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NAVAL MESSAGE

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM USS GANSEVOORT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		COMINCH	OP OP OP
DATE DEC 31 1944		CINCPAC	PRIORITY
TOR CODEROOM 1441		COM 7TH FLT	ROUTINE
		CTF 78	DEFERRED
		CTF 75	
DECODED BY TRUSSELL		COMSERVFORPAC	OP OP OP
TYPED BY TRUSSELL		COMHEDRON SOWES PAC	PRIORITY
		COMDESPAC	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY		COMDESRON 14	DEFERRED
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(HALF MOON AVP 26 SENDS FOR ORIGINATOR USS GANSEVOORT
ACTION COMINCH CINCPAC COM 7TH FLT CTF 78 CTF 75
INFO COMSERVFORPAC COMHEDRON SOWES PAC COMDESPAC COM-
DESRON 14)

DAMAGE RECEIVED USS GANSEVOORT (DD 608) RESULT SUICIDE
PLANE CRASH MINDORO 15501 30 DECEMBER BETWEEN FRAMES

110 AND 115. AFTER FIRE ROOM TOTALLY DEMOLISHED.
AFTER ENGINE ROOM DAMAGE NOT KNOWN DUE FLOODING BOTH

COMPARTMENTS TO WATERLINE FROM 8 FOOT BY 8 FOOT HOLE
IN HULL PORT SIDE FRAME 120. BULKHEADS FORWARD ENGINE-

ROOM AND COMPT C 201 L NOT BADLY DAMAGED AND HOLDING
WELL. PERMANENT LIST 6 DEGS TO STARBOARD. NO STEAM

ELECTRICITY AVAILABLE. FORWARD ENGINE ROOM SHAFT
SPRUNG. 12 FOOT SQUARE HOLE FRAME 180 PORT ABOVE

WATERLINE. MAIN DECK TOTALLY DEMOLISHED BETWEEN FRAMES
110 AND 129. PAY ACCOUNTS SERVICE RECORDS CLASSIFIED

MATTER TRANSFERRED TO USS WILSON. SHIP NOT HABITABLE.
PERSONNEL BLUE BEACH. DD 608 ANCHORED 12-21 NORTH

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121-02 EAST. CO BELIEVES IMPRACTICABLE TO TOW UNTIL DOCKING
POSSIBLE. RECOMMENDS STRIPPING TO SUPPLY SHIPS PRESENT AND

ARMY, AND LEAVING AT ANCHOR AND POSSIBLE LATER SALVAGE.
22 MEN MISSING TO DATE

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DATE 31 DEC. 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROM 0902			DEFERRED
DECODED BY SJOSTEN		COM 7TH FLEET	PRIORITY
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CTF 77 SENDS TO COMINCH INFO COM 7TH FLEET.

LST 460 SUNK RESULT ENEMY ACTION 21 DECEMBER.
 LST 751 DAMAGED BY ENEMY TORPEDO 20 DECEMBER LATER
 SUNK BY OUR GUNFIRE. ALL THIS IN PHILIPPINES. MAY
 BE ANNOUNCED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

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DATE 30 DEC 44			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0333			DEFERRED
DECODED BY WRIGHT		COMSEVENTHFLT	PRIORITY
TYPED BY SANDBERG			ROUTINE
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(FROM CINC PAC TO COMINCH AND CNO ACTION AND INFO TO COMSEVENTHFLT)

REURDIS 271617.

RECOMMEND YOU RELEASE.

SUGGEST THAT AS FOLLOWS

*3 DESTROYERS OF THE US PACIFIC FLEET SANK AT SEA IN THE CENTRAL PACIFIC ON 17 DECEMBER 1944 WEST LONGITUDE DATE AS THE RESULT OF AND DURING A TYPHOON.

THE SHIPS LOST WERE THE USS HULL, LIEUTENANT COMMANDER JAMES ALEXANDER MARKS, USN, AGED 29, COMMANDING OFFICER, THE USS SPENCE, LIEUTENANT COMMANDER JAMES PAUL ANDREA, USN, COMMANDING OFFICER, AND THE USS MONAGHAN, LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FLOYD BRUCE GARRETT JUNIOR, USN, AGED 29, COMMANDING OFFICER.

THE COMMANDING OFFICER, 4 OTHER OFFICERS AND 49 MEN OF THE HULL WERE RESC.

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24 OF THE PERSONNEL OF THE SPENCE, INCLUDING 1 OFFICER OF
THE SUPPLY CORPS, WERE SAVED.

6 OF THE PERSONNEL OF THE MONAGHAN WERE RESCUED.

THE FIGURES ON SURVIVORS ARE THE BEST OBTAINABLE TO DATE
AND SEARCHES FOR ADDITIONAL SURVIVORS ARE CONTINUING.

AN INVESTIGATION IS IN PROGRESS. "

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

December 26, 1944

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MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL PARK:

General Marshall has requested that the ~~summary of~~ the following report just received in the War Department be passed on to the President:

"As reported in this morning's summary, the troop ship SS LEOPOLDVILLE was torpedoed and sunk three miles off Cherbourg. It was actually torpedoed at 1754 Z on the 24th of December and sank at 2000 Z. There were 2,255 personnel on board. There have been 1,144 survivors picked up in good condition. There are 632 members in the hospital. 256 bodies have been recovered. There are still 223 missing. This ship was carrying elements of the 66th Inf. Division."

H. M. Pasco
H. M. PASCO,
Lt. Col., General Staff,
Acting Secretary, General Staff.

No other significant news to report.



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NASHVILLE DEPARTED MANUS FOR PEARL VIA ROUTE ANTHONY

000 25TH. TIMES 2. SOA 18. ETA 1800 2ND JANUARY.

COMINCH PASSED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION
TOR NCR 2205/25

19...19C...INFO

FX37...20M...CNO...NAYAIDE...200P

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RELEASED BY		GB 7 A	ROUTINE
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DECODED BY <u>ANDREW/BOWMAN</u>	INFORMATION	COM 10TH FLT C&R	PRIORITY
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FROM CINCCNA ACTION GB 7 A INFO COM 10TH FLT C&R
ADMIRALTY ACIC CINCWA NSHQ CDRE (D) WA HQCC FONE

MY 241412 HMCS CLAYOQUOT SANK 64 SURVIVORS HAVE BEEN
PICKED UP

COMINCH....COG

16...20G...FX37...BAD...CNO...NAVAIDE...NMCS....

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CINCPAC SENDS TOPSECRET ACTION COMINCH AND HANDS INFO COM 3RD FLEET.

SIX SURVIVORS RECOVERED FROM MONOGHAN STATE SHE CAPSIZED AND REMAINED AFLOAT ABOUT ONE HALF HOUR THEREAFTER.

YOUR 211822. COM 3RD FLT 211010.

COMINCH COPIES 1 THROUGH 8.

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COM MTERONS 7TH FLT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CNO	PRIORITY
DATE 30 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0101			DEFERRED
DECODED BY STEVENS			
TYPED BY MANN		COM MTERON 16	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY TELSHOW		COMSEVENTHFLT	ROUTINE
		CTF 77	DEFERRED
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(COM MTERONS 7TH FLT SENDS. ACTION CNO INFO COM MTE
RON 16)

PT 300 TOTALLY DESTROYED BY COLLISION WITH ENEMY

SUICIDE PLANE AT 1600 ON 18 DECEMBER 300 YARDS OFF

CCUINOWIT POINT MINDORO PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. BOAT

BROKE IN TWO STERN SINKING IMMEDIATELY IN 6 FATHOMS.

BOW SECTION BURNED AND SANK EIGHT HOURS LATER. NO

REGISTERED PUBLICATIONS ABOARD. NO COMPROMISE OF

RADAR OR ABK. 4 KILLED. 4 MISSING. 6 WOUNDED. NO

EQUIPMENT SAVED.

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COM 3RD FLT READDRESSES HIS 240405 FOR INFO ADMIRAL KING, CINCPAC
HAS ACTION BY HAND. THIS IS TOP SECRET.

(COMMCH RECEIVED FOR INFO AS 242017.)

FOR NINITZ ONLY (BY HAND)

REFER COMINCH AND CNO 221630, COMPLETE REPORT IN COURSE OF PREPARATION. TF 38 MADE RENDEZVOUS WITH TG 30.8 ON 17 DECEMBER TO REFUEL PREPARATORY TO LUZON STRIKES ON U PLUS 4 TO U PLUS 6 INCLUSIVE. REFUELING PREVENTED 17TH BY ROUGH SEAS. NO STORM WARNING RECEIVED FROM ANY SOURCE UNTIL CHANDELEURS 170155 (RECEIVED 1424 1) BUT FLEET PERSONNEL HAD SUSPECTED PRESENCE OF INCIPIENT TROPICAL STORM TO EASTWARD BY 1300 1 THE 17TH. BEST FIRST ESTIMATE OF PROSPECTIVE STORM MOVEMENT WAS TO NORTHWEST WITH EVENTUAL RECURVING TO NORTHEAST.

IN VIEW OF FLEETS U PLUS 5 COMMITMENT AND ESTIMATE OF STORMS
MOVEMENTS FLEET STEAMED TOWARD WEST. BY 0500 : 18TH IT APPEARED

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THAT STORM WAS RECURVING TO LEFT INSTEAD OF RIGHT AND COURSE WAS CHANGED TO SOUTHWARD TO GET SOUTH OF STORM TRACK AND INTO WATERS WHERE FUELING COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED. STILL NO HELPFUL DATA OTHER THAN FROM FORCES IN COMPANY.

AT 0800 18TH CONTINUING OBSERVATIONS AND ESTIMATES CONFIRMED BELIEF THAT TYPHOON HAD FORMED AND WAS MOVING WESTWARD TOWARD FLEET. FUELING WAS DISCONTINUED AND COMMANDER 3RD FLEET DIRECTED THE FLEET TO CONTINUE TO THE SOUTH. SPEED TO SOUTHWARD COULD NOT BE INCREASED DUE TO LOW FUEL IN DD'S AND ALSO TO DANGEROUS ROLLING OF CVL'S AND CVE'S. COURSES WERE ALSO RESTRICTED BY ROLLING.

BY LATE FORENOON IT APPEARED THAT THE FLEET WOULD BE SOUTH OF TYPHOON CENTER WHEN IT PASSED BUT SPEED OF CENTER HAD INCREASED TO 20-25 KNOTS AND IT WAS A CLOSE RACE.

TYPHOON CENTER PASSED ABOUT 30 MILES NORTH OF NEW JERSEY (FLEET

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 GUIDE) AND THE EMPTY EYE OF THE STORM WAS CLEARLY TRACED BY SM
 RADARS. GUSTS TO 93 KNOTS WERE OBSERVED IN NEW JERSEY.

FIRES IN CVL HANGAR DECKS WERE PRESUMABLY CAUSED BY RUNAWAY
 PLANES ALTHOUGH DETAILED REPORTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED. THE
 FOUNDERING OF 3 DESTROYERS IS A MATTER OF UTMOST MILITARY CONCERN
 AS WELL AS SORROW FOR THE LOSS OF GALLANT OFFICERS AND MEN AND
 REQUIRES EXHAUSTIVE INVESTIGATION. PRELIMINARY INFORMATION INDICATES
 THE SPENCE RUDDER JAMMED HARD RIGHT BEFORE ROLLING OVER. OTHER
 DAMAGE WAS FOR THE MOST PART NORMAL AND A MATTER FOR REGRET
 RATHER THAN CONCERN.

IT IS PROBABLE THAT WINDS OF TERRIFIC INTENSITY WITH SEAS IN
 PROPORTION WERE ENCOUNTERED IN THE CENTER OF THE TYPHOON. THE
 THREE LOST DD WERE PROCEEDING WITH A FUELING GROUP ASTERN OF THE
 FLEET AND UNDOUBTEDLY WERE RUN DOWN BY THE CENTER.

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EVERY EFFORT WAS MADE TO LOCATE SURVIVORS WHILE AT THE SAME TIME THE FORCE REFUELED AND ENDEAVORED TO DELIVER A STRIKE ON LUZON IN ACCORDANCE WITH 3RD FLEET OBLIGATIONS.

FAILURE TO AVOID THE TYPHOON WAS DUE TO

- (A) NO INFORMATION FROM OUTSIDE SOURCES AS TO ITS EXISTENCE OR AS TO ITS MOVEMENT AFTER ITS EXISTENCE WAS KNOWN.
- (B) PROXIMITY OF STORMS BIRTH PLACE TO POSITION OF FLEET.
- (C) ERRATIC MOVEMENT OF STORM COMPARED TO AVAILABLE HISTORY OF DECEMBER TYPHOONS.
- (D) INABILITY FROM AVAILABLE DATA TO ESTIMATE TYPHOON POSITION AND MOVEMENT UNTIL 0800 1 18TH AT WHICH TIME THE FLEET WAS ALREADY CAUGHT IN A PRECARIOUS LOCATION.
- (E) LOW FUEL FOLLOWING 3 DAYS SUSTAINED STRIKES ON LUZON AND INTERRUPTED FUELING ON THE 17TH AND BAD ROLLING PRECLUDING HIGH

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(FROM CTF 77 TO COMINCH INFO COM 7TH FLT.)

PT 300 SUNK RESULT ENEMY ACTION PHILIPPINES

18 DECEMBER. MAY BE ANNOUNCED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

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(CINCPAC SENDS ACTION COMINCH)

PRELIMINARY AND INCOMPLETE REPORT ON STORM DAMAGE TO 3RD FLT
 18-19 DECEMBER. HULL (DD358) AND SPENCE (DD512) CAPSIZED.
 SURVIVORS 41 AND 24 RESPECTIVELY. EXTENSIVE SEA AND AIR SEARCH
 CONTINUED THROUGH 22ND.
 MONAGHAN (DD354) HAS NOT BEEN HEARD FROM SINCE RECEIPT OF AN
 INTERCEPTED DISPATCH AT 0945(1)/19 STATING SHE WAS TURNING TO
 A SOUTHERLY COURSE. COMDESRON 1 IN DEWEY (DD349) REPORTED THAT
 WHILE ON SAME COURSE DEWEY ROLLED MORE THAN 72 DEGREES TO
 STARBOARD THOUGH HEAVILY BALLASTED TO PORT. MONAGHAN BELIEVED
 LOST. BOARD OF INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONVENED.
 4 CVL RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE STRUCTURAL DAMAGE. BELIEVE CABOT
 (CVL28) COMPENS (CVL25) AND SAN JACINTO (CVL30) CAN BE REPAIRED
 AT ULITHI BY

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CANABALIZING MONTEREY (CVL26) WHICH WAS MORE SEVERELY
 DAMAGED BY HANGAR FIRE DURING HEIGHT OF STORM AND WHICH WILL
 RETURN TO PEARL OR WEST COAST FOR REPAIRS.
 4 CVE DAMAGED. NENENTA BAY (CVE74) REPORTS DECK LIFTED SLIGHTLY
 BUT IS CONTINUING TO OPERATE AS ESCORT CARRIER. ALTAMAH (CVE18)
 HAD DECK SWEEP CLEAR OF PLANES AND LOST SEVERAL AUTOMATIC
 WEAPONS AS DID CAPE ESPERANCE (CVE88). SOMEWHAT LESS DAMAGE
 TO KWAJALEIN (CVE98). BELIEVE ALL THESE 3 TRANSPORT CVE'S
 CAN BE MADE OPERATIVE IN TIME FOR NEXT OPERATION.
 7 DD AND 4 DE SUFFERED CONSIDERABLE HULL DAMAGE. ESTIMATE
 PERHAPS HALF OF THESE CAN BE MADE READY FOR SERVICE AT ULITHI.
 FLEET OILERS AT SEA SUFFERED SOME DAMAGE BUT CAN BE MADE READY
 TO CARRY OUT THEIR TASKS.

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EXTENSIVE RADAR AND RADIO DAMAGE SUSTAINED BY SHIPS MENTIONED
AND MANY OTHERS. PROVISIONS ARE UNDERWAY TO EFFECT ESSENTIAL
REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS AT ULITHI.

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RELEASED BY	DEC 1944	FOR ACTION	SBNO AZORES FOGMA	PPPPP PRIORITY
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CTG 27.4 SENDS ACTION SBNO AZORES PASS ALL ADDRES
ACTION FOGMA INFO COMINCH CINCLANT COM 10TH FLT C&R
COMDESLANT ADMTY COMNAVZOR COMNAVEU.

400 mi NE AZORES

LST 359 TORPEDOED AT 1136Z/20 POSIT 42-04N 19-08W.

FOGG TORPEDOED AT 1151Z WHILE PROCEEDING TO ATTACK.

LEE FOX UNTIL 1648 AND IRA JEFFERY UNTIL 2035

ASSISTED BY PLANES FROM AZORES CONDUCTED SEARCH.

RESULTS NEGATIVE THEN RELIEVED BY CTG 27.5

LST 359 2 ENLISTED MISSING 98 ENLISTED INCLUDING

4 INJURED AND 7 OFFICERS SURVIVED. FOGG REPORTED

14 MISSING 4 INJURED ALL ENLISTED. SURVIVORS OF

LST 359 AND 65 ENLISTED FROM FOGG INCLUDING ALL

INJURED NOW IN MATTOLE. FOGG NOW BEING TOWED BY

CHINABERRY AND LT 643 LCI'S 419 AND 542 SALVONIA

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WHO JOINED 22ND FROM AZORES IN COMPANY IN CASE RESCUE
NEEDED. IRA JEFFERY ESCORTING GROUP TO HORTA. LST 359
BROKE IN 2 AT 1752Z AND BELIEVED SUNK. CTG 27.4
IN LEE FOX WITH CONVOY. ESTIMATE CROSS 30-00W AT
1600Z/23?

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KING TO NIMITZ AND HALSEY EYES ONLY.

WHEN CONVENIENT AND NOT TO INTERFERE WITH MAJOR CURRENT OPERATIONS

I NEED TO KNOW THE CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH CAUSED OPERATING UNITS

OF 3RD FLEET TO ENCOUNTER TYPHOON WHICH RESULTED IN THE LOSS

AND CRIPPLING OF SO MANY COMBATANT SHIPS.

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DECODED BY MCCLELLAN		COM10THFLT CESF	
TYPED BY C GREEN/THOMSON		COMCORTDIV 12	PRIORITY
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SUPPLEMENTING MY211145Z ACOUSTIC TORPEDO STRUCK FROM STARBOARD SIDE IN PROPELLERS APPROXIMATELY FRAME 165. ALL COMPARTMENTS AFT OF FRAME 113 RUPTURED AND FLOODED. BULKHEAD FRAME 113 HOLDING. NO FURTHER SETTLING AND RIDING WELL BUT MAIN DECK CRACKING AT FRAME 125 WITH SECTIONS AFT OF THIS POINT WORKING. STERN SECTION MAY BREAK AWAY. REMOVING ALL BUT SKELETON CREW TO STAND BY SHIPS. CONSIDERED THAT THERE IS A FAIR CHANCE OF STERN SECTION BREAKING CLEAN IF IT GOES. ALL POSSIBLE DAMAGE CONTROL EFFORTS HAVE BEEN EXERTED. JETTISON BILL HAS BEEN EXECUTED AFT INCLUDING REMOVAL OF ALL ORDNANCE AFT FRAME 113. UPON ARRIVAL HORTA WILL BE NECESSARY DRYDOCK AND CUT AWAY OR REPAIR STERN SECTION BEFORE

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PROCEEDING FARTHER. CONSIDERED NECESSARY REPLACE HULL ORDNANCE
AND FITTINGS AFT FRAME 113 BEFORE SHIP CAN BE PUT BACK IN
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TOR CODEROOM 0522			DEFERRED
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USS ST LOUIS DEPARTED PEARL FOR SAN PEDRO
20TH DEC. PASSENGERS NAVY CASUALS 8 OFFICERS
75 ENLISTED.

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REFER COM 3RD FLT 190715 AND COMDESRON 1 191100. HAS
MONAGHAN BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR.

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(COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION CINCPAC WHO PASSES INFO CONDESPAC CONSERVPAC INFO COMINCH ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT ALL TGC'S 3RD FLT.)

PRELIMINARY REPORTS INDICATE HULL DD 350 ROLLED OVER AND SANK IN APPROXIMATE POSITION 14-55 N 127-55 E ON 18 DECEMBER.

5 OFFICERS INCLUDING COMMANDING OFFICER AND 36 MEN RESCUED BY TABBERER (DE 418) ALSO 13 MEN RESCUED BY ROBERT F KELLER (DE 419).

SPENCE (DD 512) ROLLED OVER AND SANK IN APPROXIMATE POSITION 14-42 N 127-48 E ON 18 DECEMBER. TOTAL SPENCE SURVIVORS 24

INCLUDING 1 SUPPLY OFFICER RESCUED BY TABBERER (DE 418) SWEARER (DE 186) BATLING (DD 671). MONAGHAN (DD 354) ALSO APPARENTLY LOST AS 6 SURVIVORS RESCUED SO FAR NO DETAILS YET.

SEARCHES INSTITUTED COMMENCING 0700/1 19TH BY 3RD FLEET CARRIER PLANES AND VESSELS BETWEEN LIMITING TRUE BEARINGS 320 AND 355

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DISTANCES OF 20 MILES FROM POINT OF ORIGIN 12-00 N 129-00E
 CONDUCTED 0 EAL1 MOBFUTO * AFTERNOON SEARCH 320 TO 040 DISTANCE
 240 MILES. ADDITIONAL SEARCH 270 TO 320 DISTANCE 50 MILES MADE
 IN LATE AFTERNOON 19TH. COMMENCING DAWN 20TH 3RD FLEET CARRIER
 PLANES CONDUCTED MORNING 360 DEGREE SEARCH 250 MILES FROM POINT
 OF ORIGIN 16-00 N 128-00 E RESULTS NEGATIVE. ADDITIONAL SEARCHES
 FROM 2 CVE GROUPS OF TG 30.8 AND SPECIAL SEARCHES BY LAND BASED
 AIR FROM PALAU AND LEYTE FIELDS OVER STORM AREA MADE ON 20TH.
 SURFACE SHIPS MAINTAINED SEARCH IN VICINITY REPORTED SIGHTINGS.
 21 DECEMBER TG 30.7 AND SPECIAL CVE GROUP OF RUDYERD BAY AND
 NEMENTA BAY 4 ESCORTS MAKING SEARCH IN RECTANGULAR AREA
 ARUNDEL BY RHUMBLINE THRU FOLLOWING POINTS 16-50 N 128-11 E
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TASK FORCE 38 ALSO CONTINUING SEARCH IN THIS AREA. FRAGMENTARY
REPORTS INDICATE ADDITIONAL SURVIVORS ARE BEING PICKED UP TODAY.
SEARCH OPERATIONS BY TF 38 WERE CONCURRENT WITH MOVEMENTS
REQUIRED BY STRATEGIC COMMITMENTS.

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DATE 21 DEC 44			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 2353			DEFERRED
DECODED BY HAMILTON/SANDBERG		COMSERVPAC COMINCH	PPPP
TYPED BY DIEBEL/SANDBERG		COMAIRPAC	PRIORITY
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COMSERVPAC COMAIRPAC COMDESPAC. INFO COMINCH ALL
TASKFORCE AND TASKGROUP COMDRS 3RD FLT.)

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF STORM DAMAGE 18 TO 21 DECEMBER.
AYLW IN DD355 LEAK IN ENGINE ROOM DAMAGE TO MAIN CIRCULATING AND FIRE AND BILGE PUMP (ENDANGERING STABILITY) ALSO ELECTRICAL DAMAGE. BUCHANAN DD484 FORWARDED MAIN SWITCH BOARD AND GYRO COMPASS OUT. CABOT CVL25* SK RADAR AND YE OUT OF COMMISSION. COMPENS CVL21* SC ANTENNA LOST SK OUT OF COMMISSION AND ANTENNA BENT SOME DAMAGE RESULT OF ELECTRICAL FIRES MUCH LOSS OF OP SIDE GEAR AND ORDNANCE MATERIAL, STRUCTURAL DAMAGE TO STACKS AND HANGAR DECK BULKHEADS. DEWEY DD349 EVAPS OUT OF COMMISSION. MANY ELECTRICAL CASUALTIES, SOME STRUCTURAL DAMAGE INCLUDING SEVERE DAMAGE NUMBER :

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STACK RESULT OF 72 DEGREE ROLLS. DYSON DD572 MUCH ELECTRICAL DAMAGE RESULT OF FLOODING FORWARD ENGINE ROOM FORWARD DISTRIBUTION BOARD AND AUXILIARIES BURNED OUT. HICKOX DD673 SUFFERED SEVERE STRUCTURAL AND ELECTRICAL DAMAGE, STEERING MOTOR OUT, NUMBER 2 MAIN SWITCH BOARD AND EMERGENCY DIESEL OUT, SC ANTENNA LOST, FD DAMAGED, 1 BOAT AND FORWARD DAVIT LOST, HOLES IN MAIN DECK WHEPE STANCHIONS PUFFED OUT, FLOODING IN CARPENTER SHOP AND CLIP ROOM, 1 BOILER SALTED, DAMAGE TO RADIO AND ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT. MONTEREY CVL26 EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO HANGAR DECK DUE FIRES, RADIO TRANSMITTERS ANTENNAE VENTILATION TRUNKS DAMAGED. POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO ARRESTING GEAR, OTHER STRUCTURAL AND ORDNANCE EQUIPMENT BADLY DAMAGED.

NANTAHALA AO60 FORWARD K POST DAMAGED AND 100 FEET MAIN DECK LIFE LINE CARRIED AWAY. MELVIN R NAWMAN DE416 LOST RADIO ANTENNAE AND MAST WITH ALL EQUIPMENT ATTACHED. NEHENTA BAY CVE74 LIFTED FLIGHT DECK SLIGHTLY CRACKED STARBOARD SIDE PLATING, SOME ORDNANCE MATERIAL DAMAGED. SAN JACINTO CVL 31 DAMAGED AFTER ELEVATOR 2 BOILERS AND EVAPORATORS TEMPORARILY OUT. TABBERER DE418 LOST MAST AND ALL RADARS RADIOS OUT EXCEPT EMERGENCY OTHER MINOR DAMAGE. JICARILLA ATF104 OPERATING ON 1 ENGINE. CAPE ESPERANCE CVE 68 SUSTAINED DAMAGE BEYOND REPAIR AIRCRAFT CARGO ROOM 3 ANTENNAE MISCELLANEOUS ORDNANCE EQUIPMENT MUCH TOPSIDE GEAR LOST AND OTHER MINOR STRUCTURAL DAMAGE. ALTAMAHA CVE 18 AIRCRAFT CARGO ROOM LOST SK AND YG ANTENNAE DAMAGED MISCELLANEOUS GEAR LOST

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AND OTHER MINOR DAMAGE. MANY PLANES LOST FROM
OVE AND CVL DUE ELECTRICAL FIRES AND OVER THE SIDE.
OTHER DAMAGE UNREPORTED REPAIRABLE BY SHIPS FORCE.
REPORT OF LOST OR MISSING SHIPS BY SEPARATE DISPATCH.

*CABOT LISTED AS CVL 28.....COMPENS AS CVL 25.

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COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION CINCPAC INFO CTG 30.9 CTF 38.

MY 202235 INITIATES INVESTIGATION INTO CAUSES FOUNDERING HULL AND SPENCE AS PRELIMINARY MEASURE. REQUESTED IF PRACTICABLE THAT CINCPAC INITIATE ULTIMATE DESIRED ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES EMPLOYING PERSONNEL NOT ATTACHED TO TASKFORCE 38. PLEASE ADVISE.

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TOR CODEROM 0339			BASEGRAM
DECODED BY MC OORMAOK			OPOROPOP
PARAPHRASED BY LENIHAN	CHECKED BY MCKEEL	CINCPAC CTF 38	ROUTINE
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(ACTION TO CTG 30.9 INFO CINCPAC CTF 38 FROM COM 3RD FLEET.)

CONVENE INVESTIGATIONS TO INVESTIGATE CAUSES FOUNDERING HULL AND SPENCE. HOLD ALL SURVIVORS FOR INTERROGATION AND UNTIL INVESTIGATIONS ARE COMPLETED OR UNTIL OTHERWISE DIRECTED.

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FROM	USE ALTAMAHA (CVE 18)	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY	20 DECEMBER 1944	COMINCH CINCPAC COM 3RD FLEET CTG 30.8	PRIORITY
DATE	1720		ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM	ROBERTS		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	C STRONG <i>Johnson</i>	COMSERVPAC COMCARTRANSRONPAC COMSERON 10 COMAIRPAC	PRIORITY
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(ALTAMAHA (CVE 18) SENDS ACTION COMINCH CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT COMTASKGROUP 30.8 INFO COMSERVPAC COMCARTRANSRONPAC COMSERON 10 COMAIRPAC. RDO HONO PASS TO ALL ADEES)

DAMAGE AND LOSSES SUFFERED AS RESULT OF TYPHOON. ALL RADIO ANTENNAE GONE EXCEPT TBS AND 1 RECEIVING. 26 HELLCATS, 9 AVENGER 3'S, 9 HELLDIVERS 3 PLUS ALL AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT LOST OVERBOARD OR DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR. 1 40 MM DIRECTOR PLUS GUN MOUNT, 3 20 MM GUN MOUNTS PLUS 4 20 MM SIGHTS DESTROYED. 1 SLIGHTLY TWISTED LONGITUDINAL AT FRAME 32 STARBOARD 2ND PLATFORM SK AND MG ANTENNAE SYSTEMS DAMAGED AND IN NEED OF EXTENSIVE REPAIRS. 24 INCH SEARCH LIGHT DESTROYED. 14 LIFERAFTS 7 FLOATER NETS 2 RUBBER RAFTS LOST IN

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ADDITION TO ALL LIFE RAFT SUPPORTS AND LIFE NETTINGS FROM
FRAME 155 TO 162 STARBOARD. AIRCRAFT OUTRIGGER FRAME 07
STARBOARD DESTROYED. MANY ELECTRICAL SHORTS DUE TO SALT
WATER DAMAGE. CAN OPERATE AS CARRIER IN EMERGENCY. BOTH
AVIATION BOOMS DAMAGED, BELIEVE CAN MAKE EMERGENCY REPAIRS
TO PERMIT LOADING.

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(TABBERER (DE 418) SENDS ACTION CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT CTG 30.9 INFO
ATCOM ULITHI COMCORTDIV 72)

WITHOUT MAST AND WITH ADDITIONAL MINOR STORM DAMAGE TABBERER (DE 418)
PROCEEDING DIRECT ULITHI FROM NOON POSIT 20 DECEMBER 14-42 LONGITUDE
128-01 AT SOA 16.8. HAVE ABOARD 14 ENLISTED SURVIVORS OF SPENCE
(DD 512) PICKED UP IN AREA OF ABOVE POSIT. THESE IN ADDITION TO 41
HULL SURVIVORS LISTED IN COM 3RD FLEET 191357. HAVE NO RADAR LNRTPK*
IFF. ETA 200 22 DECEMBER. ALL TIMES ITEM.

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DATE 20 DECEMBER 1944					ROUTINE	
TOR CODEROOM 201153					DEFERRED	
DECODED BY SCHLICK		INFORMATION	COMDESPACREP FWD AREA	BASEGRAM	6	
PARAPHRASED BY MCNROE				CHECKED BY ROBERTS	PRIORITY	8
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(DEWEY SENDS ACTION TO COMSERVCON 10 INFO COMDESPACREP FWD AREA)

NUMBER 1 STACK HANGING OVER STARCARD SIDE. ADVISE MOORING SHIP PORT SIDE TO (5 GROUPS MISSING) OARD SIDE TO WITH CAMEL BETWEEN SHIPS. REQUEST TUG STANDBY IF AVAILABLE TO ASSIST IN MOORING SINCE STEERING BY SECONDARY CONTROL AND HAVE NO ENGINE ORDER TELEGRAPH. TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION VERY UNRELIABLE. ETA 1100K.

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TOR CODEROM			DEFERRED 5
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PARAPHRASED BY JOHNSON	CHECKED BY DORSEY		PRIORITY 9
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COMDESDIV 100 SENDS ACTION COM3RDFLT INFO CTF 38 CTG 38.3
RUDYARD BAY TABBERER.

AT 1200/1 COGSWELL KNAPP DEPARTING SEARCH AREA LATITUDE 15-06N
127-46E COURSE 295 SPEED OF ADVANCE 18 DIRECT FOR ESTIMATED
STRIKE AREA OFF LUZON TO ARRIVE 0600/1 21 DECEMBER.

FOLLOWING SCATTERED SURVIVORS OF HULL DO 350 RESCUED VICINITY OF
POINTS WHERE CRIES HEARD BY TF 38 LAST NIGHT LIEUT JG LLOYD
GATES BOWTFMR YBG*USNR, ALBERT TAYLOR FIRECONTROLMAN 1ST USN,
GORDON KENNETH DERTHICK SEAMAN 2ND USNR AND BODY WITH IDENTIFI-
CATION TAG GEORGE WASHINGTON NORTHEY 964-06-543 BY KNAPP, COGSWELL
HAS THOMAS A STEELY FIREMAN 2ND ON BOARD, KNAPP DESIRES TRANSFER
1 PATIENT WITH POSSIBLE INTERNAL INJURIES TO SHIP WITH GOOD HOS-
PITAL FACILITIES ON JOINING. RUDYARD BAY OPERATING IN AREA

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ASSISTED OUR SEARCH WITH PLANES AND HAS SURVIVORS FROM SPENCE
 DD 512. TABBERER STILL RESCUING SURVIVORS IN NEARBY AREA THIS
 MORNING. WEATHER CLEAR LIGHT WINDS HEAVY SWELLS STILL PERSISTING.

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CHECKED BY	JOHNSON	ALL TFC TGC 3RD FLT	PRIORITY 7
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NO NO INTERCEPT

COMTASKUNIT 30.8.18 SPEAKS. ACTION COM 3RD FLT
INFO CTF 94 ATCOM ULITHI ALL TF TG COMS 3RD FLT.

COM 3RD FLT 190542. ETA 0700 1 22 DECEMBER. SOA
WBCMAT*KNOTS. NO CHANGES IN CONDITIONS. AT 191110Z
WHILE IN LAT 12-55-30 NORTH LONG 129-15 EAST HEARD
WATERMAN (DE 740) CALLING CTG 30.8 AND ANY SHIP
ON TBS. UNABLE TO MAKE ANY CONTACT.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM CTF 77		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		COMINCH	PRIORITY
DATE 21 DEC 1944			ROUTINE
DATE 210434			DEFERRED
FOR CODEROOM			
STILES			
DECODED BY		COM 7TH FLT	PRIORITY
TYPED MCKEEL/LENIHAN			ROUTINE
BY			DEFERRED
ROUTED BY			
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
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CTF 77 SENDS ACTION COMINCH INFO COM 7TH FLT.

REID DD 369 SUNK 11 DECEMBER. LST 472 AND 738 SUNK
14 DECEMBER. RESULT ENEMY ACTION PHILIPPINES. MAY
BE ANNOUNCED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTM.

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM COMAAF SWPA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY
DATE 20 DECEMBER 1944		COMAF FIVE	URGENT
TOR CODEROOM 2105/19		COMAF 13, COMAIR 7TH FLT	ROUTINE
DECODED STEEN		FOR INFORMATION	DEFERRED
TYPED BY STEEN/STEVENS		CINCSWPA	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY		COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES	URGENT
		COM THIRD FLEET	ROUTINE
			DEFERRED
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HONO INTERCEPT

ACTION TO COMAF FIVE, COMAF 13, COMAIR SEVENTH FLEET, COM SEVENTH FLT PASS TO ALL NAVAL ADDRESSEES, INFO CINCSWPA, COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES, COM THIRD FLEET, FROM COMAAF SWPA. AX 96077.

PASSING ON TO YOU FOR NECESSARY ACTION IS MESSAGE FROM FITCOM FIVE. REQUEST ALL AIR COMMANDS KEEP SHARP LOOKOUT FOR DAMAGED SUBMARINE BAREAL *UNABLE TO SUBMERGE AND ANCHORED POSITION UNKNOWN. ASSUMED TO BE WORKING WAY BACK FROM SOUTH CHINA SEA. BRIEF ALL AIRCREWS ON THIS.

*AS RECEIVED

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DRAFTER	EXT.	ADDRESSEES		PRECEDENCE
FROM	RUDYERD BAY (CVE 81)	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		OPOPOPOP 1
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	COM 3RD FLEET	PRIORITY 2
DATE	20 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROM	0245			DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY	MC CORMACK			BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY	LENIHAN	INFORMATION	CINCPAC	OPOPOPOP 6
CHECKED BY	MC KEEL			PRIORITY 7
BY	LENIHAN			ROUTINE 8
ROUTED BY				DEFERRED 9
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191943 NCR 8912				IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW 11
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HONO INTERCEPT

(RUDYERD BAY (CVE 81) SENDS ACTION COM 3RD FLEET INFO CINCPAC)

AT 0030/1 IN POSITION 14-22 N 128-09 E SWEARER (DE 186)

PICKED UP 5 SURVIVORS OF ^{2100 tons} SPENCE (DD 512). STATEMENTS

INDICATE SPENCE CAPSIZED SUDDENLY AND BELIEVE FEW PERSONNEL SURVIVED.

(Spence = 2100 tons)

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FROM COM 3RD FLT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION CINCPAC	2 PRIORITY 3 ROUTINE 4 DEFERRED 5 BASEGRAM
DATE 20 DEC 1944			6
TOR CODE 8743/20			7
DECODED ELY			8
PARAPHRASED BY ELY	CHECKED BY WCKEEL	CTG 30.8	9 PRIORITY 10 ROUTINE 11 DEFERRED 12 BASEGRAM
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY ELY	CTF 38	13
		CTG 30.9	14
		AICOM ULITHI	15
		USS TABBERER	16
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			17 IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW ☐
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PASSED BY RDO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 200352.

(ACTION CINCPAC FROM COM 3RD FLT. INFO CTG 30.8 CTF 38
CTG 30.9 AICOM ULITHI TABBERER)

DD
TABBERER LOADED ADDITIONAL SURVIVORS OF HULL VICINITY
14-57 N 127-58 E. RESCUED 5 OFFICERS INCLUDING COMMANDING
OFFICER AND 36 MEN. CONTINUING SEARCH UNTIL RELIEVED ON
STATION BY CVE IN XGGSPCHVXDMP* TASKGROUP 30.8. TABBERER
THEN PROCEEDING ULITHI TO ARRIVE DURING DAYLIGHT** 2
DECEMBER.

*AS RECEIVED. WILL SERVICE IF NECESSARY.

**GROUP MISSING.

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DRAFTER	EXT.	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM CTG 38.5		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP OP OP OP
RELEASED BY		CTU 38.5.1	PRIORITY
DATE 19 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM			DEFERRED
			BASEGRAM
DECODED BY RIEHL		COM 3RD FLT	OP OP OP OP
PARAPHRASED BY SJOSTEN	CHECKED BY BENNETT	ALL TFC'S & TGC'S	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY	3RD FLEET	ROUTINE
		CINCPAC	DEFERRED
		CTF 77	BASEGRAM
		CTF 73	
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RDO HONOLULU FOX INTERCEPT

(CTG 38.5 SENDS ACTION CTU 38.5.1. RADIO HONO PASS FOLLOWING INFO ADEES COM 3RD FLEET ALL TASKFORCOMS AND ALL TASKGROUPCOMS 3RD FLEET CINCPAC CTF 77 AND CTF 73.)

2 DD 2 DE 3RD FLEET UNACCOUNTED FOR. ALERT ALL V 448 SEARCHES.

COM 3RD FLEET 190715. NOON POSITIONS 17 DECEMBER 14-49 NORTH

129-56 EAST; 18 DEC(2 GRPS MISSING) -15 NORTH 127-30 EAST;

19 DEC 12 -39 NORTH 128-36 EAST. SEND 2 ADDITIONAL SEARCHERS

111 V 448 AND 103 V 448 EARLIEST PRACTICABLE. REPORT BY URGENT

DISPATCH TO 3RD FLEET ANY CONTACT.

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FROM COMDESRON 1		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP OP OP 1
RELEASED BY <i>[Signature]</i>		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY 2
DATE 19 DEC 1944		COM 3RD FLEET	ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROOH 1951		CTG 30.9	DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY FRUIN		COMSERVPAC	BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY SOWERS	CHECKED BY WOODWARD	COMINCH	
ROUTED BY SOWERS	DITTOED BY SOWERS	FOR INFORMATION	OP OP OP 6
		CTG 30.8 CINCPAC	PRIORITY 9
		COMDESPACREP FWD AREA	ROUTINE 10
		COMDESPAC	DEFERRED 12
		COMSERVRON 10	BASEGRAM 13
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COMDESRON 1 SENDS ACTION COM 3RD FLEET COMTASKGROUP
30.9 COMSERVPAC INFO COMTASKGROUP 30.8 CINCPAC
COMDESPACREP FWD AREA COMDESPAC

INTEND ARRIVE ULITHI IN DEWEY AT 1630/21 DECEMBER
ACCORDANCE COM 3RD FLEET'S 190345. SONAR GEAR FULLY
OPERATIVE. REQUIRE NUMBER 1 STACK COMPLETE WITH WHISTLE
AND SIREN. SHIP EFFECTIVE ANTI SUBMARINE SCREEN RETURNING
XCOIR* UNIT EK* FOR REASONABLE PERIOD SAME EMPLOYMENT
IN OPERATING AREA. MONAGHAN LAST HEARD AT ABOUT 0945
YESTERDAY REPORTING DEPTH NXY* RETURN FROM COURSE LNET*
30 TO SOUTHWARD. SINCE DEWEY ROLLED MORE THAN 72 DEGREES
TO STARBOARD ON SAME HEADING WHILE HEAVILY BALLASTED TO
PORT FEAR MONAGHAN MAY HAVE CAPSIZED.

*AS RECEIVED GARBLED GROUPS BEING SERVICED
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FROM	USS TABBERER DD	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY	<i>[Signature]</i>	COM THIRD FLEET	PRIORITY OP 2
DATE	19 DECEMBER 1944		ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROM	1457/19		DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY			BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY	STEVEN/STEVEN	CINCPAC	6
CHECKED BY		CONDESPAC	7
ROUTED BY		CTG 30.9	PRIORITY OP 8
		CTG 30.3	ROUTINE 9
			DEFERRED 10
			BASEGRAM 11
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HONO INTERCEPT

TABBERER (DEX418) SENDS FOR ACTION COM THIRD FLEET
AND INFO CINCPAC, CONDESPAC, CTG 30.9, CTG 30.3

PROCEEDING ACCORDANCE COM THIRD FLEET 190342 DIRECT
TO ULITHI DAWN 20 DECEMBER. CONTINUING TO FIND
HULL (DD 350) SURVIVORS IN GENERAL AREA CORRECTED
POSIT 14-57N 127-58E. HAVE RECOVERED FIVE OFFICERS
INCLUDING COMMANDING OFFICER AND 35 MEN. ETA
ULITHI 09001/22 DECEMBER. HAVE NO RADAR AND NO
IFF.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM USS MELVIN R NAWMAN (DE 416)		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY
DATE 21 DECEMBER 1944		COMINCH CINCPAC CTG 30.7	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0434			DEFERRED
DECODED BY ELY		FOR INFORMATION	PRIORITY
TYPED BY LENIHAN/MCKEEL		COMSERVPAC COMSERVRON 10 COMDESPAC	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY TELSHOW			DEFERRED
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(RDO HONOLULU PASS TO COMINCH CINCPAC AND CTG 30.7
FOR ACTION INFO COMSERVPAC COMSERVRON 10 AND COMDESPAC.
MELVIN R NAWMAN (DE 416) ORIGINATES.)

DISMASTED BY STORM RESULTING IN LOSS OF ALL MAST
ALSO ATTACHED EQUIPMENT STANDARD FOR A DESTROYER
ESCORT.

COMINCH PASSED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION
TOR NCR 0541/22

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM CTF 77		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY			2
DATE 19 DECEMBER 1944		CINCPAC	3
TOR CODEROOM 2917			4
DECODED BY ROBERTS			5
TYPED BY ROBERTS HONROE			6
ROUTED BY PARMENTER ROBERTS		USS NASHVILLE COMWESTSEAFRON COMCRUPAC, CMB MANUS COMSERVPAC, COMINCH COM 7TH FLEET COMSWPA, COMCRUDIV 15	7
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			8
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(CTF 77 SENDS ACTION TO CINCPAC INFO TO COMWESTSEAFRON
COMCRUPAC COMSERVPAC COM 7TH FLEET COMSWPA COMCRUDIV
15 CMB MANUS NASHVILLE COMINCH)

BATTLE DAMAGE NASHVILLE NOW ENROUTE LEYTE TO MANUS.

REQUEST AUTHORITY TO RETURN HER TO WEST COAST NAVY
YARD FOR REPAIRS AND ROUTINE OVERHAUL.

COMMUNIC. PASSED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION
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23...BUSHIPS...INFO
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...NAVAIDE...2PM...19...

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DRAFTER	EXT.	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM USS MASCOMA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		COM 3RD FLEET	PRIORITY 2
DATE 19 DEC 1944			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROM 1224			DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY DIEBEL			BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY DIEBEL	CHECKED BY NOWLAND		
ROUTED BY DIEBEL	DITTED BY DIEBEL	ALL TFC & TGC 3RD FLT CTU 36.8.6 COMDESRON 1	OP PRIORITY
			PRIORITY 10
			ROUTINE 11
			DEFERRED 12
			BASEGRAM 13
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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

ACTION COM 3RD FLEET INFO ALL TASK FORCOMS TASKGROUPCOMS 3RD FLEET CTU 36.8.6 COMDESRON 1. FROM MASCOMA A083.

YOUR 190435 NEGATIVE.

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FROM COM 3RD FLT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP. PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		CTG 38.5	ROUTINE
DATE 19 DEC 1944			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROM 1827			BASEGRAM
DECODED BY DIEBEL		ALL TFC & TGC 3RDFLT CINCPAC CTF 77 CTF 73	OP. PRIORITY
PARAPHRASED BY DIEBEL	CHECKED BY ROWLAND		ROUTINE
ROUTED BY DIEBEL	DITTOED BY DIEBEL		DEFERRED
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			BASEGRAM
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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION CTG 38.5 INFO ALL TASKFORCOMS TASK-GROUPCOMS 3RD FLEET CINCPAC CTF 77 CTF 73.

STILL HAVE SPENCE (DD512) MONAGHAN (DD354) WATERMAN (DE748) AND MELVIN R NAWMAN (DE416) UNACCOUNTED FOR. ALERT YOUR V448 SEARCHERS. EARLIEST INFORMATION DESIRED. MYNCON* POSITIONS WERE 17TH 14-40N 129-50E, 18TH 14-15N 127-30E, 19TH 12-30N 128-30E.

*GARBLED GROUP
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DRAFTER	EXT.	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	COM 3RD FLEET (Halsey)	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		USS MASCOMA	PRIORITY
DATE	19 DECEMBER 1944	A0 83	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROM	8854		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	DIEBEL		BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED	DIEBEL	ALL TFC & TQC 3RD FLY	OP PRIORITY
CHECKED BY	BY HOLLAND	CTU 38.8.6	PRIORITY
DITTED BY	BY DIEBEL	COMDESROM 1	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED
			BASEGRAM

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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION MASCOMA INFO ALL TASKFORCOMS TASK-GROUPCOMS 3RD FLEET CTU 38.8.6 COMDESROM 1.

DO YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION PRESENT POSITION, CONDITION OR LAST KNOWN POSITION OF SPENCE (DD512), MONAGHAN (DD354) OR WATERMAN (DE748).

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DRAFTER	EXT.	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM COM 3RD FLT	<i>Halsey</i>	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		CINCPAC	PRIORITY OPPOPOP
DATE 19 DEC 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM			DEFERRED
			BASEGRAM
DECODED BY MCDUGALL		CINCSOWESPAC CTF 77 CTG 30.9 CTF 38	ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY MCDUGALL	CHECKED BY DORSEY		DEFERRED
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY		BASEGRAM
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COM 3RD FLT SENDS TOP SECRET ACTION CINCPAC. INFO CINCSOWESPAC CTF 77 CTG 30.9. CTF 38 HAS INFO BY OTHER MEANS.

TYPHOON CENTER PASSED 30 MILES NORTH OF FLEET GUIDE MIDDAY

18TH. TRACKED BY SM RADAR. GUSTS TO 93 KNOTS FLEET TOOK

BEATING. TABBERER (DE 418) ^{reported} HULL (DD 350) CAPSIZED

WITH LITTLE WARNING AT 10301 ONLY 10 ENLISTED SURVIVORS AT

TIME OF REPORT. SEVERAL OTHER STRAGGLERS STILL UNREPORTED.

MATACO TOWING DISABLED JICARILLA TO ULITHI. MONTEREY COMPENS

SAN JACINTO BEING SENT IN TO ULITHI FOR SURVEY OF DAMAGE AND

REPAIRS. ESTIMATE NOW MONTEREY WILL BE SENT PEARL RESULT OF

JIKVOIX* HANGER DECK FIRE WHICH BROKE OUT DURING HEAVY ROLLING.

DD's + DE'S DYSON LAWS BENHAM HICKOX AYLUIN TABBERER WITH ASSORTED DERANGE-

MENTS WILL ESCORT CRIPPLES. FUELING NOW PROCEEDING IN CALM WEATHER

No. 1 ADMIRAL.

No. 2 FILE.

No. 3F-1 IN CONTROL ROOM

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LAT 12-00 LONG 129-00. STRIKE INTENTIONS AND MOVEMENTS OF CRIPPLES IN SEPARATE DESPATCHES.

• AS RECEIVED

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM COM 3RD FLT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	000000000
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY
DATE 19 DEC 1944		MONAGHAN WATERMAN	ROUTINE
TOR CODER 00036		MELVIN R NAWMAN	DEFERRED
DECODED BY MC CORMACK		NEHENTA BAY	
TYPED BY MC CORMACK/ <i>Rev. H. H. H.</i>		FOR INFORMATION	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY			ROUTINE
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(ACTION MONAGHAN WATERMAN M R NAWMAN NEHENTA BAY
FROM COM 3RD FLT)REPORT YOUR POSITION AND PRESENT CONDITION BY RDO
IMMEDIATELY

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NAVY MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

ORIGINATOR	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM USS LIDDLE		COMINCH CTF 78	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		CINCPAC	ROUTINE
DATE 22 DECEMBER 1944		COM 7THFLT	DEFERRED
TOR CODEROM 0139/22		CTF 78	DEFERRED
DECODED BY C GREEN		COMSERFORPACFLT	PRIORITY
TYPED BY C GREEN		COMSERFOR 7THFLT	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY		ADCOMPHIBSPAC	DEFERRED
		COMSERVPAC	DEFERRED
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FROM USS LIDDLE (APD 60) ACTION TO COMINCH US FLEET
COMINCH PACFLT COM 7TH FLEET COMTASKFORCE 78 INFO TO
COMSERFORPACFLT COMSERFOR 7TH FLEET ADCOMPHIBSPAC.

DAMAGE FROM JAP CRASH PLANE 7 DECEMBER CONSISTS OF
TOTAL DEMOLITION FLYING BRIDGE. CIC . RADIO CENTRAL.
PORT SIDE OF SIGNAL BRIDGE AND FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT
WITH WIRING AND FITTINGS. ALL RADAR INCLUDING SA.
SL. BK. BL. BN. RADIO INCLUDING TRANSMITTERS TBL.
TBS. TDE. TDQ. VHF. RECEIVERS RAO. RBA. RBB. RBC.
RBL. TBS. VHF. ALL A 3 S C R 6 10. 1 SCR 508. 1 DEAD
RECKONING TRACER AND 1 PLOTTER. 1 FATHOMETER 1
24 INCH AND 2 12 INCH SIGNAL SEARCHLIGHTS 2 PITLOGS
AND 2 GYROS REPEATERS. BRIDGE PELORUS. 4 VENT FANS
AND MOTORS. DEGAUSSING CONTROLS ENTIRE FIRE CONTROL

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CENTRAL STATION INCLUDING MARK 51 DIRECTOR WITH MARK 15
SIGHT. MARK 51 STEREO RANGEFINDER. REMOTE DEPTH CHARGE
RELEASE 1 20MM GUN AND MOUNT 1 LCVP, MAST, FITTINGS AND
EQUIPMENT SEVERELY DAMAGED. SONAR RECEIVER INOPERATIVE.
STACK AND UPTAKE REQUIRE EXTENSIVE REPAIRS.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

EXTENSION NUMBER		ADDRESSEES		PRECEDENCE
CINCPAC		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		
COM		COMNAVBASE MANUS		
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION		ROUTINE
DATE	19 DEC 1944			DEFERRED
FOR CODEROOM	0225			
DECODED BY	D SMITH			
TYPED BY	D SMITH/walp	INFORMATION	USS CANBERRA COMSERVPAC; COMSOPAC COMCRUPAC; COMPASEAFRON COMINCH; COM 3RD FLT COMSERVRON 10 REP MANUS	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY	PARMENTER			ROUTINE
				DEFERRED
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE				
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(CINCPAC SENDS ACTION TO COMNAVBASE MANUS INFO TO
CANBERRA COMSERVPAC COMCRUPAC COMINCH COMSERVRON 10
REP MANUS COM 3RD FLT COMPASEAFRON COMSOPAC)

CUTE CANBERRA (CA 70) VIA PEARL. MODIFY MY 142052.
COMSERVRON 10 REP MANUS 160915 REFERS.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

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DRFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM USS BAYFIELD		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		COMINCH	PRIORITY
DATE 19 DEC 1944		CINCPAC	RRRRRR
TOR CODEROOM 0203		COMPHIBSPAC	DEFERRED
DECODED BY ZIMMERMAN		ADCOMPHIBSPAC	
TYPED BY D SMITH		COMSERVPAC	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY		COMTRANSRON 15	RRRRRR
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			DEFERRED
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(FROM USS BAYFIELD (APA 33). WASHINGTON RADIO PASS TO COMINCH FOR ACTION. ALSO ACTION TO CINCPAC COMPHIBSPAC ADCOMPHIBSPAC AND INFO TO COMSERVPAC COMTRANSRON 15 ALL OF WHOM HAVE BY HAND)

AT 0452Z 14 DECEMBER THIS VESSEL IN COLLISION WITH USS WHITESIDE (AKA 90) IN MAALAEA BAY MAUI TH. 4 FEET OF

STEM OF BAYFIELD ABOVE FIRST PLATFORM DECK CRUSHED AND FOLDED BACK TO A DEPTH OF 1 TO 3 FEET. SMALL HOLE

STARBOARD SIDE BETWEEN FRAMES 1 AND 2 JUST ABOVE 2ND PLATFORM DECK. PLATING IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF ABOVE

DISHED IN MODERATELY. ALL DAMAGE WELL ABOVE WATERLINE. NO PERSONNEL INJURED. NO MACHINERY DERANGEMENT.

ESTIMATE 2 DAYS NAVY YARD TO REPAIR. DRYDOCKING NOT REQUIRED.

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TOP SECRET DISPATCH

ORIGINATOR	EXT.	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	CINCPAC	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		SHIPS AND AUTHORITIES	PRIORITY 2
DATE	21 DEC 44	EASTERN APPROACHES	ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROM	2231/22	DEMAND 110N	DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY			BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY	THOMSEN	SHORE AUTHORITIES	PRIORITY 6
CHECKED BY		CONCERNED	ROUTINE 7
ROUTED BY	TELSHOW		DEFERRED 8
			BASEGRAM 9
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ON OUTGOING DISPATCHES PLEASE LEAVE ABOUT ONE INCH CLEAR SPACE BEFORE BEGINNING TEXT

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OBSERVATION BOY BUOYS ARE NOW BEING LAID AS WRECK MARKERS.
INFORMATION OF EACH BUOY'S POSITION RELATIVE TO THE WRECK WILL BE PROMULGATED BY SIGNAL. MY 141854 DECEMBER REFERS.

2. THE BUOY IS DESIGNED TO MAKE A SERIES OF
SHORT AUDIO TRANSMISSIONS AT HALF SECOND INTERVALS

FOR 30 SECONDS IN EVERY 4 MINUTES OF FREQUENCY "E".
DANGER TRANSMISSIONS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE UP TO 2 OR 3

MILES AFTER RETURNING THE AMPLIFIER TO RECEIVE THIS
FREQUENCY. BUOYS WILL BE LAID AS ACCURATELY AS

POSSIBLE IN POSITION 1805 MARCH DUE NORTH OF THE
WRECK.

3. UNLESS THE CIRCUMSTANCES DEMAND AN IMMEDIATE
COUNTER ATTACK THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE IS TO BE ADOPTED:

AFTER A CONTACT IN THE VICINITY OF A MARKED WRECK
HAS BEEN CLASSIFIED AS BOTTOMED A/S SHIPS IN

CONTACT ARE TO TUNE AMPLIFIERS TO RECEIVE "E" FRE-
QUENCY AND LISTEN FOR TRANSMISSIONS. IF THESE ARE

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TOR CODEROOM				ROUTINE
DECODED BY				DEFERRED
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HEARD THE POSITION OF THE BUOYS IS THEN TO BE FIXED AS ACCURATELY AS POSSIBLE RELATIVE TO THE CONTACT. IF THE CONTACT IS THEN FOUND TO BE WITHIN 2 CABLES OF THE REPORTED POSITION OF THE WRECK RELATIVE TO THE BUOY IT MAY BE ASSUMED THAT THE CONTACT IS IN FACT THE WRECK, OTHERWISE, OR IF NO TRANSMISSIONS ARE HEARD, THE CONTACT MUST BE DEALT WITH IN THE ORDINARY WAY.

4. IN AREAS WHERE 2 OR MORE WRECKS EXIST WITHIN 3 MILES OF EACH OTHER IT IS THE INTENTION ONLY TO MARK ONE OF THEM. NO CONFUSION SHOULD ARISE BECAUSE THE POSITION OF THE WRECK MARKER WILL BE GIVEN RELATIVE TO ONE OF THE WRECKS AND ITS POSITION RELATIVE TO THE OTHER CAN THEREFORE BE PLOTTED.

5. CODE WORD FOR THIS DEVICE IS WINNER
ORIGINAL NCR DISTRIBUTION:
28(1)...COG
COMINCH(12-9)...FX37(11)...20R(11),,,

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM USS HONOLULU		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		COM 5	ROUTINE
DATE 18 DEC 44			DEFERRED
FOR CODER ROOM 1951			
DECODED BY TURLEY		CESF	PRIORITY
TYPED BY WATKINS		NOB NORFOLK	ROUTINE
		NAVY YARD NORFOLK	DEFERRED
ROUTED BY MORRIS		CINCLANT	
		CONSERVLANT	
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(USS HONOLULU SENDS. PD NORFOLK PASS ACTION COM 5
INFO NOB NORFOLK NAVY YARD NORFOLK. HDO WASHINGTON
GIVE INFO CINCLANT AND CONSERVLANT. HDO NEW YORK
HAND INFO COMEASTSEAFRON)

ARRIVAL USS HONOLULU 201930Z BUOY 2 CB
MEDICAL OFFICER ABOARD NO COMMUNICABLE DISEASES.
HAVE 4 OFFICER 96 ENLISTED PASSENGERS ETC.
REQUEST OVERNIGHT PIER BERTH NOB IF PRACTICABLE

NOTE: RECEIVED FOR RELAY ROUTED FOR INFO

NCR HAS PASSED TO NAVCOM FOR TRANSMISSION
TO CINCLANT AND CONSERVLANT FOR INFO
UNDER SAME D/T

COMINCH...COG
FX37...19...19C...20M...BUPERS...CIN...NAVAIDE...
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TOP SECRET DISPATCH

DRAFTER	EXT.	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM TABBERER (DE 418)		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	000000000
RELEASED BY		CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT CTG 30.7	PRIORITY
DATE 18 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 2028			DEFERRED
DECODED BY MC CORMACK		COMSERFORPAC CONSERVPAC COMDESPAC COMSERVRON 10 COM QMOAWEN*	000000000
PARAPHRASED BY LENIHAN	CHECKED BY MCKEEL		PRIORITY
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY		ROUTINE
			DEFERRED
			BASEGRAM
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HONO INTERCEPT

(GIVE TO CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT AND CTG 30.7 FOR ACTION COMSERFORPAC COMDESPAC COM QMOAWEN* FOR INFO.)

GUARDING HONOLULU FOX. NOW ENGAGED IN PICKING UP SURVIVORS OF HULL (DD350) IN APPROXIMATE LATITUDE 13-32 N LONGITUDE 128-11 E BENHAM (DD796) ALSO IN VICINITY. HULL CAPSIZED WITH LITTLE WARNING AT ABOUT 1030/1. ONLY 2 LIFE RAFTS LAUNCHED AND NEITHER YET SIGHTED BY US. HAVE 10 ENLISTED SURVIVORS AND WILL REMAIN IN AREA SEARCHING UNTIL AFTER DAYLIGHT OR UNTIL OTHERWISE DIRECTED. AMPLIFYING REPORT OF OWN DAMAGE FOLLOWS. FOREMAST OF TABBERER (DE 418) CARRIED AWAY IN WIND OF GALE INTENSITY 1830/1. ALL OTHER DAMAGE MINOR. ABLE TO MAKE ANY SPEED UP TO 24 KNOTS PERMITTED BY SEA. ALL RADARS OUT AND ALL RADIOS EXCEPT EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT.

*AS RECEIVED

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FROM: CTF 71		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP OP OP 1
RELEASED BY: [Signature]		CTF 77	PRIORITY 2
DATE: 20 DEC 44			ROUTINE 3
			DEFERRED 4
			BASEGRAM 5
TOK CODEBOOK:			
DECODED BY: STEVENS		COM7THFLT	OP OP OP 6
PARAPHRASED JOHNSON	CHECK DORSEY		PRIORITY 7
BY:	BY:		ROUTINE 8
	DITTED		DEFERRED 9
ROUTED BY:	BY:		BASEGRAM 10
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HONO INTERCEPT 180459 NCR 8512			☐ 12

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(FROM CTF 71 ACTION CTF 77 INFO COM7THFLT.)

REENCIPHERED BY COM7THFLT AS 190531 TO 7TH FLT
COMAF 5 COMAF 13 AND COMEAF/COMAAF.

SS
AT 141302 BERGALL REPORTED THAT SHE WAS BADLY DAMAGED BY
C INCH SHELL FROM ESCORT IN ATTACK ON CA 2140/1 13TH IN.
POSIT 08-10 N 105-37 E AND WAS UNABLE TO DIVE OR STAND
HEAVY SEA. BERGALLS POSITION AT TIME OF TRANSMISSION WAS
GARBLED BUT WE BELIEVE TO BE IN VICINITY GREAT NATOENA.
ANGLER AND PADDLE WERE DIRECTED TO ASSIST BERGALL BUT NO
CONTACT WAS MADE WITH HER BY PADDLE NO WORD HAS BEEN RE-
CEIVED FROM ANGLER NOR FURTHER WORD FROM BERGALL SINCE HER
ORIGINAL REPORT. OUR ASSUMPTION IS THAT BERGALL WITH
ASSISTANCE AND ESCORT OF ANGLER ARE WORKING THEIR WAY BACK
TO SAFE HANDS. IT IS REQUESTED THAT ALL AIR COMMANDS BE
NOTIFIED OF THESE CIRCUMSTANCES AND DIRECTED TO KEEP SHARP
LOOKOUT. WILL KEEP YOU ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FROM <u>USS WHITESIDE</u>		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY
DATE <u>18 DECEMBER 1944</u>		COMINCH	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM <u>181234</u>		COMPHIBSPAC	ROUTINE DEFERRED
DECODED BY <u>GREENE</u>		CINCPAC	
TYPED BY <u>GREENE/12/18/44</u>		ADCOMPHIBSPAC	
ROUTED BY <u>VOSBURGH</u>		FOR INFORMATION	PRIORITY
		COMSERVPAC	ROUTINE
		COMTRANSRON 15	DEFERRED
		COMTRANSRON 16	
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NCR 7015			

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AT 0451Z 14 DEC 1944 THIS VESSEL IN COLLISION WITH USS BAYFIELD (APA33) IN MAALAEA BAY MAUI TH RECEIVED FOLLOWING DAMAGE. STARBOARD NOSE FRAME 51 WAS PENETRATED BY STEM OF BAYFIELD TO DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 6 FEET FROM BULWARKS TO SHIPS BOTTOM. WIDTH OF HOLE ABOUT 4 FEET. FORWARD HALF ONLY NUMBER 2 DEEP TANKS FLOODED. THESE TANKS WERE EMPTY. 847 BARRELS FUEL OIL LOST FROM PENETRATED TANK A 905 F FRAME 51. \$7000 PROVISIONS DAMAGED SECOND DECK FRAME 51. DEGAUSSING CABLES SEVERED FRAME 51. NO PERSONNEL INJURED. NO MACHINERY DERANGEMENT. NO SPREAD OF DAMAGE. ESTIMATE 7 DAYS NAVY YARD TO REPAIR. DRYDOCKING REQUIRED.

COMINCH HAS PASSED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION
FOR NCR 12/18/44
ADD JAG...OP05G...12...39...NAVAIDE...INFO(PER COMINCH)
33...BUSHIPS...INFO

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM COMPASEAFRON		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		COM FIVE	PRIORITY
DATE 17 DEC 44			ROUTINE
TOR CODER ROOM 1557			DEFERRED
DECODED BY SANDBERG		FAO NORFOLK	
TYPED BY SANDBERG		COMCARIBSEAFRON	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY MORRIS		COMGULFSEAFRON	ROUTINE
		COMEASTSEAFRON CINCLANT	DEFERRED
		HONOLULU (CL 48)	
		NOB GTMO COMINCH	
		COMDT NYD NORFOLK	
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(ACTION COM FIVE FROM COMPASEAFRON INFO COMCARIBSEAFRON
 COMGULFSEAFRON COMEASTSEAFRON HONOLULU CL 48
 NOB GTMO COMINCH CINCLANT COMDT NAVY YARD NORFOLK
 FAO NORFOLK.)

ADD TO MY 161948.

HONOLULU (CL 48) PROCEEDS BY FOLLOWING ROUTE.

- (D) 14-55 75-37.
- (E) 8 MILES EAST OF NAVASSA ISLAND
- (F) 20-02 73-33
- (G) 16 MILES WEST MATHEWTOWN LIGHT.
- (H) 11 MILES WEST MAYAGUANA ISLAND LIGHT.
- (J) 24-59 72-34.
- (K) 29-59 71-48.
- (L) 35-02 71-08
- (M) 36-32 71-34
- (N) 36-56 74-40

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FROM COMSUBLANT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION COMINCH CINCLANT	PRIORITY
DATE 17 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0314			DEFERRED
DECODED BY FRUIN		INFORMATION CNO BUSHIPS CESF COM 3 FAO NEW YORK FAO BOSTON COMDESLANT	DEFERRED
TYPED BY LYNN/			PRIORITY
ROUTED BY			ROUTINE
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			DEFERRED
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COMINCH ACTION CNO BUSHIPS CESF COM 3 INFO.*

MY DESPATCHES 161653 AND 161824** NO CASUALTY TO BASS.
LOSS OF CONTACT DUE BREAKDOWN BASS SONAR TRANSMITTER
RESULTING IN MUTUAL MISUNDERSTANDING BASS AND PARTICI-
PATING SURFACE UNTT.**

SCR HAS NOT DELIVERED TO CNO AND BUSHIPS.***REFERENCE IS TOPSEC.**

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COMSUBLANT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
FROM		CINCLANT	PPPPPPPPPP
RELEASED BY	16 DECEMBER 1944	COMINCH	PRIORITY
DATE	1925		ROUTINE
TON CODEBOOK	PERRY		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	BOBERTS	FAO NEW YOK	BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY	CHECKED BY YORK	FAO BOSTON	
ROUTED BY	DITROBERTS	COMDESLANT	
		CNO, BUSHIPS	
		COM EASTSEA FRON, COM 3	
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(COMINCH ACTION CNO BUSHIPS COM EASTSEA FRON COM 3 INFO)

MY 161653.

BASS SURFACED WITHOUT ASSISTANCE AT 13250. WRITTEN REPORT WILL FOLLOW WHEN DETAILS KNOWN.

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FROM COMSUBLANT			ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		1
RELEASED BY			FOR ACTION	COMINCH CINCLANT	PRIORITY 2 ROUTINE 4 DEFERRED 5 BASEGRAM 6
DATE 16 DECEMBER 1944					
TOR CODEROM 1748					
DECODED BY IMRIE			INFORMATION	FAO NEW YORK COMDESLANT CNO, BUSHIPS COM EASTSEA FRON COM 3	PRIORITY 9 ROUTINE 11 DEFERRED 12 BASEGRAM 13
PARAPHRASED BY ROBERTS		CHECKED BY KNIGHT			
ROUTED BY		DITTOED BY ROBERTS			
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(COMINCH ACTION CNO BUSHIPS CESF COM 3 INFO)

IN POSITION 41-25.3 NORTH 71-41.5 WEST BASS DOVE AT 08230
16TH RENDERING SERVICES TO CORDIV 9. PERISCOPE IN SIGHT AT
0828 AND NO CONTACT OR COMMUNICATION SINCE. SEARCH OPERATIONS
COMMENCED AT 0915 AND NOW IN PROGRESS BY CORTDIVS 7 AND 9
PENGUIN FALCON BARRACUDA 4 PLANES 1 EQUIPPED WITH MAD. WEATHER
PROHIBITS BLIMP OPERATIONS. AM PREPARED TO CONDUCT RESCUE
OPERATIONS WHEN LOCATED. BASS EQUIPPED WITH MARKER BUOY.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM <u>USS DRAGONET</u>		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	URGENT
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY
DATE <u>15 DEC 1944</u>		COMINCH	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM <u>1701</u>			DEFERRED
DECODED BY <u>LENIHAN</u>		FOR INFORMATION	URGENT
TYPED		CINCPAC	PRIORITY
BY <u>TURLEY/McKel</u>		COMSUBPAC	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED
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150832			NCR 4668

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(DRAGONET SENDS ACTION TO COMINCH. INFO TO CINCPAC AND COMSUBPAC.)

Kuriles
AT 2217Z 14TH WHILE SUBMERGED AT 70 FEET 6 MILES SOUTH
MARSWATO* GROUNDED ON UNCHARTED REEF OR PINCLES**

NEAR 47-57.5 LONG 153-08.5. OWN COURSE 090 SPEED 2 KNOTS.
CHART SHOWS 69 TO 70 FATHOMS. SEAS CALM VISIBILITY

UNLIMITED. COMPLETELY FLOODED FORWARD TORPEDO ROOM.
IMPOSSIBLE DETERMINE DAMAGE. REQUIRE REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT

IN FORWARD ROOM PORT SOUND GEAR AND REPAIR UNKNOWN DAMAGE
TO HULL. UNABLE TO DIVE. NO PERSONNEL/CASUALTIES.

PROCEEDING MIDWAY 4 ENGINES SPEED ABOUT 16 KNOTS. DA*
PRESCRIBED ROUTING. POSITION 45-56 N 155-36 E

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DELAY DUE TO GARBLES

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
OM REID (DD 369)		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY
DATE 22 DEC. 1944		SECNAV	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0512		COMINCH	ROUTINE
DECODED BY SOWERS		CNO	DEFERRED
TYPED BY SOWERS/KERNAN		CINCPAC	
ROUTED BY		COMDESPAC	
		COM 7TH FLT	
		COM 7TH PHIBPAC	
		COMDESPAC 7TH FLT	PRIORITY
		COMDESRON 5	ROUTINE
		COMDESDIV 10	DEFERRED
		COMPHILSEAFRON	
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STATIONS PASS TO SECNAV COMINCH CNO CINCPAC COMDESPAC
COM 7TH FLT COM 7TH PHIBPAC COMDESPAC 7TH FLT COMDESRON 5
COMDESDIV 10. COMPHILSEAFRON HAS INFO AND SENDS FOR REID

REID (DD 369) SUNK BY SUICIDE AERIAL ATTACK AT 0806Z DEC

11 1944 POSIT 09-50 N 124-55 E IN 600 FATHOMS OF WATER.

NO COMPROMISE OF PUBLICATIONS. 4 OFFICERS AND 96 ENLISTED

MISSING 3 ENLISTED KNOWN DEAD 15 OFFICERS AND 144 ENLISTED

SURVIVORS OF WHICH 3 OFFICERS AND 25 ENLISTED WOUNDED.

SCR HAS NOT DELIVERED TO SECNAV AND CNO.

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ABOUT 0800 SLOW TOW UNDER ATTACK BY BANDITS 4 DOWN.
AT 1033 BOMBS DROPPED ON MINESWEEPERS AHEAD NO
CASUALTIES.

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FROM	USS NASHVILLE		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		OP OP CP OP
RELEASED BY			FOR ACTION	CINCPAC	PRIORITY
DATE	14 DECEMBER 1944			COMINCH	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOK	1705			COM 7TH FLT	DEFERRED
DECODED BY	MONROE		INFORMATION	COMCRUPAC; CTG 78.3	OP OP CP OP
PARAPHRASED BY	MONROE	CHECKED BY		COMSERVPAC	PRIORITY
		MCKEEL		COMCRUDIV 15	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY		DITTOED BY		COMSERV7TH FLT	DEFERRED
		MONROE		CTF 74	BASEGRAM
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(USS NASHVILLE (CL 43) SENDS, NPM (RDO HONO) PASS ACTION CINCPAC INFO COMCRUPAC, COMSERVPAC, NSS (RDO WASH) PASS ACTION COMINCH, NAP (RDO HOLLANDIA) PASS ACTION COM 7TH FLT ALSO INFO COMCRUDIV 15 COMSERV 7TH FLT CTF 74 AND CTG 78.3)

AT 1457I IN LATITUDE 08-58 N LONGITUDE 123-27.6 E A SINGLE ENGINE JAP PLANE SPIRALED IN FROM CLOUDS BROAD ON STARBOARD QUARTER ACROSS THE STERN AND CRASHED FROM APPROXIMATELY 200 DEGS RELATIVE INTO PORT AFTER 40 MM QUAD WHERE IS BELIEVED 1 100 LB BOMB EXPLODED. ANOTHER BOMB, CROSSED OVER EXPLODING ON STARBOARD SIDE. AN INTENSE FIRE IN PORT 5 INCH READY AMMUNITION WAS EXTINGUISHED IN ABOUT 5 MINUTES. CONSIDERABLE MINOR STRUCTURAL DAMAGE FROM BOMB FRAGMENTS AND FROM EXPLODING 5 INCH AMMO. BOTH STACKS RIDDLED. 5 5 INCH READY BOBES* DEMOLISHED. ABOUT 12 SMALL HOLES IN MAIN DECK. GALLEY TEMPORARILY OUT OF COMMISSION. CONSIDERABLE ELECTRICAL DAMAGE. SK AND FORWARD SG OUT OF COMMISSION. MINOR FIREMAIN RUPTURES. 2 36 INCH SEARCHLIGHTS AND DRIVES DEMOLISHED.

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TOR CODEROOM			BASEGRAM 5
DECODED BY			6
PARAPHRASED	CHECKED		PRIORITY 9
BY	BY		ROUTINE 10
ROUTED BY	DITTOED		DEFERRED 11
	BY		BASEGRAM 12
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RADIO ANTENNAE DOWN. FOLLOWING ARMAMENT OUT OF COMMISSION. 5 5 INCH GUNS AND MOUNTS, 1 40 MM QUAD, 7 20 MM GUNS AND MOUNTS, 2 MARK 51 DIRECTORS, NO CASUALTY IN ENGINEERING PLANT. OFFICERS KILLED IN ACTION: 2 SHIPS OFFICERS, 5 AMPHIB 9 STAFF OFFICERS, 3 SHIPS OFFICERS WOUNDED, 4 AMPHIB 9 STAFF OFFICERS WOUNDED, 125 ENLISTED PERSONNEL KILLED IN ACTION, 175 INJURED.

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FROM ALUSNA MURMANSK		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY			PRIORITY
DATE 19 DEC 44			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 2320/18			DEFERRED
DECODED BY ZIMMERMAN			PRIORITY
TYPED BY SANDERS			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY MATHES			DEFERRED
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OFFICIAL AND UNCONFIRMED REPORTS THAT SOVIET VESSELS
SUNK MY DIS 071115 WERE PROLETARI OF ABOUT 1000 TONS
WITH CREW OF ABOUT 35, AND REVOLUTSIA SMALL VESSEL WITH
CREW OF ABOUT 15.

16...ACT

COMINCH...CNO...20G...NAVAIDE...200P...

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FROM CTF 77		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
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DATE DECEMBER 13 1944			2
TOR CODEROM 2023			3
DECODEROM KOTEEN			4
PARAPHRASED BY KOTEEN	CHECKED BY ROWLAND	COM 7TH FLEET COMINCH CINCPA COM 3RD FLEET	5
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY		6
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 FROM CTF 77 TO CINCSWPA INFO COM 7TH FLEET COMINCH CINCPA COM3RDLT.

13 DECEMBER REPORT. ASSAULT FORCE L-3 REPORTED UNDER HEAVY AIR
 ATTACK 15001 13TH. ESTIMATED POSITION LAT 08-45N LONG 123-22E.
 SUICIDE PLANE CARRYING BOMB CRASHED PORT SIDE NASHVILLE. RESULTING
 FIRES UNDER CONTROL. NASHVILLE ESCORTED BY STANLY RETURNS LEYTE
 DURING DARKNESS. ATTACK FORCE COMMANDER (R ADM STRUBLE) NOW IN
 DASHIELL. DURING AIR ATTACK ABOUT 18301 HARADEN DD 585 DAMAGED.
 POSIT LAT 08-40N LONG 122-33E. DETAILS UNKNOWN. CALDWELL PREVIOUSLY
 REPORTED DAMAGED DURING SUPPLY RUN TO ORMOC RETURNED LEYTE. 34
 ENLISTED DEAD OR MISSING. 8 OFFICERS 33 ENLISTED WOUNDED. LSM 42
 STRAGGLER FROM SAME ORMOC RESUPPLY RUN DAMAGED BY BOMB. POSIT LAT
 10-32N LONG 124-43E. SHIP BEACHED EXTENT DAMAGE AND PERSONNEL
 CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. LIBERTY SHIP (SS WILLIAM LADD) REPORTED AFIRE

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FROM		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
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			BASEGRAM 5
DECODED BY			6
PARAPHRASED BY	CHECKED BY		PRIORITY 9
	BY		ROUTINE 10
	DITTOED BY		DEFERRED 11
ROUTED BY	BY		BASEGRAM 12

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RESULT BOMBING 11 DECEMBER NOW SUNK. LCT 1075 SUNK DURING SAME
ATTACK. PT 323 REPORTED HIT BY SUICIDE PLANE 11 DECEMBER NOW REPORTED
TOTAL LOSS. UNKNOWN TYPE ENEMY VESSEL PREVIOUSLY REPORTED SUNK BY
PT TORPEDO ATTACK NOW ESTIMATED AS APD OR DE. NIGHT 12/13 NAVY PBV
SANK 2 LUGGERS AND STRAFED DOCKS SANDAKAN BORNEO. PBM SANK SMALL
FREIGHTER OFF MINDORO.

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FROM		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		
RELEASED BY USS CALDWELL		FOR ACTION	CTF 75 COMINCH CINCPAC COM 7TH FLT	PRIORITY
DATE 14 DEC 44				PRIORITY
TOR CODENOM 808B				DEFERRED
DECODED BY KULKA				PRIORITY
TYPED BY KULKA		INFORMATION	CTG 78.3 COMDESPAC COMDESRON 14 CTF 78 COMSEVPAC	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY KULKA				PRIORITY
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USS CALDWELL ORIGINATES AND SENDS VIA CTF 75 WHO
IS AN ACTION ADEE.

HIT BY SUICIDE PLANE MAIN RADIO. NUMBER 2 WJYGGFNC*
ROOM EXPLODED. GUNS 1 AND 2, ALL COMPARTMENTS FORE-
CASTLE DECK FORWARD FRAME 08, ALL MAIN DECK COMPART-
MENTS FRAME 35 TO 47 DEMOLISHED. CIC, BRIDGE, DIRECTOR,
TORPEDO DIRECTOR, FIRST PLATFORM DECK COMPARTMENTS
FRAME 28 TO 55, MODERATE DAMAGE FROM FRAGMENTS AND
FIRE. 5 TORPEDOES JETTISONED. KILLED OR MISSING IN
ACTION 34. WOUNDED IN ACTION 37. ENGINEERING PLANT
UNDAMAGED.

COMINCH PASSED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DIST. TOR NCR 1823

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FROM USS CALDWELL		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY <i>[Signature]</i>		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY
DATE 14 DEC 44		CTF 75	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0608		CINCPAC	DEFERRED
DECODED BY KULKA		COM 7TH FLT	
TYPED BY KULKA		FOR INFORMATION	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY		CTG 78.3	ROUTINE
		COMDESPAC	DEFERRED
		COMDESRON 14	
		CTF 78	
		COMSERVPAC	
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USS CALDWELL ORIGINATES AND SENDS VIA CTF 75 WHO IS AN ACTION ADEE.

HIT BY SUICIDE PLANE MAIN RADIO. NUMBER 2 WJVGGFNG* ROOM EXPLODED. GUNS 1 AND 2, ALL COMPARTMENTS FORECASTLE DECK FORWARD FRAME 08, ALL MAIN DECK COMPARTMENTS FRAME 35 TO 47 DEMOLISHED. CIC, BRIDGE, DIRECTOR, TORPEDO DIRECTOR, FIRST PLATFORM DECK COMPARTMENTS FRAME 28 TO 55, MODERATE DAMAGE FROM FRAGMENTS AND FIRE. 5 TORPEDOES JETTISONED. KILLED OR MISSING IN ACTION 34. WOUNDED IN ACTION 37. ENGINEERING PLANT UNDAMAGED.

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FROM CTG 77.3		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		CTF 71 (GARBLED CALL) ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT ALL TFC'S 7TH FLT	PRIORITY URGENT ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
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TOR CODEBOOK 1211			3
DECODED BY MCDUGALL			4
PARAPHRASED BY MCDUGALL	CHECKED BY <i>Jimie</i>		5
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY MCDUGALL		6
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CTG 77.3 ORIGINATES.

ATTACK FORCE COMMANDER AND STAFF TRANSFERRED TO DASHIELL

AT 1700 AND RESUMED EXERCISE OF OTC FUNCTIONS AT 1730.

HE ** A CLASS 3 CRYPTOS. PLANE WHICH HIT NASHVILLE

ONLY ONE WHICH CLOSED AT 1513. OTHERS APPARENTLY WENT

OVER CVE GROUP. 4 TWIN MOTORED PLANES CAME IN AT 1800

SHOT DOWN BY CAP CLOSE TO FORMATION. ALL TIMES 1. CONVOY

ON SCHEDULE. NASHVILLE AND STANLEY DEPART ABOUT 1930.

** 2 GARBLED GROUPS

ACTION:F-30

COMINCH: 1-8 INCL.

No. 1 ADMIRAL.

No. 2 FILE.

No. 3F-1 OR CHARTROOM.

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FROM <u>CTO 78-3</u>		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION LK5E (TEMP COMSOWEST PAC CALL)	URGENCY ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
DATE <u>13 DEC 1944</u>			
TOR CODEROM <u>1125</u>			
DECODED BY <u>MONROE</u>			
PARAPHRASED BY <u>DORSEY</u>	CHECKED BY <u>JOHNSON</u>	INFORMATION ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT COMINCH (GARBLED CINCPAC CALL) ALL TFC'S 7TH FLT CINCSOWESTPAC 3LT (UNLISTED CALL)	URGENCY ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY <u>DORSEY</u>		
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130909			NCR 2259

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RADM STRUBLE TRANSFERRED DASHIELL RETURNING
 NASHVILLE TO LEYTE. GENERAL DUNKEL MINOR INJURIES
 WITH ME. COLONELS MURPHY MORRISSEY INJURED
 RETURNING IN NASHVILLE. CAPTAIN MCDILL DEAD COLONEL
 HILL MISSING.

COMINCH 1 TO 8 INCLUSIVE.

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NAVY MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
CTF 62		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CINCLANT	PRIORITY
DATE 12 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 2259			DEFERRED
DECODED BY SANDBERG		COM NOB BERMUDA	PRIORITY
TYPED BY SIRMAN			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY TELSHOW			DEFERRED
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
122120			NCR 1515

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(CTF 62 ORIGINATOR. RADIO WASHINGTON PASS ACTION
CINCLANT INFO COM NOB BERMUDA)

COLLISION HURON AND JAMES FENIMORE COOPER CTF 62

WILL NOT CONVEY BOARD OF INVESTIGATION UNLESS OTHER
WISE DIRECTED. WILL SUBMIT ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT
SUBSTANCE OF WHICH WILL BE CONFINED PRINCIPALLY TO
INFORMATION WHICH CAN BE OBTAINED FROM JAMES
FENIMORE COOPER.

23...COC.

COMINCH...CNO...OP05...JAG...OP05...NAVAIDE...30...

CODE PASSED TO CINCLANT AND NOB BERMUDA AS NSS 122120
NCR 1515.

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FROM CINCOWPA			ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		
RELEASED BY (VIA COM7THFLT)			COMINCH		PRIORITY
					ROUTINE
					DEFERRED
					BASEGRAM
DATE 13 DEC 1944			CNO* CINCPAC COMSOPAC		PRIORITY
TOR CODEROM 2139/12					ROUTINE
DECODED BY OLSSON					DEFERRED
PARAPHRASED BY HODWARD		CHECKED BY BENNETT			BASEGRAM
ROUTED BY		DITTOED BY WOODWARD			
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.					IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
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CINCOWPA SENDS VIA COM7TH FLT ACTION COMINCH INFO CNO
CINCPAC COMSOPAC.

NAVY SEARCH PLANES SHOT DOWN 3 ENEMY PLANES AND DESTROYED
SMALL AK OFF MASBATE ON 10TH. PT 323 SERIOUSLY DAMAGED
BY CRASH DIVING PLANE IN SURIGAO STRAIT ON 10TH. HUGHES
HIT BY BOMB AND SUICIDE DIVER 10TH SURIGAO. SERIOUSLY
DAMAGED TOWED TO SAN PEDRO. BLID, DD 369, SUNK BY SUICIDE
CRASH WHILE ON ORMOG RESUPPLY MISSION 10TH.
MACARTHUR.

COMINCH COPIES 1 TO 8 INCL.

*HAS NOT BEEN DELIVERED TO CNO.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
NO ORIGINATOR GIVEN		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	00000000
RELEASED BY	FOR ACTION	ALL CONCERNED CURRENT	ROUTINE
DATE 13 DEC 1944		OP SWPA	DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 130654			
DECODED BY NORDLAND			PRIORITY
TYPED BY MC CORMACK/WALP	INFORMATION		ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
120530		NCR 1837	☐
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HONO INTERCEPT

ATTACKED BY 1 SC 1245 SHIP # 45 BELIEVE SINKING

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DRAFTER	EXT.	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM USS HUGHES		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		CTF 75 COMINCH	PRIORITY 2
DATE 13 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROM 1658			ROUTINE 4
DECODED BY HOFNER			DEFERRED 5
PARAPHRASED BY DIEBEL	CHECKED BY ROWLAND	COMDESRON 2 COMDESPAC TEMPORARY COMSOWESPA CALL "LK5E" TEMPORARY COMSOWESPA CALL "LK60"	BASEGRAM 6
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY DIEBEL		PRIORITY 9
			ROUTINE 10
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			DEFERRED 12
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HUGHES (DD410) SENDS VIA CTF 75. COMINCH ACTION. CTF 75 GETS ACTION BY HAND.

(Damage to Hughes was first reported yesterday)
PLANE WITH BOMB CRASHED INTO PORT SIDE MIDSHIPS LAT 10-15N LONG 125-20E INFLECTING FOLLOWING DAMAGE: PORT SIDE FORWARD ENGINE ROOM DEMOLISHED. FORWARD ENGINE ROOM AND AFTER FIRE ROOM FLOODED. LARGE HOLES IN MAIN DECK AND PORT SIDE BETWEEN FRAMES 102 AND 108. MIDSHIPS DECKHOUSE DESTROYED. AFTER BULKHEAD BRIDGE EMERGENCY CABIN CRUSHED. AFTER TORPEDO TUBES AND MOUNT DESTROYED. ALL THIS AT 100000Z DECEMBER.

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FROM CTF 77		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	URGENT
RELEASED BY		COMAAF	PRIORITY
DATE DECEMBER 11 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 1513			DEFERRED
DECODED BY KOTEEN			BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY KOTEEN	CHECKED BY ROWLAND	CINCSWPA	URGENT
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY	CG 6TH ARMY	PRIORITY
		COM 5TH AIR FORCE	ROUTINE
		CTF 75	DEFERRED
		CTG 78.3	BASEGRAM
		COMDESDIV 14 *	
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**CTF 77 CALLS ACTION COMAAF INFO CINCSWPA COMGEN 6TH ARMY
COM 5TH AIR FORCE CTF 75 CTG 78.3 COMDESDIV 14.**

DD 1480T

**DESTROYER REID ESCORTING RESUPPLY ECHELON NOW ENROUTE ORMOC
HAS BEEN SUNK BY SUICIDE PLANE APPROXIMATE POSITION LAT 10-00N
LONG 124-50E. CONVOY WILL UNLOAD DURING NIGHT AND AT DAYLIGHT
WILL BE IN APPROXIMATE POSITION LAT 10-30N LONG 124-42E ENROUTE
SAN PEDRO BAY. REQUEST STRONG AIR COVER BE PROVIDED FROM FIRST
LIGHT UNTIL RETURN TO ANCHORAGE.**

COMINCH COPIES 1 THROUGH 8.

*** NO LOCAL ADDRESSES. 1 GARBLED CALL, PROBABLY COMDESRON 14.**

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FROM COMDESRON 14		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		URGENT
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	CTF 75 CTQ 78.3	PRIORITY
DATE DECEMBER 11 1944				ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 1351				DEFERRED
DECODED BY KOTEEN		FOR INFORMATION	COMDESRON 56 COMDESRON 5	URGENT
PARAPHRASED BY KOTEEN	CHECKED BY ROWLAND			PRIORITY
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY			ROUTINE
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.				DEFERRED
110940				BASEGRAM
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COMDESRON 14 SAYS.

FIRST AMPLIFYING REPORT MY 110820. AIR ATTACK BY ABOUT 10 NIP SINGLE ENGINED PLANES. REID DD 369 SANK IN 2 MINUTES AFTER SUICIDE ATTACK. 1 SUICIDE CRASH 20 FEET FROM BOW CALDWELL NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE. SURVIVORS REID NOW UNKNOWN. CONDUCTING SEARCH MORE LATER. 8 P-38'S AND 4 F4U'S NOW VICINITY. CONVOY UNHARMED. REQUEST STRONG AIR SUPPORT FOR DAYLIGHT TOMORROW AT LATITUDE 10-30N LONGITUDE 124-42E.

COMINCH COPIES 1 THROUGH 8. PASSED BY CINCPAC TO COMGENPOA COM 3RD FLEET COMINCH INFO AS 111300.

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FROM CINCSWPA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		COMINCH	PRIORITY
DATE 11 DEC 44			RRRR
TOR CODEROOM 0844/11			DEFERRED
DECODED BY PETERSON		CNO CINCPAC COMSOPAC	PRIORITY
TYPED BY MOYER			RRRR ROUTINE
ROUTED BY THOMPSON			DEFERRED
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CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM7THFLT ACTION COMINCH INFO CNO
CINCPAC COMSOPAC

MARYLAND SAINT LOUIS AND ESCORTS DEPARTED MANUS YESTERDAY
FOR PEARL. NAVY SEARCH PLANES ON 8TH DESTROYED 3 PETES
DAMAGED SEVERAL SMALL AK

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FROM USS MAHAN (CTF 77)		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		CNO	PRIORITY 2
DATE 11 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROOM 1773			DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY KVGER			BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY FISHER	CHECKED		6
ROUTED BY PAPP	DITTOED BY FISHER		7
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(CTF 77 SENDS FOR USS MAHAN. ACTION CNO.)

USS MAHAN SUNK DECEMBER 7 CAMOTES SEA LAT 10-50 NORTH
LONG 124-24 EAST. ALL ROB PUBLICATIONS AND DEVICES
AND ECM PLACED ON BOARD MOUNT MCKINLEY PRIOR TO
SINKING. COMPROMISE PUBLICATIONS REMAINING ON
BOARD NOT PROBABLE.

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FROM USS WARD		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION SECNAV	PRIORITY
DATE 12 DEC 44			ROUTINE RRRRR
TOR CODEROOM 0644			DEFERRED
DECODED BY ELY			
TYPED BY HALVORSON		FOR INFORMATION CNO; COMINCH CINCPAC; COM 7TH PHIBFOR ADCOMPHIBPAC COM 7TH FLT COMSERFOR 7TH FLT	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY MORRIS			ROUTINE RRRRR
			DEFERRED
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(CO USS WARD SENDS VIA COMPHILSEAFRON ACTION SECNAV
INFO CNO COMINCH CINCPAC ADCOMPHIBPAC COM 7TH FLT
COMSERFOR 7TH FLT COM 7TH PHIB FOR.)

WDF
**USS WARD (APD 16) SUNK 0230Z 7 DECEMBER BY BLUE
DESTROYER GUNFIRE AS FIRES BECAME COMPLETELY OUT OF
CONTROL RESULT DAMAGE INFLICTED BY ENEMY AIRCRAFT.
POINT 10-50-42 NORTH LAT 124-32-30 EAST LONG. SUNK
IN* NINE FATHOMS WATER DEPTH CHARGES LOCKED ON SAFE.
ECM PLUS ROB PUBLICATIONS PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED. NO
CODES COMPROMISED. NO LOSS OF LIFE. FORWARDING LIST OF
INJURED VIA AMGM**

* 1 GROUP MISSING

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FROM CTF 77		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		COMINCH	PRIORITY 2
DATE 16 DEC 1944			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROOK 0902			DEFERRED 4
			BASEGRAM 5
DECODED BY WOODWARD		COM 7TH FLEET	PRIORITY 6
PARAPHRASED BY WOODWARD	CHECKED BY BENNETT		ROUTINE 7
	DITTOED BY WOODWARD		DEFERRED 8
ROUTED BY			BASEGRAM 9
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RECEIVED AS 110845.*

CTF 77 REENCYPHERS HIS 100054 WHICH DOES NOT BREAK.

COMINCH GETS ACTION AND INFO TO COM 7TH FLT.

COOPER (DD 695) SUNK 3RD DECEMBER LSM 20 SUNK 5TH DECEMBER.
BOTH RESULT ENEMY ACTION PHILIPPINES.

FOLLOWING LOST IN ORMOG OPERATION 7TH DECEMBER: LSM 318
MAHAN (DD 364) WARD (APD 16). LATTER 2 WERE SERIOUSLY
DAMAGED. PERSONNEL WERE RESCUED AND BOTH SHIPS SUNK BY
BLUE FORCES. FOREGOING SINKINGS MAY BE ANNOUNCED WITHOUT
PREJUDICE.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

MINI 2332

DRAFTER

NAVAIDE/STONE

EXTENSION NUMBER

2192

ADDRESSEES

PRECEDENCE

FROM CNO

RELEASED BY V.E. CHAPLINE

DATE 9 DECEMBER 1944

TOR CODER ROOM 1624

DECODED BY

TYPED

BY

STOLFI

ROUTED BY ATHES

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091440

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ACTION

CANBERRA (CA-70) HEREBY ASSIGNED AVAILABILITY AT
BOSTON UPON ARRIVAL ABOUT 25 JAN 1945 FOR DAMAGE
REPAIRS AND WORK AUTHORIZED BY BUREAUS. THIS
REPLIES TO CONSERVPAC 090053 NOT TO ALL

23.....ORIG

COMINCH....BUSHIPS....BUORD....SUPERS....19....19C...

20M....0205....CNO....200P....NAVAIDE....

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DRFTER	EXT.	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	USS LAMSON	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		COMINCH	ROUTINE
DATE	10 DEC 44		DEFERRED
TON CODEBOOK	0451		BASEGRAM
DECODED BY	DORSEY		PRIORITY
PARAPHRASED BY	JOHNSON	CINCPAC COMDESPAC COM7THFLT	ROUTINE
CHECKED BY	HOFNER		DEFERRED
DITTOED BY			BASEGRAM
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090542			NCR 8760

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(LAMSON DD 367 SENDS ACTION TO COMINCH INFO CINCPAC COMDESPAC COM7THFLT)

LAMSON DD 367 STRUCK AT 1443/1 DECEMBER 7 BY SUICIDE JAP FIGHTER AT BASE OF BRIDGE STRUCTURE PORT SIDE AFT. BRIDGE GUTTED FROM FORECASTLE DECK UP INCLUDING ALL FIRE CONTROL RADIO RADAR AND SONAR AND CIC GEAR. BOTH STACKS DAMAGED LAUNDRY DESTROYED. FORWARD CODEROOM FLOODED AND DAMAGED.

ACTION-F-30

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DRAFTER		EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	COMSUBSLANT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			COMDESLANT	ROUTINE
DATE	9 DEC 1944			RRRRR
TOR CODEROOM	082254			DEFERRED
DECODED BY	CORNELL			PRIORITY
TYPED BY	MCNETILL			PPPPP
ROUTED BY	SOERSEN			RRRRR
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COMSUBSLANT ORIGINATOR. INFO TO SUBBASE NEW LONDON
USS BRAY AND USS CUTTLEFISH REQUEST CNO RELAY TO APPROPRIATE BUREAUS AND OFFICES NAVY DEPARTMENT.

DURING SCHEDULED SUBMERGED APPROACH CUTTLEFISH SS 171

COLLIDED WITH TARGET BRAY DE 700. NO PERSONNEL

CASUALTIES. FOLLOWING DAMAGE SUSTAINED:

BY CUTTLEFISH-BOTH PERISCOPES SDSJ MASTS DAMAGED
BEYOND REPAIR. PERISCOPE SUPPORT
CASTING CRACKED THROUGH

ON BRAY-

PORT MAIN SHAFT COUPLING BOLTS IN FLANGE
ABAFT THRUST BEARING PULLED OUT PERMITTING

TING AFTER SECTION SHAFT MOVE AFT 8 INCHES.
PROBABLE DAMAGE 1 SPRING BEARING. ONE

SECTION LINE SHAFTING AFT OF SPRING
BEARING BOWED. PORT PROPELLER DAMAGED

BEYOND REPAIR.

CUTTLEFISH REPAIRS WILL BE EFFECTED LOCALLY TIME DE-

PENDENT PROCUREMENT NEW PERISCOPE CASTING. BRAY REPAIRS

REQUIRE NAVY YARD AVAILABILITY BEING REQUESTED SEPARATELY

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COMINCH...COG

23...16...19...JAG...BUSHIPS..19C...BUPERS...BUORD...

OP05...CNO...00...NAYAIDE...200P...FX37...20M...

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DRAFTER		EXT.	ADDRESSEES		PRECEDENCE
FROM		CTF 77 FOR CO MAHAN	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		OP OP OP 1
RELEASED BY			RDC WASHINGTON		PRIORITY 2
DATE		8 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROM		2016			DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY		FRUIN			BASEGRAM 6
PARAPHRASED BY		HOFNER	CINCPAC COMSERVPAC COMDESPAC COM7THFLT CABLED CALL*	OP OP OP 9	
CHECKED BY		DORSEY		PRIORITY 10	
DITTOED BY		HOFNER		ROUTINE 11	
ROUTED BY		HOFNER		DEFERRED 12	
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CTF 77 SENDS FOR CO MAHAN.

MAHAN SUNK ABOUT 10001 DECEMBER 7TH CAMOTES SEA RESULT
HITS BY 3 SUICIDE TWIN ENGINE BOMBERS. POSIT LAT
10-50 N LONG 124-24 E. FORCED ABANDON SHIP RESULT
UNCONTROLLED FIRES AND EXPLODING MAGAZINES. SHIP
SUNK BY FRIENDLY GUN AND TORPEDO FIRE. 1 OFFICER
5 MEN KILLED OR MISSING.

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	CINCLANT	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP OP OP
RELEASED BY	8 DEC. 1944	CTF 24	PRIORITY
DATE	1340		ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM	SOWERS		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	SOWERS/BENNETT	COMINCH COM 10TH FLT.	OP OP
TYPED BY		NOR BERMUDA	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY		USS KENNEREC	ROUTINE
		CTF 62	DEFERRED
		COMCORTDIV 57	
		USS CURB USS LANSING	
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081241 NCR 7205			☐
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CINCLANT TELLS COMINCH AND COM 10TH FLEET FOR INFO
 SS JAMES F COOPER AND HURON (PF 19) IN COLLISION
 AT 080820Z POSIT 36-45 N 47-01 W. HURON IN SINKING
 CONDITION. DIRECT CHOCTAW PROCEED BEST SPEED TO
 SCENE OF COLLISION AND REPORT TO COMCORTDIV 57.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FROM CTF 62		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY <i>[Signature]</i>		COM NOB BERMUDA CTG 23.1	OP OP OP PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE 8 DEC 44		FOR ACTION	
TOR CODEROOM 1335			
DECODED BY KURTZ		CINCLANT COM 10TH FLT C&R	OP OP OP PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
PARAPHRASED BY POINDEXTER <i>[Signature]</i>		FOR INFORMATION	
ROUTED BY WILLIAMS			
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(ACTION COM NOB BERMUDA AND CTG 23.1 FROM CTF 62. RDO PERMUDA PASS INFO CINCLANT COM 10TH FLT C&R) RDO BERMUDA PASSED TO CINCLANT, COM 10TH FLT C&R AND USS CURB AS 081230)

COMCORTDIV 15 IN AMICK VOICE CALL SCOTTY ESCORTS CARROLL TOWING HURON TO BERMUDA VIA DIRECT ROUTE COURSE 252 SPEED 4. GUARDS 500 3000 VOICE 2656 VOICE TBS. BOTH ESCORTS ORDERED REJOIN UGS 92 WHEN RELIEVED BY BERMUDA TUG AND ESCORT. POSITION HURON 081000Z 37-00N 47-45W. HURON IS HOLED ABOVE AND BELOW WATER LINE STARBOARD SIDE OF ENGINE ROOM WHICH IS FLOODED. JAMES F COOPER IS HOLED IN STEM AND HAS FLOODED PEAK TANK. BELIEVE SHE IS ABLE TO CONTINUE WITH CONVOY. IF UNABLE TO MAINTAIN SPEED WILL PUT ON STRAGGLERS ROUTE.

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WEATHER 4072 1035

FX37....COG

COMINCH...19...19C...BUSHIPS...23...16...JAG...BUORD...OF05...

39...00...NAVAIDE...200P...WEATHER...

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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CTF 62		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	URGENT
FROM		COM NOB BERMUDA	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY	8 DECEMBER 1944		ROUTINE
DATE	1006		DEFERRED
TOR CODER ROOM	M HAMILTON	COM 10TH FLT C & R	URGENT
DECODED BY	FAGER <i>Maisterlan</i>	CINCLANT	PRIORITY
TYPED BY	KLAFF		ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED
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FROM CTF 62. ACTION ON COM NOB BERMUDA PASS ACTION			
INFO TO COM 10TH FLT C & R CINCLANT.			
PASSED BY BERMUDA TO COM 10TH FLT C & R CINCLANT FOR INFO			
AS 080945 <i>ATO</i>			
USS HURON AND MERVES JAMES FENIMORE COOPER COLLIDED			
AT ABOUT 080820Z. HURON ENGINE ROOM FLOODED IN			
SINKING CONDITION ALL POWER LOST. COOPER BOW STOVE			
IN TAKING ON WATER. REQUEST 1 SALVAGE TUG IF			
PRACTICABLE WITH ESCORT. AM INVESTIGATING SITUATION.			
DO NOT KNOW WHETHER HURON WILL STAY AFLOAT OR NOT			
BELIEVE MERVES WILL BE ABLE TO PROCEED.			
POSIT 36-45 N 47-01 W			
FX37....COG			
COMINCH....16....19....23....0P05....BUSHIPS....39....			
JAG....BUPERS....BUORD....00....NAVATDE....CNO....			
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NAVY DEPTMT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM ALUSNA MURMANSK		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CNO	PRIORITY
DATE 8 DEC 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROM 1004			RRRR
DECODED BY HAMILTON			DEFERRED
TYPED BY LYON		MOSCOW	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY PARMENTER			ROUTINE
			RRRR
			DEFERRED
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ACTION CNO INFO MOSCOW.

PERSISTENT REPORTS FROM UNOFFICIAL BUT BELIEVE

RELIABLE LOCAL SOURCES THAT 2 SOVIET COASTAL

VESSLS SUNK BY SUBMARINE OFF RYBACHI PENINSULA

NIGHT OF 5 DECEMBER

16.....ACT

COMINCH.....CNO.....20G.....NAVAIDE.....200P.....

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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USS COOPER		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CONDESRON 60	PRIORITY
DATE	8 DEC 1944	CTG 77.2	ROUTINE
TOR CODER ROOM	0235	CNO CONDESDIV 120	ROUTINE
DECODED BY	STRONG	CINCPAC	DEFERRED
TYPED BY	WHITTINGTON	COMDESPAC	
ROUTED BY	VOSBURGH		
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USS COOPER ORIGINATES.

MY 040355.

RECHECK OF COOPER POSITION SINKING IS LATITUDE
 10-54 NORTH LONGITUDE 124-36 EAST. DEPTH OF
 WATER ABOUT 68 FATHOMS. COMPROMISE REGISTERED
 PUBLICATIONS AND DEVICES IMPROBABLE.

COMINCH.....ACTION

20R.....20K.....19C.....20Y.....

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRIORITY
FROM	CINCSWPA (COM 7THFLT)	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY	7 DEC 1944	COMINCH	PRIORITY
DATE	0136		ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM	STEARNS	CNO	DEFERRED
DECODED BY	BACH <i>MacFarlane</i>	CINCPAC	PPPPPP
TYPED		COMSOPAC	PRIORITY
BY	VOWBURGH		ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED
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CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM 7TH FLT ACTION COMINCH
INFO CNO CINCPAC COMSOPAC.

M/V ANTOINE SAUGRAINE SERIOUSLY DAMAGED IN AIR
ATTACK ON CONVOY OFF LEYTE ON 5TH. SALVAGE
BEING ATTEMPTED. TOTAL OF 413 SURVIVORS.

APPARENTLY NO LOSS OF LIFE. MUGFORD, DD 389
SUFFERED SUICIDE CRASH AMIDSHIPS DURING AIR
ATTACK 5TH ON LEYTE GULF. LEFT DEAD IN WATER
BEING TOWED SAN PEDRO. DAMAGE UNDETERMINED.
MOROTAI PT'S SHELLED GUN POSITIONS GORANGO POINT

ON 4/5. MACARTHUR

COMINCH...ACT
16...20G...0P01...SHOW 200P...
0P03...00

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	MUGFORD (DD 389)	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CTF 75 COM 7TH FLEET COMINCH	PRIORITY
DATE	6 DEC 1944		ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM	0310		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	DIEBEL	COMSERFOR 7THFLT COMDESRON 6	PRIORITY
TYPED BY	WOODWARD	CINCPAC COMSERVPAC COMDESPAC	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY	MATHES		DEFERRED
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MUGFORD (DD 389) SENDS ACTION CTF 75 COM 7TH FLEET
INFO COMSERFOR 7THFLT COMDESRON 6. NSS (RADIO WASH-
INGTON) PASS ACTION COMINCH. NPM (RADIO HONOLULU)
PASS INFO CINCPAC COMSERVPAC COMDESPAC.

PRELIMINARY DAMAGE REPORT DUE TO SUICIDE PLANE CRASH

AT 17161/5 DECEMBER. MACHINE SHOP AND BATTERY LOCKER

WRECKED. UPTAKES AND STACK TO BOILERS 3 AND 4

RUPTURED AND BURNED. UNDETERMINED DAMAGE TO NUMBER

2 FIRE ROOM. 20 MM PLATFORM PORT SIDE SMASHED AND

1 20 MM GUN DESTROYED. MAIN DECK HOLED ABOVE NUMBER

2 FIREROOM. DAMAGE TO ELECTRICAL WIRING UNDETERMINED

MOTOR WHALE BOAT LOST BELIEVED ADRIFT. SG RADAR

INOPERATIVE. NO APPARENT DAMAGE TO SIDE PLATING.

SHIP PROCEEDING UNDER OWN POWER AT 12 KNOTS. DETAILED

REPORT FOLLOWS.

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RELEASED BY		COMINCH	PRIORITY 2
DATE <u>DECEMBER 6 1944</u>			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROOK <u>2336</u>			DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY <u>KOTEEN</u>			BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY <u>KOTEEN</u>	CHECKED BY <u>ROWLAND</u>		6
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY		7
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			PRIORITY 9
			ROUTINE 10
			DEFERRED 11
			BASEGRAM 12
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CTF 77 GIVES ACTION COMINCH.

YOUR 041844 ANSWERED BY MY 041102. POSITION SINKING
LAT 10-54N LONG 124-36E. DEPTH WATER 68 FATHOMS. NO PRESUMPTION
COMPROMISE CLASSIFIED MATERIAL.

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM <u>USS DRAYTON</u>		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY
DATE <u>6 DEC 44</u>		COMINCH	PPPP
TOR CODEROM <u>0755</u>		COMSEVENTHFLT	ROUTINE
DECODED BY <u>SANDBERG</u>		COMSEVENTHPHIB	DEFERRED
TYPED BY <u>SANDBERG</u>		CTF 75	
ROUTED <u>MATHES</u>		CTG 78.3	
		FOR INFORMATION	PRIORITY
		CINCPAC	PPPPP
		COMSERVPAC	ROUTINE
		COMSERVSOWESPAC	DEFERRED
		COMDESPAC	
		COMDESPAC	
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ACTION

(USS DRAYTON DD 366 ORIGINATOR)

FOLLOWING DAMAGE INCURRED BY USS DRAYTON DD 366.

DURING JAPANESE AIR ATTACKS 5 DECEMBER 1944.

AT 04501 BOMB LANDED OFF STARBOARD BEAM.

2 INCH HOLE IN TANK A F NUVP* ABOUT 2 FEET ABOVE WATERLINE.

OTHER SUPERFICIAL DAMAGE.

AT 11061 PLANE CRASHDIVERED INTO NUMBER 1 5 INCH GUN PUTTING GUN OUT OF COMMISSION.

NUMBER 1 MAGAZINE FLOODED TO STOP FIRE.

MAGAZINE NOW DRY

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TOR NCR 1716/07

BUORD...BUSHIPS...23...INFO

*AS RECEIVED OPO5...CNO...JAC...200P...30...NAVAIDE...

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FROM COMINCH		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY C M COOKE		COM 7TH FLT	PRIORITY 1
DATE 5 DEC 1944			ROUTINE 2
TOR CODEROOM 1900			DEFERRED 3
DECODED BY			BASEGRAM 4
PARAPHRASED	CHECKED		PRIORITY 5
BY WOODWARD	BY BENNETT		ROUTINE 6
ROUTED BY	DITTOED		DEFERRED 7
	BY WOODWARD		BASEGRAM 8
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WHAT WAS POSITION OF SINKING AND DEPTH OF WATER URDIS
#30247 REFERS. IS THERE ANY PRESUMPTION OF COMPROMISE
CLASSIFIED MATERIAL.

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FROM	U-S NEW YORK (8834)	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		COMSERPAC	PRIORITY
DATE	5 DECEMBER 1944		ROUTINE RRRR
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DECODED BY	SMITH	COMINCH	PRIORITY
TYPED BY	HAULSEE	CINCPAC	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY	TELSHOW	BUSHIPS	DEFERRED
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ACTION COMSERPAC INFO DEFERRED TO COMINCH
CINCPAC BUSHIPS COTCPAC NYNOR ORIGINATOR NEWYORK
88 34

NEW YORK 8834 IMMOBILIZED 3 HOURS 3 DECEMBER RESULT
CASUALTIES BOTH MAIN ENGINES. NUT SECURING ASSISTANT
CYLINDER PISTON IN HIGH PRESSURE CYLINDER PORT
ENGINE BACKED OFF AAP HIGH PRESSURE VALVE ROD BENT.
NUT SECURING VALVE SPOOL AFTER LOW PRESSURE STAR-
BOARD ENGINE BACKED OFF. DURING PREVIOUS PASSAGE
NUT SECURING PISTON ON INTERMEDIATE CYLINDER ROD
PORT ENGINE BACKED OFF. PRESENT SPEED 16.5 KNOTS.
REQUEST IMMEDIATE MANUFACTURE ONE MAIN ENGINE HIGH
PRESSURE VALVE STEM COMPLETE IN ACCORDANCE BUENG
DRAWING 34-B-0 S100B1EE EXCEPT WHERE PLAN SHOWS
ROD DIAMETER 3.500 ROD TO BE 3.451. ALSO MANUFAC-
TURE ONE ADDITIONAL HIGH PRESSURE VALVE STEM

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FROM		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY
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TON CODEROOM			DEFERRED
DECODED BY		INFORMATION	PRIORITY
TYPED BY			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED
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E AND BALANCE PISTON NUT PIECE F

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FROM CTF 77		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CINCSWPA	PRIORITY
DATE 5 DEC 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODER ROOM 0112			DEFERRED
DECODED BY SOWERS			BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY WOODWARD	CHECKED BY WOODWARD	COMINCH CINCPAC	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY	DITTO BY WOODWARD	COM 7TH FLEET	ROUTINE
		COMAAF	DEFERRED
		COMDESPAC	BASEGRAM
		COM 5TH AIR FORCE	
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FROM CTF 77 ACTION CINCSWPA INFO TO COMINCH CINCPAC COM 7TH FLEET COMAAF COMDESPAC COM 5TH AIR FORCE.

(Thinking of Cooper)
 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MY 031320. CATALINAS COVERED BY FIGHTERS RESCUED TOTAL 8 OFFICERS INCLUDING COMMANDING OFFICER USS COOPER AND 130 ENLISTED MEN ON 3 DECEMBER. SINGLE CATALINA RESCUED 2 OFFICERS 54 ENLISTED MEN IN A RECORD BREAKING TRIP. PATROLS NIGHT 3-4 DEC FOUND 2 JAP SURVIVORS NIL FRIENDLY. HAVE REASON BELIEVE OTHER SURVIVORS MAY HAVE REACHED SHORE AND MAY BE RECOVERED LATER.

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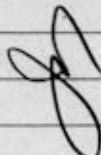
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RELEASED BY		CNO *	PRIORITY
DATE 4 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 2306			DEFERRED
DECODED BY SANDBERG	FOR ACTION	COM 7TH FLT CINCPAC	BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY SJOSTEN			ROUTINE
CHECKED BY BENNETT			DEFERRED
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(CTF 77 SENDS ACTION TO CNO INFO COM 7TH FLEET CINCPAC.)

REFERENCE COMMANDING OFFICER USS COOPER REPORT 040355.

REESTIMATE POSITION SINKING WHICH AGREES WITH DIVISION COMMANDER

120 COMMANDING DESTROYERS GROUP IN ORMOC BAY PLACES POSITION

SINKING COOPER LAT 10-54 NORTH LONG 124-36 EAST. DEPTH OF

WATER 68 FATHOMS. COOPER CARRIES CLASS 3 ALLOWANCE INCLUDING

ECM. POSSIBILITY COMPROMISE NOT BELIEVED TO EXIST AS POSITION

IS UNDER SURVEILLANCE 6TH ARMY TROOPS. ARTILLERY AND AIR FORCES

WILL PREVENT ANY ENEMY ATTEMPTS AT SALVAGE OPERATIONS.

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DATE 4 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROOM 2203/3			DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY KURTZ			BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY LENIHAN	CHECKED BY MCKEEL	CINCSWPA	6
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY LENIHAN	COM 7TH FLEET	7
		CINCPAC	8
			PRIORITY 9
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(CTF 77 SHOTS ACTION COMINCH AND CNO INFO TO CINCSWPA COM 7TH FLEET CINCPAC.)

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THIS IS COM 7TH FLEET ANSWERING YOUR 281607. BATTLE DAMAGE TO COLORADO AND ST. LOUIS INITIALLY REPORTED IN CTG 77.2 DISPATCH 270822 WAS AMPLIFIED BY CTG 77.2 DISPATCH 271455. THESE SHIPS WERE PART OF A FORCE ASSIGNED THE TASK OF INTERCEPTING AND DESTROYING ENEMY NAVAL FORCES ATTACKING OR THREATENING TO ATTACK OUR FORCES AND LAND POSITIONS IN LEYTE GULF OR OUR LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EASTWARD THEREOF. AT THE TIME OF THE ATTACK THIS FORCE HAD BEEN HEAVILY REINFORCED BY SHIPS BEING ASSEMBLED FOR THE ASSAULT ON MINDORO. HEAVY SHIPS OF THE FORCE OPERATED IN LEYTE GULF WITH DESTROYER

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PICKETS OPERATING TO THE EASTWARD OF LEYTE GULF AND IN THE LOWER SURIGAO STRAITS. DUE DELAY IN MINDORO ASSAULT HEAVY SHIPS IN LEYTE HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO 4 CRUISERS. OTHER HEAVY UNITS HAVE BEEN RETIRED TO KOSSOL WITH CVE GROUP.

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FROM USS ADAMS	<i>Mine Layer</i>	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	ROUTINE
RELEASED BY	3 DEC 1944	COMINCH COMINPAC	ROUTINE
DATE	0508		DEFERRED
TOR CODER ROOM	PETERSON	COTCLANT BUSHIPS CNO NYD NORFOLK COMSERVLANT COMINRON 3 CINCLANT COMINDIV 8	PRIORITY
DECODED BY	RASH / Mc Chesney		ROUTINE
TYPED BY	ROLL		DEFERRED
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WHILE PROCEEDING NOROLF TO YORKTOWN IN ACCORDANCE COTCLANT CONFIDENTIAL SPEEDLETTER SERIAL 05776 DATED 20 NOVEMBER 1944, ADAMS STRUCK SUBMERGED OBJECT DISTANT 8,000 YARDS BEARING 268 DEGREES FROM THIMBEL LIGHT. SHIP WAS PROCEEDING IN CHANNEL LEADING FROM VICINITY BUOYS 8 AND 10 THIMBLE SHOAL CHANNEL APPROACHING BELL BUOY ON COURSE 041. MANEUVERING SPEEDS BEING USED TO AVOID CONVERGING FORMATION LSM'S STARBOARD AND TUG WITH TOW PORT. CASUALTY CONSISTED FEATHERING 1 BLADE PORT PROPELLER DEPTH INCH AND HALF LENGTH EIGHT INCHES. WILL REQUIRE STRAIGHTENING OR REPLACEMENT PROPELLER. VIBRATION NOTED ON INCREASING SPEED AFTER CLEARING FAIRWAY BELL BUOY. SHIP POSITION ACCURATELY BEING			
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PLOTTED BY LAND MARKS USCG CHART 1222. WIND BRISK
 VISIBILITY EXCELLENT. TIDE FLOODING HOUR AND HALF.
 LEAST DEPTH OBSERVED 4 FATHOMS. CASUALTY NECESSITATES
 INTERCHANGE YARD AVAILABILITY PERIOD AND SPECIAL MINING
 OPERATIONS OTHERWISE NO CHANGE IN TENTATIVE SCHEDULE.
 ESTIMATE ADVISABLE SPEED LIMITATIONS 25 KNOTS DUE
 VIBRATION PORT ENGINE. DETAILED REPORT BEING FORWARDED.

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RELEASED BY			COM7THFLT	PRIORITY	2
DATE 2 DECEMBER 1944				ROUTINE	3
TOR CODEROM 0429				DEFERRED	4
DECODED BY HOFNER				BASEGRAM	5
PARAPHRASED BY HOFNER		CHECKED BY ROBERTS	CINCSWPA COMSERVPAC CTF 77 CTG 77.2 COMCRUDIV 4 COMBATPAC	PRIORITY	6
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CINCPAC SENDS ACTION COM7THFLT INFO COMINCH CINCSWPA COMSERVPAC
CTF 77 CTG 77.2 COMCRUDIV 4 COMBATPAC.

REQUEST YOU DIRECT MARYLAND (BB46) PROCEED PEARL FOR BATTLE
DAMAGE REPAIRS.

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DATE 1 DECEMBER 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 012016			
DECODED BY MONROE			
PARAPHRASED BY MONROE	CHECKED BY MCKEEL	COMSERVPAC COMSERVSOWE SPAC COMDESPAC	OP OP OP OP PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
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(AULICK ORIGINATES)

BATTLE DAMAGE REPORT OF AULICK (DD 569) CAUSED BY 2 NIP SUICIDE DIVES AT 1800 1 29 NOVEMBER. COMBAT EFFICIENCY REDUCED 50%. NUMBERS 1 AND 2 5 INCH GUNS REQUIRE REMOVAL ENTIRE MOUNTS. NUMBER 1 40MM DITTO. NUMBER 2 40MM CAN BE REPAIRED. DIRECTOR RANGEFINDER ONE END SEVERED. SONAR GEAR OPERATIVE EXCEPT FATHOMETER. STRUCTURAL DAMAGE MAIN DECK AND NEXT 2 DECKS DOWN PUNCTURED MANY TIMES FORWARD FRAME 72. SHELL PLATING INTACT ABOVE WATERLINE. POSSIBLE UNDERWATER DAMAGE TO FUEL TANK A-2-F. SC RADAR ANTENNA MISSING. SG AND ED DAMAGED BUT OPERATIVE. ALL REFRIGERATING LOST. ALL WIRING CIRCUITS STARBOARD SIDE FORWARD BELOW MAIN DECK AND M COIL SEVERED. FURTHER DETAILS BY AIR-MAIL.

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FROM CINCSWPA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
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DATE DECEMBER 1 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0611			DEFERRED
DECODED BY KOTEEN			BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY KOTEEN	CHECKED BY OWLAND	CNO	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY WHITTINGTON	DITTOED BY WHITTINGTON	CINCPAC	PRIORITY
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CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM 7TH FLEET ACTION COMINCH INFO CNO
CINCPAC COMSOPAC.

DUSK 29TH MARYLAND HIT BY SUICIDE PLANE BETWEEN FORWARD
TURRETS. 2ND DECK WRECKED. DAMAGE INTERFERES WITH TRAINING
NUMBER 1 TURRET. 20 KILLED MORE THAN 30 INJURED. SAUFLEY
SUFFERED MINOR DAMAGE. AULICK RECEIVED DIRECT BOMB HIT
BRIDGE AREA. TOPSIDE STRUCTURE SERIOUSLY DAMAGED. MOROTAI
PB4Y SEARCHER ON 28TH SANK SMALL SHIPPING AND STRAFED PLANES
IN PORTO PRINCESSA AREA. DESRON 22 AGAIN SWEEP CAMOTES SEA.
SANK SEVERAL BARTES.

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
M COMSERVPAC		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		NYD PUGET SOUND NYD MARE ISLAND	PRIORITY
DATE 1 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0407/1			DEFERRED
DECODED BY LYNN		BUSHIPS	PRIORITY
TYPED BY HOUSTON		BUORD	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY SAMUEL		BUAER	DEFERRED
		COMAIRPAC	
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COMSERVPAC SENDS ACTION NYDS PUGET SOUND AND
MARE ISLAND INFO BUSHIPS BUORD BUAER COMAIRPAC

INTREPID ARRIVES COAST APPROXIMATELY 25 DECEMBER.

NO ALTS ON (A) LIST BUT FOLLOWING HIGHLY IMPORTANT

ALTS TOP (B) LIST. COMPLETE RELOCATION OF CIC

AND AIR PLOT TO GALLERY DECK. REPLACE MARK 4

RADAR WITH MARK 12 AND 22. COMPLETE INSTALLATION

ADDITIONAL 40 MM MOUNTS. REARRANGEMENT RADAR

ANTENNAE. CAN YOU UNDERTAKE WITHOUT SERIOUS

INTERFERENCE AVAILABILITIES MY SERIALS 00151 TO

NYD MARE ISLAND AND 00152 TO NYD PUGET SOUND

BUSHIPS.....COG

23...20E...25...BUORD...BUAER...COMINCH...CNO..31

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DATE 30 NOV 1944			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROM 1624			DEFERRED 4
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PARAPHRASED BY STEVENS	CHECKED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	COMBATPAC CINCPAC	BASEGRAM 6
BY STEVENS	DITTOED BY MCDUGALL	COM 7TH FLT CINCSWA	BASEGRAM 7
ROUTED BY		COM 3RD FLT FLEET	BASEGRAM 8
		MAINTENANCE OFFICER	BASEGRAM 9
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RDO MANUS PASS TO CTF 77 FOR ACTION AND INFO TO COM 7TH FLT AND CINCSWA. RDO HONO PASS TO CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT FLEET MAINTENANCE OFFICER AND COMBATPAC FOR INFO. ORIGINATOR CTG 77.2

LATEST MARYLAND DAMAGE REPORT. AFTER DAYLIGHT INSPECTION BELIEVE 2 TO 3 MONTHS NAVY YARD AVAILABILITY REQUIRED TO REPAIR DAMAGE UPPER MAIN AND SECOND DECK; BULKHEAD VICINITY FRAME 39; BULKHEADS 26 AND 51 BLOWN LOOSE FROM DECK. SUP-PORT STANCHIONS ON 2ND DECK TORN AWAY FROM DECK. EXTENSIVE ELECTRICAL, VENTILATION AND PIPING DAMAGED. SICK BAY AND SHIP FITTER SHIP AREAS AND FORWARD HEADS REQUIRE REBUILDING. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES. KILLED: 31 ENLISTED. SERIOUSLY WOUNDED 1 DENTAL OFFICER AND 29 ENLISTED. MISSING NONE. COMINCH: 1-8 INCL.

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DATE 29 NOVEMBER 1944					ROUTINE
TOR CODEBOOK 1825					DEFERRED
					BASEGRAM
DECODED BY YORK			COMINCH, CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT, COM 7TH FLT CINCOWESPA CTF 75		PRIORITY OP OP OP
PARAPHRASED BY ROBERTS	CHECKED BY HOFNER				ROUTINE
	DITTOED BY				DEFERRED
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SUMMARY FOR LEYTE GULF ON 29TH.

TRANSFERRED FUEL PROVISIONS AND AMMUNITION FROM COLORADO AND ST LOUIS WHO DEPARTED 1900 FOR MANUS. DAY QUIET IN GULF UNTIL DUSK WHEN DIVE BOMBING AND SUICIDE ATTACKS BY A FEW PLANS DAMAGED MARYLAND. 1 PLANE CRASHED BETWEEN FORWARD TURRETS. DECK DAMAGE INTERFERED WITH TRAINING OF NUMBER 1 TURRET. SECOND DECK AREA WRECKED. 20 DEAD AT LEAST 30 INJURED. AULICK AND SAUFLEY HEAVILY ATTACKED. SAUFLEY MINOR DAMAGE. AULICK HIT BY BOMB IN BRIDGE AREA. SERIOUSLY DAMAGED TOPSIDE STRUCTURE. MANY CASUALTIES. MINIMUM OF 5 PLANES SHOT DOWN OR CRASHED INTO SHIPS.

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RELEASED BY		CTG 77.2 COM 7TH FLEET	OP OP OP ROUTINE
DATE NOVEMBER 30 1944			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM: 0248			BASEGRAM
DECODED BY KOTEEN		COMBATPAC COMINCH CONSERVPAC CINCPAC	OP OP OP PRIORITY
PARAPHRASED BY KOTEEN CHECKED BY ROWLAND			ROUTINE
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FOLLOWING DAMAGE RESULT 2 SUICIDE PLANE CRASHES 1 ON UPPER DECK
FRAME 87 PORT AND 1 NEAR MISS ABOUT 10 FEET FROM SIDE OF FRAME 56
PORT AT 11431 27 NOVEMBER. UPPER DECK HOLED ABOUT 5 X 10 FEET, DECK
BEAMS AND BULKHEADS FROM FRAME 82 TO 87 RUPTURED WARPED AND SPRUNG,
EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO VENTILATION DUCTS AND ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS IN HIT
AREA, FIRE MAIN RISERS IN AREA CUT, DISBURSING OFFICE DEMOLISHED
ALL CALCULATING AND PAY ACCOUNT SYSTEM MACHINES AND SOME RECORDS AND
ACCOUNTS DESTROYED, OCCASIONAL MINOR DAMAGE DUE TO SHRAPNEL HOLES
AND FLYING DEBRIS EXTENDS FROM FRAME 70 TO THE STERN. AFTER 24 HOURS
THERE IS EVIDENCE OF SLIGHT LEAKAGE IN COUNTER FLOODING GRIDS B-150
AND 154V. THESE WERE DRY IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ACTION. PRESENT
LEAKAGE CAN BE CONTROLLED BY PERIODIC BLOWING OUT. DAMAGE TO ARMAMENT
WILL NECESSITATE REPLACEMENT OF 2 FIVE INCH/51 MOUNTS COMPLETE MARK
15 MOD 0 WITH ASSOCIATED FIRE CONTROL EQUIPMENT FOR 1 MOUNT, 1 40 MM
QUAD MOUNT MARK 5 YORK SAFE AND LOCK COMPANY AND ALL ASSOCIATED
WIRING.
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DECODED BY SLUTZ			BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED MC CORMACK/WALP	CHECKED		
BY MC CORMACK/WALP	DITTOED		
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**SAILED COLORADO 1900/1. MARYLAND DAMAGE SERIOUSLY AFFECTS
BATTLE EFFICIENCY. PROBABLY REQUIRES YARD REPAIRS.
ENDEAVORING CONTACT COLORADO. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS.**

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RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION INFORMATION	PRIORITY
DATE 29 NOVEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0938			DEFERRED
DECODED BY KURTZ			PRIORITY
TYPED BY KURTZ/STEVENS			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED
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COM7THFLT SENDS ACTION COMINCH INFO CNO CINCPAC COM-SUBSPAC(NPM RDO HONO) PASS COMSUBS 7THFLT CTF 77

DEEPLY REGRET NECESSITY REPORTING THAT DUE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES CONSIDER GROWLER PROBABLY LOST RESULT ENEMY ACTION. GROWLER DEPARTED FREMANTLE 20 OCT TO CONDUCT SEARCH AND ATTACK WITH HARDHEAD AND HAKE IN LUBANG CALAVIT CALAMIAN AREA. ON SEVEN NOV ORDERED TO SHIFT PATROL TO WESTERN LUZON. LAST DISPATCH FROM GROWLER WAS 071530 REQUESTING URGENTLY NEEDED SJ RADAR PARTS. SUSEQUENT EFFORTS TO EFFECT RENDEZVOUS AND REACH BY DISPATCH FAILED. ORIGINAL DATE TO LEAVE PATROL SET AT 1 DEC AND ETA FREMANTLE 11 DEC BUT BE-

LIEVE ABOVE CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATE LOSS

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DATE 29 NOVEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODER ROOM 0450			DEFERRED
DECODED BY KNAPP			BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY KNAPP	CHECKED BY STOSTEN	INFORMATION CONSERVFOR 7TH FLEET CTG 77.2 CINCPAC CONSERVPAC (FMO) CONCRUPAC	PRIORITY
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(SAINT LOUIS (CL 49) SENDS. RADIO WASHINGTON PASS ACTION TO COMINCH. RDO MANUS PASS ACTION TO COM 7TH FLEET CTF 77 INFO CONSERVFOR 7TH FLEET CTG 77.2. RDO HONO PASS INFO CINCPAC CONSERVPAC (FMO) CONCRUPAC.)

AIR ATTACK 1135-12201 27 NOVEMBER SUICIDE PLANE CRASH ON MAIN DECK FRAME 128 STARBOARD. HOLE BLOWN IN MAIN DECK 24 BY 24 FEET. BULKHEAD 126 BLOWN OUT FROM MAIN DECK TO 3RD DECK LEVEL SAME SIDE. NUMEROUS SHRAPNEL HOLES IN 3RD DECK BETWEEN FRAMES 127 AND 134 STARBOARD UP TO 18 INCHES IN DIAMETER. 4 INCH HOLE IN SHELL PLATING FRAME 130 STARBOARD 1 FOOT ABOVE 3RD DECK LEVEL. AND FIRE MAIN RUPTURED AT FRAME 126 IN HANGAR/IN MAIN GSK STOREROOM C'S 309A WITH 80 PERCENT LOSS GSK STORES. GASOLINE PUMP AND TRUNK AT MAIN DECK DEMOLISHED. INCIDENTAL PIPING, GAUGES, VALVES DESTROYED. MAIN DECK BUCKLED WITH NUMEROUS SHRAPNEL HOLES AFT OF TURRET 5. HANGAR HATCH BLOWN UP

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ONTO CATAPULT AND JETTISONED. PLANE ELEVATOR BADLY BUCKLED.
 BOTH CATAPULTS DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR. 1 PLANE BLOWN OVERBOARD
 OTHER PLANE AND BULK OF AIRCRAFT SPARES DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR.
 BARRELS ALL 3 GUNS TURRET 5 BADLY PITTED AND DEEPLY GOUGED AND
 CONSIDERED UNSAFE. 2 FOOT VERTICAL HAIRLINE CRACK IN FACE
 PLATE. VENTILATION TO PYROTECHNIC STORAGE C 513 AND 1 HALF M
 AND DIESEL FIRE PUMP ROOM C 313 E DESTROYED. 5 INCH GUN 7 DEEPLY
 GOUGED AND CONSIDERED UNSAFE. AVIATION LUBE OIL STORAGE TANKS
 DESTROYED. BOTH MOTOR WHALE BOATS BUCKLED WITH SHRAPNEL,
 DAMAGED BY FIRE AND CONSIDERED BEYOND REPAIR. GENERAL USUAL
 DAMAGE OF ALL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND CABLES IN AFFECTED AREA.
 70 PERCENT PLUMBING AND FIXTURES CPO HEAD AND WASHROOM DESTROYED.
 RESULT 2ND SUICIDE PLANE CRASH CLOSE ABOARD VICINITY FRAME
 61 PORT. FORWARD 20 FOOT SECTION 5 INCH 3 AND 1 QUARTER INCH

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ARMOR BELT MISSING. FOLLOWING SECTION ARMOR BELT LOOSE AND WORKING ON RIVETS. UNDETERMINED LENGTH 80 POUND PLATE FORWARD FRAME 61 MISSING. HULL PLATING OF COMPARTMENTS A 424 A, A 544 V, B 90 V, B 908 F, B 914 F, B 920 F MULTIPLE HOLES TO SEA SHELL PLATING APPEARS TO BE TORN LOOSE AT FRAME 61. BULKHEAD 61 HAS 5 INCH WRINKLE 4 FEET INBOARD IN COMPARTMENT A6E. BULKHEAD 64 AND 1 HALF SLIGHTLY WRINKLED ON PORT SIDE BETWEEN B-1-1 AND B-2.

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COM 12		ASTENISK (+) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		USS BELLEAU WOOD	PRIORITY
DATE	28 NOV 1944	USS DALY	RRRRR
TOR CODEROOM	2316		ROUTINE
DECODED BY	FRAITAS		DEFERRED
TYPED	BECKMAN/ Houston	NAVY YARD MARE ISLAND	PRIORITY
BY	VOSSBURGH	BUSHIPS	RRRRR
ROUTED BY			ROUTINE
			DEFERRED
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USS BELLEAU WOOD ASSIGNED HUNTER'S POINT FOR
SCHEDULED AVAILABILITY. DALY TO UNITED ENGINEERING
ALAMEDA

BUSHIPS....COG

23....COMINCH....19....19C....20M....BUPERS....

BUORD....OP05....CNO....31....OP03....BUAER....

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DATE	26 NOVEMBER 1944	CINCSOMESPAC	3
FOR CODEROOK	26131		4
DECODED BY	MC NRCE		5
PARAPHRASED BY	MONROE		6
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(COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION CINCPAC CINCSOMESPAC (LATTER VIA RADIO MANUS) INFO COMINCH COM 7TH FLEET ALL TASKFORCOMS 3RD AND 7TH FLT)			14

EXPENSIVE DAY FOR BOTH SIDES. NIPS WELL ORGANIZED AS RESULT THEIR
 ACCURATE ESTIMATE. DETERMINED MID DAY/ATTACK BREACHED FIGHTER
 DEFENSE USING WHAT APPEARED TO BE FAKE TORPEDO ATTACK COORDINATED
 WITH DIVERS. 1 DIVER MISSED HANCOCK WITH BOMB SHOT DOWN OVER SHIP
 BURNING FRAGMENTS ON SHIP NO LOSS BATTLE EFFICIENCY. CONSIDERABLE
 DAMAGE INTREPID HANGAR DECK AND ABOVE FROM 2 SUICIDE CRASHES WITH
 BOMBS. 1 WOUNDED SUICIDER NEAR MISSED WITH BOMB AND BOUNCED OFF
 CABOTS FLIGHT DECK FORWARD CAUSING QUICKLY CONTROLLED FIRE WHILE
 A SECOND PLANE WAS SHOT OUT OF HIS DIVE AND CRASHED IN WATER CLOSE
 TO SHIP. CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE BUT SHIP CARRIED ON ALL DAY. ESSEX
 HAD 1 PLANE HIT CATAWK NEGLIGIBLE LOSS OF BATTLE EFFICIENCY. 3
 ADDITIONAL PLANES SHOT DOWN BY 38.2 AA FIRE. PRELIMINARY

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			BASEGRAM 5
DECODED BY			6
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REPORT OF DAMAGE TO ENEMY 26 PLANES SHOT DOWN BY OUR PLANES 8 SHOT
DOWN BY AA 35 DESTROYED ON GROUND. CA PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS KUI AND
CLASS TORPEDOED DEFINITELY SUNK. 4 ODD PROBABLY APD AT MARINDUQUE
SUNK. 1 DD 9 ASSORTED AK 1 SMALL AO 2 LOGGERS SUNK. DAMAGED 4
ASSORTED AK 1 AO. 7 TANK CARS SOUTHEAST OF NICHOLS FIELD STRAFED
AND BURNED. 1 50 TRUCK CONVOY STRAFED ON ROAD SOUTH OF MANILA. IN
VIEW BATTLE DAMAGE AND ABSENCE OF TARGETS AM RETIRING TASKGROUP
38.2 TO ULITHI. TASK GROUP 38.3 REMAINING AT SEA UNTIL ANCHORAGES
AVAILABLE ULITHI.

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TOR CODEROM 262356			4
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TYPED BY KOHOUTEK			6
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CINCPAC SENDS ACTION COM 3RD FLT INFO COMINCH
COMAIRPAC COMSERVPAC CTF 38 CTG 30.9 CTG 38.2.

YOUR 260755 NOT TO ALL.

DIRECT INTREPID (CV 11) PROCEED PEARL FOR BATTLE
DAMAGE REPAIRS.

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DATE	27 NOV 1944		2
TOR CODEROOM	0538/27		3
DECODED BY	ELV		4
PARAPHRASED BY	ELV	CTG 38.9 CTF 38 CTG 38.2 CINCPAC ADMIN	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
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PASSED BY CINCPAC TO COMINCH AND COMMESSEAFRON FOR INFO AS 270032.

(COM 3RD FLT SENDS INFO CTG 38.9 CTF 38 CTG 38.2 CINCPAC ADMIN WHO PASSES ACTION CINCPAC)

TO 38.2 NOW ENROUTE ULITHI WITH ESTIMATED BATTLE DAMAGE DESCRIBED MY 260748 AND PERSONNEL CASUALTIES AS IN MY 260743. BELIEVE ULITHI CAN HANDLE INDEPENDENCE CABOT AND HANCOCK BUT NO ESTIMATE DATE RFS YET POSSIBLE. BELIEVE INTREPID DAMAGE WILL NECESSITATE NAVY YARD REPAIRS. FURTHER REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION AFTER ARRIVAL ULITHI.

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DATE 26 NOV 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0702			DEFERRED
DECODED BY ZIMMERMAN			URGENT
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HONO INTERCEPT

(INFO COMSUBPAC. FROM CTG 17.7)

FUNNEL. PERISCOPE SIGHTED AND TORPEDO AVOIDED BY
SPEARFISH AT 16.37 NORTH 142-42 EAST TIME 0315Z
NOVEMBER 26.

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TOR CODEROOM 260335		CCM 3RD FLEET	4
DECODED BY MONROE		CTF 38	5
PARAPHRASED BY MONROE	CHECKED BY MCKEEL	CTG 38.2	6
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INFO CTG 38.2 CCMAIRPAC COMSERVPAC COMSERON 10. NSS GIVE TO COMINCH.
NPM PASS CINCPAC COMSERVPAC CCMAIRPAC COMSERON 10)

PRELIMINARY DAMAGE REPORT RESULT 2 JAP SUICIDE CRASHES ON DECK WITH
BOMBS TODAY AT 1255 AND 1259 ITEM. 1 BOMB EXPLODED ON HANGAR DECK.
2ND UNDERNEATH FLIGHT DECK. 1 HOLE IN FLIGHT DECK 15 FEET IN DIAMETER
CENTERED FRAME 130 DISTORTION AREA 50 BY 30 FEET. ANOTHER HOLE 30
BY 8 FEET CENTERED ABOUT FRAME 151 WITH SLIGHT DISTORTION. NUMBER
2 ELEVATOR CUT OF COMMISSION WITH AFTER CABLES SEVERED. NUMBER 3
ELEVATOR CUT OF COMMISSION WITH RIG OUT OF LINE. SEVERAL ARRESTING
GEAR AND BARRIER UNITS DEMOLISHED. HP AIR LINES TO ARRESTING AND
BARRIER UNITS SHATTERED. ELECTRIC WIRING UNDER PLATFORM AND GALLEY
DECKS ESPECIALLY THAT FOR CIC SEVERED BY SHRAPNEL AND FIRE. TOO HOT
TO DETERMINE DAMAGE TO CIC EQUIPMENT. ALL DAMAGE CONFINED ABOVE

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HANGAR DECK. PERSONNEL, AT LEAST 54 DEAD 35 SERIOUS AND 15 MINOR
INJURIES. MISSING UNDETERMINED AS YET. SEVERAL POSSIBLY 15. OFFICERS
AND CREW PERFORMED MARVELOUSLY.

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TOR CODEROOM 0131			
DECODED BY WALP		CNO	PRIORITY
TYPED BY HALVORSON		NYD NEW YORK	DEFERRED
ROUTED BY MORRIS		CINCLANT	
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(OMAHA CL4 SENDS)

WHILE TRANSFERRING MAIL AT SEA BOW OF GUSTAFSON DE
 STRUCK NO. 4 PROPELLOR OF OMAHA CL4. PROPELLOR BLADES
 BENT AND SHAFT/OF LINE. SLIGHT LEAK IN PEAK TANK OF
 GUSTAFSON. REQUEST CNO INFORM NECESSARY NAVY DEPT
 BUREAUS

COMINCH...COG

16...19...BUSHIPS...23...BUPERS...BUORD...JAG...

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2592 RISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM CNO

RELEASED BY V D CHAPLINE

DATE 24 NOV 1944

TOR CODEROOM 2304/24 NOV 1944

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ROUTED BY BBBAKER

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HONOLULU (CL48) HEREBY ASSIGNED AVAILABILITY AT THE
NAVY YARD NORFOLK UPON ARRIVAL ABOUT 25 DEC 1944 FOR
BATTLE DAMAGE REPAIRS AND INSTALLATION 5"/38 BATTERY
INCLUDING BLISTERS. ADVANCE PLANNING AND PREFABRICATION
MUST BE EXPEDITED. COMMANDANT IS REQUESTED TO REPORT
ESTIMATED TIME TO COMPLETE AS SOON AS FULL INFORMATION
IS AVAILABLE.

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23.....ORIG

COMINCH.....GUSHIPS.....BUORD.....BUPERS.....240P.....

19.....19C.....24M.....0Pp5.....CNO.....NAVAIDE.....

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AVAIL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAYER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM PD MAJURO		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		COMHAWSEAFRON	ROUTINE
DATE 24 NOV 1944			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 1109			
DECODED BY JOHNSON		COM 7TH FLT, CINCPAC	ROUTINE
TYPED BY SMITH		COMCRUPAC, COMINCH	DEFERRED
ROUTED BY SAMUEL		SCOFA CENPAC, PD ENIWETOK	
		CTF 96	

UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.

240315

NCR 2430

IF OPERATIONAL
CHECK BELOW
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ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME: DATE TIME GCT

ON OUTGOING DISPATCHES PLEASE LEAVE ABOUT ONE INCH CLEAR SPACE BEFORE BEGINNING TEXT

HONOLULU WITH ESCORTS ALBERT WILLIAM GRANT AND
ANDERSON DEPARTED 240200 (Z) ROUTE MARGARET TO
PEARL. SPEED OF ADVANCE 15. ETA 291900 (Z).

QP 20, QPE 57, QPH 49-C 30, QPY 15. COMMUNICATIONS
USF 70(A) CENT COM 2. ALL SHIPS GUARD NPM(RDO
HONO) PRIMARY CONTINUOUSLY AND 355 KCS WITHIN
200 MILES OAHU HONOLULU ALSO GUARDS NPM(RDO
HONO) SECONDARY. O.T.C. CAPT H. R. THURBER IN
HONOLULU.

COMINCH.....COG

FX37....19.....19C....20M.....CNO.....200P....

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TOP SECRET DISPATCH

DRFTER	EXT.	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM CONSUBPAC		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		CINCPAC	PRIORITY 2
DATE 24 NOVEMBER 1944			ROUTINE 3
TON CODEROOK 1236			DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY HARTZELL			ROUTINE 5
PARAPHRASED BY HARTZELL	CHECKED BY BOWLAND	W.B.	BASEGRAM 6
BY HARTZELL	DITTOED BY HARTZELL		PRIORITY 9
ROUTED BY			ROUTINE 10
			DEFERRED 11
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AN ADMINISTRATIVE.			BASEGRAM 12
232031			IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW 13
NCR 2460			☐ 14
Originator fill in DATE AND TIME GROUP			(Use G. C. T.) 15

ACTION TO CINCPAC FROM CONSUBPAC.

(PASSED BY CINCPAC TO COMWESTSEAFRON AND COMINCH FOR INFO AS 241016)

TOP SECRET.

REGRET REPORT THAT SUBMARINES ESCOLAR TANG AND SHARK ARE ALL OVERDUE FROM PATROL AND MUST BE PRESUMED TO ^{BE} LOST. LETTERS GIVING ALL DETAILS WILL FOLLOW.

COMINCH: COPIES #1 TO #8 INCLUSIVE.

ACTION-F-30

NO. 1 ADMIRAL.

NO. 2 FILE.

NO. 3F-1 OR CHARTROOM.

NO. 4 SPECIAL.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
1. COMDP. H M ZEMER		05550 (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESS 3813	1
2. COMINCH AND CNO			2
3. RELEASED BY ADMIRAL KING			3
4. DATE 24 NOVEMBER 1944			4
5. TOR CODEROOM 240115			5
6. DECODED BY			6
7. TYPED BY ENGLISH			7
8. ROUTED BY			8
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			9
231941 NCR 48040			10
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ON OUTGOING DISPATCHES PLEASE LEAVE ABOUT ONE INCH CLEAR SPACE BEFORE BEGINNING TEXT			12
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UR 220550 SAIL HONOLULU TO NORFOLK FOR BLISTERS AND
5 INCH 38 BATTERY. THOROUGH STUDY INDICATES 6 MONTHS
FOR REPAIRS TO BATTLE DAMAGE 8 MONTHS FOR
MODERNIZATION WHICH MAY BE ANTICIPATED BY 1 MONTH

COMINCH&CNO...ORIG
BUSHIPS...ACT
BUPERS...BUORD...BUAER...OP05...OP12...OP23...19...19C...
20M...CNO...NAVAIDE...20P...

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CNO	PRIORITY
DATE			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROM			RRRRR DEFERRED
DECODED BY			
PARAPHRASED BY		BUORD NYD PHILA BUSHIPS CINCPAC COMCRUPAC	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY			ROUTINE
			RRRRR DEFERRED
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS MESSAGE WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
230141 NCR 1201			☐

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(CINCPAC COMCRUPAC INFORMED.)

MY 210239*CORRECT HONOLULU ETA EAST COAST PORT
ABOUT 25 DECEMBER.

*REQUEST AVAILABILITY EAST COAST YARD HONOLULU
(CL48) ABOUT 15 JAN.

23...ACT

BUORD...BUSHIPS...BUPERS...COMINCH...19...19C...

OP05...CNO...20M...NAYIDE...200P...OPD0...

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM USS TETON	(AGE)	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		ATCOMPHIBFORPAC	PRIORITY
DATE 22 NOV 1944			RRRRRRRR
TOR CODEROM 1616			DEFERRED
DECODED BY SACHS		CNO COMINCH	PRIORITY
TYPED BY READY		CINCPAC	RRRRRRRR
ROUTED BY WHITTINGTON		COMPHIBFORPAC	ROUTINE
		CO 15	DEFERRED
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
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NOV 267			

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USS TETON SENDS ACTION ATCOMPHIBFORPAC INFO CNO
COMINCH CINCPAC COMPHIBFORPAC COM 15. RTO HONO PASS TO
ACTION ADEE CINCPAC COMPHIBFORPAC

AT 2049Z 21 NOV WHILE APPROACHING BUOY 7 IN CHANNEL
IN LOVER GATUN LOCK PANAMA CANAL LOST ALL POWER ON
SHIP TUE TO LOW STEAM PRESSURE BECAUSE OF FAILURE OF
AUTOMATIC MAIN FUEL STOPS. WITH LOSS OF STEERING
CONTROL SHIP LEFT CHANNEL AND GROUND ON LEFT BANK
CAUSING SOME DAMAGE TO PANAMA CANAL SUCTON DREYGL
PIPELINE EXTENT UNKNOWN. SHIP CAME OFF BLADILY WITH
ASSISTANCE OF 1 TUG. NO DAMAGE TO SHIP AND NO
PERSONNEL CASUALTIES.

COMINCH....COG

16....19....23....JAG....BUSHIPS....BUPERS....20F....

CNO....00....NAVAIDE....

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	COMSERVRON 10	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	2
DATE	21 NOV 1944	COM 3RD FLEET	3
TOR CODEROOM	1327	CNO	4
DECODED BY	D SMITH	USS WICHITA	5
TYPED	BROOK	CTG 38.4	6
BY		CTU 30.9.1	7
ROUTED BY	MATHES	COMSERVPAC	8
		CINCPAC	9
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COMSERVRON 10 SENDS ACTION COM 3RD FLEET INFO CTU
 30.9.1 COMSERVPAC CINCPAC BUSHIPS COMCRUDIV 6
 CTG 38.4 WICHITA AND CNO.

RESULTS DIVERS INSPECTION SHAFTING USS WICHITA
 NUMBER 4 SHAFT, PROPELLER AND TAIL SHAFT MISSING, MAIN

STRUT SLIGHTLY DAMAGED FORWARD END, SHORT STRUT BROKEN,
 STERN TUBE SHAFT BENT ABOUT 3 INCHES. NUMBER 3

SHAFT OUT OF ALIGNMENT DUE BROKEN SHORT STRUT.
 UNKNOWN. IN VIEW ABOVE AND OLD BEND ON SECTION OF

LINE SHAFT NUMBER 3 SHAFT STRONGLY RECOMMEND SHIP BE
 RETURNED PEARL FOR COMPLETE SHAFT ALIGNMENT ALL SHAFTS

AS WELL AS REPAIR OF DAMAGE.

23...COG

BUSHIPS...OP05...COMINCH...CNO...NAVAIDE...200P

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER COMDR ZEMMER		EXTENSION NUMBER 63606	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM COMINCH & CNO		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		1
RELEASED BY ADMIRAL KING		CINCPAC		PRIORITY 3
DATE 20 NOVEMBER 44				DEFERRED 6
TOR CODEROOM 201520				DEFERRED 7
DECODED BY		COMCRUPAC COM 7TH FLEET		PRIORITY 10
TYPED BY CRANE				DEFERRED 13
ROUTED BY ADBBIS				DEFERRED 14
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.				IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
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COMSERVPAC 160223 GIVING CONSIDERATION INSTALLATION 5" 38 GUNS ON HONOLULU WHICH NECESSITATES ADDITION OF BLISTERS. ABOVE ACCOMPLISHED ON SAVANNAH BY NAVY YARD PHILADELPHIA IN NINE MONTHS. REQUEST YOUR ESTIMATED TIME MAKE REPAIRS NOT INCLUDING ABOVE ALTERATION. IF YOUR ESTIMATE TO COMPLETE BATTLE DAMAGE HONOLULU ABOUT EQUALS TIME REQUIRED COMPLETE SAVANNAH MODERNIZATION AND YOU CONCUR SIMILAR MODERNIZATION HONOLULU PROPOSE SHIP BE SENT PHILADELPHIA BECAUSE EXPERIENCE THERE PLUS FACT MORE DOCKING FACILITIES AVAILABLE EAST COAST. REQUEST EARLY REPLY IN ORDER START MATERIAL PROCUREMENT AND WORK. SEE CNO 311400 OCTOBER.

COMINCH & CNO.....ORIG

BUORD.....BUPERS.....23.....NAVAIDE.....200P.....

CNO.....OP05.....BUSHIPS.....

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM CTG 30.9		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CINCPAC	PPPP
DATE 20 NOVEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0843			DEFERRED
DECODED BY WOODWARD		COMFWDAREA COMTHIRDFLEET COMSERVPAC CTG 38.3 CNO ATCOM ULITHI	PPPP
TYPED BY MANN			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY TELSHOW			DEFERRED
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW ☐
200411 NCR 8226			

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(CTG 30.9 SENDS ACTION CINCPAC INFO COMFWDAREA COM-
THIRDFLEET COMSERVPAC CTG 38.3 CNO (RDO WASHINGTON PASS)
ATCOM ULITHI)

^{23 000 f}
A059 USS MISSISSINewa SUNK IN ULITHI OPPOSITE MUGAI
CHANNEL ENTRANCE BY SUBMARINE TORPEDO AND SUBSEQUENT
INTERNAL EXPLOSION AND FIRE. LARGE NUMBER OF SURVIVORS.
EXACTLY HOW MANY CASUALTIES NOT YET KNOWN.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

URGENCY	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM <u>CNB MANUS</u>	FOR ACTION	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY _____		CINCPAC PD MAJURO	ROUTINE
DATE <u>19 NOV 44</u>	UNCLASSIFIED	SHIP CONTROL OFFICER FWDAREA CENPAC	DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM <u>1410</u>		COMINCH COMCENPACFWDAREA COM 7TH FLT COMHAWSEAFRON COMSERVRON 10 REP MANUS	PRIORITY
DECODED BY <u>DORSEY</u>			ROUTINE
TYPED BY <u>DORSEY/Hofner</u>			DEFERRED
ROUTED BY <u>THOMPSON</u>			
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
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(CNB MANUS SENDS)

HONOLULU ESCORTED BY HAROLD C THOMAS AND ALBERT W

GRANT DEPARTED MANUS FOR MAJURO 0300Z 19TH. SOA

15 ROUTE GLADIOLA. ETA MAJURO 1000Z 23RD. ON ARRIVAL

MAJURO THOMAS TO RETURN MANUS OTHER VESSELS OBTAIN ONWARD

ROUTING TO PEARL. QPE 57. ALL VESSELS GUARD NPM

(RDO HONO) PRIMARY HONOLULU ALSO NPM SECONDARY.

COMINCH PASSED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION
TOR NCR 1542/19

19...19C...INFO
CNO...NAVAIDE...200P....FX37....20M...

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM USS RANDOLPH		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PPPPPP PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		COMFAIR NORFOLK	ROUTINE
DATE 19 NOV 1944			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 0029			
DECODED BY RISHIN		COMAIRLANT	PPPPPP PRIORITY
TYPED BY GOLD		SUPSHIPS NEWPORT NEWS	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY WILLIAMS		BUSHIPS	DEFERRED
		NYD NORFOLK	
		EXTRA YARD PLANNING NOB	
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
181345			☐
NCR 7054			

ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME: DATE TIME GCT

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(RANDOLPH SENDS TO COMFAIR NORFOLK. INFO COMAIRLANT
SUPSHIPS NEWPORT NEWS BUSHIPS NYD NORFOLK. COMFAIR
PASS TO EXTRA YARD PLANNING NOB)

3RD HANGAR DECK ROLLER CURTAIN FRAME 48-52 STARBOARD
DAMAGED IN MODERATE SEA FROM BROAD ON BOW WHILE
STEAMING AT SLOW SPEED. RIVETS TEARING WITH CURTAIN
MASHED IN BY SEA FORCING ROLLERS OUT OF TRACK. SUCH
CASUALTY WOULD SERIOUSLY IMPAIR NIGHT OPERATIONS.
REQUEST REPAIRS BE ARRANGED TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN
48 HOURS AFTER ARRIVAL AND REMEDIAL ACTION INITIATED
TO PREVENT RECURRENCE UNDER AVERAGE SEA CONDITIONS
AND SPEED.

BUSHIPS.....COG

23.....31.....OP03.....BUAER.....COMINCH.....CNO.....

OP05.....200P.....NAVAIDE.....

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM COMSERON 10		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		COMSERVPAC	2
DATE 19 NOV 1944			3
TOR CODEROOM 0459			4
DECODED BY D SMITH			5
TYPED BY D SMITH			6
ROUTED BY MATHES			7
		CNB MANUS	8
		SERON 10 REP MANUS	9
		BUSHIPS; USS VESTAL	10
		BUORD; COMDESPAC	11
		CNO; USS RENO	12
		CINCPAC; COM 3RD FLT	13
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.			14
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(COMSERON 10 SENDS ACTION TO COMSERVPAC. RDO MANUS PASS INFO TO CNB MANUS AND SERON 10 REP MANUS. RDO WASHN GIVE INFO TO BUSHIPS, BUORD AND CNO. ALSO INFO ARE CINCPAC, COM 3RD FLT, RENO, COMDESPAC AND VESTAL)

ESTIMATE RENO READY FOR TOW ABOUT 10 DECEMBER WITH MAJOR PORTION FLOODED COMPARTMENTS UNWATERED AND SUFFICIENT TOPSIDE WEIGHTS REMOVED TO RESTORE STABILITY AND WITH ADEQUATE STRUCTURAL STRENGTH REPLACED TO PERMIT SAFE TOWING IN NORMAL SEAS.

39...COG

BUSHIPS..BUORD...23...COMINCH...CNO...200P...

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DRAFTER OP-23-1(A)-RP		EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM CONLON/PARKER			ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
TO P-23		FOR ACTION	DNC	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY R.M. HINCKLEY				ROUTINE
DATE 17 NOVEMBER 1944				DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 2011/17		INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY				ROUTINE
TYPED BY C GREEN				DEFERRED
ROUTED BY				IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW
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172011 NCR 5332				

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PASS BELLEAU WOOD SECR #42247 NCR 15745 BY AIRMAILGRAM
TO NAVAL DRYDOCKS HUNTERS POINT FOR INFO.

OP 23 PASSED BELLEAU WOOD SECR #42247 NCR 15745 BY AMGM
TO NAVAL DRYDOCKS HUNTERS POINT FOR INFO AS 172011
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23....ORIG

COMINCH....BUSHIPS....BUAER....BUORD....20E....OP#5....

00....JAG....20OP....NAVATDE....30....CND....OP#5G....

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM <u>CTG 17.24</u>	FOR ACTION	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		CTF 17	ROUTINE
DATE <u>17 NOVEMBER 1944</u>			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM <u>1109</u>			
DECODED BY <u>ROBERTS</u>	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
TYPED BY			ROUTINE
BY <u>DIEBEL</u>			DEFERRED
ROUTED BY			
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<u>170210Z</u>			☐
<u>NCR 5296</u>			

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(PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO BY RDO HONO AS 170628)

2 HOLES PRESSURE HULL ROMQUIL AFTER GUNFIGHT BUT STILL
ABLE MAKE EMERGENCY DIVE. CRITICALLY WOUNDED MAN IN
BURREFISH. THEIR 2300Z 16TH POSIT 32-25N 140-30E. HEADED
EAST IN MODERATE GALE. I AM JOINING THEM FOR SUPPORT.
COYE* ELBBHNS* AND HARLFINGER* OUT OF DECK GUN AMMUNITION.
PRESENT PLAN TO RUN EAST UNTIL WELL CLEAR OF BONINS.
FURTHER ADVICE LATER. WX 02503 08670 66155.

*AS RECEIVED

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FROM COM 7TH FLT	FOR ACTION	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		COMINCH	ROUTINE
DATE 17 NOV 1944			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROM 0034			
DECODED BY D SMITH	FOR INFORMATION		PRIORITY
TYPED BY			ROUTINE
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(COM 7TH FLT GIVES ACTION COMINCH)

YOUR 132103 NOVEMBER. READ SUNK BY AERIAL TORPEDO IN LEYTE GULF 1 NOVEMBER EVERSOLE SUNK BY TORPEDO 150 MILES

EAST OF DINAGAT 29 OCTOBER. SHELTON SUNK BY TORPEDO OFF MOROTAI 3 OCTOBER. AMS 70 FOUNDERED WHILE SWEEPING IN

LEYTE GULF 17 OCTOBER. PT 368 DESTROYED AT HALMAHERA 11 OCTOBER. THESE LOSSES CAN BE ANNOUNCED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

PT 320 ANNOUNCED IN COM 7TH FLEET 120020 NOVEMBER. FURTHER LOSSES CAN BE ANNOUNCED WITHOUT PREJUDICE AS

FOLLOWS. (AT) SONOMA DESTROYED BY AIRCRAFT BOMB IN LEYTE GULF 22 OCTOBER. LST 269 BEACHED IN LEYTE GULF DUE MORTAR

FIRE 22 OCTOBER. LCI 1065 HIT BY AIRCRAFT BOMB EXPLODED AND ABANDONED IN SAN PEDRO BAY 24 OCTOBER. PT 493

DESTROYED BY ENEMY GUNFIRE IN SURIGAO STRAIT 25 OCTOBER. CVE SAINT LO SUNK BY SUICIDAL DIVE BOMBER OFF SAMAR 25

OCTOBER. CVE GAMBIER BAY SUNK BY GUNFIRE OF ENEMY TASK FORCE OFF SAMAR 25 OCTOBER. DD HOEL DD JOHNSTON DE ROBERTS

SUNK BY GUNFIRE OFF SAMAR 25 OCTOBER. LOSS OF SUBMARINE DARTER TO BE ANNOUNCED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PRESENT POLICY.

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POSSIBILITY EXISTS SOME OMISSIONS DUE LACK OF EXACT KNOWLEDGE
OF WHAT MAY HAVE BEEN RELEASED BY DEPARTMENT THEREFOR CONSIDER

THAT ALL LOSSES INCURRED TO DATE MAY BE RELEASED WITHOUT
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NAVY (RDO MANUS)		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
FROM			PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		ALL CONCERNED CURRENT OPERATIONS SWPA	ROUTINE
15 NOV 1944			DEFERRED
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TOR CODEROOM			
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DECODED BY			PRIORITY
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FROM NAVY.

HOLLANDIA

*(RADIO/PASSED FOR INFO TO COM 3RD FLT, CTF 38, AND ALL TASK GROUP COMMANDERS OF TF 38 UNDER ORIGINAL DATE TIME GROUP. RADIO HONOLULU PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 150631.)

1 PROBABLE CARRIER 05-57 S LAT 121-50 E LONG ** AT

1422301 BETTY SHOKAKU CLASS CARRIER.

** GARBLED GROUP.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FROM FOGMA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PPPPPPPP
RELEASED BY		ADMTY	PRIORITY
DATE 15 NOV 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 1527			DEFERRED
DECODED BY ROGERS		SBNO AZORES	PPPPPPPP
PARAPHRASED BY ARNOLD / RODGERS		COMINCH	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY TELSHOW		CINCLANT	ROUTINE
			DEFERRED

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ADMTY INFO SBNO AZORES COMINCH CINCLANT FROM FOGMA

**USS FRAMENT'S 150245. IT IS ASSUMED THAT ENQUIRY
INTO THIS COLLISION WILL BE CARRIED OUT BY US
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FROM CTG 17.16		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PPPPPPP 1
RELEASED BY		CTF 17 (COMSUBPAC)	PRIORITY 2
DATE 15 NOVEMBER 1944			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROOM 151328			DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY TENKE			BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY BLNETT	CHECKED BY SJOOSTEN		
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY	CTG 17.12 ROACH'S RAIDERS	PPPPPPP 6
			PRIORITY 7
			ROUTINE 8
			DEFERRED 9
			BASEGRAM 10
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PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO BY NPM(RADIO HONOLULU) AS 150822.

(CTG 17.16 TO COMSUBPAC INFO ROACHES RAIDERS)

SERIAL 4.

FOLLOWING FROM HALIBUT BY VISUAL AT 1400Z IN POSITION 12

MILES NORTH YAMI ISLAND: " SEVERE DPLTH CHARGING WRINKLED FORWARD
HULL FORWARD TORPEDO ROOM FORWARD BATTERY CONNING TOWER FORWARD
BULKHEAD. BOW TUBES OUT OF LINE. 5 CELLS CRACKED. SHAFTS NOISY.
STEERING DAMAGED. CAN DIVE. NO RADIO NOW HERE TO FIX. 33,000 FUEL.
14 FISH. RETURNING." PINTADO IN COMPANY HEADING TOWARDS SAIPAN AT
15 KNOTS UNTIL HALIBUT RADIO FIXED OR INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM
YOU FOR VISUAL TRANSMISSION TO HALIBUT. FULL 64,000 FISH 18.
WX 06201. 18979. 05192.

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NAVAL MESSAGE

NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
USS RENO (CL 96) (INDEF CALL)		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
FROM		COMINCH CINC PAC	ROUTINE
RELEASED BY		COM 3RD FLEET	ROUTINE
DATE	18 NOVEMBER 1944	CTF 38	DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM	0533		
DECODED BY	WALP	CONSERVPAC	
TYPED BY	WALP/	CONSERVRON 10	
BY	SORENSEN	COMCRUPAC	
ROUTED BY			
THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE		140935	NCR 6228
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(FROM USS RENO CL 96 ACTION TO COMINCH CINC PAC COM 3RD FLEET CTF 38 INFO TO CONSERVPAC COMCRUPAC AND CONSERVRON 10 THE LATTER HAS BY HAND)

WHILE STEAMING AT 15 KNOTS ON STATION IN PRESCRIBED DISPOSITION AT 2325 13 NOVEMBER STRUCK BY SUBMARINE TORPEDO PORT

SIDE FRAME 91 ABOUT 2 FEET BELOW KNUCKLE. FOLLOWING STRUCTURAL DAMAGE RESULTED. SHELL CARRIED AWAY ENTIRELY

FRAMES 90 TO 100 IN STRAKES C D AND E. DENTED IN FRAMES 77 TO 110. MAIN DECK STRINGER STRAKE BOWED UPWARD 2 UJMN*

INBOARD STRAKES CARRIED AWAY FRAMES 88 TO 96 BETWEEN STRINGER AND DECKHOUSE AND WRINKLED ACROSS TO STARBOARD STRINGER WHICH

IS UNDAMAGED. 2ND DECK AND 1ST PLATFORM CARRIED AWAY FRAME 90 TO 96 FROM SHELL INBOARD 20 FEET. LONGITUDINAL BULKHEAD

INBOARD OF C-404-F CARRIED AWAY ENTIRELY. BULKHEAD 88 SLIGHTLY DISTORTED. BULKHEAD 90 DISTORTED AND RUPTURED IN WAY PORT

STERN TUBE. BULKHEAD 96 DISTORTED AND RUPTURED NEAR CONNECTION TO 2ND DECK STRINGER STRAKE. B-946-F PUNCTURED. SHELL

PLATE WHICH ALSO CUT INTO AFTER ENGINE ROOM AT FRAME 85 ABOVE BILGE KEEL. 40 MM MOUNT AND FOUNDATION FRAME 89 PORT CARRIED

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AWAY. ALL COMPARTMENTS FLOODED BELOW 2ND DECK BETWEEN FRAME
77 AND 107 AND BELOW 1ST PLATFORM TO 110. C-201-L AND C-202-L

AWASH. TEMPORARY PARTIAL FLOODING OCCURED ALONG 2ND DECK IN
ADJACENT SPACES AND IN AFTER FIREROOM. STEERING ENGINE AND

FORWARD MAIN DISTRIBUTION BOARD BADLY DAMAGED BY SHOCK. ALL
ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS IN FLOODED AREA OUT. SHAFTING STRUTS PROPS

AND SHELL BELOW STRAKE B APPEAR INTACT.

*AS RECEIVED

COMINCH PASSED TO NCR FOR FURTHER DISTRIBUTION
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OP23....BUSHIPS....

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FROM CTG 78.2		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		CTF 77	2
DATE 13 NOVEMBER 1944	FOR ACTION		3
TOR CODEROOM 2200/12			4
DECODED BY STRONG	FOR INFORMATION	ATGC'S 3RD FLT	5
TYPED		ATGC'S 7TH FLT	6
BY THOMSON <i>Rich</i>		ATFC'S 7TH FLT	7
ROUTED BY		ATFC'S 3RD FLT	8
		ALL CONCERNED CURRENT	9
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CTG 78.2 SENDS.

Landing Craft Repair Ship

7 MERSHIPS. EGERIA (M4) ACHILLES (ARLS). DAMAGED BY
SUICIDER TODAY. SEVERAL LCI'S DAMAGED BY NEAR MISSES.
ATTACKS FROM 1130 TO 1830.

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM	(ARG) USS MINDANAO	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY		CCM 3RD FLEET CINCPAC CCMINCH	2 3 4 5 6 7 8
DATE	12 NOVEMBER 1944		9
TOR CODEROOM	0154 1530		10
DECODED BY	DIEBEL	COMSERVRON 10 COMSERVPAC	11 12 13 14
TYPED BY	MONROE		15
ROUTED BY	MATHIS		16 17 18

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(COMSERVRON 10 REP MANUS SENDS FOR MINDANAO. ACTION COM 3RD FLT
CINCPAC AND COMINCH. INFO COMSERVRON 10 AND COMSERVPAC)

FIRST REPORT DAMAGE MINDANAO FROM EXPLOSION MOUNT HOOD AT 0947/
10 NOVEMBER. ENTIRE SUPERSTRUCTURE AND FITTINGS BADLY DAMAGED BY
BLAST AND FRAGMENTS. 33 HOLES PORT SIDE BETWEEN WATERLINE AND
MAIN DECK. SOME FLOODING INTO COMPARTMENTS THROUGH HOLES FROM
WASH FOLLOWING EXPLOSION. NO UNDERWATER DAMAGE OR COMPARTMENTS OR
OPEN TO SEA. 4 WATERTIGHT BULKHEADS PIERCED. STEERING GEAR
DAMAGED AND INOPERATIVE. RADAR, RADIO, ORDNANCE, SIGNALING AND
GENERAL HULL FITTINGS ABOVE MAIN DECK EXTENSIVELY DAMAGED. GYRO,
BATTERY AND PRINT SHOPS PRACTICALLY DEMOLISHED. OTHER
CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO BAKERY, LAUNDRY AND MISCELLANEOUS SPACES
AND EQUIPMENT ON SECOND DECK PORT SIDE FROM FRAGMENTS. DEGAUSSING
CABLE SEVERED IN NUMEROUS LOCATIONS. ALL VITAL SERVICES FUNCTION-
ING. NO APPARENT DAMAGE MAIN MACHINERY. PRESENT COUNT SHOWS TOTAL

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192 CASUALTIES INCLUDING 9 OFFICERS OF WHICH ABOUT 35 DEAD
INCLUDING 4 OFFICERS. SOME CRITICALLY INJURED. 1 MAN MISSING.
DETAILED REPORT LATER.

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FROM CINCSWPA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	P P P P 1
RELEASED BY <i>[Signature]</i>		COMINCH <i>WJ</i>	PRIORITY 2
DATE NOV 12 1944			ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROOM 120819			DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY KULKA			BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY WJ MONTGOMERY	CHECKED BY COOK	CNO CINCPAC COMSOPAC <i>WJ</i>	P P P P 8
ROUTED BY MONTGOMERY	DITTOED BY MONTGOMERY		PRIORITY 9
			ROUTINE 10
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**CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM SEVENTH FLT ACTION COMINCH
INFO CNO CINCPAC COMSOPAC X SIGNED MACARTHUR.**

**AT 0847I ON NOVEMBER 10 MOUNT HOOD(AE-11) EXPLODED
FROM UNKNOWN CAUSE AND SANK WHILE AT ANCHOR IN SEADLER**

**HARBOR ADMIRALTIES. PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE INDICATES
22 OFFICERS 290 ENLISTED ABOARD. NO SURVIVORS. 1 OFFICER**

**16 ENLISTED MEN ASHORE AT TIME OF BLAST. CASUALTIES ON
NEARBY SHIPS 109 KILLED 593 INJURED. FLYING DEBRIS AND**

**BLAST CAUSED MINOR DAMAGE TO ABOUT 29 SHIPS ANCHORED IN
VICINITY. 8 YMS AND MINDANAO(ARG3) SUFFERED SEVERE**

Miscellaneous Repair ship
DAMAGE. NUMEROUS CONVOYS MOVING TO AND FROM LEYTE.

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FROM COM3RDFLT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PPPPPPPP	1
RELEASED BY		CINCPA	PRIORITY	2
DATE 11 NOVEMBER 1944			ROUTINE	3
TOR CODEROOM 1130			DEFERRED	4
DECODED BY HOFNER			BASEGRAM	5
PARAPHRASED BY HOFNER	CHECKED BY DORSEY	COMAIRPAC CTF 38	PPPPPPPP	6
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COM3RDFLT SENDING TOP SECRET. CINCPA ACTION GIVE INFO COMAIR-
PAC. ALSO INFO CTF 38.

WITH THE LOSS OF THE PRINCETON, THE RETURN OF THE BELLEAU WOOD
AND FRANKLIN TO PEARL FOR BATTLE DAMAGE REPAIR AND THE AVAIL-
ABILITY GRANTED THE LEXINGTON BY MY 100545 MY CARRIER FORCE
IS TEMPORARILY REDUCED TO 9 CV'S AND 6 CVL'S. REQUEST BUNKER
HILL YARD OVERHAUL BE DEFERRED UNTIL NECESSARY STRENGTH OF TF
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FROM	CTG 30.9		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY			USS FRANKLIN (CTU 30.9.7)	ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE	11 NOV 74			
TOR CODEROOM	1744			
DECODED BY	WOOD		COM 3RD FLT CINCPAC COMINCH CTG 96.3 SCOFA PD ULITHI CTU 57.6.2 CTF 57 COMAIRPAC	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
PARAPHRASED BY	JOHNSON/			
ROUTED BY	SAMUEL			

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CTG 30.9 DELIVERS BY HAND TO FRANKLIN (CTU 30.9.7) FOR ACTION. INFO GOES TO COM3RDFLT CINCPAC COMINCH CTG 96.3 PD ULITHI CTU 57.6.2 CTF 57 COMAIRPAC SCOFA.)

CAPTAIN GEHRES IN FRANKLIN FORM TU 30.9.7 CONSISTING FRANKLIN BELLEAU WOOD LANSDOWNE LARDNER WOODWORTH WHEN READY 11 NOVEMBER PROCEED PEARL VIA POINT SUSAN ROUTE TINTYPE AND TURNPIKE SOA 18.5 TO POINT TWAIN THENCE 16. UPON REPORTING 2 OR 3 DESTROYER ESCORTS AS RELIEF ESCORT AT POINT TWAIN RELEASE LANSDOWNE LARDNER WOODWORTH TO CARRY OUT BASIC ORDERS CTU 57.6.2. COMMUNICATIONS USF 70 A AND CENTCOM 2 REVISED. TASK UNIT DISSOLVED ON ARRIVAL PEARL.

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FROM <u>DE</u> <u>USS OBERRENDER (INDEF CALL)</u>		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		COMINCH	PRIORITY
DATE <u>11 NOV 1944</u>		CINCPAC	FORWARD
TOR CODEROOM <u>1020</u>		CTF 77	DEFERRED
		CTG 77.4	
		COMDESDIV 94	
		COMCORTDIV 69	
DECODED BY <u>D SMITH</u>		COMSERVPAC	PRIORITY
TYPED BY <u>D SMITH</u>		CONSERVRON 10	FORWARD
ROUTED BY		COMDESPAC	DEFERRED
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(USS OBERRENDER DE 344 SENDS)

AT ABOUT 0855! NOVEMBER 10 USS MT HOOD BLEW UP IN MANUS HARBOR. THIS VESSEL ANCHORED NEARBY SUFFERED THE FOLLOWING

DAMAGE. HOLE THROUGH MAIN DECK PORT SIDE FRAME 15 ABOUT 5 FEET IN DIAMETER DOWN THROUGH FIRST PLATFORM DECK AND

SIDE OF SHIP FLOODING LOWER SOUND ROOM. UNEXPLODED 8 INCH SHELL ENTERED AFTER ENGINE ROOM WRECKING SWITCHBOARD.

MAST ALMOST SEVERED ABOUT 5 FEET BELOW SL ANTENNA. HOLE STARBOARD SIDE SHIP FRAME 89 JUST UNDER MAIN DECK 2

FEET BY 1 FOOT. FRAMES AND HULL PLATING FROM FRAME 89 TO 95 BADLY BENT IN. CONSIDERABLE MINOR DAMAGE TO MAIN DECK

SUPERSTRUCTURE AND TOPSIDE EQUIPMENT BY FALLING OBJECTS.

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FROM CO.OFFICER, USS YMS 286		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CNO	PRIORITY
DATE 18 NOV 44			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 1955			DEFERRED
DECODED BY		BUSHIPS COMMINRON2 CINCPAC COMSERVPAC COMMINECRAFTPAC YMS TYPE CO. PAC SOPA, MANUS IN USS ARGONIE	PRIORITY
TYPED BY CRANE			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY PARMENTER			DEFERRED
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MAILGRAM

AS A RESULT OF EXPLOSIONS ABOARD AMMUNITION SHIP USS M
HOOD ABOUT 0900, 10 NOVEMBER, 1944 AT SEADLER HARBOR,

MANUS, THIS VESSEL SUSTAINED SEVERE DAMAGE. PRELIMINARY
INSPECTION OF HULL SHOWS MANY LARGE AND SMALL HOLES

THROUGH BRIDGE, FORECASTLE, AND MAIN DECKS. RAILINGS
AND MUCH OF FLYING BRIDGE DESTROYED. DAMAGE BELOW WATER

LINE DIFFICULT TO ASCERTAIN. SOME FRAMES IN ENGINE ROOM
AND DEPTH CHARGE LOCKER BROKEN AND SPLINTERED. BOLTS

PULLED THROUGH FRAMES. BELIEVE CONCUSSION SPRUNG PLANNING,
AS THERE IS INORDINATE BUT NOT YET DANGEROUS LEAK

AGE. CONDITION OF MACHINERY CAN BE ONLY ROUGHLY DETERMINED.
SHIP'S POWER STILL SECURED BECAUSE OF FIRE HAZARD

MAIN ENGINES NOT SERIOUSLY DAMAGED. AUXILIARIES UNDER
GOING REPAIR AND MANY PARTS LOST. BELIEVE THERE ARE

NUMEROUS SMALL LEAKS IN PIPING. WIRING IS RUPTURED IN
MANY PLACES AND MOST CIRCUITS ARE GROUNDED. DECK
MACHINERY AND ARMAMENT ALL DAMAGED.

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FROM CNB MANUS			ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		OP OP OP
RELEASED BY			FOR ACTION	CCM 7TH FLT	PRIORITY
DATE 10 NOV 1944					ROUTINE
TOK CODEROM 0736					DEFERRED
					BASEGRAM
DECODED BY ELY			INFORMATION	COMSERVPAC COMSERVSOWE SPACSEAFRON CCM 3RD FLT COMSERVCON 10 CINCPAC; COMINCH	OP OP OP
PARAPHRASED BY ELY		CHECKED BY MCNROE			ROUTINE
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(FROM CNB MANUS.)

AT 0847 I 10 NOV MOUNT HOOD (AE 11) EXPLODED AND SANK BERTH
380 SEEDLER HARBOR. MINDANAO (ARG 3) AND 6 OR 7 YMS PLUS
INDETERMINATE NUMBER SMALL BOATS SEVERELY DAMAGED. PERSONNEL
MOUNT HOOD LOST EXCEPT FEW MEN AND 1 OFFICER KNOWN TO HAVE
BEEN ABSENT. NUMEROUS PERSONNEL CASUALTIES VESSELS ANCHORED
NEARBY. CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE UPPERWORKS ARGONNE (AG 31)
MINDANAO (ARG 3) AND TALBOT. BOARD OF INVESTIGATION BEING
CONVENED. DETAILS LATER

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ROUTED BY	ROLL	CINCPAC	7
		COMAIRPAC	8
		REPBASE SANDIEGO	9
		NAVDRYDOCKS TERMINAL IS	10
		ASTINDMAN SANPEDRO	11
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(INDMAN 11TH NAVDIST ORIGINATES ACTION
COMSERVPAC WHO GIVES INFO CINCPAC COM-
AIRPAC. OTHERS INFO REPBASE SANDIEGO
NAVDRYDOCKS TERMINAL IS ASTINDMAN SAN-
PEDRO BUSHIPS BUORD BUAER COMCARDIV 25)

YOUR 082303 FANSHAW BAY (CVE 70) AND WHITE
PLAINS (CVE 66) ASSIGNED NAVAL REPAIR BASE
SAN DIEGO KALININ BAY (CVE 68) ASSIGNED NAVAL
DRYDOCKS TERMINAL ISLAND

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FROM CO USS SAMUEL B ROBERTS		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	1
RELEASED BY (DE 413)			2
DATE 10 NOVEMBER 1944			3
TOR CODEROOM 1302		COMINCH	4
DECODED BY IMRIE			5
TYPED BY IMRIE			6
ROUTED BY DORSEY			7
		COM7THFLT	8
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COMMANDING OFFICER SAMUEL B ROBERTS (DE 413) SENDS
VIA COMSERV7TH FLEET ACTION COMINCH INFO COM 7TH FLEET
COMCORTDIV 69 COM 3RD FLEET. RDO HONOLULU PASS INFO
CINCPAC COMDESPAC.

SHIP SUNK DUE ENEMY ACTION OCTOBER 25 CASUALTIES
APPROXIMATELY 90 MEN 3 OFFICERS DEAD OR MISSING.

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TOR CODEROOM 0654			4
DECODED BY PETERSON			5
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		COMAIRPAC	9
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(CINCPAC SENDS ACTION TO COM 3RD FLEET INFO ADEES
COMINCH COMAIRPAC CTF 38 CTG 38.4 CTG 30.9.)

MODIFY MYDIS 032325. ROUTE FRANKLIN AND BELLEAU WOOD
DIRECT TO PEARL.

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DATE 16 NOVEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0054			DEFERRED
DECODED BY		COMSERRON 10	PRIORITY
TYPED BY JOHNSON <i>1 Park</i>		COMSERPAC	ROUTINE
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CL-48, USS HONOLULU, PRELIMINARY DAMAGE REPORT.

1. REPORT ON DAMAGE TO USS HONOLULU, CL-48, CAUSED BY EXPLOSION OF AN AERIAL TORPEDO. HONOLULU WAS ATTACKED BY TORPEDO PLANE WHILE PARTICIPATING IN BOMBARDMENT OF LEYTE ISLAND. TORPEDO HIT SHELL PLATING AT FRAME 51, PORT SIDE, TRAVELING ON COURSE ALMOST PERPENDICULAR TO SHIP'S HEADING PROBABLY HIT C STRAKE OF PLATING. RESULTANT DAMAGE INDICATED TORPEDO EXPLODED OUTSIDE SHELL PLATING.

2. DIESEL GENERATOR, LOCATED ON SECOND PLATFORM BLOWN INWARD AND UPWARD. A STRAKE DEFLECTED INWARD, NOT RUPTURED. SIDE ARMOR BLOWN INWARD. ONE INTACT, DEFORMED SECTION SIDE ARMOR FOUND INSIDE SHIP, WEDGED INTO STRUCTURE. THESE FACTS INDICATE EXPLOSION MIGHT HAVE

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ACTION

TAKEN PLACE SLIGHT DISTANCE FROM HULL BELOW SECOND PLAT
FORM.

3. REPORT OUTLINES STRUCTURAL, FLOODING, EQUIPMENT
DAMAGE.

4. REPAIRS MADE AT THIS ADVANCED BASE ARE TEMPORARY.

5. INASMUCH AS NAVY YARD TO WHICH VESSEL WILL BE
ASSIGNED FOR FINAL REPAIRS HAS NOT BEEN DESIGNATED, NO
REPORT HAS BEEN MADE TO ANY NAVY YARD BY THIS ACTIVITY.

6. MORE DETAILED REPORT WITH DRAWINGS AND PHOTOGRAPHS
WILL BE FORWARDED AT LATER DATE.

A. STRUCTURAL DAMAGE.

ALL STRUCTURAL DAMAGE OCCURRED ON PORT SIDE BETWEEN
FRAMES 45 AND 59 FROM SECOND DECK TO BOTTOM. FLAT
AND VERTICAL KEELS NOT DAMAGED. OUTLINE OF STRUC-
TURAL DAMAGE.

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SHELL PLATING:

A, B, C, D, E, F, G, STRAKES
FR. 45 TO FR. 58.

SIDE ARMOR BELT:8

FR. 45 TO 55.

2ND DECK:

FR. 49 TO FR. 55, SHELL TO
CENTERLINE

3RD DECK:

FR. 45 TO 57, SHELL TO CENTER-
LINE

1ST PLATFORM:

(ARMORED DECK) FR. 45 TO FR.
56 SHELL TO CENTERLINE.

2ND PLATFORM:

FR. 45 TO FR. 59, SHELL TO
CENTERLINE.

INNER BOTTOM:

FR. 45 TO FR. 59, SHELL TO
CENTERLINE.

TRANSVERSE BULKHEAD:

AT FR. 49 FROM 2ND DECK TO
HOLD FROM SHELL TO BARBETTE.

TRANSVERSE BULKHEAD:

AT FR. 51 FROM 1ST PLAT. TO
2ND PLAT. FROM SHELL TO
CENTERLINE.

TRANSVERSE BULKHEAD:

AT FR. 53¹ FROM 1ST PLAT. TO
2ND PLAT. FROM COMPARTMENT
TOWARD CENTERLINE

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DISTANCE OF 3 FEET.

TRANSVERSE BULKHEAD: AT FR. 55 1ST TO 2ND PLAT.
AFT BULKHEAD OF DIESEL GEN.
COMPARTMENT A-532E.

TRANSVERSE BULKHEAD: AT FR. 55 2ND PLAT. TO HOLD
FROM SHELL TO CENTERLINE.

TRANSVERSE BULKHEAD: AT FR. 61 - A HOLE CUT IN
ARMOR PLATE TO REMOVE MAN
FROM COMP. A-425C.

TRANSVERSE BULKHEAD: AT FR. 56 3RD DECK TO 1ST PLAT.
FROM SHELL TO CENTERLINE.

FLOORS: FR. 45 TO 57 SHELL TO VERTICAL
KEEL.

LONGITUDINAL BULKHEADS: OF COMPARTMENTS 3RD DECK
A-312-6L CENTERLINE A-314-4L.

LONG. BULKHEAD: OF CREWS SPACE 1ST PLAT.
A-420L. FR. 45 - FR. 49.

LONG. BULKHEAD: OF ARMORY 1ST PLAT. A-424A
FR. 56 TO 61.

LONG. BULKHEAD: OF COMPARTMENT 2ND PLAT.

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A-526T, CENTERLINE A-524T.

LONG. BULKHEAD: OF DIESEL GEN. COMPT.
A-532F (2ND PLAT).

LONG. BULKHEAD: OF DIESEL OIL TAND. WMPT.
A-622F (HOLD)

LONGITUDINALS: LONG 1 FR. 45 - FR. 59.
LONG 2 FR. 45 - FR. 59.
LONG 3 FR. 45 - FR. 59.
LONG 4 FR. 45 - FR. 59.
LONG 5 FR. 45 - FR. 59.
LONG 6 FR. 45 - FR. 59.

STRINGERS: STRINGER 8 45-59
STRINGER 9 45-59
STRINGER 10 45-59
STRINGER 11 45-59

WEB FRAMES: FR. 52 FROM 2ND DECK TO KEEL.
FR. 55 FROM 2ND DECK TO KEEL.
FR. 59 FROM 2ND DECK TO KEEL.

B. FLOODING:

LIST OF FLOODED COMPARTMENTS FOLLOWS:

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DECK	COMPARTMENT OPEN TO SEA	REMARKS	ACTION
1. HOLD	A-618-F YES	OIL AND WATER.	F-0
	A-619-T YES	OIL AND WATER.	F-00
	A-620-1/4-M YES	OIL AND WATER.	F-01
	A-620-1/4-M YES	OIL AND WATER.	F-02
		PORT DOOR SPRUNG.	F-05
	A-622-F DEMOLISHED.		F-07
	A-624-F YES	OIL AND WATER	F-1
			F-2
			F-20
			F-30
2. SECOND PLATFORM	A-516-M NO	OIL AND WATER TO FLOAT ABOVE DECK.	F-3
	A-515-M NO	WATER, APPARENTLY THROUGH SPRINKLING SYSTEM.	F-31
	A-520-M NO	OIL AND WATER	F-32
	A-522-M YES	OIL AND WATER, DOOR 5-49-2 DEFORMED.	F-33
	A-524-M YES	OIL AND WATER, DOOR 5-48-2 DEFORMED.	F-34
			F-4
	A-528-M YES	OIL AND WATER, AFTER BULKHEAD OPENED.	FX01
			FX37
	A-531-M YES	OIL AND WATER, PORT BULKHEAD DEMOLISHED.	FX40
			IO-00
		YQNO	

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TOR CODEROOM				DEFERRED 4
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A-532-M DEMOLISHED
A-527-M NO

A-536-C YES

A-534-C ASSUMED

A-533-C YES

A-526-T YES
A-530-T DEMOLISHED
A-530-T YES

OIL AND WATER TO
2 FOOT ABOVE
DECK: APPARENTLY
FLOODED THROUGH
DAMAGED SPRINKLING
SYSTEM, SINCE OIL
STREAMS HAD RUN
DOWN BULKHEADS
AT REGULAR IN-
TERVALS.
OIL AND WATER,
PORTION OF FOR-
WARD BULKHEAD
OPENED.
OIL AND WATER,
APPARENTLY FLOOD-
ED THROUGH DOORS
5-5-2 AND/OR
5-5-1.
OIL AND WATER,
THROUGH PORT
BULKHEAD RUPTUR-
ED BETWEEN FRAMES
54 AND 55.
OIL AND WATER
OIL AND WATER

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3. FIRST PLATFORM

A-412L NO
A-413-L NO
A-415-A NO
A-416-L NO
A-420-L YES

OIL AND WATER TO
ABOUT 4 FOOT.
OIL AND WATER TO
ABOUT 4 FOOT.
OIL AND WATER TO
ABOUT 4 FOOT.
OIL AND WATER.
OIL AND WATER,
THROUGH AFTER
BULKHEAD AND
DECK.

A-419-M NO
A-419-L NO
A-421-A NO
A-422-L YES
A-424-A YES
A-423-E YES

OIL AND WATER.
OIL AND WATER.
OIL AND WATER.
OIL AND WATER.
OIL AND WATER.

(NOTABLE THAT A-425C WAS NOT FLOODED)

4. THIRD DECK

A-318-L NO
A-310-L NO
A-309-L NO
A-311-L NO
A-312-L NO

OIL AND WATER TO
4 FOOT.
OIL AND WATER TO
4 FOOT.
OIL AND WATER TO
4 FOOT.
OIL AND WATER TO
4 FOOT.
OIL AND WATER TO
ABOUT 5 FOOT,

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		POSSIBLY THROUGH	
A-314-L	YES	A-312-GL.	F-00
A-313-B	NO	OIL AND WATER	F-01
A-315-L	NO	WATERLINE.	F-02
A-316-L	YES	OIL AND WATER	F-05
B-302-L	NO	ABOUT 5 FOOT.	F-07
B-304-L		OIL AND WATER	F-1
B-1-1		WATERLINE.	
B-301-L	NO	WATER TO ABOUT 2 FOOT	
		APPARENTLY THROUGH	
		HULL FITTINGS AT	
		EXTREME LIST.	F-3
		OIL AND WATER	F-30
		ABOUT 1 FOOT.	

G. EQUIPMENT - DESTROYED BY FORCE OF THE EXPLOSION.

1. ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.

(A) DIESEL GENERATORS AND EQUIPMENT OF COMPARTMENT A-532E.

(B) THE I.C. EQUIPMENT OF COMPARTMENTS A-536C AND A-533C.

(C) THE ELECTRICAL MOTORS FOR 5" AMMUNITION HOISTS LOCATED ON PORT SIDE IN COMPARTMENT A-316-L.

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(D) ALL WIRING: DEGAUSSING, POWER, COMMUNICATION
CABLE DAMAGED FROM FRAME 35 TO FRAME 61 BELOW
2ND DECK ON PORT SIDE.

2. MACHINERY EQUIPMENT.

(A) EVERYTHING IN DIESEL GENERATOR COMPARTMENT
A-512E ON SECOND PLATFORM COMPLETELY DESTROYED.

(B) HYDRAULIC PUMPS OF 5" AMMUNITION HOISTS
DESTROYED. HOISTS LOCATED ON PORT SIDE, BETWEEN
FRAMES 49 AND 56.

3. COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT.

(A) PORT ENDS OF TWO I.C. PANELS IN COMPARTMENT
A-533C DESTROYED WHEN FORCE OF EXPLOSION PUSHED
IN ADJACENT LONGITUDINAL BULKHEAD OF COMPARTMENT
A-532E.

4. ORDNANCE EQUIPMENT.

(A) PORT HOISTS FOR 5" AMMUNITION BETWEEN FRAME
40 AND 55 DESTROYED.

(B) FLARE BACK OCCURRED IN 40MM AMMUNITION TRUNK
FRAME 51 DESTROYING EQUIPMENT AND BLOWING DOOR
OFF IN OFFICERS WARDROOM.

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FROM	CINCSWPA	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY	VIA COM7THFLT	COMINCH	PPPP PRIORITY
DATE	8 NOV 44		ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM	0047		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	SAMSON	CNO	PPPP PRIORITY
TYPED BY	SLUTZ <i>Toufraz</i>	CINCPAC	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY	MORRIS	COMSOPAC	DEFERRED
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071149 NCR 5489			

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(CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM7THFLT TO COMINCH INFO
CNO CINCPAC AND COMSOPAC)

PT 320 DESTROYED BY DIRECT BOMB HIT 5 NOV
LEYTE. AIRNORSOLS HIT HUTS AND BRIDGES IN
KAVIENG AND RABAU. CONVOY OF APA ARRIVED
NOEMFOOR FROM HOLLANDIA. 4 CVE AND ESCORTS
DEPARTED MANUS FOR PEARL. ONE OBB AND ONE
DE ENROUTE MANUS TO PNATO.

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CTU 30.5.1		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OPOPOP
FROM		CONSERVRON 10	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY	7 NOV 44		ROUTINE
DATE	2247		DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM	SEVALD		OPOPOP
DECODED BY	SEVALD/ STEVENS	SAILOR	PRIORITY
PARAPHRASED BY		COM 3RD FLT	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY		CTF 38	DEFERRED
		CTG 38.3	
		ALL TFC PRESENT OPERATIONS	
		ALL TGC THIS CIRCUIT	
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HONO INTERCEPT

(CTU 30.5.1 GIVES ACTION TO CONSERVRON 10 WHO PASSES TO SAILOR COM 3RD FLT CTF 38 CTG 38.3 ALL TFC PRESENT OPERATIONS ALL TGC THIS CIRCUIT)

MIGHTY MARINER COVERING RENO PASSES FORBLAME*. 1200! THINGS ARE LOOKING UP. 060300Z POSITION 13-04 NORTH

134-02 EAST MAKING 4 KNOTS ON TOWLINE. SITUATION NOW IMPROVING HOURLY AND HOPE FOR CONTINUATION. AT 63

ARRIVED 20001 LAST NIGHT. ARS 15 WITH YMS 396 ARRIVED 11451 TODAY. IF WE SUCCEED IN BREAKING SHELL PLATING

HOPE TO EXCEPT INCREASED SPEED BY TONIGHT OR MORNING. PRELIMINARY PERSONNEL CASUALTIES 4 KILLED 34 MISSING 19

INJURED. NO FURTHER RE * * * * * UNTIL TOMORROW. 30.7 IS WITH US.

* * * * * GROUPS MISSING

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FROM LCI 406		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PPPPPPPP
RELEASED BY		COMINCH	PRIORITY
DATE 7 NOV 44		CINCPAC	ROUTINE
	071321	CTF 59	DEFERRED
TOR CODEROM			
DECODED BY HENKE		COMSERVPAC	PPPPPPPP
TYPED BY HENKE / <i>Ketchum</i>		COM LCI FLOT 13	PRIORITY
ROUTED BY TELSHOW			ROUTINE
			DEFERRED
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(COM LCI FLOT 13 HAS BY HAND.)

AT 1430Z/2 NOV THIS VESSEL WHILE ON PICKET DUTY IN

LATITUDE 07-13.5 N LONGITUDE 134-18.5 E WAS STRAFED

BY 1 US PLANE. FOLLOWING DAMAGE RESULTED. HULL AND

SUPERSTRUCTURE PUNCTURED 60 TIMES BY 50 CALIBRE. NO

UNDERWATER DAMAGE. FIRE IN ENGINE ROOM BURNED OUT ALL

WIRING, GENERATORS, PUMPS, INSTRUMENTS AND PANEL BOARD.

MAIN ENGINES ESTIMATED BEYOND PRACTICABLE REPAIR. SUP-

ERSTRUCTURE IN VICINITY ENGINE ROOM HAS BADLY WARPED

DECK AND BULKHEADS. APPROXIMATELY TWO THIRDS WIRING

THROUGHOUT SHIP REQUIRES REPLACING. AIRMAIL LETTER TO

ALL ADEES FOLLOWS GIVING DETAILS.

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FROM CINCOWPA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASE COM 7TH FLT)		COMINCH	PPPPRIORITY
DATE 7 NOV 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODER000 222			DEFERRED
DECODED BY DORSEY		CNO	PPPPRIORITY
TYPED BY SMITH		CINCPAC	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY SAMUEL		COMSOPAC	DEFERRED
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(PER SERVICE OF MISSING GROUPS)

CINCOWPA SENDS VIA COM 7TH FLT ACTION COMINCH INFO
CNO CTNCPAC COMSOPAC.

ANDERSON DD 411 DAMAGED BY SUICIDE ZEKE 1 NOVEMBER
12 KILLED 5 MISSING 17 WOUNDED. ON 3RD PT SHOT
DOWN 1 LILY OFF TACLOBAN. REENFORCEMENT GROUP IN-
CLUDING 17 ZAK ARRIVES LEYTE. MARINE PLANES, DES-
TROYED HUTS AND BRIGADES IN SOUTHERN NEW IRELAND.
NORSOLS PTS STRAFED AND MORTARED NEW IRELAND BOU-
GAINVILLE CHOISEUL.

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FROM COM MTB RON 21		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CNO	PRIORITY
DATE 5 NOV 1944		COM 7TH FLT	OPPOPOPO
TOR CODER ROOM 1310/5			ROUTINE
DECODED BY SMITH, D			DEFERRED
TYPED BY MORRIS			
ROUTED BY MORRIS			PRIORITY
			ROUTINE
			DEFERRED
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(COM MTB RON 21 FOR ACTION TO CNO AND COM 7TH FLT)

PT 320 TOTALLY DESTROYED BY DIRECT HIT FROM ENEMY

BOMB 0220/1 5 NOVEMBER SAN PEDRO BAY LEYTE PI.

EXPLOSION THREW DEBRIS OVER WIDE AREA. GASOLINE BURNED

FOR 2 HOURS. ONLY SMALL PORTION OF BOW REMAINED AFLOAT

ONLY 1 ENLISTED SURVIVOR. BODIES 3 OTHER ENLISTED

RECOVERED. 2 OFFICERS 9 MEN STILL MISSING. NO

RADAR OR ABK COMPROMISE CONSIDERED POSSIBLE. REGIS-

TERED PUBLICATIONS WILL BE REPORTED SEPARATELY.

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FROM COMDESDIV 100		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	URGENT
DATE 5 NOVEMBER 1944		COM 3RD FLEET	PRIORITY
TOR CODEROOM 0635			ROUTINE
DECODED BY SJOSTEN			DEFERRED
TYPED		FOR INFORMATION	
BY SJOSTEN/BENNETT		COMINCH	URGENT
ROUTED BY		CINCPAC	PRIORITY
		ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT	ROUTINE
		ALL TGC'S 3RD FLT	DEFERRED
		ARAPAHO ATR 50	
		EXTRACTOR	
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(COMDESDIV 100 ORIGINATES RADIO HONOLULU PLEASE
PASS ACTION COM 3RD FLEET INFO COMINCH CINCPAC
ALL TASKFORCOMS AND TASKGROUPCOMS 3RD FLEET
ARAPAHO EXTRACTOR ATR 50.)

300 mi. NW of Palau
NOON POSITION 5 OCTOBER* 13-13-45 NORTH 132-52-15
EAST. DRIFTING SLOWLY SOUTHWEST WITH WIND AND
CURRENT BELIEVE WE WILL MAKE IT IF WEATHER HOLDS
UNTIL NEXT TUG ARRIVES.

* AS RECEIVED.

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USS BELLEAU WOOD (CVL 24)		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	PRIORITY
DATE 15 NOV 1944		COMINCH	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROM 2019		CINCPAC	DEFERRED
		COM 3RD FLT	
		CTF 38	
DECODED BY		FOR INFORMATION	PRIORITY
PARAPHRASED BY D SMITH/ OLSSON		COMAIRPAC	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY MATHES		CONSERVPAC	DEFERRED
		CTG 30.9	
		CONSERVRON 10	
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AMPLIFYING REPORT MY DESPATCH 012335. COMPARTMENTS DAMAGED. C-106E (SHIPFITTER AND SHEETMETAL SHOP) GIRDER FOR 02 DECK

AT FR.135 WARPED. STANCHION SUPPORTING GIRDER DEFLECTED. LONGITUDINAL NOS. 1 TO 6 INCLUSIVE, PORT, FRAME 132 TO 138

FOR 02 DECK WARPED. C-103E (STORAGE BATTERY SHOP) LONGITUDINALS NOS. 1 TO 6 INCLUSIVE STARBOARD, FRAME 132 TO

135, FOR 02 DECK WARPED. POOP DECK OVERHEAD BADLY WARPED AND PUNCTURED IN NUMEROUS PLACES. C-107LA (PASSAGE, BOMB SIGHT

STOWAGE, CAMERA STOWAGE) LONGITUDINALS NOS. 1 TO 7 INCLUSIVE STARBOARD FRAME 135 TO 138, FOR 02 DECK, WARPED.

POOP DECK OVERHEAD BADLY WARPED AND PUNCTURED IN NUMEROUS PLACES. STARBOARD N.T. BULKHEAD OF PASSAGE WARPED. N.T.

DOOR TO CAMERA STOWAGE BROKEN. C-107LA (AVIATION ARMORY) LONGITUDINAL NUMBER 4 DAMAGED AT FRAME 141 AT TOP OF

STANCHION. C-107LA (OXYGEN TRANSFER AND STOWAGE SHOP) N.T. DOOR AND FRAME WARPED. C-0201EL. BERTHING SECTION

BETWEEN FRAME 132 AND 138 DEMOLISHED. FLIGHT DECK GIRDER, FRAME 135, DAMAGED OR REMOVED BETWEEN LONGITUDINALS 8

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PORT AND 10 STARBOARD, INCLUSIVE.

TWO 5" PIPE STANCHIONS FROM POOP DECK TO GIRDER, FRAME 131, TORN OUT. LONGITUDINALS 8 PORT TO 3 PORT INCLUSIVE, REMOVED OR DAMAGED FROM FRAME 132 TO 138. LONGITUDINALS 2 PORT TO 10 STARBOARD INCLUSIVE, REMOVED OR DAMAGED FROM FRAME 132 TO 141. N.T.

BULKHEAD FRAME 132 WARPED FROM FLIGHT DECK TO POOP DECK (02 LEVEL). N.T. BULKHEAD, FRAME 138, WARPED AND DAMAGED EXTENSIVELY BY

FRAGMENTATION HOLES, FROM FLIGHT DECK TO POOP DECK (02 LEVEL).

C-0201EL (BERTHING SECTION BETWEEN FRAME 138 AND 144). GUTTED BY FIRE. NUMEROUS WELDS CRACKED.

C-0201EL (PHOTOGRAPHIC DEVELOPING AND PRINTING ROOM). GUTTED BY FIRE. EXTENSION PLATFORM BUCKLED. PANEL DOOR AND FRAME SPRUNG.

C-0201EL (PHOTOGRAPHIC FINISHING ROOM). GUTTED BY FIRE. HOLES CUT IN DECK OVERHEAD. PANEL DOOR BLOWN OUT. PASSAGEWAY N.T. BULKHEAD WARPED.

C-0201EL (TORPEDO WORKSHOP). BOTH FORE AND AFT BULKHEADS WARPED BETWEEN FRAME 129 AND 132. PORT HALF OF AFTER BULKHEAD CRACKED AND WARPED. DECK IS WARPED SLIGHTLY.

C-0310-1/2M (30 AND 50 CAL R.S. STOWAGE AND BELTING ROOM). DEMOLISHED AND REMOVED.

(FLIGHT DECK GEAR LOCKER (03 LEVEL) FRAME 135 TO 138. STARBOARD). GUTTED BY FIRE. INBOARD BOUNDARIES WARPED.

C-0305E (FOAMITE GENERATOR STATION). GUTTED BY FIRE.

C-0305-1/2 C (RADAR PARTS STOWAGE). GUTTED BY FIRE. BULKHEADS WRINKLED.

(GASOLINE SHOP-HANGAR DK. LIGHT CONTROL REPAIR SHOP AND PASSAGEWAY). GUTTED BY FIRE. FLIGHT DK. FRAME 126 TO 129 STARBOARD).

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LONGITUDINALS WARPED. BULKHEADS WARPED.

(SQUADRON GEAR LOCKER FRAME 129 TO 132 STARBOARD). GUTTED BY FIRE. BULKHEADS WARPED. DOOR MELTED AWAY.

C-0307M & C-0308M (R.S. ROCKET STOWAGES, FORMER CREW'S W.C.S.). SCORCHED BY HEAT. BULKHEADS WARPED.

C-0309M & C-0310M (40 MM R.S. AMMUNITION). SCORCHED BY HEAT. INSULATION DAMAGED.

C-0311E (FOAMITE GENERATOR STATION). GUTTED BY FIRE.

C-0311-1/2L (AVIATOR'S READY ROOM). GUTTED BY FIRE. BULKHEAD FRAME 138 WARPED.

C-0314L (EMERGENCY BATTLE DRESSING STATION). SLIGHT FIRE DAMAGE.

C-0315E (ARRESTING GEAR REPAIR SHOP). GUTTED BY FIRE. BULKHEADS WARPED.

(FLIGHT DK. AND WALKWAYS -STARBOARD WALKWAY). ALL RAILINGS DESTROYED AFT OF FRAME 125. LADDERS DESTROYED AT FRAME 131 AND 150.

(FLIGHT DECK). PLANKING REDUCED TO CHARCOAL AFT OF FRAME 120. TIE DOWN CHANNELS AND DRAINAGE SYSTEM AFT OF FRAME 120 STOPPED UP WITH MELTED METAL.

(LANDING SIGNAL PLATFORM, SCREEN AND MECHANISM, FRAME 142 PORT). DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR.

(SAFETY NETS FRAME 139 TO 144 PORT). DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR BY FIRE.

(PORT AND STARBOARD LOOKOUT PLATFORMS, FRAME 147-150). GUTTED BY FIRE. SHIELDS AND DECK WARPED. FIVE (5) BATTLE GEAR BOXES

DEMOLISHED.

(FLIGHT DECK OVERHANG). GIRDERS FRAME 144 AND 145 SUPPORTING

OVERHANG OF FLIGHT DECK ARE WARPED FROM STARBOARD SHELL OF SHIP OUTBOARD. LONGITUDINALS NOS. 10 TO 15 STARBOARD INCLUSIVE

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WARPED FROM FRAME 144 TO 147.
(ATHWARTSHIP PASSAGE, FRAME 144-145). BULKHEADS AND FLIGHT

DECK LONGITUDINALS WARPED.

(ATHWARTSHIP CATWALK, FRAME 150). STARBOARD END WARPED.

(DAMAGE TO ARRESTING GEAR). 1. ARRESTING UNIT (NAF87994)
WAS KNOCKED LOOSE AND FELL INTO LIVING SPACE. THE UNIT IS

RUINED. THE PIPING FROM THE UNIT TO THE CONTROL AND RELIEF
VALVES WAS SEVERELY BURNED AND TWISTED. THE CONTROL AND RELIEF

VALVES WERE BURNED. THE ACCUMULATOR WAS BURNED. ALL GAUGES
ON THE VALVES AND ACCUMULATOR WERE DESTROYED BY FIRE. THE

PIPING FOR THE HIGH PRESSURE AIR WAS SEVERELY BURNED AND DAMAGED.
ALL CONTROL CABLES LEADING TO #1 ARRESTING UNIT WERE DESTROYED.

2. ARRESTING UNIT (NAF87994) IS STILL SECURED TO OVERHEAD BUT
IT WAS TOTALLY DAMAGED BY FIRE AND TWISTED AND BENT BY THE

IMPACT OF THE HIT. THE SUPPORT BEAMS FOR THIS UNIT ARE TWISTED
AND IN SOME PLACES TOTALLY DESTROYED. THE UNIT MAY POSSIBLY BE

SALVAGED. THE PIPE LEADING FROM THE UNIT TO THE CONTROL AND
RELIEF VALVES WAS BURNED AND TWISTED. THE CONTROL AND RELIEF

VALVES WERE SEVERELY BURNED. THE ACCUMULATOR WAS SEVERELY BURNED.
ALL GAUGES AND VALVES ON THE CONTROL AND RELIEF VALVES AND

ACCUMULATOR WERE DESTROYED BY FIRE. PIPING FOR HIGH PRESSURE AIR
WAS BURNING AND DAMAGED. ALL CONTROL CABLES LEADING TO #2

ARRESTING UNIT WERE DESTROYED.

3. SEVERAL YIELDING ELEMENTS EITHER TOTALLY DESTROYED OR ARE

COMPLETELY USELESS DUE TO MOLTEN METAL DEPOSITS. THESE ELEMENTS
ARE ON THE FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, AND FOURTH WIRES. TWO AND

POSSIBLY MORE DECK SHEAVES AND COVERS ARE DAMAGED DUE TO MOLTEN
METAL DEPOSITS. ALL PURCHASE CABLES ON BOTH #1 AND #2 UNITS WERE

DAMAGED BY FIRE. AT LEAST 20 SPARE CROSS DECK PENDANTS WERE
DESTROYED AND A SPARE PURCHASE CABLE WAS DAMAGED BY FIRE. MANY

SPARE ARRESTING GEAR PARTS WERE DESTROYED BY FIRE.
(#9 40MM MOUNT). COMPLETE INSTALLATION DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR.

(#9 40MM DIRECTOR). MARK 51, MOD. 2, COMPLETE WITH SIGHT AND PUMP
FOR MOUNT #9 DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR.

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(#9 GUN PLATFORM). WARPED. SUPPORTING GIRDERS WARPED.
AUTOMATIC STOPS AND START MECHANISM OF 40MM AMMUNITION HOIST

IN C-0201EL, FRAME 133 DAMAGED.

(#1 M.W.B. AND PLATFORM). GUTTED BY FIRE. BOAT JETTISONED.

ENGINE, SHAFT, AND SCREW RETAINED FOR SALVAGE. FIVE (5) LIFE
RAFTS AND FOUR (4) FLOATER NETS DESTROYED OR JETTISONED.

(AFTER ELEVATOR). 1. FORWARD PLATFORM BEAM - WEB AND LOWER
FLANGE PARTIALLY WRINKLED AND BUCKLED. 2. OUTER PLATFORM BEAM-

WEB SLIGHTLY WRINKLED. 3. AFTER PLATFORM BEAM - WEB SLIGHTLY
WRINKLED, LOWER FLANGE SLIGHTLY BUCKLED. 4. ELECTRICAL WIRING

TO PLATFORM CONTROLS DESTROYED. 5. WELD JOINT CRACKED NEAR AFTER
STBD. CABLE. 6. SIDE PLATFORM PLATE STBD. SIDE - SLIGHTLY

WRINKLED, AFT.. 7. THREE (3) AFTER STBD. CABLES SUBJECTED TO
TERRIFIC HEAT, RECOMMEND RENEWAL. 8. AFTER SINGLE SHEAVES

(PORT AND STBD) IN OVERHEAD SUPPORT SLIGHTLY OUT OF LINE.
(GASOLINE STATION NO.7.). FIRE DESTROYED FILTERS, VALVES

AND PIPING. AIR DRIVEN DEGASSING PUMP COMPLETELY DESTROYED.
ABOUT 100' OF PIPING (2") DAMAGED BY HEAT.

(VENTILATION). SUPPLY MOTOR AND FAN FOR SYSTEM 02-136 AND ALL
DUCTS IN C-0201EL SECTION BETWEEN FR. 132 AND 138 WRECKED.

EXHAUST DUCTS IN C-0201EL SECTION BETWEEN FR.132 AND 138 FOR
SYSTEM 02-127-3 WRECKED. EXHAUST DUCT IN PHOTOGRAPHIC DEVELOPING

AND PRINTING ROOM FOR SYSTEM 02-127-3 COLLAPSED. SUPPLY DUCT IN
PASSAGE OUTSIDE PHOTOGRAPHIC FINISHING ROOM TO C-102E AND C-06E

DAMAGED. SUPPLY DUCTS IN C-0201EL SECTION BETWEEN FR.138 AND 144
FOR SYSTEM 02-143-2 DAMAGED. EXHAUST DUCTS IN C-0201EL SECTION

BETWEEN FR.138 AND 144 FOR SYSTEM 02-143-1 DAMAGED. NATURAL
SUPPLY DUCT IN C-0201EL FOR C-109L DAMAGED. BOTH AIR CONDITIONING

UNITS AND DUCTS TO C-0311-1/2L AVIATOR'S READY ROOM DEMOLISHED.
SUPPLY DUCT IN C-107LA AVIATION ARMORY FOR SYSTEM 02-136 DAMAGED.

EXHAUST DUCT IN C-103E STORAGE BATTERY SHOP FOR SYSTEM 02-127-3
DAMAGED. SUPPLY DUCT IN C-106E SHIPFITTER AND SHEET METAL SHOP

FOR SYSTEM 02-136 DAMAGED.

(PIPING SERVICES). FIREMAIN DESTROYED IN C-0201EL SECTION BETWEEN

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FR. 132 AND 138. FIREMAIN RUPTURED IN PHOTOGRAPHIC ROOMS. SPRINKLING TO C-0309M, C-0310M, AND C-0310-1/2M ALL RUPTURED.

COOLING LINE TO C-0311-1/2-L DAMAGED BEYOND F.M. CUT-OUT 02-141-1. FIREMAIN RISER TO C-0311E FROM CUTOUT 02-141-3 AND

FIRE PLUG 03-138 MELTED OR DAMAGED. FRESH WATER LINES THROUGH C-107LA DAMAGED ABOVE MAIN DECK. L.P. AIR LINES, GALLERY

WALKWAY DAMAGED AFT OF FRAME 120. H.P. AIR LINES DAMAGED AFT OF FRAME 132.

(ELECTIRCAL DAMAGE). 1. ALL POWER CIRCUITS, LIGHTING CIRCUITS AND FEEDERS ON 02 AND 03 DECK ABAFT FRAME 127 EITHER BADLY

DAMAGED OR TOTALLY DESTROYED. 2. ALL MAIN OUTLETS, FEEDERS, LIGHTING CIRCUITS AND JUNCTION BOXES ON BOTH PORT AND STBD

CATWALKS ABAFT FRAME 127, EITHER BADLY DAMAGED OR TOTALLY DESTROYED. 3. ELECTRICAL CABLES CUT, BURNED AND BADLY DAMAGED IN THE

FOLLOWING COMPARTMENTS: BATTERY LOCKER, CAMERA STOWAGE, BOMB SIGHT STOWAGE. ALL OVERHEAD AND BULKHEAD CABLES IN PASSAGEWAY

TO THESE COMPARTMENTS ALSO BADLY BURNED AND DAMAGED. 4. ALL FLIGHT DECK LIGHTING CABLES AND FIXTURES ON FLIGHT DECK AND

WALKWAYS, BURNED OUT ABAFT FRAME 127. 5. BATTERY CHARGING PANEL AND EQUIPMENT BADLY BURNED AND COMPLETELY SOAKED WITH SALT WATER.

6. BOMBSIGHT PANEL AND MOTOR-GENERATOR SET IN BOMBSIGHT STOWAGE SOAKED WITH SALT WATER. 7. FEEDER 3FE-104-1 IN C.P.O. MESS

HALL AND OTHER OVERHEAD LIGHTING CABLES, CUT BY GUN FIRE AND BURNED BY ELECTRICAL FIRE. 8. CONTROL CIRCUITS FOR 20 AND

40MM AMMUNITION HOIST #2, BURNED AND BADLY DAMAGED ON 02 DECK CONTROL STATION. 9. VENT SYSTEM 02-136-2 OUT OF COMMISSION AND

VERY BADLY DAMAGED. 10. CABLE FEEDER TO VENT SET 02-143-1 SHORTED AND BURNED. CABLE TO VENT SET 02-143-2 BURNED. 11.

DEGAUSSING CABLES D-Q-2 AND D-Q-10 IN C-0201EL BURNED. 12. FEEDERS FOR EXHAUST VENT 02-127-2 BURNED AND DAMAGED. 13. BOTH

THE 117 VOLT AND 440 VOLT COMPRESSORS IN PHOTO LAB OUT OF COMMISSION (SOAKED WITH SALT WATER). 14. BATTERY CHARGING MOTOR-

GENERATOR SET IN AVIATION ELECTRICAL WORKSHOP WAS SUBMERGED IN SALT WATER. SHIP'S SERVICE LIGHTING TRANSFORMERS ALSO PARTLY

SUBMERGED IN SALT WATER. 15. BOTH AIR-CONDITIONING UNITS IN AFT

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READY ROOM BURNED OUT AND SUBMERGED IN SALT WATER. 16. POWER PANEL #2-135-1 AND POWER PANEL #1-132-2 AND POWER PANEL #1-134-2

SPRAYED WITH SALT WATER. 17. GARBAGE GRINDER EQUIPMENT SPRAYED WITH SALT WATER. 18. EXHAUST VENT 1-132-2 SPRAYED WITH SALT

WATER. 19. SCUTTLEBUTT IN CPO MESS AND C-0201EL SOAKED WITH SALT WATER. 20. STERILIZERS IN AFT BATTLE DRESSING STATION

AND AFT EMERGENCY DRESSING STATION SATURATED WITH SALT WATER. 21. TWENTY (20) 117 VOLT BULKHEAD FANS DESTROYED BY FIRE.

22. FEEDER TO #10 GUN MOUNT BURNED BY FIRE. 23. CABLE FOR AFT ELEVATOR CONTROL CIRCUIT SCARRED AND BURNED. 24. AFT HANGAR

DECK LIGHTING CONTROL STATION BURNED OUT. 25. CONTROL CIRCUIT FOR #1 BOAT HOIST BURNED. THRUST MOTOR AND HOIST MOTOR SUBJECTED

TO INTENSE HEAT. 26. TWENTY (20) 175 AMPERE-HOUR BATTERIES, THIRTY (30) AVIATION BATTERIES AND FOUR (4) 50 AMP-HOUR BATTERIES

DESTROYED. 27. DRILL PRESS AND EMERY WHEEL MOTORS IN SHIPFITTER SHOP SOAKED WITH SALT WATER. 28. VENT EXHAUST 1-134 SPRAYED

WITH SALT WATER.

(PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT DAMAGED). WATER-CHILLING MACHINERY DAMAGED

BEYOND REPAIR. PARTS CONSIDERED SALVAGEABLE. WATER-COOLING UNIT RUINED BY FIRE. ALL SENSITIZED MATERIALS (FILMS AND PAPERS)

WERE RUINED BY SALT WATER. ALL BUT A FEW HAND-HELD CAMERAS WERE RUINED BY SALT WATER AND FIRE. 95% OF PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT

WAS RUINED BY SALT WATER AND FIRE DAMAGE.

(AVIATION RADIO & RADAR EQUIPMENT). TEST EQUIPMENT SUBJECTED TO

HEAT, SHOCK, AND SALT WATER DAMAGE, THAT MUST BE REPLACED.

1 IE35A - ABK TEST EQUIP. 1 LAVOIE 105 WAVE METER. 1 RCA

VOLTIMETER. 1 L.O.-2 BFO 32. 1 DUMONT 241 OSCILLOSCOPE. 1 GENERAL RADIO 804-B SIGNAL GENERATOR. 1 TS-24 ZB-X TEST OSCILLATOR

1 CWI 201-63 POWER SUPPLY FOR ASB RANGE CALIBRATOR. 1 AUDIO OSCILLATOR #652. 1 HAZELINE 1017 PULSE & SWEEP GENERATOR. 1

ASB RADAR RANGE CALIBRATOR. 1 SL-1 POWER SUPPLY. 1 SL-L TRANSFORMER. 1 HICKOK TUBE TESTER. 1 TS10/APN TEST SET FOR ALTIMETERS.

(EQUIPMENT JETTISONED AFTER SALVAGED OF PARTS). 5 IFF UNITS TYPE AN/APX-1. 3 IFF UNITS TYPE ABF. 3 AN/ARC5 VHF RECEIVERS. 3

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800-1-C ECLIPSE AVIATION MOTOR GENERATORS. 4 COMPLETE SETS
OF ASB-7 RADAR. 4 AN/APN-1 RADIO ALTIMETERS. 3 AN/ARC-4 VHF

UNITS (WE-233A)

(EQUIPMENT IN A DOUBTFUL CONDITION & NOT YET TESTED). 1 LINCOLN

ARCWELDER. 2 100 E VOLTIMETERS. 1 LAVOIE 105 WAVEMETER. 1 IE 35A
AND 1E 35B TEST UNITS. 1 19X SIGNAL GENERATOR. 1 COMPLETE SE-1

SLOTTED LINE. 1 HEADSET AND MIC TESTER. 1 LM-13 FREQ METER. 1
MEGGER. 1 HICKOK TUBE TESTER. 1 TEST RECEIVER & TRANSMITTER FOR

IFF.

(DAMAGE TO AVIATION ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT). 2 OHM METERS: 1 WESTON

MODEL 663 TYPE 4 SERIAL 6093 AND 1 WESTON MODEL 697. 1 GENERATOR
TEST STAND REEVES, VARI-SPEED MOTOR-DRIVE SIZE 5281-C-18 SERIAL

MD-13855 GEAR RATIO 1.49-1 MAXIMUM RPM - 5000 MINIMUM RPM - 1000
AP 7.5 BELT M-554127. 1 VARI-SPEED ELECTRIC FAN 115 VOLT .35

AMP. 12 F6F-5 BATTERIES) THESE IN BATTERY SHOP. 10 TBM BATTERIES)
AIRCRAFT. 11 F6F DESTROYED BY FIRE. 1 TBF DAMAGED BY EXPLOSION

AND FIRE, EQUIPMENT SALVAGED. 5 F6F, 8 TBF, 2 FM2, 1 TBF SOAKED
BY SALT WATER BELIEVED FLYABLE.

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DATE 4 NOVEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROM 0915			DEFERRED
DECODED BY KNAPP			BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY KNAPP	CHECKED BY BENNETT	COM 3RD FLEET COMDESDIV 100 COMINCH CINCPAC CTU 30.5.1 ALL TFC AND TGC 3RD FLEET	URGENT
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			ROUTINE
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EXTRACTOR AND ATR 50 ESCORT YMS 396 DEPART ULITHI 1700I 4 NOVEMBER PROCEED ASSISTANCE RENO. 1100I 4 NOVEMBER POSITION LAT 13-49 NORTH LONG 132-07 EAST. ARAPAHO PROCEEDING SAME DUTY. COMMUNICATIONS CENTCOM 2 GUARD NPM(RDO HONO) FOX. EXTRACTOR CANNOT TRANSMIT. ATR 50 GUARDS FOR HER. SOA 10.

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FROM COMSERVRON 10		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	URGENT
RELEASED BY		ARAPAHO	PRIORITY
DATE 4 NOVEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROM 0809			DEFERRED
DECODED BY SJOSTEN			BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY SJOSTEN	CHECKED BY BENNETT	COM 3RD FLEET	URGENT
ROUTED BY	DITTOED BY	COMDESDIV 100	PRIORITY
		ALL TFC & TGC 3RD FLT	ROUTINE
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		CTG 30.5	
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(COMSERVRON 10 GIVES ACTION ARAPAHO INFO COM 3RD FLEET COMDESDIV 100 CTG 30.5 COMINCH CINCPAC CTU 30.5.1 ALL TFC AND TGC 3RD FLEET.)

PROCEED IMMEDIATELY ASSISTANCE RENO. 11001 4 NOVEMBER
POSITION LAT 13-49 NORTH LONG 132-07 EAST.

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FROM COM 3RD FLEET		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CTG 30.7	URGENT
DATE 4 NOVEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROM: 0455			DEFERRED
DECODED BY KNAPP			BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY SJOSTEN	CHECKED BY BENNETT	COMINCH CINCPAC ALL TFC'S 3RD FLEET ALL TGC'S 3RD FLEET COMDESDIV 100	URGENT
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(COM 3RD FLEET SENDS. ACTION COMTASKGROUP 30.7 INFO COMINCH
CINCPAC ALL TASKFORCECOMS AND TASKGROUPCOMS 3RD FLEET
COMDESDIV 100.)

PROCEED IMMEDIATELY BEST SPEED TO POSITION LATITUDE 13-49
NORTH LONGITUDE 132-07 EAST WHERE RENO IS DAMAGED AND IN TOW.
UPON ARRIVAL CONDUCT ANTI SUB SWEEP IN IMMEDIATE VICINITY RENO.
REMAIN VICINITY RENO GROUP UNTIL OTHERWISE DIRECTED.

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FROM	COM 3RD FLEET	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	URGENT URGENT
RELEASED BY		CTG 30.9 CTG 30.5 COMDESDIV 100	PRIORITY 2
DATE	4 NOVEMBER 1944		ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROOM	0445		DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY	KNAPP	COMINCH	BASEGRAM 6
PARAPHRASED BY	KNAPP	CINCPAC	URGENT 7
CHECKED BY	BENNETT	ALL TFC AND TGC 3RD FLEET	PRIORITY 8
DITTOED BY	KNAPP	CTU 30.5.1	ROUTINE 10
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED 11
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(FROM COM 3RD FLEET. ACTION CTG 30.9 CTG 30.5 COMDESDIV 100.
INFO COMINCH CINCPAC ALL TFC AND TGC 3RD FLEET CTU 30.5.1.)

CTG 30.9 DIRECT ATF SAILED ACCORDANCE MY 031504 PROCEED IMMEDIATELY
ASSISTANCE RENO 11001 4 NOVEMBER POSITION LAT 13-49 NORTH LONG
132-07 EAST. SAIL 1 ADDITIONAL ATF TO RENDEZVOUS WITH TU 30.8.17
IN VICINITY LAT 16-00 NORTH LONG 131-40 EAST. IF POSSIBLE ALSO
SEND ARS OR ATR TO ASSISTANCE RENO.

CTG 30.5 PROVIDE ANTI SUB COVER DAY AND NIGHT AS
PRACTICABLE.

COMDESDIV 100 REMOVE ALL EXCESS PERSONNEL FROM RENO. HAVE DESTROYER
TOW WHILE TUG ATTEMPTS PUMPING ALONGSIDE.

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FROM COM 3RD FLT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE		URGENT 1
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION	CTU 30.8.17 CTU 30.8.3 USS ZUNI	PRIORITY 2
DATE 3 NOV 1944				ROUTINE 3
TOR CODEROOM				DEFERRED 4
DECODED BY DORSEY				BASEGRAM 5
PARAPHRASED BY DORSEY	CHECKED BY YORK	INFORMATION	USS CAPERTON USS KNAPP COMINCH USS RENO CINCPAC ALL TFC TGC 3RD FLT	URGENT 8
ROUTED BY DORSEY	DITTOED BY DORSEY			PRIORITY 9
				ROUTINE 10
				DEFERRED 11
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COM 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION CTU 30.8.17 CTU 30.8.3 ZUNI
INFO CAPERTON KNAPP COMINCH CINCPAC ALL TFC TGC 3RD FLT RENO.

RENO TORPEDOED VICINITY LAT 13-46N LONG 131-27E. DIVERT
IMMEDIATELY TO LAT 15-00N 134-00 THENCE TO LAT 16 LONG 131-40E.
REMAIN IN GENERAL VICINITY LATTER POINT UNTIL OTHERWISE DIRECTED.
SEND ZUNI TO ASSISTANCE OF RENO IMMEDIATELY.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FROM AMMEN (DD 527)		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		COMINCH CTF 75 COM 7TH FLT	PRIORITY
DATE 5 NOV 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0201			DEFERRED
DECODED BY FRUIN		COMNAVBASE MANUS	
TYPED BY WOODWARD / KNR		COMSERVFOR 7TH FLT CINCPAC COMDESPAC COMSERVPAC COMBOMRON 2 COMDESRON 24	PRIORITY
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AMMEN (DD 527) SENDS. ACTION COMINCH VIA RDO WASHN. COM 7TH FLT, CTF 75 HAS ACTION BY HAND. INFO CINCPAC COMDESPAC COMSERVPAC VIA RDO HONO. INFO ALSO COMBOMRON 2 (VICE COM 7TH FLT) COMDESRON 24 COMSERVFOR 7TH FLT AND COMNAVBASE MANUS.

ON 1 NOVEMBER AMMEN (DD 527) DAMAGED ON SUPERSTRUCTURE BY JAP SUICIDE PLANE ON SHALLOW DIVE CRASHING BETWEEN STACKS. SPEED LIMITED TO ABOUT 28 KNOTS BY STACK GASES CONTAMINATING BLOWER INTAKES. PRINCIPAL DAMAGE REQUIRING REPLACEMENT AS FOLLOWS 2 SMOKE STACKS COMPLETE ABOVE FLANGE BASE NEAR UPPER DECK LEVEL. 1 STANDARD MAGNETIC COMPASS AND BINNACLE. 1 COMPASS COMPENSATING COILS CONTROL PANEL. 2 36 INCH SEARCH-LIGHTS WITH ALL ATTENDANT APPARATUS ABOVE ROLLER PATH.

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2 ATMOSPHERIC EXHAUST PIPES ABOVE YOKE JUNCTION. 1 WHISTLE
AND SIREN. 3 LIFE FLOATER NETS AND RECEPTACLES THEREFOR.
2 MARK 51 AA DIRECTORS. MODERATE AMOUNT MISCELLANEOUS
WIRING PILING STRUCTURAL WORK REQUIRED ON PLATFORMS
AROUND STACKS. SEVERAL RADIO ANTENNAE MISSING.

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FROM CINCSWPA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY (COM 7THFLT)			PPPPPP
DATE 3 NOV 1944		COMINCH	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROM 2100/3 NOV 1944			DEFERRED
DECODED BY FRUIN			
TYPED BY DECKMAN/		CNO	PPPPPP
ROUTED BY KLAF		CINCPAC	ROUTINE
		COMSOPAC	DEFERRED
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CINCSWPA SENDS VIA COM 7THFLT TO COMINCH FOR ACTION INFO
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HEAVY JAP AIR ATTACKS CONTINUE AGAINST OUR FORCES IN
LEYTE GULF. ON 1 NOVEMBER ABNER READ. (DD 526.) SUNK
BY AERIAL TORPEDO 3 ADDITIONAL DD'S SERIOUSLY DAMAGED.
NIGHT 31/01 CATALINA SANK 7,000 TON OILER IN WESTERN
SULUS. LEYTE PT'S REPULSED 3 AIRCRAFT ATTACKS MORNING
1 NOV. NORSOLS AIR AND PT'S MADE REGULAR RAIDS IN
THE AREA.

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FROM ATR 27		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY <i>[Signature]</i>		CINCPAC	PRIORITY
DATE 3 NOV 1944		COMINCH & CNO	ROUTINE
TOR CODER ROOM 0440		COMSERVPAC	DDDD
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SUMMARY OF DAMAGE BY GROUNDING. BROKEN SKEG,
CHAFFED KEEL. REPAIRS BEING EFFECTED

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FROM <u>USS FANSHAW BAY</u>				ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE			
RELEASED BY				FOR ACTION CTF 77 COMINCH CINCPAC COMSEVENTHFLT		PRIORITY	
						ROUTINE	
DATE 3 NOV 44				INFORMATION CONSERVPAC CONSERVRON 10 COMAIRPAC CTG 77.4		DEFERRED	
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TOR CODEROM 2327/2						PRIORITY	
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TYPED BY SANDBERG / <i>HEWLE</i>						DEFERRED	
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MY SECRET MAILGRAM 290459 OCTOBER.

THIS IS SECOND BATTLE DAMAGE DESPATCH GIVING DETAILS AND REPLACEMENT ITEMS REQUIRED.

CATAPULT TRACK SEVERED AND DISTORTED IN 2 PLACES REQUIRES
REPLACEMENT OF TRACK AND SUPPORTING DECK STRUCTURAL MEMBERS.
ANCHOR WINDLASS PORT WILDCAT AND BULL DRIVE GEAR DEMOLISHED
COMPLETE ANCHOR WINDLASS SHOULD BE REPLACED.

20 STRUCTURAL BEAMS AND STIFFENERS SUPPORTING FLIGHT DECK FORWARD HAVE BEEN SEVERED WEAKENING FLIGHT DECK SUPPORT. 1 FOOT HOLE IN HULL 7 FEET BELOW WATERLINE STARBOARD SIDE FRAME 10 AND 1 FOOT HOLE IN HULL 5 FEET BELOW WATER LINE. FRAME 11 REQUIRE REPAIRS.

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DATE <u>3 NOV 1944</u>			ROUTINE
TOR CODER ROOM <u>1152</u>			ROUTINE DEFERRED
DECODED BY <u>GOLDEN</u>			PRIORITY
TYPED BY <u>GOLDEN/Bouchard</u>			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY <u>SORENSEN</u>			ROUTINE DEFERRED
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CTG 78.2. INFO ADEE SENDS FOR CO ABNER READ ACTION
SECNAV COMINCH AND COM 7TH FLT INFO CINCPAC
COMDESPAC CTG 77.1 COMDESRON 24 AND COMDESDIV 48

USS ABNER READ (DD 526) SANK AT 14151 NOVEMBER 1ST LAT
10-42-30 NORTH 125-22-15 EAST. LEYTE GULF PHILIPPINES.

AS RESULT OF SUICIDE DIVE INTO AFTER STACK BY BURNING
JAP PLANE AT 13421. INITIAL FIRES WERE FOLLOWED BY
EXPLOSIONS OF AFTER MAGAZINES AND READY SERVICE AMMUNI-
TION. SUMMARY OF DEAD, INJURED, AND MISSING FOLLOWS:
DEAD 4. INJURED CRITICALLY 4. INJURED SERIOUSLY 6.
MISSING 15. COMDESDIV 48 AND COMMANDING OFFICER AMONG
SURVIVORS AND UNINJURED. REMAINDER ENTIRE CREW AND
OFFICERS INCLUDING STAFF COMDESDIV 48 ACCOUNTED FOR AND

ABOARD USS PINKNEY APH 2. ALL RECORDS AND ACCOUNTS LOST.

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TOR CODEROOM	0630		
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(CTG 78.2 SENDS RDO NPM (RDO HONO) PASS INFO TO COMDESPAC. RDO WASHINGTON PASS INFO TO COMINCH)

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DAMAGE SUSTAINED BY ANDERSON HIT BY SUICIDE ZEKE 18301 NOVEMBER 1ST. 2 BOILERS BURNED OUT. MINOR STRUCTURAL DAMAGE NOT AFFECTING SEAWORTHINESS. CONSIDERABLE WIRING DAMAGE. COMMUNICATIONS CURTAILED. CAN MAKE 22 KNOTS. 1 SOUND GEAR OPERABLE. MAIN BATTERY IN COMMISSION. TORPEDOES JETTISONED. RADARS WORKING. CASUALTIES 12 MEN KILLED, 1 OFFICER 4 MEN MISSING, 1 OFFICER 16 MEN WOUNDED TRANSFERRED TO PINKNEY. SAME DAY 2 AIRCRAFT TORPEDOES LAUNCHED CLOSE RANGE AVOIDED BY SMART SHIP HANDLING. INTENDS RETURNING AS ESCORT NEXT CONVOY

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DATE <u>2 NOV 1944</u>		COM 3RD FLT	ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM <u>1253</u>			DEFERRED
DECODED BY <u>DORSEY</u>		FOR INFORMATION	PRIORITY
PARAPHRASED BY <u>DORSEY/Strong</u>		CTG 38.4	ROUTINE
ROUTED BY <u>SORENSEN</u>		CTF 38	DEFERRED
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(CTG 38.9 GIVES ACTION COM 3RD FLT. INFO ADDRESSEES ARE CTG 38.4 CTF 38 COMINCH CINCPAC COMAIRPAC)

YOUR 381445 TEMPORARY REPAIRS FRANKLIN TO PERMIT FLIGHT OPERATION ESTIMATED 3 WEEKS AND SHIP IN FOLLOWING CONDITION. FLIGHT DECK REPAIRED AND STRENGTHENED TO PERMIT TAKING OFF AND LANDING PLANES, 2 WORKING OUT OF 4 DAMAGED BARRIERS, NUMBER 3 ELEVATOR OUT OF COMMISSION AFTER BOMB ELEVATOR OUT OF COMMISSION, GALLERY STRUCTURE IN WAY OF DAMAGE TORN OUT, WATER TIGHT INTEGRITY* SECOND THIRD AND FOURTH DECKS IN WAY OF DAMAGE IMPAIRED DAMAGE TO BOILERS AND AUXILIARIES REDUCE SPEED TO ABOUT 30 KNOTS. PERMANENT COMPLETE REPAIRS WILL REQUIRE ABOUT 2 MONTHS IN NAVY YARD. BELLEAU WOOD CAN BE TEMPORARILY REPAIRED REPLACING ARRESTING GEAR OBTAINING SAME FROM TRANSPORT CVE,

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REPLACING DECK ABAFT AFTER ELEVATOR, REPLACING 40 MM TWIN AND
DIRECTOR. IF NEW WIRE OBTAINED INTIME CAN PUT
ELEVATOR IN FULL COMMISSION. OTHERWISE DANGEROUS
DUE OVERHEATED WIRE AND SHOULD ONLY BE USED IN EXTREME
EMERGENCY. STRUCTURE BENEATH FLIGHT DECK NOT TO
BE REPLACED FOR PRESENT. ESTIMATED TIME 10 DAYS.
ESTIMATED TIME TO COMPLETELY REPAIR AT NAVY YARD 4
WEEKS ARRESTING GEAR WILL BE OBTAINED BY REMOVING
FROM TRANSPORT CVE.

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TOR CODEROOM 020620			4 ROUTINE
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**(BELLEAU WOOD SENDS ACTION COMINCH CINCPAC COM 3RD FLEET CTF 38
INFO COMAIRPAC COMSERVPAC COMSERVRON 10 CTG 30.9)**

AT 1428 130 OCTOBER ENEMY SUICIDE PLANE STRUCK FLIGHT DECK AT FRAME 135 AMONG 11 FULLY SERVICED HELLCATS. IMPACT PLUS EXPLOSION OF MAG-AZINE C-ZERO THREE ONE ZERO ONE HALF MIKE AND ENSUING FIRE CAUSED FOLLOWING DAMAGE: FLIGHT DECK AND APPURTENANCES THERETO PLUS STRUCTURES FRAMES 131 TO 141 GALLERY AND POOP DECKS GUTTED BY FIRE. VIRTUALLY ALL BULKHEADS AND STRENGTH MEMBERS DISTORTED. GENERAL DAMAGE TO ALL ELECTRICAL MACHINERY AND WIRING AFT FRAME 131 ABOVE MAIN DECK. 1 40MM GUN AND PLATFORM AND 1 DIRECTOR DEMOLISHED. NUMBERS 1 AND 2 ARRESTING GEAR UNITS SERVING WIRES 1, 2, 3 AND 4 DEMOLISHED. VENTILATION, FIRE MAIN, AND OTHER SERVICES DAMAGED ABOVE THE MAIN DECK AFT OF FRAME 131. DETAILS BY DEFERRED DESPATCH.

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TOR CODEROOM	0157		
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HONO INTERCEPT

(CTG 77.1 SENDS)

ALL TIMES ITEM 1 NOVEMBER. NUMEROUS BOGEY ON SCREWS FROM CRUAY ROUG* ONWARD. ESTIMATED 10 LOW FLYING TORPEDO PLANES AND DIVE BOMBERS SIGHTED AT 0950. IN NEXT 15 MINUTES AMMEN AND CLAXTON WERE HIT BY SUICIDE DIVES AND KILLEN BY DIVE BOMBER. AMMEN AFTER MARK 5LDIRECTOR AND SEARCHLPIE* OUT. CLAXTON HOLED FORWARD AND STEERING BY ENGINES BUT FLOODING UNDER CONTROL. KILLEN HEAVILY FLOODED BUT FINALLY CONTROLLED FLOODING. ABNER READ HIT BY VAL WHILE SCREENING CLAXTON AT 1342 AND SANK AT 1415. KILLEN AND CLAXTON SENTUUS* NORTHERN TRANSPORT AREA. AMMEN WITH ME. COMDESRON 5 IN FLUSSER WITH LAMSON MAHON AND SMITH REPORTED TO ME AT 1130. HESEGBR LOVE EDORADF* PTCKET 10 MILES BEYOND POINT FIN WAS NOT BOTHERED BUT BUSH ON PATROL NEAR AMAGUSON* POINT SUCCESSFULLY DODGED BETTIES AND FISH MOST OF MORNING. CORPIT* AIR OVER ME NOT VERY EFFECTIVE AND WAS 4 PLANES AT MOST BUT MORE OFTEN 2 OR NONE. HAVE 3 FRIGATES AND A TUG NEAR POINT REB FOR ANTISUB PATROL EASTERN ENTRANCE. EXPECT PRESENCE OF SWEEP UNIT NORTH

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OF HOMOHON WILL PREVENT SUBS ENTERING THERE. ENEMY CRUISERS SIGHTED
IN VERDE ISLAND PASSAGE AND BATTLESHIPS AND CRUISERS IN SULU SEA

ALL HEADING EAST COMBINED WITH SUCCESSFUL AIR ATTACKS MAKES
MY SITUATION SERIOUS. REQUEST REPORTED ENEMY SURFACE UNIT BE HIT

BY BOMBING AND THAT MY FIGHTER COVER BY INCREASED AND MAINTAINED.

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TOR CODEROOM <u>1714</u>			ROUTINE
DECODED BY <u>MCDUGALL</u>			DEFERRED
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COMTASKGROUP 77.1 SENDS.
(PASSED BY RDO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 011432.)

TASK GROUP 77.1 AGAIN UNDER AIR ATTACK. TORPEDO PLANE
HIT ABNER READ WITH FISH WHILE READ WAS SCREENING
DAMAGED CLAXTON. READ BLEW UP AND SANK. NO REPORT OF
CASUALTIES YET.

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