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To: War Department

Nr: C 18623 30 Sept 44

Chief of Staff War Department cite C 18623. Operations report SOWESPAC Area. Period 1500Z/28 to 1500Z/29 signed MacArthur.

Luzon:

Ten ship convoy including large tanker and cargo ship sighted approaching Lingayen Gulf September 27; two battleships sighted 240 miles west north west Manila course 125 degrees dawn September 27.

Celebes:

Catalinas reported large transport Toli Bay night September 28; Mosquitoes photographed new airfield near coast southeast Macassar.

Ambon:

Six small ships 12 barges sighted Ambon Liang September 29.

Part 2. Naval.

PT boats destroyed 2 of 3 barges encountered Morotai Strait night September 27th.

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Air. Enemy action:

One of six planes raiding Morotai shot down by anti aircraft night September 27; one of two raiders destroyed following night.

Operations September 28:

(1) 9 Beauforts fired supplies Wewasemi: 6 RAAF manned B 24's from Nadzab bombed Wewak airfield.

(2) 15 P 47's glide bombed Manokwari.

(3) Single Darwin patrol B 24's bombed Fuiloro in Timor and attacked destroyer southeastern Celebes.

(4) Two Dutch B 25's bombed village and strafed barge Trangan Island Aro group.

(5) Four Dutch B 25's bombed and strafed Seatruck, fired gun position Wodong Bay East Maomere.

Operations September 29th:

(6) 11 Beauforts bombed Wewak stores and Kairiru Island; 5 Nadzab B 24's bombed Boram Airfield.

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(7) 6 RAAF P 40's cratered Utarom Airfield; 12 RAAF P 40's bombed Samate

(8) 2 patrol B 25's strafed 20 barges 1 sailboat Lima Bay west coast Amboina.

(9) 6 RAAF A 20's, 14 RAAF P 40's attacked Langgoer and Faan Airdromes Kai Islands.

(10) 36 A 20's bombed strafed Faan Airdrome.

(11) One night Catalina strafed Seatruck Big Saloee Island Banggai Archipelago; second Catalina attacked large transport Toli Toli Bay North Western Celebes; third Catalina reached Darvel Bay North Eastern Borneo, exploded fuel and ammunition dumps along water front, left wharf ablaze, destroyed 4000 ton freighter transport plus three small freighters, strafed and sank six heavily laden cargo barges; fourth Catalina destroyed Seatruck off northern Mindanao.

(12) Patrol B 24's bombed Fuilmco; 4 Beaufighters destroyed 2 barges Seruata Island sank coastal vessel Roma Island northeast Timor.

(13) 2 Dutch B 25's bombed Saumlaki.

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Solomons Forces. Naval.

PT boats shelled plantation areas New Ireland.

Air. Operations September 27th:

(14) 22 Corsairs fired plantation building Fangalawa Bay New Ireland; single B 25 harrassed Kahili.

Operations September 28th:

(15) Single Avenger bombed Honoitu Mission, 15 Marine and New Zealand Venturas destroyed bridge and buildings Empress Augusta Bay.

(16) 2 B 25's harrassed Rabaul at night; 14 Dauntless 8 Corsairs plus Carsair patrols demolished buildings started fires New Ireland.

Part 3.

(1) Beauforts dropped 16 500 lb medium capacity, 6 300 lb, 32 100 lb bombs; B 24's dropped 24 1000 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.

(2) Dropped 15 500 lb general purpose bombs, met moderate medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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(3) 4 300 lb bombs .025 second delay dropped from 1200 feet Fuiloro, eight bombs same type from 8300 feet at destroyer.

(4) Dropped 2 300 lb bombs five seconds delay from 500 feet, fired 200 rounds 50 calibre.

(5) Dropped 8 500 lb medium capacity bombs five seconds delay, jettisoned 4 others, fired 4000 rounds 50 calibre.

(6) Beaufort's dropped 18 500 medium capacity, 12 300 lb, 18 250 general purpose and 18 100 lb bombs from 7000 to 3000 feet, fired 300 rounds 50, 800 rounds 30 calibre; 8 28's dropped 40 1000 lb bombs from 8000 feet, fired 2000 rounds 50 calibre.

(7) Dropped 5 500 lb, 6 250 lb bombs Utarom; dropped 7 500 lb, 6 250 lb bombs, fired 1200 rounds 50 calibre Lavata

(8) No details.

(9) A 20's dropped 16 500 lb general purpose bombs from 3500 feet, met moderate medium and heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire; 7 40's dropped 20 250 lb bombs.

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(10) Dropped 340 by 100 lb parafrags, fired unstated number rounds, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(11) Fired 1000 rounds 50, 400 rounds 30 calibre Banggai Archipelago; dropped 4 500 lb bombs Toli Toli where intense medium accurate anti aircraft fire; no details Darvel Bay; fired 500 rounds 50 calibre at Schooner.

(12) B 24 dropped 8 300 lb bombs .025 second delay from 9500 feet, met slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire; Beaufighters fired 1070 rounds 20 MM, 500 rounds, 30 calibre.

(13) Dropped 4 300 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.

Supplementary paragraph:

Additional 5th Air Force sorties September 25th through 27 September:

62 by P 47's convoy patrol, 76 by P 38's including searches for missing pilot, 17 by P 61's.

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OPERATION SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 30.

PELELIU, ANGAUR, NGESEBUS, AND KONGARU HAVE BEEN CAPTURED AND OCCUPIED. ISOLATED ENEMY GROUPS CONTINUE STUBBORN AND FANATICAL RESISTANCE FROM CAVES ON PORTIONS OF UMURBROGOL MT ON PELELIU AND SMALL AREA NORTHWESTERN ANGAUR. ASSAULT FORCES ARE CLEARING THESE CAVES. BASE DEVELOPMENT HAS BEEN INITIATED AND CAN PROCEED WITHOUT ENEMY INTERFERENCE.

LITTLE ACTIVITY DURING NIGHT ON EITHER PELELIU OR ANGAUR. VMF 114 ATTACKED POSITIONS ON UMURBROGOL MT WITH 500 AND 1000 POUND BOMBS. FIRST MARINES COMMENCED LOADING FOR EVACUATION PELELIU. REVISED FIGURES ENEMY WEAPONS CAPTURED OR DESTROYED SINCE D DAY 1ST MARDIV 20 MM AA 12. 25 MM AA-AT 29. 37 MM AB-AT 12. 47 MM AT 2. 75 MM MOUNTAIN GUNS 9. 12 CM DP 8. 81 MM MORTARS 1. 50 MM GRENADE DISCHARGERS 1. 150 MM MORTARS 4. 8 I'S 11.

81ST DIV 75 MM GUNS 4. 37 MM AT 5. 20 MM DP 2. 150 MM MORTARS 2. 47 MM AT 1.

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81ST DIV KIA 181 WIA 1282 MIA 10 TOTAL 1473. GRAND TOTALS

KIA 850 WIA 5301 MIA 366 TOTAL 6517.

POW PELELIU 180 ANGAUR 5 TOTAL 185.

ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 9076 ANGAUR 1070 TOTAL 10146.

UNLOADING PRACTICALLY STANDSTILL ANGAUR AND RETARDED PELELIU DUE MODERATE SWELLS. RELIEF DEPARTED FOR GUADALCANAL WITH 685

CASUALTIES. PELELIU BOMBER STRIP 40% COMPLETE, EAST TAXIWAY 60%, 2ND NORTH TAXIWAY, 18%. PARKING FOR 96 VF. HEAVY RAINS

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OPERATION SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 29.

INFILTRATING ENEMY CARRYING GRENADES CAUSED SOME CASUALTIES 7TH MARINES SECTOR DURING NIGHT. NGESEBUS AND KONGAURU ISLANDS AND UNNAMED ISLAND IN TA 167R HAVE NOW BEEN SECURED. SOME ENEMY STILL HIDING OUT IN CAVES IN NORTHERN PELELIU WHERE CLEAN UP OPERATION NOW UNDERWAY. ENEMY IN POSITIONS ON UMURBROGOL MT CONTINUE TO RESIST STUBBORNLY AND LITTLE PROGRESS WAS MADE TODAY IN THAT AREA. ANGAUR QUIET DURING NIGHT. OPERATIONS TO CLEAN UP CAVES AND PILLBOXES IN NORTHWEST LAKE REGION PROGRESSING SLOWLY. OUR CASUALTIES FIRST MARDIV KIA 656 WIA 4035 MIA 364 TOTAL 5035. 81ST DIV KIA 165 WIA 1176 MIA 10 TOTAL 1351. GRAND TOTALS KIA 821 WIA 5211 MIA 374 TOTAL 6406. POW PELELIU 158 ANGAUR 5 TOTAL

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163. ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 8717 ANGAUR 1055 TOTAL 9772. BAD WEATHER CONTINUES AND UNLOADING DIFFICULT. 10 MINES SWEPT LAST TWO DAYS OFF SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST COAST ANGAUR. 16 CORSAIRS STRUCK BABELTHUAP PLACING 11 DIRECT HITS ON AIRSTRIP. PBM IN 8 ARP CRASHED DUE ENGINE FAILURE. AT 0530 (1) IN 06-39N 134-30E. ONE SURVIVOR RESCUED BY WELLES, 10 MISSING. PELELIU BOMBER STRIP 40% COMPLETE, EAST TAXIWAY 50%, SECOND NORTH TAXIWAY 15%. PARKING FOR 96 VF.

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To: War Department.

Nr: C 18522 28 September 1944

Chief of Staff War Department cite C 18522 Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1500Z/26th to 1500Z/27th signed MacArthur.

[redacted] Philippines: Two battleships believed Fuso and Yamashiro reported 200 miles northwest Luzon on southwesterly course evening September 26th; Six small merchant vessels sighted by reconnaissance aircraft southeast Surigao night September 26th.

Celebes: Macassar: Two small merchant ships various coastal craft reported in vicinity, 7,000 ton vessel in Liakang Bay by Catalinas night September 25th.

Flores Island: Possible light cruiser and 3,000 ton vessel reported off Maomere evening September 26th.

Ceram: B-24's reported ten fighters and bombers Haroekoe September 27th.

End of Part 1.

Part 2.

Naval: LCM patrol sank barge northeast coast Soepiori; PT's damaged two large barges southeast coast Halmahera.

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Air: Enemy action: Single aircraft unsuccessfully strafed shipping off Morotai evening September 26th.

Operations September 26th:

(1) Further six Beauforts bombed Cape Moem area.

(2) Patrolling B 24 forced launch on to reef Soela.

(3) Eight RAAF B 25's bombed Maomer, Flores.

Operations September 27th:

(4) 18 Beauforts, three RAAF A 20's bombed Wewak, Kairiru and targets of opportunity in area.

(5) Eight RAAF P 40's, three United States P 40's raided Ransiki set fuel dump afire.

(6) Two Beaufighters, 14 P 40's (Four Babo and Waren) targets, two Beaufighters strafed launch Miscol Island.

(7) Five RAAF P 40's bombed and strafed 12 small craft Gebe Island (West Waigeo).

(8) 17 B 25's bombed Boela oil tanks started fires, two RAAF A 20's bombed same area.

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(9) 18 B 24's bombed Haroekoe airdrome probably destroyed two parked aircraft.

(10) Nine B 25's bombed old Namlea airdrome scored number hits.

(11) Three RAAF patrolling B 24's bombed Fuiloro.

(12) Six RAAF B 25's unsuccessfully bombed 3000 ton vessel Pedang Bay near Maomer Flores, later further two RAAF B 25's unsuccessfully bombed shipping same area.

(13) Patrolling B 24 scored near miss on 3000 ton previously damaged vessel Lembeh Strait, also scored hit on beached mine craft same area.

(14) 18 B 24's started fires caused explosions Manado bivouacs and stores areas, five B 24's bombed Mapanget runway, other strikes weathered out.

(15) Patrolling Catalinas scored three direct hits on heavily loaded 10,500 ton transport off Capual Island Jolo Group caused huge explosion vessel left burning and sinking; also scored near misses on 6000 ton freighter transport same area.

Solomons Forces. Naval: PT's shelled New Ireland and Kieta targets.

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Air operation September 26th:

(16) 23 Corsairs, six Dauntless bombed Kavieng and northwest New Ireland, targets destroyed huts; ten New Zealand Corsairs, seven New Zealand Venturas bombed and strafed Buka area, 24 Dauntless, 30 Corsairs destroyed huts Kieta, six Dauntless hit bridge Tauro Islands, nine B 25's bombed and strafed bivouac Choiseful, 20 New Zealand Corsairs raided shorelands, destroyed two small craft strafed personnel.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 8 by 500 pound medium capacity, 12 by 300 pound, 8 by 100 pound bombs from 4,000 feet.

(2) Dropped 4 by 300 pound bombs .025 second delay from 6,000 feet, fired 500 rounds 50 caliber.

(3) Dropped 29 by 500 pound medium capacity bombs .025 second delay from 11,500 feet, met slight medium and heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire *
* * 18 by 500 pound medium capacity, 46 by 300 pound, 12 by 250 pound, 34 by 100 pound bombs from 3,000 feet; A 20's dropped 9 by 300 pound bombs from minimum altitude, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(5) Dropped 8 by 500 pound, 16 by 250 pound bombs, 10 by 260 pound frags, fired 5,400 rounds 50 caliber.

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(6) Beaufighters fired 475 rounds 20 MM, P 40's dropped 8 by 100 pound bombs, fired 4,400 rounds 50 caliber.

(7) Dropped 8 by 100 pound bombs, fired 3,000 rounds 50 caliber.

(8) A 20's dropped 8 by 500 pound general purpose bombs from 3,500 feet.

(9) Dropped 120 by 500 pound, 240 by 100 pound bombs all .025 second delay from 15,500 feet.

(10) No details.

(11) Dropped 20 by 300 lb bombs .025 second delay from 11,500 feet.

(12) Dropped 28 by 500 lb bombs .025 second delay from 12,500 to 7,500 feet, met slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(13) Dropped 10 by 100 lb bombs.

(14) No details.

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(15) Dropped 4 by 500 lb, 3 by 100 lb bombs, met intense heavy accurate anti aircraft fire attacking second vessel.

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(11) Dropped 8 by 100 lb bombs, fire unstated number rounds.

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OPERATION SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 28.

NO ACTIVITY DURING NIGHT. AT 0900 AFTER PRELIMINARY HEAVY NAVAL BOMBARDMENT INCLUDING MT MCKINLEY AIR STRIKES BY CARRIER BASED PLANES AND MARINE CORSAIRS TOGETHER WITH ARTILLERY PREPARATION, 5TH MARINES LANDED NGESEBUS ISLAND IN SHORE TO SHORE MOVEMENT. ASSAULT WAS RBECEDED BY AMPHIBIOUS TANKS AND SUPPORTED BY GENERAL SHERMANS. ATTACK PROCEEDED AGAINST LIGHT OPPOSITION. ALL OF ISLAND OF NGESEBUS AND KNOGARU TAKEN EXCEPT SMALL PORTION OF NORTHEASTERN TIP WHERE REMNANTS ARE BEING MOPPED UP. OTHER ELEMENTS 5TH MARINES CONTINUED OPERATIONS TO COMPLETE SEIZURE NORTHERN PORTION PELELIU AND AT CLOSE OF PERIOD HAD SECURED ALL BUT PINNACLE IN TA 136 Y AND SMALL AREA

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TA 147 QR. 321 REGT CONTINUED ITS ADVANCE SOUTH ON UMURBROGOL MTS. 81ST DIV IN ANGAUR CONTINUED REPUEE**POCKET ON NORTHWEST TIP OF ISLAND WHILE ENEMY STILL IN CAVES AND PILLBOXES WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. OUR CASUALTIES 1ST MARDIV KIA 633 WIA 3035 MIA 369 TOTAL 9437. 81ST DIV KIA 143 WIA 1061 MIA 10 TOTAL 1214. GRAND TOTALS KIA 776 WIA 4996 MIA 379 TOTAL 6151. POW PELELIU-126 ANGAUR 5 TOTAL 131. ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 8450 ANGAUR 1030 TOTAL 9480. HEAVY RAIN USUAL SOUTHWESTERLY WINDS STOPPED UNLOADING ON WESTERN BEACHES. UNLOADING ON EASTERN BEACHES RETARDED. PELELIU BOMBER STRIP 35% COMPLETED, EAST TAXIWAY 30%, 2ND SOUTH TAXIWAY 5%, SOUTH TAXIWAY COMPLETE, SPACE AVAILABLE 90 VF.

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

COM 3RD FLEET

RELEASED BY

DATE SEPT 28 1944

TOR CODEROOM 1630

DECODED BY HARTZELL

PARAPHRASED BY HARTZELL/

ROUTED BY

FOR ACTION: CINCPAC, COMINCH, COM 7TH FLT, CINCSOWESPAC — OP PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED

INFORMATION: ALL TASKFORCOMS 3RDP, 3RD FLEET — PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED

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COM 3RD FLEET SENDS. ACTION CINCPAC COMINCH COM 7TH FLEET WHO PASSES ACTION CINCSOWESPAC. INFO ALL TASKFORCOMS 3RD FLEET.

FOLLOWING SUMMARY VISAYAN STRIKE 24 SEPTEMBER.

HEAVY STRIKE HORONBAL AREA HIT SEVERAL SHIPS INCLUDING 2 LARGE TANKERS WHICH EXPLODED. NO INTERCEPTION. OTHER STRIKES PANAY-CEBU-LEYTE WATERS. RESULTS INCLUDING CORON BAY. SUNK 1 LARGE AP,3 LARGE AO,2 LARGE AK,6 MEDIUM AK, 5 SMALL AK, 1 DD, 3 DE, 11 SMALL CRAFT. DAMAGED (INCLUDING 18 SHIPS PROBABLY SUNK OR DESTROYED) 1 SMALL AP, 2 LARGE AO, 1 MEDIUM AO, 1 LARGE AK, 15 MEDIUM AK, 21 SMALL AK, 10 SMALL SHIPS 100 TONS EACH 2 DE AND MANY SMALL CRAFT. THROUGHOUT THE DAY ONLY 3 PLANES ENCOUNTERED AND SHOT DOWN OVER ISLANDS. 4 SNOOPERS SHOT DOWN WELL CLEAR OF TASK FORCE. 29 PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND NEGROS-CEBU-LEYTE FIELDS. BOMBED AND

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STRAFED PARTLY CONCEALED PLANES LEGASPI RESULTS UNOBSERVED. MARINE RAILWAY WAREHOUSE ILOILO BURNED. BARRACKS AND FUEL DUMPS BURNED NEAR ORMOC BAY. DESTROYED OR DAMAGED ALL 3 PIERS AND ADJOINING STORAGE AREA CEBU BUILDINGS AND STORAGE AREA SOUTH CEBU FIELD, SHOPS AT TANZA, BUILDINGS SARAVIA AND MACTAN FIELDS, BARRACKS, SHIPS AND PIERS BACOLOD, BUILDINGS PHILIPPINE REFINERY COMPANY AND TEXAS MARINE RAILWAY AT JWCTAN* AND ON SHELL ISLAND. OUR LOSSES 7 VF, AND 2 VB COMBAT 1 VB OPERATIONAL. 5 PILOTS 3 CREWMEN. NO MEN OF WAR SIGHTED LARGER THAN DD. NO SIGN OF DIVERSION ATTACK FORCE HAS BEEN OBSERVED DURING PHILIPPINE STRIKES. ENEMY AIR IN THE PHILIPPINES IS COMPLETELY NEUTRALIZED AND THE REMAINING PLANES ARE A CONGLOMERATION OF TYPES INCA PABLE OF BEING FORMED INTO A VERY FORMIDABLE TACTICAL FORCE EVEN IF ADEQUATE PILOTS AND FUEL AVAILABLE.

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FROM: CTF 32

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 27 SEPT. 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 2041

DECODED BY: C STRONG

PARAPHRASED BY: FORCE/ Johnson

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FOR ACTION: CTF 31 — OP OP OP — PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED

INFORMATION: COMINCH, COM 3RD FLT, CINCPAC, ALL INTERESTED PRESENT OPERATIONS — OP OP OP — PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED

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CTF 32 ORIGINATES. ACTION GOES TO CTF 31 INFO COM 3RD FLEET CINCPAC ALL INTERESTED PRESENT OPERATIONS. RADIO HONOLULU PASS TO ALL

OPERATION SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 27.

LITTLE GROUND ACTIVITY DURING NIGHT ON PELELIU. ENEMY ATTEMPTED INFILTRATE LINES ON ANGUAR WITHOUT SUCCESS. RED ALERT 2143/I LASTING 2 HOURS 2 ENEMY PLANES CLOSED AND 4 BOMBS DROPPED IN WATER OFF EAST COAST ANGUAR. OUR NIGHT FIGHTERS UP BUT FAILED TO INTERCEPT. OFFENSIVE CONTINUED IN MORNING ON PELELIU. 32 DIV INF EXPANDING TO NORTH AND SOUTH ACROSS CENTER TO WESTERN ARM AND 5TH MARINES MAKING RAPID PROGRESS ON AJEANGAL MT TOWARD COMPLETION OF CAPTURE OF THE ISLAND. OUR FORCES NOW HOLD ALL OF PELELIU ISLAND EXCEPT UMURBROGOL MT AND 2 PEAKS IN TA 15 AND TY AND LOWLAND EAST AND NORTHEAST THEREOF. MOPPING UP CONTINUED

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ON ANGUAR. ORDNANCE MATERIAL CAPTURED BY 81ST ON ANGUAR INCLUDES 2-155 MM TRENCH MORTARS WITH AMMUNITION. OUR CASUALTIES 1ST MARDIV KIA 599 WIA 3793 MIA 369 TOTAL 4761. 81ST DIV KIA 130 WIA 912 MIA 7 TOTAL 1049. GRAND TOTALS KIA 729 WIA 4705 MIA 376 TOTAL 5810. POW PELELIU 103 ANGUAR 5, TOTAL 108. ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 7517 ANGUAR 1020. TOTAL 8537. UNLOADING BEING HAMPERED BY CHOPPY SEAS. 30 CORSAIR RECONNAISSANCE SORTIES OVER BABELTHAUP-KOROR AREA. SAW NO ENEMY AIR OR SURFACE CRAFT BUT ENCOUNTERED HEAVY AA OVER KOROR. SEVERAL TRUCKS STRAFED NORTHWEST BABELTHAUP. NORTH TAXIWAY COMPLETE. BOMBER STRIP 28% COMPLETE, SOUTH TAXIWAY 90%, EAST TAXIWAY 10%. PARKING AREA FOR 80 VF.

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OPERATION SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 26.

5TH MARINES COMPLETED MOVEMENT TO WESTERN ARM PELELIU AND BY NIGHTFALL HAD SEIZED RJ 15 AND RADIO STATION TA 156G THUS CUTTING OFF ALL COMMUNICATION FROM NORTH TO ENEMY FORCES RESISTING ON UMURBROGOL MT. DURING NIGHT HEAVY CALIBER MORTAR FIRE FROM NGESEBUS FELL IN 50 MARINES PERIMETER CAUSING SOME CASUALTIES. RED ALERT AT 21421 BUT ENEMY FAILED TO CLOSE. IN EARLY MORNING 50 MARINES LAUNCHED ATTACK TO NORTH AND CAPTURED PEAK IN TA 156N AGAINST HEAVY RESISTANCE INCLUDING ARTY AND MANY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. SAME TIME 321 INFANTRY RESUMED ATTACK TO EASTWARD AND SECURED HILLS TA 147U AND 142B AFTER REDUCING SEVERAL PILLBOXES. 7TH MARINES CONTINUED EFFORT TO ENCIRCLE UMURBROGOL MT. LINES AT END OF PERIOD TA 146JJO - 1479 PQV - 142 BA - 141

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EIMQP - 140 TYX - 134 DIJ. THESE FOR SOUTHERN PERIMETER. NORTHERN PERIMETER TA 156 BGHINSRWV - 152 AFK - 151 ONM. ON ANGAUR MOPPING UP OF CAVES IN NORTHWEST CONTINUED. OUR CASUALTIES 1ST MARDIV KIA 580 WIA 3639 MIA 401 TOTAL 4620. 81ST DIV KIA 106 WIA 769 MIA 5 TOTAL 880. GRAND TOTALS KIA 686 WIA 4408 MIA 406 TOTAL 5500. POW PELELIU 6 ANGAUR 5 TOTAL 11. ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 7313 ANGAUR 979 TOTAL 8292. ANGAUR SITE SUITABLE FOR 6200 FOOT RUNWAY ESTIMATE 15 DAYS TO COMPLETE. 1ST MARDIV COMMENCED UNLOADING GARRISON SHIPPING. OTHER SUPPLY NO CHANGE. MCCOY REYNOLDS (DE 440) REPORTS SINKING ENEMY SUB IN 09-14 N, 136-40 E. 7 MINES SWEPT NORTHEAST OF PELELIU. 23 CORSAIRS OF VMF 114 ARRIVED PELELIU AIRFIELD. BOMBER STRIP 20% COMPLETED. PARKING AREA FOR 50 AIRCRAFT. AIR STRIKE ON MALAKAL HARBOR INFLICTED MAJOR DAMAGE ON 3 OCEAN GOING SHIPS NOW CAPSIZED AND RESTING ON BOTTOM. 8 OR 10 BARGES DESTROYED ON NORTHWEST COAST URUKTHAPEL. 1 DIRECT HIT ON BABELTHUAN STRIP. HEAVY ACCURATE AA URUKTHAPEL - MALAKAL AREA.

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OPERATION SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 25. AT 2105 NAVAL GUNFIRE DESTROYED LONE SOUTHBOUND BARGE ATTEMPTING TO RUN BLOCKADE NORTHEAST OF PELELIU. GROUND ACTIVITY WAS LIGHT. FIRST MARDIV RESUMED ATTACK AT 0700 WITH 321 INF ATTACKING TO EASTWARD. RIDGE LINE WAS SECURED FROM 141 Q TO 147 V, RESISTANCE LIGHT.. 321 INF PATROLS RECONNOITERED WEST COAST TO 156 G FOUND FEW ENEMY. FIFTH MARINES STARTED PASSING THROUGH 321 INF LINES AT 1450 TO OCCUPY GENERAL AREA TARGET AREAS 151, 152, 156. FRONT LINES TA 135 BA-134 EJID-140 XT-141 PQMIE-142 A-147 UVQPK-146OOJ THENCE ALONG ROAD TO 156 GA. 81ST DIV CONTINUED MOPPING UP ANGAUR. OUR CASUALTIES FIRST MARDIV KIA 562 WIA 3558 MIA 398 TOTAL 4518. 81ST INF DIV KIA 98 WIA 737 MIA 3

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TOTAL 838. GRAND TOTAL KIA 660 WIA 4295 MIA 401 TOTAL 5356. POW PELELIU 6 ANGAUR 5 TOTAL 11. ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 7313 ANGAUR 975 TOTAL 8288. PELELIU UNLOADING OF ASSAULT SHIPPING CONTINUED, NO CHANGE IN SUPPLY SITUATION. ANGAUR COMMENCED UNLOADING 2 GARRISON SHIPS, NO CHANGE IN SUPPLY SITUATION. PELELIU FIGHTER STRIP COMPLETE. BOMBER STRIP 12% COMPLETE PARKING AND SCRAMBLE AREAS FOR 40 PLANES. RUNWAY LIGHTS OPERATIVE. EXPECT ALL ASSIGNED TOWER FREQUENCIES OPERATIVE TONIGHT. SOLACE DEPARTED FOR GUADALCANAL WITH 501 CASUALTIES. 4 MINES SWEPT EAST COAST PELELIU.

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FROM: 1ST MARDIV

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

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DATE 26 SEPT. 1944

TOR CODEROOM 0428

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3RD PHIB CORPS (ACTION ADDEE) ENCYPHERS AND PASSES THIS FOR THE 1ST MARDIV. INFO CTG 32.3.

OPERATION SUMMARY AS OF 1600:

321ST INFANTRY COMMENCED THE ATTACK AT 0700 PUSHING TO THE EAST AND AT 1030 REACHED THE TOP OF THE RIDGE LINE BETWEEN 147 V AND 141 Q MEETING LIGHT OPPOSITION. PATROLS FROM THE 321ST INF SUPPORTED BY TANKS PUSHED AS FAR NORTH AS 155 K MEETING ONLY LIGHT RESISTANCE. AT 0945 ORDERS WERE ISSUED TO THE 1ST MARINES TO TAKE OVER THE 5TH MARINES SECTOR IN ADDITION TO THEIR OWN AND 5TH MARINES TO PASS THRU THE 321ST INF AND ATTACKING THE N E. AT 1300 5TH MARINES MOVED OUT AJ* AT 1600 PASSED THROUGH LINE 0-4. 7TH MARINES FRONT LINES GENERALLY THE SAME. 321ST INFANTRY FRONT LINES FROM DEASF* AT 146 J TO 146 O 147 KPQVU 142 A

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146 EIMGP TO JOIN 7TH. 5TH MARINES PASSING THRU 321ST WILL REPORT FRONT LINES WHEN ESTABLISHED 1L-5 AIRPLANE FORCED DOWN BY ENGINE TROUBLE AT 151 0. PILOT AND OBSERVER RESCUED UNHURT. CRITICAL SHORTAGE EXISTS IN HYDROGEN FOR FLAME THROWERS. TOTAL ENEMY DEAD 7313. TOTAL POWS 6.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Areas, Hollandia, New Guinea

To: War Department

Nr. C 18338 25 September 1944

Chief of Staff War Department cite C 18338. Operations report SOWESPAC area. 1500Z/23rd to 1500Z/24th.

Part 1. Philippines

8 Ship convoy reported heading south from Palawan September 22nd;
6 small merchant ships reported heading * west coast Mindanao night September 23rd;
7 vessels reported on northeasterly course Moro Gulf morning September 23rd.

Halmaheras:

Seatruck and 7 barges sighted near Tidore Island September 22nd.

Celebes:

Two small merchant vessels sighted Lemieh Strait by B 24's September 22nd.

Dutch New Guinea:

Sorong: Aircraft reported two seatrucks 8 barges north coast Batanta Island dawn September 23rd.

Part 2. Naval.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Areas, Hollandia, New Guinea

Nr. C 18338 25 September 1944

Destroyer shelled targets northern Morotai, PT's destroyed barge started large oil fires near Gilela, also sank two large personnel loaded barges Wandaman Bay (south west Geelvink Bay).

Air. Operations September 22nd:

1. Twenty three B 24's bombed Liang.

Operations September 23rd:

2. 15 B 24's bombed Sidate runways; 4 more P 47's bombed Kau runways.

Operations September 24th:

3. 8 Beauforts bombed huts and stores Capa Moem.

4. 11 P 47's turned back from Halmahera strike bombed Manokwari.

5. 31 R44[illegible] P 40's bombed cratered Babo runways, 1 lost due weather.

6. Four RAAF A 20's searched MacCluer Gulf strafed small craft near Kokas.

7. 21 P 40's bombed Utarom runways.

8. Two United States one RAAF patrolling B 24's bomed Fuiloro Town.

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PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

Nr. C 18338 25 September 1944

9. 11 RAAF P 40's searched islands southeast Ceram bombed and strafed number small craft * ; 4 Beaufighters searched east coast Ceram destroyed barge and lugger.

10. 27 B 25's bombed Amahai runways, 12 others hit old Namlea runway

11. Patrolling B 25 bombed Kaoe.

12. Night B 24 fired Kendari oil dump, 3 other started fires Manado.

13. Night Catalinas set afire and drove 3,000 ton vessel ashore Celebes coast near * strafed damaged 1,000 ton vessel Celebes Sea, blew up and destroyed 10,000 ton oiler Kendari Bay strafed fired 1,000 ton vessel in convoy Panabutan Bay Mindanao, destroyed Chitose class seaplane tender and 2 destroyer escorts off Kalian Point Davao Gulf (2 small vessels sunk in five minutes, large vessel in 2 hours).

14. Patrolling B 25 damaged sailboat Celebes Sea.

Soloman Forces. Naval.

PT's shelled Dunup plantation New Ireland.

Air. Operations September 22nd:

15. Two B 25's bombed Kavieng bivouacs started fires.

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PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

Nr. C 18338 25 September 1944

Operations September 23rd:

16. 7 B 25's caused explosion Vulcan barge hideouts Rabaul; 60 Corsairs 38 Deuntless 8 Venturas hit Bougainville targets caused explosions destroyed huts.

Part 3.

1. Dropped 18 2,000 lb, 96 1,000 lb bombs from 13 to 10,000 feet.

2. Dropped 135 500 lb bombs from 7,000 feet Sidate, 4 500 pound bombs Kau.

3. Dropped 16 500 pound medium capacity, 14 250 pound general purpose, 17 100 pound bombs from 3,500 feet.

4. Dropped 11 500 pound bombs.

5. Dropped 53 500 pound, 22 300 pound, 14 250 pound bombs, met slight to moderate light and medium some accurate anti aircraft fire.

6. Fired 1,700 rounds 50 calibre.

7. Dropped 42 500 pound bombs from 8,000 and 2,000 feet.

8. Dropped 20 300 pound bombs .025 second delay from 9,000 feet, fired 200 rounds 50 calibre, met slight medium and heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea

Nr. C 18338 25 September 1944

9. P 40's dropped 10 100 pound bombs, fired 7,300 rounds 50 calibre; Beaufighters fired 600 rounds 20 MM, 1,300 rounds 30 calibre.

10 and 11. No details.

12. Dropped 12 260 lb frags Kendari, 17 500 lb incendiaries from 8,500 feet Manado.

13. Hit tanker with one 500 lb and one 100 lb bomb Kendari, hit vessels with three 500 lb, two 100 lb bombs, fired 700 rounds 50, 1,500 rounds 30 calibre Davao Gulf

14. Dropped two 500 lb bombs, fired 400 rounds 50 calibre.

Refer preceding report:

5. B 25's dropped 12 500 lb bombs, fired 2,000 rounds 50 calibre.

Supplementary paragraph: Additional fighter sorties September 19th through September 23rd: 22 P 38's, 8 P 40's, 38 P 47's, 8 P 61's.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S G-2 Field Marshal Dill
CG AAF Adm King Log

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FROM CTF 32		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: CTF 31 COM 7TH FLEET	PRIORITY
DATE 24 SEPT 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 2158			DEFERRED
DECODED BY LYNN		INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLEET CINCPAC ALL INTERESTED PRESENT OPERATIONS COMINCH	OP PRIORITY
PARAPHRASED BY REA/STEARNS			PRIORITY
ROUTED BY			ROUTINE
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CTF 32 ORIGINATES. RADIO HONOLULU PASS ACTION CTF 31 THRU COM 7TH FLEET AND INFO TO COM 3RD FLEET CINCPAC, ALL INTERESTED PRESENT OPERATIONS.

OPERATIONS SUMMARY 1800 SEPTEMBER 24.

2 FLASH REDS 1822 AND 1856. NO ATTACK. AT 02451 ENEMY BARGES SIGHTED NORTHEAST OF PELELIU. H.L. EDWARDS AND LCI(G)'S 347, 454, 455, 726 TOOK UNDER FIRE, LCI'S GALLANTLY PUSHING THROUGH KNOWN MINEFIELDS TO CLOSE RANGE. LVT(A)'S STATIONED ON REEF ALSO TOOK UNDER FIRE. 8 BARGES OBSERVED TO EXPLODE. 10 WRECKED BARGES OBSERVED AFTER DAWN ON REEFS NORTHEAST OF PELELIU AND SOME ENEMY STRAGGLERS WHO WERE STRAFED. BELIEVE ALL ENEMY BARGES DESTROYED. SOME STRAGGLERS PROBABLY REACHED SHORE WITHOUT EQUIPMENT. POW SURVIVOR CAPTURED ON

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REEF STATES 13 BARGES 1 MOTOR SAMPAN WERE TRANSPORTING FROM S. of Babelthuap
KOROR SUPPLIES AND 700 MEN OF 2ND BATTALION 15 INFANTRY
REGIMENT. DOCUMENT TAKEN FROM DEAD OFFICER SCENE
OF INCIDENT CORROBORATES IDENTIFICATION. LITTLE GROUND
ACTIVITY DURING NIGHT. 1ST MARDIV CONTINUED ITS PRESSURE
ON RIGHT FRONT AND PUSHED FORWARD ON LEFT FRONT TO POSITIONS
INDICATED BELOW. FRONT LINES END OF PERIOD MARK A 146
J-147 K-146 ISX-141 CGK-140 TX-134 DIJ-135 F. 81ST DIV
CONTINUED LAPPING UP ANGAUR AND INITIATION BASE DEVELOPMENT
PLAN. OUR CASUALTIES 1ST MARDIV KIA 544 WIA 3497 MIA 397
TOTAL 4438. 81ST DIV KIA 82 WIA 699 MIA 2 TOTAL 783. GRAND
TOTAL KIA 626 WIA 4196 MIA 399 TOTAL 5221. POW PELELIU
4 ANGAUR 5 TOTAL 9. ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 7148
ANGAUR 865 TOTAL 8013. 8 VF'S OF VMF 541(N) PLUS 3 TRANSPORTS,
1 TBF AND 4 BLACKCATS ARRIVED PELELIU AND NOW BASED ON
AIRFIELD. UNLOADING PELELIU IMPROVING. ANGAUR SATISFACTORY.
2 CAMOUFALGED OCEAN GOING SHIPS LOCATED IN MALAKAL HARBOR
BELIEVED EFFECTIVELY DAMAMGED BY AIR STRIKES. INDIANAPOLIS
BOMBARDED SAME TARGETS TODAY REPORTS 1 DIRECT HIT AND SOME
STRADDLES. RESULTS UNDETERMINED. KOSSOL PASSAGE ANCHORAGE
AREAS SWEPT TO 30 FEET. 25 MINES SWEPT OFF ANGAUR PAST 2

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DAYS. YMS 29 WHILE SWEEPING EAST COAST ANGAUR STRUCK MINE AND SANK. CASUALTIES 9 MISSING INCLUDING 1 OFFICER AND 4 WOUNDED.

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM: COM 3RD FLT

RELEASED BY: Send

DATE: 24 SEPT 44

TOR CODEROOM: 1505

DECODED BY: STRONG

PARAPHRASED BY: DORSEY/

ROUTED BY:

FOR ACTION: COMINCH CINCPAC COMSUBPAC COM 7TH FLT CINCSOWESPAC

INFORMATION: ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT

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(FROM COM 3RD FLT. ACTION COMINCH CINCPAC WHO PASSES ACTION COMSUBPAC. COM 7TH FLT ACTION GIVE ACTION CINCSOWESPAC. ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT INFO)

SUMMARY 21 AND 22 SEPTEMBER STRIKES ON LUZON 169 ENEMY PLANES SHOT DOWN 188 PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND 45 PROBABLY DAMAGED ON GROUND 3 PLANES DAMAGED BY SHIPS GUNFIRE. 45 CLASSIFIED SHIPS AND 6 SMALL CRAFT SUNK. 11 CLASSFIED SHIPS (INCLUDING 1 SUBMARINE) PROBABLY SUNK. 35 CLASSIFIED SHIPS (INCLUDING 1 SUBMARINE) 11 SMALL CRAFT AND 2 FLOATING DRY DOCKS DAMAGED (1 465 FOOT NAVAL AUZILIARY IN DRY DOCK). GROUND TARGETS DESTROYED INCLUDE BUILDINGS SUPPLIED BOX CARS AIRCRAFT PARTS FUEL DUMPS IN AIRFIELD AREAS. GROUND TARGETS DAMAGED INCLUDE FUEL TANKS WAREHOUSES SHIP REPAIR SHOPS ON WATERFRONT AND MANY HANGARS BUILDINGS SHOPS FUEL DUMPS AND RAILROAD YARDS IN CLARK FIELD AND NICHOLS FIELD AREAS. OWN LOSSES 11 PLANES IN COMBAT 8 OPERATIONAL. 15 PILOTS 5

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CREWMEN IN COMBAT 2 PILOTS OPERATIONAL. NO LOSS OR DAMAGE TO SURFACE FORCE. THE SUBMARINES HIT WERE 2 OF 3 AT EARNSHAW DOCKS. FULL ANALYSIS WILL BE FORWARDED TO CINCPAC AND CINCSWPA BY AIRMAIL FROM SAIPAN 28 SEPTEMBER INCLUDING ITEMIZED DAMAGE AND PLANE DESTRUCTION AT EACH FIELD. CTF 38 WILL FORWARD PHOTOS. PHOTOS SUITABLE FOR PRESS RELEASE WILL BE SENT BY AIR TO CINCPAC.

TOTAL BOX SCORE FOR 3RD FLT (TF 59 NOT INCLUDED) NOW STANDS AT 380 ENEMY PLANES SHOT DOWN 598 DESTROYED ON GROUND (PROBABLES NOT INCLUDED). 122 CLASSIFIED SHIPS AND 61 SMALL CRAFT SUNK. 137 CLASSIFIED SHIPS AND 109 SMALL CRAFT DAMAGED INCLUDING THOSE PROBABLY SUNK. EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO AVIATION AND MARITIME FACILITIES AND INSTALLATIONS. PLUS 7970 GOOD NIPS AND THE DESTROYED AIRCRAFT AND INSTALLATIONS AT PALAU. OWN LOSSES 51 PLANES IN COMBAT 31 OPERATIONAL. TOTAL OF 37 PILOTS 2C CREWMEN LOST FROM ALL CAUSES LESS SOME POSSIBLE RESCUES. NO LOSSES OR DAMAGE TO SURFACE UNITS OF COVERING FORCES. SHIP LOSSES AND OTHER CASUALTIES AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. HOPE TO PASS THE 10000 PLANE MARK AND ADD SOME SHIPPING AFTER TODAYS STRIKE ON THE VISAYAN.

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TOR CODEROOM 2023			
DECODED BY C STRONG		INFORMATION: COMINCH COM 3RD FLT CINCPAC	PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
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OPERATIONS SUMMARY 1800 SEPTEMBER 23.

1ST MARDIV MAINTAINED PRESSURE ON ENEMY TODAY AND BY LATE AFTERNOON GAREKORU VILLAGE AND UNNAMED ISLAND IN TA 153 WERE OCCUPIED. REGROUPING OF OUR FORCES CONTINUED AND 321 INFANTRY RELIEVED 1ST MARINES ON LEFT. UNDER COVER OF RAIN SQUALLS 7 JAPANESE BARGES TYPE A HEADED SOUTH WERE SIGHTED IN BOAT CHANNEL NORTH OF PELELIU AT DAWN. DISPERSED TO NGESEBUS AND PELELIU WHEN FIRED UPON BY OUR PATROL VESSELS, 1 SUNK, 6 LATER DESTROYED ON PELELIU BEACHES BY BOMBING STRAFING AND SHIPS GUNFIRE. SMALL SUPPLY DUMP SET AFIRE. 81ST DIVISION CONTINUED MOPPING UP ENEMY REMNANTS. OUR CASUALTIES 1ST MARDIV KIA 547 WIA 3170 MIA 344 TOTAL 4061. 81ST DIVISION KIA 74 WIA 566 MIA 0 TOTAL 640. GRAND TOTAL KIA 621 WIA 3736 MIA 344 TOTAL 4701. POW NO CHANGE. ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 7020 ANGAUR 950 TOTAL 7970. PBY WITH 2

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DEAD ENGINES MADE FORCED LANDING ON PELELIU FIELD AND TOOK OFF AFTER EFFECTING REPAIRS. PURPLE AND SCARLET BEACHES ACTIVATED FOR LCT UNLOADING.

MOORED MINES SIGHTED AND 3 DESTROYED BETWEEN DENGES PASSAGE AND NGARSERSOUL ISLE. NET AT WEST ENTRANCE KOSSOL PASSAGE COMPLETED. 3 MINES SWEPT IN KOSSOL. GROUNDED LCI FLOATED MINOR DAMAGE. CONVOY OF 9 ANGAUR ASSAULT SHIPS SAILED FOR MANUS WITH 204 CASUALTIES.

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM: CTF 32

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 23 SEPT 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 1515

DECODED BY: FORCE

PARAPHRASED BY: DIEBEL/Donald

ROUTED BY:

FOR ACTION: CTF 31

INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLT; CINCPAC

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OPERATIONS SUMMARY 1800 SEPTEMBER 23.

1ST MARDIV MAINTAINED PRESSURE ON ENEMY TODAY AND BY LATE AFTERNOON GAREKORU* VILLAGE AND UNNAMED ISLAND IN TA153 WERE OCCUPIED. REGROUPING OF OUR FORCES CONTINUED AND 321 INFANTRY RELIEVED 1ST MARINES ON LEFT. UNDER COVER OF RAIN SQUALLS 7 JAPANESE BARGES TYPE A HEADED SOUTH WERE SIGHTED IN BOAT CHANNEL NORTH OF PELELIU AT DAWN. DISPERSED TO NGESEBUS AND PELELIU WHEN FIRED UPON BY OUR PATROL VESSELS. 1 SUNK, 6 LATER DESTROYED ON PELELIU BEACHES BY BOMBING STRAFING AND SHIPS GUNFIRE. SMALL SUPPLY DUMP SET AFIRE. 81ST DIVISION CONTINUED MOPPING UP ENEMY REMNANTS. OUR CASUALTIES 1ST MARDIV KIA 547 WIA 3170 MIA 344 TOTAL 4061. 81ST DIVISION KIA 74 WIA 566

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MIA 0 TOTAL 640. GRAND TOTAL KIA 621 WIA 3736 MIA 34? TOTAL 4701. POW NO CHANGE. ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 7120 ANGAUR 950 TOTAL 7970. PB4Y WITH 2 DEAD ENGINES MADE FORCED LANDING ON PELELIU FIELD AND TOOK OFF AFTER EFFECTING REPAIRS. PURPLE AND SCARLET BEACHES ACTIVATED FOR LSI UNLOADING.

MOORED MINES SIGHTED AND 3 DESTROYED BETWEEN DENGES* PASSAGE AND NGARSERSOUL ISLE. NET AT WEST ENTRANCE KOSSOL PASSAGE COMPLETED. 3 MINES SWEPT IN KOSSOL. GROUNDED LCI FLOATED MINOR DAMAGE. CONVOY OF 9 ANGAUR ASSAULT SHIPS SAILED FOR MANUS WITH 2044 CASUALTIES.

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FROM CTG 36.1		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: CTF 36(FREMONT) TF 36 HEADQUARTERS PEARL HARBOR	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE 23 SEPT 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 1820		INFORMATION: CTF 32	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
DECODED BY KIRKBRIDE			
PARAPHRASED BY KIRKBRIDE/KAPP			
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(RDO HONO PASS TO CTF 36 IN FREMONT AND TF 36 HEADQUARTERS PEARL HARBOR, CTF 32 HAS INFO)

CTG 36.1 OPERATIONS SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 23.

FIRST MARDIV MAINTAINED PRESSURE ON ENEMY TODAY AND BY LATE AFTERNOON GAREKORU VILLAGE AND UNNAMED ISLAND IN TA 153 WERE OCCUPIED. REGROUPING OF OUR FORCES CONTINUED AND 321 INFANTRY RELIEVED 1ST MARINES ON LEFT. 7 JAPANESE BARGES SIGHTED NEAR PELELIU AT DAWN DISPERSED TO NGESEBUS AND PELELIU WHEN FIRED UPON BY OUR PATROL VESSELS, 1 JUNK, 6 LATER DESTROYED ON PELELIU BEACHES. 81ST DIVISION CONTINUED MOPPING UP ENEMY REMNANTS. OUR CASUALTIES FIRST MARDIV KIA 547 WIA 3,170 MIA 344 TOTAL 4,061.

81ST DIVISION KIA 74 WIA 566 MIA 0 TOTAL 640.

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GRAND TOTAL KIA 621 WIA 3,736 MIA 344 TOTAL 4,701.

POW NO CHANGE.

ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 7,020 ANGAUR 950 TOTAL 7,970.

PB4Y MADE FORCED LANDING ON PELELIU FIELD AND TOOK OFF AFTER EFFECTING REPAIRS. 81ST COMPLETED UNLOADING ALL ASSAULT SHIPS.

ESTIMATE COMPLETE UNLOADING LAST LST'S TOMORROW.

PURPLE AND SCARLET BEACHES ACTIVATED FOR LST UNLOADING.

RDO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 230255**(D/T AS RECD)

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RELEASED BY		INFORMATION: CINCPAC	OPOPOP PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
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CTG 33.19 SENDS TO CTF 33 INFO TO CINPAC AND ALL INTERESTED CURRENT OPERATIONS. RDO HONOLULU PASS TO ALL.

THIS TG HAS TAKEN OVER ULITHI ATOLL BUT NOT FROM JAPS WHO HAD EVIDENTLY EXPECTED US AND PREFERRED EVACUATION TO EXTERMINATION. FOLLOWING MINESWEEPING AND BEACH RECONNAISSANCE ON 21 AND 22 SEPTEMBER COVERED BY FIRE SUPPORT UNIT DURING WHICH OPERATIONS PATROLS WERE LANDED ON FASSARAI MANGEJANG AND SORLEN ISLANDS TO QUESTION NATIVES TRANSPORTS ARRIVED TO-DAY AND TROOPS OCCUPIED ASOR SORLEN MOGMOG POTANGERAS ISLANDS. NAVAL GUNFIRE AND AIR SUPPORT HELD READY BUT NO USED. [redacted] CHANNEL AND NORTHERN

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ANCHORAGE SWEPT BUOYED AND READY TO RECEIVE SHIPS. MINE-SWEEPING INDICATES JAP MINE FIELDS LOCATED ACCORDANCE PREVIOUS INTELLIGENCE. 99 MINES SWEPT OF WHICH 98 SUNK OR DESTROYED. SWEEPING CONTINUES. HO CHART 6055 FOUND ACCURATE SO FAR. CTU 33.12.2 OPERATING WITH THIS GROUP SENT SMALL FIGHTER SWING OVER YAP ENROUTE OBJECTIVE AFTERNOON 22 SEPTEMBER TO CAH * ROUTE PLANE ARRIVALS WHICH MIGHT HECKLE ULITHI OR AMERICAN PALAU. NO PLANES OR SHIPPING. MAIN FIELD * HOLES. NEW FIELD INACTIVE BUT IN FAIRSHAPE. SOME ANTI AIRCRAFT BUT NO DAMAGE OUR PLANES OR PERSONNEL.

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DATE: 24 SEPT 1944			
TOR CODEROOM: 1218			
DECODED BY: ROBERTS		INFORMATION: COMINCH CTF 38 CTF 38.1 CTF 34	PPPPPPPPPP ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
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THIS IS [redacted]

CURRENT ENEMY SITUATION AND ATTITUDE IN PHILIPPINES MERITS SPECIAL COMMENT. RECENT OPERATIONS HAVE FOUND HIM UNPREPARED AND EASILY DECEIVED. HIS AIR FORCE COULD NOT OR WOULD NOT RISE IN STRENGTH TO RESIST AND ONCE ATTACKED SEEMED UNABLE TO MUSTER UP THE WILL AND STRENGTH TO COUNTER ATTACK AS IT INVARIABLY DID IN EARLIER CAMPAIGNS. HE LACKS PILOTS OR FUEL OR BOTH. HIS AIR WARNING SYSTEM WAS SKETCHY EXCEPT AROUND MANILA AND HIS ACK ACK GENERALLY THIN AND INEFFECTUAL. HIS AIR FORCE IN THE PHILIPPINES APPEARS TO BE A HOLLOW SHELL OPERATING ON A SHOESTRING.

JAP GROUND FORCE AND NAVAL MORALE WILL NOT BE IMPROVED BY THE

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PUBLIC BEATING ABSORBED BY THE AIR FORCES AND LOCAL SHIPPING BUT I CAN MAKE NO ESTIMATE OF ENEMY GROUND FORCE EFFECTIVENESS.

INTER ISLAND SHIPPING WILL NOW BE SUBJECTED TO INCREASING PRESSURE BY OUR AIR AND SURFACE FORCES AND BY THE END OF NOVEMBER SHOULD BE REDUCED TO NEGLIGIBLE EFFECTIVENESS.

AS LATE AS 20 SEPTEMBER HIGH OFFICIALS ASSURED THE JAP PUBLIC OVER RADIO TOYKO THAT THEIR PHILIPPINES AIR FORCE WAS STRONG AND READY. OTHER SIMILAR UTTERANCES GIVE REASSURANCE OF THE COMING VICTORY OF THE JAP FLEET. I SUSPECT THAT THE JAP IS WORSE OFF THAN HERETOFORE BELIEVED AND SEPARATELY I SHALL OUTLINE FURTHER PROPOSED PROBING OPERATIONS. //

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM: CTF 32

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 23 SEPT 1944

TOR CODEROOM:

DECODED BY: SEVALD

PARAPHRASED BY: STEVENS

ROUTED BY:

FOR ACTION: CTF 31

INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLT
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OPERATION SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 22.

1ST MARDIV CONTINUED THE ATTACH THIS MORNING AGAINST HEAVILY FORTIFIED UMURBRTGOL MW MAKING NO APPRECIABLE GAINS ALTHOUGH PATROLS PROBED WILL TO THE JDONT ON BOTH FLANKS. 321 RCT WAS HBV RED MOVE FROM ANGUAR TO PELELIU HOMR IN FORCE 1ST MARDIV AND REGROUPING OF OUR FORCES FOR CONTINUATION OF ATTACK HAS BEEN INITIATED. MFFE ENEMY 5 INCH GUNS WERE CAPTURED DURING DAY. FRONT LINES END OF PERIOD T OBSERVED SEVERAL SMALL CRAFT SIMILAR TO PT AND YMS OFF ANGARGOL ISLAND IN COVE WELL CONCEALED SWMYUISYILLE PLACED 4 HITS ON KORON HANGAR. ALL 4 HANGARS SGW DESTROYED SPOTTER OBSERVED. CTU 10.15.3 MOVED COMMAND POST TO PELELIU. LCT (G) AGROUND ON REEF NORTHEAST OF PELELIU SALVAGE OPERATIONS UNDER WAY .

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TOTALS KIA 598 WIA 3641 MIA 341 TOTAL 4580. POW PELELIU 2 ANGUAR 3 TOTAL 5. NO REPORT OF ENEMY KILLED RECEIVED TODAY. NO CHANGE GENERAL SUPPLY SITUATION* RDIV PREPARING SCARLET BEACH TO RECEIVE LST'S. 2ND PELELIU Y SOX MT CONVOY OF 6 SHIPS WITH 412 CASUALTIES DEPARTED FOR HOLLANDIA. RESIEPW APPROACHES TO PURPLE AND SCARLET BEACHES PREPARITORY TO BEACHING LST'S. DESTROYER 3 MINES H SWEPT 10 MINES IN KOSSOL MAKING TOTAL OF320 MINES SWEPT THERE. SPOTTER A 1NITRJU 5BA-140Y-134EJID-100XSNJ. 81ST DIVISION CONTINUED MOPPING UP ENEMY REMNANTS MOST OF WHICH CONFINED * ON NORTHWEST TIP OF ISLAND. OUR CASUALTIES 1ST MARDIV KIA 524 WIA 3075 MIA 341 TOTAL 3940. 81ST WI KIA 74 WIA 566 MIA 0 TOTAL 640. GRAND

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DATE 22 SEPTEMBER 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 0155			
DECODED BY MCCORMACK		INFORMATION: ALL TFC'S 3RD FLEET	PRIORITY OP ROUTINE DEFERRED
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(COM 3RD FLEET SENDS. RADIO HONO PASS ACTION CINCPAC COMINCH COMSUBPAC INFO ALL TFC'S 3RD FLEET. COM 7TH FLEET ACTION PASS ACTION CINCSOWESPAC)

APPROACH TO LUZON APPARENTLY UNDETECTED AND SURPRISE COMPLETE THANKS TO CONVENIENT WEATHER FRONT. WEATHER OVER TARGET GOOD, BUT IN LAUNCHING AREA WEATHER WAS FOUL AND OPERATIONS WERE ONLY POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF SUPERB JUDGEMENT, SKILL AND DETERMINATION OF TASK FORCE THIRTY EIGHT AND ITS COMMANDER, VICE ADMIRAL MITCHER. PRELIMINARY STRIKE REPORTS 21 SEPTEMBER INDICATE 110 ENEMY PLANES SHOT DOWN; 95 DESTROYED ON GROUND. SHIPS SUNK: 1 LARGE DD 4 LARGE AO'S 1 SMALL AO, 2 LARGE AK'S, 1 MEDIUM AK 2 SMALL AK'S. DAMAGED INCLUDING PROBABLY SUNK 1 DD, 2 LARGE AO, 1 LARGE AP, 10 LARGE AK'S, 11 MEDIUM AK'S, 1 FLOATING DRYDOCK, 2 LUGGERS. MANY HITS AIRFIELDS, BUILDINGS AND INSTALLATIONS. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE HADDO, WHILE WAITING TO SAVE SOME LIVES, KNOCKED OFF 1 DD. SOME AIR OPPOSITION IN MORNING; VIRTUALLY NONE REPORTED AFTERNOON. OUR OWN COMBAT LOSSES, 15 PLANES; SOME PILOTS RECOVERED. STRIKES HIT CLARK FIELD AREA, NICHOLS FIELD AREA, CAVITI, MANILA BAY SHIPPING, SUBIC BAY SHIPPING, CONVOYS, AND SWEPT

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(Parker)

NORTH AND SOUTH. AT TIME OF WRITING (2200I) NO DAMAGE TO OUR SURFACE FORCES AND NOTHING ON THE SCREEN BUT HEDY LAMAR. //

INTEND RETURNING TOMORROW AND WORKING OVER VISAYAN ON 20 OTHER OPERATIONS CONTINGENT ON WEATHER AND TARGET INFORMATION.

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM: CINCSWPA

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 22 SEPTEMBER 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 0600

DECODED BY: ROBERTS

PARAPHRASED BY: C STRONG/ Johnson

ROUTED BY:

FOR ACTION: COMINCH

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(COM 7TH FLT SENDS FOR CINCSWPA. ACTION COMINCH. INFO CINCPAC AND COMSOPAC)

PLANES FROM ESCORT CARRIERS OPERATING IN SUPPORT OF MOROTAI OPERATION DESTROYED OR DAMAGED SEVERAL POSSIBLY OPERATIONAL PLANES HALMAHERA FIELDS 19TH. NIGHT 19/20 CATALINA HIT SMALL AK EASTBOUND IN NORTHERN MINDANAO SEA. BEFORE DAWN 21ST ANOTHER CAT SANK SMALL AK AND DAMAGED ANOTHER OF 5 SMALL AND 1 MEDIUM AK'S SIGHTED WEST OF TALAUD GROUP. NIGHT CATALINA EARLY TODAY SANK 1 LARGE AND 1 MEDIUM AK CELEBES SEA AREA. NORSOLS MARINE AIR 18TH DESTROYED WAREHOUSE/ABHOUSE KOKA LOSSUK BAY AND WAREHOUSE AT ROGER YOUNG PLANTATION. 19TH DESTROYED CAMOUFLAGED BARGE OFF METLIK VILLAGE. DAMAGED A BARGE AT KULON PLANTATION. LARGE BUILDING DESTROYED AT KAVIENG AND 3 BUILDINGS AT CAPE LAVEDY. 2 BUILDINGS KIRIWINA PLANTATION DAMAGED. ECHELON 12 LST 3 DD ARRIVED MOROTAI

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TODAY. 3 XAK* 2 DD DUE MOROTAI TOMORROW FROM MAFFIN BAY. 1 LSD 2 APD'S DUE MOROTAI TOMORROW FROM WOENDI. 1 AV 1 PF ARRIVED MOROTAI FROM WOENDI. 7 LST'S 2 DD'S 2 PF ARRIVED HOLLANDIA TODAY FROM MOROTAI. 9 LST'S 3 DD'S 2 PF ARRIVED BIAK AREA FROM MOROTAI. 1 BB 2 DE DUE MANUS TOMORROW FROM ESPIRITU SANTO.

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM CTG 36.1

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DATE 21 SEPT 1944

TOR CODED 2128

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CTF 36 HQS PEARL HARBOR

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OPERATIONS SUMMARY 1800 SEPTEMBER 21.

RED ALERT AT 1845 FROM SINGLE ENGINE FLOAT PLANE WHICH FAILED TO ATTACK. SPORADIC ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE ON 1ST MARDIV FRONT DURING NIGHT. ATTACK RESUMED AT 0700 FOLLOWING AIR AND NAVAL GUNFIRE PREPARATION. 1ST MARINES AND 7TH MARINES ATTACKED ABREAST ALONG WESTERN ARM OF ISLAND WHILE 5TH MARINES CONTINUED ATTACK UP EASTERN ARM AND ON NEARBY ISLANDS. AFTER SHORT ADVANCE ATTACK ON LEFT HALTED BY HEAVY ENEMY RESISTANCE LOCATED ON PRECIPITOUS SLOPES AND IN DEEP RAVINES WHICH PROHIBITED MANEUVER OF OUR FORCES. 5TH MARINES WERE SUCCESSFUL IN OCCUPYING REMAINDER OF EAST COAST INCLUDING NGABAD ISLAND. ENEMY WEAPONS CAPTURED INCLUDED 6-15 CENTIMETER TRENCH MORTARS AND 31 MACHINE GUNS. MORTAR ANT SYS** AMMUNITION SIMILAR IN DESIGN TO OUR 81 MM. ADDITIONAL 10 DESTROYED ENEMY PLANES LOCATED ON PELELIU FIELD. CAPTURED MAP INDICATES ENTIRE WEST COAST RIDGE LINE HONEYCOMBED WITH CAVES AND PILLBOXES. FRONT LINES END OF PERIOD 35BA-140Y-134EJID-140XSMH.

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81ST DIV ON ANGUAR SPENT QUIET NIGHT SOME SNIPER FIRE BEING ENCOUNTERED. DURING DAY CONTINUED MOPPING UP OPERATIONS.

CAPTURED OR DESTROYED ENEMY WEAPONS INCLUDED 1-75 MM AA GUN AND 3 MACHINE GUNS. OUR CASUALTIES 1ST MARDIV KIA 505 WIA 2975

MIA 340 TOTAL 3820. 81ST DIVISION NO REPORT RECEIVED. GRAND TOTALS KIA 557 WIA 3466 MIA 340 TOTAL 4357. FOR PELELIU 2 ANGUAR

2 TOTAL 4 ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 6792 ANGUAR 850 TOTAL 7642. SUPPLY LEVELS ASHORE INCREASED SLIGHTLY.

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PARAPHRASED BY JOHNSON CHECKED BY DORSEY

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COMSOWESPAC AT PRESENT PLANS TO EMPLOY FORCE "X" (Group of 6 APA's) ALMOST CONTINUOUS IN FORWARD OPERATING AREA PARTICIPATING IN TRAINING AND IN ASSAULT OPERATION. IMPROBABLE FORCE WILL RETURN MAINLAND BETWEEN OPERATION. COMSOWESPAC RECOMMENDS MILNE BAY FOR RESERVE LANDING CRAFT SITE WITH CAIRNS AS ALTERNATIVE IF SITE MUST BE ON MAINLAND YOUR 022047* AUGUST EMBARKATION.

(2) U.S. FACILITY AT CAIRNS WILL MOVE SHORTLY AND THOSE AT MILNE BAY WITHIN NEXT 6 MONTHS.

(3) COMSOWESPAC AGREES TO U.S. FACILITY AT EITHER SITE BEING MADE AVAILABLE SUBJECT PARAGRAPH 2.

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(4) ACCOMODATIONS AVAILABLE AT MILNE BAY BUT WOULD HAVE TO BE IMPROVISED AT CAIRNS.

(5) CONFIRMATION IS REQUESTED THAT 13 LCA AND 10 LCS DUE SYDNEY (NSW) ABOUT 24TH OCTOBER ARE OF SHIPMENT FOR RESERVE MINOR LANDING CRAFT FOR FORCE "X". YOUR 160239 TO BAD ONLY REFERS.

(6) WHEN SITE IS DECIDED IT MAY BE DESIRABLE FOR SHIPS WITH SOUTHBOUND EMBARKATION VIDE PARA (5) TO BE ROUTED TO THAT PORT FOR UNLOADING PRECEDING TRANSHIPMENT PROBABLY INVOLVING VERY CONSIDERABLE DELAY.

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YOUR 192315 NOT TO ALL. 77TH DIVISION WILL BE LIFTED TO GUADAL FOR REHABILITATION UPON COMPLETION MOVEMENT 24TH CORPS ARTILLERY AND 27TH DIVISION. TO EFFICIENTLY INTEGRATE RETURN OF CELENO AND ROTANIN IN GENERAL MOVEMENT TO SOUTH PACIFIC THESE SHIPS MAY LOAD ELEMENTS OF 77TH DIVISION WITH CAPACITY LOAD EQUIPMENT PRIOR COMPLETION MOVEMENT 27TH DIVISION. TRANSPORTATION FOR REMAINDER OF DIVISION TO BE ACCOMPLISHED AS OUTLINED MY 140443 AUGUST.

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AFTER PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE WITH COM 7TH FLEET AND REAR ADMIRAL SHERMAN WHO CONCUR, REQUEST ALL FORCES LISTED AS AVAILABLE IN YOUR 160346 AND 161119 WITH FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

(A) 77 DIVISION TO REMAIN ON GUAM AS 6TH ARMY RESERVE AND THEN IF NOT USED BE MOVED TO SOPAC IN TRANSPORTS RETURNING FROM K 2.

(B) ARMY AVIATION UNITS TO BE WITHDRAWN AS LISTED IN YOUR

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(C) IF NECESSARY, GROUND ECHELONS FOR NAVAL HEAVY SEARCH SQUADRONS IN WESTERN CAROLINES CAN BE OTHERWISE PROVIDED, REQUEST TWO PATSUS INTENDED FOR YAP BE SENT TO ACCUMULATION WITH ACORN TO FACILITATE FORWARD MOVEMENT 7TH FLEET SEARCH SQUADRONS.

(D) ASSAULT SHIPPING TO CONFORM TO MY 191442.

PROPOSE 24 CORPS TROOPS 7TH DIVISION AND 96 DIVISION REHABILITATE AT OBJECTIVE AND THEIR REAR ECHELONS FOLLOW THEM TO ACCUMULATION IN DUE COURSE. EXCHANGE OF ARMY AND MARINE ARTILLERY TO BE EFFECTED AFTER K 2 WHEN SHIPPING PERMITS.

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AS A GENERAL PRINCIPLE DESIRE LOGISTIC SUPPORT OF ALL FORCES LANDED AT ACCUMULATION FROM PACOCEAN AREAS SOURCES TO CONTINUE AS PLANNED FOR YAP. GEPRULE DATE TO BE DETERMINED LATER AFTER GARRISON ECHELONS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED SWPA WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR FURTHER LOGISTIC SUPPORT.

REQUEST MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF AND KEY STAFF PERSONNEL PROCEED FROM ENIWETOK TO HOLLANDIA BY AIR.

ARRANGEMENTS CONCERNING NAVAL FORCES AND MOVEMENTS OF YAP TASK FORCE WILL FOLLOW IN LATER DISPATCH AFTER ARRIVAL - OF VICE ADMIRAL WILKINSON.

COMGEN 24 CORPS REQUESTS REMAINDER HIS STAFF DETACHMENT INCLUDING ENLISTED PERSONNEL NOW AT PEARL BE SENT ENIWETOK BY

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BY AIR TO JOIN COMMAND. COLONEL FISH IS IN CHARGE OF DETACHMENT.

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RELEASED BY:

DATE: 22 SEPT 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 0739/22

DECODED BY: HOFNER

PARAPHRASED BY: TIBBALS / THOMPSON

ROUTED BY: SORENSEN

FOR ACTION: COMINCH — PRIORITY PPPPPPP ROUTINE / DEFERRED

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(CINCSOWESPAC SENDS ACTION TO COMINCH. CNO CINCPAC AND COMSOPAC TAKE INFO.)

CONSOLIDATION OF POSITIONS MOROTAI CONTINUES. ESCORT CARRIER GROUP PLANES DESTROYED 6 GROUNDED AIRCRAFT HALMAHERA FIELDS 18TH AND DAMAGED OIL DUMP AND PHW OEAJL AREAS. CATALINA SHOT DOWN KATE NEAR BABILAU ISLAND. DAYTIME 17TH MOROTAI PT'S COVERED ARMY LANDINGS MOROTAI SPOTS AND ADJACENT ISLANDS. NIGHT 17/18 MOROTAI PT'S DESTROYED BARGE EAST OF MITI. AITAPE PT'S SHELLED KAIRIRU VILLAGES NIGHT 18/19 EMIRAU PT'S STRAFED 2 NORTHEAST NEW IRELAND POINTS. GREEN PT'S DESTROYED 2 BARGES 17. NIGHT 18/19 MOROTAI PT'S DESTROYED 1 SMALL AK SOUTH OF GORAMKO. DESTROYED 1 COLLAPSIBLE BARGE AND GUNBOAT LOADED WITH ESCAPING JAPS

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ARE PROBABLY TAH 2 BARGES NEAR PSTAS POINT. NORSOLS MARINE AIR ON 18TH IN ATTACK ON 2 TUGS AND A TRAWLER LEFT 1 TUG DEAD IN WATER AND PROBABLY DAMAGED OTHER TUG SOUTHEAST OF PULFWAT ISLAND. OTHER UNITS DESTROYED ORBVUPD DAMAGED BRIDGE OVER SOUOABA RIVER. 7 LST 2 DD 2 PF DUE HOLLANDIA TOMORROW FROM MOROTAI. ECHELON 3 DD 2 PF ENROUTE NEW GUINEA FROM MOROTAI. 1 LSD 2 APD ARRIVED ROENDI FROM MOROTAI. CONVOY OF BARGES DREDGES WITH 2 PF'S ARRIVED MOROTAI FROM WOENDI ECHELON 12 LST 4 DD DUE MOROTAI TOMORROW FROM SANSAPOR. 1 AV 1 PF DUE MOROTAI TOMORROW FROM WOENDI. 1 AD 1 DD ARRIVED FINSCHAFIN FROM SOPAC AREA 1 CVE DEPARTED MANUS 19TH FOR SAN DIEGO.

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CTG 36.1 OPERATION SUMMARY. RADIO HONOLULU PASS TO CTF 36 IN FREMONT AND TF 36 HDQS PEARL HARBOR. CTF 32 HAS INFO.

CTG 36.1 OPERATION SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 20.

RED ALERT AT 1858 BUT BOGEY FAILED TO CLOSE LANDING AREAS. 1ST MARDIV HAD QUIET NIGHT ON PELELIU EXCEPT FOR INTERMITTENT BUT INEFFECTIVE MACHINE GUN AND MORTAR FIRE ON LEFT FRONT. ATTACK RESUMED TODAY WITH 5TH MARINES ON RIGHT CLEANING UP REMAINING RESISTANCE ON EASTERN COAST INCLUDING ISLAND IN TA 144. 1ST MARINES ON LEFT CONTINUED SLOW BUT RELENTLESS STRUGGLE TO DRIVE ENEMY FROM HILL MASS TO ITS FRONT. THIS RUGGED TERRAIN HONEY COMBED WITH REINFORCED CAVES PILLBOXES AND DUGOUTS FROM WHICH ENEMY RESISTING WITH GRIM

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DETERMINATION. IN ONE REGIMENTAL SECTOR 11 GUNS 70 TO 120 MM, 73 MACHINE GUNS, 23 MORTARS HAVE BEEN CAPTURED. EFFECTIVE COUNTER BATTERY HAS DESTROYED SEVERAL ENEMY GUNS AND IS SUCCEEDING IN REDUCING ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE. FRONT LINES END OF PERIOD TA 144 TSW-138 BA-137 D-143 WQK-142 OR-136 BF-135 JED-140 NRLGBA-140 Y-134 EJID-140 XRL. ON ANGUAR NIGHT QUIET WITH A FEW ATTEMPTED INFILTRATIONS. ATTACK RESUMED THIS MORNING AGAINST LIGHT RESISTANCE AND OUR TROOPS RAPIDLY GAINED THE SOUTHERN BEACHES. ISLAND CONTAINED MANY DEFENSIVE POSITIONS ON BEACHES BUT MOST WERE UNMANNED. ALL ORGANIZED RESISTANCE HAD CEASED BY 1034 AND ISLAND WAS SECURED AT THAT HOUR. 81ST DIVISION NOW ENGAGED IN MOPPING UP REMNANTS.

OUR CASUALTIES 1ST MARDIV KIA 445 WIA 2728 MIA 323 TOTAL 3496. 81ST DIV KIA 46 WIA 491 MIA 0 TOTAL 537. GRAND TOTALS KIA 491 WIA 3219 MIA 323 TOTAL 4033. POW NO CHANGES.

ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU 6445, ANGUAR 600, TOTAL 7045.

NO CHANGE SUPPLY STATUS REPORTED.

*RADIO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 201912

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FROM COMINCH

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DATE 20 SEPTEMBER 1944

TOR CODEROOM 1523

DECODED BY

PARAPHRASED BY KIRKBRIDE /Gerald

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ALL ORGANIZED RESISTANCE CEASED ANGUAR 20 SEPTEMBER. CASUALTIES SUFFERED BY 81ST INFANTRY DIVISION THIS OPERATION TO DATE KIA 22 WIA 167 ENEMY KILLED 173 2 POWS. ON PELELIU DURING 18-19 SEPTEMBER ENEMY SPORADICALLY FIRED MORTARS SMALL ARMS OUR POSITIONS. OUR ADVANCE RESUMED MORNING 19 SEPTEMBER ALONG RUGGED TERRAIN WITH ENEMY STUBBORNLY RESISTING FROM ENTRENCHED PILL BOXES AIDED BY SUPPORTING ARTILLERY MORTAR FIRE. HOWEVER STEADY PROGRESS MADE TO NORTH AND EAST RESULTING IN CAPTURE OF EAST COAST EXCEPT ISOLATED SECTION IN NORTHEAST. ENEMY AIR RAID EVENING 18 SEPTEMBER RESULTED IN NO DAMAGE. FOUND UPON CAPTURE OF PELELIU AIRFIELD FOLLOWING ENEMY PLANES: 28 TWINENGINE ENEMY BOMBERS 8 TWINENGINE LIGHT BOMBERS 77 SINGLE ENGINE FIGHTERS 4 TRANSPORTS ALL OF WHICH BADLY DAMAGED EXCEPT 5 FIGHTERS. IN PELELIU OPERATIONS UP TO 19 SEPTEMBER 1800 1ST MARDIV CASUALTIES ARE KIA 423 WIA 2622 MIA 302 TOTALLING 3347. THE WHOLE MOROTAI

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OPERATION PROCEEDING SATISFACTORILY. EARLY MORNING 18 SEPTEMBER ENEMY AIR STRUCK LANDING BEACHES HARBOR AREA ONLY PERSONNEL CASUALTY 1 NAVAL RATING WOUNDED MATERIAL CASUALTIES NONE. CARRIER BORNE AIRCRAFT CONTINUES TO LEND CLOSE AIR SUPPORT MOROTAI LANDINGS. DURING NIGHT 16-17 SEPTEMBER NORTHSOLS PTS SANK 3 BARGES PROBABLY ANOTHER OUT OF 5 ENCOUNTERED. DURING 17-18 SEPTEMBER SAME PTS STRAFED ENEMY TARGETS BOUGAINVILLE NORTHEAST NEW IRELAND.

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CTF 31 SENDS ACTION COM 3RD LFT INFO CINCPAC AND ALL INTERESTED CURRENT OPERATIONS. RDO HONO PASS TO ALL.

OPERATION SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 19.

ACTIVITY DURING NIGHT ON PELELIU CONFINED SPORADIC MORTAR AND SMALL ARMS FIRE. ADVANCE RESUMED THIS MORNING WITH ENEMY RESISTING STUBBORNLY FROM TRENCHED PILLBOXES AND WITH ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE ALONG RUGGED TERRAIN IN FRONT OF FIRST MARINE ON OUR LEFT. 5TH MARINES MADE STEADY PROGRESS TO NORTH AND EAST SECURING EAST COAST EXCEPT FOR ISOLATED FINGER TO NORTHEAST. COUNT OF ENEMY PLANES FOUND ON PELELIU AIRFIELD 28 TWIN ENGINE MEDIUM BOMBERS, 8 TWIN ENGINE LIGHT BOMBERS, 77 SINGLE ENGINE FIGHTERS, 4 TRANSPORTS ALL BADLY DAMAGED, EXCEPT 5 FIGHTERS. ALSO 4 CRATED ENGINES AND SOME 4 BLADED PROPS. FRONT LINES AT END OF PERIOD TA 13Ø QRSX-126E-131UVQRSXYT-132PK-1310JID-136XSNO-137FBC-

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ON ANGUAR QUIET DURING NIGHT. ATTACK RESUMED THIS MORNING WITH TANKS ADVANCING CLOSELY SUPPORTED BY INFANTRY AGAINST LIGHT CAPTured RESISTANCE CONSISTING MOSTLY SCATTERED PILLBOXES AND MORTAR FIRE. BY EARLY AFTERNOON MIDDLE VILLAGE AND SAIPAN TOWN CAPTURED. ADVANCE OF LEFT FLANK RETARDED BY BEACH DEFENSES ON EAST COAST BUT APPROXIMATELY 2/3 OF ISLAND NOW IN OUR POSSESSION WITH NORTHWESTERN AND SOUTHERN TIPS ISOLATED. CG 81ST DIV ASSUMED COMMAND ASHORE AT 181200/I.
IDENTIFICATIONS FROM POW STATEMENT FIRST BN 59TH REGT ON ANGUAR SECOND AND THIRD BNS LEFT ANGUAR FOR BABELTHUAP IN JUNE AND TOTAL OF 1000 ARMY TROOPS ON ANGUAR NO NAVY PRESENT. FRONTLINED AT END OF PERIOD TA105RSTO-106KLMNO-107KL THIS FOR SOUTHERN FRONT. NORTHERN FRONT TA117SX-113E-114FKP-113YX-109DE-110ABGK-1090. OUR CASUALTIES FIRST MARDIV KIA 423 WIA 2622 MIA 302 TOTAL 3347. 81ST DIV KIA 22 WIA 167 MIA 0 TOTAL 189. GRAND TOTALS KIA 445 WIA 2789 MIA 302 TOTAL 3536 POW PELELIU 1 ANGUAR 2 TOTAL 3. ENEMY KILLED TO DATE PELELIU NO CHANGE REPORTED ANGUAR 173. TOTAL 5668.
LCI(G) 459 WHILE GALLANTLY FURNISHING CLOSE ROCKET FIRE SUPPORT AT 1220/I STRUCK MINE OFF REEF EDGE WEST PELELIU AND SANK 20 MINUTES LATER IN ABOUT 30 FATHOMS. CASUALTIES 2 WOUNDED. 64 ADDITIONAL MINES SWEPT AT KOSSOL ROADS YESTERDAY MAKING TOTAL THERE TO DATE 249. FLASH RED FROM 1855 TO 1924. NO DAMAGE REPORTED.

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To : War Department

No : C 18010 19 Sept 1944

From GHQ SPWA signed MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department cite C 18010.

South Celebes:

Kendari: Photographs Ambesia September 16th show 18 bombers one fighter increased dispersal facilities, further revetments nil aircraft Witicola.

Macassar: Three medium two smaller vessels reported by Catalinas night September 16. Catalina reported one medium two smaller vessel off southeast coast Borneo night September 14th.

North Cegebes: B 25's attacking Gorontalo Bay September 16th reported 16 seatrucks at mouth of river.

Philippines: Three medium freighters six small vessels three destroyers reported off southwest point Palawan afternoon September 18th.

Part two. Land.

Morotai: Unopposed landing made Cape Wajaboela and two islands off coast September 17th; Patrols clearing small enemy parties from Pitoe area, killed 36.

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Air. Enemy action.

Morotain: Light fighter raids reported daily September 16th, one raider shot down early September 18th.

Operations September 17th:

(1) 14 Beauforts bombed Weqak and Kairiru Island.
(2) Four Dutch B 25's bombed village and jett Saumluki in Hanimbars and scored near misses on small freighter or lugger Kai Islands.
(3) 11 Beaufighters damaged buildings guns and motor transport Cape Lore, Failoro and Lautem in Eastern Timor. Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1400Z/17 to 1400Z/18 signed MacArthur.

Operations September 18:

(4) 17 Beauforts attacked store bridge and runways Wswak starting fires.
(5) 16 P 39's covered guns and runways Manokwuri; six P 40's from Biak attacked gun positions Mosm.
(6) 12 B 25's weathered out from Langoan bombed Samate airfield.
(7) 46 RAAF P 40's attacked Babo, Kokas and targets along MacCluer Gulf, village near Kaimana and small shipping southeastern Cerao and Kai Islands.
(8) One group B 24's attacked Haroekoe and Laha airfields, Ambon area.

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(9) Two predawn B 24's bombed stores Lembet Strait; two more B 24's started fires Manado town.
(10) One group B 25's bombed Langoan/Bivouacs while P 38's escort strafed Despersal areas.
(11) 22 B 25 destroyed four grounded planes and started fires Langoan revetment.
(12) 33 B 24's destroyed and fired barracks buildings, bombed gun positions Padada airfield near Dagao; 23 B 24's exploded fuel tanks started fires near Sassa air-drone; nil interception either strike, other B 24's failed reach Davao and bombed targets in Tulaud Islands.
(13) Farwin patrol B 24 bombed motor transport between Fuiloro and Lautem; RAAF B 24 bombed beached seatruck Watoebela Islands also demolished buildings caused explosions Tepa village on Xanda Island.

Solomons Forces.

Air operations September 17th total 167 sorties:
(14) Two predawn B 25's tarassed Kahilc, 10 New Zealand Corsairs bombed Garfens strafed personnel southern Bougainville.
(15) 16 New Zealand 28 Marine Corsairs destroyed buildings Rabaul area.
(16) One predawn B 25 over Kavieng failed return, 36 Dauntless 50 Corsairs three New Zealand Venturas damaged bridges and building New Ireland.

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Part three.

(1) Dropped 28 by 500 lb medium capacity, 56 by 250 lb general purpose bombs from 4,000 feet; met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(2) Dropped 4 500 lb bombsfive seconds delay Saumlaki; 8 500 lb from 2,000 feet Kai Islands.

(3) Fired 2,115 rounds 20 MM, 1,700 rounds 30 calibre, met intense light, slight medium accurate anti aircraft fire Failoro.

(4) 16 Beauforts dropped 30 500 lb medium capacity, 48 250 lb general purpose plus unstated number 100 lb bombs from 4,000 feet.

(5) P 39's dropped 16 500 lb bombs, met intense anti aircraft fire; no details P 40's.

(6) No details.

(7) Dropped 26 100 lb, 27 250 lb general purpose bombs jettisoned 26 others, fired 12,600 rounds 50 calibre.

(8) No details.

(9) Dropped unstated number 260 lb frags Lembeh Strait, dropped 18 500 lb bombs Manado.

(10) No Details.

(11) No Details.

(12) Dropped over 70 tons 260 lb frags Padada, dropped 50 tons same type Sassa where slight medium some accurate anti aircraft fire; no details Talaud Islands.

(13) Dropped 8 300 lb boms .025 second delay from 1,400 feet Timor; other B 24 dropped 8 similar bombs from 4,700 feet.

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Refer preceding report:
(11) 29 P 38's dropped 14 500 lb bombs Nolot.
12) Total 32 500 lb medium capacity bombs dropped Dilli, 8 300 lb bombs dropped Cape Chater.
(13) B 24's dropped 60 2,000 lb, 108 1,000 lb and 84 500 lb bombs from 8,900 feet.
(15) Fired 8,500 rounds 50 calibre.

Refer report operations September 16th:
(11) 18 more B 24's dropped 162 500 lb bombs.
(12) Dropped 45 500 lb bombs from minimum altitude.

Refer report operations September 15th:
(9) 27 B 24's dropped 33 2,000 lb, 36 1,000 lb bombs Lolobata; 9 B 24's dropped 9 2,000 lb, 6 1000 lb, 60 500 lb bombs from 16,000 feet Hatetabako; slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

Supplementary paragraph:
Additional fighter sorties flown September 12th through September 16th: 127 by P 47's, 114 by P 38's turned back from Liang by weather, 9 by P 61's.

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TUAN, LIPA, BAGUIO, ANGELEO, ALSO LOS BANOS SOUTH END OF LAGUN[illegible]

1. IN ORDER TO ASSURE SAFETY AMERICAN AND FILIPINO POWS AND INTERNEES AND TO AVOID ADVERSE PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECT AMONG PEOPLE WE ARE ENDEAVORING TO LIBERATE IT IS REQUESTED THAT CITY AREAS BE NOT BOMBED. PRINCIPAL INTERNMENT CENTERS LOCATED SANTO TOMAS UNIVERSTIY, 2 MILES ENE MOUTH OF PASIG RIVER; FORT MCKINLEY NEAR N IVSON, BILIBIO PRISON ONE HALF MILE SW SANTO TOMAS, FORT SANTIAGO INTRAMURIS OLD MANILA , LAS PINAS AND PASIG RIVER DISTRICT NORTH MANILA. OTHER CAMPS AT CABANA-TUAN, LIPA, BAGUIO, ANGELEO, ALSO LOS BANOS SCUTH END OF LAGUNA DE BAY.

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2. HEREWITH FIRST SUMMARY LATEST FULIN AIR TARGETS.

PRIORITIES AS FOLLOWS:

A. AIRFIELDS. SAN MARELLIMO 14-57N 12Ø-Ø8 E REPORTED COMPLETED AUGUST. 15Ø PLANES MAINLY FIGHTERS OBSERVED CABANATUAN 15-3Ø N 121-ØØ E 31 AUGUST. FOLLOWING REPORTED FUILFINO LATE AUGUST ECHB NT MANKLYAN FIELD ILLIGAN ALSO NEW FIELD IGUIG CAGAYAN PROVINCE. REPEATED REPORTS MASS DUMMY AIRCRAFT NEW LIPA. (...*)UN ON OTHER IMPORTANT FIELDS YOU HAVE.

B. PRESENT SHIPPING HIDEOUTS MANILA AREA SEECOM 7TH FLEET TOP SECRET 1303_9. INTELLIGENCE LATER.

C. OIL STORAGE. AT SAN FERNANDO POINT PORO VILLAGE 16-37 N 12Ø-18 E SMALL FUEL TANKS ALSO AMMO DUMPS NORTH OF ROAD BEHIND WHARF. CONSIDERABLE AVGAS REPORTED STORED HONDAGUA

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D. SHIPYARDS. EXTENSIVE FACILITIES FOR REPAIR NAVAL CRAFT CAVITE NAVY YARD SANGLEYEBRIHT. OLONGAPO NAVY BASE AT HEAD SUBIC BAY NOW BUILDING WOODEN SHIPS.

E. AIRCRAFT ASSEMBLY AND CONCENTRATIONS. STORAGE REPORTED BETWEEN CLAGH AND CLARK NORTH ALSO AT NEVLLON AND DEWEY BOULEVARD(.....*)

F. STORAGE DEPOTS. NEW PHILIPPINES UNIVERSITY DILLIMAN ESTATE NORTHEAST QUEZON FIELD.

G. TROOPS AREAS BUILDINGS. STOTSENBURG NEAR CLARK ALSO CAMP MURPHY WEST ZABLAN. AVOID BOMBING METROPOLITAN AREA DOCKS, OIL STORAGE AND OTHER INSTALLATIONS WHICH WILL BE OF EVENTUAL USE TO US. REPEAT PRIMARY TARGETS AIRFIELDS AND SHIPPING. (....*)

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JM CINCSWPA

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LANDINGS AT MOROTAI NOW REPORTED FULLY ESTABLISHED. JAPS DROPPED FEW BOMBS NEAR STRIP AND OFF RED

BEACH BUT NO DAMAGE AND NO NAVAL CASUALTIES. 4 CRUISERS AND 8 DD'S OF COVERING FORCE ARRIVED

WOENDI TODAY FROM MOROTAI. 1 AGC 1 DD DUE HOLLANDIA TOMORROW FROM MOROTAI. ESCORT CARRIER GROUP REMAINS

IN HALMAHERA. ECHELON 12 LST 4 DD LEAVING MOROTAI FOR NEW GUINEA. ECHELON 9 LST 4 XAK 3 DD 2 PF

DUE MOROTAI TOMORROW. 2 AVP ARRIVED MOROTAI FROM MIDDLEBURG ISLAND. 3 CVE 3 DE (PACFLT UNITS)

DUE MANUS TOMORROW FROM PEARL. BLACKCATS NIGHT 16/17 PROBABLY DESTROYED 7000/8000 TON AK AT

KENDARI. BOMBED SMALL UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. AMSTERDAM PT'S NIGHT 15/16

DESTROYED 1 BARGE ALONG VOGELKOP COAST. WOENDI

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PT'S STRAFED WEST GEELVIANK BAY AND EVACUATED 70
JAVANESE FROM RMEMBXRPON ISLAND. NIGHT 16/17

AMSTERDAM PT'S SHELLED DORE BAY HUTS AND NORSOLS PT'S
STRAFED CHOISEUL BOUGAINVILLE AND NEW IRELAND POINTS.

GREIN PT'S DESTROYED 2 OF 3 SOUTHBOUND BARGES OFF
SOUTHEAST NEW IRELAND. NORSOLS MARINE AIR WITH HALF

TONNERS CAPSIZED 50 FOOT BARGE OFF RALUANA POINT FIRED
SMALLER BARGE AND EXPLODED 1 TRUCK. MACARTHUR.

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DATE 18 SEPT 1944

TOR CODEROOM 2054

DECODED BY DIEBEL

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FOR ACTION: COM 3RD FLT

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CTF 31 ORIGINATED. ACTION COM 3RD FLEET INFO CINCPAC AND ALL INTERESTED CURRENT OPERATIONS. RDO HONOLULU PLEASE PASS TO ALL ADEES.

Last message

OPERATIONS SUMMARY 1800 SEPT 18.

ON PELELIU ENEMY COUNTER ATTACK IN SOME STRENGTH DEVELOPED ON LEFT FLANK SHORTLY AFTER DARK BUT WAS REPULSED. REMAINDER OF NIGHT MINOR ACTIVITY EXCEPT MORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE ON LEFT THROUGHOUT NIGHT. GENERAL ATTACK LAUNCHED 0700 MEETING HEAVY RESISTANCE PARTICULARLY ON LEFT BUT BY AFTERNOON ASIAS TOWN NGARMQKED** ISLAND AND ENTIRE SOUTHERN PORTION OF PELELIU CAPTURED. 8 BN CORPS ARTY IN POSITION ON PELELIU AND SUPPORTING ANGUAR ATTACK. 1 TBF MADE SUCCESSFUL EMERGENCY LANDING PELELIU. 3 OY'S NOW

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BASED ON FIELD REMAINDER 19 SEPT. FRONT LINES END OF PERIOD TA 130L ALONG MANGROVE SWAMP TO 136K - 136 KLMHCVBF - 135 JEINMLKBA - 134 EJNMGB - 140 VQK. AN ANGUAR ENEMY PLACED INTERMITTENT MORTAR FIRE ON RED BEACH DURING NIGHT AND AT DAWN LAUNCHED COUNTER ATTACK AGAINST LEFT FLANK 321 RCT ON BLUE BEACH. DURING MORNING A COUNTER ATTACK LAUNCHED ON LEFT 321 AND 1 ON LEFT 322 RCT'S. ALL WERE REPULSED. BY 1030 EACH COMBAT TEAM HAD RESUMED ADVANCE AGAINST LIGHT OPPOSITION AND 2 BEACHHEADS ARE NOW JOINED. FRONT LINES END OF PERIOD TA 117 RW - 113 CIJ - 114 FLRW - 110 CGK - 109 OT - 110 UQRNT - 111 PUVW - 107 CDJ.

OUR CASUALTIES 1ST MARDIV: KIA 343, WIA 2231, MIA 266, TOTAL 2840. 81ST DIV: KIA 10, WIA 120, MIA 9, TOTAL 139, GRAND TOTALS: KIA 353, WIA 2351, MIA 275, TOTAL 2979. PELELIU IDENTIFICATIONS 5TH SQUAD 33RD MACHINE CANNON COMPANY 14TH DIV. 31ST BUNTAI AND 22ND BUNTAI OF 30TH BASE FORCE. POW 3. ENEMY KILLED TO DATE 5495 PELELIU, 48 ANGUAR. TOTAL 5543.

PELELIU AIRFIELD UNDER RECONSTRUCTION ESTIMATED AVAILABLE FOR FIGHTERS IN 3 DAYS.

SAMARITAN DEPARTED WITH 602 CASUALTIES.

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KOSSOL PASSAGE THREE-FOURTHS SWEPT AND COMPLETION ESTIMATED SHORTLY; SUPPLY VESSELS BEING BERTHED THERE NOW. PONTOON CAUSEWAY ERECTED PELELIU. 2 ENEMY PLANES DROPPED BOMBS IN 1ST MARDIV AREA AT 1920I. NO CASUALTIES.

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INFORMATION: COM 7TH FLT
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FINAL DAILY OPERATIONAL SUMMARY PHASE 1.

A 18 SEPTEMBER.

B 6Ø.

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E 19 PLUS 1Ø5 ROCKETS.

UV SUPPORTED GROUND FORCES HITTING ENEMY POSITIONS AND TROOP CONCENTRATION PELELIU AREAS 136, 146, 147, 152, 157, AND ANGAUR AREAS 1Ø2, 1Ø3, 1Ø7. PROCEEDING TEACUP VIA ROUTE 1Ø MILES SOUTH OF JAMAICA. ETA DAWO 21 SEPTEMBER. SOA 17.8.

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To: War Department

Nr: C 17856 16 Sept 1944

From CINC SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department Cite C 17856.

New Guinea: Wewak: Enemy submarine indicated 6 miles northeast Kairiru Island evening September 14th.

Vogelkop: Landing party reported estimated 300 Japanese Cape Sacekris area.

Ceram: Beaufighters report 9 barges in river mouth south Boela.

Kai Islands: Photographs showed strip unserviceable after B-25 attack September 13th.

Celebes: Reconnaissance aircraft report 3 small merchant vessels, 6 sea trucks along coast 60 miles west Amoerang Bay: Medium freighter transport again reported Lembeh Strait, sea truck Menado Bay September 15th.

Halmaheras: Morotai: Natives report 200 Japanese fled to hills on allied landings.

Philippines: 4 destroyers were sighted course 30 degrees South China Sea 180 miles northwest San Fernando.

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Part II. Land.

Morotai: Nil resistance reported, 21 enemy killed, 11 captured, all D Day objectives captured according to schedule.

Naval. PT's strafed Jef Kasim area Sorong, destroyed 2 barges.

Air. Operations September 15th:

(1) 22 Beauforts cratered Wewak runways and nearby stores.

(2) 6 P-40s silenced guns Moemi, 8 P-39s bombed airfield Manokwari.

(3) 12 RAF P-40s bombed Samate airfield, fired fuel dumps.

Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1400Z/14 to 1400z/15 signed MacArthur.

(4) 2 RAAF P-40s bombed guns and stores Sorong.

(5) 5 Beaufighters, 5 RAAF A-20s bombed Boela airfield, destroyed 4, damaged 6 barges sank 3 prahus to southeast.

(6) 7 RAAF P-40s sank one barge, damaged 5 smaller

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craft Kai Islands.

(7) 4 RAAF P-40s bombed Geser Village, strafed 6 small vessels southeast Ceram.

(8) 14 B-24s followd by 31 A-20s and 52 P-47s attacked Kau airfield town bivouacs and installations starting fires.

(9) 6 squadrons B-24s attacked Hatetabako.

(10) 2 pre-dawn B-24s kindled large fires followed by explosions Mamado waterfront.

(11) 2 RAAF B-25s from Darwin strafed bivouacs started fires near Roka Barat om Arce Islands.

(12) 8 Dutch B-25s bombed Langgoer, Faan and Doelah airfields Kai Islands, 1 B-25 shot down by anti aircraft.

(13) 2 RAAF B-25s bombed guns Saumlaki in Tanimbars.

(14) 2 RAAF patrols B-24s bombed Tepa village on Babar Island, destroyed 1 lugger damaged forced another small vessel ashore Mangole Island.

Solomons Forces. Naval: PT's shelled targets near Choiseul Bay, Kieta Airfield, northeast New Ireland and eastern Gazelle Peninsula.

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Air. Operations September 14: Total 212 sorties:

(15) 46 Dauntless, 63 Marine and New Zealand Corsairs bombed bivouacs Wide Bay and Pondo Point; 8 B-25s, 24 Dauntless bombed Karavat supplies; 45 Corsairs bombed Rabaul and nearby targets.

(16) Corsair patrols damaged buildings and bridge New Ireland.

(17) 2 night B-25s harassed Kahili; Corsairs bombed Fauro Island.

Part III. Weather: Mission reports state conditions favourable.

Air.

(1) Dropped 48 by 500 pound medium capacity, 86 by 250 pound general purpose bombs varied delay from 8000 to 4500 feet, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(2) P-40s dropped 6 by 500 pound, 12 by 250 pound bombs from 1500 feet, fired 200 rounds 50 calibre, met medium anti aircraft fire; P-39s dropped 8 by 500 pound bombs, met intense medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(3) Dropped 14 by 300 lb, 2 by 250 lb bombs, 2 by 250 lb 6 hours delay, jettisoned 6 by 300 lb bombs, fired 4000 rounds 50 calibre.

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(4) Dropped 4 by 500 lb medium capacity bombs, met moderate medium and heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(5) Beaufighters dropped 8 by 250 lb general purpose bombs from 3500 feet and under, fired 2059 rounds 20 MM, 1300 rounds 30 calibre; A-20s dropped 20 by 500 lb bombs from 3000 feet, fired 3300 rounds 50 calibre.

(6) Dropped 4 by 100 lb bombs, fired 4300 rounds 50 calibre.

(7) Dropped 8 by 100 lb bombs from 3000 feet, fired 3800 rounds 50 calibre.

(8) B-24s dropped 110 by 500 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds; P-47s dropped 52 by 500 lb bombs from 15000 to 6000 feet; slight to intense heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire; 8 other P-47s jettisoned similar bombs.

(9) No details.

(10) Dropped 12 by 500 lb incendiaries from 7500 feet.

(11) fired 2100 rounds 50 calibre, met slight machine gun fire.

(12) 7 B-25s dropped 21 by 500 lb .025 second delay, 7 same typevaried delays from 14000 feet, met moderate heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.

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(13) Dropped 8 by 500 lb bombs eight seconds delay from 10,500 feet, met slight inaccurate antiaircraft fire.

(14) Dropped 12 by 300 lb bombs .025 second delay from 6000 feet, fired 5800 rounds 50 calibre.

Supplementary paragraph: Additional night sorties flown September 13 and 14: 46 by P-47s on patrols, 15 by P-40s , 8 by P-61s.

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CTF 31 SENDS ACTION COM 3RD FLEET INFO CINCPAC ALL INTERESTED IN CURRENT OPERATIONS. RADIO HONOLULU PLEASE PASS.

SITUATION 18ØØI. ASHORE. UP TO 17ØØ 1ST MARINES ~~HAVE~~ ADVANCED TO BASE OF HIGH GROUND ON NORTHERN LIMITS OF AIRFIELD, ELEMENTS OF 5TH MARINES ~~HAVE~~ FOUGHT THEIR WAY ACROSS SOUTHERN LIMITS OF AIRFIELD, WHILE 7TH MARINES ~~ARE~~ FORGING AHEAD TO SOUTHERN TIP OF ISLAND WHERE STRONG OPPOSITION ~~HAS~~ DEVELOPED. FRONT LINES ARE TA 133 LMRW 128 DIJOTX 124 DJ 125 KLMNSW 123 A 122 JI. BEACHES HAVE BEEN UNDER INTERMITTENT ARTILLERY AND MORTAR FIRE ALL DAY. ENEMY TANK ATTACK OF TWENTY TANKS LAUNCHED AT 1645 BUT WAS REPULSED BY 5TH MARINES ASSISTED BY AIR AND NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORT. A SECOND COUNTER ATTACK ON LEFT OF DIVISION REPULSED AT 1740 BY 1ST MARINES AND 3RD IN CENTER REPULSED BY 5TH MARINES AT 1745. 2ND REGT 14TH DIV IDENTIFIED BY CAPTURED DOCUMENTS. **

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CTF 77 SENDS. COM 7TH FLEET PASS TO CINCSWPA.

BUOYS MARKING SHOALS HAVE BEEN PLANTED AS CALLED FOR. COLUMNS OF OUR TROOPS AT AREA 317 N AND O. ANOTHER COLUMN AT 31 P W AND X. TROOPS HAVE REACHED CROSS ROADS IN TARGET AREA 316 C. TROOPS FROM WHITE BEACH HAVE PUSHED DIRECTLY ACROSS PENINSULA AND ARE NOW 50 YARDS FROM SHORE. OWN TROOPS ARE AT WEST END AIR STRIP IN AREA 13. BARNEGAT, BARBEY AND HALL ORIGINATE. 2 JAPS KILLED IN FOXHOLE BY ALLIGATOR.

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TOR CODEROOM: 0238

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FOR ACTION: ALL COMMANDERS RECEIVING COM 7TH FLEET'S INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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COM 7TH FLEET ORIGINATES.

LANDINGS SOUTHERN MOROTAI 0830 I 15TH MADE ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE FOLLOWING NAVAL AND AIR BOMBARDMENT. NIL OPPOSITION ENCOUNTERED. BLUE CARRIERS AND DESTROYERS BOMBARDED GALELA INSTALLATIONS SAME TIME. NIL RETURN 5. BLUE UNITS CAPTURED 1 BARGE LOAD AND SANK ANOTHER. PHOTO PLANE 1110 I 14TH SIGHTED 3 SMALL AK'S, 2 BARGES WASILE BAY. 1027 I 14TH 1 UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL OBSERVED IN LAMBAK STRAIT. P84Y SIGHTED 9 SMALL FREIGHTERS, SEVERAL LUGGERS NORTH COAST CELEBES BETWEEN 123-25 AND 123-50 E. WOENDI PT'S STRAFED BARGES MANSINAM ISLAND EXPERIENCING RETURN FIRE NIGHT 10/11TH. OTHER BOATS DESTROYED BARGE UNDERWAY DEMAR BAY SOUTH GEELVINK AND

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STRAFED HUTS. AMSTERDAM BOATS SHELLED JEF DOIF ISLAND. ALLIED AIR RAIDS 13TH: LIBERATORS BOMBED GALELA, KAOE AND LOLOBATA RUNWAYS AND STARTED FIRES. 26 MITCHELLS STRAFED MOROTAI VILLAGES AND PITOE DROME. 41 LIGHTNINGS, 54 BOSTONS POUNDED MAKIAN AND SAMATE DROMES AS 31 MEDIUM BOMBERS STRUCK BABO AA POSITS. FIGHTER BOMBERS HARASSED RANSIKI AND MANOKWARI. 6 BOSTONS DAMAGED RADAR SOUTH-EAST CERAM AND ATTACKED SMALL CRAFT. 33 SBD'S AND 6 F4U'S BOMBED PONDI SUPPLY AREA WEST GAZELLE PENINSULA. RESULTS UNOBSERVED. 78 CORSAIRS SWEPT RABAUL AND GAZELLE PENIN-SULA DESTROYING HUTS. MEDIUM BOMBERS DAMAGED BOUGAIN-VILLE TARGETS. PICTURES 14TH SHOW 3 RABAUL, 1 KAVIENG RUNWAY SERVICEABLE. HALMAHERA PICTURES 13TH REVEAL NIL SERVICEABLE PLANES.

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CTF 77 SENDS. COM 7TH FLEET PASS CINCSWPA.

2 AMPHIBIAN TANKS IN TARGET AREA 212. 1 AMPHIBIOUS TANK IN AREA 22Ø N AND ON ROAD LEADING NORTH. TROOPS IN AREA 2Ø4. CTF 75 REPORTS TARGET AREAS WELL COVERED. 2 GROUNDED PLANES DESTROYED AT LEAST 1 LARGE HOUSE AND STARTED SEVERAL FIRES. 2 NATIVES TAKEN FROM BARGE. NO RESISTANCE OR RETURN FIRE ENCOUNTERED. SIGNED BARBEY AND HALL.

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COVERED BY FORCES OF THE PACIFIC FLEET AND FOLLOWING INITIAL BOMBARDMENT OF THE BEACH AREA ELEMENTS OF THE 7TH FLEET LANDED WITHOUT OPPOSITION OR INCIDENT APPROXIMATELY 17,000 TROOPS OF THE 31ST AND 32ND US INFANTRY DIVISIONS IN THE DOROEBA-ADEMWAGA-YITOE AREA ON THE ISLAND OF MOROTAI. LANDINGS ON THE 2 BEACHES BEGAN AT 08301 AND CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE MORNING. THE ATTACK GROUP CONSISTED OF 1 LSD 1 AGC 12 DD 2 APA 5 APD 49 LCI 12 LCT 6 PC 4 YMS AND 1 AT. THE LANDINGS WERE PRECEDED BY BOMBARDMENT BY A CRUISER FORCE OF GALELA AIRFIELD ACROSS THE STRAIT ON HALMAHERA. COMMAND HAD PASSED TO THE LANDING FORCE

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COMMANDERS AT BOTH BEACHES BY 12451. AN ESCORT CARRIER GROUP OF 6 CVE AND 8 DE'S FURNISHED CLOSE AIR SUPPORT. AIRCRAFT FROM A FAST CARRIER GROUP CONSISTING OF 2 CV 2 CVL 3 CA AND 12 DD MADE A SWEEP OF THE 4 NORTHERN HALMAHERA AIRFIELDS EARLY TODAY. ON SHORE 2 JAPS IN A FOXHOLE WERE KILLED BY AN ALLIGATOR AND A SMALL NUMBER OF PRISONERS WERE TAKEN FROM A BARGE CLOSE IN. 1 DD SANK ANOTHER BARGE. OUR TROOPS ARE ON THE PKTOE AIRSTRIP. BY 1600 TODAY THE PRINCIPAL ELEMENTS OF THE ATTACK FORCE HAD WITHDRAWN TO THE NEW GUINEA MAINLAND LEAVING AT THE BEACHES 6 DD 12 LCT4 PC 1 AT AND 4 YMS PLUS THE CRUISER FORCE. THRCULE TO MOROTAI AND CF AT 07001 TOMORROW IS REINFORCEMENT GROUP 1 CONSISTING OF 5 DD 19 LCI 12 LST 8 LCT 4 XAK AND 1 AT.

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To: War Department

Nr: C 17790 15 September 1944

Chief of Staff War Department from GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur cite C 17790. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1400Z/13 to 1400Z/14 signed MacArthur

Dutch New Guinea: Sorong:

Two seatrucks, 3 small craft sighted in vicinity Sept 14th.

Celebes: Two 1500 ton freighters, 10 seatrucks sighted along coast east Bolaangoeki Bay September 14.

Halmahera: Eight targes sighted west Miti Island September 13.

Philippines: Two destroyers, 2 large laden freighters 4 small freighters sighted heading south off south west point Luzon September 13.

Part 2. Air. Operations September 12:

1. Twenty P-47's bombed Boela airdrome, started

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small fires.

September 13:

2. Four RAAF P-40's attacked small craft Gorong Island, destroyed or damaged 9.

Operations September 14:

3. Nineteen Beauforts bombed Wewak runway and adjacent areas.

4. Four P-40's bombed Manokwair, 6 others bombed Noemi gun positions.

5. Eight RAAF P-40's bombed Jefman, 12 others bombed Samate runway.

6. Twenty-five A-20's led by 3 B-25's bombed Babo strip.

7. Eight Beaufighters, 8 RAAF P-40's left further craters Boela strip, left one unserviceable aircraft afire.

8. Patrolling Darwin B-24 bombed Letfoer airdrome, Kai Islands.

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9. Two groups B-25's, 3 squadrons A-20's turned back from Halbahera strikes by weather.

10. Eight squadrons B-24's bombed Lolobata, Hatetabako, Miti and Wao strips.

11. Fifty-seven B-24's cratered cement runway Mapanget, Celebes.

12. Three night B-24's started fires Amoerang Bay Celebes, night Catalina scored direct hit on 3000 ton freighter transport Manado Bay.

13. Three night B-24's bombed Ngesebus and Peleliu airdromes Palau.

Solomons Forces: Operations September 13:

14. Twenty Marine Dauntless, 6 B-25's, 52 Marine Corsairs, 15 New Zealand Corsairs struck Bougainville targets.

15. Thirty-three Marine Dauntless, 26 Corsairs dropped 27 tons Pondo bivouac supply area west Gazelle Peninsula, 44 Marine Corsairs bombed huts Natava, 34 others

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strafed personnel and gun positions; 7 bombed Cape Saint George.

Part 3.

1. 20 500 lb bombs dropped from 8000 feet, slight medium inaccurate antiaircraft fire.

2. Dropped 4 100 lb bombs, fired 3900 rounds 50 calibre.

3. Dropped 19 tons bombs from 4500 feet.

4. Dropped 8 500 lb, 5 250 lb bombs, fired 1500 rounds 50 calibre Manokwari where intense heavy, some accurate antiaircraft fire; 6 500 lb, 12 250 lb bombs dropped Moemi.

5. Dropped 4 300 lb, 6 250 lb, 2 100 lb bombs from 9500 to 3000 feet Jefmen where slight light and medium some accurate antiaircraft fire 16 500 lb, 8 250 lb bombs dropped from 2000 feet Samate.

6. Dropped 25 tons 500 pound bombs, met moderate

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medium and heavy some accurate anticraft fire.

7. Beaufighters dropped 16 250 pound general purpose bombs from 3000 feet, fired 80 rounds 20 MM, 100 rounds 30 calibre; A-20's dropped 28 500 pound general purpose bombs, fired 8900 rounds 50 calibre.

8. Dropped 8 300 pound bombs .025 second delay from 11,000 feet.

9. No details.

10. Unstated number planes each dropped 12 by 500 lb bombs, met light to moderate heavy inaccurate antiaircraft fire.

11. Dropped 62 2000 pound, 253 1000 pound bombs from 10,500 to 7,600 feet.

12. B-24's dropped 18 500 pound incendiaries from 7,000 feet; Catalina no details.

13. Two B-24's dropped 18 500 pound bombs from 8,500 feet. Refer preceding report: (3) dropped 18 500

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pound bombs.

(18) Dropped 18 500 pound bombs from 8,000 feet.
(27) forty-eight B-24's dropped 72 1000 pound, 271 500 pound Lolobata, 18 1000 pound, 70 500 pound Miti, 12 1000, 24 500 pound bombs Hatetabako from 19,800 to 15,500 feet; slight to intense heavy mostly inaccurate antiaircraft fire Lolobata.

Weather September 14: Moderate front through central Philiprines, scattered thunderstorms and frontal zones extending northeast from Manokwari and Wakde.

Supplementary paragraph: Additional fighter sorties September 10 through September 13: 78 by P-47's, 18 by P-40's, 34 by P-38's, 11 by P-61's.

Insert in Part 2: Land and Naval: Following air and naval bombardment of Halmahera airfields, approximately 17,000 troops of 31st Division and 126th Regimental Combat Team of 32nd Division covered by units of Pacific Fleet and Seventh Fleet with carrier based air support landed from west beaches north and south Pitoe airdrome and Morotai Island beginning 23300/14: No opposition encountered, airfield occupied: Command passed from amphibious commander to landing force commander 03450/15.

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To: War Department
Advance Echelon, General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Hollandia, New Guinea
CG, 14th Army Corps, Bougainville, Empress Augusta Bay
CG, US Army Forces, Brisbane, Australia (Local)

No: CX 17760 15 September 1944

TOP SECRET from GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur CX 17760 to the following for action: Commander Alamo Force, Commander Allied Naval Forces, Commander Allied Air Forces, Commander General 8th US Army, General Officer commanding First Australian Army and Commanding General USASOS. Fol information to the following: CINCPOA, Commander 3rd Fleet, Chief of Staff War Department, Commanding General XIV Corps and Command General USAFFE.

Modification of warning instructions number five, designated warning instructions [redacted] are cancelled. Hostile land based air forces and shipping in the Mindanao and Visayan areas and along the line Menado-Halmahera-Ambon have been destroyed.

fire/1. Previous operations instructions in conflict herewith

Our landings in the Palaus and in the Molukkas are progressing satisfactorily. Southward Pacific area forces, covered and supported by the 3rd Fleet, will move directly on accumulation eliminating Talaud-Sarangani and Misamis, target date 20 October.

Troops: Sixth Army, composed of X and XXIV Corps.

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Xth Corps, 1st Cavalry and 24th Divisions.

XXIV Corps, now departing Hawaii. composed of 7th and 96th Divisions.

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Land based air forces, supporting and service troops as later designated. General plan of operations and missions assigned Commander Sixth Army. Allied Naval and Air Forces, generally as set forth for K 2, warning instructions number five, this headquarters, 31 August 1944.

Coordination of planning, no change.

Coordination of carrier based and land based rotation will be given later.

Logistic and communications instructions, generally no change.

Alamo Force will be discontinued as a task force, effective 0001 hours, zone I time, 25 September. Sixth Army will assume on that date such duties of the Alamo Force as have not been passed to other command.

Concentrations directed for COSSIPMONGER, TALAVD operations instructions number 63 dated 30 August, will proceed. Changes in destinations will be announced later.

Concentrations for WINDBAG, operations instructions number 67 dated 9 September, are cancelled.

Movement of Australian troops to Aitape and western New Britain, operations instructions number 65 dated 30 August, are suspended.

Movement remaining elements 33rd Division to Hollandia is cancelled.

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Staging correction of first two sentences of message follows:

"Follows modification of warning instructions number five, designated warning instructions number five/1. Previous operations instructions in conflict herewith are cancelled".

Pls make above changes movements as a consequence to this directive will follow.

End

Note: This message has been relayed to OCTAGON

ACTION: Gen. Handy

INFO : JC/S
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Gen. Arnold
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COM 7TH FLEET REAR ECHELON SENDS.

HERE ARE DAMAGE REPORTS RECEIVED ON 14TH:

AT GLAN, COTABATO PROVINCE, 3Ø NIP PLANES ESCAPED WITH 3Ø DAMAGED OR DESTROYED ON DECK. MANY CASUALTIES. IN NORTH NEGROS LAST TUESDAY MOST BARRACKS AND MANY PETROL DUMPS HIT AT CADUHAAN. 2 NIPS SHOT DOWN, PLENTY NIPS AND SOME CIVILIANS KILLED. 2 MORE NIPS DOWNED YESTERDAY IN AREA. UNIDENTIFIED PLANE CRASHED VICINITY FABRICA. Ø4ØØZ YESTERDAY DIVE BOMBERS NAILED GASOLINE STORES IN CADUHAAN, FOLLOWED AT Ø7ØØZ WITH STRIKE AT FABRICA, AGAIN WITH NO INTERCEPTION. AT BAPOLOD 2 SHIPS REPORTED HIT AT BANAGO WHARF. 4Ø NIP PLANES ESTIMATED DESTROYED THESE RAIDS. ON SEPTEMBER 9 NEAR

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SIPACA POINT 6 NIP BOATS REPORTED SUNK; SIZE UNKNOWN. CAGAYAN, MISAMIS ORIENTAL CASUALTIES ESTIMATED 136 KILLED, 2ØØ WOUNDED. 275 FILS KILLED AND WOUNDED WORKING ON CAGAYAN FIELDS. ALL REST OF FIL LABORERS BELIEVED NOW FLED. CAGAYAN BRIDGE NOT DESTROYED. ACK ACK BROUGHT TO TIBASAK AGGREGATE 1 HALU KD NORTH SOUTH OF CAGAYAN BRIDGE ON RIVER. RESULTS 6 SEPTEMBER: SANTA ANA 2 AMMO DUMPS BURNED, BRIDGES AND BARRACKS DEMOLISHED. ACK ACK AND MG POSITS HIT AND DESTROYED. AT TALAOC AMMO DUMP HIT AND BURNED. AT DALIAC, TOYO SOUP AND SOYBEAN FACTORY DESTROYED. FOR SEPTEMBER 2 ADD 25Ø NIPS, INCLUDING 6 HIGH RANKING OFFICERS, KILLED AT CATITIPAN FIELD. 3Ø VF DESTROYED ON GROUND AT CATITIPAN. 1 WOODEN Q/BOAT HIT AND BURNING. AT ILOILO CITY 2 NIP PLANES DAMAGED AND GAS DUMP FIRED AT MANDURRIAO FIELD ON SEPTEMBER 13 BY 6 BLUE PLANES. 2Ø BLUE PLANES IN 5-PLANE WAVES DAMAGED 11 PLANES AND FIRED PILOTS' QUARTERS AT TIRINEBAJ FIELD ON 13 OR 14 SEPTEMBER.

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COM 7TH FLEET PASS CINCSWPA. CTF 77 SENDS.

LCI GUNBOATS APPROACHED WITHIN 100 YARDS OF RED BEACH. FIRE SUPPORT EXCELLENT. FIRE STARTED NORTH END WHITE BEACH, SMOKE RISING TO 1000 FEET. NO RETURNED FIRE AS YET.

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INTERVIEW 13TH SALAZAR TOLD AMBASSADOR ATTEMPTS BY PORTUGUESE GOVT ARRANGE BY DIPLOMATIC MEANS FOR EVACUATION JAPANESE FROM TIMOR UNSUCCESSFUL SO FAR ~~WY DI9111SSP~~. SALAZAR URGED IMMEDIATE COMMENCEMENT STAFF TALKS.

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FROM ALUSNA LISBON		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
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DATE 12 SEPT 44			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 2259			
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2 SOURCES ONE IN MINISTRY COLONIES, OTHER PROMINENT BANKER BOTH CLAIMING INFORMATION OBTAINED IN CONVERSATIONS WITH SALAZAR REPORT LATTER STATED THAT BY DIPLOMATIC AGREEMENT WITH PORTUGAL GOVT. JAPANESE TROOPS WILL WITHDRAW FROM TIMOR IN NEAR FUTURE. THEORIES GIVEN BY SOURCES AS TO QUID PRO QUO ARE. (A). MOVING IN OF PORTUGUESE TROOPS FROM COLONIES AND NO OCCUPATION BY ALLIES. (B) ALL ANTI-JAP PROPAGANDA IN PORTUGAL TO CEASE. EMBASSY INFORMED.

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FROM: CINCSWPA

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 3 SEPT 44

TOR CODEROOM: 1850/03

DECODED BY:

TYPED BY: KAEMPFER / THOMPSON

ROUTED BY: PIPP

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FOR ACTION: COMINCH — PPPPPPP PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED

INFORMATION: CNO, CINCPAC, COMSOPAC — PPPPPPPP PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED

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CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM 7TH FLT ACTION COMINCH INFO CNO CINCPAC SOMSOPAC. SIGNED MACARTHUR.

WOENDI PT'S NIGHT STRAFED BIVOUAC AREA KARIENSORI. PB4Y SEARCH PLANE LEFT OIL BARGE BURNING AND SINKING NOON 1ST AFTER 5 BOMBING RUNS NORTH OF PALAU. SAME DAY LIBERATOR FORCED SMALL FREIGHTER TRANSPORT TO BEACH NORTH OF CENTRAL CELEBES. NOON 2ND LIBERATOR BOMBED AND DAMAGED SMALL AK SOUTHEAST SULU ARCHIPELAGO. MORNING SAME DAY PB4Y ATTACKED DOZEN SMALL AK'S OFF CAPE SAN AUGUSTIN MINDANAO. DROVE SEVERAL ON BEACH. NIGHT 2/3 CATALINA STRAFED 3000 TONS AK NEAR ROEANG PENINSULA WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. ONE APA ARRIVED FINSCHAVEN FROM GUADALCANAL. ONE AGP DUE MANUS AUG 5 FROM TULAGI.

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FROM: CINCSWPA

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 18 AUGUST 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 1704/17*

DECODED BY: HARTZELL

PARAPHRASED BY: ARNOLD

ROUTED BY: READY

FOR ACTION: COMINCH

INFORMATION: CNO, CINCPAC, COMSOPAC

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COM 7TH FLT PASSES FOR CINCSWPA. ACTION COMINCH, INFO CNO, CINCPAC, COMSOPAC.

2 DD'S BOMBARDED ENEMY BIVOUAC AREA BETWEEN BUT AND DAGUA DROMES 15TH DESTROYING 30 HUTS. PT'S 815/16 AMSTERDAM BOATS LANDED SCOUTS AT WAU AND STRAFED CAPE GOOD HOPE. WOENDI PT'S CAPTURED 16 ESCAPED JAVANESE FROM ROEMBERPON ISLAND. AITAPE PT'S STRAFED POINTS EAST OF AITAPE. GREEN ISLAND PT'S SHELLED SEVERAL POINTS ON SOUTHEAST AND SOUTHWEST BOUGAINVILLE. NORSOLS MARINE AIR DEMOLISHED ONE END OF BRIDGE NEAR CAPE PINIKINDU AND FIRED BUILDINGS ON RONALD YOUNG PLANTATION AND CAPE BOLEGILA. NAVY PB4Y'S MORNING 16TH DESTROYED 4 AND DAMAGED 3 BARGES

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AT FAIS ISLAND. ECHELON 6 LST, 2 DD'S, 1 PF DUE MAFFIN BAY TOMORROW FROM SANSAPOR. ECHELON 6 LST, 3 DD'S DEPARTING SANSAPOR FOR MAFFIN. ECHELON 6 LST'S, 3 DD'S DUE SANSAPOR AUGUST 19 FROM MAFFIN. 2 LSD'S ESCORTED BY 1 DD AND PC DUE MANUS AUGUST 19 FROM GUADALCANAL. 9 LCI'S ARRIVED HOLLANDIA FROM CAPE CRETIN. 1 DD ARRIVED MANUS FROM PURVIS BAY. 1 DE ARRIVED TOROKINA FROM FINSCHAVEN. 1 AVP DUE WOENDI TOMORROW FROM MANUS. MACARTHUR.

*DELAY DUE TO SERVICE.

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FROM CINCSWPA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEES	
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DATE 14 AUGUST 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 1924/14			
DECODED BY KIRKBRIDE	INFORMATION	CNO, CINCPAC COMSOPAC	PPPPPPPPP ROUTINE / DEFERRED
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AITAPE PTS NIGHT 12/13 PICKED UP ARMY SCOUTS FROM DANDRAWAD RIVER AREA AND STRAFED SHORE POSITIONS. WOENDI PTS STRAFED SHORE POSITIONS AT RANSIKI AND MEEMI. AMSTERDAM PTS RECOVERED SCOUTS FROM ASBAKIN. GREEN ISLAND PTS COOPERATING WITH BLACKCATS SHELLED TARGETS NEAR BOSPOP STARTING FIRES. EMIRAU PTS STRAFED NORTH EAST NEW IRELAND SPOTS. NORSOLS MARIRE AIRLIIRED A BUILDING AND 9 HITS AT DANFU. DESTROYED 2 BRIDGES AND GROUP BUILDINGS AT PINIKINDU POINT. HIT KAVIENG HARBOR BARGE. ECHELON 6 LST 3 DD LEAVING MAFFIN BAY DUE SANSAPOR AUGUST 17. ECHELON 6 LST 3 DD 1 PF DUE SANSAPOR TOMORROW FROM MAFFIN BAY. ECHELON 9 LST 1 PF 1 DD ARRIVED

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MAFFIN BAY FROM SANSAPOR. 1 CL DUE SYDNEY TOMORROW FROM ESPIRTI. 12 LCI ARRIVED HOLLANDIA FROM CAPE CRETIN. 3 LCI 1 PF 1 PC DUE HOLLANDIA FROM CAPE CRETIN. 2 LST 1 DD ARRIVED ALEXISHAFEN FROM HOLLANDIA. 1 DE DEPARTED LUNGA DUE MANUS AUGUST 16TH. 1 DD ENROUTE FROM PURVIS DUE MANUS AUGUST 17. 1 DD ARRIVED FINSCHAVEN FROM AITAPE.

MACARTHUR

COMINCH....ACT

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FROM: CINCSWPA		FOR ACTION: COMINCH		PPPPPPY ROUTINE DEFERRED
RELEASED BY:				
DATE: 13 AUGUST 1944				
TOR CODEROOM: 131724		INFORMATION: CNO CINCPAC COMSOPAC		PRRRRP ROUTINE DEFERRED
DECODED BY: DIEBEL				
PARAPHRASED BY: THOMSEN/Telehow				
ROUTED BY: GIBSON				

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HMA SLOOP SWAN YESTERDAY MORNING BOMBARDED MILIM WIDE BAY NEW BRITAIN. SPOTTERS REPORTED BIVOUAC AREA

AND VILLAGE ACCURATELY SHELLED. NIGHT 10/11 5 BLACKCATS ATTACKED A SMALL AK IN KAOE BAY WITHOUT

SUCCESS. NOON 11TH PB4Y DAMAGED 100 FOOT ARMED TRAWLER 180 MILES WEST OF MINDANAO. NIGHT 11/12

CATS AGAIN FAILED TO DAMAGE AK IN KAOE BAY. 1 SEARCHER STRAFED SMALL AK IN TALAUD ISLANDS.

NIGHT 10/11 WOENDI PTS DESTROYED 1 NORTHBOUND BARGE WANDMMAN BAY. NIGHT 11/12 GREEN ISLAND PTS

SHELLED NORTHWEST NEW IRELAND POSITIONS. AITAPE PTS SHELLED BIVOUAC AREA EAST OF CAPE DJERUAN.

STRAFED AND ROCKETED TARAWAI AND UNEI ISLAND. SILENCED BATTERY SOWAM. WOENDI PTS DESTROYED

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5 BARGES 1 LOADED WITH RADIO MATERIEL. AMSTERDAM PTS RETREIVED SCOUTS CAPE GOOD HOPE. SUPPORTED

ARMY MOVE ACROSS KQR RIVER. ECHELON 6 LST 3 DD'S 1 PF DUE SANSAPOR AUGUST 15 FROM MAFFIN BAY.

ECHELON 9 LST 1 DD 1 PF DUE MAFFIN BAY TOMORROW FROM SANSAPOR. 4 DD'S ARRIVED SYDNEY FROM MANUS. 4 CVE

4 DE ARRIVED MANUS FROM ENIWETOK. 1 CL DUE SYDNEY AUGUST 15 FROM ESPIRITU. 12 LCI DUE HOLLANDIA

TOMORROW FROM CAPE CRETIN. 2 LCI ARRIVED MANUS FROM CAPE CRETIN. 1 PF ESCORTING 10 MERCHSHIPS FROM HOLLANDIA TO

WOENDI. 1 DD 2 LST DUE ALEXISHAFEN TOMORROW FROM HOLLANDIA. 2 AVD DEPARTED FREMANTLE AUGUST 12 FOR PEARL

VIA DARWIN MILNE BAY AND MANUS. MACARTHUR

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM CINCSWPA (COM 7TH FLT)

RELEASED BY

DATE 12 AUGUST 1944

TOR CODEROOM 1136

DECODED BY KOTEEN

PARAPHRASED BY VOSBURGH/Coker

ROUTED BY READY

FOR ACTION: COMINCH

INFORMATION: CNO, CINCPAC, COMSOPAC

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COM 7TH FLT SENDS FOR CINCSWPA.

NAVY PB4Y BOMBED FAIS ISLAND 11TH.
NIGHT 10/11 EMIRAU PT'S SHELLED NORTHEAST NEW IRELAND POINTS AND GREEN ISLAND BOATS STRAFED BEOK ISLAND.

TREASURY PT'S PROBABLY DESTROYED BEACHED BARGE NEAR MOLI ISLAND, NORTHWEST OF CHOISEUL

AITAPE PT'S LANDED SCOUTS WEST OF ULAU.
AMSTERDAM PT'S LANDED SCOUTS NEAR GOOD HOPE.
WOENDI PT'S PROBABLY DESTROYED 1 BARGE.

NORSOLS MARINE AIR ACCOUNTED FOR 2 FIRES AT VUNAKANAU STRIP 2 FIRES AT KAVIENG.
DESTROYED 2 PLANTATION BUILDINGS NEAR RABAUL.2 BUILDINGS AT MATUPI AND 1 ON GAZELLE PENINSULA.

2 DD'S DESTROYED BRIDGE MOUTH OF SALAMINERA CREEK BETWEEN AITAPE AND WEWAK. ECHELON 7 LST 4 DD'S ARRIVED

MAFFIN BAY FROM SANSAPOR. ECHELON 9 LST 4 DD'S 1 PF DUE MAFFIN BAY AUGUST 14 FROM SANSAPOR.

ECHELON 6 LST ESCORTED BY PF'S AND PC'S LEAVING MAFFIN BAY DUE SANSAPOR AUGUST 15TH.

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5 APD'S ARRIVED SYDNEY FROM MILNE BAY. 1 DD DUE SYDNEY TOMORROW FROM MANUS. 1 CL LEAVING ESPIRITU DUE SYDNEY

AUGUST 15TH. 1 CVE ARRIVED FINSCHAVEN FROM SANFRAN. 12 LCI DEPARTING CRETIN FOR HOLLANDIA. 2 LCI'S DUE MANUS TOMORROW FROM CAPE CRETIN.

MACARTHUR

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FROM: COM 7TH FLEET

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 11 AUGUST 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 1455

DECODED BY: SJOSTEN

PARAPHRASED BY: REA/Wolfe

ROUTED BY:

FOR ACTION: COMINCH — PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED: ROUTINE

INFORMATION: CINCPAC COMSOPAC — PRIORITY / ROUTINE: ROUTINE / DEFERRED

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COM 7TH FLT SENDS. ACTION COMINCH INFO CINCPAC COMSOPAC.

HERE ARE DISPOSITIONS MAIN NAVAL UNITS SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

IN NEW GUINEA AREA ARE EL PASO LONG BEACH TRINITY POYANG VICTORIA HILO PORTUNUS ORCA TANGIER BARCOO ANDERSON GILLESPIE HOBBY WILKES STEVENSON DOBBIN SWANSON SAKATONCHEE BOOTES EICHENBERGER NEUENDORF WASATCH BLUE RIDGE HERON OGALA BISHOPDALE MERKUR GLENDALE EUGENE THOMASON HUGHES MORRIS MUSTIN RUSSELL MOBJACK SAN PEDRO STOCKTON HUTCHINSON BELFAST ORANGE BISBEE GALLUP JANES E CRAIG VAN BUREN GRAYSON NICHOLSON STACK WILKES FLETCHER JENKINS LAVALLETTE RADFORD CORONADO CRUX NASHVILLE SHROPSHIRE HOPEWELL O'-BANNON TAYLOR MEDUSA PASQUOTANK RIO GRANDE GASCOYNE ARIADNE EURYALE JIWKECDA* TRIANGULUM VENDETTA SEEKONK

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ORESTES AASE MAERSK ELKHORN SHIKELLAMY KANIMBLA DALY MUSKOGEE
ENGLAND GANYMEDE INDUS HALF MOON SUSQUEHANNA WITTER.
IN NORSOLS AREA SAN CARLOS VARUNA STRATFORD WHITEHURST FOREMAN
HENRY T ALLEN WESTRALIA BOWERS.
IN BRISBANE OYSTER BAY WACHAPREAGUE MURZIN MURUMBA ALGORAB
OGDEN.
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VENUS YUNNAN STUART ARUNTA MULLANY BOISE BEALE WARRAMUNGA
AUSTRALIA. ADELAIDE CORPUS CHRISTI WILLIAM B PRESTON CHILDS GRIFFIN
IN FREMANTLE.
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BRISBANE GOLD STAR DUE 11TH. DUE SYDNEY 11TH FROM MILNE
TRATHEN BACHE ABNER READ. DUE SYDNEY 12TH FROM MILNE WARD
KILTY CROSBY HERBERT SCHLEY.
VISITING THIS AREA ARE ELLIOTT SALAMAUA SALAMONIE EMERY OSMUS
GEORGE ALBIERO ERIDANUS SCULPTOR IN NEW GUINEA AREA.
NORSOLS VISITORS ARE ADHARA HOLLAND DEMPSEY ALKAID DUFFY MINTAKA
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FREMANTLE 11TH.

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From: CG, General Headquarters, Rear Echelon, Southwest Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia

To: War Department

Nr: C 15950 10 August 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 15950. Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1400Z/8 to 1400Z/9 signed MacArthur.

Gdelvink Bay: PT boats near Roon Island night August 7 reported two enemy bombers.

Aroe Islands: Obstructions photographed on both Doka Bzrat and Timoer runways August 8.

Kai Islands: B-25's report 3/5 new planes amongst wrecked aircraft on Langgoer, three unidentified planes airborne; seastruck on barge sighted of Kaitanimbar Island August 9, two seatrucks 21 barges near Toeal.

Ceram: Three small merchant vessels reported Boano Strait August 9.

Boeroe: B-24's August 9 reported three fighters airborne 16 aircraft unknown serviceability on both airdromes.

Halmahera: Five small merchant ships sighted Kaoe and Wasile Bays August 9, medium vessel off Bec.

Talaud Islands Tostop Philippines: One destroyer sighted heading north northeast east Mindanao midday August 9, one light cruiser two destroyers one transport reported

DE-IN-8885 (10 Aug 44)

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arrived Leyte Gulf August 5.

End of Part 1. Part 2.

Land: Extensive patrolling continues all occupied areas Dutch New Guinea.

Aitape: Task force reports major combat elements Japanese Eighteenth Army thoroughly defeated with survivors scattering to east and towards Torricelli Mountains making no attempt to oppose Allied Forces, approximately 650 enemy counted dead, 50 captured Driniumor River sector since enemy attack July 10. 124th Infantry and 2nd Battalion 169th Infantry reached Driniumor River south Afus, Cavalry troops established road block south Afus; Patrol east Yakamul reported area not occupied.

Naval: Amsterdam PT's strafed village Pambemoek Island (west entrance Dampier Strait).

Aitape: PT's strafed personnel Karawop.

Air. Operations August 8:

(1) Six A-20's bombed Maure village Wewak.

(2) 12 B-25's bombed villages north coast Waigeo Island.

CM-IN-8806 (20 Aug 44)

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August 9.

Weather: Mainly overcast cloud and frequent showers north western New Guinea Halmuhera Area.

Operations:

(3) Two night B-24's bombed Malakal Island, Palau.

(4) 23 B-24's bombed Yap Island midday started fires, one B-24 missing.

(5) Nine Beauforts bombed retreating enemy along coastal villages east Parakovio.

(6) Six A-20's bombed Cape Moem shores, P39's raided gun positions same area.

(7) Two Beaufighters cooperated with PT's hit trucks and gun positions south Manokwari, two others failed rendezvous area.

(8) 15 RAAF P-40's bombed and strafed Ransiki hit huts and motor transport.

(9) 18 A-20's bombed started fires Nabire.

(10) 25 RAAF P-40's covered Sansapor, two aircraft

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collided, both lost.

(11) 24 A-20's bombed enemy bivouacs near Babo.

(12) Five night Catalinas patrolled Ceram sea strafed four schooners Amboina area, night B-24 bombed Laha airdrome.

(13) One group B-24's bombed installations Boela, started fires tank farm.

(14) 12 B-24's bombed Liang, cloud obscured results.

(15) Night B-24 damaged two merchant vessels each 2000 tons Kaoe Bay, Halmahera.

(16) Night B-24 bombed Lasang airdrome Davao.

Northwestern area.

Weather: Considerable cloud heavy showers Ceram Doeroe Area.

Operations:

(17) 11 B-24's bombed old Namlea airdrome and bivouacs, one other B-24 returned early.

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(18) 13 AAF B-25's, 11 Dutch B-25's bombed Langgoer airdrome.

(19) Four RAAF Beaufighters strafed Babar Island sank lugger Romang Island.

Solomons Forces.

Land: Enemy unsuccessfully attempted infiltration attack on Allied outpost upper Laruma River, 31 enemy killed; 9547 enemy killed to date.

Naval: PT's strafed targets northeast and west central coasts New Ireland.

Air:

Operations August 8:

(20) 50 Corsairs, 24 * *, five B-25's bombed and strafed gun positions and camps Eberys Lease, Buin.

Part 3.

(1) No details.

(2) No details.

(3) 40 100 lb bombs dropped from 11000 feet.

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(4) 172 250 lb, 80 100 lb bombs dropped from 12000 feet; met moderate heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.

(5) 17 500 lb medium capacity, 36 250 lb bombs dropped from 3000 to 1500 feet.

(6) A-20's dropped 24 250 lb bombs, no details P-39's.

(7) Two Beaufighters fired 725 rounds 20 MM, 2400 rounds 30 calibre.

(8) Dropped 28 100 kilogram Japanese bombs from 8000 feet, fired 11500 rounds 50 calibre.

(9) Dropped 92 250 lb bombs.

(10) No ammunition expended.

(11) No details.

(12) No details.

(13) No details.

(14) No details.

(15) No details.

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(16) No details.

(17) 45 500 lb 1/10th second delay, 250 120 lb fragmentation clusters dropped from 15000 feet, fired 3000 rounds 50 calibre; met moderate medium inaccurate, heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.

(18) Dutch B-25's dropped 18 120 lb fragmentation clusters, 48 300 lb bombs from 11300 feet, RAAF B-25's dropped 47 500 lb 1/10th second delay, two 6 hour, two 12 and one 36 hour delay bombs from 11000; aircraft met moderate medium and heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.

(19) 1375 rounds 20 MM, 200 rounds 30 calibre fired.

End.

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COM 7TH FLT PASSES FOR CINCSWPA ACTION COMINCH, INFO CNO, CINCPAC, COMSOPAC.

BLACKCATS NIGHT 8/9 STRAFED 4 SCHOONERS IN AMBON SEA-LANES. NIGHT 7/8 WOENDI AND AMSTERDAM PT'S LANDED 3 GROUPS OF SCOUTS AT VARIOUS PLACES. NIGHT 8/9 AMSTERDAM AND AITAPE PT'S STRAFED FAMBEMOEK ISLAND SOUTHWEST OF WAIGEO AND SPOTS WEST OF WEWAK RESPECTIVELY. MIRAU PT'S SAME NIGHT SHELLED NORTHEAST AND WEST CENTRAL NEW IRELAND. ECHELON 8 LST 3 DD ARRIVED MAFFIN BAY FROM SANSAPOR. ECHELON 7 LST 4 DD ENROUTE FROM CAPE SANSAPOR DUE MAFFIN BAY AUGUST 12. ECHELON 9 LST 4 DD 1 PF DUE SANSAPOR TOMORROW FROM MAFFIN BAY. 6 LCI DUE LAE TOMORROW FROM HOLLANDIA. 1 DD ARRIVED ALEXISHAFEN FROM HOLLANDIA. 1

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DD ARRIVED AITAPE FROM HOLLANDIA. 1 CVE DUE FINSCHAVEN AUGUST 16 FROM SANFRANCISCO. 1 CL 3 DD ARRIVED SYDNEY FROM WOENDI. 4 DD ENROUTE FROM MANUS TO SYDNEY. MACARTHUR

NOTE: DELAYED DUE TO GARBLES.

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From: Rear Echelon, General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia.

To : War Department.

No : C 15878 8 August 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to AGWAR C 15878.

With reference to W 76483 of the 5th release of funds was requested by President of the Philippine Commonwealth Government for purchase of relief supplies which the Commonwealth Government plans to stockpile in preparation for reentry into the Philippine Islands. It is propsed that the funds be made available to the Commonwealth Government as contemplated in public 371 of 23rd December 1941. My 15665 of 3rd August contained formal authorization of the CG USAFFE which is necessary for release of funds. It is understood that the Commonwealth Government propses to secure the supplies in question in the United States. Further they have stated that these supplies will be placed at my disposal at appropriate ports in the United States.

End.

15665 is CM-IN-2630 (3 Aug 44) CAD
CM-OUT-76483 (5 Aug 44) Budget Division

ACTION: Budget Div

INFORMATION: ASF, OPD, CAD, Col Park, Mr McCloy

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BIAK PT'S NIGHT 2/3 SUPPORTED ARMY TROOP LANDINGS KORIM BAY NORTH COAST BIAK. AMSTERDAM PT'S SANK POWER VESSEL WITH TWO SMALL CRAFT ALONGSIDE NEAR CAPE WAIOS SANSAPOR AREA. VESSEL WAS LOADED WITH AMMO AND FUEL. 2 PRISONERS TAKEN. EMIRAU PT'S SILENCED SHORE FIRE AND SHELLED POINTS NORTHEAST SHORE NEW IRELAND. GREEN PT'S STRAFED TEOM ISLAND OFF NORTH COAST BOUGAINVILLE. ECHELON 8 LST 1 PC 2 PF'S DEPARTED MAFFIN BAY FOR SANSAPOR VIA WOENDI. ECHELON 8 LST'S 2 LCT'S 4 DD'S ENROUTE FROM SANSAPOR DUE MAFFIN BAY AUGUST 6. DD'S TO BE REPLACED BY PE'S WOENDI. ECHELON 8 LST 2 LCT'S 4 DD'S ARRIVED

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MAFFIN BAY FROM SANSAPOR DUE AUGUST 6TH. BAIK FORCE OF 1 CA 1 CL 4 DD'S DUE MANUS AUGUST 5 FROM WOENDI. 11 LCI DEPARTED SUDEST FOR FINSCHAVEN. 1 LCI 4 LSTʟS 3 PF'S ARRIVED TOEM FROM HOLLANDIA. 4 LCT'S 1 YMS ARRIVED WAKDE FROM HOLLANDIA. 1 CVE DEPARTED MANUS FOR GUADALCANAL. 1 AD 1 DE DUE HOLLANDIA TOMORROW FROM ALEXISHAVEN.

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CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM 7TH FLT FOR ACTION TO COMINCH. INFO CNO CINCPAC COMSOPAC.

PT'S NIGHT 31/01 FROM WOENDI DESTROYED 1 SOUTHBOUND BARGE AT MAWI WEST COAST GEELVINK BAY AND RETREIVED SCOUTS PLUS 2 PRISONERS FROM ROEMBERPON ISLAND.

AITAPE PT'S PROBABLY SANK 1 AND DAMAGED 3 OR 4 BARGES ENCOUNTERED WEST OF WEWAK. 1 OF OUR CREW KILLED.

EMIRAU PT'S PICKED UP 8 NATIVES AND 1 NATIVE PRISONER FROM TABARA ISLAND. GREEN PT'S SHELLED TEOP ISLAND OFF NORTHEAST BOUGAINVILLE.

TREASURY PT'S DESTROYED 1 BARGE SOUTHEAST OF BOUGAINVILLE.

NIGHT 31/01 BLACKCAT PROBABLY SANK 4000 TO 6000 TON FREIGHTER TRANSPORT ACCOMPANIED BY 2 DE'S OFF

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LEMBETH STRAIT CELEBES.

CAT DAMAGED BY ACK ACK FIRE.

PB 4Y'S BOMBED NGULU FAIS AND ANGAUR ISLAND PALAU.

16 EMIRAU CORSAIRS WITH HALF TONNERS SCORED DAMAGING HITS NORDUP.

3 CORSAIRS 15 EMIRAU MARINE DAUNTLESSES DAMAGED JETTY MANE ISLAND WITH HALF TONNERS.

27 MUNDA DAUNTLESSES BOMBED TAREK KORP VILLAGE CHOISEUL BAY WITH 3 HITS ON PIER.

8 LST, 1 ATF, 6 DD ARRIVED MAFFIN BAY FROM SANSAPOR.

8 LST, 3 LCI, _ PC, 8 DD DUE MAFFIN BAY AUGUST 4 FROM SANSAPOR.

8 LST, 2 LCT'S 4 DD DUE SANSAPOR TOMORROW FROM MAKWIN BAY.

ONE CL RETURNED FORWARD AREA FROM SYDNEY.

1 CL LEAVING FORWARD AREA FOR REPAIRS ESPIRITU.

12 LCI'S ENROUTE FROM HOLLANDIA TO FINSCHAVEN.

4 LCI'S ENROUTE FROM FINSCHAVEN TO HOLLANDIA.

1 CVE ARRIVED MANUS FROM FINSCHAVEN.

1 AV ARRIVED WOENDI FROM MANUS. MACARTHUR.

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31 July 1944

Operations now in progress under General MacArthur, moving toward island of Waios, beyond the Cape of Good Hope in New Guinea. No other details received.

(Per Major Babe', Ext. 5804

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BASE FORCE OF 1 CA 2 CL 9 DD'S STOOD BY DURING ACTION TO OFFER CLOSE FIRE SUPPORT BUT IS NOW WITHDRAWING TO WOENDI. 5 DD'S OF TRANSPORT ESCORT GROUP STANDING BY UNTIL TOMORROW TO OFFER CLOSE FIRE SUPPORT. ECHELON OF 8 LST 4 DD'S DUE SANSAPOR TOMORROW FROM MAFFIN BAY. D-DAY OBECTIVES WERE OBTAINED BY FIRST INFANTRY AT H PLUS 3 HOURS. COMAND POST ASHORE WAS ESTABLISHED 20 MINUTES LATER. 1 SMALL ENEMY GROUP WAS FIRED UPON DURING THE DAY BY OUR LCI GUNBOATS. BOATS OFF LST'S FOUND EXCELLENT BEACHING. ALL DEPARTED BY 1700 D-DAY COMPLETELY UNLOADED. A 3RD ECHELON OF 8 LST'S WITH 4

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DD'S NOW LEAVING MAFFIN BAY DUE CAPE SANSAPOR TOMORROW FROM WOENDI. 2 OTHER PT'S ARRIVED AND

DEPARTED SANSAPOR TODAY FOR WOENDI WITH PHOTOGRAPHS. JULY 29 EMIRAU SEARCH PLANES ATTACKED REMNANTS OF

CONVOY NEAR KATAWAN. NIGHT 29/30 BIAK PT'S STRAFED VILLAGE NORTH SHORE OF BIAK ON DAYLIGHT RECONNAISSANCE.

AITAPE BOATS DAMAGED 2 TRUCKS IN HUT AREA WHILE UNDER HEAVY SHORE FIRE. GREEN PT'S STRAFED 5 VILLAGES IN

SOUTHERN NEW IRELAND AND NORTHERN BOUGAINVILLE. 34 EMIRAU MARINE CORSAIRS AND 30 DAUNTLESSES DROPPED 16

TONS ON TARGETS IN NORTHERN NEW IRELAND DESTROYING AND DAMAGING BUILDINGS ON SEVERAL PLANTATIONS.

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To: War Department

Nr: C 15535 31st July, 1944

Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1400Z/29 to 1400Z/30. Signed MacArthur C 15535 from GHQ SWPA to Chief of Staff War Department.

Dutch New Guinea: Timika: Runway observed cratered and unused July 30th.

Ceram: 2 planes sighted taking off, 3 more airborne Aboela July 28th; 3 seatrucks in Ingelas Bay July 30th.

Southeastern Celebes: 4 Luggers 2 seatrucks observed anchored Boetoeng Town 1426Z/29.

Philippines: 6 small 5 medium merchantmen 3 large escorts reported northbound in Bohol Strait afternoon July 28. End of part 1.

Part 2. Land.

Scattered

Cape Opmarai (North Coast Vogelkop): United States 6th Division less 20th Regimental Combat team landed morning July 30th, no opposition reported; Middleburg and Amsterdam Islands also occupied.

Aitape: Patrols active Driniumor sector, estimated 2 enemy company attacked Afua area, during action night July 29 and next day estimated 160 enemy killed.

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Naval: Aitape PTs active nights July 28 and 29 strafed trucks along coastal road and rocketed barge hideout causing explosions. Biak PTs destroyed barge south Manokwari.

Air. Enemy action: 2 aircraft dropped 10 bombs Kamiri night July 30th, also bombed Kornasoren destroyed small fuel dump.

Air. Operations July 28th:

(1) Further 6 A20s raided Wewak area.

Operations July 29th:

(2) 10 B24s bombed Boela oil storage area caused explosions and many fires.

(3) P38s searched Ceram coast, left 3000 ton freighter transport burning off east coast, strafed and damaged 5000 ton freighter transport off Talaga, damaged sea-truck off Ambon.

Weather. July 30th: Frequent patches deep cloud producing heavy showers northern coast New Guinea. Operations:

(4) 12 B24s bombed supply dumps Woleai.

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(5) 3 Beauforts bombed troops Yakamul Suain area, 2 Beaufighters strafed Yakamul.

(6) A20s led by B25s bombed Boiken area; 10 P47s bombed same target started fires; 16 P39s raided Suain Coast hit barges, destroyed fuel dump strafed camp areas.

(7) Reconnaissance B24 sank boat Talaud Island.

(8) P39s raided targets eastern Biak.

(9) 12 P39s bombed Idore Village Southwestern Geelvink Bay.

(10) 67 RAAF P40s covered Cape Opmarai landing, nil action.

Northwestern Area.

Weather: Above average weather over Arafure and Banda Seas areas.

Operations:

(11) Reconnaissance B24 bombed vessels Ingelas Bay, Ceram, second B24 hit tug on Skaro Reef.

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(12) Patrolling Dutch B25 bombed barges Watoebela Islands, another left truck burning Aroe Islands.

(13) 7 Beauforts bombed and strafed camps Keaukwa.

Solomons Forces. Naval: PTs strafed New Ireland targets.

Air. Operations July 29:

(14) 32 Corsairs 16 New Zealand Corsairs, 2 Avengers bombed Bougainville targets destroyed bridge; 6 B25s bombed Choiseul Bay area destroyed buildings hit troops, 1 B25 lost crew safe.

(15) 6 Corsairs patrolled Rabaul, 30 Dauntless bombed Praed Point guns and buildings.

(16) 10 Corsairs bombed Kavieng, 7 New Zealand Venturas destroyed bridge, bad weather over Rabaul and New Ireland.

Part 3.

(1) 24 by 500 lb bombs dropped.

(2) No details.

(3) No details.

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(4) 310 by 100 lb bombs dropped from 13,700 to 10,500 feet; signal heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(5) 6 by 500 lb rod extension medium capacity, 12 by 250 lb bombs dropped by Beauforts from 3,000 feet; Beaufighters fired 700 rounds 20 MM, 2,500 rounds 30 calibre.

(6) P47s dropped 20 by 250 lb bombs from 7,000 feet.

(7) No details.

(8) No details.

(9) No details.

(10) No details.

(11) 8 by 300 lb 1/10th second delay bombs dropped from 8,000 feet Talaud; 6 by 300 lb 1/10th delay, 2 by 300 lb 5 seconds tail delay bombs dropped Skaro Reef.

(12) 1 by 500 lb 5 seconds delay bomb dropped Watoebela, 3 others jettisoned, 300 rounds 50 calibre expended Aroe.

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(13) 41 by 250 lb bombs dropped, 8900 rounds 30 calibre expended.

Following refers report covering July 28th:

(12) 24 A20s dropped 91 by 250 lb 8 to 15 seconds delay bombs Baba, fired 25,200 rounds 50 calibre; 6 A20s dropped 2 same type bombs, fires 3500 rounds 50 calibre Kaimana.

Following refers preceding report:

(3) 1 B24 dropped 8 by 1000 lb bombs Moemi from 8,500 feet.

(4) 46 by 1000 lb bombs dropped 9500 feet; met moderate medium and heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(6) 12 A20s dropped 50 by 500 lb bombs.

Supplementary paragraph. Additional 16 fighter sorties July 24; 16 fighters 4 medium bomber sorties July 25th; 9 fighter sorties July 26; 10 fighter sorties July 27.

ACTION: OPD End.

INFO: CC/S, CG AAF, G-2, Adm King, Col Park, FM Sir John Dill, LOG

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To: War Department

Nr: C 15543 30 July 1944

To Chief of Staff War Department from GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur C 15543.

Sansapor operation completely successful.

1 Division (6th) landed 30th
NW tip Vogelkop, New Guinea

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S
CG AAF
G-2
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Adm King
Col Park
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To: War Department

Nr: C 15272 24 July, 1944

C 15272 to MacArthur GHQ SWPA to Chief of Staff War Department. Operations report SOWESPAC Area. 1400Z/22 to 1400Z/23 signed MacArthur.

New Guinea: Wewak Area:

30/50 motor trucks observed active night July 21st.

Manokwari Area. 7 barges observed Mansiman Island July 23.

Maccluer Gulf: Babo: 15/20 planes mostly twin engined and lined up on runway reported by attacking B24's July 23.

Tanimbar Islands: Photographs July 22 show runway serviceable.

Halmaheras: 15 medium and large freighters, 20 small craft observed stationary Kaoe and Wasile Bays July 22.

Philippines: 4 small ships reported 120 miles south-east Cape San Augustin course 210 degrees 1145Z/22.

End of Part 1.

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Part 2.

Land.

Noemfoor: Patrols active, 740 enemy killed to date.

Aitape: Allied artillery broke up 3 enemy attacks on Driniumor River line, also shelled 2 concentrations in area, enemy losses estimated heavy; 112th Cavalry drove enemy force from positions Afua area; Combat partol 124th Infantry contacted enemy east bank Driniumor River 2 miles north Afua, killed 10.

Naval.

Destroyers and PT's silenced shore gun Wewak Coast, strafed Kairiru and Umei Islands.

Air.

Operations July 17th:

(1) 9 B24's failed penetrate weather to Manokwari or Noemi; 7 bombed Babo airdrome, 1 bombed ammunition dump Sarmi causing large explosion, 1 jettisoned bombs at sea; refer paragraph 6 report operations July 17th.

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Operations July 18th:

(2) 8 B24's bombed Manokwari through heavy weather.

Operations July 20th:

(3) 8 P38's escorting B24's to Manokwari, fired oil laden barge off Cape Oransbari and damaged beached barge Cape Srabapan; refer paragraphs 7 and 11 report operations July 20th; 11 P38's escorting B25's to Sorong, strafed barge and schooner with unobserved results.

Operations July 22nd:

(4) 2 Beaufighters fired fuel dump, bombed camouflaged barge and strafed stores Wewak Area. Weather July 23rd: Average flying conditions along north coast New Guinea except for early morning and evening deterioration; adverse conditions over Halmaheras.

Operations:

(5) 2 night B24's caused explosions and fires Yap Airfield; 2 others hit Babelthuap and Pelelieu Airdromes for similar results.

(6) 23 B24's bombed Yap bivouacs and supply areas through heavy clouds, destroyed 2 of 8 intercepting fighters;

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4 other B24's bombed Woleai.

(7) 2 B25's and 18 A20's attacked bivouacs and supplies near But.

(8) 12 P47's glide bombed Wewak gun positions and enemy concentrations; P39's strafed coastal installations and villages.

(9) 26 Beauforts bombed enemy positions near Yakamul and Haresh River, 7 Beaufighters attacked villages motor pools and fired stores along Wewak Coast.

(10) P39's strafed coastal installations along western Geelvink Bay.

(11) 4 RAAF P40's destroyed 1 barge fired another and strafed small craft Manokwari Area; 39 other RAAF P40's patrolled from Kamiri, 1 detail strafed motor truck near Manokwari.

(12) 3 B24's bombed Moemi Airfield; 3 more attacked Babo.

(13) 4 B25's on shipping sweep around western Vogelkop Peninsula sank lugger in Kaiboes Bay, large supply laden lugger off Cape Asi and schooner southwest Salawati Island.

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(14) Patrol B24 attacked and left burning small cargo vessel accompanied by 3 escort vessels northwest Morota Island, Halmaheras. Northwestern Area. Weather: Broken to overcast clouds with rain areas over southern Banda and northeastern Arafura Seas.

(15) Patrol B24 bombed gun positions Saumlaki, Tanimbars. Solomons Forces. Naval: PT Boats strafed coastal positions New Ireland.

Air. Operations July 22nd:

(16) 2 night B25's harassed Kahili and eastern Bougainville Coast; 5 New Zealand Venturas, 20 New Zealand Avengers obliterated 1 enemy occupied village fires 2 other villages near Kieta; 3 New Zealand Corsairs attacked barge hideout; Patrol planes bombed targets of opportunity.

(17) 1 night B25 harassed Kavieng; 54 dauntless, 5 New Zealand Venturas, 71 Marine and New Zealand Corsairs destroyed many buildings and several bridges around New Ireland, 2 Corsairs lost; Corsair patrols destroyed barge in Nakuduku Bay.

(18) 2 night B25's bombed Rabaul; 23 B25's caused many fires Rabaul waterfront, 27 New Zealand Corsairs swept Gazelle Coast destroyed 2 motor trucks, many buildings and bridge Keravat River.

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(1) 42 by 1000 lb 1/10 second delay bombs dropped Babo from 10,000 feet; met moderate heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire;6 same type bombs dropped Sarmi from 6000 feet.

(2) 96 by 500 lb bombs dropped from 8000 feet.

(3) 8 P38's expended unreported number rounds; 11 P38's fired 460 rounds 20 MM, 4800 rounds 50 calibre; met slight inaccurate fire all calibres.

(4) 3 by 20 lb fragmentation bombs dropped from minimum altitude, fired 250 rounds 20 MM, 1,800 rounds 30 calibre.

(5) 21,000 lb, 24 by 100 lb bombs, 204 incendiaries dropped Yap; 2 by 1000 lb, 72 by 20 lb fragmentation bombs, 102 incendiaries dropped Palau.

(6) 227 by 250 lb, 90 by 100 lb bombs dropped Yap from 15,500 to 14,000 feet; met slight to moderate heavy generally inaccurate anti aircraft fire; 54 by 250 lb bombs Woleai from 11,700 to 10,600 feet; met slight to moderate medium and heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(7) 73 by 500 lb bombs dropped from 3000 feet.

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(8) No details.

(9) Dropped 16 by 500 lb rod extension, 14 by 250 lb rod extension, 16 by 250 lb instantaneous, 59 by 100 lb, 154 by 20 lb, 6 by 1000 lb bombs from 3000 to 2000 feet; 72 by 20 lb fragmentation bombs dropped, fired 8,500 rounds 30 calibre.

(10) No details.

(11) 5,200 rounds 50 calibre fired; slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(12) 24 by 1000 lb bombs 10 seconds delay dropped from 10,300 feet Babo where moderate heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire; no details Moemi.

Paragraphs 13 and 14 no details.

(15) 8 by 300 lb bombs .025 second delay dropped from 9000 feet.

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ACTION: OPD

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Brisbane, Australia

To: War Department

No. C14545 6 July 1944

C14545 from MacArthur GHQ SWPA to Chief of Staff War Department, signed MacArthur.

Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1400Z/4 to 1400Z/5.

New Guinea:

Wewak:

Attacking patrols reported 9 barges heading west near But night July 4.

Merauke:

2 unidentified aircraft indicated in area evening July 5.

Manokwari:

Photographs June 30 show runways serviceable Manokwari, Ransiki and Moemi.

Ceram:

5 small vessels sighted in Amahai Harbour night July 4.

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Brisbane, Australia

No. C 14545 6 July 1944

Halmahera:

Photographs June 30 Lolobata (Wasile) airdrome show 6500 foot runway with 19 fighters, 14 bombers; construction proceeding Kaoe and Oba airdromes.

Philippines:

Nil shipping present Tawi Tawi July 3.

Part 2. Land.

Noemfoor:

Enemy attacked Allied positions mile southeast Kamiri 201 enemy killed; patrols from Kornasoren reached point 800 yards west Sjoriboe report no contact; Allied units captured Manim Island off Namber, killed 8 enemy; many poorly concealed land mines removed from Kamiri area. Extensive patrolling continues Maffin Bay and Aitape.

Naval:

Destroyers harassed Noemfoor targets, covered Maffin landing Manim landing.

Aitape PT's with Beauforts sank 3 barges damaged 2 others Wewak area.

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No. C 14545 6 July 1944

Air:

Operations June 29:

(1) 11 B24's failing reach Geelvink Bay bombed Sarmi area.

Operations July 1:

(2) 15 P47's bombed Noemfoor targets.

Operations July 3:

(3) 12 P38's searched coast east Sorong sank 2 barges, left seatruck burning.

Operations July 4:

(4) Further 24 A20's,1 B25,,9 P47's raided But and Wewak; further 4 Beauforts worked with night PT's.

Weather July 5:

Patches bad weather scattered over New Guinea sea areas at night, over coast early morning; North Coast Dutch New Guinea mainly closed in.

Operations July 5:

(5) Patrolling night B24's bombed Palau.

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(6) 8 B24's bombed Yap runway and revetments, shot down 1 of 25/30 interceptors, 1 B24 lost; hour later 11 B24's bombed same target with unobserved results, shot down 1 of 2 interceptors; 3 B24's bombed Woleai Island, 3 others hit Sorol.

(7) A20's, 17 Beauforts, Beaufighters, P47's and 39's raided Wewak stores, troop and supply areas throughout day.

(8) 5 Beauforts, 4 Beaufighter, 6 P39's cooperated with PT's destroyed 1 barge, Wewak area.

(9) Reconnaissance B24 attacked left burning and sinking 2000 ton transport off Halmahera.

(10) P39's supported ground forces Noemfoor.

(11) 12 B25's destroyed 1 barge damaged 6 others along northern Vogelkop coast; A26's and P38's destroyed 4 barges same area.

(12) 1 group B24's again bombed airdromes Sorong area.

Northwestern area. Weather:

Local patches broken to overcast low cloud and rain over Ceram and Northern Banda Sea.

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Operations:

(13) • P40's bombed and strafed Japero (Dutch New Guinea).

(14) 4 Beaufighters sank lugger off Lautem, strafed barracks Manatutu, sank 100 foot vessel 50 miles southwest Dilli.

(15) 3 Beaufighters harassed targets east Koepang fired truck.

Solomons Forces. Naval.

PT's shelled targets northeast New Ireland, northeast Bougainville and Choiseul Bay.

Air.

Operations July 4:

(16) 24 B25's raided Erventa Island, 31 P38's hit shortlands targets, 15 Corsairs bombed Buin targets; 12 New Zealand Avengers, 2 Catalinas bombed Cape Friendship guns, caused explosions; 20 New Zealand Corsairs bombed and strafed Bougainville targets.

(17) 9 New Zealand Corsairs bombed and strafed Rabaul fired 2 trucks, damaged 9 others, weather prevented other strikes; 20 Corsairs harassed Kavieng.

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Part 3. Air.

(1) Dropped 68 1000 lb 1/10th second delay bombs from 5700 feet.

(2) Dropped 28 250 lb bombs.

(3) Fired 1020 rounds 20MM, 7200 rounds 50 calibre.

(4) A20's dropped 101 500 lb bombs; 36 P47's dropped 68 250 lb bombs from 5000 feet; Beauforts dropped 8 500 lb, 8 100 lb bombs from 4000 feet.

(5) No details.

(6) Dropped 409 fragmentation clusters from 13,000 feet; met meager heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire; 50 fragmentation clusters, 3 1000 lb bombs dropped Sorol from 8,000 feet, 60 fragmentation clusters, 12 250 lb bombs dropped Woleai from 13,000, feet.

(7) 9 Beauforts dropped 18 500 lb, 4 250 lb, 32 100 lb bombs from 5,000 feet.

(8) Beaufort dropped 10 500 lb, 12 100 lb bombs Beaufighters dropped 8 250 lb .025 seconds delay bombs, fired 1,100 rounds 20 MM, 4000 rounds 30 calibre.

(9) No details

(10) No details.

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(11) No details.

(12) No details.

(13) Dropped 12 500 lb 11 seconds delay bombs from 100 feet, fired 6000 rounds 50 calibre.

(14) Fired 1580 rounds 20MM, 2600 rounds 30 caliber.

(15) Fired 340 rounds 20MM, 1100 rounds 30 calibre.

Following refers report covering June 30:

(15) 10 B24's dropped 60 1000 lb bombs, 7 P47's dropped 14 250 lb bombs.

Following refers report covering July 2:

(11) 14 B24's dropped 317 250 lb bombs from 8,000 feet.

Following refers report covering July 3:

(6) 12 P47's dropped 16 250 lb, 6 300 lb, 2 500 lb bombs; further 8 Beauforts dropped 15 500 lb medium capacity, 32 100 lb bombs.

(7) Further 24 A20's, 2 B25's dropped 53 500 lb, 56 250 lb bombs from 5000 feet.

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(10) 12 B25's dropped 70 100 lb smoke bombs; 12 A20's dropped 116 100 lb Parademos 4 to 5 seconds delay bombs, fired 11,000 rounds 50 calibre.

Following refers preceding report:

(6) 10 P39's dropped 14 300 lb bombs, fired 365 rounds 37MM, 7000 rounds 50 calibre, 10300 rounds 30 calibre; 4 Beaufighters dropped 6 250 lb .025 seconds delay bombs, fired 1000 rounds 20MM, 9700 rounds 30 calibre.

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TOR CODEROOM 1424			
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(COM 7TH FLT SENDS.)

BLUE FORCES NOEMFOOR KILLED TOTAL 307 JAPS SOUTHEAST KAMIRI 5TH BLUE LOSSES 1 KILLED 6 WOUNDED. SAME DAY FOLLOWING NAVAL BOMBARDMENT US TROOPS OCCUPIED MANIM ISLAND WEST OF NAMBER DROME KILLING 8 JAPS 1 WOUNDED OUR SIDE. ENGINEERS ESTIMATED KAMIRI STRIP READY FOR TRANSPORT PLANES AFTERNOON 5TH. NIL JAP AIR ATTACKS 5TH. NIGHT 04/05TH 3 LIBERATORS STARTED FIRE VMAHAI* DROM CERAM SIGHTED 5 SMALL VESSELS IN HARBOR. SAME TIME 1 LIBERATOR BOMBED LIANG DROME AMBON RESULTS UNOBSERVED. FIRES STARTED PELELIU DROME MALAU BY 1 LIBERATOR SAME NIGHT. PT ACTIVITY NIGHT 04/05TH. AITAPE BOATS AND COOPERATING BEAUFORTS SANK 4 BARGES DAMAGED 9 OTHERS WEWAK AREA. 5 EMIRAU BOATS BOMBARDED LAMUSSONG PLANTATION NORTHEAST NEW IRELAND 6 CASUALTIES

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AIR STRIKE 5TH. NAVY PB4Y 1300K ATTACKED 1500/2500 TON AK WITH PG 01-25 N 128-48 E LEAVING FREIGHTER SINKING. 3 BEAUFIGHTERS DESTROYED MOTOR TRUCK AND STRAFED TARGETS ALONG ROAD KOEPANG TO ATAMBOEA TIMOR. 4 OTHER BEAUFIGHTERS LEFT LUGGER SINKING OFF LAUTEM AND BELIEVED SANK 100 FOOT VESSEL OFF ATAPOEPOE TIMOR. 6 WARHAWKS ATTACKED JAPERO SOUTHEAST TIMOEKA OBSERVING NIL DAMAGE. GROUP B24 OVER SORONG DROME NOT INTERCEPTED DAMAGE UNREPORTED. 12 MITCHELLS DESTROYED 1 BARGE DAMAGED 6 OTHERS NORTH COAST VOGELKOP. FIGHTER BOMBERS AND A 26'S SUPPORTED NOEMFOOR FORCES AT WEWAK AREA RECEIVED USUAL STRIKES.

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To: War Department

No. C 14507 5 July 1944

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Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1400Z/3 to 1400Z/4.

New Guinea:

Hansa Bay:

2 medium bombers reported as Sallys strafed barge west to northwest midday July 3.

Wewak:

Total 15 enemy barges mostly heading east located along coast by Beaufort patrol night July 3.

Submarine reported north Yakamul night July 3.

Ceram:

2 medium freighter transports 2 seatrucks sighted moving west along north coast morning July 4.

Philippines:

5 cargo vessels sighted approaching Manila

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from southwest June 30; 2 small vessels 3 escorts sighted leaving Davao July 3.

Carolines:

B24's sighted vessel reported as small carrier fifty miles south Sorol morning July 4.

Yap:

15 to 20 enemy fighters intercepted B24's July 4.

Part 2. Land.

Neomfoor:

158th Infantry pushed east occupied Kornasoren airdrome, nil organized resistance reported, total 134 enemy killed, 77 Javanese, 3 Japanese captured; further elements 503rd Parachute Regiment jumped Kamiri airdrome.

Maffin Bay:

6th Division troops cleared further enemy positions on high ground southeast Maffin strip.

Naval:

Aitape, PT's with Beaufort support sank 2,

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damaged or sank 5 other barges Wewak area; Biak, PT's destroyed southbound supply laden barge north Manokwari; also with Catalina sank 2 barges south Manokwari.

Air. Enemy action:

Preliminary report states 2 enemy aircraft over Hansa Bay midday July 3, 1 strafed.

Operations July 3:

(1) Further 6 Beauforts bombed stores Wewak area.

Weather July 4th:

Deep cloud with showers and storms over western Dutch New Guinea, generally favourable to the east.

Operations July 4:

(2) Night B24 bombed Palau started fires.

(3) 2 B24's bombed gun positions Woleai and Yap Islands.

(4) 15 B24's bombed Yap Town and Baranks, shot down 1 of 15/20 interceptors; 4 B24's holed; 5 B24's bombed Woleai started fires, 2 B25's bombed Sorol Island.

(5) 4 night Beauforts bombed barge hideouts Wewak area, destroyed 1 barge.

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(6) 16 A20's, 18 Beauforts, 31 P47's, P39's and Beaufighters bombed and strafed Wewak Suain trails, villages and dumps, gun positions Tendanye Island.

(7) Reconnaissance B24's bombed and strafed Tobi Island radio station, bombed and destroyed buildings Ngulu Island.

(8) P39's harassed villages north coast Biak Island.

(9) 2A20's raided Noemfoor targets in bad weather.

(10) 3 B25's searched west shores Geetvink Bay, destroyed 3 barges.

(11) 1 Group B24's raided Jefman Island dispersal areas started number fires, escorting P38's strafed barges along coast east Sorong.

Northwestern Area. Weather:

Scattered to broken middle and low cloud over Timor, Arafura and Banda seas.

Operations:

(12) Patrolling B24 unsuccessfully bombed medium freighter transport off north coast Ceram Island at midday; 5 B24's attacked shipping in Boano Strait same evening, scored near misses on 1 medium sized vessel; 1 B24 bombed Amahai caused fires and explosions.

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(13) 21 B24's found Namlea cloud covered, 10 on return bombed Cape Chater airdrome started fires.

(14) 3 night B24's bombed Amahai, 1 bombed Liang.

(15) 3 RAAF B25's bombed strafed damaged seatruck north Kai Islands.

Solomons Forces. Naval.

PT's destroyed 4 large barges Namatanai Coast, also strafed shore positions; PT's strafed Koromira mission, (south Kieta) and installations Choiseul Bay.

Air.

Operations July 3:

(16) 15 Corsairs destroyed buildings Erventa Island, strafed southern Bougainville targets; 22 Avengers bombed Parairi Village (Southwest Kieta).

(17) 5 night B25's caused fires Telili, 120 aircraft dropped 91 tons Tobera, 1 Dauntless lost; 24 Corsairs hit Put Put and Kabanga areas, 4 Corsairs bombed roads Kabaira Bay.

(18) 2 Venturas destroyed buildings south Nanatanai area, Corsairs bombed Kavieng.

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Air:

(1) Dropped 12 500 lb medium capacity, 24 100 lb bombs from 3000 feet.

(2) 30 100 lb bombs dropped from 16,000 feet each target.

(3) No details.

(4) 42 1000 lb, 6 500 lb bombs dropped Yap from 13,000 feet; met moderate medium and heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire; 6 1000 lb bombs dropped Sorol from 5,000 feet; 12 1000 lb, 6 500 lb bombs dropped Woleai; met moderate heavy accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(5) 8 500 lb, 8 100 lb bombs dropped from 4,000 to 1500 feet.

(6) A20's and 1 B25 dropped 68 500 lb bombs from 6000 feet, Beauforts dropped 35 500 lb medium capacity, 61 100 lb bombs from 5,000 feet; 4 P47's dropped 8 250 lb bombs; 5 Beaufighters dropped 10 250 lb .025 seconds delay bombs, fired 640 rounds 20MM, 6400 rounds 30 calibre.

(7) No details.

(8) No details.

(9) No details.

(10) No details.

(11) No details.

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(12) 6 300 lb bombs .025 second delay dropped from 9,000 feet; slight heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire from vessel north Ceram; 25 500 lb bombs dropped from 6,000 to 2600 feet Boano Strait where slight heavy inaccurate, intense medium accurate fire from ships and shore positions; 5 500 lb bombs from 11,000 feet Amahai.

(13) 50 500 lb bombs, 160 120 lb fragmentation clusters dropped from 11500 feet; moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire from Cape Chater; 8700 rounds 50 calibre 1000 rounds 30 calibre fired in combat against 3 Nicks 90 miles south Namlea.

(14) 20 500 lb general purpose bombs .025 second delay, 40 120 lb fragmentation clusters dropped 10,000 to 1500 feet Amahai, 10 500 lb bombs same type dropped from 10,000 feet Liang; slight heavy fire from Liang, moderate to intense light and medium fire from Amahai all inaccurate.

(15) 12 500 lb medium capacity bombs 11 seconds delay dropped from 100 to 50 feet; 5,500 rounds 50 calibre fired; moderate light inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

Following refers report covering July 1:

(16) P38's dropped 13 1000 lb bombs from 7000 to 1000 feet.

Following refers report covering July 2:

(5) 9 A20's, 1 B25 dropped 40 500 lb bombs.

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(11) Further 13 B24's dropped 71 1000 lb bombs.

(12) P38's dropped 13 1000 lb 8 to 11 seconds delay bombs; 1 B25 dropped 9 250 lb bombs, fired 8,000 rounds 50 calibre; 21 A20's dropped 175 100 lb Parademos, fired 20,600 rounds 50 calibre.

(13) 5 B25's dropped 10 100 lb Parademos, 3 250 lb 8 to 11 seconds delay bombs.

Following refers preceding report:

(6) 2 Beaufighters dropped 2 250 lb bombs, fired 1300 rounds 20MM, 12,900 rounds 30 calibre; 4 P47's dropped 8 300 lb bombs, 3 P39's dropped 5 300 lb bombs, fired 55 rounds 37MM, 1400 rounds 50 calibre.

(7) 6 A20's dropped 24 500 lb 8 to 11 seconds delay bombs, fired 4,000 rounds 50 calibre.

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RECAP D DAY NOEMFOOR.

LOADED 6 MEDIUM TANKS. 12 105 HOWITZERS. 2 BATTERIES 90 MM ANTI AIRCRAFT. 2 BATTERIES 40 MM. 14.2 MORTAR BATTERY. PUT 1500 TONS BULK STORES PLUS 100 LOADED VEHICLES. LOADING CONDITIONS OVER REEF DIFFICULT. TONIGHT 4 DD'S STANDING BY AT KAZIEI BEACH CLOSE FIRE SUPPORT. ECHELON 8 LST 1 AT 4 DD'S DUE TOEM TOMORROW FROM NOEMFOOR. ECHELON 11 LCI 2 DD ARRIVING HOLLANDIA FROM NOEMFOOR. ECHELON 4 LST 6 AK'S 44 DD'S ARRIVED WOENDI FROM TOEM. ECHELON 2 LST 4 DD'S DUE TOEM TOMORROW FROM AITAPE. 1 CA 2 CL 10 DD ARRIVED HOLLANDIA FROM NOEMFOOR.

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TOR CODEROOM: 1506

DECODED BY: KURTZ

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CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM 7TH FLT TO COMINCH WITH INFO TO CINCPAC COMSOPAC CNO.

1 CA 2 CL 10 DD'S COVERED LANDING OF APPROXIMATELY 8,000 TROOPS IN 8 LST 16 LCI 13 LCT AND 40 LCM AT NOEMFOOR ISLAND GEELVINK BAY. ECHELONS ESCORTED BY 10 OTHER DD'S 4 PC. FIRST TROOPS WENT IN AT 0800K WITHOUT OPPOSITION OTHER THAN ENEMY MORTAR FIRE FROM INTERIOR. COMMANDER LANDING FORCE ASSUMED CONTROL AT 1025 K. CRUISERS NOW RETIRING TO HOLLANDIA TO REPLENISH. 5 DD'S STANDING BY FOR CLOSE FIRE SUPPORT. NIGHT 30/1 BIAK PT'S BOMBARDED GUN POSITS KAMIRI STRAITS NOEMFOOR STRAFED 1 BARGE. AITAPE PT'S DESTROYED 6 BARGES WEWAK AREA. EMIRAU PT'S BOMBARDED EAE G RADIO STATION NORTHWEST NEW IRELAND. GREEN ISLAND PT'S SHELLED SOUTHWEST NEW IRELAND BOMBARDED

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From: CG, General Headquarters, Rear Echelon, Southwest Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia

To: War Department

Nr: C 14393 2 July 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 14393

Under cover of air and naval bombardment successful landing made as planned at TABLETENNIS. Place of landing while presenting some difficulties from amphibious standpoint was unsuspected by enemy and outflanked defense preparations. In consequence we secured our objective, the airfield at Kamira, promptly with little loss.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S
CG AAF
G-2
Adm King
Col Park
Field Marshal Dill
Log

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PRIORITY

From: CG, Rear Echelon, GHQ, SWPA, Brisbane, Australia

To: War Department

No: C 14394 2 July 1944

To Chief of Staff War Department from GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur C 14394.

Preliminary report operations SOWESPAC area period 1400Z/1 to 1400Z/2 signed MacArthur.

Preliminary report landing successfully effected on Noemfoor Island 2200Z/1 by 158th Regimental Combat Team following naval and air bombardment; Kamiri airdrome occupied south to river, our casualties very light.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S
CG AAF
G-2
Adm King
Col Park
Field Marshal Dill
Log

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From: CG, GHQ, Southwest Pacific Area, Rear Echelon, Brisbane, Australia

To: War Department

Nr: CX 14054 22 June 1944

From GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur CX 14054 to CINCPOA for action and for info to Joint Chiefs of Staff and COMSOPAC. TOP SECRET.

Refer to Joints Chiefs of Staff radio WARX 50615 wherein 14th New Zealand Air Force Air Units in excess of the minimum number required for Garrison and local defense of the South Pacific Area are to be transferred to CINCSOWESPAC.

Request that you designate the units that are available for transfer to the Southwest Pacific Area, and the approximate date the transfer may be effected.

End.

ACTION: JC/S

INFO : Gen. Arnold
OPD
Gen. Bissell
Adm. King
Col. Park
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From: CG, Rear Echelon, GHQ, Southwest Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia

To: War Department

No. C 13972 20 ~~May~~ June 1944

C 13972 from GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department, signed MacArthur.

Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1400Z/18 to 1400Z/19th:

Truk:

Nil interception reported by B24's June 19th.

Rabaul:

11 fighters reported on Vunakanau by fighter patrol from 10,000 feet, several later confirmed from low altitude.

New Guinea:

8 camouflaged barges reported hidden near Bai, west of But.

Dutch New Guinea:

Enemy post reported 55 miles south Cape Durville.

Biak:

Evidence 218 men of 35th Division on 5 barges

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From: CG, Rear Echelon, GHQ, Southwest Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia

No. C 13972 20 May 1944

from Manokwari loaded Karim Bay night June 11th.

Borneo:

Balikpapan: Catalinas night June 18th reported 15 ships in harbour including large warship and probably converted carrier 5 ships off Cape Djoemalai, 8 other vessels indicated in area, 1 tanker sighted off Samarinda Coast.

Marianas: Enemy force of 2 carriers, probably Shokaku and Zuikaku, 2 heavy cruisers 5 or more destroyers sighted by reconnaissance B24 from Momote 0120Z/19th position 12 degrees 3 minutes north 137 degrees 30 minutes east on southeasterly course.

Part 2. Land.

Biak:

Attacked by 41st Division to clear enemy positions along ridges north and northwest Mokmer continuing; enemy resistance weakening.

Enemy casualties to June 18th:

	Killed	Prisoners
Biak	1820	6
Maffin	1954	30
Hollandia	3265	610
Aitape	1063	

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Air:

Operations June 17th:

(1) P38's escorting B25 strike on Fefman probably destroyed 1 enemy light bomber.

Operations June 18th:

(2) 18 B24's bombed Truk Islands, cloud obscured results; 2 B24's bombed barracks Satawan; 19 B24's returned base due weather.

(3) Further 4 RAAF Beauforts and 4 RAAF Beaufighters raided Suain and Muschu Island, started fires hit camouflaged barges.

June 19th. Weather:

Mainly favourable weather over New Guinea, wide frontal zone north equator caused broken low cloud and heavy rain.

Operations:

(4) 39 B24's bombed Dublon and Eten Islands, caused number large fires and explosions, no interception.

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(5) 16 RAAF Beauforts, 10 RAAF Beaufighters bombed and strafed inland bivouac areas and supply dumps northwest Lewak and Kairiru Island.

(6) Preliminary report states A20's, P47's and P39's raided stores personnel areas, P39's destroyed Naval gun.

(7) Reconnaissance B24 shot down enemy flying boat 146 miles northeast Palau, probably destroyed 1 enemy fighter 510 miles west southwest Saipan.

(8) Preliminary report A20's hit Moemi and Kamiri airdromes, starting fires.

(9) 33 A20's raided Manokwari shipping and airdrome left 1 seatruck burning and sinking, sank 1 lugger, left 3 barges burning, also probably destroyed parked fighter; 3 A20's lost, 2 pilots safe.

Northwestern Area.

Weather:

Broken low cloud and continuous rain over Southern Banda and Northern Arafura Seas.

Operations:

(10) 12 Dutch B25's bombed Cape Chater airdrome

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No. C 13972 20 May 1944

started many large and small fires in dispersal area, caused explosion.

Solomons Forces:

Naval:

Gunboats bombarded Mosigetta trails, shelled camp fires Maririci River and Tavera.

Air:

Operations June 18th:

(11) Fighters strafed Bougainville Coastal areas.

(12) Night B25's started fires Vunakanau; 12 Corsairs smoked truck Rabaul; 63 bombers * Matupi Lakunai Area, destroyed 20 buildings.

(13) 7 New Zealand Venturas destroyed buildings south coast New Ireland, Emirau aircraft dropped 25 tons bombs Kavieng.

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Part 3.

(1) No details rounds expended.

(2) Dropped 630 100 lb, 20 500 lb bombs from 18,000 feet; slight medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Satawan

(3) Dropped 7 500 lb, 12 250 lb .025 seconds delay bombs from 1,000 feet; fired 1,150 rounds 20MM, 7,100 rounds 30 calibre.

(4) 177 1000 lb, 104 500 lb, 30 100 lb bombs dropped from 21,700 to 17,000 feet; met moderate heavy accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(5) Beauforts dropped 28 500 lb medium capacity 28 250 lb bombs from 3,000 feet; Beaufighters dropped 18 250 lb .025 seconds delay bombs, fired 5300 rounds 20MM 25,300 rounds 20MM, 25,300 rounds 30 calibre.

(6) 12 A20's dropped 48 500 lb bombs from 3,500 feet; 2 P39's dropped 2 500 lb bombs, fired 56 round 37MM 600 rounds 50, 2000 rounds 30 calibre.

(7) No details.

(8) No details.

(9) No details.

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No. C 13972 20 May 1944

(10) Dropped 44 300 lb demolition * and 32 120 lb fragmentation clusters from 10,500 feet; met moderate medium and heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

Following refers (10) report covering June 15th:

11 A20's dropped 110 100 lb 4 to 5 seconds delay para-demolition, expended 17,000 rounds 50 calibre; met intense heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Mansiman Island.

Following refers (7) report covering June 16th:

21 A20's dropped 35 500 lb 4 to 5 seconds delay, 90 100 lb para-demolitions; fired 9,600 rounds 50 calibre.

End.

* Being serviced.

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CCS
CG AAF
G-2
Adm King
Col Park
Gen Vandegrift
Field Marshal Dill
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From: CG, GHQ, Southwest Pacific Area, Rear Echelon, Brisbane, Australia

To: War Department

Nr: C 13920 19 June 1944

C 13920 from GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department. Operations report SOWESPAC area. 1400Z/17 to 1400Z/18 .

Part 1. New Guinea: Wewak:

PT's on patrol night June 17th report lights and truck activity Wewak to Cape Djeruan; 8 barges reported by aircraft south shore Kairiru Island.

Geelvink Bay:

Photographs June 12 showed 3 fighters Noemi 6 on Ransiki airdrome, runways serviceable.

Babo:

2nd Squadron attacking morning June 14 reported nil serviceable planes on airdrome.

Timor:

Photographs June 18 show 3 planes Cape Chater, new runway increased dispersal area under construction Fuiloro.

Halmahera:

Loaded north bound convoy including 16000 13500

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From: CG, GHQ, Southwest Pacific Area, Rear Echelon, Brisbane, Australia

Nr: C 13920 19 June 1944

ton vessel reported east Morotai Island night June 16.

Palau:

Reconnaissance Catalinas night June 17 reported 2 by 3000 ton 3 by 1000 ton vessels.

Marianas:

Reconnaissance aircraft sighted enemy task force 40 vessels on easterly course 13 degrees 40 minutes north 136 degrees 48 minutes east at 1505Z/18 .

Part 2. Land:

Biak:

Further strong points west and northwest Mokmer airdrome cleared with tank support, stubborn resistance reported; 1655 enemy killed to date.

Hollandia:

Patrolling continues, 3265 enemy killed to date 610 prisoners.

Naval.

3 destroyers bombarded 33 enemy gun positions Wewak area; PT's with Beaufighter support night June 17

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From: CG, GHQ, Southwest Pacific Area, Rear Echelon, Brisbane, Australia

Nr: C 13920 19 June 1944

attacked same targets, started fired silenced guns strafed 9 trucks.

Air.

Operations June 17:

(1) 35 B-24's to attack Truk:

2 failed reach target, 31 bombed Dublon Eten and Param, caused huge explosion and scattered fires, shot down 12 of 25 Interceptors, damaged 6 others;

2 B-24's lost.

(2) 10 RAAF Beauforts bombed Suain and Amumb river areas; 8 RAAF Beaufighters raided barge hideouts Kairiru Island.

June 18.

Weather:

Broad inter tropic Frontal Zone extended east to west between equator and 5 degrees north, caused local areas low cloud and rain; local cloud over New Guinea; Frontal Zone caused low cloud with rain Banda Sea east.

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Nr: C 13920 19 June 1944

Operations:

(3) 58 A-20's led by 7 B-25's raided coastal installations, stores and camps between Suain and Bagiang, also hit bivouacs at But and Dagua.

(4) 4 RAAF Beauforts bombed Brandi area.

(5) 24 P-47's bombed gun positions Wewak and Brandi areas.

(6) 10 P-39's, 7 RAAF Beaufighters hit Suain and Dandriwad river targets.

(7) 2 RAAF Beaufighters cooperated with PT's, silenced Wewak guns.

Solomons Forces.

Naval. PT's shelled Muliama Harbour, bombarded Enang and Selapiu Islands Kavieng.

Air.

Operations June 17. ** Portion of msg being serviced.

205 by 500 lb, 122 by 100 lb bombs from 5000 feet, fired 33,900 rounds 50 calibre.

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From: CG, GHQ, Southwest Pacific Area, Rear Echelon, Brisbane, Australia

Nr: C 15980 19 June 1944

(4) dropped 80 by 500 lb medium capacity, 80 by 250 lb demolition bombs from 800 feet.

(5) Dropped 16 by 500 lb, 8 by 250 lb, 24 by 300 lb bombs from 7000 feet.

(6) P-39's dropped 10 by 300 lb bombs fired 200 rounds 37 MM, 3500 rounds 50, 1600 rounds 30 calibre; Beaufighters dropped 12 by 250 lb .025 seconds delay bombs from 1000 feet, fired 2100 rounds 20 MM, 9700 rounds 30 calibre.

(7) Dropped 2 by 250 lb .025 seconds delay bombs, fired 2800 rounds 30 calibre.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CCS
CGAAF
G-2
Adm. King
Col. Park
Gen. Vandegrift
Field Marshal Dill
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From: General Headquarters, Rear Echelon, Southwest Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia

To: War Department

Nr: C 13797 16 June 1944

C 13797 from GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department. Operations report SOWESPAC area. 1400Z/14 to 1400Z/15.

Part 1.

Truk: 2 destroyers, 4 cargo vessels, 1 large unidentified vessel with other small craft reported June 13th.

New Guinea: Wewak: 6 camouflages barges reported Wewak Harbour by Beaufighters June 13th, 3 strafed Muschu Island June 15th. PT sighted submarine off But evening June 15th.

Timor: 3 twin engined planes sighted on Cape Chater strip, sea truck off Lautem June 15.

Phillippines: 2 destroyers, 2 transports, 2 tankers reported leaving Davao Gulf morning June 14th. Task force comprising at least 1 battleship, 3 carriers, several cruisers and destroyers sighted leaving San Bernadino Strait on course 80 degrees 0900Z/15.

Part 2.

Naval. Wewak Area: PT's strafed shore positions Murik Lagoon and Nightingale Bay, strafed 2 motor trucks Sowam west of But.

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Biak: Naval fire silenced guns and mortars harrassing Mokmer supply lines.

~~Land~~

~~Biak~~ Stiff resistance sustained North Mokmer Airfield, enemy tank and infantry attack repulsed; patrols along coast found nil defence positions Borokoe Airfield;

Allied casualties total to date.

159 killed

1053 wounded

9 missing

Enemy killed 1304, 5 captured.

Air.

Operations June 9th: (1) Refer paragraph 1 preceding report: Claim amended nil enemy fighters definitely destroyed, 3 probably destroyed.

Operations June 10: (2) 6 RAAF P-40's shot down lone fighter off Japen Island.

Operations June 11: (3) 10 B-25's bombed strafed villages Soepiori Biak Islands.

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June 15.

Weather: Mainly favourable except for areas of middle and low cloud with scattered showers.

Operations: (4) Night B-24 scored near miss sea truck east Cape Ngolopopo, Halmaheras.

(5) RAAF Beaufighters, cooperating PT's, attacked shore positions Nightingale Bay, hit 3 barges Muschu Kairiru Islands.

(6) B-25's harassed bivouacs and motor transport Yakamul to But at night.

(7) A-20's, B-25's, P-39's and RAAF Beaufighters attacked concentrations, camps, stores, villages and trails east Aitapeto Dagua and inland.

(8) Glide bombing P-47's destroyed buildings, fired fuel dumps Maffin Bay.

(9) B-24's fired stores Namber Airfield on Noemfoor Island.

(10) A-20's escorted by P-38's against Manokwari shipping sank 1 barge, 1 lugger, damaged a small freighter and several luggers, started fires on shore.

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Northwestern Area.

Weather: Favourable condition with scattered cloud over Timor and western Arafura seas but below average with areas of overcast cloud and heavy showers over central Banda and northeastern Arafura.

Seas.

Operations: (11) 12 B-24's to strike Lautem West Airfield: 5 B-24's bombed target, Sille B-24's bombed Dilli and Fuiloro, 2 B-24's bombed probable stores near Leca, 3 others returned due weather.

Solomons Forces.

Naval.

PT's shelled coastal positions southeast Keita and at Logagon Bay.

Air.

Operations June 14: (12) 28 P-39's destroyed huts Monoitu, damaged Pier Kieta, started fires Bonis.

(13) Emirau fighter bombers attacked Kavieng; night patrols bombed Fangalawa Bay.

(14) 4 B-25's 1 Catalina

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harassed Rabaul at night; 87 B-25's Avengers Dauntless and Fighter bombers destroyed buildings gun positions caused fires and explosions

Rabaul supply areas; Corsairs strafed anti aircraft guns and 2 floatplanes.

Part 3.

Air.

(1 and 2) No details

(3) 24 by 500 lb bombs 4 to 5 seconds delay dropped from minimum altitude, 76 rounds 75 MM, 9500 rounds 50 calibre fired.

(4) 1 by 1000 lb, 2 by 500 lb 1/10th second delay bombs dropped from 1400 feet.

(5) 1 Beaufighter fired 674 rounds 20 MM, 2500 rounds 30 calibre from 1500 feet to minimum altitude.

(6) 2 B-25's dropped 9 by 100 lb bombs 3 to 4 seconds delay from 1000 feet and under, fired 4000 rounds 50 calibre.

(7) 58 A-20's, 4 B-25's dropped 94 by 500 lb, 360 by 100 lb bombs from 5000 to 2000 feet; 6 P-39's dropped 6 by 500 lb bombs from 1500 feet and under, fired 2400 rounds

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50 calibre 1100 rounds 30 calibre; 8 Beaufighters dropped 12 by 250 lb bombs .025 second delay from 1200 feet and under, fired 3550 rounds 20 MM, 9500 rounds 30 calibre.

(8) No details.

(9) 6 B-24's dropped 36 by 1000 lb bombs from 7000 feet.

(10) No details.

(11) 40 by 100 lb bombs, 240 by 120 lb fragmentation clusters, 25 by 500 lb clusters 4 lb incendiaries dropped from 11000 to 6000 feet.

Refer preceding report:

(6) 2 B-24's dropped 250 by 20 lb fragmentation bombs from 8300 feet on target area; other B-24's jettisoned 540 same type bombs.

(11) 5 Beauforts dropped 10 by 500 lb medium capacity, 10 by 250 lb bombs from 4000 feet.

(12) 18 Beaufighters dropped 18 by 250 lb bombs .025 second delay from 1600 feet and under, fired 7550 rounds 20MM, 42600 rounds 30 calibre; 5 A-20's dropped 20 by 500 lb bombs from 5000 feet, fired 4500 rounds 50 calibre.

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Refer report operations 13 June:

(7) 2 Beaufighters fired 1300 rounds 20MM, 8000 rounds 30 calibre.

Refer report operations June 11:

(10) 5 A-20's dropped 10 by 250 lb bombs 4 to 5 seconds delay, 40 by 100 lb Parademos from minimum altitude, fired 7200 rounds 50 calibre.

Refer report operations June 10:

(10) 37 by 500 lb bombs 4 to 5 seconds delay dropped from minimum altitude, fired 36 rounds 75MM, 13000 rounds 50 calibre; intense accurate anti aircraft fire of all calibres.

Refer report operations June 9th:

(12) 2 B-25's dropped 18 by 100 lb parademos from 150 feet, fired 3500 rounds 50 calibre; slight light and medium anti aircraft fire both accurate and inaccurate reported by 1 plane.

End

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To: War Department

Nr: C 13661 13 June 1944

Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1400Z/11 to 1400Z/12 signed MacArthur. From GHQ SWPA to Chief of Staff Was Department cite C 13661.

Part 1. New Guinea: Hollandia; Patrol reports 71 enemy found dead along tracks Toarim River area.

Babo: Pilots of attacking A-20's June 10 reported nil evidence concentration of planes on airdrome.

Northwest Australia: Enemy reconnaissance plane shot down near Darwin morning June 12th.

Philippines: 3 or 4 FUSO class battleships, 6 cruisers, several destroyers reported at Tavi June 11th; 1 light cruiser, 2 destroyers, 1 converted carrier with aircraft on deck sighted entering Davao Gulf June 11th.

Truk: B-24's attacking June 11th reported 1 light cruiser, 6 probable destroyers, 8 cargo vessels.

Part 2. Land. Biak : 162nd and 186th Infantry Regiments cleared area to 1000 yards West Mokmer airdrome, met many pillboxes and machine gun positions; 163rd Infantry engaged in clearing up positions along ridge north airfield; artillery silences enemy gun to northwest.

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Hansa Bay: Australian patrol reached Dogoi (4 miles Southeast Bogia), no contact.

Naval: Biak PT's shot down enemy fighter; PT's sank barge south coast Muschu Island.

Air. Enemy action: 2 raids by 2 aircraft on Biak night June 11th, 6 allied dead, 61 wounded; 4 fighters hit allied destroyer off Biak caused damage.

Operations June 9th:
(1) Further reports state additional 6 coastal vessels destroyed Manokwari by A-20's.

Operations June 10th:
(2) 17 A-20's bombed and strafed Babo damaged 2 aircraft, destroyed parked fighter, damaged warehouses, silenced machine guns.

Operations June 11th:
(3) 27 B-24's bombed Dublon, Eten and Moen, destroyed buildings, 2 B-24's bombed Satawan; of 15/20 enemy fighters intercepting 1 was destroyed, 3 probably destroyed and 9 damaged.

(4) Further details state of 11 enemy fighters attempting interception Palau Strike 1 was shot down and another damaged.

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Weather June 12th: Considerable amounts middle and low cloud over entire northeastern area.

Operations June 12th:
(5) 32 A-20's 12 P-47's bombed and heavily strafed bivouacs and gun positions Wewak area.

(6) P-39's bombed Anumb River area; RAAF Beauforts bombed Barigena Village.

(7) P-47's supported Ground Forces Maffin Bay, started fires.

(8) Patrolling B-24 shot down 1 enemy transport aircraft northeast Halmahera; strafed and sank enemy bomber on water 300 miles northeast Hollandia.

(9) Preliminary report states Allied fighters shot down 3 and probably 2 others of 6 enemy aircraft over Biak.

(10) A-20's bombed and strafed Moemi Airdrome (Manokwari) started many fires.

(11) B-25's sank 4 Seatrucks and 3 luggers, seriously damaged 1 2000-ton freighter northwest Manokwari.

Northwestern Area. Weather: Above average conditions entire sector.

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Operations:
(12) 14 RAAF Spitfires intercepted and shot down enemy reconnaissance aircraft 50 miles southwest Darwin.

SOUPAC forces. Air. Enemy action: 1 aircraft bombed PT's off Adler Bay.

Operations June 11th:
(13) 44 Fighters caused explosions and fires Buka area.

(14) B-25's harassed Rabaul at night, 6 B-24's bombed Rapopo; 5 New Zealand Venturas destroyed buildings Cape Saint George and Borpop.

Part 3. Air.

(1) No details.

(2) Dropped 26 by 250 lb 4 to 5 seconds delay, 167 by 100 lb Parademos from minimum altitude; fired 27,700 rounds 50 calibre; met moderate to intense barrage type inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(3) Dropped 194 by 500 lb 83 by 250 lb bombs from 19,000 feet; met moderate to intense heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.

(4) 4 B-24's dropped 720 by 20 lb fragmentation bombs from 13,700 feet; received moderate to intense medium and heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire, refers paraghraph 2

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preceding report.

(5) A-20's dropped 83 by 100 lb, 46 by 300 lb, 43 by 500 lb bombs from 2,500 feet, fired 30,000 rounds 30 round 30 calibre; P-47's dropped 26 by 300, 6 by 500 lb bombs from 7,000 feet; met intense light some accurate anti aircraft fire.

No details paragrpahs 6 to 11 inclusive.

(12) Fired 551 rounds 20MM, 3200 rounds 30 calibre.

Following refers preceding report:

(5) Further 36 A-20's, 3 B-25's dropped 146 by 300 lb bombs from 2,500 feet, fired 24,400 rounds 50 calibre; met intense light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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To: War Department

No. C 13329 6 June 1944

C 13329 from GHQ SWPA to Chief of Staff War Department, signed MacArthur.

Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1400Z/4 to 1400Z/5.

New Britain:

Kimbe Bay: Enemy submarine reported Bangula Bay June 5.

New Guinea:

Hansa Bay: PT boats report heavy shore fire from Condor Point night June 3.

Aitape: 3 enemy parties reported moving west South Nyaparake June 4.

Manokwari: Large destroyer and Corvette reported by A20's 60 miles west northwest midday June 3.

Philippines: Heavy cruiser reported entering Davao Gulf, 2 destroyers departing June 4.

Tawi Tawi: 2 probably battleships 3 aircraft

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carriers, 6 heavy cruisers, 10 medium to small vessels sighted dawn June 5.

Part 2. Land.

Biak:

186th Infantry resumed advance west, gained positions overlooking Mokmer airdrome, nil opposition; Coastal forces met opposition northeast Pajai.

Maffin Bay:

Enemy troops made 2 unsuccessful attacks on Allied perimeter; total enemy killed to date:

Killed	1632
Prisoners	13

Aitape:

Estimated 400/500 enemy attacked Allied outpost positions Yakamul evening June 4. Allied force evacuated by barge to positions along Driniumor River.

Naval:

Destroyers continue support ground forces Biak.

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PT's destroyed 2 beached barges Broken Water Bay, destroyed 1 of 2 barges on southeasterly course off Dagua.

Air.

Enemy action:

Allied warships off Biak report unsuccessful torpedo bomber attack night June 4, next afternoon 2 enemy aircraft bombed and strafed Biak no damage.

Operations 3 June:

(1) 23 P40's returning from Biak strafed supply dumps Orai River Maffin Bay started large fire; 8 RAAF P40's bombed and strafed Sarmi Area, hit trucks.

(2) 12 A20's sank 2 large luggers northwest Manokwari; 1 A20 lost.

(3) 12 A20's bombed Mokmer Area Biak.

Operations 4 June:

(4) 16 B24's failed locate enemy shipping north Biak, bombed gun positions and revetment areas Borokoe; 2 other bombed Mamber, 6 other were intercepted by 10/14 enemy fighters, shot down 1 enemy probably 3 others, salvoed

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bombs.

Weather. 5 June.

Intertropic front caused thick weather along north coast New Guinea and through New Britain.

Operations 5 June:

(5) 2 B24's harassed 2 Islands, Truk Group predawn.

(6) Preliminary report states B24's bombed Cape Moem, A20's and 8 RAAF Beauforts bombed Wewak Boram areas; P39's hit Wangun and Karau.

(7) Reconnaissance B24 shot down enemy transport (Topsy) 125 miles northwest Helen Reef.

(8) 18 B24's bombed enemy gun positions Biak Island.

(9) 1 group A20's hit Babo destroyed several aircraft in revetment areas, damaged others started many fires.

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From: CG, Rear Echelon, GHQ, Southwest Pacific Area
Brisbane, Australia

No. C 13329 6 June 1944

Northwestern Area. Weather:

Broken to overcast low cloud and frequent showers Arafura Sea. No operations reported.

SOUPAC Forces.

Naval:

Gunboat bombarded Rantan and Lahela areas, PT's strafed Aropa Plantation (*), Panares and Bilik New Ireland.

Air.

Operations 4 June:

(10) 58 P39's hit truck park Komai area started fires, 8 P38's hit Yonolei, 1 B25 hit Kahili; 8 Corsairs sank 22 canoes off Pauro, fired 1 truck Tonu.

(11) 4 night B25's harassed Rabaul; weather cancelled * strikes.

(12) Patrols bombed Numa Numa, Teop and Lake Lahala.

Part 3. Air.

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Brisbane, Australia

No. C 13329 6 June 1944

1. Fired 12,100 rounds 50 calibre; dropped 8 250 lb bombs from 8,000 feet to minimum altitude.

2. Dropped 12 500 lb 4 to 5 seconds delay bombs, fired 2000 rounds 50 calibre; met moderate heavy and medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire from Naval vessels in area.

3. 20 by 250 lb, 100 100 lb 4 to 5 seconds delay bombs dropped from minimum altitude.

4. Dropped 54 1000 lb 1/10th second delay bombs Bolokoe from 14,000 to 9,000 feet; dropped 6 same type Namber; spent 2,400 rounds 50 calibre in combat.

5. Dropped 26 250 lb bombs from 2000 feet; no anti-aircraft fire.

6. Beauforts dropped 12 500 lb medium capacity 30 250 lb bombs from 4000 feet.

7. No details.

8. Dropped 54 1000 lb 1/10th second delay bombs from 12,000 to 10,000 feet.

9. No details.

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Following refers preceding report:

(9) 9 P47's dropped 12 300 lb, 2 100 lb bombs.

(10) Beauforts dropped 6 500 lb medium capacity 35 250 lb demolition bombs from 5000 to 1500 feet; 11 P39's fired 262 rounds 37MM, 5300 rounds 50 calibre, 400 rounds 30 calibre.

Following refers report covering June 2:

18 B25's dropped 24 500 lb 8 to 11 seconds delay, 42 100 lb 4 to 5 seconds delay parademolitions, fired 14000 rounds 50 calibre, 65 rounds 75MM strafing Maffin Bay.

* Being serviced.

End.

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CO/S
CG AAF
G-2
Adm King
Col Park
Field Marshal Sir John Dill
Gen Vandegrift
Log

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From: CG GHQ Rear Echelon Southwest Pacific Area
Brisbane Australia

To: War Department

Nr: C 13253 4 June 1944

C 13253 from GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department. Operations Report SOWESPAC Area Period 1400Z/2 to 1400Z/3.

Part 1. Carolines: Truk: 8 cargo vessels, 5 destroyers sighted June 2; 20/40 planes reported.

New Ireland: 2 submarines reported approximately 200 miles north Kavieng June 3.

New Guinea: P T boats reported many camp fires north Condor Point (Hansa Bay) night June 1.

Manokwari: 3000 ton merchant ship and escort sighted approaching from northwest midnight June 2.

Halmahera;Phillippines: Night reconnaissance plane reported indications 37 vessels between Davao Gulf and Talaud Islands 1700Z/2; 2 heavy,1 light cruiser, 2 destroyers, 1 large vessel reported 140 miles north northwest Morotai Strait course 150 degrees 2100 Z/2; 2 battleships, 3 heavy cruisers, 1 light cruiser, 9 destroyers sighted by aircraft on same course, speed 20 knots 130 miles north by east Morotai Strait midday June 3; 2 convoys reported late that night in area 100 miles east Morotai Strait.

Helen Reef: 5 vessels reported in area early hours June 3 heading for Halmahera.

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Part 2. Land. Aitape: Patrols encountered artillery fire near Yakamul repulsed enemy attacks.

Biak: Westward advance resumed against varied resistance; total 897 enemy killed, 4 captured.

Naval. Aitape: PT boats silenced 2 guns east Yakamul.

Air. Enemy action. Biak: 10/20 planes dive bombed strafed shipping and beach positions morning June 3, 1 plane shot down by anti aircraft fire, and 8 more by intercepting RAAF P-40's.

Operations May 31:
(1) 4 P-38's failed reach Aroe and Kai Islands due weather, exploded fuel barge Nabire.

Operations June 1:
(2) 19 A-20's destroyed 8 grounded aircraft Ransiki Airfield; refers paragraph 10 report operations June 1.

(3) 13 A-20's destroyed many huts Anoes Podena villages 35 miles east Maffin Bay.

(4) Refer paragraph 11 preceding report: 16 B-24's struck Dublon Island, Truk, shot down 10 probably 2 others damaged another of 20/40 aggressive fighters, 10 B-24's damaged.

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(5) Reconnaissance B-24 bombed, strafed weather station and beached ship Sonsorol Island southwest Palau.

Operations June 2:

(6) 8 P-39's from Tadji dive bombed, strafed gun positions Skain Village east Aitape.

Operations June 3:

(7) Momote B-24's bombed Truk before dawn.

(8) 19 P-47's glide bombed Hansa Bay villages supply dumps, destroyed jetty.

(9) 67 A-20's, 8 RAAF Beauforts demolished buildings started fires Kairiru Island, attacked Headquarters Agea inland from Wewak stores and coastal bivouacs to But.

(10) 8 B-25's gave close ground support Maffin Bay; 16 B-24's weathered out from Biak bombed Sarmi target, 6 B-24's bombed Seroei Village on Japen Island.

(11) A-20's bombed, strafed Ransiki Revetment areas, destroyed 4 probably destroyed 2 other grounded planes; other A-20's attacked Kamiri Airfield destroyed unserviceable planes.

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(12) 21 B-25's from Moresby found Babo weathered out, struck Timika and nearby villages; P-38's detailed for cover reached Babo shot down 11 prosably 3 more of 20 intercepting fighters.

Northwestern Area.
Operations June 2:

(13) Single Moresby B-25 strafed 2 pillboxes Kadjoemerah Bay 40 miles east Utarom.

(14) 9 B-24's caused explosions large fires Liang Airfield at night.

Weather June 3: Areas thick cloud and rain between latitude 5 degrees north and equator; in north western area generally favourable.

SOUPAC Forces. Land. Empress Augusta Bay:
Troops landed south Jaba River without opposition found extensive fortifications abandoned.

New Ireland: Patrol landed Dyaul Island found nil enemy.

Naval. South east Bougainville: PT boats with cooperating Catalina attacked shore position near Cape Friendship.

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Air. Operations June 2:

(15) Fighter bombers attacked Buka Kara Airfields, patrol planes bombed Kieta area.

(16) 5 Venturas caused large fires, explosions Namatanai also hit gun position; 2 Corsairs harassed Kavieng.

(17) 4 B-25's attacked Rabaul before dawn; 48 fighter bombers fired Vunakanau Plantation supplies; 16 Dauntless hit guns destroyed, buildings Tobera; fighter patrols fired 1 barge damaged, 2 others; 24 B-25's bombed Nordup area.

Part 3. Air.
(1) 100 rounds 20 MM, 500 rounds 50 calibre fired.

(2) 18 by 250 lb. demolition bombs 4 to 5 seconds delay, 16 bombs same type 8 to 11 seconds delay, 185 by 100 lb parachute demolition bombs 4 to 5 seconds delay dropped from minimum altitude, 31,300 rounds 50 calibre fired; some heavy anti aircraft fire directed at escorting P-38's.

(3) 16 by 250 lb, 98 by 100 lb parachute demolition bombs all 4 to 5 seconds delay dropped from minimum altitude, 16,300 rounds 50 calibre fired.

(4) 135 by 500 lb, 00 by 100 lb. bombs dropped from 19,700 feet, 9 bombs hung up and jettisoned; moderate heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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(5) 4 by 500 lb bombs dropped, unstated number rounds fired.

(6) 8 by 250 lb instantaneous demolition bombs dropped from 1000 feet, 175 rounds 37 MM, 1900 rounds 50 calibre, 3000 rounds 30 calibre fired.

(7) No details.

(8) 2 by 500 lb, 30 by 300 lb, 2 by 100 lb demolition bombs dropped from 7000 to 4000 feet.

(9) 59 A-20's dropped 80 by 500 lb, 74 by 300 lb, 115 by 100 lb instantaneous demolition bombs from 6000 to 2500 feet, 36 by 500 lb bombs 8 to 11 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 7500 rounds 50 calibre; 8 Beauforts dropped 12 by 500 lb. medium capacity, 21 by 250 lb. instantaneous demolition bombs, 36 by 20 lb fragmentation bombs from 5000 to 500 feet; fired 3000 rounds 30 calibre.

(10) B-25's No details; B-24's dropped 15 by 2000 lb, 56 by 1000 lb instantaneous demolition bombs from 10,000 to 8,500 feet Sarmi, 2 by 1000 lb bombs jettisoned; 18 by 2000 lb bombs dropped from 9000 feet Japen Island.

(11) No details.

(12) 356 by 100 lb parachute demolition bombs 4 to 5 and 8 to 11 seconds delay from minimum altitude; 40,500 rounds 50 calibre, 3,500 rounds 30 calibre fired by B-25's; slight to

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moderate machine gun fire both accurate and inaccurate; some bursts medium inaccurate fire; no details P-38's.

(13) 3,600 rounds 50 calibre fired.

(14) 194 by 100 lb general purpose demolition bombs, 40 by 500 lb incendiaries dropped from 14,000 to 9,000 feet; slight to moderate medium or heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

Refer paragraph 17 preceding report:

9 by 5 hundred lb demolition bombs dropped from unstated height, 4 other bombs jettisoned, 3 returned; 800 rounds 50 calibre fired; slight light inaccurate fire from vessel and shore positions.

End.

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S (Col McFarland)
CG AAF
G-2
Adm King
Gen Vandegrift
Col Park
Field Marshal Dill
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Brisbane, Australia

To: War Department

No. C 13178 2 June 1944

C 13178 from GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department.

Operations report SOWESPAC Area period 1400Z/31 to 1400Z/1.

Nomoi Group:

3 southbound destroyers with air cover reported 50 miles west Satavan midday June 1.

New Hanover:

Enemy submarine reported 200 miles north, night May 29.

Tanimbar Islands:

8 beached luggers reported Larat June 1.

Flores Island:

Photographs May 31 show runways serviceable both Maoemere airdromes, new airfield under construction Waioti 1 mile *, nil aircraft in area.

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Northwest Australia:

Enemy reconnaissance plane indicated ex mouth Gulf area night May 21.

Philippines:

1 heavy, 1 light cruiser reported entering Davao Gulf midday June 1.

Part 2.

Biak:

Units 186th Infantry engaged in cleaning out enemy pockets in high ground north of Mandom, elements hold strip area north Bosnek. Enemy casualties to date:

Hollandia		New Britain	
Killed	2579	Killed	4307
Prisoners	551	Prisoners	342
Aitape		Admiralties	
Killed	818	Buried	3591.
Wakde			
Killed	1453		
Prisoners	6		

Total dead 12748
Total Prisoners 899
Ratio 14 to 1

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Brisbane, Australia

No. C 13178 2 June 1944

Naval.

Destroyers shelled concealed aircraft Mokmer airdrome, sank 3 troop laden barges east Bosnek.

Air.

Correction: Paragraph 3 preceding report, date of strike was night May 29.

Operations May 28:

(1) 10 A20's bombed and strafed Sarmi area in support of Maffin Forces.

Operations May 29:

(2) * 10 P40's bombed and strafed * Plantation area Maffin Bay.

(3) Further 16 A20's supported ground forces Biak Island, destroyed 1 tank; 1 aircraft lost, crew safe.

Operations May 31:

(4) 4 night B24's bombed Woleai Puluwat and Satawan Islands.

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No. C 13178 2 June 1944

Weather June 1:

Thick weather over north coast New Britain and New Guinea, patches of bad weather over sea at night.

Operations:

(5) P39's and 47's harassed Hansa Bay targets.

(6) 77 A20's 7 B25's bombed villages Wewak area, started fires.

(7) Preliminary report states 12 RAAF Beauforts bombed same area.

(8) B25's and P47's supported ground forces Maffin Bay, hit vehicles and dumps.

(9) 32 B24's bombed Mokmer airfield and enemy positions on ridge north of Village.

(10) 2 Squadrons A20's covered by P38's bombed and strafed Ransiki, set several aircraft afire destroyed buildings started large fires.

Northwestern Area.

Weather June *.

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and strafed Babo shot down 1 enemy fighter damaged 7 others (refers Paragraph 11 preceding report).

(12) 4 Dutch B25's bombed and strafed Larat, silenced gun position.

(13) * 10 B24's bombed * and * PT's probably destroyed 1 barge Mosiga.

Air.

Operations May 31:

(14) 36 P39's rendered 3 barges unserviceable * Corsairs fired 2 trucks.

(15) 4 night B25's harassed Rabaul, fighters hit 4 trucks destroyed launch; 24 B25's started large fires customs wharf; 9 B25's bombed truck park; 11 P38's started fires barge HIDEOUT VULCAN; 34 fighters dropped magnesium bombs Rataval; 12 Avengers *

(16) Corsairs harassed Kavieng, 5 Venturas hit jetty at Rasirik, Catalina bombed and strafed Medina.

Part 3.

(1) * 500 lb 8 to 11 seconds delay *

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(2) * 250 lb demolition bombs from 7000 to 50 feet; expended 4300 rounds 50 calibre.

(3) Dropped 57 500 lb 8 to 11 seconds delay bombs, fired 24800 rounds 50 calibre; met moderate machine gun fire.

(4) Dropped 56 250 lb instantaneous demolition bombs from 9,500 feet; reported intense heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Woleai.

(5) No details.

(6) Dropped 212 500 lb, 308 100 lb bombs from 5,000 feet.

(7) No details.

(8) No details.

(9) Dropped 184 1000 lb bombs; met moderate some accurate anti-aircraft fire all calibres.

(10) No details.

(11) Dropped 301 100 lb 8 to 15 seconds delay bombs from minimum altitude; fired 29,200 rounds 50, 3,600 rounds 30 calibre; met moderate medium and light inaccurate anti-

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No. C 13178 2 June 1944

aircraft fire.

(12) Dropped 3 500 lb medium capacity bombs from low level, spent 2000 rounds 50 calibre.

(13) 30 500 lb incendiary clusters, * and * 74 100 lb demolition bombs dropped from 14,000 to 10,000 feet, heavy inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Laha.

Following refers preceding report:

(6) 6 Beauforts dropped 30 250 lb general purpose bombs from 5000 feet.

No Sig.

* Being serviced.

ACTION: OPD.

INFO : CCS
CG AAF
G-2
Adm King
Col Park
Gen Vandegrift
Field Marshal Dill
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Rear Echelon Brisbane Australia

To: War Department

Nr: C13145 1 June 1944

To Chief of Staff War Department from GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur C13145. Operation Report SOWESPAC Area period 1400Z/30th to 1400Z/31st.

Correction on Page 1, line 10:

others West Timika;

Correction on Page 1, line 14:

Philippines:
Strips reported Nanoesa Island later reported Palmas Island.

Tawi Tawi:
Dawn May 31st, 2 battleships, 3 carriers, 2 heavy cruisers plus 2 large and other small warships sighted; noon same day, 1 battleship, 2 light cruisers, 3 destroyers sighted heading into Davao Gulf; during early afternoon over 100 carrier type planes plus others from cruisers seen to head South from area.

End of Part 1.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Rear Echelon Brisbane Australia

Nr: C13145 1 June 1944

Part 2. Land.

Biak:
163rd Infantry less 1 Battalion landed Bosnek.

Maffin:
Enemy patrols infiltrated perimeter during night May 30th, 49 enemy killed; Area also received mortar fire.

Hollandia:
Patrols continue to hunt out enemy groups, 2,561 enemy killed to date, 550 prisoners.

Naval:
2 Australian patrol boats strafed and shelled Chirimosh Island Dogamur Bay.

Air.
Enemy action:
1 aircraft bombed Wakde night May 31st, no damage. 2 aircraft raided Bosnek night May 30th, 1 casualty, next night anti aircraft fire shot down 1 of 5 enemy bombers damaged another, no bombs dropped; Later same night 3 aircraft bombed area, no damage or casualties.

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
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Operations May 30th:
(1) 20 B24's bombed Alet Island Puluwat Group, caused large explosion reported good coverage of dispersal areas and gun positions.

Correction Page 5 line 2 thru end of msg.

Following refers paragraph 8 operations report May 29:
31 A20's dropped 99 by 500 lb 8 to 11 seconds delay bombs from minimum altitude, fired 42,400 rounds 50 calibre.

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ACTION: OPD

INFO : CG/S
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