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YOUR 180116, ULTIMATE DESTINATION 2 MAN JAP SUBMARINE
FROM NOUMEA WHICH IS NOW DECK CARGO ON SHIP AT SUPPLY
DEPOT OAKLAND CALIF IS SUBMARINE BASE NEW LONDON CONN
WHEN SUITABLE TRANSPORTATION PERMITS. FORWARD ANY
ACCOMPANYING HISTORICAL DATA TO ORIGINATOR

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REPORT ON 4 MIDGET SUBS KISKA HARBOR. 3 ON MARINE RAILWAY AND WRECKAGE OF 4TH ON BEACH NEARBY. ALL DAMAGED BEYOND PRACTICABLE REPAIR BY LARGE INTERNAL DEMOLITION CHARGES AT 3 POINTS: AFT OF TORPEDO TUBES, CONTROL COMPARTMENT AND FORWARD OF MAIN MOTOR. SUB DIMENSIONS 76 FEET LONG AND 6 FEET IN DIAMETER. CARRIED 2 18 INCH TORPEDOES, NONE FOUND. APPEARS CREW OF 2 OR 3 REQUIRED TO OPERATE. NO BATTERY RECHARGING ENGINE. PHOTOS, SKETCH, AND DESCRIPTIVE LETTER BEING FORWARDED. RECOMMEND SUBS BE CUT UP FOR JUNK AFTER SALVAGE ANY PARTS DESIRED. SPARE BATTERY CELL BEING RETAINED FOR SHIPMENT AS DESIRED.

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Japanese Midget Submarines.

It is now definitely known that besides being carried on the deck of large type submarines, Japanese midget submarines are also carried in seaplane carriers.

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Besides being carried on I-type submarines and possibly in whaling vessels, as has been suggested, midget submarines are also carried in the holds of certain seaplane carriers such as the Nisshin (sunk) and the Chiyoda, specially equipped for this purpose.

The special equipment of the Chiyoda includes a huge hold running through the center of the ship and cutting through the mid-deck (diagram 6-A, cross-section); four sets of 2.040 m (6'8") tracks running lengthwise through the hold, with twelve sets of trucks, each set numbering from two to three trucks; a hatchway which can be extended to 24.600 m (80'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " - diagram 6-C) by removing 4 beams from the beam shelves; and powerful cranes capable of lifting the 40-50 ton midget submarine. On the Chiyoda cranes 2 and 4, which are on port side, are used for this purpose.

The Kō Hyōteki (deck (?) model - midget submarine) carried on the Chiyoda is 23.600 m (77'5") from stem to stern (not including the protruding torpedo tubes, nose guard and propeller guard), and has a maximum vertical hull diameter of 1.850 m (6') with a conning tower extending about 4'6" above this. It is fabricated in three sections, forward (frames 1-18) 17'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " long, midship (frames 19-53) 35' $\frac{1}{2}$ " long, and after (frame 54 to stern) 24'8" long which are joined by internal flanges bolted and possibly welded together. The hull is then divided into ten "kibun" or "units" of equal length, irrespective of where their lines might cut through the functional units of the ship. The outer skin of the ship consists of 8 mm (.315") plates in the midship section and 7 mm (.276") plates in the forward and after sections, supported by metal rings or frames set at irregular intervals of from 210 mm (8 $\frac{1}{4}$ " between the 64 and 65 frames) to 350 mm (1'1-3/4" between the 1st and 2nd frames).

To lift the submarine on board a hoisting belt is dropped from each of the cranes 2 and 4 (diagram 2), which have been swung out at right angles to the gunwales, in such a fashion as to form a loop extending about 13 feet below the surface (diagram 3). The submarine is thereupon towed into position within these loops which are then adjusted to the proper places around the ship by the fore and aft ropes which are secured to the conning tower. The belt, consisting of wooden slats mounted on a cable, is then drawn close and latched to the hook. All these operations are performed by crewmen in a small boat alongside and not by members of the submarine crew. The cranes are then swung through positions A, B, C, D, and E (diagram 6-C) while the hoisting rope is coiled and the submarine swung over and into the hold (diagram 6). It is thereupon lowered onto trucks which run on rails and is stored either on these trucks or is transferred to a cradle.

Thus several midget submarines can be carried by a single mother ship, although this would necessarily decrease the capacity for planes. Planes are lifted in and out of the hold through a second hatchway slightly to the rear of the submarine hatchway, but are presumably stored in the same hold and moved on the same tracks.

Comparison of Midget Submarines

	Mato *	Kō Hyōteki **
Hull Length	74' 3"	77' 5"
Forward Section	17'	17' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Midship Section	34' 11"	35' $\frac{1}{2}$ "
After Section	22' 4"	24' 8"
Nose guard	3'	No data
Propeller guard	3' 3"	No data
Over-all Length	80' 6"	82' 4"
Maximum Diameter	6'	6'
Conning Tower	4' 6"	4' 6"
Periscope above C.T.	5'	No data
Hull	$\frac{1}{4}$ " plate	.276"-.315" plate
Torpedoes	2 x 18"	2 x 16"

* Japanese term used to designate the type of midget submarine recovered in Sydney Harbor.

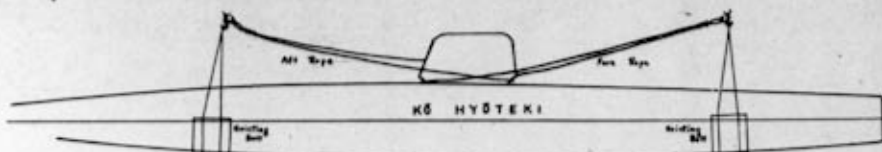
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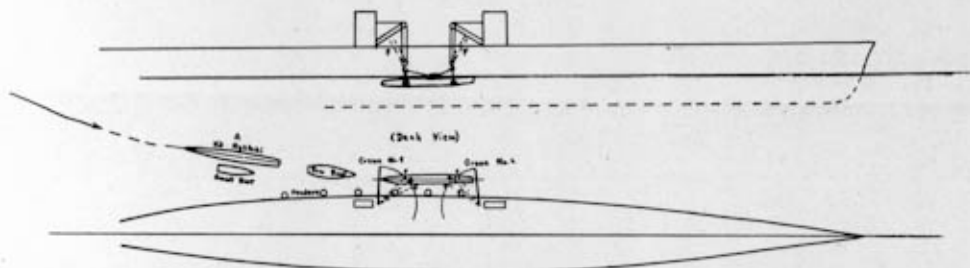
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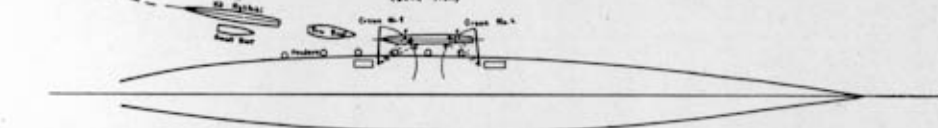


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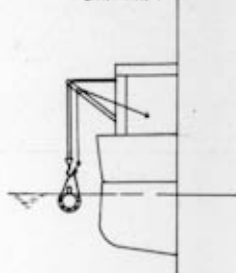


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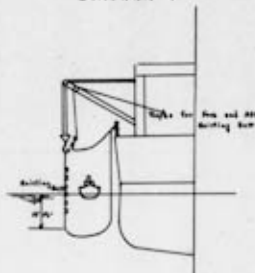
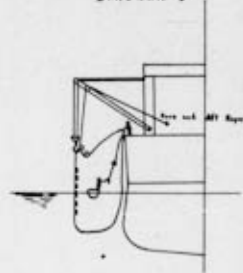


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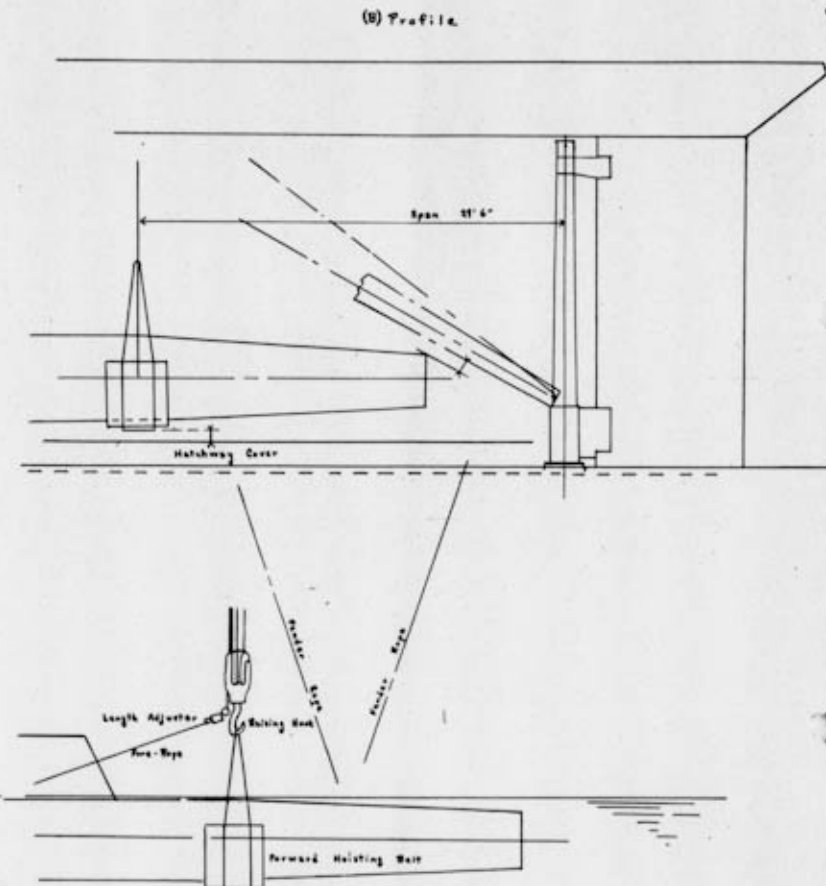
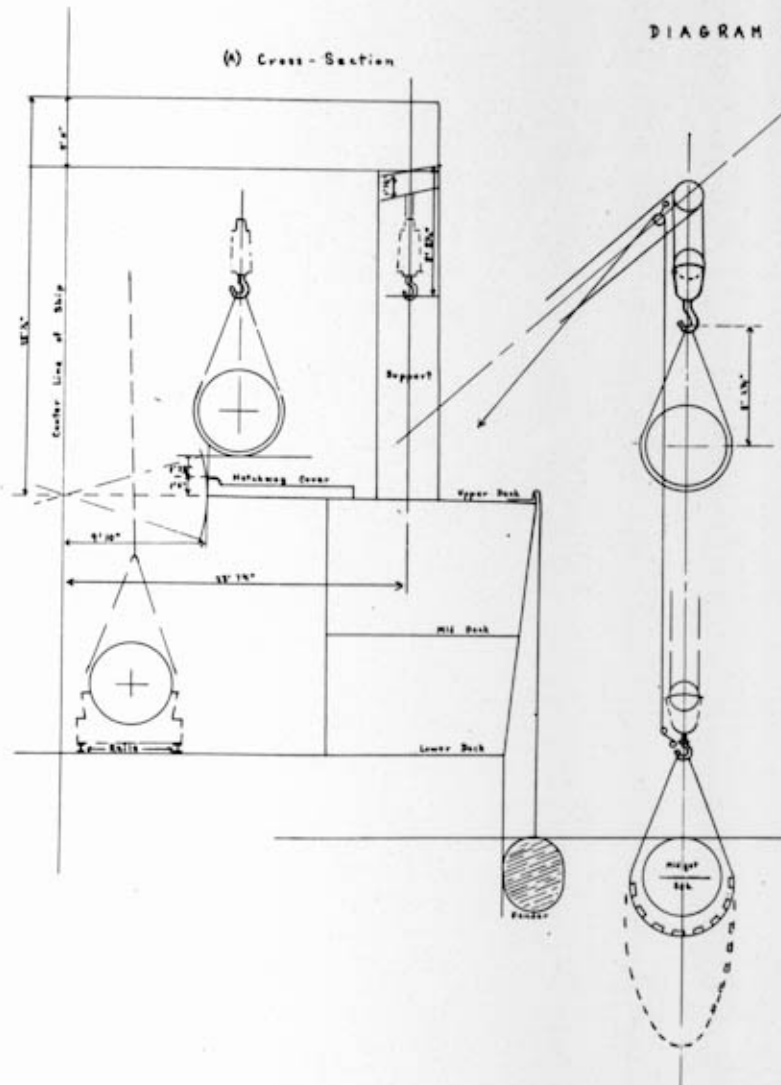


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OVERALL DIMENSIONS OF HUMAN TORPEDO TYPE SAILPREPSAIL ARE SUCH THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ABLE TO PENETRATE BRITISH STANDARD SMALL MESH ANTISUBMARINE NET OR STANDARD ANTITORPEDO NET EXCEPT BY CUTTING OR BURSTING ITS WAY THROUGH.

COMNAVEU 291146 SEPTEMBER. ADMIRALTY BELIEVE THAT IF IT ENTERS THROUGH OPEN GATE TORPEDO SHOULD BE DETECTED BY ASDIC TYPE 135 AND COUNTER ATTACK BY ACCURATELY PLACED MARK 8 DEPTH CHARGES FROM THROWERS OR LARGER CHARGES DROPPED BY HARBOR CRAFT SHOULD BE EFFECTIVE BUT 5 POUND CHARGES PROBABLY HAVE DETERRENT VALUE ONLY. BRITISH HAVE ISSUED FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS: ADEQUATE PROTECTION SHOULD BE PROVIDED BY INDIVIDUAL SHIP CLOSE A/T NETS IF HARBOR DEFENSES ARE PENETRATED. CARE SHOULD BE EXERCISED IN AREAS WHERE DETERRENT CHARGES ARE USED TO INSURE THAT RANGE OF A/S TRANSMISSIONS ARE NOT FOULED. THROWER DEPTH CHARGES MUST LAND CLOSER TO LATEST MODEL THAN TO ORIGINAL HUMAN TORPEDO.

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RANGE OF HARBOR MOLE THROWERS WILL BE INCREASED
 IF POSSIBLE. IF COMPLETED PRESENT DEFENSES SHOULD BE
 ADEQUATE AGAINST MIDGET SUBMARINE AND THIS LATEST MENACE.
 PROPOSALS FOR IMPROVING DEFENSES ARE INVITED. ALUSNA
 171206. WHEN CONDITIONS ARE SUITABLE FOR ATTACK THE
 NECESSITY FOR KEEPING BOOM GATES CLOSED AND EXTREME
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 REPEATED U.S. NAVAL ATTACHE LONDON FROM D.N.I. ADMIRALTY.

THE FOLLOWING ARE DETAILS OF HUMAN TORPEDO TYPE
 S.T.S. UNDERSTOOD TO BE UNDER TRIAL IN ITALY.

2. THE WEAPON CONSISTS OF AN AIR DRIVEN TORPEDO COUPLED
 TO AN UNDERWATER NAVIGATING CABIN. WHEN COUPLED THE

TORPEDO IS CONTROLLED BY A COXSWAIN IN THE CABIN. WHEN
 RELEASED THE TORPEDO PROCEEDS UNDER NORMAL DEPTH AND

DIRECTION CONTROL AND THE CABIN CONTAINING COXSWAIN RISES
 TO THE SURFACE IF NOT ALREADY THEREON.

3. APPROXIMATE OVERALL DIMENSIONS 16-1/2 FEET BY 43
 INCHES BY 51 INCHES. OTHER DETAILS STATED TO BE -

SPEED OF TORPEDO UP TO 40 KNOTS.

SPEED BEFORE RELEASE OF TORPEDO UNCERTAIN.

RADIUS OF ACTION UP TO ABOUT 11 MILES.

EXPLOSIVE CHARGE 900 LBS.

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4. IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT THIS WEAPON CAN READILY BE MANIPULATED PAST A NET AS IN THE OLDER TYPE.

5. USES MAY BE -

(A) FOR ATTACK ON PORTS, ENTERING HARBOUR ASTERN OF A SHIP EITHER TRIMMED DOWN OR SUBMERGED AND FOLLOWING BY LISTENING GEAR.

(B) FOR ATTACK ON SHIPS AT SEA. EXCEPT IN LOCAL DEFENCE THIS WOULD REQUIRE THE WEAPON TO BE CARRIED TO THE SCENE OF OPERATIONS BEFOREHAND.

6. THE WEAPON SHOULD BE A REASONABLY GOOD TARGET FOR ASDIC TYPE 135, BUT FIVE POUND CHARGES WOULD LEAVE LITTLE EFFECT. FURTHER DETAILS AND REMARKS ON DEFENCE MEASURES RECOMMENDED WILL BE PROMULGATED. 1815/28/9. ENDS.

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DETAILS OF A HUMAN TORPEDO TYPE STS REPORTED BY ADMIRALTY TO BE UNDER TRIAL IN ITALY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

WEAPON CONSISTS OF AIR DRIVEN TORPEDO ATTACHED TO UNDERWATER NAVIGATING CABIN. COXSWAIN CONTROLS WHEN TORPEDO IS COUPLED TO CABIN BUT TORPEDO PROCEEDS UNDER NORMAL DEPTH AND DIRECT-ION CONTROL AFTER RELEASE THEN CABIN RISES TO SUFRACE IF SUB-MERGED AT THAT TIME. OVERALL APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS 16.5 FEET BY 43 AND 51 INCHES. TORPEDO SPEED 40 KNOTS MAXIMUM. SPEED PRIOR TO RELEASE NOT KNOWN. ACTION RADIUS ABOUT 11 MILES. 900 POUND EXPLOSIVE CHARGE. OLDER TYPE COULD PROBABLY MORE EFFECTIVELY EVADE HARBOR NETS. ADMIRALTY BELIEVES USES MAY BE PRIMARILY FOR ATTACKS ON PORTS ENTERING HARBOR ASTERN OF SHIP EITHER ANASH OR SUBMERGED AND FOLLOWING BY LISTENING GEAR SECONDARILY FOR ATTACKS ON SHIPS AT SEA. DEFENSE MEASURES AND FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE FORWARDED LATER. WEAPON SHOULD BE GOOD ASDIC TARGET.

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YOUR 1712B/17.

1. TWO WIDGETS (ACTUAL JAPANESE NUMBERS 21 AND 14) WERE SALVED NUMBER 21 IS MINUS APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET OF THE STERN AND NUMBER 14 IS MINUS THE BOWS TO JUST FORWARD OF CONNING TOWER BUT EXAMINATION SO FAR SUGGESTS THAT FITTINGS ARE IDENTICAL. NO REASON TO ASSUME ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ANY OF THE INDIVIDUAL WIDGETS PARTICIPATING IN SYDNEY RAID.

2. DISPLACEMENT ESTIMATED 40 TO 50 TONS**OVERALL LENGTH 80.5 FEET****BEAM 6 FEET AS AGAINST 75 FEET AND 5.5 FEET****ENDURANCE AND SPEEDS NOT YET ESTIMATED.****PLATING 5/16TH INCH AS AGAINST QUARTER INCH****SAW-TOOTHED NET CUTTER ABOVE BOWS (5 TEETH) AND UPPER SIDE FORE PART CONNING TOWER (4 TEETH)****DECLASSIFIED****DECLASSIFIED
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FIVE COMPARTMENTS ACCESSIBLE TO CREW WITH WATER-TIGHT DIVISIONAL BULKHEADS AND 2 SMALL COMPARTMENTS AROUND TORPEDO TUBES AND ONE AFT AT STERN AND LATTER FILLED WITH OIL AND ALL THREE INACCESSIBLE TO CREW.

ESTIMATED HEIGHT OF PERSCOPE ABOVE CONNING TOWER 7 TO 8 FEET AS AGAINST 5 FEET.

3. THROUGH HATCHWAY IN PARENT SUBMARINE INTO AND UP THROUGH LOWER HATCHWAY IN MIDGET. EDGES OF MIDGET HATCHWAY BEVELLED OUTER DIAMETER 19-3/4 INCHES INNER DIAMETER 17 INCHES. HATCH DOOR CORRESPONDINGLY BEVELLED AND HINGED ON AFTER MIDSHIP EDGE OF HATCHWAY OPENS OUTWARDS AND IS QUICK RELEASE WATER-TIGHT DOOR CONTROLLED BY INSIDE CENTRAL WHEEL OPERATING THREE LUGS THROUGH A SYSTEM OF BELL CRANK LEVERS. WATER SEALING BY A CONICULAR RUBBER WASHER OF ROUND CROSS SECTION. HATCHWAY IN PARENT SUBMARINE PRESUMABLY APPROXIMATELY 4

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INCHES GREATER DIAMETER THAN MIDGET HATCHWAY'S MAXIMUM DIAMETER JUDGING FROM POSITION OF SEATING SURFACE SURROUNDING MIDGET HATCHWAY.

4. THESE BOLTS IN REALITY HANDLE-SHAPED LUGS PROJECTING DOWNWARDS EACH IN FORM OF SHALLOW TRUNCATED VEE WITH OBLONG OPENING.

OVERALL LENGTH OF EACH LUG 17 INCHES AT JUNCTION WITH JULL AND 8-1/4 INCHES AT TRUNCATED APEX.

SIZE OF OPENING 6 INCHES LONG BY 2-1/2 INCHES DEEP THICKNESS OF METAL 1-3/8 INCHES.

SQUARE SECTION IN LEGS OF VEE AND ROUND SECTION IN BEARING BAR ON WHICH HOLDING FITTING OF PARENT SUBMARINE GRIPS. EACH LUG IS APPARENTLY HAMMERED OUT OF 1-3/8 INCH ROD. EACH LUG IS WELDED TO HULL IN FORE AND AFT LINE WITH OPENING FACING DOWNWARDS BUT BEING ON RISE OF BILGE PROJECTS

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DOWNWARDS AT ANGLE OF 20 DEGREES FROM VERTICAL (AS DO) BILGE KEELS. SPACED IN RECTANGLE OF WHICH HATCHWAY IS THE CENTRE FORE AND AFT DISTANCE BETWEEN LUGS IS 3 FEET 6 INCHES THWARTSHIP DISTANCE IS 2 FEET 7-1/2 INCHES MEASUREMENTS BEING FROM CENTRES OF APERTURES IN EACH CASE.

5. NO

6. FOLLOWING THEORY IS BASED ON DATA APPEARING ON CHARTS RECOVERED FROM WIDGET 21. HAVING DECIDED ON PICKING UP DISPOSITION (NUMBER (2) (7IN) PARAGRAPH (A) OF MY 0800Z/13) WHICH IS OFF BROKEN BAY ON LINE OF BEARING 110 DEGREES FROM A POSITION 17 DEGREES 4 MILES FROM FIRST POINT (GEOGRAPHIC) WIDGET SUBMARINE WAS RELEASED FROM PARENT A FEW MILES TO SEAWARD OF SYDNEY HEADS DURING AFTERNOON OF MAY 31ST. FIX ON CHART TIMED 1625 ONE BEARING BEING OF UNLIGHTED HEADLAND AND PLACING POSITION OUTER. SOUTH HEAD LIGHT 260 DEGREES 7/2 MILES APPEARS TO JUSTIFY THIS VIEW. THREE SUBSEQUENT

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253 DEGREES 4.1 MILES

247 DEGREES 3.6 MILES

260 DEGREES 1.7 MILES ALL OF OUTER SOUTH HEAD LIGHT

WHICH WAS IN OPERATION. FOUR MERCHANT SHIPS ENTERED SYDNEY HEADS AT 1717 K 1750 K 1855 K AND 2053 K RESPECTIVELY AND IT IS BELIEVED WIDGETS LAY OFF AND ON HEADS AWAITING OPPORTUNITY TO ENTER UNDER THIS COVER. WHEN INSIDE HARBOUR WIDGET 21 APPARENTLY INTENDED FOLLOWING COURSE FROM OUTER NORTH HEAD 285 DEGREES TO A POSITION 180 DEGREES ONE CABLE FROM INNER NORTH HEAD 250 DEGREES TO A POSITION 90 DEGREES 3/4 OF A CABLE FROM MIDDLE HEAD 215 DEGREES TO A POSITION 200 DEGREES 2.4 CABLES FROM BRADLEY HEAD THENCE 250 DEGREES TOWARDS GARDEN ISLAND. PASSING CLOSE TO GEORGES HEAD IT IS BELIEVED SHE STRUCK PILE IN THE THEN NON-BETTED PORTION OF BOOM DAMAGING NOSE PROTECTION STRUCTURE AND THUS JAMMING TORPELO

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TUBE CAPS AND PREVENTING FIRING OF TORPEDOES. DETAILED
 SKETCHES AND PHOTOGRAPHS ARE BEING FORWARDED.

7. FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. TORPEDOES FITTED WITH
 EXTERNAL REPETITION EXTERNAL ANGLING AND DEPTH SETTING GEAR.
 THAT BEACHED AT GARDEN ISLAND (MY 0426X/1) SET AT 5 METRES
 THOSE IN TUBES OF WIDGET 21 AT 6 METRES. WIDGETS EQUIPPED
 WITH AUTOMATIC DEPTH KEEPING GEAR OPERATING HORIZONTAL
 RUDDERS SIMILAR TO TORPEDO. MAXIMUM DEPTH SETTING FOR WIDGET
 APPARENTLY 30 METRES. WIDGET CARRIED GOOD SUPPLY OF FOOD AND
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JAPANESE MIDGET SUBMARINES WHICH ATTACKED SYDNEY (N.S.W.)
ON 31ST MAY WERE DETECTED ON AN INDICATOR LOOP LAID IN
6 FATHOM BY NOT REPETITION NOT ON AN INDICATOR LOOP LAID
IN 15 FATHOMS.

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FOLLOWING INFORMATION WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN SENT TO ADMIRALTY AND OTHER ADDRESSEES CONCERNED, IS COMMUNICATED FOR INFORMATION OF US NAVY DEPT IN ADDITION TO MY 0800/13. BEGINS:

ANALYSIS OF LOOP CROSSINGS AND ATTACKS SHOW THAT FOUR MIDGET SUBMARINES ENDEAVOURED TO ENTER SYDNEY HARBOUR. 3 DESTROYED BY DEPTH CHARGE ATTACKS. FOURTH BLEW ITSELF UP AND WAS LATER FOUND TO HAVE PROPELLER FOULED IN A/S NET.

ONLY 2 TORPEDOES FIRED APPARENTLY AT USS CHICAGO. ONE OF THESE RAN UP ON SHORE AND FAILED TO EXPLODE, THE OTHER HAVING MISSED TARGET EXPLODED AGAINST SEA WALL AND BANK SMALL ACCOMODATION VESSEL ALONGSIDE WALL.

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MY 1Ø26Z/8 FOLLOWING FURTHER DETAILS.

- (A) CHARTS E MIDGET NUMBER 21 MARKED IN JAPANESE CHARACTERS "GENERAL STAFF CONFIDENTIAL FEBRUARY, 1942". FIVE PENCILLED POSITIONS ON CHARTS ADMIRALTY NUMBERS 1020 AND 1021 MARKED JAPANESE CHARACTERS "PICKING UP DISPOSITIONS". THESE POSITIONS ON LINES OF BEARING 110° FROM PROMINENT LIGHTED AND UNLIGHTED HEADLANDS
- (1) 37 MILES
 (2) 19 MILES TO NORTHWARDS (3) 20 MILES (4) 33 MILES
 (5) 50.5 MILES TO SOUTHWARDS OUTER NORTH HEAD SYDNEY
- FOUR EYE CLASS SUBMARINES SPACED FOUR KILOMETRES APART ON LINES OF BEARING AVERAGE OFFING INSHORE SUBMARINE FOUR MILES. FIFTH EYE CLASS SUBMARINE PROBABLY THE LEADER AND CARRYING ONE A/C STATIONED 6 KILOMETRES NORTHWARDS OR SOUTHWARDS LINE BEARING IN EACH. COURSE LINES FROM OUTER NORTH HEAD TO POSITION (2) INDICATE THIS RENDEZVOUS CHOSEN FOR NIGHT OF ATTACK.
- (B) MIDGET SUBMARINES: FABRICATED THREE SECTIONS JOINTED BY INTERNAL FLANGES BOLTED TOGETHER WITH INSERTION BETWEEN.

OVERALL LENGTH 80.5 FT. FORWARD SECTION 17 FT.
 MIDSHIP SECTION 34 FT. 11 INS., AFTER SECTION 22 FT. 4 INS.

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BALANCE NOSE GUARD 3 FT. PROPELLERS AND GUARD
3 FT. 3 INS.

MIDSHIPS DIAMETER 6 FT.

HEIGHT CONNING TOWER 4 FT. 6 INS WITH ADDITIONAL
15 INS. GUARD STRUCTURE.

MIDGET APPARENTLY SECURED ABOVE PARENT BY:

- (1) CHOCKS UNDER AND HOLDING DOWN BANDS OVER AFTER PART
AND
- (2) BY 4 SUBSTANTIAL LUGS WELDED IN WAKE OF HATCH ON
UNDERSIDE.

APPARENTLY (1) SUPPLEMENTARY FOR OCEAN VOYAGE
DISCARDED BEFORE FINAL RELEASE WHICH ATTAINED BY LETTING
GO (2) FROM WITHIN PARENT SUBMARINE.

POWER AND TELEPHONE WHEN JOINED BY 2 SUBSTANTIAL
T R S CABLES SINGLE CORE AND 2 BRAIDED ZWIN CORE CABLES
OF SMALL SIZE. THESE LOCATED AFTER END MIDDLE SECTION
APPROXIMATELY 4.30 AND 7.30 OCLOCK LOOKING FROM AFT.

SUBSTANTIALLY GLANDED INSIDE. TRAILING ENDS
OUTSIDE HAD BEEN CUT OFF.

ALL RUDDERS VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL DRILLED WITH
HOLES MATCHING HOLES IN VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL
"DRILLED" FINS ALLOWING SECURING BY STEEL STRAP DURING
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EYEHOLE IN EACH SIDE CONNING TOWER TRUNK PROBABLY TO ASSIST LOCATING POSITION LEAVING JOINING PARENT. LOWER HATCH HAD BEEN ON WATER SEALING INSERTION

- (C) TORPEDOES: WEIGHT OF EXPLOSIVES APPROXIMATELY 700 LBS. TYPE NOT YET ASCERTAINED, YELLOW IN COLOR. PROPULSION BY COMPRESSED AIR WITH HEATER. AIR VESSEL SHORT AND PROPELLERS SMALL EVIDENTLY SHORT RANGE AND SLOW RUNNING.

CUTTER ON HEAD IN FORM OF CROSS CENTER PORTION BEING KNIFE-EDGED PYRAMDIAL DEVICE COMPRISING FOUR CUTTERS AT 90 DEG. THIS REMOVABLE FROM ADDITIONAL SAW-LIKE CUTTERS EXTENDING BACK TO FULL DIAMETER OF TORPEDO. INERTIA TYPE PISTOL FITTED TO SIDE OF HEAD.

(D) ALTERATIONS TO PEARL HARBOUR DESIGN:

- (1) SELF DEMOLITION CHARGE FOUND FORWARD AS WELL AS AFT.
- (2) HATCH BELOW SUBMARINE IN MIDDLE SECTION WITH FOUR HEAVY WELDED LUGS.
- (3) AT PEARL HARBOUR COMMUNICATING LEADS WERE AT APPROXIMATELY 10.30 AND 1.30 O'CLOCK INDICATING COMMUNICATION WITH SOMETHING ABOVE SUBMARINE.
- (4) STEEL STRUCTURE WELDED FORWARD OF NOSE REPORTED DIFFERENT. NO EVIDENCE NET CUTTING APPARATUS THIS STRUCTURE BUT USUAL VERTICAL FIN CUTTERS WITH TENSIONING WIRE TO CONNING TOWER WHICH FAIRED OVER WITH STEEL GUARDS AND TENSIONING WIRE

TO TAIL FINS.

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APPARENTLY COUNTED ON NOSING UNDER BOOM NET DEFENCES.
 (5) WATER SEALING CAPS TO EACH OF TUBES RELEASED BY
 HYDRAULIC PRESSURE ACTING ON HOLDING DOWN CLAMPS WITH
 PUSH ROD OPERATING ON UPPER CAP. NUMBER 21 HAD COLL-
 IDED WITH UNDERWATER OBSTRUCTION AND BENT STEEL STRUCT-
 URE (4) SC CAPS FAILED FALL CLEAR ALTHOUGH RELEASED.
 (THIS LAST FACT PUBLISHED IN LOCAL PRESS)
 (6) ADDITIONAL STEEL STRENGTHENING RODS WELDED TO
 CAGE LIKE STRUCTURE AROUND PROPELLERS AND TO TAIL STRUCT-
 URE APPARENTLY FURTHER TO PREVENT NETS FOULING
 REVERSE TURNING PROPELLERS (APPARENTLY RESULT PRESS
 STATEMENTS SUBSEQUENT PEARL HARBOUR)

- (E) GREASE ON PROPELLERS UPHOLDS BELIEF MIDGETS RELEASED
 AT SYDNEY HEADS.
- (F) PARENT SECURING ARRANGEMENTS COMMON TO BOTH
 MIDGETS EXAMINED.
- (G) SYDNEY DEFENSES AT TIME OF ATTACK

(1) BOTH INNER LOOPS COVERING WHOLE FRONT IN ACTION.
 OUTER OF THESE IN 14 FATHOMS GAVE 4 INWARD CROSSINGS
 (2) A/T BOOM INCOMPLETE. TOTAL LENGTH 4,800 FT. CENTRE
 PORTION 2,940 FT. COMPLETED LEAVING GAPS 960 FT. WESTERN
 END (GEORGES HEAD) AND 900 FT. EASTERN END (GREEN POINT).
 FIXED BEAM OSCILLATOR AT HEADS WAS OPERATING BUT
 GAVE NO INDICATION OF THE PASSAGE OF THE MIDGET SUB-
 MARINES. THE BOOM NET WAS FLOODLIGHTED BY 3 SEARCHLIGHTS
 FROM 2200 LOCAL TIME 31ST MAY.

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DATE _____			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM _____	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY _____			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY _____			DEFERRED

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(H) DISCOVERY ON MIDGET OF METAL AIR PURIFIER AND BOTTLES OF MINERAL WATER IDENTICAL WITH SIMILAR EQUIPMENT FOUND WASHED ASHORE AT WILSON'S PROMONTORY IN MARCH, 1942, SUGGESTS SUBMARINE RECONNAISSANCE ALONG SOUTHEAST AND EAST COASTS NOT LATER THAN MID FEBRUARY.

(1) ENEMY AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE BY CURTIS TYPE FLOAT PLANE WERE CARRIED OUT AS FOLLOWS:

1820, 28TH MAY OVER SYDNEY HARBOUR.
 BETWEEN 1332 AND 1427, 30TH MAY IN SYDNEY AREA.
 BT 0200, 2ND JUNE OVER SYDNEY.

16.....ACTION

CNO.....20G.....COMINCH.....P1A.....20OP.....BUSHIPS....

BUORD.....3.....FILE

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RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE 14 JUNE 42			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 0724	INFORMATION	OPNAV ALUSNA MELBOURNE	PRIORITY
DECODED BY PHILLIPS			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY SARNOFF			DEFERRED

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(THIS COMES TO YOU FROM USNLO SYDNEY)

GARDEN ISLAND NAVY DEPARTMENT DISPATCHED LAST NIGHT BY AIRMAIL TO DIRECTOR NAVAL INTELLIGENCE MELBOURNE 8 PAGES WHICH WERE TIED TOGETHER RECOVERED FROM ONE OF THE SUBMARINES JAMMED UP AGAINST DEMOLITION CHARGE WHICH DID NOT EXPLODE MISCELLANEOUS LOOSE PAPERS ALL FOR TRANSLATION.

16...COG

RECORD COPY: COMINCH....CNO...FILE

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FROM ALUSLO SYDNEY (INDEFINITE CALL)	FOR ACTION INFORMATION	OPNAV	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
RELEASED BY _____			
DATE 14 JUNE, 1942		COMSOWESTPACFOR ALUSNA MELBOURNE	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 0945			
DECODED BY HAMPTON			
PARAPHRASED BY SARNOFF/SMITH			

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PART 2:

BELIEVE BOTTOM HATCH, CLAMP BARS, BATTERY AND TELEPHONE LEADS
 SUBSTANTIATE WIDGET SUBMARINES CARRIED ON DECK OF MOTHER SUB-
 MARINE. RAISED SUBMARINE EQUIPPED WITH HEAVY PROPELLER GUARDS.
 SUBMARINES EQUIPPED WITH 2 DEMOLITION CHARGES 1 AFT AND 1 FOR-
 WARD AND MANNED BY 2 MEN. LOOP READINGS INDICATE 4 SUBMARINES
 ENTERED SYDNEY HARBOR 2 ADDITIONAL SUBMARINES BELIEVED SUNK NOT
 YET LOCATED. FORWARDING PHOTOGRAPHS. SHELLING OF SYDNEY AND
 NEWCASTLE WITH 5.5 SHELLS ON JUNE 8TH CREDITED TO EITHER SUB-
 MARINE. NO MATERIAL DAMAGE.

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6....ACTION

0/11....20-G....COMINCH....30....BUSHIPS....NAVAIDE....

0-OP....FILE.

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DATE 13 JUNE 1942	FOR INFORMATION	COMSOUWESPAC ALUSNA MELBO URNE	DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 1000/13			PRIORITY
DECODED BY WATSON			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY HEINE			DEFERRED

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IN TWO PARTS. FROM U.S.N.L.O. SYDNEY.

REFERENCE JAP SUBMARINE SUNK SYDNEY HARBOR
 31 MAY, 2 PARTIALLY DESTROYED SUBMARINES RAISED APPROXIMATELY
 78 FEET LONG, CIGAR SHAPED, MAXIMUM DIAMETER APPROXIMATELY
 6 FEET, CONNING TOWER 4 FEET HIGH. 2 WERE EQUIPPED WITH 2 18-IN.
 DOUBLE EXPLOSIVE CHARGE TORPEDOES IN BOW. TORPEDO HEADS
 COVERED WITH WATERTIGHT CAPS PNEUMATICALLY CONTROLLED. 4 HEAVY
 CLAMPS ON BOTTOM OF SUBMARINE TO MAKE FAST TO DECK OF MOTHER
 SUBMARINE OR SHIP. ACCESS HATCH IN BOTTOM OF SUBMARINE
 FINISHED EVIDENTLY TO FIT OVER HATCH OF MOTHER SUBMARINE.
 FORMER HULL FLAT FOR ACCESS TO BATTERY CHARGING LEADS TOPSIDE.
 FORWARD ENGINEER ROOM NOW BLANKED OFF. BATTERY CHARGING
 LEADS AND ADDED TELEPHONE WIRES NOW EMERGE THROUGH GLANDS
 ON BOTTOM OF SUBMARINE AND ARE CUT LEAVING ABOUT 3 FOOT LENGTHS
 TRAILING UNDER SUBMARINE WHEN LAUNCHED. (PART 2 FOLLOWS)

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16.....ACTION
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 NAVAIDE...200P.....FILE.

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RELEASED BY _____			RRRR ROUTINE
DATE <u>JUNE 12 1942</u>			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM <u>2136/0819</u>	INFORMATION	CO/S KILINDINI NZNB BAD FOR COMINCH	PRIORITY
DECODED BY <u>BAD/FIELD</u>			RRRR ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY _____			DEFERRED

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CIRCUIT DIAGRAM OF RADIO TRANSMITTER RECEIVER RECOVERED FROM WIDGET SUBMARINE SUNK IN SYDNEY NSW HARBOR IS OF CONVENTIONAL DESIGN WITH TUNING CURVE SHOWING EXTREME (FREQUENCY?) LIMIT OF 7900 TO 10100 KCS.

MODEL OF FOR TELEPHONY OR TELEGRAPHY AND WAS MANUFACTURED BY O K I ELECTRIC COMPANY AND BEARS PRODUCT (SERIAL) NUMBER 33.

SETTINGS PENCILLED ON ATTACHED GROUND GLASS SLATE WERE FOR 8755 AND 8950 KCS WHICH FREQUENCIES WERE PRESUMABLY FOR USE DURING SYDNEY RAID.

EQUIPMENT IS BEING SALVAGED. IF FURTHER INFORMATION IS REQUIRED COPY OF CIRCUIT DIAGRAM AND FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE FORWARDED.

THIS RECEIVED FROM BAD.

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DATE <u>10 JUNE, 1942</u>			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM <u>1530</u>	INFORMATION		PRIORITY
DECODED BY <u>LYONS</u>			ROUTINE
PARAPHRASED BY <u>SMITH</u>			DEFERRED

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TEXT

EXAMINATION CHARTS RECOVERED FROM SYDNEYS MIDGET SUBMARINE DISCLOSES 5 EYE REPEAT 5 EYE CLASS SUBS TOOK PART IN OPERATION. THESE BOATS NUMBERS 21 22 24 27 AND 29. GOOD EVIDENCE THAT MIDGETS WERE RELEASED FROM ALL EXCEPT EYE 21 WHICH APPARENTLY WAS FLAGBOAT AND MAY HAVE CARRIED PLANE. EXCELLENT PHOTOGRAPHS IMPORTANT MILITARY TARGETS PRINTED ON THESE CHARTS AS INSETS NEAR SUCH OBJECTIVES. CHARTS ARE REPRODUCTIONS ADMIRALTY ISSUES

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FROM	T S WILKINSON	FOR ACTION	
RELEASED BY	9 JUNE 1942		
DATE	2320	INFORMATION	
TOR CODEROOM			
DECODED BY	LELAND	COMSOPACFOR WESTSEA FRONTIER NORTHWEST SEA FRONTIER PANAMA SEA FRONTIER HAWAIIAN SEA FRONTIER	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
PARAPHRASED BY			

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ADDITIONAL TO COMSOWESTPACFOR 060959 MARKINGS ON CHEST RECOVERED FROM MIDGET SUBMARINE INDICATE ATTACK CARRIED OUT BY MIDGETS RELEASED FROM SUBMARINES 1-21 1-22 1-24 1-27 AND 1-29. PRELIMINARY INSPECTION GIVES LENGTH OF 80 FEET DIAMETER 10 FEET. TORPEDO WEIGHT 1925 POUNDS WARHEAD AND PRIMER 850 POUNDS. OTHER CHARACTERISTICS SAME AS PEARL HARBOR MIDGETS.

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FROM **COMNAVEU, LONDON**

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DATE **29 MAY 1942**TOR CODEROM **1641**DECODED BY **EBTES**PARAPHRASED BY **COURTNEY**

FOR ACTION

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TEXT

COMMANDER IN CHIEF MEDITERRANEAN FLEET FURNISHED
FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING ATTACK BY HUMAN

TORPEDO AT ALEXANDRIA MAY 14/15. REQUEST WAR DEPARTMENT AND PANAMA CANAL DEFENCES BE INFORMED.

A LOOP CROSSING WAS REGISTERED AT 2315 BUT NO CONTACTS
WERE MADE BY ANTISUBMARINE PATROL CRAFT EITHER BEFORE

OR AFTER. NO SECOND CROSSING WAS REGISTERED. HDAY
ENTRANCE GAVE CONTACTS AT 0125 AND 0143 AND SIX PAIRS

OF 5 POUNDER CHARGES WERE FIRED IN ENTRANCE BOTH TIMES
WITHIN THREE MINUTES OF THE CONTACT. HUMAN TORPEDOES

ACCOUNTED FOR AS FOLLOWS:

1. BLOWN UP BY CREW EAST OF RAB ELTIM AT 0430 15TH.
2. EXPLODED ON FORESHORE AT MEX AT 1030 15TH.
3. CREW RECOVERED FROM WRECK AT INSHORE ENTRANCE
OF GREAT PASS. TORPEDO NOT FOUND.

PRISONERS STATE ATTACK FAILED BECAUSE:

1. PARENT SUBMARINE AND HUMAN TORPEDO UNABLE TO FIX
THEIR POSITIONS DUE TO **██████████** EFFECTS OF SHORE
SEARCHLIGHTS WHICH WERE KEPT BURNING INTERMITTANTLY
THROUGHOUT NIGHT. ENEMY POSSIBLY EXPECTED AGENT
ASHORE TO SHOW LIGHT.
2. EFFECT OF UNDER WATER CHARGES SEVERE.

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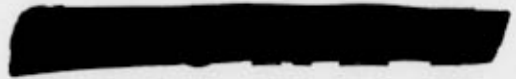
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FOUR BOATS DROPPED FIVE POUNDER CHARGES AT RATE OF
10 PER HOUR.

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