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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM CTF 39	FOR ACTION	SECNAV	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			R ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE 23 APRIL 1942	INFORMATION	WASP (BY DISPATCH MAIL) DECLASSIFIED OED Letter, 6-8-78	PRIORITY
TO: COORDON 230511			ROUTINE DEFERRED
DECODED BY HARMON			
PARAPHRASED BY HUTCHINSON			
INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY. DEC 27 1972			

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME

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TEXT

WHILE OPERATING CHESAPEAKE AIRPLANE BUREAU NUMBER 1364 ON AN ANTI SUBMARINE PATROL FROM ROYAL NAVAF AIR STATION HATSTON ORKNEY ISLANDS, LT. (JG) JOHN EDWARD DUNN, USN, PILOT AND RODERICK DAVIDSON SCATTERGOOD, AVIATION RADIOMAN SECOND CLASS, SERVICE NUMBER 2623397, USN, PASSENGER FAILED TO RETURN TO BASE. PLANE'S POSITION LAST PLOTTED 1545 ZONE MINUS 2 TIME APRIL 14, 1942 AT WHICH TIME THE PILOT WAS INSTRUCTED TO FLY WEST. PLANE CONTINUED TO FLY EAST. 4 PLANES SEARCHED ON APRIL 14. EXTENSIVE SEARCH CONDUCTED APRIL 15 WITH NO RESULTS. PLANE HAD SUFFICIENT FUEL TO REACH COAST OF NORWAY. VISIBILITY HAZY. NAVIGATIONAL ERROR CONSIDERED CAUSE. LINE OF DUTY, NOT MISCONDUCT. BOTH SERVING WASP SCOUTING SQUADRON 72. NEXT OF KIN LIEUTENANT DUNN, WIFE ANNA GENE DUNN, 1929 EVERETT STREET, PORTLAND, ORE. SHE IS ALSO BENEFICIARY. RATE OF PAY \$166.67 PER MONTH.

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TEXT

GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000.00
 LAST PAYMENT BY ALLOTMENT IN MARCH FOR APRIL.
 NEXT OF KIN, AVIATION RADIOMAN SCATTERGOOD, MOTHER,
 BLANCHE SARA BEEGLE, 3020 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE, CHARLOTTE,
 NORTH CAROLINA. NATIONAL SERVICE LIFE INSURANCE IN THE
 AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00. LAST PAYMENT BY ALLOTMENT IN
 MARCH FOR APRIL. RATE OF PAY, \$82.00. NEXT OF KIN NOT
 NOTIFIED.

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ACTION...BUNAV...

SHOW 19...COMINCH(4)

(NEXT OF KIN DISTRICT OFFICE UNDER
OCCUPATION.)

PER 19: GC TO 38...00A...01A...02AER...10/11...BUAER.....

NAVAID...BUNED...FILE/LT KELLY

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM COMNAVEU (LONDON)	FOR ACTION	SECNAV	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE 9 MAY, 1942			DEFERRED
FOR CODEROOM 1121	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY SARNOFF			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY SMITH			DEFERRED

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LT KELLY

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TEXT			

SB2U2 AIRPLANE BUEAU NUMBER 1370 CRASHED AT ABOUT 1100
 8 MAY IN STRONSAY FIRTH ORKNEY ISLANDS ON TEST FLIGHT.
 PLANE NOT LOCATED CAUSE OF CRASH UNKNOWN SEARCH HAS BEEN
 CARRIED OUT. PILOT PARACHUTED RECEIVED ONLY MINOR INJURIES.
 PASSENGER JAMES FRANCIS THOMPSON ARM 3RD NUMBER 337-10-13
 USN MISSING. NEXT OF KIN WIFE MRS LUCILLE DORIS THOMPSON
 140 CHERRY STREET OCEAN VIEW NORFOLK, VIRGINIA NOT NOTIFIED.
 CARRIES \$2000 GOVERNMENT INSURANCE WIFE BENEFICIARY PREMIUM
 PAYMENTS BY ALLOTMENT. RATE OF PAY \$72 PER MONTH.

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 SECNAV FILE...20-OP...COMINCH...BUMED...FILE.

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FROM COMPATRON 42		BUMED	PPPPPPPP
RELEASED BY		SECNAV	PRIORITY
DATE 24 APRIL 1942		BUNAV	ROUTINE
TON CODEWORD 132/24			DEFERRED
DECODED BY KALAJDJIAN		SENIOR AVIATOR OF	PPPPPPPP
PARAPHRASED BY COLEMAN		PATRON 42 KODIAC	PRIORITY
		ALASKA	ROUTINE
		ADMINOFF OF	DEFERRED
		COMPATLING 4	

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(GERMAN)

232155 NCR 4843

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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME DATE TIME OCT

TEXT

KILLED IN PLANE CRASH 152, OCT APRIL 23 AT DUTCH HARBOR
ALASKA:

ALL LINE DUTY, ALL ACTIVE DUTY. NEXT OF KIN NOT NOTIFIED.
BODIES IN SEALED CASKETS AT NAS DUTCH HARBOR BEING
SHIPPED TO OFFICER IN CHARGE NSD SEATTLE WASHINGTON PER-
SONNEL AS FOLLOWS:

FREDERICK ANDREW SMITH ENSIGN AVN USNR, ENSIGN GLENN

R. VAN BRAMER AVN USNR, ENSIGN JOHN BENNETT CARROLL

AVN USNR, HAROLD D. CUNNINGHAM AVIATION MECHANIC

WATE SECOND CLASS USN.

AMPLIFYING INFORMATION WILL BE SUPPLIED BY FIRST INFO
ADDRESSEE.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM COMPATRON 42	FOR ACTION	OPNAV BUNAV BUAER SEN AV OF PATRON 42	PPPPPPPP ROUTINE DEFERRED
RELEASED BY			
DATE 24 APRIL 1942	INFORMATION	COMPATWINGPACFLT COMPATWING 4 COM 13 COM ALASKAN SECTOR COMINCH <i>NAS Dutch Harbor</i>	PPPPPPPP ROUTINE DEFERRED
TOR COVERROOM 136/24			
DECODED BY KALAJDJIAN			
PARAPHRASED BY COLEMAN			

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PBY5A BUREAU NUMBER 7286 PILOT ENS FREDERICK ANDREW SMITH
AVN USNR, 2ND PILOT ENS GLENNR. VAN BRAMER AVN USNR, NAVIGATOR
ENS JOHN BENNETT CARROLL AVN USNR, CREW HAROLD D. CUNNINGHAM
AMM2C USN, ROBERT L. SMITH AMM2C USN, ALVIN F. ZETAEL RM3C USN,
RALPH MITCHELL RM3C USN, GIFFORD A. KING SEAMAN2C USN, CRASHED
ON TAKE OFF AT 0520W 23 APRIL 1942 AT DUTCH HARBOR ALASKA. CAUSE
OF ACCIDENT PLANE ATTEMPTING TAKE OFF DIAGONALLY DOWN WIND PLANE
APPEARED TO GET OFF TWICE BUT FAILED TO STAY IN AIR STRUCK SAND
SPIT WHILE WATER BORNE RICHOCHETTED INTO AIR CRASHED ON LAND AND
BURNED. WIND LIGHT VARIABLE SOUTHERLY SEA SMOOTH SLIGHT SWELL
CEILING 2600 FEET VISIBILITY 12 MILES. PLANE HAD SLIGHT WING
ICE. CRASH BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY COMBINATION OF
DIAGONAL DOWN WIND TAKE OFF AND FAILURE OF LIFT DUE TO ICE.

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DECODED BY				ROUTINE
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NO EVIDENCE OF POWER FAILURE. INJURIES TO PERSONNEL FOLLOWING:
KILLED: ENS FREDERICK ANDREW SMITH USNR, ENS GLENN R. VAN BRAMER
 USNR, ENS JOHN BENNETT CARROLL USNR, HAROLD D. CUNNINGHAM AMM2C.
 CAUSE OF DEATH, INJURIES MULTIPLE EXTREME.

FOLLOWING **INJURED:** ALVIN F. ZETTEL, RM3C USN MINOR LACERATIONS
 THIRD DEGREE BURNS SMALL AREAS HANDS AND HEAD. GIFFORD A. KING
 SEAMAN2C USN LACERATIONS RIGHT HAND THIRD DEGREE BURNS SMALL AREAS
 LEFT HAND AND FACE. RALPH MITCHELL RM3C USN LACERATIONS NOSE
 POSSIBLE FRACTURED RIB. ROBERT LEWIS SMITH AVIATION MACHMATE2C
 SERVICE NUMBER 2624692 USN MINOR BRUISES. ALL DEATHS AND INJURIES
 LINE OF DUTY.

DAMAGE TO PLANE BURNED COMPLETE LOSS.
 NEXT OF KIN NOT NOTIFIED.

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COPY MAILGRAM

FROM: NAS PENSACOLA FLO 211821
 ACTION: OPNAV
 INFO: BUAER - BUNAV

LV

N3N-3 4415 CRASHED 0935 R TODAY 3/4 MILE EAST FIELD 34104 X PILOT
 MALCOIM GORDON PAIGE AVN USNR KILLED IN CRASH PASSENGER HAROLD
 LOWELL MURRAY 337 05 69 AMM2C USN STUDENT DIED 1155 R OF INJURIES
 RECEIVED CAUSE DEATH BOTH PERSONS INJURIES MULTIPLE EXTREME X PLANE
 SPUN IN FROM LOW ALTITUDE IN FIELD TRAFFIC CIRCLE EXACT CAUSE
 UNDERTERMINED X AIRCRAFT DEMOLISHED

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TOR COMMOFF 1638/23

001 01A 00R 05 02AER 10 20 39
 BUAER BUNAV NAVAID COMINCH BUMED

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION RECEIVED IN OFFICER OF NAVAL
INTELLIGENCE BY TELEPRINTER CIRCUIT (TXW) 1800 15 APRIL

FROM: DISTRICT INTELLIGENCE OFFICER 7TH NAVAL DIST
TO : DIRECTOR OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE

TWO BODIES WASHED ASHORE AT ST AUGUSTINE BEACH FLORIDA.
ONE IDENTIFIED AS JAMES NELSON ~~XXXX~~ MONTGOMERY 636 23 91 USNR.
OTHER UNIDENTIFIED AND POSSIBLY NAVAL OFFICER AS FRAGMENTS OF
PASS FOUND ON BODY BELIEVED TO BE OFFICERS NAVY PASS. ATTEMPT
BEING MADE TO EFFECT IDENTIFICATION OF LATTER BODY. BOTH WORE
KAPOK LIFE JACKETS BEARING NAME OF ~~XXXX~~ "GULF AMERICA"
BODIES HELD BY ST AUGUSTINE UNDERTAKING ESTABLISHMENT

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BUMED BUNAV ACTION

SANDA NAVMUAID NAVREL OOP 05 10

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FROM CTF 39	FOR ACTION	SECNAV	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE 6 APRIL 1942			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 1347/6	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY KALAJDIJIAN			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY HEINE			DEFERRED

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TEXT

EDWIN SAYLE PETWAY, ENSIGN A-V(N), USNR, ON ACTIVE DUTY SCOUTING SQUADRON 71 AND THOMAS WILEY BAME, AVIATION

MACHINIST MATE, 3RD CLASS, USN, SERVICE NO. 2623408, ON DUTY SAME SQUADRON, CRASHED AT SEA MARCH 27, 1942 IN SB2

UNIT 2, AIRPLANE, BUREAU NUMBER 1362. PLANE SANK IMMEDIATELY. PILOT AND PASSENGER NOT RECOVERED. BELIEVED KILLED IN CRASH AND BODIES SANK WITH PLANE.

CAUSE OF CRASH WAS SPIN FOLLOWING LOSS OF FLYING SPEED AT LOW ALTITUDE ON DOWN WIND APPROACH PREPARATORY TO LANDING. ACCIDENT OCCURRED IN LINE OF DUTY AND NOT DUE TO MISCONDUCT.

NEXT OF KIN OF ENSIGN PETWAY, FATHER, EDWIN FAYLE PETWAY, WINDSOR DRIVE, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE. RATE OF PAY PER MONTH, \$137.50. BENEFICIARY, MOTHER, MRS. EDWIN SAYLE PETWAY,

WINDSOR DRIVE, NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE. GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE IN AMOUNT OF \$10,000. LAST PAYMENT BY ALLOTMENT IN FEBRUARY FOR MARCH.

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NEXT OF KIN OF AVIATION MACHINIST MATE, BAME, FATHER,
THOMAS LEE BAME, BARBER, NORTH CAROLINA. RATE OF PAY

PER MONTH \$82.00. BENEFICIARY MOTHER, MRS. ELIZABETH BAME,
BARBER, NORTH CAROLINA. NATIONAL SERVICE LIFE INSURANCE

IN AMOUNT OF \$5,000. LAST PREMIUM PAID BY FEBRUARY ALLOTMENT
FOR MARCH. NEXT OF KIN NOT NOTIFIED.

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April 1, 1942.

FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF OFFICERS WHO HAVE BEEN REPORTED AS CASUALTIES
IN ACTION WITH THE ENEMY FORCES:

RESTRICTED REPORT NO. 57:

Missing:
3-1-42

Ensign Vernon F. LOOMER, U. S. Naval Reserve,
Attached to Submarine Squadron Twenty,
Patrol Wing Ten.


E. E. BIGGS
Commander, U.S. Navy.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM COMSCORON 1D11		5385	
RELEASED BY	FOR ACTION	OPNAV	PRRRP
DATE 2 APRIL 1942			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 1144/2	FOR INFORMATION	BUAER: COM11; COMAIRSCOFOR; AIRBATER MATERIAL OFF. SAN DIEGO BUNAV	PRRRP
DECODED BY HEINE			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY NEWHOUSE			DEFERRED

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KELLY

120820 NCR 2863

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AT ABOUT 1910T APRIL 18T 1942 082U-3 AIRPLANE BUREAU
NUMBER 5545 SPUN AND CRASHED INTO THE SEA FROM AN ALTITUDE
OF ABOUT 75 FEET. PLANE ON SCHEDULED PATROL AND
INVESTIGATING A SURFACE VESSEL AT TIME. ATTACHED DEPTH
BOMBS EXPLODED ON SINKING.

ENSIGN WELDON A BAIRD AVN USNR PILOT AND MORGAN M ATWOOD
274-65-48 RADIANMAN 3RD CLASS USN PASSENGER KILLED.
BOTH BODIES AND PLANE SANK WITHOUT RECOVERY. CASUALTY
OCCURRED IN SANTA BARBARA CHANNEL BEARING ABOUT 210°
TRUE DISTANCE 2 MILES FROM SANTA BARBARA POINT LIGHT.

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FROM COM 15	FOR ACTION	OPNAV	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE 17 MARCH 1942			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 1153/17	INFORMATION	DECLASSIFIED ON Letter, 5-8-79 DEC 27 1972	PRIORITY
DECODED BY MORGAN			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY HARVEY			DEFERRED

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GREENMAN

162235 NCR 3857

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MY 15035N FURTHER INTERVIEW WITH KELLY DISCLOSES THAT JIG NEGAT
PEW HAD BEEN ONE OF A CONVOY OF SIX OR SEVEN VESSELS ESCORTED
 BY ONE US DESTROYER FROM ARUBA. J N PEW HAD LEFT THE CONVOY AT
 ABOUT FIFTEEN THIRTY FEBRUARY TWENTY ONE AND WAS ZIG ZAGGING
 ON A WESTERLY COURSE. NEGAT NEGAT INT ONE FORTY TWO WILL BE
 FORWARDED SOON. FOLLOWING CREW MEMBERS WERE NAMED BY KELLY
 AS HAVING DIED IN HIS LIFE BOAT. WILLIAM AFIRM WENZEL MESSMAN
 AGE TWENTY THREE ADDRESS SIX ZERO FIFTY THREE HAZEL AVENUE
 PHILADELPHIA. PETER JIG MCORIDE SEAMAN AGE TWENTY ADDRESS SIXTY
 ONE SIXTY TWO DELANCY AVENUE PHILADELPHIA. GEORGE JUG PAPIS
 COOK AGE THIRTY EIGHT. LEWIS EASY BRYNE FIREMAN AGE EIGHTEEN.
 PAUL PAIS FIREMAN AGE TWENTY. WILLIAM VICTOR DAFKAS SEAMAN AGE
 NINETEEN. WILLIAM MIKE MCCOY MESSMAN AGE THIRTY THREE. OTHERS
 IN LIFE BOAT NOT YET DEFINITELY IDENTIFIED. FIRST NAMES OF
 WENZEL PAPIS DAFKAS AND MCCOY SAME AS NAMES OF RESPECTIVE INITIAL

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OPNAV FROM STATE

FOLLOWING RECD FROM PORT AU PRINCE DATED MAR 9

130, MARCH 9 5PM. MY 132, MARCH 8, 11 10 PM.

LEARN THAT FIFTEEN MORE OF CREW LANDED AT GUANTANAMO. IMPRESSION
AMONG SURVIVORS HERE IS THAT MISSING MAN IS ALFRED L BAXLEY WHO
WAS SEEN TO FALL INTO WATER WHILE DESCENDING SIDE WHEN WOUNDED AND
WHO EXCLAIMED "I AM GONE".

NAVY PLANS REPATRIATION OF CREW HERE BY PLANE WITH 24 HOURS .

(SOD) WHITE

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FROM DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO DPHAV

THE FOLLOWING REC'D 12:55 A.M., 14TH FROM BERN

DATED MARCH 13, 1942

SECRETARY OF STATE,

WASHINGTON.

1030, THIRTEENTH.

AMERICAN INTERESTS, OCCUPIED CHINA, PRESIDENT HARRISON.

DEPARTMENT'S 514, FEBRUARY 21.

SWISS FOREIGN OFFICE NOTE MARCH 9, COMMUNICATES FOLLOWING
TELEGRAM FROM SWISS CONSUL, SHANGHAI "VESSEL BEACHED TO
ESCAPE CAPTURE, CAPTAIN GAVE ORDERS TO ABANDON VESSEL, LIFEBOAT
CAUGHT BY PROPELLER AND SHATTERED, THREE MEN KILLED."
(RED) HUUDE

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FROM COMGEN 2ND MAR BRIGADE	FOR ACTION	CINCPAC	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			RRRR
DATE 2 MARCH 42			ROUTINE
FOR CODEWORD 0148/2249	INFORMATION	PASSED BYCINCPAC TO: 1. COMINCH 2. UNKNOWN CALL BEING ZMK'D-VERIFIED	DEFERRED
DECODED BY EGGEMAN			PRIORITY
PARAPHRASED BY EGGEMAN			ROUTINE
			DEFERRED

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TEXT URDIS 210155. SWAN RETURNED 1900 GCT 26TH. THREE SURVIVORS TP 6P6 FROM ENTERPRISE; DIXON, HAROLD FREDERICK ACMM. PASTULA, ANTHONY JULIUS AOM 2ND. ALDRICH, GENE TABUS RM 3RD.

PLANE CRASHED 16 JANUARY LAT 04 S LONG 168-30W. CREW SAILED 34 DAYS RUBBER BOAT, ONLY FOOD THREE FISH AND TWO BIRDS, WATER OBTAINED BY SOAKING RAIN WATER IN CLOTHES.

MEN RECEIVED ON BOARD WEAKENED CONDITION FROM MALNUTRITION AND SUFFERING SEVERE CASE SUNBURN. CONDITION OTHERWISE GOOD.

REPORTS INDICATE SURVIVAL OF THESE MEN DURING PERIOD AT SEA DUE LARGE EXTENT RESOURCEFULNESS OF ACMM DIXON.

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DATE 28 FEB 42			DEFERRED
FOR CODER ROOM 1603/28	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY ESTES			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY GLUCKER			DEFERRED

INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.

LT. WEINSTOCK.

280205 NCR 3123

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(ORIGINATOR WASP)

THE FOLLOWING IS MY AIRMAILGRAM 24042T TO SECNAV, OPNAV INFO CINCLANT
COMAIRLANT, BUNAV, BUAER, COMTASKGRP 7.1 :

QUOTE - F4U-4 SERIAL NUMBER 4077 CRASHED 1853 GCT 23RD. LT(JG) FRANK
DAVID CASE JUNIOR USN PILOT MISSING. AREA SEARCHED THOROUGHLY. PILOTS
BODY NOT RECOVERED. BELIEVED SANK WITH PLANE. CRASH IN LINE OF DUTY
NOT MISCONDUCT. NEXT OF KIN WIFE HELEN F. CASE 1622 FOREST PLACE
EVANSTON ILL. NEXT OF KIN NOT REPEAT NOT NOTIFIED. PAY PER MONTH \$175.
\$15,000 GOVERNMENT INSURANCE. BENEFICIARY BELIEVED TO BE WIFE. LAST
PAYMENT FEBRUARY BY ALLOTMENT. UNQUOTE.
REFERENCE YOUR 272132.

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BUNAV...BUNED.....ACT.

10/11.....SANDA...NAVMUTUAL AID...00R...BUAER...38...COMINCH...OPDO...FILE

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

28 February 1942.

FOR THE PRESIDENT

No further details re Java Sea Battle. Four hundred
eighty five survivors from LANGLEY sixteen missing. Tokyo
broadcast reports our raid on Wake but no word from Halsey.

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