**TOR Code Room:** 1710

**Decoded By:** Lynn

**Paraphrased By:** Lynn, Checked by Bennett, Dated by

**Routed By:**

**Adressee:** Cinclant

**Address:** Cominch, Com 10th Flt

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**By:** SLR

**Date:** Jun 20, 1974

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NSS (Radio Washington) pass to Cinclant for action for info to Cominch Com 10th Fleet. This is Top Secret.

Aircraft sighted submerging sub at 6.5 miles immediately after radar contact at 130907Z position 51-55 N 29-14 W. Depth charge attack followed by Proctor showed no results. Sono buoy indications doubtful. First escort reached scene thirty minutes after sighting. Sonar contact not yet made. Minimum of 4 escorts has been used to prosecute all aircraft contacts. Sub Wx signal Cominch 111230 2 hours after sighting. My 111230 despite continuous air surface coverage with good visibility strengthens previous suspicions 2 subs operating this area. Compliance UR 092244 requires my departure early 15 February. Wx 3856 9558.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
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FROM
ADMIRALTY

RELEASED BY

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1. RAF TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT SIGHTED U-BOAT COURSE 150
DEGREES AT 1145Z 12TH FEBRUARY IN 42-35N 37-10W.

2. HMCS BOWMANVILLE OBTAINED DOUBTFUL CONTACT AT
1830Z 12TH FEBRUARY IN 51-51N 06-27W.

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COM 12TH FLT SENDS ACTION COMINCH INFO COMAIRLANT CFAW 7 COMNAVZORES ADMIRALTY COM 8TH FLT CFAW 15 CINCLANT.

COMING A TOSPECER.

FOLLOWING FROM HQ COASTAL COMMAND TO ADMIRALTY INFO COM 12TH FLEET AND AIR MINISTRY WHITEHALL: "218283 A IN VIEW OF EXPECTED DEVELOPMENTS IN U-BOAT WAR WHICH INCLUDE POSSIBILITY OF ACTIVITY IN MID-ATLANTIC BY TYPE XXI U-BOATS I CONSIDER THAT THE TIME HAS NOW ARRIVED TO BRING 114 USN SQDN UP TO FULL STRENGTH IN THE AZORES. SUBJECT THEREFORE TO CONCURRENCE OF COM 12TH FLEET I INTEND TO TRANSFER THE DETACHMENT OF THAT SQUADRON FROM DUNKESWELL TO THE AZORES FORTHWITH. REQUEST COM 12TH FLEET TO SIGNAL CONCURRENCE."

WITH FULL COGNIZANCE YOUR 218252 NOT TO ALL ADDREES ALL CONCERNED HERE INCLUDING ADMIRALTY CONCUR IN ABOVE. RECOMMEND APPROVAL.

DESPATCH REPLY REQUESTED.

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COMINCH U/BOAT TRENDS. BIWEEKLY NUMBER 59. EXCEPT FOR TWO POSSIBLE ATTACKS ON AUXILIARIES IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC ALL U/BOAT ACTIVITY FOR JANUARY WAS CONFINED TO NORTH ATLANTIC. SHIPPING LOSSES WERE ABOUT THE SAME AS LAST MONTH WITH 16 MERCHANT SHIPS TORPEDOED. OF WHICH 10 SANK. IN ADDITION SIX COMMISSIONED VESSELS WERE TORPEDOED OR SUNK BY U/BOAT DURING JANUARY OF WHICH TWO WERE REPORTED OFF MURMANSK COAST. NO MARKED CHANGE IN U/BOAT TRENDS SINCE LAST BIWEEKLY ALTHOUGH THERE HAS BEEN A SLIGHT REDUCTION IN ENEMY ACTIVITY PAST TEN DAYS PROBABLY DUE TO MAJORITY OF U/BOATS IN TRANSIT WITH FEW IN OP AREAS. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY OFF UKAY HAS BEEN IN IRISH SEA AND ITS APPROACHES ALTHOUGH SEVERAL U/BOATS ARE ESTIMATED PATROLLING CENTRAL CHANNEL NORTH IRELAND AND EAST COAST OF SCOTLAND WITH ABOUT HALF DOZEN ON PASSAGE WEST OF IRELAND. TWO WEATHER REPORTERS CENTRAL NORTH ATLANTIC ALTHOUGH NORTHERN ONE NOT MAINTAINING NOW BEING STARTING HOMeward. U/BOAT RETURNING FROM HALIFAX MAY TEMPORARILY REPORT WEATHER THIS AREA. THE SITUATION IS UNCLEAR IN WESTERN ATLANTIC. TWO U/BOATS NOT RECENTLY LOCATED MAY BE MOVING INTO THE NEW YORK AND HALIFAX AREA. SECR UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

[Redacted for security reasons]
ARAN A SOLUTIONS

ALTHOUGH A RADAR CONTACT REPORTED BY A/C EAST OF AZORES ON 25 JANUARY SUGGESTS POSSIBILITY THAT ONE OF THESE U/BOATS MAY BE HEADING FOR GIBRALTAR. ABOUT FOUR U/BOATS ARE NOW ESTIMATED ENROUTE TO NORTH ATLANTIC FROM THE FAR EAST. ONE OF THESE IS ESTIMATED TO HAVE ENTERED THE SOUTH ATLANTIC. THE REMAINDER ARE STILL IN THE INDIAN OCEAN PROBABLY SOUTHEAST OF MADAGASCAR. ANTICIPATE OTHER CARGO U/BOATS WILL DEPART GERMANY FOR FAR EAST WITHIN THE NEXT MONTH. RESTRICT INFO THIS DESPATCH TO THOSE WHO NEED TO KNOW. CURRENTLY A CVE GROUP IS HUNTING FOR SOUTHERN WEATHER REPORTER AND A SECOND CVE GROUP IS SWEEPING FOR WESTBOUNDER OFF NEW YORK. RECENT SUCCESSFUL INSHORE A/S OPERATIONS BY SURFACE CRAFT INDICATE DESIRABILITY OF PROMPTLY STARTING SONAR SEARCH AFTER U/BOAT HAS ATTACKED. THIS WAS DONE IN EACH CASE AND FIRST CONTACT WAS MADE IN VICINITY OF SHIP TORPEDOING.
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X. O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 5(D) or (E)
OSD letter, May 3, 1972
By SLR Date: JUN 20 1974

FIRST SEA LORD LETTER TO YOU OF 27 JANUARY STATES NUMBER 458 RAAF SQUADRON WEIGH LIGHT WELLINGTONS WILL BE MOVED FROM ITALY TO GIBRALTAR AND THEREFORE REQUESTS YOU OBTAIN COMINCH CONSENT TO TRANSFER OUR VENTURA SQUADRON 127 FROM NORTH AFRICA TO UKAY. AFTER RE-STUDY IN 12TH FLT OF MATERIAL SUPPORT REQUIRED FOR VENTURAS IN UKAY VERSUS WELLINGTONS IN UKAY IT APPEARS FROM OUR VIEWPOINT THAT IT WOULD BE MORE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE TO BRING NUMBER 458 RAAF SQUADRON TO UKAY IN LIEU OF VENTURAS. THIS VIEWPOINT HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO ADMIRALTY WHO CONSIDER "PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD STAND SO THAT LIGHTFITTED AIRCRAFT ARE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE AT GIBRALTAR AND THAT 458 SQUADRON SHOULD BE READY FOR RETURN TO ANTI-U BOAT WORK IN MEDITERRANEAN SHOULD THIS BECOME NECESSARY.

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**FROM**
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SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY FOR 24 HOURS TO 0003Z 26TH JANUARY.

(A) 1. SHIP TORPEDOED AND ABANDONED, POSSIBLE
   FROM GUADALOupe, IN EASTBOUND CONVOY, ABOUT N
   0100Z 25TH JANUARY IN APPROXIMATELY 35-15
   N 65-05 W.

(B) 1. EMPIRE VICEROY SIGHTED U-BOAT ON SURFACE
   ABOUT 0200Z 26TH JANUARY IN PH-37 N 73-55 E.

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COM 10TH FLT C&R NSHQ FONF COMMODORE (D) WA CINCCNA
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MY 260930 z. OBJECT SIGHTED BY PILOT AND TAG PROBABLE
SCHNORRHEL. DEFINITE OIL PATCH IN POSITION 54-25 N
23-55 W. FURTHER TRACE OIL TO NORTHWEST UP TO 5
MILES. ESTIMATE GERMAN U-BOATS MOVED SOUTH. HMCS
EAST VIEW. HMCS LAZARON HUNTING AS DETACHED UNIT.
HMCS ST LAMBERT S.O. ESCORT. INTENDS DEPARTING AREA
1700 z. TO REJOIN CONVOY BY MIDNIGHT UNLESS OTHERWISE
ORDERED. REQUEST YOU INDICATE PROBABILITY GERMAN U-
BOATS HERE.

WEATHER 0078 4371 1112

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CINC PLYMOUTH INTENDS AUGMENT ESCORT OF UCA SECTIONS IN ENGLISH CHANNEL AREA WITH B SECTION ESCORTS IN SAME MANNER CINCH W HAS PROPOSED FOR IRISH SEA IN HIS 201627 APPROVED BY URDIS 221932 NEITHER TO ALL. RECOMMEND APPROVAL. REQUEST YOUR COMMENT.

CINC PLYMOUTH 241200Z Refers.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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COMINCH NSHQ OTTAWA FROM ADMIRALTY.

A (1) NOR. VIGNSERS TORPEDOED AND SUNK AT 1545 Z 23 JANUARY IN LATITUDE 53°33' NORTH LONGITUDE 04°17' WEST.

B (1) A/C C/518 SIGHTED SHORTS AT 133 Z 23 JAN IN LATITUDE 58°07' NORTH LONGITUDE 09°54' WEST AND AT 1310 Z 23 JAN IN LATITUDE 58°19' NORTH LONGITUDE 09°37' WEST.

C (1) A/C H/179 OBTAINED ASV AT 0610 Z 21 JANUARY IN LATITUDE 50°10' NORTH LONGITUDE 06°15' WEST.

(2) A/C E/712 OBTAINED ASV AT 2330 Z 22 JAN IN LATITUDE 53°55' NORTH LONGITUDE 05°35' EAST.

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1. Since spring 1944 U-boat main effort has been switched from the Atlantic to inshore waters particularly those of U.K., including English Channel and Irish Sea.

2. Although enemy has generally operated up to 20 U-boats against these convoys our losses have been small and carrier-borne aircraft have achieved considerable successes.

3. Past sinkings of U-boats and their supply ships have caused wide fluctuations in enemy effort, which has recently decreased.

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**INSHORE WATERS. ENGLISH CHANNEL AND IRISH SEA.**

4. Our losses during Overlord were negligible and many U-boats were sunk both by air and surface forces. Increased skill and confidence in the use of schnorkel and other new equipment have, however, greatly reduced effectiveness of our aircraft. Surface forces are handicapped by ADSC difficulties in shallow coastal waters, where the U-boat's main effort is now concentrated.

Recently U-boats have showed more aggressive spirit, probably as result of improved morale, and have caused casualties relatively more severe than in the summer.

**NEW TYPES AND DATE OF NEW OFFENSIVE**

5. We have yet to encounter the new type XXI, a 1600 U-boat carrying 26 torpedoes, with at least 15 knots submerged speed and large increase in battery power, and the new type XXIII, a 180-
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**TON U-BOAT CARRYING ONLY 2 TORPEDOES WITH HIGH SUBMERGED SPEED BUT LOW ENDURANCE. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THESE TYPES WILL BE BROUGHT INTO OPERATIONS ABOUT FEBRUARY OR MARCH THIS YEAR.**

**FUTURE U-BOAT DISPOSITIONS: DISPERAL OF OUR FORCES**


**ESTIMATED NUMBER OF U-BOATS LIKELY TO BE OPERATING AND OUR SHIPPERG LOSSES.**

7. ALTHOUGH THE ENEMY MAINTAINED ONLY ABOUT 30 U-BOATS ON
PATROL DURING THE LAST 3 MONTHS, IT IS ESTIMATED THAT HE MAY BE ABLE TO KEEP ON PATROL AS MANY AS 70 FROM THE SPRING ONWARDS, POSSIBLY RISING TO ABOUT 90 IN THE SUMMER. A CONSIDERABLE INCREASE IN OUR SHIPPING LOSSES BY U-BOAT ALONE IS THREATENED AND IT HAS BEEN ESTIMATED THAT THESE MIGHT RISE TO BETWEEN 70 AND 90 SHIPS A MONTH, COMPARED WITH 60 DURING THE WORST PERIOD OF THE SPRING 1943 WHEN ABOUT 60 U-BOATS WERE ON PATROL. SUCH HIGH LOSSES MAY HAMPER MILITARY BUILD-UP IN EUROPE AND DEPLOYMENT OF FORCES FOR THE EAST.

MORALE AND BOMBING
8. A GREAT DEAL DEPENDS, HOWEVER ON:-

(1) THE SPIRIT OF U-BOAT COMMANDERS, WHICH WILL NO DOUBT BE INFLUENCED BY

(A) THE SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF LAND OPERATIONS IN EUROPE.
(B) The ability of our A/S forces to kill and Harry the U-boats;

(C) Development of new Allied technical equipment and countermeasures; and

(11) The degree to which a bombing offensive against the construction yards and building slips can be pursued.

CONCLUSION
9. The U-boat threat is severe; but may not achieve such high shipping losses as estimated above, unless morale and efficiency of their commanders improve. There are indications that this has occurred in individual cases.

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FROM

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NSHQ SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY.

NO REPORT SINCE MY 150259Z PARA D

(1) RADAR CONTACT BY LIBERATOR U/10 IN 44-02 N 55-10 W

AT 1755Z/16

(2) NMCS GANANOQUE ATTACKED SUSPICIOUS CONTACT IN 46-44 N

59-48 W AT 2308Z/16

(3) SOUND CONTACT BY TG 22.9 IN 45-05 N 56-15 W AT 2353Z/16

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TYPED BY: Collier

ROUTED BY: Williams

ADMIRALTY INFO NMCS CESF FROM NSHQ OTTAWA

NSHQ SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY. NO REPORT SINCE 1502582

(A) MIVIS ATELVIKING (BR) BRITISH FREEDOM (BR) MARTIN VAN BUREN (AM) TORPEDOED IN APPROXIMATE POSITION 44-28 NORTH 63-29 WEST ABOUT 1330Z 14TH. ATELVIKING SUNK BRITISH FREEDOM TOTAL LOSS SUNK LATER BY ESCORTS MARTIN VAN BUREN AFLOAT IN TOW.

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PART 2 - 141020, NCR 6609
PART 3 - 141052, NCR 6708

ACTION ADMIRALTY INFO COMINCH CNO COMEIGHTHIELD COMFAIRWING 15 COMMORSEAFRON FOGMA COMNAVEU FOLEM FROM CINCMED. CASABLANCA PASS TO COMFAIRWING 15.

IT APPEARS FROM SIGNALS NOT REPEATED TO ME BUT NOW PASSED BY COMEIGHTHIELD THAT IT HAS BEEN AGREED WITH COMINCH TO RELEASE OF ONE LIBERATOR SQUADRON AND ONE VENTURA SQUADRON PLUS FOUR MAD CATALINAS ALL FROM COMFAIRWING 15 AT PORT LYAUTEY. COMNAVEU'S 301746 DEC NOT TO CINCMED REFERS.

2. COMEIGHTHIELD'S 312040 DEC NOT TO ADMITY NOW BEING PASSED INDICATES THAT HE ALSO WAS UNAWARE OF PROPOSED TRANSFER OF
OF AIRCRAFT OTHER THAN 4 MAD CATALINAS REFERRED IT IN A.M.
111346 DEC.
3. I ENTIRELY CONCUR WITH PARA 2 OF COMEIGHTHFLT'S 312040 DEC
AND REQUEST RECONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED MOVE IN VIEW OF PRESENT
U BOAT SITUATION IN THE MEDITERRANEAN APPROACHES AND EXPECTED
DEVELOPMENTS.
4. CMSF 120741 JANUARY REPEATED ADMIRALTY NOT TO CINCMED ALSO
REFERS.
5. VENTURA SQUADRON HAS BEEN RETAINED TEMPORARILY PENDING
DECISION. COMEIGHTHFLT 131512 JAN REFERS AND BEING PASSED.

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TOR CORDERROOM: 2303
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NSHQ SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY,

1. HMCS GANANOQUE ATTACKED DOUBTFUL CONTACT IN 46-30N 57-40W AT 2320Z/12TH
2. USCG NORTHLAND ATTACKED CONTACT IN 44-37N 59-08W ABOUT 2300Z/12TH.
3. HMCS STRATHADAM ATTACKED CONTACT IN 37-04N 65-05W PRIOR TO 0058Z/13.

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NSHQ SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY.

NO REPORT SINCE MY 102227Z.

C (1) ASDIC CONTACT IN 42-53-8 N 53-42-9 W AT 0105Z/12.

(2) HMCS CARAQUET OBTAINED RADAR CONTACT AT 0615Z/12 IN 44-23 N 63-07 W
THIS IS A PARAPHRASE OF OSH1253A FROM ANCF (MAIN) ACTION SHAEF G-2 6TH ARMY GROUP G-2 INFO ADMIRALTY FOR DIRECTOR NAVAL INTELLIGENCE COMHAVEU COMHAFORFRANCE.

FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM ADMIRALTY.

1. APPROXIMATELY 20 STERN SECTIONS OF TYPE 21 U-BOATS IN VARYING STAGES OF COMPLETION WERE LEFT UNDAMAGED ON THE OPEN GROUND JUST INSIDE THE MAIN GATE OF STRASSBURGER WERFT. THIS SHIPYARD IS LOCATED ON LEFT BANK OF RHINE AT 047°9°47 GSQS 4471.5/500000 SHEET 38/16."

2. IF YOU APPROVE NAVAL CONSTRUCTOR CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE TO EXAMINE THESE SECTIONS.

3. IT IS ESSENTIAL IF THERE IS ANY CHANCE OF THIS SHIPYARD FALLING AGAIN INTO ENEMY HANDS THAT THIS MATERIAL BE DESTROYED OR DAMAGED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO PREVENT ITS USE BY THE ENEMY.
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NSHQ SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY.

D. US PBY A/C RADAR CONTACT 44-27 N
49-43 W AT 0800Z 7TH.

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SUB ATTACK AND SIGHTING SUMMARY FOR 24 HOURS TO
0002 8TH JANUARY.

PARA A.

(1) HSM THULE ATTACKED JAPANESE U-BOAT COURSE

135 DEGS AT 1244A 28TH DECEMBER IN 25-55 N 110-04 E.

PARA B.

(1) AIRCRAFT REPORTED POSSIBLE U-BOAT AT 1219Z

7TH JANUARY IN 35 25 N 17-20 W.
CONNAVEU SAYS ACTION COMINCH AND CNO.

AFTER CONFERENCE OF ALL CONCERNED ALL BRITISH AND US CONCUR
THAT RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN 351746 DECEMBER SHOULD STAND.
YOUR 21329 REFERS.

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OSD Letter, May 6, 1972
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