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FROM: ALUSLO 20TH BOMCOM FWD ECH		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP PRIORITY
RELEASED BY:		FOR ACTION: COMNAVGROUP CHINA COMSUBSOWESPAC	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
DATE: 1 JANUARY 1945			
TOR CODEROOM: 0258			
DECODED BY: DIEBEL		INFORMATION: CINCPOA COMSUBPAC COM 7TH FLT	OP PRIORITY PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
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ALUSLO 20TH BOMCOM FORWARD ECHELON 311512 SENT ACTION COMNAV-GROUP CHINA COMSUBSOWESPAC INFO CINCPOA COMSUBPAC COM 7TH FLEET IS REENCYPHERED BY CINCPOA AND PASSED ACTION ALL COMMANDS INTERESTED IN 20TH BOMCOM SEARCH AND RECON MISSIONS INFO WAR.

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AIR SEA SEARCH SERVICE. FORM ERADICATOR MISSION SCHEDULED AGAINST 2 POSSIBLY DAMAGED BB PHOTOGRAPHED YESTERDAY AT ANCHOR OFF CAP ST JACQUES. TIME OVER TARGET 030330Z. SECONDARY TARGET SAIGON. PRIORITY POSITIONS FOLLOW:

(A) AT 09-05N 107-00E (C) AT 10-00N 108-00E

(B) AT 10-00N 107-00E (D) 11-00N 102-30E

REFERENCE POINT CAP ST JACQUE LIGHT AT 10-20N 107-05E. CODE NAME PUMPHANDLE. BOTH DISTRESS AND SIGHTINGS IN EFFECTIVE CSP 1270

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SERIES 14475 KCS WITH OUR REGULAR ASR SOP EFFECTIVE. REQUEST CINCPOA NOTIFY US IMMEDIATELY ON ANY MOVEMENTS OF OUR PRIMARY TARGETS. ALSO ADVISE AS ** IN VICINITY IN CASE HARBOR IS FLUSHED."

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM COMAF 5

RELEASED BY

DATE 31 DEC 44

TOR CODEROOM 1255

DECODED BY SLUTZ

TYPED BY MANUEL /Slutz

ROUTED BY

FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA, COM 3RD FLT, COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES USS WASSATCH, FEAF CTF 93, CTF 77, ADV GHQ, COM 7TH FLT,

INFORMATION: COMAF 13, 309 BOMB WING, 310 BW, VBC, VFC, 91 PWR, CTG 94.5, 308 BDH,*

PRECEDENCE: URGENT PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED — PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED

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(TO CINCSWPA, COM 3RD FLT, COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES USS WASSATCH, FEAF, CTF 93, CTF 77, ADV GHQ, COM 7TH FLT, COMAF 13, 309 BOMB WING, 310 BW, VBC, VFC, 91 PWR, CTG 94.5 INFO 308 BDH*ADV GHQ PASS TO 308 LW FROM COMAF 5 CITE D 2570E)

(1) VBC
(A) 1 SQUADRON R'S ON STLAW*
(B) HIT TALZSAY WITH 1 SQUADRON R'S

(C) STRIKE CLARK FIELD WITH 1 GROUP HEAVIES
(D) SNOOPERS HIT SHIPPING FROM LAOAG TO LINGAYEN GULF AND 1 SQUADRON R'S STRIKE LAOAG BOTH NIGHT OF 31 DECEMBER/1 JANUARY

(2) VFC
(A) PYRMUUOB I* COVER FOR CLARK FIELD STRIKE AND SECOND NIM CCBQIR*MINDORO RESUPPLY CONVOY

(B) COVCI* AIR TRANSPORT AND RESCUE MISSION IS REQUIRED

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(3) 91 PVR
(A) PHOTO MAESTRE DE CAMPO CLARK FIELD STRIKE LAOAG

(4) 309 AWH
(A) CONTINUED PATROLS AT ONGSE AMRDROLLS*

(5) 310 BWMT
(A) STRIKE PUERTO PRINCESA WITH 1 SQUADRON A-20'S

(B) R'S ON ARMED RECCO FOR SHIPPING ON NW COAST MINDORO LUBANG ISLANDS SW COAST LUZON AND SEA AREA

NORTHWARD TO SUBIC BAY
(C) 2 R'S ON ARMED RECCO NORTH WEST COAST PALAWAN

SECOND EY PUERTO PRINCESA AIRDROME.

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FROM CTF 77

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DATE 31 DECEMBER 1944

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA

INFORMATION: COM 7TH FLEET, COMINCH, COM 3RD FLEET, CINCPOA

PRECEDENCE

FOR ACTION: OP OP OP

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(CTF 77 SENDS ACTION TO CINCSWPA INFO COM 7TH FLEET COMINCH COM 3RD FLEET CINCPOA)

MINDORO RESUPPLY ECHELON DEPARTED 1800 I FOR RETURN TO LEYTE. IN MORNING AIR ATTACK JUST PRIOR TO DEPARTURE BY SUICIDE PLANES

GANSEVOORT (DD608) SERIOUSLY DAMAGED AND TOWED TO PT BASE MINDORO. PRINGLE (DD477) HIT WITH MINOR DAMAGE NOW ENROUTE LEYTE WITH

CONVOY. PORCUPINE (IX126) NAVY STORAGE TANKER HIT AND BURNED. PROBABLE TOTAL LOSS. ORESTES (AGP10) BADLY DAMAGED BY FIRES

Ex LST (repair)

AND EXPLOSIONS. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES ORESTES APPROXIMATELY 30 KILLED OR MISSING 32 SERIOUSLY WOUNDED. NO REPORT OF CASUALTIES

AS YET FROM OTHER SHIPS. MERSHIP HOBART BAKER HIT BY BOMBS AND SUNK OFF MINDORO BEACH HEAD. ORMOC RESUPPLY ECHELON DUE DEPART

AT DUSK FOR RETURN LEYTE. INCOMPLETE REPORT OF PT PATROLS NEGATIVE.

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RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: ARNOLD	PRIORITY / URGENT / DEFERRED
DATE: 31 DEC 44			
TOR CODEROOM: 1450			
DECODED BY: SLUTZ		INFORMATION: WEDEMEYER DEPCOMAF 20 CINCPOA SEE BELOW	PRIORITY / URGENT / DEFERRED
TYPED BY: SLUTZ			
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(ORIGINATED LEMAY, ORIENTAL ADEES ACTION ARNOLD. INFO WEDEMEYER DEPCOMAF 20 NAVY CINCPOA ALL INTERESTED 20 BOMCOM SEARCH AND RECON MISSIONS)

(RECEIVED REENCRYPTED FROM CINCPOA. PASSED BY CINCPOA TO VUTWGTHLITU RGSARCCYM KDJLFS* 20 BOMCOM RELUHL* AND RECON MISSIONS INFO TO WAR AS 311123)

27590 PHOTO RESULTS OF TWENTYFOUF INCL COVER ON SORTIE 175 OF FOURMIKEROGERFEBOSIX OF THIRTY DECEMBER NOW FOLLOW;

A. KANFYA EAST AIRFIELD FROM COMPLETE CAVURKVVER* SHOWS 32 SSARRHRNO* 7 MEDIUM AIRCRAFT.

B. KAWANAMI AIRFIELD FROM COMPLETE CAVU COVEOMACTLS ILETEEN MEDIUM AIRCRAFT CPOCCWA TY WHICH NOT OPERATIONAL.

NEW SUBJECT NOW COMES MY FIRST REPORT ON FOLLOWING AIRFIELDS SHOWN ON 4MR50:

A. CHIZAN LANDING GROUND AT 31-23 NORTH E NORTH - 130-21 FAST COMPLETE CAVU 24 INCH COVER SHOWS 16 SMALL AND ONE

MEDIUM AIRCRAFT. NO STRIP ON TRIANGULAR AREA MAXIMUM DIMENSIONS 6500 FEET BY 4500 FEET. FIELD IMPROVEMENT IN

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PROGRESS BUT NO DEFINITE EVIDENCE STRIP CONSTRUCTION. SERVICING AREA NORTH APEX FIE UFCONTMINS* 2 MEDIUM HANGARS, 2 SMALL

HANGARS, 35 MISCELLANEOUS BUILDINGS. 26 MEDIUM AIRCRAFT REVETMENTS SOUTH OF FIELD.

B. 12 INCH PHOTOS SHOW NEW AIRFIELD UNDER CONSTRUCTION LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 31-17 NORTH -- 130-26 EAST. NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED BUT AT

LEAST ONE OUR*MEDIUM AIRCRAFT REVETMENTS ALREADY CONSTRUCTED. BUILDINGS LIMITED TO WORJURS BARRACLS, DRAINAGE AND GRADING ACTIVE

ON 2 CLEARED AREAS FORMING V JUNCTION AT SOUTH END. LIMBS OF V EXTENDED ROUGHLY NORTHEAST AND NORTHWEST, EACH LIMB MEASURING

APPROXIMATELY 5600 FEET BY 1000 FEET.

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FROM GHQ SWPA LEYTE		FOR ACTION: WAR DEPARTMENT RDO LUALUALIE RDO HOLLANDIA CG USAF CHINA THEATER CG 14TH AIR FORCE CG US FORCES GUSHKARA INDIA	OP PRIORITY OP ROUTINE DEFERRED
RELEASED BY		INFORMATION	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE 31 DEC 44			
TOR CODEROOM 1338			
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ACTION COMMANDER ALLIED AIR FORCES (ADV ECH) INFO CINCPOA COM 3RD FLEET (RDO LUALUALEI PASS) CG USAF CHINA ADV ECH (CHUNGKING PASS) COMGEN 6TH US ARMY COMGEN US 8TH ARMY COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES (WASATCH) (PASS TO CTF 73) CG 14TH AIR FORCE CG 20TH AIR FORCE (PASS TO 20TH AND 21ST BOMCOM) CITE X 55654

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC SEARCH PLAN. HOI 83 THIS HEADQUARTERS DATED 19TH DECEMBER 1944 AND FORWARDED TO ADDRESSEES SAME DATE IS EFFECTIVE 31ST DECEMBER 1944. SECTORS 5 THRU 10 TO BE FLOWN TO MAXIMUM PRACTICABLE DISTANCE.

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FROM CTF 93		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: COMGENAAFPOA	PRIORITY ROUTINE ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE 31 DEC 44			
TOR CODEROOM 1820		INFORMATION: CTU 30.5.3 CINCPOA COMFAW 2 ALL TFCTU CENPAC COMAIRPAC COM3RDFLT CTF 94 7 BOMCOM COMAF 7 CTF 96 CTG 30.5 BOMCOM 21	PRIORITY ROUTINE ROUTINE DEFERRED
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FROM CTF 93 RDO WAHIAWA PASS ACTION TO COMGENAAFPOA INFO TO CINCPOA COMFAW 2 ALL TFCTU CENPAC COMAIRPAC COM3RDFLT. OTHER INFO ADEES CTF 94 7 BOMCOM COMAF 7 CTF 96 CTG 30.5 BOMCOM 21 CTU 30.5.3 HAVE INFO BY OTHER MEANS.

(PASSED BY RDO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 311100) ADD STRIKES 29 DECEMBER. 9 NITE SNOOPING B24'S OVER IWO J IMA AT 45 MINUTE INTERVALS DROPPED FRAGS 80 PERCENT TARGET AREA. SINGLE NITE MARINE MITCHELL SHIP SEARCHING BONINS AND KAZANS ATTACKED NO TARGETS. 30 DEC. 14 LIBERATORS 11-17000 FEET OVER IWO JIMA UNLOADED 28 TONS AIRFIELDS NUMBER 1 AND 2 BY RADAR. RESULTS UNOBSERVED. SNOOPING OVER IWO JIMA EVERY HOUR FROM 1900 TO 0100K 8 LIBERATORS TOGGLE FRAGS BY RADAR AIRFIELD AREAS. NO OBSERVATION DUE CLOUD COVER. TO THE BONINS AND KAZANS LOOKING FOR SHIPPING WENT 3 NITE MARINE MITCHELLS NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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27[illegible]3D.

HERE IS PRELIMINARY REPORT ON SORTIE 177 FLOWN BY CAPTAIN KNOTT IN B29 NUMBER 738444 GROUP ON 3[illegible] DECEMBER PHOTOGRAPHED

IN SECTOR A: TAKATA AREA 33-38-131-24 AT [illegible]21Z THROUGH 8/10 CLOUD. FUKUOKA NAVAL AIR STATION AT [illegible]42Z THROUGH

7/10 CLOUD, 2 UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS 15 MILES WEST OF FUKUOKA BAY APPROXIMATELY SAME TIME AND K2[illegible] SHOTS FOR

ORIENTATION THROUGHOUT FLIGHT. FUKUOKA AREA AT [illegible]42Z ATTACKED BY ONE NICK AT 12 HOURS 2[illegible] YARDS, AT [illegible]5 TO

[illegible]1[illegible]Z ATTACKED BY 5 TOJOS, 3 OSCARS, 2 ZEKES, 2 NICKS, ALL AT 2 O'CLOCK. 2 NICKS EACH DROPPED PHOSPHOROUS BOMBS

FROM 4[illegible] FEET ABOVE, EXPLODED 1 RIGHT WING AND TAIL. 2[illegible] MILLIMETER THROUGH LEFT FLAP OUTSIDE SCREW. OBSERVED

AT FUKUOKA/GANNOSU, 33-41-130-24, 3[illegible] TWIN ENGINE AND 1[illegible] OTHER PLANES. AT FUKUOKA/SAITO POINT 33-39-130-21, 12 TWIN

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ENGINE AND 8 OTHER PLANES. AT AUXILIARY FIELD NEAR FUKUOKA/SAITO
POINT 40 SINGLE ENGINE AIRCRAFT. AT 33-30 122-05 AT 2249Z

7 AK'S BEARING 30 SPEED 12 KNOTS. AT 3-50 128-20 AT 2352Z,
1 AK BEARING 280 SPEED 17 KNOTS. AT CROSSROADS 34-00 127-25 AT

0003Z, 1 AK BEARING 290, SPEED 17 KNOTS. AT 33-46 129-47, AT
0006, 13 UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS, IN HARBOR AT 34-00 127-26,

4 TO 5 SMALL CRAFT AT 0142Z. AT 0145Z, AT 33-53 127-02, 1 AK
BEARING 270, SPEED 10 KNOTS. AT 33-50 123-40 AT 0248Z, 1 AK

BEARING 15, SPEED 15 KNOTS.

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FROM CTF 77		FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA COM 7TH FLEET COMINCH CINCPOA COM 3RD FLEET	OP PRIORITY PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
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CTF 77 SENDS ACTION CINCSWPA COM 7TH FLEET COMINCH CINCPOA COM 3RD FLEET.

MINDORO RESUPPLY ECHELON ARRIVED BEACH HEAD 0700 I 30TH. FORCE WAS UNDER FREQUENT AIR ATTACK UNTIL MIDNIGHT. LST 205 WAS SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY POSSIBLE FLOATING MINE. TOTAL 10 PLANES DOWNED BY SHIPS ACKACK AND 10 BY CAP DURING TRIP FROM LEYTE TO MINDORO. SALVAGE GROUP WITH MERSHIP WILLIAM SHARON IN TOW ARRIVED SAN PEDRO HARBOR 1800 I. BOMBED BY ENEMY AIR IN SOUTH SURIGAO STRAIT. NO DAMAGE SUSTAINED IN THIS ATTACK. LEYTE PT'S DESTROYED 4 LOADED LUGGERS NORTH OF NEGROS ISLAND. MINDORO PT RESCUED DOWNED BLUE PILOT. MOROTAI BOATS DAMAGED A BARGE ON WEST COAST OF MOROTAI. NIL ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY [redacted]

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FROM COM SEVENTH FLEET		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA ADV ECHELON ALL COMDRS RECEIVING COM 7TH FLT'S INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY	PRIORITY PPPPPPPP ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE 31 DEC 44			
TOR CODEROOM 0048/31			
DECODED BY HAMILTON		INFORMATION:	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
TYPED BY HAMILTON			
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RDO HONO PASSED FOR INFO TO COMINCH AS 302306

FROM COM 7TH FLEET

FEW SHIP SIGHTINGS 29TH. ONE LARGE ONE SMALL FREIGHTER TRANSPORT 20 - 38 N 111-41 E COURSE 210 SPEED 12 AT 2145. MIDDAY ONE BB REPORTED 14-03 N 120-14 E HEADING DUE WEST 15 KNOTS. REPORT CONSIDERED EXAGGERATED. ONE AH STILL IN VICINITY 14-00 N 120-35 E FORENOON. 3 AO 1 ESCORT DEPARTED SAIGON 4 AP 1 ESCORT REMAINED. ALL JAP SHIPPING ALONG FRENCH INDO CHINA COAST NOW HAS AIR COVER DURING DAY LIGHT. 0100/30 10 SHIPS DEPARTED SAN FERNANDO WHILE ONE DD PATROLLED OUTSIDE HARBOR. BOAT SUNK MORNING 24TH SANK GAS TANKER AND ONE YF FOUR UNIDENTIFIED

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NORTH BOUND SHIPS OFF CAPE SIRIK WEST BORNEO. NEXT DAY SANK MEDIUM AK OFF CAPE BADJAU 00-49 N 108-52 E. LEYTE PT'S NIGHT 27/28 SANK 4 BARGES. MONDORO BOATS CAPTURED 6 JAPS RESCUED 8 DOWNED AIRMEN NORTH MINDORO. FOLLOWING FROM PHILIPPINE SOURCES CONSIDERED GENERALLY RELIABLE. REINFORCEMENTS FROM EMPIRE NO LONGER EXPECTED. DEFENSE OF LUZON PLANNED AS FOLLOWS. TAYABAS. 2 INFANTRY 1 ARTILLERY AND 1 COMBINED CAVALRY TANK DIVISIONS. HEADQUARTERS AT MAUBIAN. BATANGAS. 1 TANK 2 INFANTRY DIVISIONS MAJORITY AIR FORCES TO BE CONCENTRATED HERE. CAVITE. MINES TO BE PLACED ALL THE WAY INTO INNER MANILA BAY. BICOL. TO BE LIGHTLY DEFENDED. RIZAL HEADQUARTERS AT MCKINLEY. ARRANGEMENTS MADE AS STOPPING PLACE FOR RETREAT NORTHWARD. BATAAN. WILL BE FORTIFIED AND ON USED* FOR POSSIBLE ULTIMATE WITHDRAWAL. APARRI. SMALL FORCE ONLY AS CONSIDERED IMPOSSIBLE FOR BLUE LANDING THERE. ZAMBALES. MODERATE FORCE FOR SUPPORT BATAAN AND LOWER PANGASINAN. LINGAYEN. 1 INFANTRY DIVISION PLUS SUPPORTING ARTILLERY AND TANKS. BAYOMBANG NUEVA VIZCAYA. 1 INFANTRY REGIMENT. BULACAN AND PAMIANGA. ADDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL CENTER FOR NORTHWARD RETREAT AND TO HOLD UNTIL OTHER FORCES REACH BATAAN. ALL SHORE DEFENSES IN CHARGE OF NAVY. MISCELLANEOUS STATEMENTS ATTRIBUTED TO GENERAL YAMASHITA. " IN CASE ENEMY ATTEMPTS LANDING BATANGAS AFTER MINDORO WILL USE 1 ARTILLERY DIVISION PLUS AIR SUPPORT. RETREAT ROUTES FROM SOUTH THROUGH

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RIZAL AND CAVITE. EXPECT FINAL WITHDRAWAL TO BATAAN.
RETREAT FROM MANILA BAY USELESS. MOST OF JAP FLEET
ADMITTED DAMAGED OR SUNK. ARMS AND AMMUNITION NOT ADEQUATE"

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM COMAF 5

RELEASED BY

DATE 30 DEC3 30 DECEMBER 1944

TOR CODEROOM 0830

DECODED BY SOWERS

TYPED BY SOWERS/KERNAN

ROUTED BY

FOR ACTION: AOIC
308 BOMWING
309 BOMWING
310 BOMWING

INFORMATION

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(TO AOIC. 308 BOMWING, 309 BOMWING AND 310 BOMWING FROM COMAF 5 CITE D 23900)
CINCPAC PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 300455.

ESTIMATE ENEMY AIRCRAFT STRENGTH: LUZON SINGLE ENGINE FITERS 258, 2 ENGING FITERS 21, SINGLE ENGINE BOMBERS 20, TWIN

ENGINE BOMBERS 90, TOTAL LUZON 389. VISAYAS SINGLE ENGINE FITERS 24, 2 ENGINE FITERS NIL SINGLE ENGINE BOMBERS 5, TWIN

ENGINE BOMBERS 14, TOTAL VISAYAS 43. MINDANAO SINGLE ENGINE FITERS 11, 2 ENGINE FITERS NIL SINGLE ENGINE BOMBERS 5, TWIN

ENGINE BOMBERS 10, MINDANAO TOTAL 26. TOTAL PHILIPPINES 458.

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FROM COMNAVGROUP CHINA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: COMTASKFOR 71	OP PRIORITY / PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
DATE 29 DECEMBER 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 1754			
DECODED BY HARTZELL		INFORMATION: COM 7TH FLT	OP PRIORITY / PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
TYPED BY HARTZELL/LYNN			
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COMTASKFOR 71 FROM COMNAVGROUP CHINA INFO COM 7TH FLT.

29TH BOMCON HAD CANCELLED PROPOSED STRIKE SINGAPORE DECEMBER 31ST. YOUR QUICK RESPONSE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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FROM: CINCPAC		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	URGENT
RELEASED BY:		FOR ACTION: ALL TFC 7TH FLT	PRIORITY
DATE: 29 DEC 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODE/HOUR: 1400			DEFERRED
DECODED BY: MCDOUGALL		INFORMATION: COM3RDFLT COM7THFLT CTF 77	BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY: MCDOUGALL	CHECKED BY: JOHNSON		URGENT
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NIP AIRMAN SPOTTED BLUE SURFACE FORCE AT 292020 (MINUS 9) IN POSIT 11-22 N 121-38 E. 15 MINUTES EARLIER JAP FLYER REPORTED A BLUE FORCE IN POSIT 11-12 N 121-18 E.

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FROM: CINCPAC

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 29 DEC 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 1400

DECODED BY: MCDOUGALL

PARAPHRASED BY: MCDOUGALL CHECKED BY: JOHNSON

ROUTED BY: DITTOED BY:

ADDRESSEES — ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FOR ACTION: ALL TFC 7TH FLT

INFORMATION: COM3RDFLT COM7THFLT CTF 77

PRECEDENCE

FOR ACTION: URGENT

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COMAF 5		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA COM 3RD FLT COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES USS WASSATCH *SEE BELOW	URGENT ROUTINE DEFERRED
RELEASED BY			
DATE 29 DECEMBER 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 1022			
DECODED BY STEARNS		INFORMATION: 308 BOMBWING	URGENT ROUTINE DEFERRED
TYPED BY STEARNS/Johnson			
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*TO CINCSWPA, COM 3RD FLT, COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES USS WASSATCH, FEAF, CTF 93, CTF 77, ADV GHQ, COM 7TH FLT, COMAF 13, 309 BOMBWING, 310 BOMBWING, VBC, VFC, 91 PHOTO WING RECCO, CTG 94.5, INFO TO 308 BOMBWING FROM COMAF 5 CITE D2363E.

AIR INTENT FOR 30 DECEMBER.

(1) VBC (A) HIT CLARK FIELD AIRDROME WITH 1 GROUP HEAVIES.

(B) STRIKE TAGUGAROU WITH ALL AVAILABLE LEYTE BASED B-25'S, SECONDARY SILAY.

(C) SNOOPERS HIT SHIPPING RIJGAYEN GULF NIGHT 29/30.

(2) VFC (A) (40 GROUPS MISSING)

RECCO (A) PHOTO AS DIRECTED, LUZON AREA AND CLARK FIELD STRIKE.

(4) 309 BOMBWING HEAVY

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(A) CONTINUE TO MAXNWXJQ NEUTRALIZATION OF AIR-DROMES IN THE DAVAO AREA.

(5) 310 BOMBWING

(A) PROVIDE COVER FOR MINDORO RESUPPLY CONVOY.

(B) 345 GROUP MINDORO BASED B-25'S STRAFE (DO NOT BOMB) SILAY TO RMSURR TO LEYTE 29 DECEMBER. MY COMMAND TO MAJOR GENERAL WHITEHEAD.

DELIVERED TO 20G.

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM: CTF 77
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 29 DECEMBER 1944
TOR CODEROOM: 2321
DECODED BY:
TYPED BY: HARTZELL
ROUTED BY: HARTZELL/Green

FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA

INFORMATION: COM 7TH FLT, COMINCH, CINCPOA, COM 3RD FLT

PRECEDENCE: OP PRIORITY / PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED

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CTF 77 ROLLS ACTION CINCSWPA INFO COM 7TH FLT COMINCH CINCPOA COM 3RD FLT.

MINDORO RESUPPLY GROUP WAS UNDER HEAVY AIR ATTACK FOR 1 AND 1/2 HOURS FROM LARGE GROUP OF NIP PLANES AT DUSK 28 DEC. LST 750 WAS TORPEDOED DURING THIS ATTACK AND BADLY DAMAGED. SHIP NOT SALVAGABLE SUNK BY GUNFIRE. CONVOY AGAIN UNDER HEAVY AIR ATTACK ABOUT 0830I 29TH WEST OF PANAY. 8 ENEMY PLANES REPORTED DESTROYED BY SHIPS GUNFIRE INCLUDING SUICIDE. CRUISER COVERING FORCE RETURNED LEYTE FROM MINDORO. OMMOC RESUPPLY ECHELON RETURNED SAN PEDRO HARBOR. SALVAGE GROUP DIRECTED ARRIVE AT REPORTED POSITION OF DAMAGED MERSHIP WILLIAM SHARON ABOUT 1400I TO YOKE VESSEL IN TOW FOR RETURN LEYTE. LEYTE PT'S NIGHT 27-28 SANK 4 BARGES. MINDORO BOATS RESCUED 8 OF OUR FLIERS AND CAPTURED 6 NIPS

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FROM NORTH MINDORO. LEYTE PBY'S SHOT DOWN 2 JAP PLANES
AND STRAFFED TUG AND BARGE OFF MOCAY.

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DATE 29 DEC 1944			
TOR CODEROOM			
DECODED BY SLUTZ		INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLT, COM 7TH FLT, CTF 77	URGENT / PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED / BASEGRAM
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FROM CINCPAC

RELEASED BY

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FOR ACTION: ALL CFCS 7TH FLT

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DRAFTER EXT.

FROM CINCPAC

RELEASED BY

DATE 29 DECEMBER 1944

TOR CODEROOM 290913

DECODED BY SLUTZ

PARAPHRASED BY MCKEEL CHECKED BY LENIHAN

ROUTED BY DITTOED BY

ADDRESSEES

ASTERISK (*) AILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FOR ACTION: ALL TFC 7TH FLT.

INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLT. COM 7TH FLT. CTF 77

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

To: War Department

No: C 55605 29 December 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department.. C 55605. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/27 to 1500Z/28 signed MacArthur.

South China coast:

Convoy reported by reconnaissance plane as one battleship, five destroyers, seven large transports, two whaling factory ships, three tankers sighted 60 miles south-east Swatow heading north-west midday December 28.

Philippines:

One transport, three medium merchant vessels, seven destroyers sighted approaching Aparri from north afternoon December 28;

Anchored off San Fernando same afternoon, nine medium to small freighter transports, one destroyer, four escort vessels, 15 seatrucks;

Two vessels reported as light cruisers sighted on southerly course off Dasol Bay previous afternoon;

Three single-engined planes sighted on airdrome north end Lubang Island December 26.

Visayas:

Attacks by ten and later by 20 enemy planes on Allied convoy reported Mindanao Sea December 28.

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Part II.

Naval:

Leyte:

PT Boats sank four barges, others shelled possible barge staging depot northern Halmahera night December 27.

Air:

Enemy action:

Mindoro:

Enemy planes supported naval attack night December 26; 13 planes attacked Allied positions night December 27, fighters shot down three, anti-aircraft claimed another.

Mindanao Sea:

Ten planes damaged Allied convoy south Bohol Island morning December 28, anti-aircraft shot down one, three others crash dived on three vessels;
20 to 30 planes caused further damage at Uyk.

Morotai:

Two planes made ineffective raid predawn December 28,

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Operations December 26:

(1) Refer paragraph four, preceding report:

One Mariner shot down, 20 other Allied planes reported missing following attacks on enemy shipping Mindoro.

Operations December 27:

(2) 24 B-24's scored excellent coverage, destroyed six planes San Jose Airdrome, Panay Island.

(3) 12 B-24's caused fires and explosions Matina Airdrome Davoig.

(4) Five B-25's from Mindoro at night exploded and set afire freighter transport near-missed similar vessel San Fernando north Lingayen Gulf.

(5) Two Darwin B-24's scored near misses on vessels described as destroyer and freighter transport 400 miles west Mindoro.

(6) Day patrols hit buildings and set fuel tanks afire Serpa oil fields, Miri, attacked railroad installations left three seatrucks and three coastal vessels sinking Jesselton.

(7) Four Beaufighters strafed targets of opportunity, set buildings afire northern Celebes.

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(8) Two P-38's bombed Gelela in Halmahera;
Four P-47;s intercepted and shot down three Sallys over Djailolo.

(9) Darwin B-24's bombed Ende, Flores Island, and Larat village in Taninburs.

(10) 36 Beauforts * inland villages and coastal targets Wewak.

Operations December 28:

(11) Weather cancelled B-24 strikes from Palau.

(12) * B-24 patrols damaged tug and fuel barge south Hong Kong, shot down flying boat northeast Camran Bay one transport plane southern Formosa.

(13) Four Dutch B-25's attacked shore installations Alor Island;
Single B-24 bombed bridge east Dili;
Two RAAF Venturas raided coastal targets Aroe Island.

Solomons forces:

Air:

Operations December 27:

(14) 33 New Zealand Corsairs supported ground forces and attacked concentrations Bougainville;

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Two B-25's, three New Zealand, five other Venturas, 10 New Zealand Corsairs raided bivouacs and supplies Kavieny area;

34 B-25's and eight New Zealand Venturas cratered Lakunai and Vunakanau, 28 New Zealand Corsairs patrolled Rabaul and bombed supply dumps.

(15) Paragraph 17 of preceding report covered operations December 26.

Land:

Leyte:

X Corps: 24th Division units reach San Isidro.

Patrols from 32nd and 1st Cavalry Divisions made contact on W coast.

XXIV Corps: Elements 77th Division still meeting strong resistance from concrete pillboxes near Tipolo.

Part III.

(1) No details.

(2) Dropped 288 500 lb bombs from 12,500 feet.

(3) No details.

(4) No details

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(5) Dropped 12 500 lb bombs.

(6) Three B-24's dropped 27 250 lb bombs.

(7) No details.

(8) P-28's dropped 2 1,000 lb bombs, met slight medium accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(9) Dropped 24 250 lb bombs.

(10) Dropped 36 500 lb, 111 250 lb bombs, 6 250 lb incendiaries *, fired 3,100 rounds 30 caliber.

(11) No details.

(12) No details.

(13) B-25's dropped 16 500 lb bombs five seconds delay from 3,000 feet;
B-24 dropped 12 250 lb bombs from 3,000 feet;
Venturas dropped 12 300 lb bombs five seconds delay from 200 feet, fired 100 rounds 50, 1000 rounds 30 caliber..

Refer preceding report paragraph 2.

23 B-24's dropped 50 120 lb frags, met intense medium and heavy some accurate anti-aircraft fire.

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(PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS RDO HONO 281720).

28 DECEMBER STRIKES.

18000 FEET ABOVE IWO JIMA 13 LIBERATORS DROPPED FRAG AND DELAY FUZED QUARTER TONNERS AIRFIELD NUMBER 1. INTENSE ACCURATE AA CAUSED MINOR DAMAGE 2 AIRCRAFT. 2 SNOOPING B-24'S LAID FRAG CLUSTERS 100 PERCENT SAME TARGET CAUSING EXPLOSIONS AND FIRES. OVER BONINS AND MAZANS ON ANTI-SHIPPING SEARCH LONE MARINE MITCHELL FOUND NO TARGETS.

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FROM CAPE BOJEADOR 18-31 N 120-35 E TO 20-00 N 119-00 E TO 20-00 N 118-00 E TO 19-00 N 117-00 EAST TO 12-20 N 117-00 E TO LIBRO POINT 11-25 N 119-29 E THEN SOUTH ALONG THE EAST COAST OF PALAWAN TO FLECHAS POINT 10-22 N 1933 E THENCE TO

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WEATHER AGAIN CANCELLED HEAVY STRIKES FROM PALAU. LONG RANGE SHIPPING SEARCHES CONTINUED. 1 PB4Y DESTROYED NAVIS SOUTH CHINA SEA, ANOTHER SHOT DOWN TOPSY OFF SOUTH TIP FORMOSA AND 3RD TCOER* STRAFED AND DAMAGED TUG TOWING OIL BARGE SOUTH OF HONG KONG. DURING NIGHT 27TH-28TH DECEMBER 2 XB24'S ATTACKED ENEMY FORCE OF 1 LIGHT CRUISER, 4 DESTROYERS AND FTU 4[illegible] MILES WEST MINDORO. 6-5[illegible] POUNDERS FELL OFF STERN OF 1 DESTROYER AND 6 WERE NEAR MISSES ON FTU. 5 CORT (2 GROUPS OMITTED) PREVIOUSLY. FROM MINDORO NIGHT VINGAYAN SHIPPING STRIKE 27-28 DECEMBER HIT ONE FTU OFF SAN FERNANDO WITH 5[illegible] POUNDERS AND

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SCORED NEAR MISSES ON 2ND FTU. EXPLOSION AND FIRE RESULTED ON 1ST VESSEL. PATROL PLANES ON NIGHT MINDORO SEARCH CONTA (1Ø GROUPS OMITTED) OFF SOUTHWEST BUSUANGA ISLAND ENCOUNTERING ENEMY AIRCRAFT BUT WITHOUT ENGAGEMENT. 12 OR 13 UNIDENTIFIED ENEMY AIRCRAFT ATTACKED MINDORO POSITIONS 6 TIMES DURING NIGHT 27-28 DECEMBER BOMBING AND STRAFING WITHOUT REPORTED DAMAGE. ANTI PERSONNEL BOMBS FELL INFANTRY BIVOUACS WIT OUT CASUALTIES. NITE (1Ø GARBLED GROUPS) 4TH. 27 DECEMBER REKCVUS C N* 12 BIAK B24'S MINDINAO STRIKE CAUSED FIRES AND EXPLOSIONS IN MATINA DRONE AREA. AMPLIFYING SOME DETAILS OF NIGHT AIR ATTACKS COXBVHNATI* TASK FORCE, 13 B25'S WITH 6Ø-5ØØ POUNDERS SANK 1 DESTROYER, FIRED 2 SMALL TRANSPORTS AND GOT DIRECT HITS HEAVY CRUISER. PB4Y GOT 2 DIRECT HITS ON BATTLE-SHIP WITH 5ØØ POUNDERS. P38'S AND P4Ø'S STRAFED DESTROYER WHICH BLEW UP, OTHER PLANES REPORTED AS FIRING AND PROBABLY DESTROYING 1 LARGE TRANSPORT. 2 XB2(2 GARBLED GROUPS) ATTACKS UPON RETIRING FORCE DROPPING BOMBS WHICH HIT CRUISER AND WERE NEAR MISSES ON DESTROYER. 2Ø AIRCRAFT (4 B25'S, 4 P38'S, 7 P47'S AND 5 P4Ø'S) STILL MISSING FOLLOWING THESE SHIPPING ATTACKS. 1 PBN SHOT DOWN OFF SAN JOSE BUT CREW WAS SAVED. SEVERAL PLANES WERE HOLED BY INTENSE ACK ACK FROM JAP SHIPS.

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POW FROM DD KIYOSHIMO SUNK OFF MINDORO STATES BOMBARDING FORCE COMPOSED OF 1 CA 1 CL 6 DD'S FROM CAMRANH BAY. 1 LIBERTY SHIP GROUNDED DURING BOMBARDMENT IN ADDITION TO LIBERTY PREVIOUSLY REPORTED DESTROYED BY GUNFIRE. IT NOW APPEARS NIL COUNTER LANDING MADE BY NIPS. MIDGET SUBMARINES SIGHTED OFF BEACHHEAD NOW BELIEVED TO BE NIP TORPEDOES 30 INCH DIAMETER 30 FEET LONG 3 OF WHICH RECOVERED BY MINDORO FORCE. NO REPORT RESUPPLY ECHELON DUE ORMOC THIS MORNING. MINDORO RESUPPLY ECHELON ATTACKED ABOUT 1630I BY 4 SUICIDE PLANES SOUTH OF BOHOL. 1 SHOT DOWN BY SHIP GUN FIRE. 3 HIT SHIPS IN CONVOY. USS PORCUPINE (STORAGE TANKER) DAMAGED BUT ABLE TO CONTINUE. MERSHIP JOHN BURKE BLE

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UP AND SANK. MERSHIP WILLIAM SHARON HEAVILY DAMAGED, ABANDONED AND DRIFTING. TUG WITH 2 DD'S ESCORTING ORDERED FROM LEYTE TO ATTEMPT SALVAGE. NIL REPORT FROM PT PATROLS. CRUISER COVERING FORCE OFF MINDORO SCHEDULED TO RETURN LEYTE TONIGHT.

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1ST CLASS PETTY OFFICER SURVIVOR OF DESTROYER SUNK NIGHT OF DECEMBER 26/27 OFF WEST COAST MINDORO ASSERTS HIS DESTROYER WAS KIYOSHIMO AND THAT FORCE WHICH ATTACKED MINDORO CONSISTED OF ASHIGARA (CA) OYODO (CL) PLUS 6 DD'S KIYOSHIMO MASUMI ASASHIMO SUGI KAYA HINOKI. FORCE DEPARTED CAMRANH BAY 0900 DECEMBER 24 FOR MINDORO WITH MISSION TO SINK BLUE TRANSPORTS AND SHELL AIRFIELDS AND INSTALLATIONS. NO TRANSPORT FORCE INVOLVED AND NO LANDING INTENDED. 3 SMALL DD'S WERE TO PROCEED MANILA REFUEL (APPARENTLY SHORT LEGGED) AND THEN RETURN CAMRANH BAY. REMAINDER FORCE WAS TO RETURN CAMRANH BAY DIRECT DEPARTING FROM BLUE AIR COVER AT TOP SPEED. DD KIYOSHIMO SUNK. ISE

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HYUGA AT CAPE SAINT JACQUES TOO SLOW (17 KNOTS) TO PARTICIPATE. CV UNRYU ENROUTE TO TAKE PART THIS ATTACK WAS SUNK OFF FORMOSA WITH ALL HANDS AND PLANES ON 19 DECEMBER. BB'S YAMATO KONGO HARUNA AND NAGATO REPRESENTED UNDER REPAIRS AT KURE. BB MUSASHI SUNK NEAR SOUTHWEST LUZON AT 18ØØ OCTOBER 24 AFTER RECEIVING 18 TORPEDOE AND 8 BOMB HITS. COMMENT. THIS SUGGESTS UNRYU WAS CARRIER REPORTED SUNK BY BLUE SUB DECEMBER 19 IN POSIT 28-49 N 124-Ø4 E. ATTENTION FURTHER INVITED FACT THAT JAPANESE TASK FORCES MAY BE EXPECTED INCLUDE BOTH MITSU MATSU CLASS DESTROYERS (ABOUT 1ØØØ TONS SUCH AS SUGI AND HINOKI ABOVE) AS WELL AS LARGER TYPES OF FLEET DESTROYERS. BELIEVE FAILURE BLUE OBSERVERS IDENTIFY MUTSU* CLASS DESTROYERS AS SUCH LIKELY TO RESULT MISIDENTIFICATION OF LARGER DESTROYERS IN COMPANY AS LIGHT CRUISERS, LIGHTS AS HEAVY CRUISERS, HEAVIES AS BATTLESHIPS. SEFIC REPORT 67 DATED OCTOBER 6TH THIS YEAR PROVIDES APPROPRIATE IDENTIFICATION DATA. PRISONER'S INFORMATION AGREES WITH THAT FROM OTHER SOURCES AND IS CONSIDERED AUTHENTIC.

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INCOMPLETE BOX SCORE ROCKCRUSHER 2 DECEMBER 27. 13 LIBERATORS 17000 FEET RAINED 231/2 TONS FRAG CLUSTERS IWO JIMA A/F NUMBER 277% ON TARGET. 1 ENEMY A/C DESTROYED ON GROUND. AA MODERATE AND ACCURATE HOLED SINGLE B-24 WHICH LOST 2 ENGINES AND DITCHED. 8 MEN SEEN BEING RESCUED BY SUBMARINES AND DE. OF 6 LIBERATORS REMAINING TO SPOT FOR CRUISERS 2 GOT MINOR DAMAGE FROM AA ON BOMB RUN. TO CHICHI JIMA WITH 28 TONS OF DELAY-FUZED CENTURIES WENT 21 LIBERATORS AT 19000 FEET MISSED FIELD BUT SCORED DIRECT HIT SC FUTAMI KO. 15 P-38'S WITH 38-29 ESCORTS APPROACHING IWO JIMA ON THE DECK DESTROYED AIRBORNE NICK AND 1

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ZEKE ON GROUND DAMAGED 2 MORE ZEKES ON GROUND. LIGHTNINGS STRAFED PERSONNEL AIRFIELD AREAS BOAT BASIN AND SMALL CRAFT. 1 A/C DAMAGED BY A-W ALL RETURNED. DUE OVERCAST NAVY PB4Y PHOTO PLANES GOT NO PICTURES. NITE SNOOPING LIBERATORS WITH CENTURIES AND FRAGS OVER IWO JIMA STARTED FIRES AIRFIELD AREAS. ROCKET PACKING MARINE MITCHELLS ON ANTI-SHIPPING SEARCH BONINS AND KAZANS NO CONTACTS.

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AIR INTENT FOR 29 DEC

1. VBC A HIT CLARK FIELD DISPERSAL AREA WITH ONE GROUP HEAVIES

(B STRIKE CLARK FIELD NIGHT 28/29 DECEMBER WITH LEYTE BASED MEDIUM BOMBERS

C X B-24'S HIT SHIPPING IN LINGAYEN GULF

2. FIXTOXXFOX C
A COVER CLARK FIELD STRIKE WITH 1 GROUP FIGHTERS
B PROVIDE COVER FOR MINDORO RESUPPLY CONVOY,

BLUE TASK FORCE, ORMOC, TRANSPORT AND RESCUE MISSIONS AS REQUIRED

3. 91 PWB
A OBTAIN PHOTO COVERAGE CLARK FIELD DISPERSAL AREA STRIKE AND MANILA BAY SHIPPING

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4. 309 BW H A CONTINUE PRESENT COMMITMENTS

5. 310 BOMB WING M A 6 R'S STAND ALERT NIGHT 28/29 DEC.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WHITEHEAD

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OPERATIONS 27 DECEMBER. 8 PALAU CORSAIRS 1 TON PLUS NAPALM ON BABELTHUAP RADAR SITE. IWO JIMA BOMBARDMENT BEST SO FAR. JAP DE AND LST EXPLODED. CRUISERS 8 INCH ON Y1 BATTERIES 5 INCH ON AIRFIELDS SHORE INSTALLATIONS.

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To: War Department

Nr: C 55561

28 December 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 55561. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/26 to 1500Z/27 signed MacArthur.

Formosa: 4 large transports 2 heavy cruisers 11 destroyers reported by Leyte reconnaissance plane 50 miles east of south point of island course west.

Philippines: 1 battleship 1 heavy cruiser 1 light cruiser 4 destroyers spotted on south westerly course 250 miles west * group afternoon December 27.

Luwon: 2 destroyers 9 freighter transports 12 seatrucks reported anchored off San Fernando morning December 27, 3 medium 1 smaller merchant vessel off Subic Bay December 27; 4 merchant vessels 2 destroyers 4 escort vessels with air cover reported heading south 35 miles west Cigan previous afternoon; 3 camouflaged medium freighter transports sighted at anchor 10 miles south Manila Bay afternoon December 27. *****

Part 2. Air.

Enemy action:

Morotai: Anti aircraft fire claimed hits 2 raiders

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night December 26.

Operations December 25:

1. 47 more RAAF P-40's * positions *.

Operations December 26:

2. Refer Paragraph 9 preceding report: B 24's destroyed estimated 15 planes on Clark Field, Manila, shot down 5 probably another intercepting fighter.

3. Patrol B 24 damaged Betty near Manila.

4. Navy search planes from Leyte, Mindoro based fighters and B 25's sank 2 destroyers damaged battleship and heavy cruiser also claimed set 3 transports afire off Mindoro at night; Army report no evidence enemy having landed troops, both runways serviceable morning December 27.

5. B 24 patrols attacked vessel northwestern Borneo, demolished barracks and damaged fuel tank hit 2 small freighters Tarakan, bombed Sidate and Mapanget northeastern Celebes.

6. P 47's swept Sidate, strafed gun positions.

7. 45 B 25's hit Lolobata and Hatetabako, started many fires through supplies and bivouacs, * Lolobata; 8 P 38's

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strafed same area; 30 B 25's, 2 B 24's, 14 P 38's, 35 RAAF P 40's, 4 P 51's 12 Beaufighters attacked Galela airdrome gun positions bivouacs and supply dumps; single B 25 and 4 P 40's swept Halmahera coastline destroyed 1 barge.

8. 8 P 40's bombed assigned targets Morotai; 2 B 25's left armoured barge sinking Waigeo Island.

9. Darwin B 24's left small freighter listing southeastern Celebes.

10. 4 Beauforts attacked stores and assigned targets Wewak area.

Operations December 27:

11. 23 B 24's scored excellent coverage Talisay airdrome, Negros Island.

12. 11 B 25's demolished warehouses bombed San Roque bivouacs Zamboanga, 1 B 25 lost.

13. 24 RAAF P 40's bombed Wasile Bay barge Hideous Halmahera, strafed 9 barges and fuel dump.

14. Darwin B 24 raided Kendari airdromes before dawn; day B 24 left seatruck sinking Vesuvius Bay, Soela Islands; another B 24 bombed Fuiloro, Timor.

15. 3 RAAF B 25's attacked 3 luggers and jetties Flores Island area.

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16. 9 B 25's and 9 A 20's strafed villages and gun positions Wewak.

Solomon Forces. Air.

Operations December 25:

17. New Zealand Venturas demolished buildings New Ireland; 12 New Zealand Corsairs bombed barges strafed motor transport Rabaul; 16 New Zealand Corsairs started fires amongst supplies and bivouacs Bougainville; other strikes weathered out.

Land.

Leyte: X Corps:

Elements 24th Division landed vicinity Daha (northwest coast) without opposition, advanced south toward San Isidoro, other units advancing overland reached point 5000 yards east Arevelo Bay.

1st Cavalry and 32nd Division abreast continued advance west.

XXIV Corps:

77th Division units continued to meet strong *.

Enemy cumulative casualties:

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* killed, * prisoners.

R Morotai:

472 killed to * of.

Part 3.

1. Dropped 3 by 1000 lb, 67 by 500 lb bombs, met moderate medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

Paragraphs 2 through 4 no details.

5. 4 B 24's dropped 27 by 250 lb, 30 by 100 lb bombs.

6. No details.

7 * B 24's dropped 6 by 250 lb bombs, 1750 by 120 lb frags from 17400 feet to 9000 feet; B 25's dropped 4 by 250 lb, 360 by 100 lb bombs; fighter bombers dropped 22 by 1000 lb, 48 by 500 lb, 68 by 250 lb bombs; slight to intense medium and heavy some accurate anti aircraft fire.

8. P 40's.dropped 24 by 260 lb frags.

9. Dropped 10 by 250 lb bombs and fired 2500 rounds 50 caliber.

10. Dropped 6 by 500 lb, 14 by 250 lb bombs, fired 6000 rounds 30 calibre.

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11. Dropped 276 by 500 lb bombs from 10400 feet.

12. Dropped 132 by 100 lb bombs, met moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire.

13. Dropped 14 by 500 lb, 30 by 250 lb bombs.

14. Dropped 24 by 250 lb, 10 by 100 lb bombs.

15. Dropped 4 by 500 lb bombs 5 seconds delay, fired 1400 rounds 50 caliber.

16. Dropped 72 by 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 13500 rounds 50 calibre.

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* Being serviced

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

To: War Department

Nr: C 55501 27 December 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 55501

Hong Kong: Reconnaissance plane from Leyte sighted 12 merchant vessels 2 destroyer escorts entering harbour December 25.

Luzon: 2 destroyers 2 destroyer escorts 4 medium freighter transports reported on southerly course 80 miles North of Aparri December 25; 2 medium freighter transports 2 destroyers 1 gunboat sighted heading south off Lingayen Gulf afternoon same day; at midnight 1 heavy cruiser 2 medium freighter transports 2 destroyers 1 small freighter sighted 8 miles South Dasol Bay; Off Subic Bay next afternoon 2 tankers 2 destroyer escorts sighted on course 120 degrees;

12 single engined planes sighted Lipa Airdrome Dec 25.

Mindoro: Enemy task force of 1 battleship 1 heavy cruiser 6 destroyers sighted by reconnaissance plane 100 miles to West San Jose, 0550 Z/26 course 30 degrees, later reported off North West point of island.

Part 2. Naval: Mindoro: Preliminary reports state 1 enemy battleship 1 heavy cruiser and 6 destroyers approached from West bombarded allied beachheads and **** patrol B 24's attacked Lugger Brunei Bay, bombed shipping and shore installations Labuan, sank small freighter and forced coastal vessel

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ashore Northern Borneo; predawn B 24 harassed Kendari.

(5) 19 B-24's bombed airdromes and railroad installations Jesselton; 24 B-24's scored excellent coverage Sandakan Airdrome.

(6) 56 B-25's, 20 P-38's, 38 RAAF and 12 other P-40's 12 Beaufighters struck Galea Airdrome, headquarters area, bivouacs and gun positions. 36 RAAF and 24 other P 40's attacked Goeroea and other targets through Halmahera.

(7) 8 Beauforts attacked villages Wewak Area.

(8) 10 Beauforts from Goodenough Island raided Talili Area, Rabaul.

Operations December 26:

(9) 1 group B-24's from Palau started large fires Clark Field dispersals, Manila. Leyte based P-38's covered strike, shot down 13 of 15 to 20 intercepting fighters, 1 P-38 lost.

(10) 3 B-24's caused fires Laoag Airdrome, Northern Luzon, before dawn. Mariner sank seatruck Southwest Lingayen Gulf.

(11) 8 P-47's bombed installations and wharves Masbate Island.

(12) 16 B-24's started fires through Matina Airdrome Davao. B-25's from Morotai attacked installations Samal Island.

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(13) Catalina cooperating with PT's sank 2 barges Northern Halmahera.

(14) 4 RAAF B-25's, 4 Dutch B-25's and Nekjeavin B-24 sank seatruck and coastal vessel 120 miles South Ambon. Another B-24 attacked 3 coastal vessels Boeroe Island, sank 1,

(15) Beaufort bombed Viqueque Town, Timor.

(16) 5 B-24's raided Lakunai Airdrome, Rabaul.

Solomons' Force. Air. Operations December 25:

(17) New Zealand Corsairs and 2 Venturas bombed bivouacs and demolished wharf Kavieng, 1 Corsair lost. Single B 25 and 43 New Zealand Corsairs patrolled Rabaul and bombed supplies Gazelle Peninsula, 1 Corsair lost. 36 B-25's and 6 New Zealand Venturas attacked plane hidecuts Vunakanau.

18 New Zealand Corsairs raided personnel areas Bougainville.

Operations report SOWESPAC Area. 1500 Z/25 to 1500 Z/26. Land. Leyte.

X Corps: First Cavalry and 32nd Divisions advanced West reached line running generally South from Tabigui to Bayanacao, encountered only light resistance.

XXIV Corps: 77th Division units advancing West on Libungao/Palompon road continued to meet strong resistance Tipolo Area, units at Palompon advanced 2 miles North East toward enemy road block Tipolo.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines.

Nr: C 55501 27 December 1944

Part 3. Weather.

Adverse conditions reported West and South of Philippines.

1. No details.

2. No details.

3. Dropped 24 500 lb bombs, met moderate medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire Davao. Dropped 108 100 lb bombs, met moderate medium accurate anti-aircraft fire Zamboanga.

4. 4 B-24's dropped 39 250 lb bombs.

5. Dropped 850 250 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.

6. Dropped 12 1,000 lb, 157 500 lb, 80 250 lb, 660 100 lb bombs, 40 165 galion napalm bombs. Slight to intense light and medium some accurate anti-aircraft fire.

7. Dropped 6 500 lb, 30 ** 250 lb incendiaries and 24 * lb frags, fired 7,200 rounds 30, 300 rounds 50 calibre.

8. Dropped 2 500 lb, 48 250 lb bombs, 2 250 lb incendiaries.

9. No details.

10. No details.

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11. Dropped 8 1,000 lb bombs.

12. No details.

13. No details.

14. B-25's dropped 28 500 lb 5 seconds delay from Masthead height, fired 15,500 rounds 50 calibre, B-24's dropped 22 250 lb bombs from 6,000 feet to minimum altitude fired 400 rounds 50 calibre.

15. Dropped 24 40 lb frags, 90 4 lb incendiaries.

16. Dropped 40 1,000 lb bombs from 9,000 feet.

Refer prededing report paragraph 16: 12 B-24's dropped 15 tons 100 lb bombs.

End

*** Being serviced.

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, ASF,, G-2, Admiral King, Colonel Park, Statistics, Log

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CTG 73.6		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: COM SEVENTH FLEET	PRIORITY / ROUTINE: URGENT / DEFERRED
DATE 27 DECEMBER 1944			
TOR CODER 1629/27			
DECODED BY STEEN		INFORMATION: ALL TFGC 7TH AND 3RD FLTS; COMAAF COMAFS 5 AND 13 CINCPAC; COM 3RD FLT CINCSWPA; CTF 73;	PRIORITY / ROUTINE: URGENT / DEFERRED
TYPED BY STEEN/			
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PART 2 271405 NCR 6797

COM SEVENTH FLT GETS ACTION, INFO ALL TASK FORCE AND TASK GROUP COMMANDERS SEVENTH AND THIRD FLEETS, COMAF'S FIVE AND THIRTEEN, CINCPAC, COM THIRD FLT, CINCSWPA, CTF 73, COMAAF. ORIGINATOR CTG 73.6

P84Y LEYTE SUMMARY.

FIRST SECTOR 1025 MILES 85 %. CAMRANH BAY AND CAP ST. JACQUES NEGATIVE. SECTOR THREE TRACKED NIP FORCE LAST SIGHTED 1430 12-24 116-09 COURSE 230 20 KNOTS 1 BB 1 CA 1 CL 4 DD. 1 SD 1 SA ANCHORED 11-52 121-34 AT 0740. 990 MILES FOR SECTOR FOUR 100 %. PARACELS NEGATIVE. SECTOR TWO 900 MILES 50% NEGATIVE. 50% VISUAL FOR 995

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MILES FOR SECTOR FIVE WERE NEGATIVE. 800 MILES AT 70% FOR SECTOR SIX SHOWED 2 DD 9 FTU 12 SMALL S'S ANCHORED SAN FERNANDO AT 1520 AND 1645;3 CAMOUFLAGED FTA ANCHORED 14-15 120-35 2 SC 16-09 119-46 AT 1550; APPROX 20 AK MANY DERELICTS MANILA BAY AT 1700. EIGHTH SECTOR 1000 MILES AT 60%. SWATOW NEGATIVE AT 1245. AT 1550 2 DE 1 SA 1 SB 1 FA 1 FB 2 LARGE BARGES 17-10 120-15 COURSE 000 SPEED 10. 1 FA 1 SB 2 FB ANCHORED 16-40 120 5 AT 1610. 2 DD PATROLLING AT 1640 15-35 119-50. 1 DE 15-10 119-50 CSE 150 15 KNOTS AT 1655. SECTOR NINE WENT 85% FOR 400 MILES WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO COVERAGE TAKAI AMOYTPESO AJORES* DUE ENGINE TROUBLE. SECTOR TEN WENT 900 MILES AT 70 %. 11 DD 5 TA 2 CA 21-50 121-41 S.E. of Formosa COURSE 270 15 KNOTS AT 1025 ACK ACK SLIGHT HEAVY INACCURATE. SECTOR SEVEN WENT 800 MILES COVERAGE 80%. BY RADAR COURSE 360 AT 20 KNOTS 14-50 119-52 AT 1849 1 2 POSSIBLE DD. NO COVERAGE MOCAO AND HONGKONG DUE LATE TAKE OFF. WEATHER GENERALLY POOR. ALL TIMES ITEM. POSITS NORTH AND EAST. SECTOR EASY NOT COVERED.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM CO USS BARATARIA(AVP 33)		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP QP SP
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA COMAAF COMAF 5 COMAF 13 COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT CINCPOA ALL TF AND TG COMDRS 3RD AND 7TH FLT	URGENT ROUTINE
DATE 27 DEC 44			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 1424			
DECODED BY PICK		INFORMATION:	PRIORITY
TYPED BY PICK			ROUTINE
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ACTION CINCSWPA COMAAF COMAF 5 COMAF 13 COM 3RD AND 7TH FLTS CINCPOA ALL TF AND TG COMDRS 3RD AND 7TH FLT. USS BARATARIA(AVP 33) SENDS.

RESULTS OF LEYTE SEAPLANE SEARCHES 27 DEC ALL RESULTS NEGATIVE. COVERAGE 100 PERCENT AND VISIBILITY FAIR TO GOOD IN ALL SECTORS. SECTOR S 600 MILES. SECTOR T 600 MILES. SECTOR U 350 MILES. RETURNED YIDI ENGINE TROUBLE. SECTOR V 575 MILES. SECTOR W 300 MILES DEPARTURE DELAYED.

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		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
FM NO ORIGINATOR GIVEN RECEIVED VIA RDO HONO		FOR ACTION: ANY AND ALL SHIPS COMAF 5	000000000000 ROUTINE DEFERRED
RELEASED BY		INFORMATION	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE 27 DECEMBER 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 271704			
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TRACKING DISTANCE SEARCHED 1350 MILES DUE TRAILING OF ENEMY BUT SIGHTED 1 SD THIS* 1 SC AT 0740/1 ANCHORED IN 11-52 121-34 SIGHTED 1 BB 1 HEAVY CRUISER 1 LIGHT CRUISER 4 DESTROYERS IN 13-16 117-48 ON COURSE 240 AT 25 KNOTS TRACKED ENEMY TASK FORCE AVERAGE COURSE 235 AVERAGE SPEED 20. FIRED UPON BY BROADSIDES FROM BATTLESHIP CRUISER (HEAVY) NO DAMAGE.

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FROM: CTG 94.9

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 28 DEC 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 0100

DECODED BY: WOODWARD

TYPED BY: WOODWARD/ KERNAN

ROUTED BY:

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FOR ACTION: CTF 94

INFORMATION: CTF 93
CTU 30.5.3

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CTG 94.9 ORIGINATES ACTION TO CTF 94 WHO PASSES INFO TO CTF 93 AND CTU 30.5.3.

PASSED BY RADIO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 271800.

APPROACHED IWO JIMA NORTH OF EAST THEN SOUTHABOUT TO NORTHWEST. COMMENCED FIRING AT 1300 AND CEASED FIRING AT 1436 WITH 8 INCH MAINLY ON DESIGNATED ENEMY 5 INCH BATTERIES. DESTROYERS ON FAR SHORE BOATS AND BUILDINGS. THEN LAST 15 MINUTES CRUISER 5 INCH BATTERIES RAKED BOTH AIRFIELDS.

DURING APPROACH 1 DE (ESCORT GUNBOAT) AND LST WERE TRAPPED NEAR EAST BOAT BASIN. WHEN THOROUGHLY AFIRE AND DOWN BY STERN DE BEACHED ITSELF. DURING OUR RETIREMENT LST CONTINUED BURNING WITH AMMUNITION EX-

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PLODING WHILE DE WITH LARGE UNCONTROLLED BLAZE FINALLY BLEW UP. DUNLAP AND CUMMINGS WHILE 1800 YARDS FROM SHORE RECEIVED MODERATE INTERMEDIATE CALIBER FIRE. INTENSE AUTOMATIC FIRE. DUNLAP TBS ANTENNA SHOT AWAY WITHOUT OTHER DAMAGE. OTHERWISE SHORE BATTERY FIRE MEAGER. THERE WAS A LATE EXPLOSION ON EAST SIDE HILL. ONLY 1 ENEMY GUN BATTERY SIGHTED. ARMY SPOTTING B-24'S VERY GOOD. EXCEPT AS TO DUNLAP NO DAMAGE TO SHIPS OR PERSONNEL. COMMANDING OFFICER AND 3 MEN ROE INJURED DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS BY SHRAPNEL FROM ENEMY DE WHICH THEY SANK AND HAS BEEN REPORTED.-

PROCEEDING TO LATITUDE 22-30 N LONGITUDE 140-20 E THEN TO SAIPAN. WEATHER COOL.

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM: CTF 73

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 27 DEC 44

TOR CODEROOM:

DECODED BY: SAMSON

TYPED BY: SAMSON/ft

ROUTED BY:

ACTION: CINCPOA CINCSWPA COMAAF COMAF 5 COMAF 13 COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT CTF 77 ALL TF & TG COMDRS 3RD AND 7TH FLTS

INFORMATION:

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CTF 73 SENDS ACTION CINCPOA CINCSWPA COMAAF COMAF 5 COMAF 13 COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT CTF 77 ALL TF AND TG COMDRS 3RD AND 7TH FLTS.

SPECIAL REPORT ON SECTOR 2 ON 26 DECEMBER.

WENT 900 MILES TODAY. CHINA COAST CAMRANH BAY NEGAT. HEAVY FRONTAL WEATHER FROM 150 MILES WEST MINDORO TO INDO CHINA COAST. N RETURN LEG SIGHTED NIP TASK FORCE 1BB ESTIMATED Cruiser YAMATO 1 CA NACHI 6 DD 1 VERY LARGE AT 1600 POSIT 12-50 118-30 COURSE 090 SPEED 25. PLANE LANDED MINDORO 1730 REFUELED AND LOADED BOMBS. OFF AT 2030 SIGHTED SAME FORCE AT 12-40 120-40 TIME 2100 ATTACKED AND OBTAINED 2 HITS 500 POUND BOMBS ON BB. AT SAME TIME AND PLACE SAW B25'S SINK 1 DD AND DAMAGE ANOTHER. TRACKED FORCE TO BEACH AND ON RETIREMENT UNTIL 0300 DEC 27 POSIT 13-20 119-45 COURSE 300 SPEED 25 BB AND 1 DD TRAILING OIL.

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FROM COMAF 5		FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA	URGENT / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
RELEASED BY		INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLT; COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES; AF NAVAL UNITS FEAF CTF 93 (SEE BELOW)	URGENT / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
DATE 26 DEC 44			PRIORITY
TOR CODEROOM 0633			
DECODED BY PERRY			
TYPED BY MANUEL / Slutz			
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(TO CINCSWPA RPT COM 3RD FLT NYP(RDO PEARL HARBOR) PASS COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES PASS TO AF NAVAL UNITS RPT FEAF RPT CTF 93 RPT CTF 77 RPT ADV GHQ RPT COM 7TH FLT RPT COMAF 13 RPT 309 BW GRLN 3 10TH BW RPT VBC RPT VFC RPT 31 FWR RPT CTG 94.5 INFO 308 BW FROM COMAF 5 CITE D 207[illegible] 6 SYF

AIR INTENT FOR 27 DECEMBER.
1 VLC AAA 1 GROUP HEAVIES HIT CLARK FIELD. BUBD SNOOPERS

HIT SHIPPING IN MANILA BAY NIGHT 26/27 DECEMBER.
2 VFC AAA PROVIDE COVER FOR CLARK FIELD STRIKES WITH

4 SQUADRONS. M88B COVER FOR RESCUE AND AG TRANSPORT GUNS AS REQUIRED. 391 PWR: AAA OBTAIN PHOTO COVERAGE ON

NIELSON NICHOLS CLARK AND LAS PINAS FIELDS. B8B PHOTO CLARK FIELD STRIKE. 4309 BW: AAA CONTINUE A

PRESENT COMMITMENTS. 532 BW; A. NO ASSIGNMENT FOR THIS HEADQUARTERS. BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WHITEHEAD

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FROM CTF 77

RELEASED BY

DATE 26 DECEMBER 1944

TOR CODEROOM 2033

DECODED BY IMRIE

TYPED BY WALP/

ROUTED BY

FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA

INFORMATION: COM 7TH FLEET, COMINCH CINCPOA, COM 3RD FLEET

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(CTF 77 SENDS ACTION CINCSWPA INFO COM 7TH FLEET COMINCH CINCPOA COM 3RD FLEET)

ORMOK RESUPPLY ECHELON RETURNED SAN PEDRO HARBOR MORNING 26TH. DUTCH MERCHANT SHIP SOMMELSDIJK ANCHORED VICINITY NAVAL BASE SAMAR WAS HIT BY SUICIDE CRASH DIVER CARRYING AERIAL TORPEDO. EXTENSIVE DAMAGE FROM RESULTANT EXPLOSION AND FIRING REPORTED 48 CASUALTIES. LIGHT ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY PAST 24 HOURS LEYTE AREA. TG 77.14 WITH 2 CA'S 2 CL'S AND 10 DD'S DEPARTED LEYTE 1830 I PROCEEDING HIGH SPEED TOWARDS MINDORO AS RESULT REPORT ENEMY FORCE 1 BB 1 CA AND 6 DD'S SIGHTED ABOUT 100 MILES WEST OF MINDORO AT 1700 L ON EASTERLY COURSE SPEED 25. LEYTE PEETEES SCREENED ARMY LANDING OPERATIONS AT PALOMPON. MINDORO PEETEES SHOT DOWN ENEMY PLANE OVER MANGARIN BAY. SAME BOATS SHELLED CALOPAN DOCKS AND SANK WHALE BOAT IN HARBOR. LEYTE PBY'S SHOT DOWN 3 ENEMY FLOAT PLANES IN PHILIPPINE SEARCHES AND SANK LUGGER IN MOMPOG PASS.

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FROM COM FWD AREA

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DATE 26 DEC 44

TOR CODEROOM 0932/26

DECODED BY MITTWEDE

TYPED BY PICK

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FOR ACTION: CINCPAC
ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT

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INFORMATION: ISCOM MARIANAS
ISCOM WEST CAROLINES

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RADIO HOMO INTERCEPT

COM FWD AREA SENDS ACTION CINCPAC AND ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT INFO ISCOM MARIANAS ISCOM WEST CAROLINES.

STARTING 251010 IN 11 GROUPS BETWEEN 16-25 ENEMY AIRCRAFT ABOUT 25000 FEET DROPPED BOMBS ON ISLEY FIELD. 1 GLIDE BOMBER DROPPED BOMBS. WINDOW EXTENSIVELY USED. 3 ENEMY AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN BY NIGHT FIGHTERS. AA GUNS CLAIM 1 ENEMY PLANE DESTROYED, 1 DAMAGED AND 1 PROBABLY. 1 B-29 TOTALLY DESTROYED. 1 PROBABLY DESTBOYED BEYOND REPAIR. 2 MAY BE REPAIRED. 11 MINOR DAMAGE. HDQ 1ST PROVISIONAL ENGR GROUP DESTROYED. MINOR DAMAGE TO PLANES AT ISLEY 2. 6 MEN INJURED.
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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM: COM 7TH FLEET

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 27 DECEMBER 1944

TOR CODEROOM 0848

DECODED BY: C STRONG

TYPED BY: C STRONG

ROUTED BY:

FOR ACTION: GHQ SWPA ADV LEYTE
ALL COMMANDS RECEIVING COM 7TH FLT INTEL SUMMARY

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(COM 7TH FLEET SENDS)

(PASSED BY RDO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 270414)

2 DD 4 MEDIUM AK 5 SMALL ESCORTS 19-30 N 121-40 E 1430 I 25TH COURSE 150 SPEED 5. USUAL SHIPPING LINGAYEN GULF NIGHT 25/26 INCLUDING 2 POSSIBLE DD 4 FREIGHTER TRANSPORT TYPE 15 MEDIUM STACK AFT VESSELS. DAWN 25TH 1 DD 2 DE 1 AK 1 FREIGHTER TRANSPORT WITH AIR COVER 16-00 N 119-45 E COURSE 150 SPEED 17. BEFORE DAWN 26TH 1 CA 2 DD 2 MEDIUM FREIGHTER TRANSPORTS 1 SMALL AK 15-40 N 119-52 E NIL COURSE GIVEN. BELIEVE SIZE OF WARSHIPS EXAGGERATED. ALSO BEFORE DAWN TODAY 8 SHIP CONVOY 17-03 N 109-35 E COURSE 230. ANCHORED LABUAN ISLAND BRUNEI BAY AREA 1630 25TH 1 MEDIUM AO 3 LUGGERS. AT 0125 SAME DAY 2 SHIPS 2500 TONS EACH POSIT 05-40 SOUTH 119-32 EAST. 1700 PREVIOUS DAY 1 UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL 15 MILES WEST MAKASSAR CHRISTMAS DAY

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22 PALAU B24'S BOMBED MABALACAT STRIP CLARK FIELD AREA WITH GOOD COVERAGE. P38 COVER SHOT DOWN 39 OF 50 INTERCEPTORS. OTHER B24'S STARTED FIRES AT SASMV* DAVAO AREA. PREVIOUS NIGHT 3 LIBERATORS HECKLED NICHOLS NEILSON CLARK FIELDS. FINAL SNORE 24TH CLARK FIELD RAID 31 INTERCEPTORS SHOT DOWN BY P47'S 2 BY B24'S. PHOTOS 25TH SHOW SANDAKAN NUMBER 1 SERVICEABLE 1900 FEET NUMBER 2 FOR 1700 FEET. NIL PLANES SEEN. SIDATE SERVICEABLE WITH NIL PLANES. SAN ROQUE SAME FOR 2000 FEET. NIL PLANES BUT COVERAGE INCOMPLETE. JESSELTON UNSERVICEABLE 1 FIGHTER 2 BOMBERS OPERATIONAL. SANGA SANGA IN TAWI TAWI AREA OPERATIONAL. NIL PLANES. NIGHT 24/25 PT'S EVACUATED 24 PERSONS NORTH MINDORO INCLUDING FRIENDLY PILOTS 2 CORREGIDOR SURVIVORS 2 POW. SAME NIGHT LEYTE PT'S SCREENED SMALL ARMY AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION PALOMPON. JAP CASUALTIES LEYTE AS OF 23RD 51704 KILLED 335 CAPTURED.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

To: War Department

No: C 55467 26 December 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff, War Department C 55467. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/24 to 1500Z/25 signed MacArthur.

Part 1.

Formosa: Reconnaissance PB 4 Y from Leyte sighted one probable carrier, 3 heavy cruisers, 6 destroyers, 35 miles northwest Takao course west midday December 24th.

French Indo China: Convoy containing 4 medium freighters, 1 tanker, 1 small freighter transport, 5 escorts on northerly course 20 miles north Camranh Bay sighted by Leyte reconnaissance plane December 24th.

Philippines:

Luzon: 1 medium freighter transport, 1 freighter, 3 escorts sighted Dasol Bay December 24th, 10 floatplanes, 15 barges Batangas Bay, 4 Bettys on Alabat Island airdrome (Lamon Bay) same day.

Celebes: Two seatrucks, 2 barges, 2 luggers sighted Menado harbor December 22nd.

Borneo: Photographs Jesselton airdrome December 23rd showed 1 fighter, 2 bombers.

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Part 2.

Naval: Mondoro PT boats sank whaleboat and strafed Calapan docks northern Mindoro; Morotai boats attacked coastal targets northeastern Halmahera night December 24th.

Air: Enemy action:

Mindoro: Enemy raider shot down by anti-aircraft fire night December 24th; another claimed by PT boats next morning.

Leyte: Night fighters shot down one plane, anti-aircraft fire claimed one destroyed, 2 damaged during light raids Tacloban area night December 24th.

Negros Island: Enemy fighter surprised and shot down Mariner south Negros, personnel rescued December 24th.

Morotai: 8 raiders caused damage on strip, Spitfire shot down one night December 24th.

Operations December 22nd:

(1) Patrol B-24 sank coastal vessel Miri, destroyed large seatruck and two barges south Tarakan.

Operations December 23rd:

(2) Five B-25s attacked targets Wewak area.

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Operations December 24th:

(3) B-24 patrols shot down floatplane near Camranh Bay Indo China, claimed another north Luzon, strafed troop-filled lugger Marinduque Island, sank seatruck, strafed 7 barges Borneo and bombed Mapanget, northeastern Celebes.

(4) Refer Paragraph 11 preceding report: 22 B-24s hit Clark Field escorted by 60 P-47s, B-24s shot down two interceptors probably destroyed another, P-47s shot down 31 plus four probables; 1 P-47 lost, 2 others missing.

(5) Four P-38s strafed Batangas airdrome installations, southern Luzon; 12 P-40s hit Silay airdrome, Negros, destroyed one grounded plane.

(6) 24 B-24s bombed Puerto Princesa destroyed one plane, damaged two others.

(7) Six B-25s sank one seatruck, one lugger Davao; 9 B-25s demolished warehouse and silenced guns Zamboanga; 8 P-38s strafed waterfront damaged barge Jolo Island.

(8) 23 B-24s bombed Kudat airdrome, northern Borneo; 6 P-47s strafed barracks and waterfront Tawao.

(9) Three B-25s bombed power house Manado.

(10) 38 B-25s, 23 P-38s, 32 RAAF P-40s and 18 Beaufighters caused many explosions and fires Goeroea supplies Wasile Bay, 16 other P-40s hit installations Lolobata and

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around Halmahera; 4 P-40s bombed assigned targets Morotai.

(11) Three B-25s swept Sorong, strafed barge Samate, one B-25 shot down by anti-aircraft.

(12) Darwin B-24 bombed targets northern Tanimbar Islands.

Operations December 25th:

(13) 22 B-24s from Palau scored good coverage Mabalacat airdrome Manila; P-38s escort from Leyte shot down 39 probably four others of 50 intercepting fighters, 4 P-38s lost.

(14) Three B-24s harassed Manila airdromes before dawn; day B-24 shot down transport plane northwest Lingayen Gulf.

(15) 16 P-47s covered amphibious landing Palompon.

(16) Biak based B-24s caused fires Sassa airdrome Davao.

Land.

Mindoro Colocaro contact.

Leyte:

X Corps: Mopping up continued west highway number two.

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XXIV Corps: 77th Division unit captured Palompon from north, forces on road to northeast met opposition vicinity Tipilo. Mopping up continues throughout rest of corps area. Eighth Army assumed combat responsibility for Leyte/Samar area December 26th.

Part 3.

(1) No details.

(2) Dropped 20 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 4000 rounds 50 caliber.

(3) Dropped 29 250 lb bombs.

Paragraphs 4 and 5 no details.

(6) Dropped 470 250 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.

(7) B-25s dropped 24 500 lb bombs Davao, dropped 72 100 lb bombs, 216 20 lb brags Zamboanga where slight light inaccurate and medium accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(8) B-24s dropped 440 250 lb bombs from 11,000 to 9,000 feet.

(9) Dropped 12 500 lb bombs, met slight medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

(10) Dropped 46 1,000 lb, 63 500 lb, 53 250 lb, 322 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude, fired ** 50 lb rockets; moderate medium accurate anti-aircraft fire Goeroea.

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(11) Met intense medium accurate anti-aircraft fire.

(12) Dropped 30 100 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.

Paragraphs 13 through 16 no details.

* Being Serviced. End

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INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, Admiral King, Colonel Park, Statistics, Log

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M COM FORWARD AREA

RELEASED BY

DATE 25 DEC 1944

TOR CODEROOM

DECODED BY STEEN

TYPED BY STEVENS/STEEN

ROUTED BY

FOR ACTION: CINCPOA

INFORMATION: COMGENPOA
COMGENAAFPOA
ATFC 3RD FLT

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(CINCPOA GETS ACTION AND PASSES INFO COMGENPOA AND COMGENPOA AND COMGENAAFPOA. INFO ALL TFC 3RD FLT. COM FORWARD AREA SENDS)

FLASH REPORT. RED ALERT SAIPAN 2010K TO 2301K. REPEATED HIGH AND LOW ATTACKS BY SINGLE OR SMALL GROUPS. 2 BETTYS SHOT DOWN BY NIGHT FIGHTERS. 1 B-29 DESTROYED AT ISELY* NUMBER 1

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RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA	PRIORITY OP-OP-OP- ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE 25 DEC 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 1927/25		INFORMATION: COM 7TH FLT, COMINCH, CINCPOA, COM 3RD FLT	PRIORITY OP-OP-OP- ROUTINE DEFERRED
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(CTF 77 TO CINCSWPA INFO COMDT 7TH FLT COMINCH CINCPOA COMDR 3RD FLT)

MINDORO L-3 RESUPPLY ECHELON RETURNED SAN PEDRO HARBOR. DELAYED REPORT FROM COMMANDER THIS ECHELON REPORTS

DESTRUCTION 1 SMALL SAMPAN AND 1 MEDIUM SIZE LUGGER ON 20 DEC AND ON 24 DEC A LANDING BARGE WAS DESTROYED.

ALL CONTACTS MADE VICINITY CAMIGUIN ISLAND ORMOC RESUPPLY GROUP SCHEDULED DEPART ORMOC BEACHHEAD AFTER

DARK 25TH WITH ETA SAN PEDRO HARBOR 1900I 26TH. MINDORO PT'S EVACUATED 24 MEN FROM SAN MINDORO INCLUDING

SEVERAL DOWNED 3RD FLT PILOTS 2 CORREGIDOR SURVIVORS AND 2 POW. SAME BOAT SHOT DOWN 1 ENEMY PLANE NW MINDORO.

PB4Y BOMBED SANDOKAN HARBOR INSTALLATIONS DESTROYING 2 WAREHOUSES 1 LUGGER AND DAMAGING ANOTHER. PBM ON

PATROL WAS SHOT DOWN BY ENEMY HAMP IN SURPRISE ATTACK LAT 08-52 N LONG 122-36 E. PLANE DESTROYED BY CREW.

ALL PERSONNEL RECOVERED NONE INJURED.

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DATE 25 DECEMBER 1944			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM 0947			BASEGRAM
DECODED BY STEVENS		INFORMATION: COM 7TH FLEET COM 3RD FLEET CTF 77	00000000 PRIORITY
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RELEASED BY:

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TOR CODEROOM: 1611

DECODED BY: MCCLELLAN

TYPED BY: TURLEY/[illegible]

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FOR ACTION: ARMY MELBOURNE
AIRBOARD ACNB
ADMIRAL KTENRAD*

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(FROM GHQ SWPA TO ARMY MELBOURNE AIRBOARD ACNB ADMIRAL KTENRAD* ACNB TO PASS 14 CPJKQJPAEHB* TO COMGEN AMERICAN DIV COMNAVNORSOLS AND COMAIRNORSOLS)

SITREP EASBIGHT* 8 DECEMBER 25

1500Z 24 EINDO CHINAO 2 CRUISERS 3 DESTROYERS 1 TANKER REPORTED ARRIVED CAMRANH BAY MORNING DEPARTED

AFTERNOON DECEMBER 23 PHILIPPINES ICBWO* PROBABLE DESTROYERS SIGHTED 170 MILES NORTHWEST MANILA HEADING

SOUTH EAST DECEMBER 24 1 SMALL FREIGHTER 3 SEATRUCKS OBSERVED VERDE ISLAND PASSAGE DECEMBER 23

MINDORO 22 PLANES RAIDE ALLIED POSITIONS CAUSED SLIGHT CASUALTIES NIGHT DWRBQWDRLKJCTFRISSOAHPI*

AIFXNPMT* CLAIMED 1 SHOT DOWN 1 PROBABLY LEYTE PT'S DESTROYED BARGE NORTH PALOMPON NIGHT DECEMBER

22 DESTROYERS SANK ENEMY SVRMC*T BOAT MINDANAO SEA FOLLOWING NIGHT 10 PLANES OVER OR ON CORRIDOR

ANTI AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN 1 DAMAGED 1 OF 2 RAIDERS SOUTHERN LEYTE NIGHT DECEMBER 23 LAND FORCES MADE

GENERAL WESTWARD ADVANCE IN NORTHERN SECTOR HALMAHERA PT BOATS DESTROYED 1 SUPPLY LADEN BARGE NIGHT

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DECEMBER 22 ALLIED AIR* OPERATIONS DECEMBER 22 PATROL B-24'S SANK 3 SMALL SEATRUCKS ZAMBANGA DAMAGED 1 OF 3 FIGHTERS

BALIKPAPAN GBCGHT MNRE* BEAUFORTS HIT WEWAK TARGETS ATTACKED 3 BARGES DAGKA DECEMBER 23 SINGLE B-24 BOMBED LEGASPI AIRFIELD

CORSAIR SHOT DOWN 1 OF 2 FIGHTERS ENCOUNTERED LUBANG ISLAND 47 B-24S WITH 7 P-38'S AND 7 P-47'S DESTROYED 2 BOMBERS

RAY SCORED HITS CAUSED FIRES EXPLOSIONS AMONGST 8 PLANES FABRICA REVETMENTS 25 P-47 STRAFED NEGROS AIRFIELDS SEG*

6 PLANES XGITE* 5 P-47'S CAUSED LARGE FIRES PALOMPON ON LEYTE 6 B-25 DESTROYED 3 SMALL SEATRUCKS AND WATERFRONT

INSTALLATIONS DAVAO AREA 12 B-25'S ATTACKED SAN ROQUE AIRFIELD AND ZAMBOANGA 45 B-25 46 P-40'S 5 P-51'S AND 17 BEAUFIGHTERS

DEMOLISHED SUPPLIES BARRACKS BUILDINGS AND JETTIES SILENCED GUNS LOLOCATA AND HATETABAKO. 1 DUTCH 4 RAAF B-25'S

STRAFED BARGES KOEPANG AREA. 9 BEAUFORTS ATTACKED KAIRIRU ISLAND AND BUT. 9 B-24'S AND 4 A-20'S HIT WEWAK TARGETS.

DECEMBER 24. PATROL B-24 SHOT DOWN FLOATPLANE NORTHERN LUZON 2 B-24'S CAUSED EXPLOSIONS FIRES MANILA AIRFIELDS BEFORE DAWN.

ON O* GROUP B-24'S FROM PALAU CAUSED MANY FIRES CLARK FIELD DISPERSAL AREAS P-47'S ESCORT FROM LEYTE SHOT DOWN 18

PROBABLY 2 OTHERS OF 50-/60 INTERCEPTING FIGHTERS 1 P-47 LOST. 24 CORSAIRS CRATEREDCAROLINA RUNWAYS NEGROS ISLAND. 4 P-40'S

SUPPORTED GROUND FORCES WESTERN LEYTE. 4 KORN* B-25'S DESTROYED BARGE FURTHER DAMAGE LUGGER NORTH KOEPANG

SINGLE BEAUFORT BOMBED BETANO B-24 BOMBED FUILORO. 10 P-47'S DIVED BOMBED TARGETS WEWAK. ELEVEN B-24'S FROM NADZAB RAIDED

TOBERA AND VDWFJANAU* REVETMENTS RABAUL SOLOMONS FORCES DECEMBER 23. 30 CORSAIRS BOMBED AMMUNITION DUMPS AND ENEMY

CONCENTRATIONS BOUGAINVILLE. 6 CORSAIRS 2 VENTURAS ATTACKED BIVOUACS NEW IRELAND. 45 B-25 AND 6 VENTURAS HIT VUNALWLJUY*

AIRFIELD 30 CORSAIRS AND PREDAWN B-25 HARRASSED RABAUL

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RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: CINCPOA	PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
DATE 25 DEC 44			
TOR CODEROOM 1729			PPPPP
DECODED BY SANDBERG		INFORMATION: COMTHIRDFLEET, CTF 93	PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
TYPED BY SANDBERG			
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RADIO HONOLULU PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 251535

(ACTION CINCPOA FROM CTF 94. INFO COM THIRD FLEET CTF 93.)

OPERATIONS 24TH.

8 PALAU CORSAIRS STRAFED BURNED 4 BABELTHUAP BUILDINGS.

ADDITIONAL FOR 23RD.

8 PALAU CORSAIRS NAPALMED ASAO VILLAGE BABELTHUAP SUPPLY STORAGE.

JOINT STRIKE IWO JIMA 24TH.

CRUISERS BOMBARDED CD AND DP BATTERIES.

DESTROYERS SANK JAP DESTROYER ESCORT ALSO PC AND LSM.

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RELEASED BY	FOR ACTION	CINCSWPA	OP PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
DATE 24 DEC 44			
TOR CODEROOM 1642			
DECODED BY SANDBERG	INFORMATION	COMSEVENTHFLT WS COMTHIRDFLEET COMINCH CINCPOA	OP PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
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(FROM CTF 77 TO CINCSWPA INFO COMSEVENTHFLT COMTHIRDFLT COMINCH CINCPOA.)

RESUPPLY ECHELON OF 6 LSM'S ESCORTED BY 3 DD'S DURING DAYLIGHT AND 3 PT DURING DARKNESS DEPARTED SAN PEDRO HARBOR 14301.

EXPECTED ARRIVE ORMOC BAY ABOUT DAYLIGHT 25TH.

L-3 RESUPPLY GROUP NOW RETURNING LEYTE ESTIMATED 18001

POSITION 09-28 N LONG 124-40 E.

ETA SAN PEDRO HARBOR 10001/25TH.

ENEMY AIR CONTINUES QUIET IN LEYTE AREA. LEYTE PTS DESTROYED 1 BARGE OFF EAVOMPON*. MORATAI PTS DROVE 2 ENEMY BARGES INTO KAOL BAY AND LATER DESTROYED 1 LOADED AND BEACH IN SAME AREA. 1 PT BADLY DAMAGED BY RETURN FIRE.

PERSONNEL CASUALTIES 2 WOUNDED.

MOROTAI PT'S DAMAGED BUILDINGS AND BRIDGE AT MENADO WITH [illegible]MBS AND ROCKETS. *AS RECEIVED

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FROM COM 7TH FLEET		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP OP OP OP PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: COM FEAF 5TH AIRFORCE WR	ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
DATE 25 DECEMBER 1944			OP OP OP OP PRIORITY
TOR CODEROOM		INFORMATION: CTF 77 CTF 73 COM 3RD FLEET CINCPAC CINCSWPA	ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
DECODED BY IMRIE			
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REENCYPHERED AS 241125.

(SUPER. COM 7TH FLT GIVES ACTION COMFEAF 5TH AIR-FORCE INFO CTF 77 COM 3RD FLEET CINCPAC CTF 73 CINCSWPA.)

REFERENCE CTF 77 240128. ORANGE PLANE REPORTS SIGHTING BLUE SHIPPING POSIT 17-17 N 123-23 E AT 0940/J 24TH.

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DATE 25 DECEMBER 1944			
TOR CODEROOM			
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TYPED BY IMRIE/Wells			
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(RADIO HONO INTERCEPT)

(COM 7TH FLEET SENDS.)

REFERENCE OUT 200731 ON PROHIBITED ANCHORAGE DUE TO UNDERWATER OBSTRUCTION (FROM CAVITE TO MANILA) ANOTHER CAPTURED JAP DOCUMENT INDICATES SUBMARINE CABLES LAID IN THIS AREA.

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FROM CTF 73		FOR ACTION: CINCPOA COMAAF CINCSWPA COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT CTF 77 COMAF 5 COMAF 13 ALL TF AND TGC'S 3RD & 7TH FLTS	@POPOROR PRIORITY
RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
DATE 24 DEC 1944			DEFERRED
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DECODED BY STEEN		INFORMATION: 27	PRIORITY
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(CTF 73 SENDS ACTION CINCPOA CINCSWPA COMAAF COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT CTF 77 COMAF 5 COMAF 13 ALL TF AND TGC'S 3RD AND 7TH FLTS)

LEYTE SENT OUT 2 NIGHT MARINERS DECEMBER 23/24. 1 PLANE COVERED RETURNING CTU 78.3.13. SIGHTED 1 MTB WHICH DESTROYERS SANK AT 09-07 N 124-32 E SJMJI* 14301. SECOND PLANE PATROLLED WATERS WEST OF MINDORO. NIL SIGHTINGS. INTENTS FOR WNWIJ DRBEEE* NIGHT-MARES DEC 24/25. 2 PLANES TO COVER EAST AND WEST MINDORO WATERS. 1 PLANE TO SEARCH WEST LUZON COAST TO **

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** BADLY GARBLED GROUPS

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FROM CINCPAC		FOR ACTION: ALL TFC 3RD FLEET	URGENT / ROUTINE / DEFERRED / BASEGRAM
RELEASED BY			
DATE 24 DECEMBER 1944			
TOR CODEROOM		INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLEET, COM 7TH FLEET, CTF 77	PRIORITY / URGENT / ROUTINE / DEFERRED / BASEGRAM
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CINCPAC SENDS ULTRA ACTION ALL TFC 3RD FLEET INFO COM 3RD FLEET COM 7TH FLEET AND CTF 77.

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RELEASED BY:			
DATE: 24 DECEMBER 1944			
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FROM: CTF 37		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	URGENT
RELEASED BY:		FOR ACTION: COMFEAF 5TH AIR FORCE	PRIORITY
DATE: 24 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM: Ø342			DEFERRED
DECODED BY: SANSON			BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY: LYNN/ROWLAND	CHECKED BY	INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLT CINCPAC CTF 73 CINCSWPA	URGENT
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CTF 37 SENDS ACTION TO COMFEAF 5TH AIRFORCE INFO TO COM 3RD FLT CINCPAC CTF 73 CINCSWPA. SUPER.

NIP PLANE REPORTS CONTACTS AS FOLLOWS TIMES I DATE 24TH. ØØ85 POSIT 14-35 N 122-55 E. Ø942 POSIT 15-1Ø N 122-5Ø E. JAP SHORE BROADCAST A CONTACT AT Ø33Ø I 24 POSIT 15-2Ø N 123-45 E. COMMENT POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT THESE CONTACTS MAY REFER TO 3RD FLEET SURVIVORS. REQUEST POSITIONS GIVEN ABOVE BE THOROUGHLY SEARCHED AND DEFINITE REPORT SUBMITTED WITH COM 3RD FLT AS INFO ADDEE.

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TOR CODEROOM 2251/23			
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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Leyte, Philippines

To: War Department

Nr: C 55375 24 December 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 55375. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/22 to 1500Z/23 signed MacArthur.

South China Sea: Large aircraft carrier three destroyers sighted on southerly course 200 miles southeast Shanghai December 19.

French Indo China: 6,000 ton freighter with two destroyer escorts reported approaching Camranh Bay from southwest Midday December 23.

Philippines: Luzon: 1 freighter, 1 destroyer, 1 destroyer escort sighted Port San Vincent (northeast point) December 23; photographs before strike on Clark Field December 22 with 60% cover of four runways showed 80 fighters 79 twin engined bombers three single engined bombers, in 1 dispersal area Mabalacat with similiar cover 20 fighters.

Negros: 5 fighters, 5 medium bombers, 1 dive bomber photographed on Silay Dec 23.

Part 2. Air.

Enemy action: Mindoro: Anti-aircraft fire claimed another raider destroyed Dec 21; P-38's shot down 5 more Dec 22nd; Naval gunfire destroyed 1 plane during ineffective raids

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Leyte, Philippines

Nr: C 55375 24 December 1944

at night.

Morotai: 2 planes caused slight damage and casualties predawn Dec 23.

Operations Dec 21:
(1) 9 more P-38's bombed Cagayan airdrome, Mindanao.

Operations Dec 22:
(2) Hellcat followed two enemy planes from Samar during evening, shot down both when attempting land Bulan Airdrome, southeastern Luzon, also strafed area and set fuel truck afire; 16 P-40's cratered runways and strafed buildings Calingatan airdrome.
(3) 18 B-25's escorted by 10 P-47's destroyed 3 planes damaged 6 others, exploded fuel dumps Fabrica Airdrome, Negros Island.
(4) 3 B-25's swept Davao, hit Sasa jetty sank freighter trans port and coastal vessel damaged 8 seatrucks; 2 B-25's bombed Zamboanga town jetty.
(5) Patrol B-24's raided airdrome Puerto Prince, strafed bomber Sandakan airdrome, bombed warehouses Eastern Borneo.
(6) 68 B-24's, 16 RAAF P-40's, 18 P-38's and 41 B 25's struck Lolobata and Hatetabako caused many fires amongst revetments bivouacs supplies and gun positions; 25 P-38's, 43 B-25's, 16 Beaufighters and 16 RAAF P-40's hit Goeroea area southern Wasile Bay, extensive fires through supplies and personnel areas bombed barge hideouts and silenced guns. 1 plane shot down by anti-aircraft fires 15 Beaufighters, 13 P-51s and 27 P-40's swept Halmahera fired fuel dumps hit roadways and

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Leyte, Philippines

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installations silenced 8 dual purpose guns.
(7) 6 B-25's, 4 A-20's and 7 Beaufbrts raided Wewak targets.
(8) 6 NADZAB B-24's started fires Rabaul and bombed Keravat runways; 8 Beauforts from Goodenought struck Matupi Island.

Operations Dec 23:
(9) B-24 group from Palwu covered by Leyte based P-38's destroyed estimated 20 to 25 planes Grace Park Field, Manila; nil interception encountered.
(10) Patrol B-24 shot down Betty northwest Lingayen Gulf; 2 predawn B-24's caused fires and explosions Caroline Airdrome, damaged 1 of 5 interceptors north Cebu.
(11) 24 B-24's covered by 7 P 38's cratered runways scored hits causing fires and explosions amongst 8 planes in revetments Fabrica Airdrome, Negros Island; 23 B-24's with 7 P-47's scored excellent coverage destroyed 2 bombers Silay airdrome; 10 P-47's swept la Carlota set afire 6 planes.
(12) 12 P-40's supporting ground forces west Ormoc Road, demolished buildings and heavily strafed enemy positions
(13) 6 B-25's bombed San Roque airdrome; 6 B-25's raided Zamboanga; other B-25's set three small seatrucks afire.
(14) 45 B-25's, 46 P-40's , 5 P-51's and 17 Beaufighters demolished buildings supplies and waterfront installations silenced many guns Lolobata and Hatetabako.
(15) 2 Darwin B-24's bombed Fuiloro and Saumlaki in Tanimbars; single Beaufort hit barracks along Timor coast;

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3 Dutch B-25's and RAAF Ventura raided targets Aroe Islands.
(16) Nine B-24's bombed Wewak guns; 4 A-20's attacked village Kairiru; 6 Beauforts struck coastal targets Dagua and But.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations Dec 22:
(17) 18 New Zealand Corsairs and 3 Venturas attacked Balgai fuel dumps and other targets New Ireland; single marine B-25 and New Zealand Ventura harassed Rabaul before dawn, 18 New Zealand Corsairs bombed Rabaul waterfront; 34 New Zealand Corsairs bombed gun positions southern Bougainville, hit bivouacs and radio station to north.

Land. Mindoro: Battalion 21st Infantry landed San Jose area.

Leyte: X Corps units continued clearing of small enemy pockets within its sector.

XXIV Corps: 77th Div Troops supported by heavy artillery reached point 7 miles northeast Palompon. Mopping up continued other sectors of Corps. End of Part 2.

Part 3.
(1) Dropped 9 by 1,000 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.
(2) P-40's dropped unstated number 500 lb bombs.
(3) Dropped 216 by 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude, met slight inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.

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(4) Dropped 18 by 500 lb bombs; moderate medium accurate anti-aircraft fire Sasea.
(5) Dropped 9 by 500 lb, 9 by 250 lb bombs.
(6) Dropped 36 by 1000 lb, 1297 by 250 lb, 462 by 100 lb bombs from 14,000 feet to minimum altitude, met moderate to intense medium and moderate heavy accurate anti-aircraft fire Lolobata and Hatetabako; dropped 32 by 500 lb, 516 by 100 lb bombs, 50 by 165 gallon napalm bombs, fired 24 by 60 lb and 8 by 25 lb rockets, met slight to intense accurate anti-aircraft fire Goeroea; other planes dropped 80 by 500 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.
(7) Beauforts dropped 10 by 500 lb, 26 by 250 lb bombs, 12 by 40 lb frags, fired 3,200 rounds 30 calibre; other planes dropped 40 by 300 bombs, fired 8,500 rounds 50 calibre.
(8) B-24's dropped 48 by 1000 lb bombs from 8,500 feet; Beauforts dropped 3 by 500 lb, 35 by 250 lb bombs, 120 by 4 lb incendiaries.
(9) No details.
(10) 2 B-24's dropped 12 by 500 lb bombs.
(11) B-24's dropped 960 by 250 lb bombs from 10,000 feet; moderate medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire Silay.
(12) Dropped 15 by 500 lb bombs, 24 by 260 lb frags.
(13) 12 B-25's dropped 144 by 100 lb bombs from altitude, met slight light and medium inaccurate anti-aircraft fire.
(14) Dropped 70 by 500 lb bombs, 30 by 250 lb, 540 by 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude, fired 32 by 60 lb rockets, met moderate medium some accurate anti-aircraft fire.
(15) B-24's dropped 24 by 250 lb bombs; Beaufort dropped 4 by 250 lb bombs; B-25's fired 5,300 rounds 50 calibre;
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Ventura dropped 4 by 300 lb bombs.
(16) B-24's dropped 72 by 1000 lb bombs from 8,000 feet; A 20's dropped 16 by 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 3,000 rounds 50 calibre; Beaufortes dropped 12 by 500 lb, 22 by 250 lb bombs.

Refer preceding report paragraph 13: 16 B-24's dropped 20 tons 100 lb bombs Sassa.

End

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TOR CODEROOM			
DECODED BY SAMSON		INFORMATION: CINCPOA COM 5TH FLT COM 7TH FLT 1ST TAF RAAF RAAF NW AREA 309 BOMBWING FITCOM 13 COMAIRNORSOLS BOMCOM 13	OPOPOPOP ROUTINE DEFERRED
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1ST PRELIMINARY REPORT 23 DECEMBER ALL TIMES I.
24 LIBERATORS WITH 7 LIGHTNINGS AS COVER BOMBED FABRICA WITH

480 8TH TONNERS 1220 FROM 10000 FEET WITH CONCENTRATION ENTIRE LENGTH OF STRIKE BOS* OBSERVED AMONG 8 UNIDENTIFIED

AIRCRAFT IN REVETMENTS CAUSING 2 ESPLOSIONS AND 4 FIRES, 20-25 SINGLE SEAT FIGHTERS AND TWIN ENGINE BOMBERS SIGHTED

ON STRIP AA INTERCEPTION NIL. 23 LIBERATORS WITH 7 THUNDER-BOLTS AS COVER BOMBED SILAY AIRDROMES WITH 480 8TH TONNERS

1300 FROM 10000 FEET WITH EXCELLENT RESULTS MAJORING BOMBS IN TARGET AREA 2 TWIN ENGINE AIRCRAFT HIT IN REVETMENT

AREA MODERATE MEDIUM INACCURATE AA HOLED 1 PLANE INTERCEPTION NIL. 6 MITCHELLS HIT SAN ROQUE WITH 72 CENTURIES 1017 FROM

MINIMUM ALTITUDE RESULTS UNOBSERVED DUE WEATHER SLIGHT LIGHT INACCURATE AA INTERCEPTION NIL. 6 MITCHELLS WEATHERED OUT

SAN ROQUE DROPPED 72 CENTURIES ON ZAMBOANGA AREA 1017 RESULTS GENERALLY UNOBSERVED DUE WEATHER SLIGHT MEDIUM INACCURATE

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AA INTERCEPTION NIL. 6 MITCHELLS ON DAVAO GULF SEARCH NEGATIVE SIGHTING DROPPED 24 QUARTER TONNERS 08 TL * 0830 DESTROYING

SEVERAL WAREHOUSES AND JETTYS AND 3 SD'S IN PANAKAN AREA SLIGHT LIGHT INACCURATE AA INTERCEPTION NIL. 10 THUNDERBOLTS IN LA CARLOTA

SWEEP 1230 STRAFED FIRED 6 UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT ON S SIDE OF ROAD WEST OF LA CARLOTA TOWN AA NIL. 45 MITCHELLS 46 WARHAWKS 17 RASFICXA*

FIGHTERS AND 5 MUSTANGS HIT LOLOKADA* AND HATETABAKO*PERSONNEL AND SUPPLY AREAS AND AA POSITIONS 0845-1000 FROM MINIMUM ALTITUDE WITH 540 CENTURIES 70 QUARTER TONNERS 30 8TH TONNERS AND 32X Y* POUND

ROCKETS, AREA WELL COVERED DESTROYING HUTS JET* AND SUPPLIES AND SILENCING MANY AA POSITIONS, AREA THOROUGHLY STRAFED MODERATE

MEDIUM GENERALLY INACCURATE AA HOLED 9 PLANES.

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INFO COM 3RD FLEET COM 7TH FLEET CTF 77.

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RELEASED BY			ROUTINE
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FROM 310 BOMB WING

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DATE 23 DEC 1944

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FOR ACTION: COM 7TH FLT COM 3RD FLT
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COMAF 13 VBC VFC
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309 BOMB WING CTG 78.3
HQS WESTERN VISAYAS TF

INFORMATION

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AIR INTENTS 24 DECEMBER. V'S AND U'S LOCAL BEACHHEAD PATROL DAWN TO DUSK. R'S CARRY OUT WVU* SORTIES ON SHIPPING SEARCH NORTH NORTHWEST COAST MINDORO COVERED BY V'S AND U'S. LOCAL NIGHT NIGHT FIGHTER PATROL.

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(CTF 77 SHOOTS ACTION CINCSWPA INFO TO COM 7TH FLT COMINCH CINCPOA COM 3RD FLEET)

ORMOC RESUPPLY ECHELON ARRIVED SAN PEDRO HARBOR FORENOON 23RD. FIRST L-3 RESUPPLY ECHELON NOW ENROUTE LEYTE ESTIMATED 1800I POSITION LAT 09-23N LONG 122-15E. OF 2 LST'S PREVIOUSLY REPORTED DAMAGED VICINITY MARACANAO ISLAND LIMITED SEARCH FAILED LOCATE LST 640. LST 749 WHICH WAS ERRONEOUSLY REPORTED AS LST 740 APPEARS SALVAGEABLE AND AN ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO SALVAGE THIS VESSEL. ENEMY AIR QUIET IN LEYTE AREA. MOROTAI PV LEFT 1 SMALL AK BURNING AT ENTRANCE DAVAO GULF. LEYTE PT'S DAMAGED 1 BARGE OFF NORTH WEST TIP OF CEBU.

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TOR CODEROOM:

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2ND PRELIMINARY REPORT 22ND DECEMBER ALL TIMES I.
41 MITCHELLS DROPPED 462 CENTURIES ON LOLOBATA AND HATETABAKO

1450 FROM MINIMUM ALTITUDE BOMBS HIT THROUGH TARGET AREA COVERING REVETMENTS AND SUPPLY AREA CAUSING MANY FIRES WITH

SMOKE TO 3000 FEET MODERATE MEDIUM ACCURATE AA HOLED 7 PLANES.
25 LIGHTNINGS DROPPED 50X165 BROLON* NAPALM BOMBS ON GOEROEA

AREA 1000 FROM MINIMUM ALTITUDE, ALL BOMBS ON PIER AREA BARGE HIDEOUTS AND HEAVY GUN POSITIONS LEAVING AREA BURNING

AA NIL. 18 LIGHTNINGS BOMBED HATETABAKO GUN POSITIONS WITH 36 HALF TONNERS 1330 WITH HITS OBSERVED ON POSITIONS AND ON

RUNWAY WITH GENERALLY UNOBSERVED RESULTS GUNS IN OQH* AREA CEASED FIRING INTENSE MEDIUM ACCURATE AA HOLED 1 PLANE. 1

LIBERATOR ON ARMED SHIPPING RECCO OF E COAST BORNEO MADE STRAFING RUNS ON SANDAKAN AIRDROME POSSIBLY DAMAGING 1 BETTY

INTENSE LIGHT ACCURATE AA SHOT OUT 1 ENGINE. 14 WARHAWKS AND 6 MUSTANGS DROPPED 40 QUARTER TONNERS IN WAOOXP* RIVER AREA

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1500-1545 FROM MINIMUM ALTITUDE, 8 BOMBS HIT ON CAPE TOBALIEI* WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS 8 HIT NEAR BRIDGE OVER WASIG* RIVER, 24 BOMBS

HIT ON FUEL DUMPS ALONG COAST N OF SAROEAN ENHBMQ* TARGET JMEA* STRAFED FIRING 4 TRUCKS AND 1 WAREHOUSE AND DAMAGING 1 LARGE AA

NIL. 6 THUNDERBOLTS IN LOCAL PATROL 0600-1825 NIL ENEMY CONTACTS DELAYED REPORT SHOW 9 LIGHTNINGS DROPPED 9 HALF TONNERS ON

CAGAYAN AIRDROME 0900 THE 21ST FROM 10000 FEET ALL BOMBS IN TARGET AREA WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS AA NIL. 7 BLACK WIDOWS AND 8 SPIT-FIRES ON LOCAL PATROL 1800 THE 22ND-0610, 1 BLACK WIDOW MADE

1 CONTACT CLOSED TO WITHIN 2 MILES CALLED IFF AS BOGEY ENTERED AA CIRCLE. ALERTS ON MOROTAI: YELLOW 0142 THE 23RD RED 0143

ALL CLEAR 0147, BOGEY IDENTIFIED AS FRIENDLY. YELLOW 0225 RED 0237 ALL CLEAR 0319, 2 BOGEYS APPROACHED AREA FROM SOUTHWEST

SEPARATED AND CROSSED AREA FROM SOUTH AND WEST, THE BOGEY FROM THE WEST DROPPED 10 SMALL BOMBS NORTH PITOE STRIP NIL DAMAGE

REPORTED, THE OTHER BOGEY DROPPED 3 HEAVY BOMBS EAST OF PITOE KILLING 1 OFFICER AND SEVERELY WOUNDED 2 OTHERS SEVERAL OTHER

CASUALTIES ALSO REPORTED, 1 OF THE HEAVY BOMBS HIT FIRE HOUSE IN BOMB DUMP DESTROYING THE FIRE HOUSE, BOGEY ENGAGED BY 90 MM

RESULTS UNOBSERVED.

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(A) EXACT LOCATION OF DROME AREA.

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To: War Department

Nr: C 55324 23 December 1944

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French Indo China:
Two medium tankers, 6 destroyers sighted Camranh Bay by Leyte reconnaissance aircraft December 22; two heavy cruisers, 3 destroyers sighted 100 miles south southeast Camranh Bay, course 30 degrees same day.

Philippines: Mindanao:
One destroyer, two freighters, 10 seatrucks sighted in Davao Harbor morning December 22.

Borneo:
Reconnaissance aircraft sighted, one destroyer, two medium tankers, two small freighters, 3 seatrucks at Balikpapan, 5 planes on Manggar airdrome, 2 planes on Lahud Datu strip December 21; Nil shipping Marudu Bay Balabac Straits.

Part 2. Naval:
Leyte PT boats rocketed possibly destroyed eastbound barge Cebu night December 21.

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Air. Enemy action: Mindoro:
Two crash dives damaged Allied shipping; locally based P-38 patrols shot down 10 raiders, probably destroyed another; 5 more plus one probably shot down by anti aircraft fire December 21.

P-38's intercepted attacks on convoy west Panay, shot down five planes December 22.

Operations December 20:
1. Patrol B-24 sank coastal vessel northern Borneo.

Operations December 21:
2. 18 B-24's bombed Fabrica;
24 B-24's hit Bacolod;
4 B-24's attacked Dumaguett;

Leyte based fighter bombers cratered runways and dispersals Negros airdromes, also raided Santa Barbara on Panay, caused further destruction amongst grounded planes.

3. Eight P-40's exploded ammunition dumps and set supplies afire, destroyed 5 barges, one lugger, Palompon;

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Four Corsairs attacked barge hideout Camotes Islands.

4. Nine P-38's bombed and strafed Cagayan airdrome, northern Mindanao;
Eight B-24's raided San Roque airdrome, Zamboanga.

5. Refer paragraph 18 preceding report:
16 B-24's destroyed 3 planes Licanan.

6. B-24 patrols set coastal vessel afire south Davao, bombed Puerto Princesa airdrome, attacked 7 stack aft vessels, sank one, damaged 4 northern Borneo, strafed Lutong tank farm and destroyed Betty Miri airdrome;

Two Venturas attacked small freighter northern Macassar Strait.

7. 13 B-25's weathered out Zamboanga, bombed runways and dispersals Lolobata;
52 B-25's and 24 P-38's caused fires amongst Goeroea bivouacs gun positions and supplies Wasile Bay, strafed barge along coast;

16 P-40's raided other dumps and personnel areas Halmahera.

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8. Five P-38's bombed Sorong;
Three B-25's hit Mega village to east;
36 B-25's attacked Amdai village Manojwari.

9. 28 Forts bombed supplies and village Wewak area.

Operations December 22:

10. 24 Palau based B-24's caused explosions, fires destroyed estimated 50 places Clark Field dispersals Manila;
63 Leyte based P-47's furnished escort, shot down 8 or 9 intercepting fighters.

11. Corsairs and P-40's hit Luzon airdrome, southern Luzon, cratered runways, damaged four planes.

12. Three B-24's raided Carolina airdrome, Negros, before dawn;
One group B-24's from Palau struck same target during day.

13. B-24's from Biak bombed supply dumps and personnel areas Sassa, Davao;
B-25's from Morotai caused fires and explosions

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along water front Zamboanga.

14. Darwin B-24 bombed and strafed small freighter 60 miles south Boeroe Island, heading northeast;
Two Dutch B-25's destroyed barge Lomblem Island;
Two RAAF B-25's strafed two barges near Koepang;
Single B-24 bombed Laga village near Lautem.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations December 21:

15. Three Venturas, two B-25's and 4 New Zealand Corsairs caused fires amongst bivouacs New Ireland;
26 New Zealand Corsairs and one B-25 raided seaplane base radio station and personnel areas Rabaul;
Eight New Zealand Corsairs hit enemy concentrations Bougainville.

Land. Mindoro: No contact.
Leyte: X Corps: 32nd Division cleared enemy opposition from high ground south Tolibaw, met 1st Cavalry troops north Lonoy captured large quantities enemy equipment and supplies.

XXIV Corps: Elements 77th Division mounted with tank support attacked towards Palompon reached Hmaybunay

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(6000 yards northwest road junction).

[redacted] 7th Division cleared further enemy pockets northeast Ormoc. 11th Airborne Division reports all enemy resistance Manas area broken.

[redacted] Enemy casualties to date;
52,082 killed
335 Prisoners

Allied cumulative casualties
2,672 killed
8,839 wounded
143 missing.

Part 3.
1. No details

2. B-24s dropped 920 250 lb bombs from 10,000 feet; Fighter bombers dropped unstated number 1000 lb bombs and frags, fired unstated number rounds.

3. No details.

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4. P-38's dropped 9 1000 lb bombs; B-25's dropped 48 250 lb bombs from 10,000 feet, met moderate heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.

5. No details.

6. Two B-24's dropped 18 250 lb bombs, no other details.

7. B-25's dropped 78 250 lb bombs from 10,000 feet Lolobata, 536 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude Goeroea where moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire;
P-38's dropped 48 165 gallon napalm bombs from minimum altitude;
P-40's dropped 12 500 lb bombs, 36 260 lb frags.

8. P-38's dropped 6 1000 lb bombs, met slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire;
B-25's dropped 251 100 lb bombs.

9. Dropped 30 500 lb, 80 250 lb, 2 100 lb bombs, 18 250 lb incendiaries plqs unstated number 40 lb frags.

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11. Dropped unstated number 1000 lb and 500 lb bombs, met slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

12. Three B-24's dropped 18 500 lb bombs.

13. No details

14. B-24's dropped 24 250 lb bombs, fired 1000 rounds 50 caliber;
B-25's dropped 2 300 lb bombs, fired 10,900 rounds 50 caliber.

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FOR INFORMATION OF ELEMENTS 7TH FLT NOT PRESENT AT LEYTE. MINDORO OPERATION HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL IN SPITE OF SOME ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION WHICH WAS KEPT TO A MINIMUM BY STRIKES FROM 3 AIR FIELDS ON LEYTE. BY 3RD FLEET SUPPORTING STRIKES ON LUZON. BY COVER DROP CVE'S. AND BY STRIKES FROM PALAU AND MORATAI. DURING ABOUT A WEEK INCLUDING U DAY APPROXIMATELY A THOUSAND ENEMY PLANES DESTROYED. ON U PLUS 5 DAY A GROUP OF FIGHTERS MOVED IN ON MINDORO STRIP TO BE FOLLOWED BY SQUADRON MEDIUM BOMBERS U PLUS 8. ANOTHER FIGHTER GROUP MOVING IN 1 SQUADRON PER DAY BEGINNING U PLUS 8.

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RESUPPLY ECHELON COVERED BY FIGHTERS FROM LEYTE AND MINDORO ARRIVED MINDORO U PLUS 7 ON SCHEDULE ALTHOUGH UNDER AIR ATTACK LATE AFTERNOON PRECEEDING. MINDORO EXCEPTIONALLY WELL SUITED FOR AIR FIELDS. 7 STRIPS NOW PROJECTED. ADDITIONAL GROUPS FIGHTERS AND STRAFERS FOLLOWING. AIR SEARCH NOW COVERS AREA 400 MILES TO WESTWARD MINDO WITH OCCASIONAL PLANES TO CHINA COAST. BY 1 JANUARY COMPLETE RECONNAISSANCE COVERAGE OF SOUTH CHINA COAST ASIATIC COAST AND NORTHWARD BEYOND FORMOSA WILL BE EFFECTIVE. JAPS ACTIVITY OFF LEYTE. RESUPPLY ORMOC CONTINUES AT NIGHT WITHOUT ESCORT ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY LEYTE GULF ALMOST NON EXISTENT. WE HAVE DEFINITE CONTROL OF THE AIR. WE WILL MAINTAIN IT. WE ARE ON OUR WAY. MERRY CHRISTMAS. KINKAID.

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1ST RESUPPLY ECHELON L-3 ARRIVED MINDORO DAYLIGHT 22. LST'S 749 AND 460 WERE DAMAGED ENROUTE BY FIRES RESULTING FROM AIR ATTACKS EARLY EVENING 21ST. CONVOY COMMANDER ATTEMPTED TO ANCHOR DAMAGED LST'S VICINITY JARACANAO ISLAND LAT 11-13 NORTH LONG 121-40 EAST. 1 MAY HAVE DRIFTED OR SUNK. LARGE PERCENTAGE OF SURVIVORS FROM BOTH SHIPS REPORTED PICKED UP BY DD'S. SALVAGE WILL BE ATTEMPTED BY RETURNING L-3 ECHELON WHICH DEPARTED MINDORO BEACH HEAD 1800 I 22ND FOR RETURN LEYTE. ORMAC RESUPPLY ECHELON SCHEDULED DEPART ORMOC BEACH HEAD AFTER DARK 22ND FOR RETURN SAN PEDRO

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HARBOR. 3 POSSIBLE JAPANESE SUBMARINES REPORTED 2-5 MILES OFF BAY AT 1315 BY GROUND OBSERVER. PBY'S INVESTIGATING TONIGHT. MOROTAI PBY SANK A SMALL AK NEAR KUDAT BORNEO. LEYTE PT'S PROBABLY SANK 1 SMALL AK IN VISAYAN SEA. 2 PT BOATS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS GROUNDED OFF MASBATE HARBOR WERE TOWED BACK TO BASE THE SAME NIGHT. MINDORO PY ASSISTED BY SHOOTING DOWN 1 ZEKE NEAR PANAGANIN BAY.

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(CINCPAC SENDS ACTION TO ALL TFC 3RD FLT INFO TO COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT AND CTF 77)

ULTRA.

SAME JAP PLANE MENTIONED MY 21[illegible]Z ALSO MADE CONTACT 2215461 POSIT 16-37 N 128-03 E AND 16[illegible] AT 17-37 N 128-48 E.

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FOR ACTION: CTF 94 CTG 94.9 CTF 93 COMSUBSPAC COMGEN 21 BOMCOM

INFORMATION: COMINCH CINCSWPA CTF 71 COM 3RD FLT DEPCOM 20TH AAF

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CINCPOA ZONE NOTICE 68. THE BLIND BOMBING ZONES AND THE SUBMARINE PATROL ZONES IN THE AREA BETWEEN 140-00 AND 151-00 EAST FROM 22-30 TO 26-00 NORTH ARE TEMPORARILY RECLASSIFIED AS AN AIR-SURFACE ZONE FROM 1200Z 23 DECEMBER TO 2400Z 27 DECEMBER. DURING THIS PERIOD BLIND BOMBING IN THIS AREA MAY BE CONDUCTED SUBJECT TO LOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CTF 94 AND CTF 93. AT 0001Z 28 DECEMBER AREA DESCRIBED REVERTS TO ITS PRESENT CLASSIFICATIONS.

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DATE 23 DECEMBER 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 2223/22 DECEMBER			
DECODED BY FICK		INFORMATION: COM THIRD FLT; CTF 73 BASE SHIP	PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED: OP OP OP
TYPED BY STEEN/STEVENS			
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ACTION CTF 77 WASATCH. FROM GHQ G-3
PASSED TO CTF 73 BASE SHIP AND COM 3RD FLT AS 221350

FOLLOWING FROM GUERRILLAS SUGGEST PASSING COM THIRD FLEET. UP TO 21ST DECEMBER THE BAMBOO GROVES SURROUNDING OR IN VICINITY OF LANDING FIELDS LISTED BELOW, CLARK FIELD AREA, HAS NOT BEEN BOMBED OR STRAFED. SAN FERNANDO, 15-02N 120-42E, NEAR BARRIO DELPILAROBR* HALF MILE SOUTH OF SAN FERNANDO. 3 ANGELES FIELDS AT 15-09 N 120-37E. 15-05N 120-32E. 15-08 N 120-33E EC LFLX MIBALACATQCUTROKU* 5-12N 120-39E. AAMBAN, 15-16N 120-36E. TNYLAK* 15-07 N 120-35E; THESE FIELDS HAVE MANY PLANES AND DUMPS IN BAMBOO GROVES NOT REMOVED DURING RAIDS. NIPS HIDE IN SMALL UNATTRACTIVE NIPA SHACKS NEAR FIELD DURING RAIDS.
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RELEASED BY		INFORMATION	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
DATE 22 DEC 44			
TOR CODEROOM 0830			
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(CTF 73 SENDS ACTION CINCPOA CINCSWPA COMAAF COMTHRDFLT COM7THFLT COMAF 5 COMAF 13 CTF 77 ALL TF AND TG COMDRS 3RD AND 7TH FLTS)

2 NIGHT MARINERS FROM LEYTE PATROLLED MINDORO WATERS IN COOPERATION WITH PT'S ON DECEMBER 21/22. SIGHTED HOSPITAL SHIP POSIT 14-20 NORTH 119-35 EAST COURSE 260 SPEED 10 KNOTS TIME 2320/I. BOTH PLANES ALSO COVERED WATERS AROUND CTU 78.3.13. INTENTS FOR EIGHT DEC 22/23. 2 PLANES COVER MINDORO WATER AREAS AND CTU 78.3.13 LEAVING OBJECTIVE AREA.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

To: War Department

Nr: C 55261 22 December 1944

From GHQ SWPA signed MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department, C 55261. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/20th to 1500Z/21st.

Part 1.

Philippines:

Luzon: 50 small vessels sighted on coast north Lingayen Gulf December 20th; on Lipa airfield 10 fighters 12 bombers sighted December 19th.

Halmahera: Photographs December 21st showed Hatetabako runway serviceable.

Macassar Strait: Large freighter with three escorts sighted on southwesterly course 140 miles north north east Balikpapan evening December 18th.

Java: Attacking B-24's report 20 to 25 aircraft dispersed on Malheg Airdrome, three airborne.

French Indo China: Two battleships, two light cruisers, two destroyers reported still in vicinity Camranh Bay afternoon December 20th.

Part 2. Naval:

Leyte PT Boats hit two small seatrucks eastbound Bantayan Island, destroyed one, other escaped to south; also

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rocketed and shelled selected targets Masbate night December 20th.

Air. Enemy action:

Mindoro: One floatplane shot down by anti aircraft fire night December 19th; seven more raiders destroyed another probably destroyed by fighter patrols, two shot down three probably destroyed by anti aircraft fire December 20th.

Leyte: P-38's shot down one of six planes attempting raid Tanauan, anti aircraft fire claimed one Betty evening December 20th.

Morotai: Lone bomber raided Pitoe Airdrome nil damage night December 20th.

Operations December 19th:

1. 59 RAAF P-40's destroyed, five barges Kace, started fires amongst buildings and supplies Halmahera and northwestern New Guinea.

Operations December 20th:

2. 22 P-38's and 21 P-47's unable reach southern Luzon hit Masbate Airdrome.

3. Fighters strafed Negros Airdromes, destroyed or badly damaged 10 planes.

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4. P-38's and P-40's furnished ground support Leyte and hit estimated 500 enemy pocketed near Ipil.

5. Eight P-40's raided Surigao Airdrome, Mindanao; four B-24's started fires Padada airdrome, Davao.

6. Patrol B-24 caused explosions and fires Lutong refinery Miri; damaged Zeke on Feajby Airdrome; another B-24 set fuel installations ablaze southern Borneo.

7. Two Beaufighters strafed barge and buildings along northern Celebes coast; four P-38's and 10 Beaufighters bombed Sidate dispersal areas; two P-51's strafed buildings Pomelaa.

8. Patrol B-24 bombed Galelai; 16 P-40's caused many fires Wasile Bay supplies and hit Kau personnel areas.

9. 18 B-25's cratered runways Haroekoe.

10. Four P-38's bombed village Waigeo Island; 15 B-25's and four P-38's raided Mega village east Sorong and Andai near Manokwari.

11. 30 Darwin B-24's to strike Malang Airdrome, Java; 16 B-24's hit runways and dispersals, destroyed or damaged eight planes, met nil interception; remainder failed locate target and jettisoned.

12. Patrol B-24 attacked destroyer and two small freighter transports 130 miles south Ambtan course southwest;

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three Dutch B-25's struck same target, sank one troop filled transport, strafed remaining transport.

13. Four Dutch P-40's started fires personnel areas Timika, strafed Japero Village, Dutch New Guinea.

14. Four Beauforts demolished all vehicles in motor part.

Operations December 21st.

15. Three predawn B-24's caused explosions fires Clark Field, Manila.

16. 10 P-47's glide bombed and strafed Talisay Airdrome; 12 P-47's raided Carolone.

17. B-24's from Palau bombed Lahug and Opon Airdromes, Cebu.

18. B-24's from Biak struck Licanan Airdrome, Davao.

19. Darwin B-24 bombed Ende barracks, Flores Island; two other B-24's attacked Lahane and Fuiloro, Timor.

20. Eight B-24's bombed Wewak Airdromes and Muschu Island.

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[illegible] Dutch's attack same target, each one troop filled transport, [illegible] transporting troops.

13. [illegible] Dutch P-40's strafed fires personnel areas [illegible] Tarpuro Village, Dutch New Guinea.

14. Four Beaufort's demolished all vehicles in motor park.

[illegible] operations December 21st.

15. Three Liberators B-24's caused explosions fires Clark Field, Manila.

16. 10 P-47's fighter bombed and strafed Tadjay [illegible]

[illegible] 12 P-47's raided Surabaya.

17. B-24's from Palau bombed Iaing and Open Airdromes, Celebes.

[illegible] B-24's from Biak struck Liboman Airdrome, Davao.

19. Darwin B-24 bombed Yade barracks, Timor Island; [illegible] B-24's attacked Labeng and Pulo Cabo, Timor.

20. Eight B-24's bombed Weawk Airdromes and Misoim Island.

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Operations December 20th:

21. 32 B-25's struck Balgai Airdrome and bivouacs frol low level; six New Zealand Corsairs and two Ventures bombed Kavieng; six B-25's and seven New Zealand Ventures raided Namatanai and Borpop.

22. 16 New Zealand Corsairs and one B-25 attacked Rabaul and supply dumps Gazelle Peninsula; 19 New Zealand 18 other Corsairs hit stores and bivouacs Bougainville.

Land. Mindoro:

Contact. Leyte: X Corps: 32nd Division continued attack south against strong resistance.

1st Cavalry Division captured Kanonga against bitter resistance, contact made in force with 77th Division.

XXIV Corps: 77th Division elements captured Dolores, units on highway number two reached point 800 yards south Kanonga.

7th Division continued mopping up area east and south Ormoc.

Part 3.

1. Dropped 18 1,000 lb, 4 500 lb, 48 250 lb bombs.

2. Dropped 18 1,000 lb and 500 lb bombs.

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3. No details.

4. No details.

5. No details.

6. Dropped 18 250 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

7. 10 Beaufighters dropped 20 250 lb bombs, met moderate light inaccurate anti aircraft fire; P-38's dropped 3 165 gallon napalm fire bombs.

8. B-24's dropped 9 250 lb bombs; P-40's dropped 18 500 lb, 6 250 lb bombs, 24 260 lb frags; slight medium accurate anti aircraft fire.

9. Dropped 36 1,000 lb bombs from 9,000 feet.

10. P-38's dropped seven 250 lb bombs, four gasoline fire bombs; B-25's dropped 18 1,000 lb, 3 500 lb, 6 300 lb 2 250 lb and 4 100 lb bombs.

11. Dropped 9 500 lb, 450 100 lb bombs from 14,000 feet on target; jettisoned 110 500 lb, 60 100 lb bombs; slight medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

12. B-24's dropped 12 250 lb bombs from 7,000 feet; B-25's dropped 6 500 lb bombs from low level, fired 4,500 rounds 50 caliber; moderate medium accurate, heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

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13. Dropped 3 250 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

14. Dropped 22 250 lb bombs, 24 40 lb frags.

15. No details.

16. No details.

17. No details.

18. No details.

19. Dropped 36 250 pound bombs from 10,300 to 8,000 feet.

20. Dropped 64 1,000 lb bombs from 9,000 feet.

Refer preceding report paragraph 18: 26 B-24's dropped unstated number 500 lb bombs.

Paragraph 19: 12 B-24's dropped 14 tons 100 lb bombs and 20 lb frags.

Supplementary paragraph: 20 RAAF Catalinas successfully mined Manila area December 14th with 24 mark 25 (36 day sterilizers) and 30 mark 26 mines (51 day sterilizers), one plane failed return.

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Weather: Severe conditions east of Luzon, fine with scattered cloud central and southern Philippines.

End

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INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, Admiral King, Colonel Park, Statistics, Log

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RELEASED BY:

DATE: 21 DEC 1944

TOR CODEDOM: 211330

DECODED BY: MCDOUGALL

PARAPHRASED BY: MCDOUGALL CHECKED BY: MCDOUGALL

ROUTED BY: BY:

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FROM CTF 77

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FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA

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(CTF 77 SENDS ACTION CINCSWPA INFO COM 7TH FLEET COMINCH CINCPOA COM 3RD FLEET)

ORMOC RESUPPLY ECHELON 12 LSM'S WITH 3 DD'S ESCORTING DURING DAYLIGHT DEPARTED SAN PEDRO HARBOR 1430 I. ETA BEACHHEAD DAYLIGHT 22ND. 1ST RESUPPLY L-3 ECHELON ENROUTE MINDORO ESTIMATED 1800 I POSITION LAT 11-04 NORTH LONG 121-30 EAST. NO REPORTED ATTACKS SINCE DEPARTURE. MOROTAI PT'S DESTROYED 4 BEACHED BARGES LOADED WITH SUPPLIES NORTHEAST COAST OF HALMAHERA. 2 LEYTE PT BOATS WHICH FAILED TO RETURN FROM MISSION BELIEVED GROUNDED OFF MASBATE HARBOR. SOME ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY LEYTE AREA. ESTIMATED 3 PLANES OVER ANCHORAGE SAN PEDRO HARBOR ABOUT 1900 I 20TH. 1 PLANE SHOT DOWN BY AA FIRE.

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CTG 73.7 FLINGS TO CINCSWPA COMAAF COM 3RD FLT COM 7TH FLT COMAF 5 COMAF 13 CINCPOA ALL TF AND TG COMDRS 3RD AND 7TH FLTS.

RE LTS OF LEYTE SEAPLANE SEARCHES 21 DEC ALL RESULTS NEGATIVE. COVERAGE 100% VISIBILITY GOOD IN ALL SECTORS.

SECTOR EASTERN S 600 MILES.

SECTOR T. *00 MILES.

SECTOR U. 420 MILES TURNED BY FRONT.

SECTOR V. 600 MILES.

SECTOR W. 600 MILES.

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CINCPAC PASSED BY MAIL TO COMGENAAFPOA & COMINCH AA-9.7. 2ND PRELIMINARY REPORT 21 DECEMBER ALL TIMES 1(-8). 1 LIBERATOR ON SHIPPING SWEEP NORTH BORNEO NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS DROPPED 9 8TH TONNERS ON GALELA 1[illegible] RESULTS OBSERVED SLIGHT HEAVY ACCURATE AA. 1 LIBERATOR ON SHIPPING SEARCH SOUTH BORNEO SEARCH NEGATIVE DROPPED 9 8TH TONNERS OF LOUISE REFINERY 1625 ALL BOMBS IN TARGET AREA CAUSING 4 FIRES AA NIL. 1 LIBERATOR ON WEST BORNEO SEARCH DROPPED 9 8TH TONNERS ON LUTONG REFINERY HITS OBSERVED BETWEEN POWER HOUSE AND RIVER CAUSING EXPLOSION AND FIRE, 1 ZEKE STRAFED DAMAGED AT LABUAN TOWN STRIP SLIGHT MEDIUM INACCURATE AA. 18 MITCHELLS BOMBED BALIKPAPAN WITH 36 1/2 TONNERS 1345 FROM 9,000 FEET ALL BOMBS CROSSED CENTER AND EAST END OF STRIP. 9 MITCHELLS DROPPED 18 1/2 TONNERS ON

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ANDAI EINYNE HUNDRED FROM 7,000 FEET, 80 PERCENT IN TARGET AREA RESULTS UNOBSERVED. 4 MITCHELLS HIT MEDA VILLAGE WITH 3 1/4 TONNERS AND 6 X 300 POUNDERS WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. 2 MITCHELLS ON CERAM SHIPPING SWEEP 1400 NEGATIVE RESULTS. 2 LIGHTNINGS ON SORONG SHIPPING SWEEP 1400 NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS. 2 LIGHTNINGS ON DUMBO ESCORT TO CERAM HAD ENEMY CONTACTS. 4 LIGHTNINGS DROPPED 4 GASOLINE FIRE BOMBS ON MEDA VILLAGE FIRING HUTS. 4 LIGHTNINGS DROPPED 3 X 165 GALLON NAPALM FIRE BOMBS ON SRIAIE 1130, 1 POSSIBLE RADIO STATION FIRED. 4 LIGHTNINGS DROPPED 7 8TH TONNERS ON KADAREI 0920 RESULTS UNOBSERVED. 4 PHOTO LIGHTNINGS COVERED CELEBES 0800-1310. 9 THUNDERBOLTS ON EACAK PATROL 0700-1830 NIL ENEMY CONTACTS. 2 MITCHELLS ON CERAM NAMLEA SHIPPING SEARCH 1000 DROPPED 4 CENTURIES AND 2 8TH TONNERS ON HADAK RESULTS UNOBSERVED. 12 RAAF BEAUFIGHTERS DROPPED 20 8TH TONNERS ON SIDATE 0810, BOMBS HIT THROUGH MAIN DESPERSAL AREA RESULTS UNOBSERVED MODERATE LIGHT INACCURATE AA. 2 PHOTO BEAUFIGHTERS COVERED CAPE BISOA TO MITI 1455-1815. 8 KITTYHAWKS DROPPED 10 1/4 TONNERS AND 6 8TH TONNERS ON WAREHOUSES SUPPLIES AND FUEL DUMPS WASILE AREA 0845-0910 CAUSING MANY FIRES SLIGHT MEDIUM ACCURATE AA.

CHOELADADOAREK STRAFED BY 2 MUSTANGS 1010 FIRING 1 HUT. 4 KITTYHAWKS DROPPED 12 X 260 POUNDERS ON DODINGA 1030 DAMAGING 2 WAREHOUSES. 2 RAAF BEAUFIGHTERS ON BOLAANGOEKI KOENACANG BAY SWEEP 1000 STRAFED 1 BUILDING AND 1 VBA SLIGHT LIGHT ACCURATE AA HOLED 1 PLANE. 4 KITTYHAWKS DROPPED 12 X 260 POUNDS FRAGS ON

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GAOE PERSONNEL AREA 133 DESTROYED MANY HUTS AA NIL. 59 RAAF KITTYHAWKS ON SWEEP OVER NORTHWEST NEW GUINEA AND HALMAHERA [illegible] THE 19TH DROPPING 18 1/2 TONNERS 48 1/8 TONNERS AND 4 1/4 TONNERS ON HUTS AND FUEL DUMPS STARTING NUMEROUS FIRES, 5 VB'S DESTROYED AT KAOY. 4 BLACK WIDOWS ON LOCAL PATROL 1845 THE 20TH-0530, SECTORED ON 1 BOGEY LEAVING AREA UNABLE MAKE CONTACT. ALERTS ON MOROTAI: YELLOW 2000 AND 2006 ALL CLEAR 2032, 1 BANDIT MADE RUN OVER AREA FROM WEST TO E AT 500 FEET DROPPED APPROXIMATELY 10 SMALL ANTI PERSONNEL BOMBS ON AIR STRIP NIL DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES REPORTED, BANDIT IDENTIFIED AS A TWIN ENGINE AIRCRAFT AA DID NOT ENGAGE

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To: War Department

Nr: C 55201 21 December 1944

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French Indo China:
Local reports from vicinity Camra Bay state transports three tankers with excort vessels left December 19
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Part 2
Naval: Morotai PT boats destroyed four heavily armed supply and ammuniton laden barges, fired nearby fuel dumps northeastern Halmahera night December 19th.
Air. Enemy action: * 29 planes raided beachhead about noon December 20th; 11 shot down three probably destroyed by Allied patrols, 1 P47 lost, 2 others missing.
Morotai: single raider missed targets predawn December 20th.
Operations December 17th:
(1) Patrol Ventura destroyed 2 planes damaged another Cagayan, northern Mindanao.
Operations December 18th:
(2) Patrol. Patrol B 24s damaged seatruck two coastal vessels and four luggers northeast Jesselton.
(3) Two B25's bombed installations Waieo Island.
Operations December 19th:
(4) Eight P38's swept Batangas northern Luzon, strafed five bombers damaged three, set barges afire offshore.

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(5) Refer paragraph 12 preceding report * left three burning Fabrica.
(6) 12 Corsairs strafed Malogo airdrome; 12 other * three enemy fighters, one Corsair lost; eight P 38's swept Negrot airdromes destroyed two and damaged four planes on ground.
(7) 12 Corsairs and six * sorties set stores afire Alompon * * dumps and furnished * and ground support *** B 25's attacked barge concentrations Davao, destroyed * five barges.
(9) * four P47's fired buildings Sanga Sanga and set afire small freighter previously damaged near Tawi *.
(10) 15 Beaufighters hit supplies and bivouacs Sidate, northeastern Celebes.
(11) Seven KAAF P40's bombed Soebaim village, Wasile Bay; 2 B25's, 16 P40's, 4 P47's and 4 P51's attacked supplies warehouses and barges around Halmahera; 12 P 38's on locale patrol strafed three barges.
(12) Two B25's attacked barge eastern Amboina; 11 * sorties, 23 B25's and 14 P 38's raided Haroekoe airdrome, destroyed plane undetermined serviceability, hit bivouacs supplies and ** positions.
(13) Darwin B 24 bombed Ende barracks Flores Island and Fuiloro village Timor; another B 24 bombed Lahane; RAAF Ventura attacked Dobo, Aroe Island.
(14) Seven B 25's raided Sepik river villages Wewak.

Operations December 20th:
(15) B 24's bombed * airfields before dawn; Catalina set medium freighter afire and attakced destroyer northeast Mindoro.

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(16) 28 B24's covered by 7 P38's scored excellent results Santa Barbara runways * Panay Island; 6 P38's damaged 8 small boats southern Panay.

(17) 24 B24's with 11 P 47's escort hit Bacolod airdrome, damaged two planes on ground; 12 P47's and nine P 38's swept Negros destroyed one plane damaged another strafed installations also destroyed Betty Cagayan northern Mindanao, 1 P47 lost.

(18) Palau based B 24's attacked Lahug and Opon airdromes, Cebu.

(19) One B24 group from * struck Sassa airdrome, Davao.

(20) 16 B25's bombed San Roque airdrome, Zamboanga, found 6 to nine fighters airborne nil interception.

(21) Darwin B 24 damaged coastal vessel southeast Celebes; 4 * B25's damaged * barge east Flores Island; another B 24 and single Beaufort bombed targets Timor; RAAF B 25 strafed enemy outpost Tanimbar Islands.

(22) Eight B25's and 5 A20's attacked Pondo plantation and targets along western Gazelle Peninsula.

Solomons forces. Air.
Operations December 19th:

(23) Eight New Zealand Corsairs hit fuel dumps near Kavieng; four B25's raided bivouacs Borpop; six New Zealand Corsairs plus two Venturas bombed plantations northern New Ireland; 108 Marine Dauntless weathered out from Lakunai struck Kaving town and airdrome started many fires.

(24) Six New Zealand *** Ventura attacked targets Rabaul; 33 Marine B25's cratered runways and caused large

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explosion Lakunai; 32 New Zealand Corsairs over Bougainville attacked enemy concentrations.

Land. Mindoro: defences consolidated against enemy land, sea or airborne attack.

Leyte: X Coprs: 32nd Division reduced strong enemy defensive position consisting of 100 connecting caves 3200 yards south Tolibaw. 1st Cavalry * units advanced south from Loncy reached Kananga, met heavy resistance from town, patrols contacted 77th Division.

XXIV Corps: 77th Division captured road junction north Libungao after stiff fighting, majority 200 service troops counter attacking Kirled. Command Post opened Valencia. 7th Division and Corps Command Post opened Ormoc. 11th Airborne Division killed 189 enemy Anas area.

Part 3
Paragraphs one and two no details.
(3) Dropped four 250 lb, four 100 lb bombs.
(4) No details.
(5) Dropped 204 100 lb bombs from minimum altitude, fired unstated number rounds, met moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire.
(6) No details.
(7) Corsairs dropped twelve 1000 lb bombs.
Paragraph eight and nine no details.
(10) Dropped twenty-three 250 lb bombs from minimum altitude, fired unstated number rounds, met moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire.

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(11) P 40's and B 25's dropped fifty 500 lb, four 250 lb bombs, four parademos, met moderate medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire.
(12) Dropped 136 500 lb, four 250 lb bombs, eight 500 lb incendiaries, four parademos, six 165 * 11,000 feet to minimum altitude, fired unstated number rounds, met slight heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.
(13) B 24's dropped 24 250 lb bombs from 9,000 feet; Ventura dropped three 300 lb bombs five seconds delay, fired 400 rounds 30 calibre.
(14) Dropped 28 300 lb bombs eight to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 7,000 rounds 50 calibre.
(15) No details.
(16) B 24's dropped 21 * and 103 500 lb bombs from 11,300 feet to 9,400 feet.
(17) B 24's dropped 31 1,000 lb, 88 500 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.
Paragraphs 18 and 19 no details.
(20) Dropped 64 500 lb bombs from 10,000 feet, met moderate heavy accurate anti aircraft fire.
(21) B 24's dropped 24 250 lb bombs from 5,000 feet; B 25's dropped four 500 lb, two 300 lb from minimum altitude, fired 1200 rounds 50 calibre; Beaufort dropped four 250 lb bombs.
(22) Dropped 48 300 lb bombs eight to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 14,000 rounds 50 calibre.

Refer preceding report paragraph 11: 26 B 24's dropped 180 500 lb bombs. Airdrome construction Mindoro to December 19: Hill airdrome 5750 foot dry weather strip in good

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condition except for _* * patches, transports and fighters landed December 20th; STHMI 4/6MD foot dry weather strip under construction San Jose, 2800 feet rough graded. Aircraft status: Colo three P38 Squadrons of 8th Fighter Group arrived Mindoro December 20th.

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* Being serviced

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DATE 20 DEC 1944			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM			
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TYPED BY STEVENS/STEEN			ROUTINE
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(TO CINCSWPA ACTION COM 7TH FLT INFO COM 3RD FLT INFO FROM COMAAF SWPA AX 96167)

HILIPPINES AIR INTENT FOR 21 DECEMBER 13TH AIR FORCE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS: 4 RONS LIBERATORS COVERED BY 1 RON LIGHTNINGS HIT BACOLOD AIRDROME 1138/1 4 RONS LIBERATORS COVERED BY 1 RON THUNDERBOLTS STRIKE FABRICA AIRDROME 1445/1 3 RONS MITCHELLS COVERED BY 1 RON THUNDERBOLTS STRIKE SAN ROQUE AIRDROME 09000/1 1 RON LIGHTNINGS DIVE BOMB CAGAYAN AIRDROME 0900/1 1 RON THUNDERBOLTS DIVE BOMB VALENCIA AIRDROME 0900/1

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FROM: COM 3RD FLEET

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 28 DEC 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 1739

DECODED BY: IMRIE

PARAPHRASED BY: SCHMICK CHECKED BY: MONROE

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INFORMATION: CINCPAC
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REGRET UNABLE STRIKE ON 21ST DUE TO IMPOSSIBLE SEA CONDITIONS. AM RETIRING EASTWARD.

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FROM CINCPAC		ASTERISK (*) AIRGRAM ADDRESSEE	URGENT
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: ALL TFC'S 7TH FLT	PRIORITY
DATE 20 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEHOOK			DEFERRED
DECODED BY IMRIE		INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLT	BASEGRAM
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AT 201900/I JAP PLANE MADE CONTACT POSIT 12-20 N 121-00 E. S. of Manila

22 MINUTES LATER ANOTHER CONTACT MADE AT 08-47 N 123-03 E. S. of Nippon

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RELEASED BY		INFORMATION: CINCSWPA COM 3RD FLT COM ANF COMAF 13 CTF 77	000000000 PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
DATE 20 DEC 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 200601			
DECODED BY LUTZ			
TYPED BY MC CORMACK/			
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HONO INTERCEPT

((TO COMAF 5 ACTION CINCSWPA INFO COM 3RD FLT, COM ANF COMAF 13 CTF 77 FROM COMAAF SWPA (AX 96100))

3RD FLT INTENDS TO STRIKE LUZON BEFORE DAWN 21 DECEMBER. 1 21 DECEMBER MINDORO -LUZON DIVIDING LINE WILL BE IN EFFECT.

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RELEASED BY			
DATE 20 DEC 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 200631		INFORMATION: COM 3RD FLT CINC SWPA; COM ANF	000000000 PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
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(TO COMAF 5 ACTION CINCSWPA INFO COM 3RD FLT, COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES FROM COMAAF SWPA. AX 96039)

CANCEL INTENDED STRIKE LAND BOMBERS MANILA AND CLARK FIELD AIRDROMES NIGHT OF 20/21 DECEMBER PER YOUR DOPT 1038 E UNLESS BOMBERS CAN CLEAR AREA PRIOR TO MIDNIGHT SEPARATE MESSAGE HAS BEEN SENT TO YOU GIVING ATTENTION OF 3RD FLT TO STRIKE LUZON BEFORE DAWN 21 DECEMBER. ADVISE INTENTION WITH INPONWO*ABOVE INFO ADDEES

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM: CTF 77

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 21 DEC 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 0014

DECODED BY: WOODWARD

TYPED BY: WOODWARD

ROUTED BY:

FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA

INFORMATION: COM7THFLT COMINCH CINCPOA COM3RDFLT

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FROM CTF 77 TO CINCSWPA WITH INFO TO COMDR 7TH FLEET COMINCH CINCPOA COMDR 3RD FLEET.

ORMAC RESUPPLY ECHELON ARRIVED SAN PEDRO HARBOR 13001 WITHOUT INCIDENT. FIRST RESUPPLY ECHELON L-3 NOW EN-ROUTE MINDORO ESTIMATED 18001 POSITION LAT 08-50 NORTH LONG 123-30 EAST. LEYTE PBY STRAFED AND BOMBED DD AND FTB NORTHEAST MINDORO. 1 NEAR BOMB MISS ON FTB WHICH WAS DAMAGED AND LEFT ON FIRE. MINOR ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY IN LEYTE AREA. PT PATROLS NIGHT 19-20 UNREPORTED.

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TO FEAF GHQ THIRD FLT FROM COMAF FIVE(CITE D1028E)

CITE MESSAGE CX 55099. FIFTH AIR FORCE BLIND BOMBERS STRIKE MANILA AND CLARK FIELD AIRDROMES NIGHT OF 20/21 DECEMBER UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines.

To: War Department

Nr: C 55141 20 December 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 55141. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z 18 to 1500Z/19 signed Eisenhower.

French Indo China: Two battleships, two cruisers, five destroyers, 25 other vessels reported leaving Camranh Bay afternoon December 19.

Philippines: Luzon: Reconnaissance plane reported 34 vessels off Manila coast night December 18th; work proceeding on five airdromes upper Cagayan River valley.

Corr. Mindoro: 13 enemy planes reported over our positions during night December 18th.

Part 2. Air.

Enemy action: Mindoro: Additional raids against shore positions and shipping December 16 through 19th; anti aircraft fire shot down four planes, PT boats shot down four others, another plane crash dived on PT boat.

Leyte: Single plane bombed West Tacloban early December 19th.

Operations December 17th:
(1) 70 RAAF P40's attacked fuel dumps and supplies

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Nr: C 55141 20 December 1944

Halmahera and northwestern New Guinea.

Operations December 18th: (2) 12 P38's after patrolling Mindoro started fires Fabrica airfield, Negros Island; other P38's strafed buildings Dumaguete.

(3) 16 P40's demolished bridge and strafed traffic Palompon/Kalanga highway, Leyte.

(4) Catalinas damaged large barge Davao and strafed Kudat docks, northern Borneo; day * B24 caused explosion on unidentified ship Darvel Bay also destroyed fuel installations.

(5) 16 P47's and nine P38's set small seatruck afire, strafed two similar vessels, destroyed fuel barge damaged two others Tawao, northwestern Borneo, one P38 lost; 14 P38's swept Tarakan destroyed fighter on ground, set fuel tanks and buildings afire, one P38 lost.

(6) 10 Beaufighters swept northern Celebes, rocketed installations and set buildings afire Manado.

(7) Eight RAAF P40's bombed Hatetabako bivouacs; 16 other P40's raided warehouses and personnel area Halmahera; two P51's fired three barges.

(8) 24 B25's started fires Haroekoe airdrome; two

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Nr: C 55141 20 December 1944

B25's swept Boeroe Island, bombed coastal targets; 11 A20's and one B25 hit Laha barracks, Ambon.

(9) 19 Beauforts struck enemy positions and villages Wewak.

Operations December 19th: (10) Three B24's bombed village near Laoag northern Luzon before dawn; day B24 scored direct hits on medium transport 300 miles west Manila.

(11) Two Palau based B24 groups caused explosions and large fires Legaspi airdrome, southeastern Luzon.

(12) One B25 group from Biak fired fuel dumps and installations Fabrica airdrome, Negros Island.

(13) Darwin B24 cratered fuiloro runways, Timor .

(14) Six B24's bombed coastal targets Wewak.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations December 18th: (15) Six New Zealand Venturas bombed Borpop airdrome, six more Venturas plus New Zealand Corsairs hit bivouacs New Ireland; 23 New Zealand Corsairs strafed and damaged camouflaged floatplane Malaguna, hit other targets Rabaul; eight New Zealand Corsairs over southern Bougainville bombed headquarters Fauro Island.
Land: Mindoro: No enemy contacts. Leyte: X Corps: 32nd

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Division made limited gains 19th December, reported lessening resistance by end of period.

1st Cavalry Division units captured Loncy (6,000 yards south Tolibaw) established road block.

151st Infantry attached to 24th Division took over beach defences Carigara.

XXIV Corps: 77th Division captured Libungao, established road block on Palompon road.

11th Airborne Division reinforced units Lubi/Anas area. Allied cumulative casualties: 2581 killed, 8,398 wounded, 157 missing.

Part 3.

(1) Dropped 23 by 1,000 lb, 38 by 500 lb, 18 by 250 lb and 122 100 lb bombs.

(2) No details.

(3) Dropped unstated number 500 lb bombs.

(4) B24 dropped nine by 500 lb bombs.

(5) Met accurate anti aircraft fire, intense medium

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from Tarakan, slight light from Tawao.

(6) Dropped 11 250 lb bombs, fired 16 60 lb rockets, met slight light accurate anti aircraft fire.

(7) P40's dropped 14 250 lb bomb, 48 260 lb frags; intense medium inaccurate anti aircraft fire Hatetabako.

(8) Dropped 32 500 lb, eight 300 lb, 122 100 lb bombs, 64 500 lb magnesium clusters.

(9) Dropped 30 500 lb, 51 250 lb bombs, 24 250 lb incendiaries, 48 40 lb frags.

Paragraphs 10 through 12 no details.

(13) Dropped 12 250 lb bombs from 10,000 feet.

(14) Dropped 48 1,000 lb bombs from 8,000 feet.

Weather: Fine conditions with well broken cloud throughout Philippines.

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CGAAF Col Park
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DATE: 20 DEC 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM:			DEFERRED
DECODED BY: IMRIE		INFORMATION: COMINCH COM 7TH FLT CINCSWPA CTF 71 DEPCOM 20 ARMY AIR FORCE	PPPPPPPP PRIORITY
TYPED BY: STEVENS/STEEN			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY:			DEFERRED

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(CINCPOA SENDS. INFO COMINCH COM 7TH FLT CINCSWPA CTF 71 DEPCOM 20 ARMY AIR FORCE)

CINCPOA ZONE NOTICE 67.

EFFECTIVE 0800 GCT 22 DECEMBER THE WATERS WITHIN 5 MILES OF THE SHORE LINE OF BEACH OF THE BONIN AND VOLCANO ISLANDS ARE BLIND BOMBING ZONES DURING THE NIGHTTIME FROM SUNSET TO SUNRISE.

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FROM CTG 73.SPN*		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: COM 7TH FLT	OP OP OP OP PRIORITY
DATE 20 DEC 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 200211			DEFERRED
DECODED BY PERRY		INFO: CTF 73 COMAF 5 COMAF 13 COMAAF COM 3RD FLT CINCPOA CINCSWPA ALL TF & TG COMDRS 3RD & 7TH FLTS	OP OP OP OP PRIORITY
TYPED BY MC CORMACK/			ROUTINE
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(CTG 73.SPN* SENDS ACTION COM 7TH FLT INFO CTF 73 COMAF 5 COMAF 13 COMAAF COM 3RD FLT CINCPOA CINCSWPA ALL TF & TG COMDRS 3RD & 7TH FLTS)

SEARCHES FROM LEYTE. 19TH 6 PBM'S
WEATHER AND VISIBILITY GENERALLY GOOD EXCEPT EAST COAST LUZON.

POSITS EAST AND NORTH TIMES ITEM.
N FULL DISTANCE 95%. VISIBILITY GOOD NO CONTACTS.

O ALL THE WAY 90% GOOD VISIBILITY. SIGHTED 1 FTB 1 FTD 1 DD 1 GUNBOAT AT 13-40. 115-50 COURSE 240 KNOTS 8 AT 1055.

MADE 3 STRAFING RUNS ON FTB AND DD. 1 HIT NEAR NROR* MISS WITH 5 HUNDRED POUNDERS ON FTB LEFT BURNING AND LISTING.

RETURNED WHEN QUEEN STRAFED TO TOTAL 3 2 HUNDRED ROUNDS LEAVING FTB BURNED OUT. MEAGRE HEAVY INACCURATE AND MODER-

ATE LIGHT INACCURATE AA. P 625 MILES 90%. GOOD. NO CONTACTS. Q FULL DISTANCE 90% GOOD VISIBILITY. CONTACT SAME SHIPS AS

O AT 1300 SAME POSIT. JOINED IN STRAFING DROPPED 10 HUNDRED POUNDERSWITH 3 POSITIVE AND 7 PROBABLE HITS ON DECK OF

LISTING FTB. AA AS IN O. R DISTANCE FULL. 90. GOOD. NO CONTACTS. Z 500 MILES DUE WEATHER. 100% BAD TO GOOD VISIBILITY.

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UP EAST COAST LUZON TO 15-00 N TURNED E K CROSSED NORTH
SAMAR UP WEST COAST LUZON TO LINGAYEN. HOSPITAL SHIP
AT 15-00, 120-00 COURSE 330 KNOTS 12 AT 1230

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM CTG 73.4

RELEASED BY

DATE 20 DECEMBER 1944

TOR CODEROOM 2319/19

DECODED STEEN

TYPED BY STEEN/STEVENS

ROUTED BY

FOR ACTION: ATFGC THIRD AND SEVENTH FLTS
COM SEVENTH FLT
COM THIRD FLEET
CINCPOA; COMAAF
COMAF FIVE; COMAF 13
CTF 77; CINCSWPA

INFORMATION

PRECEDENCE: OP OP OP

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CTG 73.4 SENDS ALL TASK FORCE AND TASK GROUP COMMANDERS THIRD AND SEVENTH FLEETS, COM SEVENTH FLEET, COM THIRD FLEET, CINCPOA, COMAAF, COMAF FIVE; COMAF 13 HAS LOCALLY. CTF 77 PASS CINCSWPA.

PBHY MOROTAI SEARCHES 19TH.
SECTOR LXKE* OUT 600 95%. 1000 TWO SC'S 6 SD'S ANCHORED DAVAO HARBOR. 1320 SANK 3 LJWWSVDSPCNXMUC* 2 LUGGERS 09-00N 124-54 E. SECTOR TWO OUT 1000 90%. 1310 ULUGAN BAY EMPTY. 1320 PUERTO PRINCESSA EMPTY. 1500 2 FTC'S 3 SC'S DOCKED ZAMBOANGA. SECTOR THREE OUT 850 100%. 1100 TO 1130 BACUIT MALAMPAYA TAY TAY DUMURAN EMPTY. 1240 CORON BAY EMPTY. SECTOR ONE OUT 1000 90%. 0915 JOLO TUTU BAY EMPTY. 1050 SAN ANTONIO BAY EMPTY 1215 TIXFBO[illegible]BANK* EMPTY. 1400 BALABIK EMPTY. SECTOR XRAY OUT 600 95% NEGATIVE. SECTOR CHARLIE OUT 840 95% NEGATIVE. SECTOR FOUR OUT 950 90%. 1015 SANDAKAN

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EMPTY NO PLANES STRIP. 1055 MARUDU EMPTY. 1120 BESMELTON EMPTY.
1140 BRUNEI EMPTY. 1155 MIRII EMPTY.
VENTURA SEARCHES SECTOR FIVE OUT 450 80%.
(D) OUT 330 80%.
(B) OUT 575 95%. ALL NEGATIVE.
(A) OUT 575 75%. ATTACKED BY 3 THUNDERBOLTS SOUTH OF
BONGAN TAWI TAWI. PLANE HOLED 12 PLACES WASHED OUT ON
LANDING. SLIGHT INJURIES TO TWO CREWMEN.
TIMES ARE ITEM.

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM: GHQSWPA ADV ECH
RELEASED BY:
DATE: 19 DECEMBER 1944
TOR CODEROOM: 1652/19
DECODED BY:
TYPED BY: STEVENS
ROUTED BY: HARTZELL BENNETT

FOR ACTION: COMAAF — OP PRIORITY

INFORMATION: CG 6TH ARMY; COM 3RD FLEET; CINCPOA; ALLIED NAVAL FORCES; COMAF 5 — OP PRIORITY

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FROM GHQ SWPA SIGNED MACARTHUR TO COM ALLIED AIR FORCES FOR ACTION, INFO TO COM 3RD FLEET, CINCPOA, ALLIED NAVAL FORCES, CG 6TH ARMY, COMAF 5, CITE OX 35299.

OPERATIONS U PLUS 5

THIRD FLEET STRIKES LUZON U PLUS 6 ONLY.

LUZON AREA OPEN FOR ALLIED AIR FORCES.

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DRAFTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM CINCSWPA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: COM 3RD FLT	PRIORITY / DEFERRED
DATE 20 DEC 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 0338			
DECODED BY SANDBERG		INFORMATION: COMFEAF, COMAF 5, CTF 38, CINCPAC	PRIORITY / DEFERRED
TYPED BY D SMITH/wlp			
ROUTED BY			

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RDO HONO PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 200001

(FROM CINCSWPA SGD MACARTHUR TO COM 3RD FLT FOR ACTION AND TO COMFEAF, COMAF 5 CTF 38, CINCPAC ALL FOR INFO CITE CX 55098)

BECAUSE OF LIMITED FACILITIES, IT WILL BE NECESSARY THAT CLEARANCE FROM THIS HEADQUARTERS BE OBTAINED PRIOR TO STRIKE. REFERENCE 190111, 1 PURSUIT GROUP FLIES TO MINDORO 20TH DECEMBER, FOLLOWED AS RAPIDLY AS PRACTICABLE WITH OTHER AVIATION. IT IS BELIEVED LIMITED SPACE CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR 3RD FLEET VT AVIATION IN EMERGENCY FROM THAT DATE.

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FROM CTF 77		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA	OP QP AP PRIORITY
DATE 27 DEC 44			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 0153			DEFERRED
DECODED BY SANDBERG		INFORMATION: COM SEVENTH FLEET COMINCH CINCPOA COMTHIRDFLEET	CP QP DP PRIORITY
TYPED BY SANDBERG			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED

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(FROM CTF 77 ACTION CINCSWPA INFO TO COMSEVENTHFLT COMINCH CINCPOA COMTHIRDFLT.)

ESCORTS AND TUGS OF L-3 SLOW TOW ARRIVED LEYTE 1300I.
FIRST RESUPPLY ECHELON FOR L-3 IN 4 LSTS 4 LCI AND 7 MERCHANT SHIPS ESCORTED BY 11 DD'S DEPARTED LEYTE AT 1530I FOR MINDORO. ETA 22ND.
RESUPPLY ECHELON FOR ORMOC BEACH HEAD ARRIVED EARLY MORNING 19 AND REMAINED BEACHED DURING DAY. WILL DEPART ORMOC AFTER DARK FOR RETURN SAN PEDRO HARBOR.
PT REPORTS FOR 16TH FROM MINDORO.
ATTEMPTED ATTACK BY 2 VALS ON PI BOATS RESULTED 1 ENEMY PLANE SHOT DOWN AND OTHER DAMAGED.
17TH PT'S SHOT DOWN 3 ZEKES.
19TH PT 300 DESTROYED BY SUICIDE CRASH CASUALTIES 3 DEAD 4 MISSING 4 WOUNDED.

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PT 223 STRADDLED BY BOMBS AND 2 INJURED.

BLACK CATS DAMAGED BARGE AT DAVAO.

LEYTE PBY PROBABLY SANK 1 SMALL AK NORTH OF LUZON.

ENEMY AIR CONTINUES QUIET IN LEYTE AREA.

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FROM COMFWDAREA CENPAC		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY	FOR ACTION	CINCPOA	PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
DATE 29 DECEMBER 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 2253			
DECODED BY	INFORMATION	COMGENPOA COMINCH	PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
TYPED BY SKALAK Goodnight			
ROUTED BY KLAFF			

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SUMMARY OF MOPPING OPERATIONS - FORWARD AREA 9 THRU 16 DECEMBER PELELIU AND ANGUAR 3 JAPS KILLED. TINIAN 3 JAPS KILLED, 1 POW. GUAM 63 JAPS KILLED 11 POWS OWN CASUALTIES 4 WIA. SAIPAN 23 JAPS KILLED 1 POW

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JM COM 3RD FLEET		FOR ACTION: CINCPAC CINCSOWESPAC	OP PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
RELEASED BY			
DATE 19 DECEMBER 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 1003		INFORMATION: COMINCH COM 7TH FLEET ALL TFC'S 3RD FLT ALL TFC'S 7TH FLT	OP PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
DECODED BY C STRONG			
TYPED BY C STRONG/ Schmeck			
ROUTED BY			

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(COM 3RD FLEET SENDS ACTION CINCPAC CINCSOWESPAC INFO COMINCH COM 7TH FLEET ALL TASKFORCOMS 3RD AND 7TH FLEETS)

CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS TO MY 172357. SHIPS SUNK CHANGE 10 AK TO 1 LARGE AO; 1 LARGE, 1 MEDIUM, 7 SMALL AK. ADD 1 CM, 5 SMALL CARGO VESSELS AND 7 SMALL CRAFT.

SHIPS DAMAGED 9 AK INSTEAD OF 10 AND 17 SMALL CARGO VESSELS INSTEAD OF 25 ADD 1 LARGE AP, 1 MEDIUM 1 SMALL AO, 1 COAST DEFENSE VESSEL.

OWN LOSSES FOR 16TH WERE 7 PLANES IN COMBAT 7 OPERATIONAL 6 PILOTS AND 1 CREWMAN. CORRECTED LOSSES FOR 3 DAYS 27 COMBAT 38 OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT 29 PILOTS AND 1 CREWMAN.

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FROM CTF 94		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: CINCPOA	PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED DDDDDDD
DATE 23 DEC. 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 1904			
DECODED BY HUGHES		INFORMATION	PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
TYPED BY SOMERS/ BENNETT			
ROUTED BY			

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CINCPOA WAS ACTION ON 190140 OF COMTASKFOR 94. CINCPAC NOW ENCRYPTS AND SENDS INFO COMINCH AS 221531.

QUOTE FOLLOWING EXERPT FROM COMWESTCAROLINES AMG 180001 TRANSMITTED FOR INFORMATION

"10 DECEMBER 116 NATIVES OF BABELTHUAP VOLUNTARILY EVACUATED FROM THE ISLAND AREA IN SOUTHERN KOSSOL ROADS IN STOLEN JAP BARGES AND WERE PICKED UP AFTER THEY APPEARED ALONGSIDE ONE OF OUR LCI'S ON PICKET DUTY THEY WERE BROUGHT TO THE CIVILIAN CAMP AT ANGAUR. AMONG THOSE RESCUED WAS EX-CHIEF OF POLICE AT KOROR WHO GAVE MUCH INFORMATION. HIS CHIEF REASON FOR ESCAPE WAS TO ASK AMERICAN AID IN RESCUING THE REMAINING ESTIMATED 6,000 NATIVES WHO WILL BE IN SORRY PLIGHT FOR FOOD AFTER MARCH. ALL FOOD SUPPLIES

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INCLUDING GARDEN STUFFS LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY HAVE BEEN APPROPRIATED BY JAPS AND THE ONLY FOOD AVAILABLE TO THE NATIVES IS THAT WHICH IS ISSUED BY THE JAPS. HE STATED THE LAST FOODSTOCKS ARRIVING BY SHIP WAS LAST APRIL AND THAT THE SUPPLY OF RICE WOULD BE EXHAUSTED IN MARCH. HE STATED THE VEGETABLE SUPPLIES WILL BE INSUFFICIENT TO FEED BOTH TROOPS AND CIVILIANS. 8 CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES, 7 SPANISH AND 1 AMERICAN CIVILIAN ARE REPORTED TO BE CONFINED BY THE JAPS. NATIVES HAVE HEARD THAT 8 AMERICAN PRISONERS THAT HAD PARACHUTED FROM PLANES WERE HELD BY THE JAPS BUT WHETHER THEY WERE ALIVE OR NOT WAS NOT KNOWN. 200 NATIONALS OF INDIA AND 150 INDONESIANS ARE HELD AS PRISONERS AND USED FOR LABOR DETAILS BY THE JAPS. NUMEROUS NATIVES OF THE ISLAND ARE REPORTEDLY SICK AND SUFFERING FROM MALNUTRITION AND IT IS BELIEVED MANY OF THEM WILL DIE IF THE SITUATION IS NOT RELIEVED. I DO NOT CONTEMPLATE THE EVACUATION OF MORE CIVILIANS FROM BABELTHUAP."

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FROM COM 3RD FLT		FOR ACTION: CINCSOWESPAC	PRIORITY ROUTINE OPOPOP DEFERRED BASEGRAM
RELEASED BY			
DATE 19 DEC 1944			
TOR CODEROOM			
DECODED BY ROLL		FOR INFORMATION: COMFEAF COMAF 5 CTF 38 CINCPAC	PRIORITY ROUTINE OPOPOP DEFERRED BASEGRAM
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TOP SECRET FROM COM 3RD FLT. ACTION CINCSOWESPAC. INFO COMFEAF COMAF 5 CTF 38 CINCPAC.

ADVISE EARLIEST WHEN AND IF MINDORO FIELDS CAN BE USED FOR STAGING 3RD FLT CARRIER PLANES IN EVENT ENEMY SURFACE FORCES APPROACH PHILIPPINES. SUCH STAGING WOULD GREATLY EXTEND RANGE OF OUR VT.

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FROM: COMAAF SWPA (TG 33.1)

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 19 DEC 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 0104

DECODED BY: MCDOUGALL

TYPED BY: C STRONG/ Johnson

ROUTED BY:

FOR ACTION: COMAF 5

INFORMATION: CINCSWPA
COM 3RD FLT
COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES

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(PASSED BY NPM (RDO HONO) AS 190144 TO (5QHQ) GARBLED CALL)

(ACTION TO COMAF 5, INFO CINCSWPA COM 3RD FLT COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES FROM COMAAF SWPA)

AX 95931. 1ST RESUPPLY L-3 CONVOY ORIGINALLY DUE IN U PLUS 6 NOW POSTPONED UNTIL U PLUS 7. ALTER AIR COVERAGE PLANS ACCORDINGLY.

3RD FLT STRIKES LUZON AREA U PLUS 4, U PLUS 5, U PLUS 6. DIVIDING LINE WEST ON 14-30 N TO 121-50 E THENCE SOUTH TO 13-35 N THENCE WEST MUST BE OBSERVED AND ALL STRIKES NORTH AND WEST. COORDINATED THRU THIS HEADQUARTERS WITH 3RD FLT AS FAR IN ADVANCE AS POSSIBLE.

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FROM CINCSWPA SGD MACARTHUR TO COM ALLIED AIR FORCES FOR ACTION AND FOR INFO TO COM3RDFLT, COMMANDER ALLIED NAVAL FORCES (WASATCH) COMMANDING GENERAL 5TH AIR FORCE CITE CX 95055.

REFERENCE COMMANDER 3RD FLEET'S 172318Z. 3RD FLEET UNABLE TO ATTACK LUZON TARGETS U PLUS 4. LUZON AREA OPEN TO ALLIED AIR FORCES FOR BOMBING ON THAT DAY.

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L-3 SLOW TOW RETURNING FROM MINDORO ESTIMATED 1800 I POSITION LAT 09-12 N LONG 124-12 E EXPECTED

ARRIVE LEYTE AFTERNOON 19TH. REAR ADMIRAL STRUBLE L-3 ASSAULT FORCE COMMANDER WITH ECHELONS 1B AND

1C ARRIVED LEYTE 0925 I. RESUPPLY ECHELON SFN* LSMS AND 5 LCI'S DEPARTED LEYTE FOR ORMOC BAY AT

1430 I EXPECTED ARRIVE LESET HEAD* ABOUT DAYLIGHT 19TH. DD'S ESCORTING GROUP WHILE ENROUTE DURING

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THE VERY REMARKABLE SUCCESS OF YOUR TEN-ELEVEN DECEMBER OPERATIONS IN COMPLETELY SMOTHERING ALL ENEMY AIR IN LUZON AND AT SAME TIME

INFLICTING GOOD DAMAGE ON SHIPPING INDICATES DESIRABILITY OF EARLIEST POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF 2-TYPE CV CHMPL BUSH* - A

FIGHTERS AND B PLANES CAPABLE OF CARRYING TORPEDOES OR BOMBS - FOR OPERATIONS IN PROSPECT. RECOGNIZING INABILITY OBTAIN ANY

SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN FIGHTERS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR NEXT OPERATION RECOMMEND CV AND CVL FIGHTER PILOT COMPLEMENTS BE

BOLSTERED UP BY MAKING EVERY POSSIBLE QUALIFIED FIGHTER PILOT (UP TO 150 PERCENT) AVAILABLE TO CTF 38 PRIOR TO 30 DECEMBER SO

THAT GREATER NUMBER OF SORTIES PER FIGHTER MAY BE FLOWN DURING PROTRACTED OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF **.

* AS RECEIVED. ** MISSING GROUP.
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To: War Department

Nr. C 55049 18 December 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 55049. Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/16 to 1500Z/17 signed MacArthur.

French Indo China: Two battleships one or two heavy cruisers four destroyers one tanker reported leaving Camranh Bay, four medium tankers three seatrucks entering bay morning December 17.

Hainan: Two destroyers six medium merchant vessels sighted on south westerly course by China based aircraft 90 miles north Ponkon Point afternoon December 16.

Philippines: Luzon: Large transport reported heading northwest 45 miles west Subic Bay December 15; eight seatrucks 15 smaller vessels sighted north Lingayen Gulf December 17; three destroyers sighted on patrol 100 miles wouthwest Manila Bay December 15; 2,000 ton freighter and gunboat sighted on northerly course northwest Mindoro midday December 16.

Palawan: Three medium freighters reported anchored west Balabac Strait afternoon December 17; twelve bombers sighted Puerto Princesa December 15.

Borneo: 15 bombers 10 fighters sighted Jesselon December 15, 3,000 ton freighter transport two seatrucks in Brunei Bay December 16.

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Part 2. Air.

Enemy action: During attacks on Allied convoy to Mindoro, fighter patrols shot down 43 more planes, probably destroyed two others, one more claimed by ships gunfire December 13 through 17; nine more suicide crash dives Mindoro early December 16, of these six claimed destroyed by intense anti aircraft from PT boats.

Morotai: Single predawn raider December 17.

Operations December 14:

(1) Carrier planes struck Negros airdromes December 14 and 15, shot down one plane, destroyed ten on ground, probably destroyed 11 and damaged 14.

(2) 74 sorties by RAAF P 40's on supplies and personnel areas Halmahera and northwest Dutch New Guinea.

Operations December 15:

(3) 41 B 24's destroyed three planes on ground damaged four others, believed rendered both runways unserviceable Puerto Princesa; 13 B 25's raided San Roque airdrome, Zamboanga, probably destroyed one fighter, demolished many buildings.

(4) Patrol B 24 destroyed and damaged eight planes Jesselton, sank one damaged five small seatrucks northwestern Borneo.

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(5) Six Beaufighters bombed Manabo buildings, north-eastern Celebes.

(6) Seven RAAF P 40's raided supply dumps Halmahera; one B 24 bombed Galela; eight B 25's hit nearby installations.

(7) Six B 25's and nine P 38's cratered Namlea runways; 24 B 25's attacked Laha and Amahai airdromes and targets Waigeo Island; one B 25 and 11 A 20's hit Ambon town and fuel tanks.

(8) 24 RAAF P 40's struck bivouacs and exploded ammunition dumps Utarom, Dutch New Guinea.

Operations December 16:

(9) Seven P 47's started large fire, destroyed four planes damaged four others Silay airdrome, Negros Island; 17 B 25's and 34 P 47's raided Silay and Talisay dispersals and bivouacs strafed two planes; 15 P 38's strafed same targets exploded gun positions.

(10) Carrier based planes swept Puerto Princesa, Palawan, shot down one enemy plane, destroyed one on airdrome and four seaplanes in harbour.

(11) 4 B 24's cratered runways and started large fires Puerto Princesa.

(12) Refer paragraph 12 preceding report: 16 B 24's hit Padada revetments, destroyed two planes damaged others.

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(13) Patrol B 24's seriously damaged two small seatrucks on Davao, shot down one probably another of ten interceptors Jolo Island, scored direct hit small freighter Labuan, bombed fuel installations Balikpapan and Miti airdrome Halmahera; Ventura demolished buildings Lalos seaplane base, northwestern Celebes.

(14) 11 P 38's shot down four enemy planes damaged two others on Jesselton airdrome, Borneo.

(15) Nine Beaufighters swept northeastern Celebes and Sangihe Islands, demolished buildings.

(16) Six RAAF 18 other P 40's raided airfields supplies and bivouacs through Halmahera.

(17) 11 A 20's and one B 25 bombed Halong seaplane base; four P 38's attacked Ambon radar station nearby; 22 B 25's raided airdromes Laha, Liana and Haroekoe; five B 24's swept Ceram, damaged barges Keland Island, bombed targets Waigeo Island.

(18) Three RAAF B 24's from Darwin bombed Manatuto, Fuiloro and Baucau, Timoro.

(19) Six Beauforts attacked villages Wewak.

Operations December 17:

(20) Two B 24's harassed Negros airdromes before dawn; day B 24's shot down two transport planes Visayan Sea.

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(21) Two groups B 24's from Palau attacked Bacolod airdrome, Negros Island; one group B 25's from Biak hit Licanan airdrome, Davao.

(22) 15 P 40's exploded buildings and heavily strafed enemy positions Valencia, Leyte Island; other planes hit Capapgo and strafed barges along coast.

(23) RAAF B 24 bombed Baucau town, Timor; RAAF Ventura attacked Elkx village, Kai Islands.

(24) Six B 24's bombed Sepik River villages; six A 20's struck targets Wewak.

Solomons forces. Air.

Operations December 16:

(25) 15 New Zealand Corsairs and three Venturas attacked bivouacs Kavieng and plantations New Ireland; six Venturas and 40 B 25's cratered Lakunai and Vunakanau runways, 10 New Zealand Corsairs covered Rabaul; 16 New Zealand Corsairs swept Bougainville, attacked enemy concentrations.

Land. Mindoro: No enemy ground activity December 16.

Leyte: X Corps: 32nd Division continued encounter stubborn resistance in difficult terrain, made only limited advances. No reported enemy activity 1st Cavalry Division sector.

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XXIV Corps: 77th Division: Two regiments reached points 2,000 yards south and southwest Valencia against light enemy resistance, 3rd Regiment reached Malunod against heavy resistance December 17. 7th Division and 11th Airborne Units Anas area report numerous counter attacks by enemy forces attempting to break out of hills, 453 enemy killed 16 December this area. Cumulative enemy casualties 40,282 killed, 290 Japanese prisoners. Elements 33rd Division arrived Morotai.

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(1) No details.

(2) Dropped 101 250 lb, eight 100 lb bombs.

(3) B 24's dropped 489 500 lb bombs from 10,000 feet; B 25's dropped 140 parademos from minimum altitude, met intense light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(4) Dropped nine 250 lb bombs from minimum altitude, fired unstated number rounds, met moderate medium accurate anti aircraft fire.

(5) Dropped ten 250 lb bombs, met slight light inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(6) P 40's dropped 12 250 lb bombs, B 24 dropped 12 500 lb bombs from 15,000 feet; B 25's dropped eight 1,000 lb bombs, 72 parademos; intense heavy slight light accurate anti aircraft fire.

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(7) Dropped nine 1,000 lb, 64 500 lb, 192 100 lb bombs; moderate heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire Laha and Amahai.

(8) Dropped 44 250 lb bombs.

(9) B 25's dropped 202 100 lb boms, met moderate to intense medium some accurate anti aircraft fire.

(10) No details.

(11) Dropped 480 500 lb bombs from 11,000 to 8,000 feet.

(12) Dropped 24 tons fragmentation bombs.

(13) Three B 24's dropped nine 500 lb, 18 250 lb bombs, fired unstated number rounds.

(14) No details.

(15) Seven Beaufighters dropped 14 250 lb bombs.

(16) Dropped 24 500 lb bombs, 24 250 lb bombs, 12 260 lb frags.

(17) Dropped 108 500 lb, 122 100 lb bombs, four 165 gallon napalm bombs.

(18) Dropped 18 300 lb, 12 250 lb bombs.

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(19) Dropped six 250 lb bombs, six 250 lb incendiaries, 54 40 lb frags.

(20) Two B 24's dropped 12 500 lb bombs.

(21) No details.

(22) P 40's dropped 30 260 lb frags, fired unstated number rounds.

(23) B 24 dropped nine 300 lb bombs from 5,000 feet; Ventura dropped four 300 lb bombs.

(24) B 24's dropped 72 500 lb bombs from 8,500 feet; A 20's dropped 19 300 lb bombs 8 to 15 seconds delay from minimum altitude, fired 11,000 rounds 50 calibre.

Weather: Scattered showers through Philippines, average conditions in Solomons. Airdrome construction report to 0900Z/16:

[redacted] Mindoro: Work proceeding on two runways anticipated operational December 20.

Leyte: Dulag 5,000 foot steel strip, 4,350 feet steel mat taxiway; Bayug 4,000 foot steel mat; Tanwuan 5,300 feet of mat ten dispersals complete.

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REPORT FINAL/14TH AND 15TH PLUS FLASH REPORT SUMMARY FOR 16TH.

61 AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN OVER LUZON INCLUDING 47 SINGLES 11 TWINS 3 FLOAT PLANES AND 1 EMILY NEAR RORCU. 208 OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT DESTROYED ON GROUND 67 SINGLES 40 TWINS 23 FLOATS 78 UNIDENTIFIED. ONLY PLANES ACTUALLY SEEN OR PHOTOED BURNING ARE COUNTED. ADDITIONAL 15 TO 20 FIRES SEEN IN WOODED DISPERSAL AREAS AFTER STRAFING NOT COUNTED AS PLANES DESTROYED. OF 238 OPERATIONAL PLANES PHOTOED ON CLARK ON 14TH ONLY 12 SEEN TO BURN. TOTAL OF 192 PLANES REPORTED DAMAGED. PROBABLY SOME DUPLICATION DUE TO CONTINUOUS VF SWEEP BUT MANY OF THESE PROBABLY REDUCED TO SCRAP BY REPEATED STRAFING. ESTIMATE ABOUT 100 OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT MAY REMAIN

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HIDDEN WELL DISPERSED BUT IN DISORGANIZED STATE FOR OPERATIONS. SHIPS DESTROYED OR SUNK: 1 LARGE AP 3 MEDIUM AO 10 AK 2 LSM AND 12 SMALL VESSELS. VESSELS DAMAGED 4 DD 2 DE 10 AK 25 SMALL CARGO VESSELS AND 25 LANDING BARGES. 8 RAILROAD TRAINS AND LOCOMOTIVES STRAFED BURNED AND AT LEAST 25 MILITARY TRUCKS AND OTHER VEHICLES DESTROYED PLUS DESTRUCTION AND DAMAGE TO UNKNOWN NUMBER OF A 200 TRUCK TROOP CONVOY SEVERELY ATTACKED WHILE NORTHBOUND NEAR SAN JOSE BULACAN. EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO MANY MILITARY BUILDINGS BRIDGES PIERS WAREHOUSES BARRACKS GAS AND OIL STORAGE AA DEFENSES AND AIRCRAFT FACILITIES. COUNT OF OWN LOSSES INCOMPLETE BUT IN FIRST 2 DAYS 20 PLANES LOST IN COMBAT 51 OPERATIONAL AND 23 PILOTS MISSING.

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HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO DODGE STORM WHICH SO FAR HAS PREVENTED REFUELLING. YOUR CX 55Ø1Ø (171ØI). UNABLE STRIKE UNCLE PLUS 4. Dec 19 WILL ADVISE LATER AS TO CAPABILITIES FOR UNCLE PLUS 5. Dec 20 AS FINAL COUNT FOR 3 DAYS ENDING 16TH WAS 27Ø PLANES DESTROYED 192 DEFINITELY DAMAGED AND MANY OTHERS STRAFED ENEMY AIR EFFORT SHOULD BE BADLY CRIPPLED. FORCE WILL HAVE TO HEAD FOR BASE EVENING OF UNCLE PLUS 6 IN ORDER PREPARE FOR M1. (Luzon occupation) Dec 21

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CITE AX 95836.

GHQ INFORMS THAT 3RD FLT IS NOT STRIKING IN THE LUZON AREA ON U PLUS 2 AND U PLUS 3. LUZON AREA OPER FOR ALLIED AIR FORCES STRIKES DURING THIS PERIOD.

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THIRD FLEET CARRIER PLANES OVER LUZON NIGHT 15-16 DECEMBER AND AGAIN 16 DECEMBER. NO DETAILED REPORT AVAILABLE. 8 ENEMY PLANES ATTACKED CARRIER FORCE FORENOON 16 DECEMBER ALL SHOT DOWN. IWO JIMA STRUCK BY LIBERATOR 14 DECEMBER AND BY 31 LIBERATORS 15 DECEMBER. MILLE AND WOTJE STRUCK BY MARINE CORSAIRS 16 DECEMBER.

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L3 SLOW TOW ARRIVED BEACH HEAD 1900 I AND DEPARTED MINDORO PRIOR DAYLIGHT 17 FOR LEYTE. ALL OTHER RETURNING GROUPS OF

-3 ASSAULT FORCE HAVE NOW CLEARED MINDANAO SEA. CRUISER COVERING GROUP ARRIVED LEYTE FORENOON 17. CVE'S AND HEAVY

COVERING GROUP CLEARED LEYTE GULF AT 1330 I NOW ENROUTE KOSSOL. RETURNING ECHELONS 1B AND 1C ESTIMATED 1800 POSITION

S ENTRANCE SURIGAO STRAIT. ENEMY AIR VERY QUIET LAST NIGHT AND DURING DAY 17. HOWORTH DD592 SUSTAINED MINOR HULL

DAMAGE AND MODERATE DAMAGE TO RADAR EQUIPMENT ON 15 FROM 2 NEAR MISSES BY SUICIDE CRASH DIVES. NO PERSONNEL

CASUALTIES BLACK CATS DAMAGED 1 FTC OFF MANGROVE POINT BORNEO. LEYTE PB4Y STRAFED AND DAMAGED 1 SMALL AK IN COVE NE BORNEO.

PT PATROLS NIGHT 16/17 UNREPORTED.

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SUMMARY OF OPERATION. ALL TIMES I.

U MINUS 2 TRANSITED SURIGAO STRAIT AT 0300 LAUNCHED AND MAINTAINED CAP FOR CONVOYS AND TASK GROUP ALL DAY. AT ABOUT 1700 AIR ATTACK DEVELOPED HARADEN (DD 585) HIT BY SUICIDE NO OTHER DAMAGE. PLANES SHOT 24 DOWN BY CAP 18 PLUS 2 PROBABLES BY SHIPS 1. RECOVERED CAP VERY LATE. NO FURTHER BOGIES DURING NIGHT. U MINUS 1 EARLY BOGIES LAUNCHED CAP AND ASP FOR CONVOYS AND TASK GROUP. NO ATTACKS ON TASK GROUP UNTIL 1800 WHEN TORPEDO PLANE AND BOMBER ATTACK DEVELOPED NO DAMAGE SUSTAINED CAP SPLASHED 15 IN VICINITY. SPECIAL STRIKE DOS HERMANOS GOT 1 IN AIR BURNED 7 DAMAGED 14 ON GROUND.

U DAY WELL SHOOPED FROM ABOUT 0400 AND AT 0810 ATTACK DEVELOPED BOMBERS TORPEDO PLANES AND SUICIDES NO MATERIAL DAMAGE SUSTAINED 1 DEAD 6 INJURED BY FRAGMENTS FROM SUICIDE NEAR MARCUS ISLAND. ATTACK CONTINUED UNTIL ABOUT 1155

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NO FURTHER BOGIES THAT DAY. SHOT DOWN BY CAP 5/SHIPS 4/SPECIAL STRIKE ON DOS HERMANOS. NORTH CAROLINA GOT ONE IN AIR BURNED 8 ON THE GROUND PLUS 11 PROBABLES. STARTED RETIREMENT AS LAND BASED AIR HAD RELIEVED THE CAP OVER CONVOYS. AT 2000 TURNED AROUND TO PROVIDE AIR AND HEAVY SUPPORT TO BEACH HEAD AND CONVOYS ON U PLUS 1 DAY NO BOGIES DURING THE NIGHT NOR UNTIL 161000. FUELED DESTROYERS AND PROVIDED CAP FOR CONVOYS. STARTED RETIREMENT AT 161100. SHOT DOWN BY CAP 4/SPECIAL STRIKE PUERTA PRINCESSA GOT 1 IN AIR 4 SEAPLANES ON WATER 1 DESTROYED ON GROUND. TRANSITED MINDANAO SEC COMMENDING 162400. CAP SPLASHED 1 FRHN BY NOON 17TH. TOTAL SUICIDES 5 DEFINITE, 2 NEAR MARCUS ISLAND 1 NEAR NEW MEXICO 1 NEAR WEST VIRGINIA 1 ON BARADEN. OWN AIR LOSSES COMBAT 1 VB AND PILOT. OPERATIONAL 6 VF 1 VT NO PERSONNEL. OUR HATS ARE OFF TO THE CVE CROWD.

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To: War Department

Nr. C 54996 17 December 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff War Department C 54996

Philippines: Luzon: Third fleet planes attacking December 14th reported enemy aircraft dispersed over 46 fields with main concentration around Clark Field.

Negros: 30 enemy planes observed by B 24's on Malogo Airdrome midday December 14th.

Halmahera: Enemy submarine sighted north Morotai Strait December 16th.

Rabaul: Two apparently serviceable planes sighted Vunakanau December 16th.

Borneo/Palawan: PB 4Y searches from Morotai December 15th reported Balicpapan Toli Toli Coron Bay Bacuit Bay empty of shipping; Four destroyers two large on medium tanker heading South West off Miri coast December 16th.

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Enemy action: Mindoro: Ground anti aircraft fire destroyed two raiders morning December 15th, Naval anti aircraft claimed another during afternoon; air patrols shot down lone raider next morning.

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Morotai: Single plane caused slight casualties early December 15th.

Operations December 14th:

(1) 24 B24s covered by seven P38s bombed Malogo Airdrome.

Negros Island: 18 other B24s attacked Carolina, Silay and Dumaguete, probably destroyed three planes on ground; 12 P47s and nine P38s intercepted and shot down 14 enemy bombers and six fighters over Negros; damaged another fighter; 11 P47s on escort duty shot down one fighter.

(2) Single B24 bombed Puerto Princesa airdrome Palawan another B24 and three B25s bombed Sanga Sanga airdrome, strafed floatplane and coastal vessel off shore Tawi Tawi, scored near misses small freighter North Celebes; two B24s bombed Tarakan fuel centre.

(3) 25 B25s hit runways and revetments, caused large fire Zettelfield airdrome, Sulu Archipelago.

(4) Seven Beaufighters attacked Sidate airdrome, Northeastern Celebes.

(5) Single B24 bombed Lolobata dispersals; seven RAAF P40s attacked nearby bivouacs and Hatetabako; 16 P40s demolished warehouses and headquarters buildings ternate raided bivouacs Kau and Djailolo.

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(6) 16 B25s attacked Namlea airdromes, Boeroe Island; five other B25s bombed runways near misses schooner offshore.

(7) One B25 and 12 A20s cratered Boela runways Ceram; six B25s attacked installations Ambon area.

Operations December 15th:

(8) 16 P40s set fuel dumps afire and damaged supplies San Fernando, Southeastern Luzon.

(9) Patrol planes set afire two small trucks southwest Masbate, two sea-similar vessels and one lugger Verde Island passage, sank lugger northern Palawan, shot down one enemy aircraft to south, damaged small freighter and sank lugger Basilan Island.

(10) 14 Beauforts bombed villages Wewak and Sepik River.

Operations December 16th:

(11) Patrol planes attacked light cruiser west Manila, damaged camouflaged coastal vessel northeastern Mindoro, scored direct hit seatruck east Tablas Island, and damaged small freighter northeastern Borneo.

(12) B24s from Biak attacked Padada airdrome, Davao.

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(13) Four Dutch B25s set afire and left listing coastal vessel Sawoe Island, also attacked beached vessel Waingapoe and strafed shore machine guns.

(14) RAAF B25 attacked Dobo and sank barge Aroe Island.

(15) One Nadzab B24 bombed Vunakanau airdrome, Rabaul.

Solomons Forces. Air. Operations December 15th:

(16) Eleven New Zealand Corsairs bombed and strafed enemy concentrations Bougainville; eight Marine B25s, seven New Zealand Corsairs and nine New Zealand Venturas hit bivouacs, demolished buildings and started fires New Ireland; 18 New Zealand Corsairs bombed floatplane hideout and patrolled Rabaul.

Operations report SOWESPAC area period 1500Z/15 to 1500Z/16 signed MacArthur.

Land. Mindoro: Task force occupied phase line three extending from Mangarin Point to 94/10 south to 96/90; patrol pursuing estimated 25 enemy up Bugsanga River.

Leyte: X Corps: 32nd Division captured or destroyed five enemy tanks, three artillery pieces, number mortar and machine guns 15 December south Tolibaw, advance continued 16 December. First Cavalry Division occupied Northwest

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines

No. C 54996 17 December 1944

slopes Mount Catabaran, two troops reached point 3500 yards northeast * from east.

XXIV Corps: 77th Division launched attack north toward Valencia, artillery shelled objective. Seventh Division continued elimination enemy remnants mountains southeast Ormoc. Allied cumulative casualties: 2,282 killed, 7477 wounded, 103 missing.

End of part two. Part three.

(1) B24s dropped 504 500 lb bombs from 11,500 to 9,800 feet, met slight to moderate heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(2) B24s dropped 33 250 lb bombs; B25s dropped 12 500 lb bombs fired unstated number rounds.

(3) Dropped 100 500 lb bombs from 9,000 feet.

(4) Dropped 19 250 lb bombs, met moderate medium inaccurate antiaircraft fire.

(5) B24 dropped 12 500 lb bombs from 13,000 feet; P40s dropped 40 500 lb, 18 250 lb bombs, met slight to moderate heavy inaccurate anti aircraft fire.

(6) Dropped 70 500 lb, 30 100 lb bombs.

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(7) Dropped 64 500 lb bombs, 12 500 lb incendiaries.

Paragraphs eight and nine no details.

(10) Dropped 22 500 lb, 44 250 lb bombs, four 250 lb frags and six 250 lb incendiaries.

Paragraphs 11 and 12 no details.

(13) Dropped 24 300 lb bombs five seconds delay, fired 2500 rounds 50 calibre.

(14) Dropped 4 500 lb medium capacity bombs, fired 1500 rounds 50 calibre.

(15) Dropped 2 500 lb bombs from 9000 feet.

Weather: Low cloud and poor visibility southern Philippines, broken cloud West Halmaheras.

End

* Being Serviced
ACTION: OPD

INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, ADM. KING, COL. PARK, Statistics, LOG

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FOM COMINCH

RELEASED ok H THEBAUD

DATE 16 DECEMBER 1944

TOR CODEROOM 1457

DECODED BY

TYPED BY C STRONG/ Jkwson

ROUTED BY

FOR ACTION: COMNAVNAW; COMNAVEU

INFORMATION:

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DAMAGE LUZON STRIKE 14 DECEMBER REVISION FOLLOWS: PLANES SHOT DOWN 38, DESTROYED ON GROUND 139. 1 MEDIUM TANKER, 1 SMALL AK SUNK. BURNED 1 LARGE AP, 1 MEDIUM AK, 1 MEDIUM AO, 8 OR 9 SMALL AK. DAMAGED 4 DD OR DE. TROOP CONVOY OF 2 AK AND 2 ESCORTS STRAFED. GROUND DAMAGE INCLUDED DESTRUCTION OF LOCOMOTIVES AND CARS, DAMAGING AMMO AND FUEL DUMPS AND AA POSITS VICINITY AIRFIELDS. ALL LUZON FIELDS COVERED BY HECKLERS NIGHT 14-15 DEC. NIGHT 12-13 DEC, PT'S OPERATED WEST COAST LEYTE DAMAGING SMALL VESSELS AND COASTAL INSTALLATIONS. NEUTRALIZATION STRIKES CONTINUED ON 14TH AGAINST ENEMY POSITIONS IN MARSHALLS.

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RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA	OP OP OP PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
DATE 17 DEC 44			
TOR CODEROOM 0015		INFORMATION: COMINCH, CINCPAC, COM 3RD FLT	OP OP OP PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
DECODED BY SCHMICK			
TYPED BY DORSEY/ DIEBEL			
ROUTED BY			

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(CTF 77 GIVES ACTION CINCSWPA INFO COMINCH CINCPAC COM 3RD FLEET)

UNLOADING AT MINDORO BEACH HEAD COMPLETED DURING 15TH 4D ASSAULT FORCES (LESS 1 LST NOT DISCHARGED AND SAUNTER AM 295 AGROUND ON REEF) DEPARTED FOR LEYTE AT 1800. ALL TIMES I. SAUNTER REFLOATED AT 2145. SLOW TOW ECHELON DELAYED BY WEATHER AND BREAK DOWNS TUG AT BEACH HEAD 1900 TODAY. CRUISER COVERING GROUP OFF MINDORO WITHDREW AT DAYLIGHT 16TH AND PROCEEDED TO JOIN RETURNING ASSAULT ECHELONS. CARRIERS OF TG 77.12 BEGAN RETIREMENT FROM SULU SEA AFTERNOON 16TH. ONLY TROUBLED ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY REPORTED DURING LAST 24 HOURS. LSM'S AND LCI RETURNED FROM RESUPPLY ORMOC WITHOUT INCIDENT. LST'S 738 AND 742 PREVIOUSLY REPORTED BOMBED AND BURNING WERE SUNK OFF MINDORO BEACH HEAD. PT PATROLS NIGHT 15-16TH UNREPORTED. BLACK CATS BOMBED DOCK AREA AND DESTROYED LUGGER KUDAT BAY.

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FROM: CTF 77		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP OP OP
RELEASED BY:		FOR ACTION: CINCSWPA	PRIORITY
DATE: 17 DEC 44			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM: 0015			DEFERRED
DECODED BY: SCHMICK		INFORMATION: COMINCH CINCPAC COM 3RD FLT	OP OP OP
TYPED BY: DORSEY/ DIEBEL			PRIORITY
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DRAFTER CTG 73.7 EXTENSION NUMBER

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RELEASED BY 17 DEC 44

DATE

TOR CODEROOM RIEHL

DECODED BY SANSON/ Richl

TYPED BY

ROUTED BY

ADDRESSEES

FOR ACTION: COMAAF COMAF 5 COMAF 13 COM 7TH FLT COM 3RD FLT ALL TF & TG COMDRS 3RD & 7TH FLTS

INFORMATION:

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CTG 73.7 SENDS ACTION CINCSWPA COMAAF COMAF 5 COMAF 13 COM 7TH FLT COM 3RD FLT CINCPOA AND ALL TF AND TG COMDRS 3RD AND 7TH FLTS.

RESULTS OF LEYTE SEAPLANE SEARCHES 16 DEC ALL RESULTS NEGATIVE. VISIBILITY GOOD TO FAIR AND 100% COVERAGE IN ALL SECTORS.

SECTOR EASTERN S. 600 MILES.

SECTOR T. 545 MILES.

SECTOR U. 625 MILES POSSIBLE RADAR INDICATION OF SUBMARINE POSITION 13-30 N 125-15 E AT 1500I. SHIP DISAPPEARED BEFORE IT COULD BE INVESTIGATED.

SECTOR V. 530 MILES.

SECTOR W. 575 MILES.

*GARBLED GROUP
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FROM CTF 38		ASTERISK (*) TAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		FOR ACTION: CINCPAC	PRIORITY PPPPPPPP ROUTINE DEFERRED BASEGRAM
DATE 17 DEC 1944			
TOR CODE 2002/17			
DECODED ELY		FOR INFO: COMAIRPAC; COM 3RD FLT COMINCH CNO CTG 38.2 USS INDEPENDENCE CTF 22 COM 1ST CAR TF	PRIORITY PPPPPPPP DEFERRED BASEGRAM
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(CTF 38 SENDS ACTION CINCPAC INFO TO COMAIRPAC COM 3RD FLT COMINCH CNO CTG 38.2 INDEPENDENCE CTF 22 COM 1ST CARTASKFORCE)

THIS IS [redacted].

REFERENCE YOUR 142354. INDEPENDENCE HAS DONE EXCELLENT WORK. MANIFEST SHORTCOMINGS CVL FOR NIGHT OPERATIONS RECOGNIZED. INDEPENDENCE BATAAN HOWEVER SHOULD CONTINUE THIS ASSIGNMENT UNTIL SATISFACTORY RELIEF FOUND. RANGER CONSIDERED SATISFACTORY AS NIGHT CARRIER. SANGAMON CLASS MAY HANDLE RANGER PRESENT ASSIGNMENT. NIGHT OPERATIONS PROVEN NECESSITY NOW AND SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE OF FUTURE USE TO JUSTIFY ASSIGNMENT 3 CV THIS EMPLOYMENT. IF FOREGOING ACCEPTED, TRAINING SHOULD BE EXPANDED WITHOUT DELAY. AGREE SELECTION OF PILOTS AS SUGGESTED BY CO INDEPENDENCE DESIRABLE. SCREENING COMBAT EXPERIENCED VOLUNTEER

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CANDIDATES INDICATED. AGREE 4 MONTHS LIMIT COMBAT TOUR NIGHT GROUPS THEREFORE RECOMMEND RELIEF CVLG(N)41 EARLY JANUARY. ENTERPRISE AND BATAAN URGENTLY NEEDED AND USE PLANNED FOR CULTURE. Formosa

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FROM: GHQ SWPA		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PPPPP PRIORITY
RELEASED BY:		FOR ACTION: COM AAF	ROUTINE
DATE: 17 DEC 44			DEFERRED
TOR CODEROOM: 0529			
DECODED BY: RIEHL		INFORMATION: COM THIRD FLT	PPPPPP PRIORITY
TYPED BY: LYNN/ROWLAND		COM ALLIED NAVAL FORCES	ROUTINE
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RADIO MONO INTERCEPT

FROM GHQSWPA SGD MACARTHUR TO COMMANDER ALLIED AIR FORCES ACTION COMMANDER 3RD FLEET INFO COMMANDER ALLIED NAVAL FORCES INFO CX 54948

3RD FLEET IS NOT STRIKING IN THE LUZON AREA ON U + 2 AND U + 3 LUZON AREA IS OPEN TO ALLIED AIR FORCES FOR STRIKES DURING THIS PERIOD.

Mr U + 4

Maybe U + 5

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FROM COM 3RD FLT		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY	FOR ACTION	CINCPAC CINCSWPA	OPOPOPOP PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
DATE 16 DEC 1944			
TOR CODEROOM			
DECODED BY SAMSON	INFORMATION	CTF 38 COMFEAF COMAF 5 CTF 77	OPOPOPOP PRIORITY / ROUTINE / DEFERRED
TYPED BY STEVENS/STEEN			
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HONO INTERCEPT

(COM 3RD FLT SENDS ACTION CINCPAC CINCSWPA INFO CTF 38 COMFEAF COMAF 5 CTF 77)

BATS BUSY OVER LUZON ALL NIGHT. FORCE SNOOPED 03301 BY SINGLE PL PLANE WHICH ESCAPED. AN ATTEMPTED ATTACK BY 8 ASSORTED PLANES DURING FORENOON 16TH SMEARED 100% NEAR EAST COAST LUZON. BLANKET STILL WORKING . NO AIR OPPOSITION. TARGETS HARD TO FIND ALTHOUGH PHOTOS STILL SHOW MANY HIDDEN PLANES. FORCE WITHDRAWING THIS EVENING FOR REFUELING AS PER MY OP ORDER 24-44 AND MY 160429. PARTIAL COUNT PLANES DESTROYED DURING 3 DAY OPERATION 235 DAMAGED 138. CAN NOT ESTIMATE TOTAL ENEMY OPERATIONAL PLANES REMAINING BUT 99 FIELDS HAVE BEEN WELL COVERED AND AIR CAPABILITIES CONSIDERED NEGLIGIBLE UNTIL AGAIN RE-ENFORCED

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FROM: CINCPAC		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	URGENT
RELEASED BY:		FOR ACTION: ALL TFC'S 7TH FLT	PRIORITY
DATE: 16 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEWORD: 0453			DEFERRED
DECODED BY: DIEBEL			BASEGRAM
PARAPHRASED BY: DIEBEL	CHECKED BY: ROWLAND	INFORMATION: COM 7TH FLT COM 3RD FLT	URGENT
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HONOLULU INTERCEPT

ACTION ALL TFC 7TH FLEET INFO COM 7TH FLEET COM 3RD FLEET
FROM CINCPAC.

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161035/I JAP PLANE REPORTED CONTACT IN 10-17N 120-53E.

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FROM: CINCPAC

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 16 DECEMBER 1944

TOR CODEHOOK: 0453

DECODED BY: DIEBEL

PARAPHRASED BY: DIEBEL CHECKED BY: ROWLAND

ROUTED BY: TYPED BY: DIEBEL

ADDRESSEES — ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

DE ACTION: ALL TFC'S 7TH FLT

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COM 3RD FLT

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