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March - April, 1944

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29 APR 1944

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COMINGH, April 28, 1908, (No. 2011).

I patrolling from recent DFS: 55 N., 30 W.; 52 N., 28 W.; 49 N., 33 W.;
47 N., 25 W.

1 unlocated within 200 miles 46 N., 29 W.

2 estimated moving SW 53 N., 32 W.; 57 N., 27 W.

Enemy U/Boat estimate 1200 2/28.

I not recently located may be patrolling within 150 miles of

VIRGIN ISLANDS.

I estimated patrolling general area south of HATTERAS although not

well fixed.

I may be westbound within 300 miles 17 N., 52 W.

I homebound within 200 miles 34 N., 50 W.

I southbound estimated area 36 N., 39 W.

No fresh information other areas.
SHIPS SUNK

CONNAVEU, April 28, 1711 (#2826).

S.S. THOMAS G. MASARYK (U.S. Gco. 7,176 tons) presumed sunk.

Note: Previously reported (summary 4/18) torpedoed Apr. 16 off

S.S. HOODE ZEE (DU. Tug 4,68 tons) torpedoed and sunk by E-boat
April 24 off DUNGENESS.
CG ETOUSA (M1S) JNL. 287, Apr. 28.

April 26: SS attacked by Halifax 25 mi. SW of ST. NAZAIRE.
SS sighted by ATC plane at 1301 Z, Apr. 28 in 42-23 N.,
41-55 W., (550 mi. SE of NEWFOUNDLAND).

CG ETOUSA (MIS) JNL. 287, Apr. 28.

April 26: SS sighted by Liberator 25 miles SW of LA PALLICE.
Plane attempted to attack, but depth charges failed to release.
Total Ships Sunk = 2
Total Ships Attacked = 0

**BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY**

April 29, 1944

**ATLANTIC**

**SHIPS SUNK** = 1

Apr. 24 - S.S. **MOODIE ZEEK** (Dw. Tug 500 tons) sunk by K-boat off S. coast of ENGLAND.

**SHIPS ATTACKED** = 0

**SUBMARINES SIGHTED** = 2

Apr. 26 - In BAY OF BISCAY, by Liberator. Plane attempted to attack, but depth charges failed to release.


**SUBMARINES ATTACKED** = 1

Apr. 26 - In BAY OF BISCAY, by RAF plane.

**SUBMARINE ESTIMATE**

Our Atlantic: 4 Eastbound, 7 Westbound, 1 Patrolling. Total: 15
All Atlantic: 16 (Yesterday: 14).

**MEDITERRANEAN**

**SHIPS SUNK** = 1

Apr. 16 - S.S. **THOMAS G. MASARYK** (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 tons) torpedoed and presumed sunk off TUNBEUK, Eastbound convoy.

Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

**INDIAN and PACIFIC**

(Nothing to report)

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COMINCH, April 27, 1532 Z, (#2717).

Enemy U-Boat estimate 1200 Z/27.

1 vicinity 17-45 N., 38 W., by DF 270038 Z.
1 may be moving westward within 200 miles 17 N., 48 W., although not recently located.

2 estimated homebound: 32 N., 53 W.; 48 N., 32 W.
2 not recently located may be patrolling within 200 miles 47 N., 28 W.
1 estimated southbound area 53 N., 33 W., from DF 261926 and torpedoing of COLIN.
1 patrolling area 55 N., 28 W., from recent DF.
1 estimated within 150 miles of VIRGIN ROCKS.
1 unlocated general area south of HATTERAS.
1 southbound area 38 N., 40 W.

No fresh information other areas.
SUBMARINES ATTACKED

CTG 21.15, Apr. 27, 1633.

At 0654 April 26, USS HUSE and USS FROST attacked submarine contact in 17-52 N., 38-04 W., (700 mi. W. of CAPE VERDE ISLAND). 3 explosions after hedgehog attacks. Contact then lost. Heavy oil slick observed. Submarine possibly sunk.

ADMIRALTY, April 25, 1752.

SS sunk by Norwegian submarine ULA at 0519 Z, April 19, in 59-08 N., 05-23 E., (off NORWEGIAN coast). One torpedo seen to hit, and second explosion heard 1½ seconds later.

Note: Attack previously reported (summary 5/26).
RDO HALIFAX, Apr. 28, 0341 B.

SS sighted by aircraft at 0333 B, Apr. 28 in 48-07 N., 10-50 W., (BAY OF BISCAY).
CLEVELAND (AP), Apr. 27.

S.S. FRANK E. VIGOR (U.S. Cgo. 3,886 tons) was sunk in FRONT PASSAGE of WESTERN LAKE ERIE about 1030 Z, April 27 after a collision in the fog with S.S. PHILIP MINCH (U.S. Cgo. 5,885 tons). All members of VIGOR'S crew were transferred to MINCH. There were no injured.

CLEVELAND (AP), April 27.

S.S. JAMES H. REED (U.S. Cgo. 5,265 tons) sank about 1030 Z, April 27 as a result of a collision in the fog 40 miles North of ERIE, PA., with S.S. ASHCROFT (Br. Cgo. 7,726 tons). 26 crew members picked up. 10 missing. REED was enroute from BUFFALO to TOLEDO. ASHCROFT was reported to be heavily damaged, and was taken in tow by rescue boats.
Total Ships Sunk: 0
Total Ships Attacked: 0

BLIHF OF DAILY SUMMARY
April 28, 1944

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK: 0
SHIPS ATTACKED: 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED: 1
   Apr. 26 - Day of attack by 23 aircraft
SUBMARINES SUNK: 2
   (1 sunk, 1 probably sunk)

Apr. 19 - SS sunk by Norwegian submarine ULA off Norwegian coast.

One torpedo hit seen, followed by second explosion 1½ seconds
later. Submarine considered sunk (by Admiralty).

Note: Attack previously reported.

Apr. 26 - Submarine contact 700 mi. E. of Cape Verde Is., by USS HUNDE (DX)
   and USS FROST (DE). 3 explosions and heavy oil slick followed
   hedgehog attack. Contact then lost. Submarine probably sunk.

MISCELLANEOUS

Apr. 27 - At dawn in a heavy fog S.S. FRANK E. VIOOR (U.S. G. 4,000 tons)
   sank in Western Lake Erie in collision with S.S. PHILIP WING
   (U.S. G. 6,000 tons). All members of VIOOR's crew rescued.
   There were no injured.

Apr. 27 - About the same time S.S. JAMES H. REED (U.S. G. 5,000 tons)
   sank 40 mi. N. of Erie, Pa., in collision with S.S. ASHCROFT
   (Br. G. 7,700 tons). 26 crew members picked up. 10 missing.

   ASHCROFT heavily damaged, taken in tow.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 8 Westbound, 3 Patrolling. Total: 16

All Atlantic: 14 (Yesterday: 10)

MEDITERRANEAN, INDIAN and PACIFIC

(Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, April 26, 1540 Z, (#2597).

1 estimated homebound within 150 miles 31 N., 55 W.

1 estimated patrolling general area south of HATTERAS possibly 32-24 N., 77-52 W., by contact 2603214 Z and from contact 251333 Z.

1 may be moving westward area 18 N., 46 W., although entirely unfixed.

2 estimated southbound: 40 N., 40-30 W; 47-30 N., 36 W.

1 estimated between FLEMISH CAP and VIRGIN ROCKS.

2 patrolling from recent DFS: 55 N., 30 W; 40 N., 35 W.

2 estimated patrolling within 200 miles 47 N., 27 W. of which 1 area

49 N., 26 W., by poor DF 26-355 Z.


1 17-46 N., 37-45 W., by contact 252145 Z.

No fresh information other areas.
SHIPS ATTACKED

SO ESCORT GROUP 15, Apr. 26, 1850.

S.S. COLIN (Pan. Cgo. 6,255 tons) torpedoed in 54-16 N.,

COMINCH, Apr. 26, 2100.

Sound contact attacked by USCG ASTERION at 1400, Apr. 26, in 42-50 N., 43-45 W., (500 mi. SE of NEWFOUNDLAND).
SUBMARINES SIGHTED

NOB TRINIDAD, April 26, 1347 (#2581).

SS sighted by ATC plane at 1301 Z, Apr. 26 in 1h-10 N., 61-55 W., (50 mi. SW of MARTINIQUE).

COMINCH, Apr. 26, 2100.

BRITISH DAILY SUMMARY

Total Ships Sunk - 0
Total Ships Attacked - 1

April 27, 1944

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1


SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 2

Apr. 26 - 50 mi. SW of Martinique, by ATC plane.

Apr. 25 - 700 mi. N. of Cape Verde Is, by Croatan aircraft.

SUBMARINES AttACKED - 1

Apr. 26 - Sound contact 500 mi. SE of Newfoundalnd, by U203 Astericon.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE:

The Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 6 Westbound, 2 Patrolling. Totals 13
All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 45).

MEDITERRANEAN

(Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

PACIFIC OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

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COMINCH, April 25, 1527 Z (#2505).

1 unfixed estimated patrolling general area south of HATTERAS.

Enemy U/Boat estimate 1200Z/25.

1 estimated homebound within 150 miles 31 N., 57-30 W.

1 estimated westbound vicinity FLEMISH CAP.

1 estimated moving SW area 50 N., 34 W.

1 estimated southbound area 42 N., 39-30 W.

2 patrolling from recent DFS: 54 N., 30 W; 48 N., 35 W.

2 unfixed estimated patrolling within 200 miles 46 N., 28 W.

Other areas quiet.
ADMLRITY, Apr. 25, 1054 B.

SS attacked at 0601 Z, Apr. 19 by Norwegian submarine with torpedoes at 59-08 N., 05-23 E., (off Norwegian coast).

1 hit seen.
ALUSLO BOMBAY, Apr. 24, 1969.

The following ships are a total loss as a result of the explosion and fire April 14 in BOMBAY HARBOR:

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<td>EO.</td>
<td>COO.</td>
<td>6,882 GT</td>
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TOTAL: 8 ships of 23,172 GT

Previously reported (summary 4/17):

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GRAND TOTAL: 11 ships of 39,955 GT

The following ships are badly damaged:

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TOTAL: 5 ships of 22,428 GT

The following ships are slightly damaged:

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TOTAL: 3 ships of 18,175 GT

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**BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY**  
April 26, 1944

**ATLANTIC**

**Total Ships Sunk**  - 0  
**Total Ships Attacked**  - 0  

**SHIPS SUNK**  - 0  
**SHIPS ATTACKED**  - 0  

**SUBMARINES SIGHTED**  - 0  
**SUBMARINES ATTACKED**  - 1  

Apr. 19 - Off Norwegian coast, by Norwegian submarine. 1 torpedo hit seen.

**SUBMARINES ESTIMATED**

Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 6 Westbound, 3 Patrolling. Total: 14h.

All Atlantic: 45. (Yesterday: 45).

**MEDITERRANEAN** (Nothing to report)

**INDIAN OCEAN**

**BOMBY EXPLOSION**

April 14: The following are revised totals of losses:

(A) Total Loss:

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<td>Egyptian cargo ship</td>
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(B) Badly damaged:

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<td>British cargo ships</td>
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<td>Norwegian cargo ship</td>
<td>2,688</td>
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<td>Panamanian cargo ship</td>
<td>3,507</td>
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<td>22,228</td>
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(C) Slightly damaged:

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<td>British ships (2 cargo, and 1 tanker)</td>
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<td>Norwegian cargo ship</td>
<td>6,227</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>18,073</td>
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**TOTAL sunk and damaged:** 19 ships of 80,558 Gross Tons.

**PACIFIC OCEAN**

(Nothing to report)
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By SLR Date JAN 29 1974
COMINCH, Apr. 24, 1524 (#2381).

2 patrolling from recent DFS: 53 N., 29 W; 47 N., 34 W.
2 estimated moving SW: 46 N., 44 W; 52 N., 33 W.
1 estimated southbound area 43-30 N., 38-30 W.
2 not recently located estimated patrolling within 600 miles north of AZORES.
1 estimated homebound area 30 N., 59-30 W.
1 estimated patrolling general area south of HATTERAS not recently located.
1 estimated moving SE area 09 N., 33 W., from DF 2320h9Z.

Enemy U/Boat estimate 1200Z/24.
No fresh information other areas.
ALUSNA LISBON (#2402).

S.S. CHASSERAL (Swiss Cgo. 3,129 tons) damaged by bombs near PORT VENDRES. Vessel towed for repairs to SETE April 23.
CINOWA Apr. 24, 1322 Z and 1658 Z.

Total Ships Sunk - 0
Total Ships Attacked - 1

Brief of Daily Summary
April 25, 1944

Atlantic

Ships Sunk - 0
Ships Attacked - 0
Submarines Sighted - 0
Submarines Attacked - 1

Apr. 27 1-300 mi. W. of Ireland, by aircraft.

Submarine Estimate

Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 6 Westbound, 3 Patrolling. Total: 14.
All Atlantic: 15 (Yesterday: 17).

Mediterranean

Ships Attacked - 1

S.S. Chasseral (Swiss Ggo. 3,000 tons) damaged by bombs
near Port Vendres and towed to Sète for repairs.

Indian and Pacific

(Nothing to report)

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COMINCH, April 23, 1548 (#2300).

1 estimated homebound within 150 mi. 29 N., 61-30 W.
1 unfixed estimated patrolling general area south of HATTERAS.

Enemy U-boat estimate 1200Z/23.

2 estimated moving SW within 150 miles: 48 N., 42 W; 53 N., 32 W.
1 estimated southbound area 45 N., 37-30 W.
2 patrolling from recent DFS: 53 N., 30 W; 46 N., 36 W.
1 estimated northbound 04 S., 25-30 W., from contact 222000Z.

Other areas quiet.
ALUSNA LISBON (#1811 and 2227) Apr. 18, 1800 and Apr. 22, 2130.

S.S. EMBA (Sw. Cgo. 1,053 tons), international Red Cross ship, sunk Apr. 19 outside SETE. Vessel left PORT VENDRE Apr. 17 for MARSEILLE. No details.

Note: Previously reported (summary 4/14) damaged by bombs en route from MARSEILLE to CASABLANCA.
SUblMARIKES ATTACKED

CG ETOUSA (MJS) JNL. 220, Apr. 22.

Sub attacks Apr. 20: 105 mi. NW of CAPE ORTEGAL by Liberator;
120 mi. SW of BREST by Halifax.

SSKO 9, Apr. 2008, 22nd.

SS attacked at 52-09 N., 19-07 W., (350 mi. W. of IRELAND).

CG ETOUSA (MJS) JNL. 20 and JNL. 25, Apr. 22 and Apr. 23.

SS attacked Apr. 20 by Halifax, 120 mi. NW of CAPE ORTEGAL.
NAVDET, Naples, Apr. 22, 1917.

S.S. JOHN ARMSTRONG (U.S. Cgo. 7,196 tons) enroute ANZIO/NAPLES, sustained 2 underwater explosions at 1708, Apr. 21 in 41°15' N., 12°32' E., (West of NAPLES). Vessel arrived NAPLES under own power.
**BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY**

April 22, 1944

**ATLANTIC**

Total Ships Sunk - 1
Total Ships Attacked - 0

**SHIPS SUNK - 0**

**SHIPS ATTACKED - 0**

**SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0**

**SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 4**

- Apr. 20 - 3 submarines in BAY OF BISCAY, by RAF.
- Apr. 22 - 350 mi. W. of IRISH LAND, by surface craft.

**SUBMARINE ESTIMATE**

All Atlantic: 47. (Yesterday: 50).

**MEDITERRANEAN**

**SHIPS SUNK - 1**

- Apr. 19 - International Red Cross ship KAMIJA (Sw. Cgo. 1,000 tons) sunk. No details. Vessel left Port Vendre Apr. 17 for MARSEILLE.

Note: Previously reported damaged by aircraft (not identified) enroute from MARSEILLES to CASABLANCA.

**MARINE CASUALTY**

**S.S. JOHN ARMSTRONG** (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 tons) sustained 2 underwater explosions West of NAPLES enroute from ANZIO to NAPLES. Vessel arrived NAPLES under own power.

**INDIAN and PACIFIC**

(Nothing to report)

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COMINCH, 21 April 1944, (N) - #2108.

One estimated homebound within 100 miles 26-30 N, 65 W.

One estimated patrolling general area S of HATTERAS.

One estimated homebound area 15 N, 32 W from DF 21/0101Z.

Possibly one 21-18 N, 33-50 W by contact 21/0700Z.

Two patrolling from recent DFs 46 N, 37 W; 55 N, 30 W.

Two estimated moving S or SW within 150 miles 50 N, 37 W.

No fresh information other areas.

Enemy U/Boat Estimate 1200Z/21.

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#02 Letter, 5-3-78
SHIPS SUNK

ALLIED FORCE HQ ALGIERS (MIS) Jnl. 86, April 22 and Jnl. 214, April 21.

About 25 planes attacked convoy UGS-38 off CAPE BENGUT, April 20 at 2130B. S.S. PAUL HAMILTON (U.S. Cgo. 7176 tons) and S.S. ROYAL STAR (Br. Cgo. 7900 tons) sunk.

Note: Position 37-00 N, 03-20 E.

ALLIED FORCE HQ ALGIERS (MIS) Jnl. 86, April 22.

Convoy CAF-31 attacked by enemy aircraft, April 20, about 50 miles N of BOUGIE. S.S. EL BIAR (Fr. Cgo. 4678 tons) hit by torpedo and subsequently sank. AA fire claim 1 aircraft and fighters claim 1 probable and 3 damaged.
ALLIED FORCE HQ ALGIERS (MIS) Jul. 86, April 22.

About 25 planes attacked convoy UGS-38 off CAPE BENGUT at 2130B April 20. S.S. SAMITE (Br. Cgo. 7176 tons) and S.S. STEPHEN F. AUSTIN (U.S. Cgo. 7176 tons) damaged and later arrived ALGIERS.

Note: Position 37-00 N, 03-20 E.
SUBMARINES SIGHTED

NOB TRINIDAD (2090), April 21, 1328.

SS sighted by ATC plane at 1219Z, April 21 in 15-44 N, 62-55 W
(120 mi. NW of MARTINIQUE).

CG ETOSA (MIS) Jnl. 121, April 21.

SS sighted by aircraft, 19 April, 13 miles W. of CAPE ST. VINCENT.

According to reliable Berlin sources (via a report April 8 from Turin) 27 German submarines were sunk or missing in March. Three were badly damaged by mines, and 3 were badly damaged at Toulon.
Total Ships Sunk - 0
Total Ships Attacked - 2

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 2
Apr. 19 - Off SE coast of SPAIN, by aircraft.
Apr. 21 - 120 mi. NW of MARTINIQUE, by ATC plane.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE
Our Atlantic: 8 Eastbound, 4 Westbound, 4 Patrolling. Total: 16.
All Atlantic: 50 (Yesterday: 53).

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SHIPS SUNK - 2
Apr. 20 - Convoy USS-38 (U.S. - Medit.) attacked by about 25 planes off ALGIERS in the late afternoon. S.S. PAUL HAMILTON (U.S. Cgo. 7100 tons) and S.S. ROYAL STAR (Br. Cgo. 7900 tons) sunk.
Apr. 20 - S.S. EL DIAR (Fr. Cgo. 6800 tons) sunk by torpedo as a result of air attack off BOUGIE. Coastal convoy.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 2
Apr. 20 - S.S. HANIZE (Br. Cgo. 7100 tons) and S.S. STEPHEN F. AUSTIN (U.S. Cgo. 7100 tons) damaged by aircraft off ALGIERS, reached ALGIERS in tow. Convoy USS-38.

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COMINCH, 20 April 1944, (N) - #1978.

One estimated homebound within 100 miles 27 N, 67 W.

One estimated moving SW area 22 N, 36 W from DF 19/2300Z.

Two patrolling from recent DFs 54 N, 28 W; 47 N, 36 W.

One area 51 N, 28 W from DF 19/2354Z possibly homebound.

Up to five estimated in general area within 600 miles N to

AZORES three of which homebound.

Two estimated moving S or SW within 150 miles 52 N, 36 W.

One unlocated general area S of HATTERAS.

No fresh information other areas.

Enemy U/Boat Estimate 1200E/20.
CG ETOUSA (MIS) Jnl. 273, April 20.

SS attacked by RAF Wellington, 140 miles WSW of LORIENT on 18 April.
Depth charges dropped. SS apparently keeled over, foundering in long streaks of oil.

COMINCH, April 20, 2102.

SS attacked by aircraft from TRIPOLI at 0740, April 19 in 22-12 N, 35-34 W (800 mi. NW of CAPE VERDE ISLANDS). Heavy AA fire encountered.
Total Ships Sunk - 0
Total Ships Attacked - 0

SHIPS SUNK - 0
SHIPS ATTACKED - 0
SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0
SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2

Apr. 18 - Stationary SS 180 mi. W. of LOIRENT, by RAF Wellington. Depth charges dropped. SS apparently keeled over and foundering in long streaks of oil.

Apr. 19 - 600 mi. NW of CAPE VERDE IS. by aircraft from USS TRIPOLI (CVE). Heavy AA fire encountered.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE
Our Atlantic: 8 Eastbound, 4 Westbound, 4 Patrolling. Total: 16.
All Atlantic: 55 (Yesterday: 52).

MEDITERRANEAN
(Nothing to Report)

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PACIFIC

MARINE CASUALTY (?)
Apr. 19 - Commissioned auxiliary USS JOHN STRAUB (7175 tons) had 2 underwater explosions of undetermined origin off the S. coast of the Alaskan Peninsula. 17 survivors of crew of 80 accounted for. Vessel sighted later same day with bow awash. Vessel left Seattle April 12 for Attu via Dutch Harbor, with cargo mostly fuel.
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COMINCH, 19 April 1944, (N) - #1851.

1 homebound 27-30 N, 69-00 W from recent DFs.
1 unlocated general area south of HATTERAS.
2 patrolling from recent DFs: 47 N, 36 W; 52 N, 30 W.
2 estimated moving SW within 150 miles 53 N, 34 W.
3 estimated homebound within 300 miles north of FLORES.
2 estimated patrolling within 150 miles 46 N, 28 W although not well fixed.

No fresh information in other areas.
SHIPS ATTACKED

ALUSLO NAPLES (1845), April 19, 1845.

S.S. JAMES GUTHRIE (U.S. Cgo. 7177 tons) and S.S. ALEXANDER G. BELL (U.S. Cgo. 7176 tons) presumably mined about 1030, April 17 in NAPLES BAY. S.S. JAMES GUTHRIE damaged forward and aft, towed in and beached. S.S. ALEXANDER G. BELL damaged but proceeded to berth under own power. No casualties.
TOTAL SHIPS SUNK - 0
TOTAL SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SHIPS SUNK - 0
SHIPS ATTACKED - 0
SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0
SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0
SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 4 Westbound, 4 Patrolling. Total: 15.
All Atlantic: 62 (Yesterday: 62).

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SHIPS DAMAGED - 2

Apr. 17 - S.S. JAMES GUTHERIE (U.S. Cgo. 7100 tons) and S.S. ALEXANDER G. BELL
(U.S. Cgo. 7100 tons) damaged presumably by mine in NAPLES harbor.
GUTHERIE towed in and beached. BELL returned to port under own power.
No casualties.

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COMINCH, 18 April 1944, (N) - #1762.

Two unlocated general area S of HATTERAS of which one possibly
28-46 N, 74-29 W by attack on sound contact 18/1400Z.

One of these U-boats should be returning shortly.

Two patrolling from recent DFs: 47 N, 37 W; 53 N, 30 W.

Two estimated moving S or SW: 57 N, 33 W; 52 N, 32 W.

Three estimated homebound within 150 miles 42 N, 34 W.

Two estimated patrolling within 500 miles N of AZORES.

No fresh information from other areas.

Enemy U/boat Estimate 1200Z/18.
NOIC WEST AFRICA (1766), April 18, 1237.

S.S. NEBRASKA (Br. Cgo. 8621 tons) torpedoed and sunk at 0355Z, April 8 in 11-55 S, 19-52 W (400 mi. SW of ASCENSION IS.). 21 survivors arrived Freetown on merchant vessel. 2 lifeboats containing 21 each still adrift.

Note: Vessel left GIBRALTAR, March 25, for BUENOS AIRES, due April 17, detached from convoy OS-71 on April 2. Whaleboat (empty) from vessel found April 11. (Refer. summary April 13).
COMINCH, April 18, 2134.

Sound contact attacked by USS THORKHILL (DE) at 1400, April 18, in 28-46 N, 74-29 W (350 mi. E of FLOIDA).

ADMIRALTY, April 18, 0906Z.

SS attacked by aircraft at 0330Z, April 18 in 47-08 N, 06-50 W (BAY OF BISCAY).

SS attacked by French surface craft from 1830 to 2100Z, April 17, in 16-14 N, 21-47 W (W. of CAPE VERDE ISLANDS).

CG ARMY SERVICES IN ICELAND (MIS) Jnl. 202, April 18.

SS attacked by Iceland-based Canadian Catalina aircraft at 0821, April 17 in 60-15 N, 29-35 W (300 mi. SW of ICELAND).

SS sunk. Wreckage seen.

CTF 67, April 18, 1255Z.

Sound contact attacked from 1620Z, to 2028Z April 17 by MOFFETT (DD) STAFF (AM), SWIFT (AM), PC-619 in 50-05 N, 12-51 W (200 mi. SW of IRELAND).

Excellent possibility that enemy submarine was sunk.
FLAG OFFICER, NEWFOUNDLAND, April 18, 0328.

Total Ships Sunk - 1
Total Ships Attacked - 0

**SHIPS SUNK - 1**

Apr. 8 - S.S. **KEMBANIA** (Br. Co., 8400 tons) torpedoed and sunk by 52, 400 mi. SW of ASCENSION IS. 21 survivors landed FORTNIGHT on merchant ship. 2 lifeboats, containing 21 each, still missing. Vessel enroute from GIBRALTAR to BUENOS AIRES, detached from convoy April 2.

Note: Previously reported that one whaleboat and a life raft of this ship had been sighted SW of ASCENSION.

**SHIPS ATTACKED - 0**

**SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0**

**SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 3**

Apr. 18 - In BAY OF BISCAY, by aircraft.

Apr. 18 - Sound contact 250 mi. E of FLORIDA, by USS THORNHILL (DE).

Apr. 17 - W. of CAPE VERDE ISLANDS, by French surface craft.

**SUBMARINES SUNK - 2 (1 sunk, 1 probable)**

Apr. 17 - 200 mi. SW of ICELAND, by Canadian aircraft (Catalina). Wreckage seen.

Apr. 17 - Sound contact 200 mi. SW of ICELAND, by USS KOPPETT (DD), USS STAFF (AM), USS SWIFT (AM), and FC-619. "Excellent possibility that enemy submarine was sunk."

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Apr. 17 - Empty life rafts and considerable wreckage sighted by U.S. Army transport plane 200 mi. N of ALCORAS.

**SUBMARINE ESTIMATE**

Our Atlantic: 6 Eastbound, 6 Westbound, 4 Patrolting. Total: 16.

All Atlantic: 82 (Yesterday, 81).

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COMINCH, 17 April 1944. (N) - #1627.

No fresh information since my 16/1617. (Ref. is ONI 1528 of April).
COMMUNEU (1637), April 17, 1641.

COMNAVEU (1637), April 17, 1941.

S.S. THOMAS G. MASARYK (U.S. Co. 7176 tons) torpedoed, abandoned, burning badly, on April 16 in 32°38' N, 23°08' E (off TOBRUK). Convoy UGS-37.

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ALUSLO BOMBAY (1660), April 17, 1100.

Initial survey of fires in BOMBAY Port, started April 14, reveals 16 ships gutted and total loss, 2 badly damaged but salvageable, 5 in fair condition.

Note: Loss of 4 ships reported summary 4/17.
Total Ships Sunk - 1
Total Ships Attacked - 1

SHIPS SUNK - 0
SHIPS ATTACKED - 0
SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0
SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE
Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 3 Westbound, 4 Patrolling. Total: 12.
All Atlantic: 54 (Yesterday: 56)

MEDiterranean

SHIPS SUNK - 1
Apr. 16 - S.S. MEYER LONDON (U.S. Cgo. 7200 tons) torpedoed and sunk off TOBRUK. Convoy UGS-37, (U.S. - Medit.)

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1
Apr. 16 - S.S. THOMAS C. MASARYK (U.S. Cgo. 7100 tons) torpedoed, abandoned, and afire off TOBRUK. Convoy UGS-37, (U.S. - Medit.)

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BOMBAY FIRES
Apr. 16 - Initial survey reveals 15 ships gutted and total loss. 2 badly damaged but salvageable, 5 in fair condition. Note: Loss of 4 ships reported yesterday.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 16 April 1944, (N) - #1528.

2 unfixed estimated patrolling general area S of HATTERAS and W of 70 W.

Enemy U/S Estimate 1200Z/16.

2 estimated homebound areas: 42-30 N, 40 W; 39-30 N, 37 W.

1 homebound 36-30 N, 41 W from attack 15/0507Z.

3 patrolling from recent DFs: 60 N, 28 W; 52 N, 31 W; 47 N, 37 W.

Other areas quiet.
SHIPS SUNK

CTG 21.5 (Indef. Call), April 16, 1223 and 1547.

SS sunk by USS JOYCE, GANDY and PETERSON about 1400Z, April 16 in 40-07 N, 69-24 W (100 mi. S of CAPE COD). 8 survivors, including 2 officers and the captain taken.

SS sunk by HMCS SWANSEA (frigate), April 14 in "SW approaches". Prisoners taken.

Note: Position 490 miles SW of CAPE CLEAR (Ref. ETOUSA (MIS) Jnl. 71, April 16).
ALUSLO BOMBAY (1479), April 15, 0645.

At 0800Z, April 14, fire broke out on S.S. FORT STIKINE (U.S. Cgo. 7142 tons) at No. 1 berth, Victoria Dock, Bombay. Vessel carrying 1,000 tons TNT and other explosives, and at 1120Z exploded firing 10 other ships later observed gutted. At 1150Z, S.S. JALAPADMA (Br. trans. 3935 tons) carrying munitions exploded. Estimated 2,000 people killed, several thousand injured. Following ships gutted: S.S. NORSE TRADER (Pan. Cgo. 3507 tons), IRAN (Pan. Cgo. 5704 tons). Port will take months to repair.

OPTEL 121, April 15.

A convoy of 38 ships has arrived safely in U.K. from North Russia.
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Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Apr. 16 - S.S. PAN PENNSYLVANIA (U.S. smkr. 11,000 tons) torpedoed and presumed sunk by SS, 100 miles S. of CAPE COD. 60 survivors picked up. Vessel set afire by escorts shelling SS. Convoy GU-31. (Carib. - U.K.)

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 5 (3 sunk)

Apr. 16 - SS contact off LAND'S END, by British surface craft.


Apr. 16 - 100 mi. S. of CAPE COD, by USS JOYCE, GANDY and PETERSON, escorts of GU-31 (Carib. - U.K.). 8 survivors including Captain and 2 officers picked up. USS GANDY (UK) rammed and damaged.

Apr. 16 - SS contact 700 mi. W of AZORES, by USS JEFFERS (DD).

Apr. 9 - 160 mi. NW of MADINA, by A/O from USS GUADALCANAL. SS sunk.

MISCELLANEOUS

A convoy of SS ships has arrived safely in U.K. from North Russia.

SUBMARINES ESTIMATED

Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 2 Westbound, 8 Patrolling. Total: 15.

All Atlantic: 55 (Yesterday: 53).

MEDITERRANEAN

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BOMBAY EXPLOSION

Apr. 14 - At 0800Z, a U.S. cargo vessel carrying explosives caught fire at Victoria Dock, and at 1100Z, exploded, firing 10 other ships. At 1145Z, a British transport also carrying munitions exploded. Two Panamanian ships were gutted. Estimated 2,000 people killed. Dock will take months to repair.

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BOMBAY EXPLOSION (Cont'd):

Ships Sunk:  

- FORT STIKINE  
  U.S. Cgo. 7100 tons  
- JALAPAIMA  
  Br. Trans. 4000 tons  
- HORSE TRADER  
  Pan. Cgo. 3600 tons  
- IRAN  
  Pan. Cgo. 5700 tons

Note: Preliminary estimates of damage are conflicting.

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MINCH, April 14, 1613 (#1366).

2 unfixed within 300 miles 30 N., 75 W.
1 estimated patrolling within 200 miles east and west
   of 39 N., 68 W.
2 estimated homebound within 200 miles 36 N., 42 W.
1 estimated homebound about 300 miles south of FLEMISH CAP.
3 patrolling from recent DFS:
   - 58 N., 29 W.
   54 N., 31 W.
   47 N., 36 W.
1 southbound about 200 miles NE of ST. PAUL ROCKS by
   sighting 1h/1040 Z.

No fresh information other areas.
COMBATEU, Apr. 13, 1901.

S.S. SOUTH AMERICA (Nor. Cgo. 6,229 tons) presumed sunk.

Note: Previously reported (summary 4/7) torpedoed at 0430
Apr. 6 in 45-05 N., 31-11 W., (600 mi. NW of AZORES).
Convoy SC-156.
COMINCH, Apr. 14, 2120.

SS sighted by transit aircraft at 1040, Apr. 14 in
03-55 N., 26-57 W., (800 mi. SW of FREETOWN).
Total Ships Sunk - 1
Total Ships Attacked - 0

BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY
April 15, 1944

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1
Apr. 6 - S.S. SOUTH AMERICA (Nor. Ggo. 6,000 t) torpedoed and
presumed sunk 400 mi. NW of AZORES. SC-156 (eastbound
slow).

Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1
Apr. 14 - 500 mi. SW of FREETOWN, by transit aircraft.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ESTIMATED
Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 2 Westbound, 3 Patrolling. Total: 15
All Atlantic: 58. (Yesterday: 58).

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