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SHIPS SUNK

ALUSLO COLOMBO (4880), December 29, 1030.

S.S. JOSE NAVARRO (U.S. Cgo. 7244 tons) torpedoed and sunk Dec. 26 at 08-20 N, 73-35 E (off S. tip of INDIA).

Note: Previously reported (summary 12/28) as torpedoed.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

HMCS KOOTENAY (B-6007), December 31, 0209Z.

S.S. EMPIRE HOUSMAN (Br. Cgo. 7360 tons) torpedoed at 60-30 N, 24-35 W (150 mi. S of ICELAND). Straggler from ON-217.

Note: This is the first attack on a merchant ship in an Atlantic trans-ocean convoy since Oct. 31.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-6012), December 30, 2115.

SS sunk by USS PARROTT and USS BULMER about 1929, December 29, area 42-22 N, 21-16 W (300 mi. NE of AZORES).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMINCH (B-6012) December 30, 2115.

SS sighted by USS BLOCK ISLAND plane at 1600 December 30 in 44-08 N, 19-15 W (400 mi. W of CAPE FINISTERRE).

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MISCELLANEOUS

ALUSLO COLOMBO (4880), December 29, 1030.

S.S. ASIAN (Br. Cgo. 2461 tons) sunk in collision with S.S. HARMATRIS on 26 December at 07-45 N, 77-40 E (off S tip of INDIA).

Note: Previously reported (summary 12/28) torpedoed and sunk, presumably by submarine.

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BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY

December 31, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 1

Total Ships Attacked - 1

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 30 - S.S. EMPIRE HOUSMAN (Br. Cgo. 7,500 T) torpedoed by SS 150 mi. S. of ICELAND. Straggler ON-217 (Westbound). Note: This is the first attack by submarine on a merchant ship in an Atlantic transocean convoy since October 31.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 30 - 400 mi. W. of CAPE FINISTERRE, by aircraft from USS BLOCK ISLAND.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1 (1 sunk)

Dec. 30 - 300 mi. NE of AZORES, by USS PARROTT and USS BULMER. SS sunk.

MISCELLANEOUS

The convoy of 19 ships which was unsuccessfully attacked by the SCHARNHORST has arrived safely in a North RUSSIAN port.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 4 Eastbound, 6 Westbound, 24 Patrolling. Total: 34.

All Atlantic: 66. (Yesterday: 66).

MEDITERRANEAN (Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 26 - S.S. JOSE NAVARRO (U.S. Cgo. 7,000 T) torpedoed and sunk off S. tip of INDIA. Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

MARINE CASUALTY

Dec. 26 - S.S. ASIAN (Br. Cgo. 2,500 T) sunk in collision off S. tip of INDIA. Note: Previously reported presumed sunk by submarine.

PACIFIC (Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 30 December 1943, (N) - #4898.

One possibly homebound eastern GULF or S FLORIDA STRAITS.

One homebound from east coast possibly within 400 SW of BERMUDA although this U/boat entirely unfixed.

One estimated patrolling off PANAMA possibly 1040 N, 78-25 W by report from ESSO BUFFALO torpedo miss 29/1130Z.

One estimated patrolling vicinity FLEMISH CAP.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

ADMIRALTY (Via RX-43), December 28, 1135A.

S.S. TAI YIN (Nor. Cgo. 9214 tons) chased by SS, December 27, at 06-15 N, 79-30 E (off COLOMBO).

DCGO 8TH NEW ORLEANS (4807), December 29, 1145.

S.S. ESSO BUFFALO (U.S. tnkr. 11,349 tons) attacked by SS at 1130Z, December 29 in 10-40 N, 78-25 W (100 mi. NE of CRISTOBAL). 3 torpedoes missed.

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

USS CAMPBELL (B-5970), December 29, 2205.

SS sighted at 1444Z, December 29, in 18-39 N, 75-00 W (75 mi. E of JAMAICA).

USFOR (MIS) (L-7439), Jnl. 49, December 30.

SS sighted December 28, 155 miles N of CAPE ORTEGAL, by RAF Wellington.

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 2

BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY

December 30, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 29 - S.S. ESSO BUFFALO (U.S. Tnkr. 11,000 T) attacked by SS 100 mi. NE of CRISTOBAL. 3 torpedoes missed.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 2

Dec. 28 - In BAY OF BISCAY, by RAF.

Dec. 29 - 75 mi. E. of JAMAICA, by surface craft.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 4 Eastbound, 6 Westbound, 24 Patrolling. Total: 34.

All Atlantic: 66. (Yesterday: 66).

MEDITERRANEAN

(Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 27 - S.S. TAI YIN (Nor. Cgo. 9,000 T) chased by SS off COLOMBO.

PACIFIC OCEAN

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, December 28, 1943, (N) - #4723.

U-boats previously estimated patrolling S of HATTERAS and in GULF, may now be homebound.

Probably one patrolling in general area N of CRISTOBAL.

One patrolling SW of FLEMISH CAP from DF 27/2109Z.

No fresh information from other areas.

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COMNAVEU (4771), December 28, 1731.

S.S. DUMANA (Br. Cgo. 8427 tons) torpedoed and sunk Dec. 24 at 04-27 N, 06-58 W (IVORY COAST).

Note: Previously reported (summary 12/28) as torpedoed.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

COMNAVEU (4771), December 28, 1731.

S.S. ROBERT F. HOKE (U.S. Cgo. 7176 tons) torpedoed December 28, at 20-06 N, 59-25 E (S of the GULF OF OMAN).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-5923), December 28, 2110.

Sound contact attacked by surface craft at 0655, December 28 in 43-30 N, 21-45 W (350 mi. NE of AZORES).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

NOB GTMO (4714), December 28, 1435.

SS sighted at 1325Z, December 28 in 19-20 N, 74-00 W (WINDWARD PASSAGE).

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COMNAVEU (4771), December 28, 1731.

S.S. MARAHU (Braz. 746 tons) aground December 20 and total loss (marine casualty) near BAHIA.

Op-16-P-1, December 29.

S.S. SOUTHWEST PASS (U.S. Tug 1140 tons) not a total loss.

Note: Previously reported (summary 12/28) as sunk from ordinary perils of the sea.

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otal Ships Attacked - 1

December 29, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 24 - S.S. DUMANA (Br. Cgo. 8,500 T) torpedoed and sunk off the IVORY COAST. Note: Reported yesterday as torpedoed.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 28 - In WINDWARD PASSAGE, by aircraft.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 28 - Sound contact 350 mi. NE of AZORES, by surface craft.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 2 Eastbound, 7 Westbound, 27 Patrolling. Total: 36.

All Atlantic: 66. (Yesterday: 66).

MEDITERRANEAN

(Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 28 - S.S. ROBERT F. HOKE (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 T) torpedoed S. of GULF OF OMAN.

PACIFIC OCEAN

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ALUSLO COLOMBO (4616), December 27, 0730.

S.S. ASIAN (Br. Cgo. 2461 tons) sunk (presumably by submarine) December 26 at 07-45 N, 77-40 E (off S tip of INDIA).

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COMNAVEU (4594), December 27, 1012.

S.S. DUMANA (Br. Cgo. 8427 tons) torpedoed December 24 at 04-27 N, 06-58 W (IVORY COAST).

ALUSLO COLOMBO (4616), December 27, 0730.

S.S. JOSE NAVARRO (U.S. Cgo. 7244 tons) torpedoed at 2330, December 26 in 08-20 N, 73-35 E (off S tip of INDIA). Vessel abandoned but reboarded.

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WESTERN SEAFRON (Via FX-43), December 27.

S.S. SOUTHWEST PASS (U.S. tug 1140 tons) reported on Dec. 6 as sunk from ordinary perils of the sea, area 38-36 N, 124-45 W (CALIFORNIA coast).

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SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 24 - S.S. DUMANA (Br. Cgo. 8,500 T) torpedoed off the IVORY COAST. No details.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 2 Eastbound, 7 Westbound, 27 Patrolling. Total: 36.

All Atlantic: 66. (Yesterday: 68).

MEDITERRANEAN

(Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 26 - S.S. ASIAN (Br. Cgo. 2,500 T) sunk, presumably by submarine, off S. tip of INDIA.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 26 - S.S. JOSE NAVARRO (U.S. Cgo. 7,000 T) torpedoed off S. tip of INDIA. Vessel abandoned but reboarded.

PACIFIC OCEAN

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 26 December 1943, (N) - #4545.

One unfixed S of HATTERAS. One still estimated Eastern GULF.

One 10-30N, 79 W by torpedoing 26/1130.

One estimated possibly within 200 miles 23 N, 55 W, homebound.

One within 150 miles 50 N, 45 W from poor DF 26/0031Z, patrolling.

Other areas quiet.

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COMNAVEU (4374), December 23, 1648.

S.S. PHEMIUS (Br. Cgo. 7406 tons) torpedoed and sunk at 2320, December 19, at 05-01 N, 01-17 W (Gold Coast).

Note: Previously reported (summary 12/21) as torpedoed.

ALUSLO COLOMBO (4420), December 24, 0715.

S.S. PESHAWUR (Br. Cgo. 7934 tons) torpedoed and sunk at 0640, December 23 in 11-25 N, 80-30 E (Bay of Bengal). All crew saved.

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RDO NORFOLK (4539), December 26, 1135.
COMPASEAFRON (4564), December 26, 2304.

S.S. CHAPULTEPEC (U.S. tnkr. 10,195 tons) torpedoed at 1130, December 26 in 10-30 N, 78-58 W (50 mi. N of CRISTOBAL). Vessel arrived CRISTOBAL at 1924, December 26.

ADMIRALTY, December 24, 1040.

S.S. RIVER BASIN (U.S. tnkr. 10,448 tons) attacked by SS at 2245, December 23 in 24-22 N, 58-49 E (GULF OF ~~ORAN~~ OMAN).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

CAFAC (4467), December 25, 1303.

SS attacked at 1208, December 25 in 12-05 N, 69-06W (off CURACAO).

COMINCH (B-5804), December 24, 2032.

5 U-boats attacked of which 2 probably sunk by USS SCHENCK, December 24, area 45 N, 22 W (400 mi. NE of AZORES).

USFOR LONDON (L-7356), Jnl. 210, December 24.

SS attacked by RAF planes, December 24, off LINDESNES, (58 N, 07-06 E). 2 hits claimed.

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMGULFSEAFRON (4516), December 25,2055.

SS sighted by RAF plane at 1448, December 25 in 23-30 N, 71-47 W (200 mi. N of HAITI).

NOB TRINIDAD (4537), December 26, 1555.

SS sighted by ATC plane at 1508, December 26 in 11-23 N, 60-55 W (off TRINIDAD).

SO 40TH ESCORT GROUP (B-5850), December 26, 0830.

SS sighted by SWORDFISH in 44-09 N, 25-54 W (300 mi. N of AZORES).

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COMNAVEU, Dec. 23, 1648 (#4374).

S.S. FERNANDO L. DeYBARRA (Sp. Cgo. 3,308 T) ashore and total loss, Dec. 20, near Periche, PORTUGAL (apx. 39-21N.,09-23W.).

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December 27, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 2

Total Ships Attacked - 2

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 19 - S.S. PHEMIUS (Br. Cgo. 7,500 T) torpedoed and sunk off the GOLD COAST. Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 26 - S.S. CHAPULTEPEC (U.S. Tnkr. 10,000 T) torpedoed 50 mi. N. of CRISTOBAL. Vessel reached CRISTOBAL.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 3

Dec. 26 - 300 mi. N. of AZORES, by RAF plane.

Dec. 25 - 200 mi. N. of HAITI, by RAF transport plane.

Dec. 26 - Off TRINIDAD, by ATC plane.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 7 (2 probably sunk)

Dec. 24 - Off SW coast of NORWAY, by RAF. 2 cannon hits claimed.

Dec. 24 - 5 U-boats 400 mi. NE of AZORES, by USS SCHENCK (DD). 2 probably sunk.

Dec. 25 - Off CURACAO. No details.

MARINE CASUALTY

Dec. 20 - S.S. FERNANDO L. DeYBARRA (Sp. Cgo. 3,300 T) ashore and total loss on Portuguese coast 50 mi. N. of LISBON.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 2 Eastbound, 7 Westbound, 27 Patrolling. Total: 36.

All Atlantic: 66. (Yesterday: 66).

MEDITERRANEAN (Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 23 - S.S. PESHAWUR (Br. Cgo. 8,000 T) torpedoed and sunk in BAY OF BENGAL. All crew saved.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 23 - S.S. RIVER BASIN (U.S. Tnkr. 10,000 T) attacked by SS in entrance to PERSIAN GULF. No [redacted]

PACIFIC OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, December 23, 1943, 1530 (#4311).

Enemy U-Boat estimate 1200 Z/23.

No new information.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, December 22, 1603, (#4177).

One area 49 N., 39 W., 21/2041 Z and 22/0552 Z.

One possibly ANEGADA PASSAGE homebound.

Enemy U/B estimate 1200 Z/22.

No fresh information other areas.

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COMNAVEU, Dec. 22, 1811 (#4230).

S.S. NORHAUK (Nor. Cgo. 6,086 T) sunk by mine, Dec. 21, at 1455 Z in 51-50 N., 01-33 E., (E. of THAMES ESTUARY). Convoy FS-5.

COMNAVEU, Dec. 22, 1811 (#4230).

S.S. ALPHERAT (Du. Cgo. 5,759 T) sunk by aircraft, Dec. 21, at 1648 Z, in 35-18 N., 16-15 E., (100 mi. S. of SICILY).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH, Dec. 22, 2056 (B-5727).

SS attacked by CGR-7007 at 1745, Dec. 21 in 25-45 N., 79-24 W., (FLORIDA STRAITS).

Sound contact attacked by PC-1245 at 1251, Dec. 22 in 25-33 N., 83-07 W., (off KEY WEST).

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LONDON (via FCC), Dec. 22, 1943.

"From Christmas Day onward French and Danish Merchant Ships under contract to the British Government will fly their own National Flags instead of the ensign of the British Merchant Navy.

"This change has been made in recognition of the Great services rendered the Allies by the French and Danish Merchant Ships."

COMNAVEU, Dec. 22, 1811 (#4230).

S.S. MHOR (Du. 326 T) capsized and sunk, Dec. 18 at 51-40 N., 05-15 W., (BRISTOL CHANNEL).

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Total Ships Sunk - 2

Total Ships Attacked - 0

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SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 21 - S.S. NORHAUK (Nor. Cgo. 6,000 T) sunk by mine in THAMES ESTUARY. Local convoy.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2

Dec. 21 - In FLORIDA STRAITS, by Coast Guard reserve.

Dec. 22 - Sound contact off KEY WEST, by patrol craft.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 2 Eastbound, 7 Westbound, 27 Patrolling. Total: 36.

All Atlantic: 66. (Yesterday: 66).

MEDITERRANEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 21 - S.S. ALPHENAT (Du. Cgo. 5,500 T) sunk by aircraft 100 mi. S. of SICILY. Eastbound convoy.

INDIAN and PACIFIC

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, December 21, 1623, (#4068).

Enemy U/B estimate 1200 Z/21.

One unlocated between HATTERAS and north FLORIDA STRAITS possibly 2909 N., 77-32 W., by sighting 21/1410 Z.

1 unlocated GULF OF MEXICO.

1 not recently located western CARIBBEAN possibly patrolling convoy lanes south of GUANTANAMO.

1 unlocated since attack 19/1630 Z, estimated within 150 mi. SW ~~of~~ SE of PUERTO RICO homebound.

1 area 48 N., 38 W by poor DF 21/0313 Z.

1 entirely unlocated may be moving west or SW within 200 mi. 25 S., 36 W., or alternatively well to the eastward moving toward Cape area.

Other areas quiet.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-5693), December 21, 2040.

Sound contact attacked by USS FRANKFORD about 2100, December 20, in 12-33 N, 68-28 W (off CURACAO).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COM US FORCES ARUBA (4063), Dec. 21, 1557.

SS sighted by plane 3 miles W of BONAIRE.

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

December 22, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 21 - Off CURACAO, by aircraft.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 20 - Sound contact off CURACAO, by surface craft.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 2 Eastbound, 7 Westbound, 27 Patrolling. Total: 36.

All Atlantic: 66. (Yesterday: 66).

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, December 20, 1630 Z, (#3952).

One area 15-30 N., 67-30 W., from attack 19/1630 Z, probably moving north to NE.

One southbound within 150 miles 33 N., 40 W., from poor DF 20/1509Z.

Enemy U-boat estimate 1200 Z/20.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS SUNK

ADMIRALTY, Dec. 20, 0924 Z.

S.S. KINGSWOOD (Br. Cgo. 5,080 T) sunk, Dec. 19,(presumably by SS) approx. 05 N., 00-00 W., (off the GOLD COAST). Vessel enroute Lagos to Takoradi. Survivors reported landed.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

ADMIRALTY, Dec. 20, 0924.

S.S. PHEMIUS (Br. Cgo. 7,406 T) torpedoed at 2320 Dec. 19 in 05-01 N., 01-17 W., (off the GOLD COAST).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-5653), Dec. 20, 2101.

SS sunk by aircraft from BOGUE at 1539, Dec. 20 in 32-54 N., 37-01 W., (600 mi. SW of AZORES).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

CAFAC, (3949), Dec. 20, 1604.

SS sighted at 1548 Z, Dec. 20 in 12-33 N., 68-31 W., (off CURACAO).

COMINCH (B-5653), Dec. 20, 2101.

SS sighted by B-25 at 1115, Dec. 20 in 06-45 S., 26-40 W., (550 mi. E. of NATAL).

SS sighted by commercial plane at 1850, Dec. 19 in 25-35 N., 79-32 W., (FLORIDA STRAITS).

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Total Ships Sunk -1

Total Ships Attacked -1

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December 21, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 19 - S.S. KINGSWOOD (Br. Cgo. 5,000 T) sunk presumably by submarine off the GOLD COAST. Vessel enroute from LAGOS to TAKORADI. Survivors reported landed near TAKORADI.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 19 - S.S. PHEMIUS (Br. Cgo. 7,500 T) torpedoed off the GOLD COAST. No details.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 3

Dec. 19 - In FLORIDA STRAITS by commercial aircraft.

Dec. 20 - Off CURACAO. No details.

Dec. 20 - 550 mi. E. of NATAL, by B-25.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1 (1 sunk)

Dec. 20 - 600 mi. SW of AZORES, by aircraft from BOGUE.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 2 Eastbound, 7 Westbound, 27 Patrolling. Total: 36.

All Atlantic: 66. (Yesterday: 66).

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COMINCH, 19 December 1943, (N) - #3900.

One 14 N, 66 W moving NE from attack 19/0125Z.

Estimated (one) moving SW within 200 miles 22 S, 31 W.

No indications of change other areas.

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SHIPS SUNK

ADMIRALTY, Dec. 19, 1105 A, (via FX-43).

S.S. DAISY MOLLER (Br. Cgo. 4,087 T) torpedoed and sunk on December 13, 2150 Z, at 16-21 N., 82-13 E. (Bay of Bengal).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

CAFAC (3894), December 19, 1710.

SS attacked by plane at 1630, December 19, at 14-20 N, 66-59 W (180 mi. NE of CURACAO).

NOB TRINIDAD (3842), December 19, 0140.

SS attacked at 0125, December 19, at 13-38 N, 66-32 W, (150 mi. NE of CURACAO).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMINCH (B-5603), Dec. 18, 2047.

SS sighted by Liberator at 1212, Dec. 18 in 60-50 N., 17-00 W., (150 mi. S. of ICELAND).

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MISCELLANEOUS

CTF 24 (3778), December 18, 1029.

S.S. NEVADA (U.S. Cgo. 1685 tons) sunk (marine casualty).

Note: Previously reported (summary 12/16) abandoned and in sinking condition, Dec 16 (?) at 56-08 N, 46-30 W (250 miles S of GREENLAND). Straggler-SG-36.

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Total Ships Sunk - 1

Total Ships Attacked - 0

December 20, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 18 - 150 mi. S. of ICELAND, by plane.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2

Dec. 19 - 180 mi. NE of CURACAO, by plane.

Dec. 19 - 150 mi. NE of CURACAO, by plane.

MARINE CASUALTY

Dec. 16 - S.S. NEVADA (U.S. Cgo. 1,600 T) sunk from ordinary perils of the sea 250 mi. S. of GREENLAND. Straggler from convoy SC-36, (Nova Scotia to Greenland).

Note: Previously reported abandoned and sinking.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 2 Eastbound, 7 Westbound, 27 Patrolling. Total: 36.

All Atlantic: 66. (Yesterday: 66).

MEDITERRANEAN

(Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 13 - S.S. DAISY MOLLER (Br. Cgo. 4,000 T) torpedoed and sunk in BAY OF BENGAL.

PACIFIC OCEAN (Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 17 December 1943, (N) - #3687.

One 13-29 N, 68-51 W by attack 17/0930Z and from sighting 17/0720Z probably moving E or NE.

Southbound U-boat in S ATLANTIC remains unlocated possibly within 200 miles 18 S, 28 W moving SW.

DFs 16/2122Z and 16/2133Z indicate up to 10 U-boats previously estimated moving to the southward may now be moving eastward within 100 miles 49 N, 27 W.

Other DF activity in N ATLANTIC is N of 55 N, where up to 20 U-boats are indefinitely located between 25 and 32 W.

Other areas quiet.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COM DES ROW 13, Dec 16, 2023A and Dec 17, 2016

U-73 sunk by USS WOOLSEY (DD) at 1935A, December 16, at 36-09 N, 00-50 W (off ORAN).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

SC-1299 (3635), December 17, 0820.

SS sighted at 13-27 N, 68-51 W (50 mi. NE of CURACAO).

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

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December 18, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 17 - 50 mi. NE of CURACAO, by SC-1299.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 2 Eastbound, 7 Westbound, 27 Patrolling. Total: 36.

All Atlantic: 66. (Yesterday: 67).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1 (1 sunk)

Dec. 16 - U-73 sunk by USS WOOLSEY (DD) off ORAN. 35 survivors picked up.

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 16 December 1943, (N) - #3568.

One 13-08 N, 70-02 W by torpedoing of MCDOWELL 16/0928Z.

Possibly homebound U-boat previously estimated S of PUERTO RICO.

Up to ten estimated moving southward within 150 miles 49 N, 30 W from recent DFs this area and in view of considerable DF activity on 14th and 15th December to the northward.

Remainder of enemy concentration appears to be N of 55 N, from scattered DFs between 27 N, 31 W.

No fresh information from other areas.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

CINCMED, December 16, 2215.

S.S. JOHN S. COPLEY (U.S. Cgo. 7100 tons) in GUS-24 torpedoed by U-boat at 1515, December 16 in 35-54 N, 00-53 W (25 mi. W of ORAN). Vessel considered salvagable.

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BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY

December 17, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 1

Total Ships Attacked - 1

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 16 - S.S. McDOWELL (U.S. Tnkr. 10,000 T) torpedoed twice and presumed sunk, 50 mi. N. of ARUBA.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 2 Eastbound, 7 Westbound, 27 Patrolling. Total: 36.

All Atlantic: 67. (Yesterday: 68).

MEDITERRANEAN

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 16 - S.S. JOHN S. COPLEY (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 T) torpedoed 25 mi. W. of ORAN. Convoy GUS-24 (Mediterranean - U.S.).

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 15 December 1943, (N) - #3414.

1 area 23 N, 74 W from DF 15/0238Z either patrolling or moving to the N or NW.

1 homebound in CARIBBEAN, possibly S of PUERTO RICO from attack 14/1200Z on BALLS BLUFF.

1 unlocated W CARIBBEAN.

1 unlocated eastern or central GULF.

1 homebound 32 N, 26 W from attack by BOGUE Group PM/14th.

DF acitivity past 24 hours suggests main U/Boat concentration in N ATLANTIC may be moving W or SW.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

CG RDO NORFOLK, December 16, 0415.

S.S. BLUE JACKET (U.S. Cgo. 6100 tons) sent distress signal at 0351, December 16, in 48-47 N, 22-31 W (500 mi. SW of IRELAND). "Being fired upon by sub".

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

USFOR LONDON (MIS) Jnl. 48 (L-7202), December 16.

SS sighted by aircraft from GIBRALTAR, December 14, 55 miles WNW of CAPE FINISTERRE.

SS sighted by aircraft December 14, 18 miles W of LORIENT.

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MISCELLANEOUS

CESF (Via FX-43), December 14, 1947.

S.S. SUFFOLK (U.S. Cgo. 4607 tons) sunk from marine causes at 1603, December 11 at 40-43 N, 71-58 W (off E tip of LONG ISLAND).

USCG COMACHE (B-5497), December 16, 0320.

S.S. NEVADA (U.S. Cgo. 1685 tons) abandoned in sinking condition at 56-08 N, 48-30 W (250 mi. S of GREENLAND).

Enemy [?]

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 1

BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY

December 16, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 16 - S.S. BLUE JACKET (U.S. Cgo. 6,000 T) sent distress signal "being fired upon by sub," 600 mi. SW of IRELAND.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 2

Dec. 14 - Off LORIENT, by aircraft.

Dec. 14 - 50 mi. W. of CAPE FINISTERRE, by aircraft from GIBRALTAR.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

MARINE CASUALTIES

Dec. 16 - S.S. NEVADA (U.S. Cgo. 1,600 T) abandoned and in sinking condition 250 mi. S. of GREENLAND.

Dec. 11 - S.S. SUFFOLK (U.S. Cgo. 4,500 T) sunk from marine causes off E. tip of LONG ISLAND.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 4 Eastbound, 6 Westbound, 25 Patrolling. Total: 35.

All Atlantic: 68. (Yesterday: 69).

MEDITERRANEAN, INDIAN and PACIFIC

(Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 14 December 1943, (N).

One unlocated W CARIBBEAN.

One patrolling general area S of HATTERAS.

Recent DF activity suggests main U-boat concentration in

N ATLANTIC lies N of 53 N, between 25 and 30 W.

One previously patrolling off PANAMA may now be homebound.

One Eastern GULF or S FLORIDA STRAITS unlocated.

One homebound 10 N, 41 W.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

COMINCH (Via FX-43), By Hand, December 14.

S.S. BALLS BLUFF (U.S. tnkr. 10,195 tons) attacked by submarine on December 14, 1200Z, at 16-40 N, 68-22 W (100 mi. S of SE tip of DOMINICAN REPUBLIC). Torpedo missed.

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LONDON (MIS) Dec. 14, (L-7[illegible])

B-25 attacked SS, December 13, 150 mi. NNW CAPE ORTEGAL. Attacked with 6 "torpex" charges from 130 feet. Sub submerged, contact lost, but 2 crew members later observed in water.

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMINCH (B-5463), December 14, 2125.

Surfaced submarine sighted by PanAm plane at 23-20 S, 44-10 W (off RIO DE JANIERO), 2010Z, December 13th.

NAAF (MIS) Dec. 14, (L-7186)

Dec. 12/13: Wellington sighted U-boat off DJIDJELLI. Unable to drop D/C. Plane suffered heavy damage.

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MISCELLANEOUS

COMINCH (FX-43 Via), By Hand, December 14.

S.S. SARNIAN (Br. Cgo. 2656 tons) went aground in gale and cracked amidships, December 10, in position 46 N, 86 W (Upper MICHIGAN Peninsula area). Sunk

COMWESTFOR, Decm 14/1645 (3326).

Soviet VALERY CHKALOV, liberty ship enroute AKUTAN from Soviet Kaya Gavan, presumably in ballast, broke in 2 parts at 14/1125Z in 53-33 N, 170-40 W. Weather conditions unknown. Both parts in tow. All personnel safe.

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 1

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December 15, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 14 - S.S. BALLS BLUFF (U.S. TNKR. 10,195) attacked by SS 100 mi. SE of DOMINICAN REPUBLIC).

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - ~~2~~ 1

Dec. 13 - SS attacked by B-25 150 mi. NNW CAPE ORTEGAL.

~~Dec. 14 - SS contact attacked by USS BOGUE 450 mi. S. of AZORES.~~

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 13 - SS sighted by PanAm plane off RIO DE JANEIRO.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 24 Patrolling. Total: 41.

All Atlantic: 70. (Yesterday: 70).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 12/13 - SS sighted by Wellington off Djidjelli.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 13 December 1943, (N) - #2176.

One S of HATTERAS not recently located.

One unfixed eastern GULF.

One N of CRISTOBAL, possibly from contact 12/2011Z.

One unfixed possibly area 21-30 N, 75 W.

One estimated homebound 08 N, 42 W.

Other areas quiet.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-5436), December 13, 2038.

Sound contact attacked by USCG BODEGA at 2011, December 12 in 09-28 N, 79-55 W (off COLON).

COMTASK GROUP 21.13 (B-5426), December 13, 1415.
COMINCH (B-5436), December 13, 2038.

SS sunk by aircraft from BOGUE and by surface craft at 1221Z, December 13 in 26-19 N, 29-58 W (525 mi. N of CAPE VERDE ISLANDS).

ALGIERS (MIS) (L-7172) Jnl. 109, December 14.

SS attacked December 13 by USS WAINWRIGHT and HMS CALPE 50 mi. N of DJIDJELLI. U-boat forced to surface by depth charges. SS scuttled.

USFOR LONDON (MIS) (L-7167), Jnl. 54, December 14.

SS attacked by RAF Dec 12 about 65 miles N of CAPE ORTEGAL.

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

NOB TRINIDAD (2174), December 13, 1622.

Periscope sighted by ATC plane at 1615, December 13 in 10-54 N, 60-55 W (off TRINIDAD).

COMINCH (B-5436), December 13, 2038.

SS sighted by Army B-25 at 1019, December 12 in 06-20 S, 29-40 W (325 mi. E of NATAL).

USFOR LONDON (MIS) (L-7167) Jnl. 54, December 14.

SS sighted Dec. 12, by RAF, 65 miles N of CAPE ORTEGAL.

SS sighted Dec. 12, by B-24, 150 miles NNW of CAPE ORTEGAL.

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

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December 14, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 4

Dec. 12 - 2 submarines in BAY OF BISCAY, by RAF.

Dec. 13 - Off TRINIDAD, by transport aircraft.

Dec. 12 - 325 mi. E. of NATAL, by Army plane.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 3 (1 sunk)

Dec. 12 - In BAY OF BISCAY, by RAF.

Dec. 12 - Sound contact off COLON, by USCG BODEGA.

Dec. 13 - 525 mi. N. of CAPE VERDE ISLANDS, by surface craft and aircraft from BOGUE. SS sunk. 46 prisoners taken.

MISCELLANEOUS

A homebound convoy has arrived safely in the UNITED KINGDOM from north RUSSIA. (OPTEL).

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 24 Patrolling. Total: 41.

All Atlantic: 70. (Yesterday: 74).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1 (1 sunk)

Dec. 13 - Off DJILDJELLI, by British and American surface craft.

SS forced to surface by depth charges. SS scuttled.

45 prisoners taken.

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN (Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 12 December 1943, (N) - #2095.

1 locality 04-40 N, 43 W by DF 12/0619Z.

1 previously unfixed PANAMA to YUCANTAN, possibly area 21-30 N,

75-30 W from attack on contact 11/1545Z.

No indication of change other areas.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-5408), December 12, 1957.

Sound contact attacked by PC-1213 at 1545, December 11, in 21-22 N, 75-59 W (off N coast of CUBA).

Sound contact attacked by YMS-368 at 1520, December 11, in 23-01 N, 84-05 W (off W tip of CUBA).

CINCMED (B-5379), December 10, 2107A.

SS contact attacked by HMS FARNDALE and HMS LIDDESDALE December 10, in approx. 39-15 N, ~~178-0~~ 17-30 E (off CROTONE, ITALY).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMINCH (B-5371) December 11, 2015.

SS sighted by ATC plane at 1125, December 11 in 08-35 N, 59-35 W (120 mi. SE of TRINIDAD).

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December 13, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2

Dec. 11 - Sound contact off W. tip of CUBA, by surface craft.

Dec. 11 - Sound contact off N. coast of CUBA, by surface craft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 11 - 120 mi. SE of TRINIDAD, by aircraft.

SUBMARINES ESTIMATED

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 10 - SS contact off CROTONE, by escorts of local convoy.

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, DEC. 10, 1943, 1451 Z, (1892).

1200 Z/10 Enemy U-boat estimatel

1 patrolling south of HATTERAS possibly area 34-20 N., 76-00 W., by sighting 09/1655 Z.

1/ unlocated GULF OF MEXICO possibly south of KEY WEST from disappearing radar contact 09/2340 Z.

1 patrolling within 150 mi. of CRISTOBAL with a second U-boat unlocated between PANAMA and YUCATAN.

Up to 20 indefinitely located between 25 and 35 W with northern limit of concentration about 60 N., from recent DFS.

Other areas remain quiet.

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SHIPS SUNK

ALGIERS (MIS) (L-7113) JNL. 50, Dec. 11.

S.S. CAP PADARAN (Fr. Cgo. 8,009 T) torpedoed and sunk by U-boat off CROTONE, December 9 pm. Vessel in convoy from HEEL PORT to AUGUSTA.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

CINCCNA (#1947), Dec. 10, 2145.

SS attacked by HMS LAWFORD at 50-43 N., 32-50 W.,

(650 mi. N. of AZORES).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

SOMINCH (B-5322) Dec. 10, 2124.

SS sighted by aircraft at 1150, Dec. 10 in 04-47 S., 23-54 W., (500 mi. NW of ASCESNSION ISLAND).

USFOR LONDON (L-7107) (MIS) JNL. 323, Dec. 10.

SS sighted by B-24, Dec. 10 (day) 140 mi. NW of SANTANDER. No attack made.

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December 11, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 1

Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 10,-650 mi. N. of AZORES, by surface craft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 2

Dec. 10 - In BAY OF BISCAY, by aircraft.

Dec. 10 - 500 mi. NW of ASCENSION ISLAND, by aircraft.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. Yesterday: 74.

MEDITERRANEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 9 - S.S. CAP PADARAN (Fr. Cgo. 8,000 T) torpedoed and sunk off CROTONE. Vessel in local convoy.

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, December 9, 1635 (1787).

1 off PANAMA from sinking 08/1100 Z off SAN BLAS POINT.

1 central GULF possibly contact 25-30 N., 85-08 W., 08/2025 Z.

1 patrolling south of HATTERAS possibly by contact area 32-46 N., 76-07 W., 08/1630 Z.

1 unlocated western CARIBBEAN.

Enemy U-boat estimate 1200Z/9.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS SUNK

COMNAVEU, Dec. 9, 1649 (1837).

S.S. NITSA (Gr. Cgo. 4,732 T) torpedoed and sunk at 2145, Dec. 2 in 11-42 N., 45-32 E., (GULF OF ADEN).

Note: Previously reported (summary 12/6) torpedoed.

COMPASEAFRON, Dec. 9, 1434.

S.S. COLOMBIA (Pan. Cgo. 1,064 T) torpedoed and sunk at 1100, Dec. 8 area 09-50 N., 78-55 W., (50 mi. E. of COLON, CANAL ZONE).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMEASTSEAFRON (1850), Dec. 9, 2005.

SS sighted by aircraft at 1655 Z, Dec. 9 in 34-20 N., 76-00 W., (200 mi. E. of CHARLESTON).

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MERCHANT SHIP CONSTRUCTION, NOVEMBER 1943.

	Ships	Tons
United States	137	1,031,335
Great Britain	14	116,017
Canada	14	100,200
TOTAL	165	1,247,552
Losses for November	35	126,476
NET GAIN	130	1,121,076

LONDON, (AP), Dec. 9.

President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill said in a joint statement tonight that the number of merchant vessels sunk by U-boats in November was less than during any month since May 1940.

Scotia

126,476
116,204
9,972

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BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY

Total Ships Sunk - 2

December 10, 1943

Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 8 - S.S. COLOMBIA (Pan. Cgo. 1,000 T) torpedoed and sunk 50 mi. E. of COLON, CANAL ZONE.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 9 - Off HATTERAS, by USN plane.

SHIP CONSTRUCTION (November).

United States	137 ships	1,031,385 tons
Great Britain	14 ships	116,017 tons
Canada	14 ships	100,200 tons
TOTAL	165 ships	1,247,552 tons
Losses (all causes)	35 ships	126,476 tons
NET GAIN	130 ships	1,121,076 tons

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74 (Yesterday: 74).

MEDITERRANEAN

(Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

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SHIPS SUNK - 1

Dec. 2 - S.S. NITSA (Gr. Cgo. 4,500 T) torpedoed and sunk in the GULF OF ADEN. Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

PACIFIC (Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINES ESTIMATED

COMINCH, December 8, 1442 (#1660).

Enemy U-Boat estimate 1200 Z/8.

No fresh information.

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SHIPS SUNK

COMNAVEU, Dec. 7, 1331 (#1601).

S.S. SCOTIA (Nor. Tnkr. 9,972 T) torpedoed and sunk by submarine at 03 S., 69-03 E., (600 mi. SE of INDIAN) on November 27 at 1240.

Note: Previously reported as torpedoed (summary 11/29).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

USFOR (MIS) (L-7083) JNL. 17, Dec. 8.

SS attacked Dec. 6 (day) by Wellington based on AZORES 260 mi. SSE of SANTA MARIA.

CTU 02.9.10 (#1672) Dec. 8, 1635.

Sound contact attacked by USCG NEMESIS at 1630, Dec. 8 in 32-46 N., 76-07 W., (200 mi. E. of CHARLESTON, S.C.).

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BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY

December 9, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 1

Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2

Dec. 6 - 250 mi. S. of AZORES, by RAF based on AZORES.

Dec. 8 - Sound contact 200 mi. E. of CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, by surface craft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

MEDITERRANEAN

(Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 27 - S.S. SCOTIA (Nor. Tnkr. 10,000 T) torpedoed and sunk 600 mi. SE of INDIA.

Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

PACIFIC OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, December 7, 1943.

One estimated homebound within 200 miles of 33 N., 23 W.

One not recently located possibly moving SE within 300 mi.

93 N., 21 W.

One Freetown Area.

About 13 enroute to and from French Bases between BAY OF

BISCAY and 26 W.

One which has been patrolling off Panama may now be starting

homeward.

No fresh information from other areas.

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COMNAVEU (#1634), Dec. 7, 1758.

During the air raid at Bari on December 2 the following ships were sunk:

1.	TESTBANK	BR.	CGO.	5,083	Tons
2.	LARS KRUSE	BR.	CGO.	1,807	
3.	FORT ATHABASKA	BR.	CGO.	7,132	
4.	JOHN BASCOM	US.	CGO.	7,176	
5.	JOHN L. MOTLEY	US.	CGO.	7,176	
6.	JOSEPH WHEELER	US.	CGO.	7,100	
7.	SAMUEL J. TILDEN	US.	CGO.	7,100	
8.	JOHN HARVEY	US.	CGO.	7,100	
9.	BOLLSTA	NOR.	CGO.	1,832	
10.	LOM	NOR.	CGO.	1,268	
11.	BARLETTA	ITAL.	CGO.	1,975	
12.	FROSINIONE	ITAL.	CGO.	5,202	
13.	PUCK	POL.	CGO.	1,065	
14.	LWOW	POL.	CGO.	1,409	
	Total Tons Sunk			62,425	Tons

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SHIPS ATTACKED

COMNAVEU (1634), December 7, 1758.

During air raid on BARI, December 2, following ships sunk but salvagable:

1.	DEVON COAST	Br. Cgo.	646	Tons
2.	NORLOM	Nor. Cgo.	6,412	
3.	CASSALA	Ital. Cgo.	1,797	

Following damaged:

4.	CRISTA	Br. Cgo.	2,590	
5.	FORT LA JOIE	Br. Cgo.	7,134	
6.	BRITTANY COAST	Br. Cgo.	1,389	
7.	LYMAN ABBOTT	U.S. Cgo.	7,176	
8.	ODYSSEUS	Du. Cgo.	1,057	
9.	VEST	Nor. Cgo.	5,074	
	TOTAL		33,275	

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

NOB TRINIDAD, Dec. 7, 1445 (#568).

SS sighted at 1420, Dec. 7 by ATC plane 20 mi. SW of MARTINIQUE.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, December 6, 1520, (#460).

1 south of HATTERAS from LIBERTAD sinking 040800 Z.

1 CENTRAL GULF.

1 CENTRAL or WESTERN CARIBBEAN unlocated.

1 north of CRISTOBAL possibly 12-45 N., 78-48 W., 05/1435 Z.

1 previously considered doubtful may be SE of TRINIDAD from sighting 06/1251 Z.

1 not recently located possibly arriving coastal area between CAYENNE and SAO LUIZ.

Other areas quiet.

1200 Z/6 enemy U-Boat estimate.

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COMNAVEU, Dec. 6, 1747 (522).

S.S. FORT DE VAUX (Fr. Cgo. 5,186 T) torpedoed and sunk at 2327, Nov. 29 in 06-35 N., 12-28 W., (100 mi. S. of FREETOWN).

Note: Previously reported (summary 12/2) as torpedoed.

OPTEL (#398) Dec. 6.

Further details on air raid on Bari, Italy, Dec. 2:

13 ships of	55,477 GRT	Sunk.
3 ships of	28,855 GRT	Sunk but Salvageable.
9 ships of	38,701 GRT	Damaged.
25 ships of	123,033 GRT	Total.

38,701
84,33?

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

NOB TRINIDAD, Dec. 6, 1305.

SS sighted at 1251 Z, Dec. 6 in 08-36 N., 58-24 W., (100 mi. N. of GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA).

COMINCH (B-5136) Dec. 6, 2128.

SS sighted by USN plane at 1435, Dec. 5 at 12-45 N., 78-48 W., (225 mi. N. of CRISTOBAL).

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Total Ships Sunk - 1

Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 29 - S.S. FORT DE VAUX (Fr. Cgo. 5,000 T) torpedoed and sunk 100 mi. S. of FREETOWN. Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 2

Dec. 5 - 225 mi. N. of CRISTOBAL, by USN plane.

Dec. 6 - 100 mi. N. of GEORGETOWN, BR. GUIANA. No details.

SUBMARINES ESTIMATED

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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BARI RAID

Further details on Bari raid of December 2:

13 ships of 55,000 tons sunk.

3 ships of 29,000 tons sunk but salvageable.

9 ships of 39,000 tons damaged.

25 ships of 123,000 tons sunk or damaged.

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 5 December 1943, (N) - #382.

1 previously estimated patrolling S of JAMAICA, possibly central GULF from attack 03/0730Z.

No indication of change other areas.

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SHIPS SUNK

USS FALGOUT (348), Dec. 4, 2215.

S.S. TOUCHET (U.S. Tnkr. 10,200 T) torpedoed and presumed sunk at 0730, Dec. 3 in approx. 25-50 N., 86-30 W., (250 mi. SE of MISSISSIPPI RIVER DELTA).

COMEASTSEAFRON (406, 422, 424) Dec. 5, 1825; Dec. 6, 0135 and 0315.

S.S. LIBERTAD (Cub. Cgo. 5,441 T) straggler from KN-280, presumed torpedoed and sunk approx. 0800 Z, Dec. 4 approx. 34-46 N., 74-18 W., (Off CAPE HATTERAS).

ALGIERS (MIS) (L-7048) JNL. 233, Dec. 5.
CINCMED (B-5044 and 5062) Dec. 3, 1900 A, 2245 A.

BARI, ITALY, raided by approx. 30 aircraft between 1930 and 2030 Dec. 2. Two ammunition carriers exploded. 17 merchantmen now a total loss. 38,000 tons of cargo estimated lost.

Following vessels lost (preliminary report):

1.	JOHN BASCOB	US	CGO.	7,176 T
2.	JOSEPH WHEELER	US	CGO.	7,100 T
3.	SAMUEL TILDEN	US	CGO.	7,100 T
4.	JOHN L. MOTLEY	US	CGO.	7,176 T
5.	JOHN HARVEY	US	CGO.	7,100 T

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COMNAVEU (343), Dec. 4, 1651.

S.S. FORT CAMOSUN (Br. Cgo. 7,126 T) torpedoed at 2055 Z, Dec. 3 in 11-21 N., 46-03 E., (GULF OF ADEN).

ADMIRALTY, Dec. 6, 1031 Z.

S.S. NITSA (Gr. Cgo. 4,732 T) torpedoed at 2145, Dec. 2 in 11-42 N., 45-32 E., (GULF OF ADEN).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMEASTSEAFRON (334), Dec. 4, 1947.

SS attacked by PBY from JACKSONVILLE at 1650, Dec. 4 in 26-19 N., 78-26 W., (FLORIDA STRAITS).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMGULFSEAFRON (405) Dec. 5, 2006.

SS sighted by PAA pilot at 1500, Dec. 5 in approx. 11-15 N., 74-45 W., (off BARRANQUILLA, COLOMBIA).

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MISCELLANEOUS

AMCON AND ALUSLO NEUVITAS (287), December 4, 0150.

S.S. J. ROBERTS BATEMAN (U.S. Cgo. 62 tons) ran aground at 1000, November 27, 15 miles ESE of PARE DON GRADNE LIGHT. Vessel believed total loss.

DIO 8ND (279), December 4.

S.S. RIO GUALEGUAY (Arg. Cgo. 3336 tons) caught fire at 0550, December 3, S of NEW ORLEANS. Vessel beached. Damage negligible.

Note: Previously reported (summary 12/4) as unidentified vessel.

COMNAVEU (343), December 4, 1651.

S.S. PRINSES IRENE (Du. Cgo. 400 tons) sunk in collision 2/3 December, 9 miles W of MULL OF GALLOWAY (approx. 54-38 N, 05-00 W).

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Total Ships Sunk - 19

Total Ships Attacked - 2

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 2

Dec. 4 - S.S. LIBERTAD (Cuban Cgo. 5,500 T) straggler from KN-280 (Key West-New York), sunk off CAPE HATTERAS presumably by submarine.

Dec. 3 - S.S. TOUCHET (U.S. Tnkr. 10,000 T) torpedoed and presumed sunk 250 mi. SE of MISSISSIPPI RIVER DELTA.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 4 - In FLORIDA STRAITS, by PBY.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 5 - Off BARRANQUILLA, COLOMBIA, by PAA plane.

SUBMARINES ESTIMATED

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

MEDITERRANEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 17

Dec. 2 - 17 merchantmen lost in air raid on BARI, ITALY. Following identified:

1.	JOHN BASCOB	US	CGO.	7,100 T
2.	JOSEPH WHEELER	US	CGO.	7,100 T
3.	SAMUEL TILDEN	US	CGO.	7,100 T
4.	JOHN L. MOTLEY	US	CGO.	7,100 T
5.	JOHN HARVEY	US	CGO.	7,100 T

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INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS ATTACKED - 2

Dec. 3 - S.S. FORT CAMOSUN (Br. Cgo. 7,000 T) torpedoed in GULF OF ADEN.

Dec. 2 - S.S. NITSA (Gr. Cgo. 4,500 T) torpedoed in GULF OF ADEN.

PACIFIC (Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 2 December 1943, (N) - #147.

1 estimated area 14 N, 79 W from DFs 02/0052Z and 02/0122Z, probably moving to the NE.

Other areas remain quiet.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-4940), December 2, 2105.

Sound contact attacked by USS CLEMSON at 0825, December 1 in 42-18 N, 18-59 W (360 mi. E of AZORES).

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MISCELLANEOUS

COMNAVEU (152), December 2, 1719.

S.S. FLORENCE REYNOLDS (Br. Cgo. 397 tons) sunk after collision Dec. 1/2 in 51-01 N, 04-43 W (BRISTOL CHANNEL).

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

December 3, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 1 - Sound contact 350 mi. N. of AZORES, by surface craft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 3 December 1943, (N) - #180.

1 estimated patrolling S of JAMAICA from contact 02/2035Z.

Possibly 1 patrolling ARUBA CURACAO area.

1 unlocated within 300 miles N of CRISTOBAL, nothing new from other areas.

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SHIPS SUNK

COMNAVEU (203) Nov. 3, 1701.

S.S. MARSA (Br. Cgo. 4,405 T) presumed sunk.

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/22) damaged by aircraft at 1600, Nov. 21 in 46-39 N., 18-23 W., (475 mi. NW of CAPE FINISTERRE). Straggler MKS-30.

ALUSNOB ADEN (Via FX-43), Dec. 2, 1300.

S.S. ATHINA LIVANOS (Gr. Cgo. 4,824 T) torpedoed and sunk at 1630 Z, Nov. 29 in 12-20 N., 44-00 E., (GULF OF ADEN). Convoy DK-46.

Note: Previously reported (summary 12/1) torpedoed.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

ADMIRALTY, Dec. 3, 1027A.

SS attacked by aircraft at 2042, December 2, in 44-00 N, 09-25 W (BAY OF BISCAY).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

NOB GUANTANAMO (#186), Dec. 3, 1720.

SS sighted at 1705 Z, Dec. 3, at 19-48 N., 75-00 W.,

(off GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA).

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MISCELLANEOUS

COMNAVEU (203), December 3, 1701

S.S. RIVER TAY (Br. Cgo. 203 tons) ashore on "The Sound of Mull" 30 November and constructive total loss.

NEW ORLEANS (UP) December 3.

A 5000 ton Argentine cargo ship, with part of its newsprint cargo in flames, was beached S of NEW ORLEANS near the MISSISSIPPI RIVER levee early today, after an hours-long battle by fire fighters.

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Total Ships Sunk - 2

Total Ships Attacked - 0

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ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 21 - S.S. MARSA (Br. Cgo. 4600 tons) sunk by aircraft 475 miles NW of CAPE FINISTERRE. Straggler from northbound convoy.

Note: Previously reported hit.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Dec. 2 - In BAY OF BISCAY, by aircraft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Dec. 3 - Off GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA. No details.

SUBMARINES ESTIMATED

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday 74).

INDIAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 29 - S.S. ATHINA LIVANOS (Gr. Cgo. 5000 tons) torpedoed and sunk in GULF OF ADEN.

Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

MEDITERRANEAN, PACIFIC

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 1 December 1943, (N) - #17.

One area 15 N, 80 W from poor DF 01/0858Z.

2 unlocated in central CARIBBEAN probably patrolling convoy lanes between CURACAO and GUANTANAMO.

1 unfixed Easternsea Frontier S of HATTERAS.

1 homebound area 13 N, 50 W.

1 previously estimated patrolling TRINIDAD to AMAZON remains unlocated and now considered doubtful.

1 area 17 N, 37 W from DF 30/2240Z, probably moving S or SW.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

COMNAVEU (45), December 1, 1642.

S.S. FORT DE VAUX (Fr. Cgo. 5186 tons) torpedoed 29 November in 06-36 N, 12-28 W (100 mi. S of FREETOWN). No details.

Note: Previously reported as unidentified vessel torpedoed.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-4897), December 1, 2051.

SS attacked by aircraft from BOGUE at 1720, November 30, in 41-07 N, 18-30 W (350 mi. E of AZORES).

Sound contact attacked by USCG SPENCER at 1412Z, December 1 in 19-04 N, 67-33 W (30 mi. N of PORTO RICO).

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 1

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December 2, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 29 - S.S. PORT DE VAUX (Fr. Cgo. 5,000 T) torpedoed 100 mi. S. of FREETOWN. No details.

Note: Reported yesterday as unidentified vessel.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2

Nov. 30 - 350 mi. E. of AZORES, by aircraft from ROOME.

Dec. 1 - Sound contact 30 mi. N. of PORTO RICO, by USCG SPENCER.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, November 30, (N).

A new U-boat concentration appears to be forming within 150 miles 54 N, 26 W from DFs during past several days and attack by escorts of HX-267 on 29 November in this area.

Other areas continue inactive.

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C & R (Via FX-43), November 30.

S.S. HFMAI MUDA (Tu. M/V 300 tons) sunk by surface craft on 26 November at 36-20 N, 27-10 E (N. of CRETE).

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SHIPS ATTACKED

COMNAVEU (3016), November 30, 1704.

S.S. ATHINA LIVANOS (Gr. Cgo. 4824 tons) torpedoed at 1630Z, November 29 at 12-20 N, 44-00 E (GULF OF ADEN). No details.

ADMIRALTY (B-4831), November 30, 1019.

Unidentified vessel torpedoed at 2327, November 29 in 06-35 N, 12-28 W (100 mi. S of FREETOWN).

CAIRO (MIS) (L-6969), Jnl. 267, November 30.

At dusk November 29, an eastbound convoy was attacked 70 miles NNW of BENGHAZI by 15 JU-88's and DO-217's. Axis aircraft intercepted by 20 Allied planes. One Axis plane probably destroyed and one damaged. No damage to ships.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-4847, November 30, 2020.

SS attacked by aircraft from BOGUE at 1346, November 29 in 39-33 N, 19-01 W (300 mi. E. of AZORES).

ADMIRALTY (B-4831), November 30, 1019.

SS attacked by HMS VESPER at 2140, November 29 in 54-34 N, 24-24 W (500 mi. W. of IRELAND).

SS attacked by minesweeper at 1045, November 24 in 69-08 N, 41-54 E (N. of KOLA PENINSULA). SS attacked by Russian DD at 0908, November 24 in 69-00 N, 41-06 E. One submarine sunk. One submarine probably sunk. (OPTEL 392, November 30).

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COMNAVEU (3016), November 30, 1704.

S.S. TREVORIAN (Br. Cgo. 4599 tons) sunk in collision November 29 in 57-23 N, 01-37 W (off East cost of SCOTLAND). Convoy EN-12.

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December 1, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 2

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 29 - Unidentified vessel torpedoed 100 mi. S. of FREETOWN.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 4 (1 sunk, 1 probably sunk)

Nov. 24 - Two submarines N. of KOLA PENINSULA, by Russian minesweeper and Russian DD. One sunk. One probably sunk. (OPTEL)

Nov. 29 - 500 mi. W. of IRELAND, by surface craft.

Nov. 29 - 300 mi. E. of AZORES, by aircraft from BOGUE.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

MARINE CASUALTY

Nov. 29 - S.S. TREVORIAN (BR. Cgo. 4,500 T) sunk in collision off E. coast of SCOTLAND. Local convoy.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SHIPS ATTACKED - (Convoy Attacked)

Nov. 29 - At dusk an Eastbound convoy was attacked by 15 Axis planes 70 mi. NNW of BENGHAZI. 20 Allied planes intercepted. One Axis plane lost, one damaged. No damage to ships.

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 29 - S.S. ATHINA LIVANOS (Gr. Cgo. 5,000 T) torpedoed in GULF OF ADEN. No details.

PACIFIC OCEAN

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COMINCH, November 29, 1943, (N).

Possibly one still on patrol GEORGETOWN to AMAZON.

Two homebound within 100 miles following positions:

09 N, 53 W from DF 29/0024Z;

06 N, 36 W from DF 29/0508Z.

No new information other areas.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

OPTEL (390), November 29.

Convoy bound for U.K. was attacked November 27/28 by nine U-boats in "SW approaches". No casualties.

Note- Position approx. 39 N, 17 W (350 mi. W of LISBON).

(Ref. ADMIRALTY, November 29, 1020).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

ADMIRALTY, November 29, 1020.

SS attacked by HMS DALIA, night 27/28 November, in 39-00 N, 17-00 W (350 mi. W of LISBON).

Note: Attack described as "promising" (Ref. OPTEL 390, November 29).

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COMINCH (B-4786), November 29, 2102.

S.S. JAMES LONGSTREET (U.S. Cgo. 7176 tons) not a total loss.

Note: Previously reported (summary October 29) total loss from marine causes on October 26 in 40-27 N, 74-00 W.

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November 30, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - (convoy attack)

Nov. 28 - Northbound convoy attacked by 9 U-boats 350 miles West of LISBON. No losses.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 28 - 350 mi. W. of LISBON, by surface craft. Attack described as "promising". (OPTEL)

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 23 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 28 November 1943, (N) - #2761.

One Eastern Sea Frontier S of HATTERAS.

One estimated 13 N, 77 W from attack 26/2121Z.

One estimated within 150 miles 16 N, 75 W.

One estimated westbound 14 N, 69 W.

Two unfixed GEORGETOWN to AMAZON.

One AMAZON to FORTALEZA.

Other areas quiet.

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COMNAVEU (2748), November 27, 1723.

S.S. MORAR (Br. Cgo. 1507 tons) sunk by mine at 1352Z, November "2A" (sic) (?27) in 51-50 N, 01-34 E (off East coast of ENGLAND). Convoy FN-88.

COMPASEAFRON (B-4731), November 29, 0253.

S.S. ELIZABETH KELLOGG (U.S. tnkr. 5189 tons) presumed sunk.

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/25) torpedoed at 0800Z, November 23 at 11-10 N, 80-42 W (100 mi. N of CRISTOBAL).

ALGIERS (MIS) (L-6915), Jnl. 173, November 27.

S.S. ROHNA (Br. Cgo. 8602 tons) sunk by aircraft at 1730, November 26. Vessel was carrying 92 officers, 1889 enlisted men, and 7 civilians. No further details.

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/27) hit by aircraft off BOUGIE, KMF-26.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

ADMIRALTY (Via FX-43), November 28, 1110A.

S.S. SCOTIA (Nor. tnkr. 9972 tons) torpedoed at 1240, Nov. 27 in 03-00 S, 69-03 E (600 mi. SE of INDIA).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

BLACKWOOD (B-4730), November 28, 2230.

SS attacked about 2220Z, November 28 in 40-45 N, 17-22 W (400 mi. W of PORTUGAL).

COMINCH (B-4728), November 28, 2007.

Sound contact attacked by USS BADGER at 1015, November 27 in 39-24 N, 22-06 W (175 mi. NE of AZORES).

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MISCELLANEOUS

ComNORPAC, November 25, 0639.

S.S. JOHN P. GAINES (U.S. Cgo. 7176 tons) sunk (marine casualty).

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/25) breaking up at 0020, November 25 in 55-15 N, 155-30 W (100 mi. S of KODIAK, ALASKA).

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Total Ships Sunk - 3

Total Ships Attacked - 1

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SHIPS SUNK - 2

Nov. 27? - S.S. MORAR (Br. Cgo. 1,500 T) sunk by mine off N coast of ENGLAND. Local convoy.

Nov. 23 - S.S. ELIZABETH KELLOGG (U.S. Tnkr. 5,000 T) torpedoed and sunk 100 mi. N. of CRISTOBAL. Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2

Nov. 28 - 400 mi. W. of PORTUGAL, by surface craft.

Nov. 27 - Sound contact 175 mi. NE of AZORES, by surface craft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

MEDITERRANEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 26 - S.S. ROMNA (Br. Cgo. 8,500 T) sunk by aircraft off BOUGIE. Convoy U.K.-Mediterranean. Vessel carrying 92 officers, 1889 enlisted men, and 7 civilians. Vessel sank in ½ an hour. Casualties about 50%. Note: Previously reported attacked.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

INDIAN OCEAN

Nov. 27 - S.S. SCOTIA (Nor. Tnkr. 9,972 T) torpedoed 600 mi. SE of INDIA.

PACIFIC OCEAN

MARINE CASUALTY

Nov. 25 - S.S. JOHN P. GAINES (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 T) sunk in heavy weather 100 mi. S. of KODIAK, ALASKA. Note: Previously reported in distress.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, Nov. 26/1550, (#2625).

One within 300 miles north of CRISTOBAL.

One unlocated possibly area 16 N., 71 W., westbound.

One moving SW area 16 N., 66 W.

Two unlocated between TRINIDAD and AMAZON.

One unlocated between SAO LUIZ and NATAL.

One general area south of HATTERAS patrolling.

One within 300 miles of FLEMISH CAP from very poor DF.

26/0258 Z, possibly homebound.

Enemy U-Boat estimate 1200Z/26.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

ALGIERS (MIS) (L-6905) JNL 48, Nov. 27, 1943.

Convoy KMF-26 attacked by over 30 enemy aircraft at dusk November 26 off BOUGIE. S.S. ROHNA (Br. Cgo. 8,602 T) hit. No details. 8 planes claimed shot down.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-4662) Nov. 26, 2053.

Sound contact attacked by PC-466 at 1940 Z, Nov. 25 near 10-30 N., 80-18 W., (75 mi. N. of CRISTOBAL, C.Z.).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

NOB TRINIDAD (#2543) Nov. 26, 1840.

Conning tower sighted at 1740 Z, Nov. 26 in 11-35 N., 61-40 W., (NW of TRINIDAD).

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 1

BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY

November 27, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 25 - Sound contact 75 miles N. of CRISTOBAL, by PC-446.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Nov. 26 - NW of TRINIDAD. No details.

SUBMARINES ESTIMATED

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 26 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 26 - Eastbound convoy off BOUGIE attacked by over 30 planes.

S.S. ROHNA (Br. Cgo. 8,500 T) hit. No details.

8 enemy planes shot down.

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

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SUBMARINES ESTIMATE

COMINCH, Nov. 25/1543, (#2417).

1200Z/25 enemy U-Boat estimate.

One area 12 N., 79 W., from attack 24/2320 Z probably moving to the northward.

One area 18 N., 65 W., from contact 25/0257 Z and attack 24/0850 Z moving SW.

Absence of contacts on one previously estimated area 17 N., 69 W., suggests possibility this U-Boat may be north of HAITI heading for WINDWARD PASSAGE.

One unlocated Eastern Sea Frontier south of HATTERAS and west of 73 W.

No freshinformation fromother areas.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-4608) Nov. 25, 1800.

SS sunk by Liberator at 1045 Z, Nov. 25 in 06 S., 05-40 W., (500 mi. E. of ASCENSION ISLAND).

SS attacked by Army plane at 2320 Z, Nov. 24 in 11-10 N., 79-10 W., (120 mi. N. of CRISTOBAL).

SS attacked by USS CLEMSON at 2040, Nov. 22 in 41-23 N., 32-34 W., (North of the AZORES.).

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HARRISON (U.S. Minister, BERN) (State Dept. Brief, Nov. 25), November 22.

During October GERMANY lost 42 U-Boats. 30 were missing or sunk on active duty. 7 were destroyed in harbors or yards or in air raids. 5 were sunk by mines.

OPTEL (386) Nov. 25.

A heavily escorted convoy of 19 ships has arrived in north Russian ports without incident.

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November 25, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 3 (1 sunk)

Nov. 22 - N. of the Azores, by surface craft.

Nov. 24 - 120 mi. NW of CRISTOBAL, by Army plane.

Nov. 25 - 500 mi. E. of ASCENSION ISLAND, by Liberator. SS sunk. 25 survivors picked up.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

MISCELLANEOUS

A heavily escorted convoy of 19 ships has arrived in north Russian ports without incident. (OPTEL)

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 25 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, November 24, 1546, (2262).

One within 150 miles north of CRISTOBAL from torpedoing of MELVILLE E. STONE 24/0520 Z.

One south of ST. THOMAS probably moving SW from contact 24/0850 Z.

One estimated area 17 N., 69 W., moving west or southwest.

One estimated moving W or NW within 150 miles of 30 N., 75 W.

Two unlocated TRINIDAD to AMAZON.

Enemy U/Boat estimate 1200 Z/24.

One patrolling coastal area between SALINAS and FORTALEZA.

One patrolling off FLEMISH CAP.

Other areas quiet.

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COMPASEAFRON (2314), Nov. 24, 2004.
QUARRY HEIGHTS (MIS) (L-6875) JNL 60, Nov. 25.

S.S. MELVILLE E. STONE (U.S. Cgo. 7,176 T) sank in 20 minutes.

73 survivors landed of crew of 95.

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/24) torpedoed at 0520 Z, Nov. 24 in 10-36 N., 80-19 W., (75 mi. N. of CRISTOBAL).

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SHIPS ATTACKED

COMPASEAFRON (B-4559) Nov. 24, 2321.

S.S. ELIZABETH KELLOGG (U.S. Tnkr. 5,189 T) torpedoed at 0800 Z, Nov. 23 in 11-10 N., 80-42 W., (100 mi. N. of CRISTOBAL). 32 survivors picked up of crew of 48. Vessel still afloat at 2100 Z, Nov. 24. Vessel broken in two at keel. Salvage possibilities being investigated.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

BLACKWOOD (B-4568) Nov. 25, 0455 Z.

Two submarines attacked between 0255 Z and 0355 Z by surface craft in 41-42 N., 22-30 W., (300 mi. NE of AZORES). 3 explosions heard after second hedgehog attack. Oil observed.

COMINCH (B-4561) Nov. 24, 2137.

Sound contact attacked by USS ATHERTON at 0850 Z, Nov. 23 in 17-44 N., 64-09 W., (75 mi. E. of PORTO RICO).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMINCH (B-4561) Nov. 24, 2137.

SS sighted by B-24 at 1150 Z, Nov. 23, in 07-40 N., 58-10 W., (off GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA).

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COMNAVEU, Nov. 24, 1636 (#2312).

Portuguese PEDRO MIGUEL (333 tons) total loss (marine casualty) November 9, 22 miles south of OPERTO.

RDO HILLSBORO, OREGON, Nov. 25, 0042.
CG RDO WESTPORT (2334), Nov. 25, 0020 and 0810.

S.S. JOHN P. GAINES (U.S. Cgo. 7,176 T) sent distress signal "Breaking up fast. Have lost front half of ship. 100 men in lifeboats. 500 still on board, no lifeboats available." Position 55-07 N., 155-30 W., (100 mi. S. of KODIAK, ALASKA.).

C & R states vessel sailed DUTCH HARBOR 11/22 for PLEASANT ISLAND.

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Total Ships Sunk - 1

Total Ships Attacked - 1

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 24 - S.S. MELVILLE E. STONE (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 T) torpedoed and sunk 75 mi. N. of CRISTOBAL. 73 survivors landed of crew of 95.

Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 24 - S.S. ELIZABETH KELLOGG (U.S. Tnkr. 5,000 T) torpedoed 100 mi. N. of CRISTOBAL. 32 survivors picked up of crew of 48. Vessel still afloat but broken in two at keel. Salvage possibilities being investigated.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 3

Nov. 25 - 2 submarines 300 mi. NE of AZORES, by surface craft. 3 explosions heard after second hedgehog attack. Oil observed.

Nov. 23 - 75 mi. E. of PORTO RICO, by surface craft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Nov. 23 - Off GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA, by B-24.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 25 Patrolling. Total: 43.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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(Nothing to report)

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MARINE CASUALTY

Nov. 25 - S.S. JOHN P. GAINES (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 T) sent distress signal 100 mi. S. of KODIAK, ALASKA. "Breaking up fast. Have lost front half of ship. 100 men in lifeboats. 500 still on board, no lifeboats available." [redacted] route from DUTCH HARBOR [redacted] IS.

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COMINCH, November 23, 1524, (2152).

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SHIPS ATTACKED

GRAY'S HARBOR RDO (INTERCEPT) (2143) Nov. 23.

S.S. FELIX HATHAWAY (U.S. Cgo. 7,176 T) sent distress signal, "Reason to believe followed by submarine and hit by dud torpedo or shell." Time 1100 Z. Position 33 N., 124 W (300 mi. W. San Diego).

DCGO 7 ND, Nov. 24, 0525 (2227).

S.S. MELVILLE E. STONE (U.S. Cgo. 7,176 T) torpedoed at 0520 Z, Nov. 24 in 11-34 N., 81-34 W., (180 mi. NW of CRISTOBAL).

Note: Latitude questionable. C & R states vessel sailed CRISTOBAL on Nov. 23 for NEW YORK CITY.

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November 24, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 2

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 24 (Early Morning) - S.S. MELVILLE E. STONE (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 T) torpedoed by SS 180 mi. NW of CRISTOBAL. Vessel enroute from CRISTOBAL to NEW YORK CITY.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINES ESTIMATED

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 25 Patrolling. Total: 42.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

MEDITERRANEAN and INDIAN

(Nothing to report)

PACIFIC

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 23 - S.S. FELIX HATHAWAY (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 T) sent distress signal. "Believe followed by SS and hit by dud shell or torpedo." Position 300 mi. W. of SAN DIEGO. Vessel enroute from HAWAII to SAN FRANCISCO.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, November 22, 1943.

1 estimated westbound area 28 N., 73 W.

1 estimated MONA PASSAGE heading SW.

1 approaching ANEGADA from contacts 21/1330 Z and 21/1830 Z.

1 estimated off PANAMA APPROACHES from sinking of schooner 17/2400 Z.

1 07 N., 54 W., from attack 22/0057 Z.

Another unfixed GEORGETOWN to AMAZON.

1 SAO LUIZ to FORTALEZA from attack 21/1600 Z.

Enemy U-boat estimated 1200 Z/22.

1 estimated within 300 miles east to south of FLEMISH CAP from poor DFS 22/0101 Z and 22/1028 Z replottted from attack 20/2013 Z, SE of SABLE ISLAND.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS SUNK

F-21 (via FX-43), Nov. 22.

S.S. POMPOON (Pan. Cgo. 1,082 T) sunk, estimated by submarine, November 11 in 11-13 N., 76-49 W., (250 mi. NE of COLON).

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/22) as a marine casualty.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH (B-4457), Nov. 22, 2109.

SS attacked by aircraft at 0057, Nov. 22 in 06-51 N., 53-23 W., (120 mi. NW of CAYENNE, FRENCH GUIANA).

USFOR LONDON (L-6850) (MIS) JNL. 61, Nov. 23.

Nov. 21 (day): B-24 on escort duty attacked sub 500 mi. NW of CAPE FINISTERRE.

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMINCH (B-4457) Nov. 22, 2109.

SS sighted by aircraft at 1330, Nov. 21 in 20-40 N., 63 W., (200 mi. NE of PORTO RICO).

USFOR LONDON (L-6850) (MIS) JNL. 61, Nov. 23.

Nov. 21 (day): B-24 sighted 3 subs: 495 mi. WNW of CAPE FINISTERRE, 435 and 488 mi. WNW of CAPE FINISTERRE.

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BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY

November 23, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 1

Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 11 - S.S. POMPOON (Pan. Cgo. 1000 T) presumed sunk by submarine 250 mi. NE of PANAMA.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2

Nov. 21 - 500 mi. NW of SPAIN, by aircraft.

Nov. 22 - 120 mi. NW of FRENCH GUIANA, by aircraft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 4

Nov. 21 - 3 submarines 450-500 mi. NW of SPAIN, by aircraft.

Nov. 21 - 200 mi. NE of PORTO RICO, by aircraft.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 10 Westbound, 25 Patrolling. Total: 42.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 21 November 1943, (N) - #1973.

1 estimated westbound area 27 N, 71 W.

1 estimated MONA PASSAGE, entering CARIBBEAN.

1 estimated ANEGADA or within 100 miles SW t ereof.

1 western CARIBBEAN possibly area 13 N, 79 W.

2 unfixed GEORGETOWN to AMAZON.

1 off SAO LUIZ, possibly trailing TJ-14 from contact 21/0354Z.

1 area 42 N, 55 W from attack 20/2103Z.

Other areas quiet.

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COMNAVEU, (1939), Nov. 20, 1637.

S.S. SAMBRIDGE (Br. Cgo. 7,176 T) torpedoed and sunk at 1525 Z, Nov. 18 in 11-25 N., 47-25 E., (~~approaches to~~ GULF OF ADEN).

COMPASEAFRON (1895 and 1979), Nov. 20, 2100 and Nov. 21, 1611.

S.S. RUBY (Col. Sch. 345 T) shelled and sunk by SS at 2400, Nov. 17 in area 11-24 N., 79-54 W., (150 mi. N. of COLON). 7 survivors landed CRISTOBAL. 4 dead.

ADMIRALTY, Nov. 21, 1000.
CINCMED, Nov. 21, 2154.

S.S. EMPIRE DUNSTAN (Br. Cgo. 2,887 T) torpedoed and sunk in P.M. Nov. 18 in 38-40 N., 17-30 E., (off toe of ITALY). All crew except 2 picked up.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

SO 40th ESCORT GROUP (B-4395 and 4400), Nov. 21, 1716 and 2121.

S.S. MARSA (Br. Cgo. 4,405 T) straggler from SL-139 damaged by aircraft. Vessel abandoned at 1600 (Nov. 21) in 46-39 N., 18-23 W., (475 mi. NW of CAPE FINISTERRE. Salvage prospects good.

S.S. DELIUS (Br. Cgo. 6,065 T) also damaged.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMEASTSEAFRON (1897 and 1998) Nov. 20, 2140 and Nov. 21 1455.
ADMIRALTY HALIFAX (1919) Nov. 21, 0240 Z.

SS attacked by PBY at 2130 Z (Nov. 20) in 42-42 N., 55-28 W., (250 mi. S. of NEWFOUNDLAND). Results unobserved.

"Any or all U.S. Naval Ships" (1958), Nov. 21, 1615.

SS on surface attacked by plane at 1600, Nov. 21 in 01-25 S., 41-45 W., (off N. coast of BRAZIL).

COMINCH (B-4397) Nov. 21, 2012.

Sound contact attacked by USS MARTS at 0354, Nov. 21 in 00-51 S., 43-03 W., (off N. coast of BRAZIL).

SO ESCORT GROUP 5 (B-4353) Nov. 20, 1237.

U-536 sunk by HMS SNOWBERRY, HMS CALGARY, HMS NENE at 0247, Nov. 20 in 43-50 N., 19-39 W., (500 mi. NE of AZORES).

A second U-boat was attacked in the same area by HMS PHEASANT.

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COMPASEAFRON (via FX-43), Nov. 19, 2139.

S.S. POMPOON (Pan. Cgo. 1,082 T) overdue and presumed sunk (Marine Casualty) area 11-13 N., 76-49 W., (200 mi. NE of COLON).

DIO, 7ND, Nov. 17, 1943.

United States M/V VARIETY (89 tons) sank Nov. 13, 1943. Presumed Marine Casualty. Survivors have been landed at Havana, Cuba. The vessel departed MIAMI at Nov. 11 for SAMA, CUBA.

CTU 02.4.1 (1991 and 1992) Nov. 21, 1935 and 2050.

S.S. BOSTONIAN (Pan. Tnkr. 6,772 T) in collision with S.S. ALTAIR (U.S. Tnkr. 6,933 T) at 0518 Z, Nov. 21 in 38-18 N., 74-07 W., (off CAPE HENLOPEN, DELAWARE). S.S. ALTAIR is afire. From the ALTAIR there were 39 survivors, including 6 U.S. Navy. 20 are missing, including 9 U.S.Navy.

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Total Ships Sunk - 3

Total Ships Attacked - 2

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November 22, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 17 - S.S. RUBY (Columbian Sch. 350 T) sunk by SS shellfire 150 mi. N. of COLON. 7 survivors landed of crew of 11.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 2

Nov. 21 - S.S. MARSA (Br. Cgo. 4,500 T) and S.S. DELIUS (Br. Cgo. 6,000 T) damaged by aircraft 475 mi. NW of SPAIN. SL-139 (Northbound). MARSA abandoned, but salvage prospects good.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 5 (1 sunk)

Nov. 20 - 2 submarines 500 mi. NE of the AZORES. by ESCORTS of Northbound convoy. U-536 sunk. 17 survivors picked up.

Nov. 20 - 250 mi. S. of NEWFOUNDLAND, by aircraft.

Nov. 21 - Off N. coast of BRAZIL, by aircraft.

Nov. 21 - Sound contact off N. coast of BRAZIL, by surface craft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

MARINE CASUALTY

Nov. 21 - S.S. BOSTONIAN (Pan. Tnkr. 6,500 T) in collision with S.S. ALTARI (U.S. Tnkr. 7,000 T) off CAPE HENLOPEN, DELAWARE. S.S. ALTAIR is afire. 39 survivors landed from ALTAIR, including 6 U.S. Navy. 20 missing, including 9 U.S. Navy.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 19 Westbound, 25 Patrolling. Total: 42.

All Atlantic: 74 (Yesterday: 74).

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November 22, 1943

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SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 18 - S.S. EMPIRE DUNSTAN (Br. Cgo. 3,000 T) torpedoed and sunk off the toe of ITALY. All crew except 2 picked up.

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 18 - S.S. SAMBRIDGE (Br. Cgo. 7,100 T) torpedoed and sunk in the GULF OF ADEN.

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COMINCH, 19 November 1943, (N) - #1777.

1 probably westbound area 27 N, 67 W.

1 probably entering CARIBBEAN via ANEGADA PASSAGE.

1 estimated area 22 N, 66 W, possibly moving into CARIBBEAN via MONA PASSAGE.

1 unlocated W CARIBBEAN.

2 estimated patrolling between TRINIDAD and AMAZON.

1 estimated off SAO LUIZ.

1 northbound within 150 miles 54 N, 26 W from recent DFs.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

ADMIRALTY (Via FX-43), November 18, 1046.

S.S. TORNUS (Br. tnkr. 8054 tons) attacked by SS at 1530, November 16 in 10-47 N, 59-54 E (500 mi. E of GULF OF ADEN). Torpedo missed.

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MISCELLANEOUS

DIO 7 ND, November 15, 1943

Honduran M/V "MARY MAUD" (65 gross tons) overdue ST. CHRISTOPHER ISLAND from ST. VINCENT ISLAND, BWI. Sailed ST. VINCENT ISLAND on October 26 and last port of departure reported to have been ROATAN, HONDURAS.

Note: Presumed sunk.

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 1

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November 20, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 6 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 24 Patrolling. Total: 41.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

MEDITERRANEAN

(Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 16 - S.S. TORNUS (BR. Tnkr. 8,000 T) attacked by SS 500 mi. E. of GULF OF ADEN. Torpedo missed.

PACIFIC OCEAN

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 18 November 1943, (N) - #1668.

1 estimated westbound area 27 N, 64 W.

2 probably moving SW within 150 miles 22 N, 63 W, may be entering CARIBBEAN via ANEGADA or MONA PASSAGE.

1 unlocated CARIBBEAN, possibly N of CURACAO from contact 17/1750Z but more likely in W CARIBBEAN, S of JAMAICA.

2 unlocated TRINIDAD to SALINAS.

1 between SAO LUIZ and FORTALEZA from contacts vicinity JT-13 on 17th.

1 homebound within 300 miles E to NE of ST PAUL ROCKS.

No fresh information from other areas.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

USFOR LONDON (L-6786) (MIS) JN1. 54, November 18.

SS attacked November 16 by B-24, 350 mi. N of GRACIOSA (AZORES).

One depth charge exploded 25 feet from conning tower.

HMS CHANTICLEER, November 18, 1632.

SS attacked by HMS CRANE at 40-06 N, 19-48 W (400 mi. E. of AZORES).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

USFOR LONDON (L-6786) (MIS) Jnl. 54, November 18.

November 16 (day): SS sighted in BAY OF BISCAY by Halifax.

SS sighted 170 mi. SW of BISHOP'S ROCK by Halifax.

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

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November 19, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2

Nov. 18 - 400 miles E. of AZORES, by surface craft.

Nov. 16 - 350 mi. N. of AZORES, by B-24. One depth charge exploded 25 feet from conning tower.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Nov. 16 - Two submarines in BAY OF BISCAY, by RAF.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 6 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 24 Patrolling. Total: 41.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 17 November 1943, (N) - #1576.

1 westbound area 27 N, 62W.

Probably 2 moving SW within 100 miles of 23 N, 62 W.

1 unlocated probably patrolling W CARIBBEAN between COLON and JAMAICA although possibly N of CURACAO from attack 17/0039 and contact 17/0325.

3 unlocated in coastal area between TRINIDAD and FORTALEZA.

1 homebound about 200 miles NE of ST. PAUL ROCKS.

20 or more estimated within 600 miles N to NE of AZORES from considerable DF activity past 24 hours.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

ADMIRALTY (B-4199), November 16, 2155A.

SS attacked by DD escorting convoy MKS-29 at 0500Z, Nov. 9, in 41 N, 19-33 W (375 mi. NE of AZORES). SS probably severly damaged.

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

(ORIGINATOR NOT GIVEN) (B-4239), November 18, 0400.

SS sighted at 43-10 N, 20-50 W (425 mi. NE of AZORES), presumably by aircraft.

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COMNAVEU, (1633), November 17, 1744.

Delete S.S. NIVOSE (Fr. tnkr. 9200 tons) from merchant ship records. Vessel is a naval tanker.

Note- Previously reported (summary 11/15) sunk by aircraft off ORAN.

COMNAVEU (1633), November 17, 1744.

S.S. TEANO (Br. Cgo. 762 tons) in collision November 8 off GRIMSBY ROADS. Vessel a total loss.

DAILY OPR. INT. BULLETIN, DIO 7ND, November 14, 1943.

American M/V "FRANKLIN BAKER II" 93 gross tons, abandoned and sinking November 13, 1943 at 26-09 N, 79-52 W (12 miles N of PORT EVERGLADES). Vessel sinking because of splits in side due to heavy weather. Enroute MIAMI from BARACOA.

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

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ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 9 - 375 mi. NE of AZORES, by escort of northbound convoy.

SS probably severely damaged.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Nov. 18 - 425 mi. NE of AZORES, by aircraft.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 6 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 22 Patrolling. Total: 39.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 16 November 1943, (N) - #1471.

About 3 estimated moving W or SW within 100 miles of 25-30 N, 59 W.

1 homebound and 1 southbound estimated within 300 miles E to SE of ST. PAUL ROCKS.

About 4 estimated vicinity HX-265 from recent DFs and attacks with up to 15 more probably within 300 miles NW to south of this convoy from recent DFs.

No fresh information from other areas.

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COMNAVEU (1521) Nov. 16, 1806.

S.S. SURVILLE (Fr. Cgo. 2318 tons) total loss by mine Nov. 7 off CAPE BON.

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/10) mined and beached.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

DCGO 7TH NAVDIST (1516), Nov. 17, 0039Z.
S.S. ESSO PITTSBURGH (Via RADIO MIAMI) (1531), Nov. 17, 0200.

S.S. ESSO PITTSBURGH (U. S. tnkr. 11,236 tons) sent SSSS (submarine attack) at 0039Z, position 13-30 N, 68-15 W (100 mi. NE of CURACAO). Vessel later reported "submarine has ceased to attack".

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

SO C2 (B-4113), Nov. 16, 0915Z.

SS attacked by aircraft from HMS BITER Nov. 16 approx. 48 N, 25 W (550 mi. NE of AZORES). SS possibly damaged.

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

NOB TRINIDAD (1462), Nov. 16, 1601.

SS sighted by ATC plane at 1545Z, Nov. 16 in 12-10 N, 62-29 W (90 miles NW of TRINIDAD).

US FOR LONDON (L-6760), Jnl. 83, Nov. 17

On 15 November, SS was sighted by RAF Halifax off CAPE ORTEGAL.

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Total Ships Sunk - 1

Total Ships Attacked - 1

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ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 17 - (early morning) S.S. ESSO PITSBURGH (U.S. Tnkr. 11,000 T) sent distress signal "submarine attack" in position 90 mi. NE of CURACAO. Vessel later reported "submarine has ceased to attack." No further details.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 16 - 550 mi. NE of AZORES, by aircraft from HMS BITER. SS possibly damaged.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 2

Nov. 15 - Off CAPE ORTEGAL, by RAF.

Nov. 16 - 90 mi. NW of TRINIDAD, by transport plane.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 6 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 22 Patrolling. Total: 39.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 7 - S.S. SURVILLE (Fr. Cgo. 2,500 T*) destroyed by mine off CAPE BON. Note: Previously reported mined and beached.

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 15 November 1943, (N) - #1347.

One unfixed between COLON and JAMAICA.

Three estimated patrolling coastal areas between TRINIDAD and FORTALEZA.

One estimated southbound within 200 miles E of ST. PAUL ROCKS.

Several estimated moving W or SW within 100 miles 26 N, 57 W from DF 15/0802Z.

One homebound area 29 N, 50 W.

One eastbound area 42 N, 45 W.

Six or more estimated within 150 miles 46 N, 28 W from recent DF activity.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS SUNK

COMNAVEU (1301), November 15, 0847.

S.S. CORMOUNT (Br. Cgo. 2841 tons) sunk by mine at 1415Z, November 13, 30 miles E of HARWICH (approx. 51-56 N, 01-49 E). Convoy FN-77.

F-21 (Via FX-43), By Hand, November 15.

S.S. CAPE SAN JUAN (U.S. Cgo. 6711 tons) sunk by SS Nov. 11 in 22-08 S, 178-06 W (250 mi. S of FIJI ISLANDS).

Note: Previously reported (summary November 12) torpedoed and sinking.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COM 4TH FLEET (1363), November 15, 2017.

Possible SS sound contact attacked at 1949, November 15 in 08-25 S, 34-31 W (90 mi. S of RECIFE).

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November 16, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 2

Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 13 - S.S. CORMOUNT (Br. Cgo. 3,000 T) sunk by mine off East ANGLIA. Coastal convoy.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 15 - Sound contact 90 miles S. of RECIFE. No details.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 6 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 22 Patrolling. Total: 39.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

MEDITERRANEAN

(Nothing to report)

INDIAN OCEAN

The British cargo vessel reported yesterday as shelled by SS Nov. 10 in approaches to GULF OF ADEN has made port.

PACIFIC OCEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 11 - S.S. CAPE SAN JUAN (U.S. Cgo. 7,000 T) torpedoed and sunk 250 mi. SE of FIJI ISLANDS.

Note: Previously reported torpedoed.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 14 November 1943, (N) - #1263.

One reestimated homebound 42 N, 47 W from attack 13/1515Z.

Several within 1500 miles 27 N, 56 W from DF 14/0459Z probably moving W or SW.

One off GEORGETOWN by contact 14/0030Z.

One unfixed GEORGETOWN to AMAZON.

One locality 03 N, 40 W by DF 14/0600Z.

One estimated southbound within 200 miles 04 N, 28 W.

Enemy U-boat estimate for 1200Z, 14/.

One general area 06 S, 25 W moving norhtward.

One central CARIBBEAN not recently fixed, possibly area 13 N, 77 W.

Other areas quiet.

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COMNAVEU (1235), November 13, 1716.

S.S. CARLIER (Belg. Cgo. 7217 tons) attacked by aircraft at 1830Z, November 11 in 36-13 N, 00-05 W (off ORAN). Vessel is missing from the convoy, believed blown up.

COMNAVEU (1235), November 13, 1716.

S.S. INDIAN PRINCE (Br. Cgo. 8287 tons), S.S. BIRCHBANK (Br. Cgo. 5151tons), S.S. NIVOSE (Fr. tnkr. 9200 tons) are total losses. Convoy KMS-31.

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/13) as attacked on November 11 in 36-13 N, 00-05 W (off ORAN). S.S. BIRCHBANK previously reported as VERCH BANK (unlisted).

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SHIPS ATTACKED

COMNAVEU (1235), November 13, 1716.

S.S. TAKLIWA (Br. Cgo. 7936 tons) damaged by aircraft 11 November off ORAN, but proceeding with convoy (KMS-31).

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/13) as S.S. TAKLINY.

ALUSLO BOMBAY (B-4026), November 13, 0715.

SAMBLADE (Br. Cgo. 7176 tons) shelled by SS at 1505Z, Nov. 10 in 13-06 N, 52-35 E (Entrance to GULF OF ADEN).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COM FAIRWING 7, (1274), November 13, 1502.
ALUSNA MADRID (1250) November 13, 1010.

SS sunk by aircraft 10 November, NW of CAPE ORTEGAL. Crew landed in SPAIN, indicating that submarine was sunk.

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/12) as probably sunk on 11 November.

W-6 (B-4012), November 13, 1400.

SS attacked by HMCS TIMMINS in 42-23 N, 49-16 W (350 mi. SE of NEWFOUNDLAND).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

NOB TRINIDAD (1258), November 14, 1625.

SS sighted by aircraft at 1440Z (November 14) in 11-39 N, 62-08 W (50 mi. NW of TRINIDAD).

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DAILY OPR. INT. BULLETIN, DIO 7ND, November 9, 1943.

British M/V F.A. MARIE went aground at 0045Z, November 1 at a position 35 mi. WNW of NEUVITAS, CUBA (21-58 N, 77-37 W). Vessel and cargo is believed to be a total loss.

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Total Ships Sunk - 4

Total Ships Attacked - 3

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ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2 (1 sunk)

Nov. 10 - NW of CAPE ORTEGAL, by aircraft. SS sunk. Survivors landed SPAIN. Note: Previously reported as probably sunk.

Nov. 13 - 350 mi. SE of NEWFOUNDLAND, by surface craft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Nov. 14 - 50 mi. NW of TRINIDAD, by aircraft.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 9 Westbound, 21 Patrolling. 35 Total.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SHIPS SUNK - 4
SHIPS ATTACKED - 2 (Previously reported)

Nov. 11 - Final results of attack by aircraft on eastbound convoy off ORAN:

	1.	INDIAN PRINCE	Br.	8,287 tons	Sunk
	2.	BIRCHBANK	Br.	5,151 tons	Sunk
(Tanker)	3.	MIVOSE	FR.	9,200 tons	Sunk
	4.	CARLIER	Bel.	7,217 tons	Sunk
	TOTAL: 4 ships			29,855 tons	
	5.	TAKLIWA	Br.	8,000 tons	Damaged
	6.	JOSIAH PARKER	US.	7,100 tons	Damaged

INDIAN OCEAN

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SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 13 - S.S. SAMBLADE (Br. Cgo. 7,100 T) shelled by SS in entrance to GULF OF ADEN.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, Nov. 12, 1943.

One eastbound area 43 N., 48 W., from recent DFS.

One unlocated central CARIBBEAN probably westbound area 14 N., 73 W.

Two unlocated between GEORGETOWN and SALINAS.

One within 100 miles east to SE of FERNANDO NORONHA from DF 12/0533 Z, probably reporting attack on WILLIAM F. MACLENNAN.

One [redacted] estimated southbound area 09 N., 30 W.

Other areas quiet.

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COMNAVEU, Nov. 12, 1823 (1132).

S.S. SAMBO (Br. Cgo. 7,100 T) sunk by British mine at 1511 Z, Nov. 11 in 12-28 N., 43-31 E., (GULF OF ADEN).

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SHIPS ATTACKED

COMNAVEU (1132) Nov. 12, 1823.

Convoy MKS-31 attacked by aircraft at 1830 Z, Nov. 11 in 36-13 N., 00-05 W., (off ORAN). Following ships attacked:

1. VERCH BANK (Br. Unlisted). No details of damage.
2. TAKLINY (Br. Unlisted). No details of damage.
3. INDIAN PRINCE (Br. Cgo. 8,587 T). In tow.
4. NIVOSE (Fr. Tnkr. 9,200 T). No details of damage.
5. JOSIAH PARKER (U.S. Cgo. 7,176 T). No details of damage.

NOTE: 4 ships sunk, 2 damaged (CINCMED 12/2254 A).

ADMIRALTY (B-3945) Nov. 12, 1106 A.

S.S. HALLBJORG (Nor. Cgo. 2,850 T) attacked at 0700, Nov. 4 in 15 S., 40-50 E., and at 1009, Nov. 5 in 13 S., 41 E., (Mozambique Channel). Torpedoes missed.

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LONDON, Nov. 12 (AP).

The German High Command said today without Allied confirmation, that a bombing and torpedo attack on an Allied convoy off ORAN, FRENCH NORTH AFRICA, resulted in the sinking of four freighters totaling 29,000 tons and two destroyers. Eleven other freighters and two other destroyers were damaged.

COMEASTSEAFRON (B-3986) Nov. 12, 2159.

Plane sighted burning ship at 1005 Z, Nov. 12 in 36-36 N., 70-22 W., (300 mi. E. of NORFOLK).

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Total Ships Sunk - 5

Total Ships Attacked - 32

November 13, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINES ESTIMATED

Our Atlantic: 8 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 30 Patrolling. Total: 49.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

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SHIPS SUNK - 4 and SHIPS ATTACKED - 2

Nov. 11 - A westbound convoy was attacked by 25 planes off ORAN. Following ships attacked:

1. JOSIAH PARKER (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 T)
2. NIVOSE (Fr. Tnkr. 9,200 T)
3. VERCH BANK (Br. unlisted)
4. TAKLING (Br. unlisted)
5. INDIAN PRINCE (Br. Cgo. 8,500 T). In tow.
6. Unidentified vessel.

Of these 4 ships were sunk.

Note: Germany claims 4 ships sunk (29,000 GT), 2 DD's sunk, also 11 ships and 2 DD's damaged.

INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 10 - S.S. SAMBO (Br. Cgo. 7,100 T) sunk by Br. mine in GULF OF ADEN.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 4/5 - S.S. HALLBJORG (Nor. Cgo. 3,000 T) attacked by SS twice in the MOZAMBIQUE CHANNEL. Torpedoes missed.

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PACIFIC OCEAN (Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE SITUATION

COMINCH, November 11, 1943.

1200Z/11 estimate of enemy U-boats.

One 43-08 N., 52-50 W., 11/1155 Z and from previous attacks and poor DF 10/0058 Z, probably moving SE.

One estimated westbound area 14 N., 71 W.

Possibly one with 150 miles north of GEORGETOWN from sighting 10/1628Z.

One unlocated off CAYENNE.

One unlocated SAO LUIZ to NATAL.

No further evidence of patrol line east of NEWFOUNDLAND since DF activity on 10 th suggesting U-boats have moved off to the NE.

Other areas quiet.

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COMINCH, (via FX-43), Nov. 10, 2131.

S.S. BARON SEMPLE (Br. Cgo. 4,573 T) overdue and presumed sunk by submarine Nov. 2 estimated 05 S., 21 W., (450 mi. NW of ASCENSION IS).

C & R states vessel sailed RIO DE JANEIRO Oct. 25 enroute to FREETOWN, due Nov. 7.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

COMSOPAC (B-3919), Nov. 11, 2207 Z.

CAPE SAN JUAN (U.S. Cgo. 6,700 T) torpedoed and sinking at 1918 Z, Nov. 11 in 22-08 S., 178-06 W., (250 mi. S. of FIJI ISLANDS).

C & R states vessel sailed SAN FRANCISCO Oct. 28 for TOWNVILLE, due Nov. 18.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

USFOR LONDON (MIS) (L-6690) JNL 71, Nov. 12
OPTEL (370), Nov. 11.

On Nov. 11 (day) 4 B-24's attacked a disabled submarine 20-55 miles NW of CAPE ORTEGAL. In first attack depth charges failed to release. Submarine probably sunk.

COMEASTSEAFRON, Nov. 11, 1325 (1044).

SS attacked by PBY at 1214, Nov. 11 in 43-35 N., 52-50 W., (180 mi. S. of NEWFOUNDLAND). 2 probable hits.

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NOVEMBER	This Month			Corresponding Period Last Month		
Date Nov. 12	Attacked	Sunk	Tons Sunk	Attacked	Sunk	Tons Sunk
ATLANTIC	6	4	6,563	2	1	5,612
MEDITERRANEAN	4	3	33,021	9	4	20,685
INDIAN				5	3	14,186
PACIFIC	1	0	0	2		
TOTAL ENEMY ACTION	11	7	39,584	18	8	40,483
MARINE DISASTERS		2	913		1	73
GRAND TOTAL		9	40,497		9	40,556
IN CONVOY	8	6	35,011	12	3	17,481

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November 12, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 1

Total Ships Attacked - 1

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 12 - S.S. BARON SEMPLE (Br. Cgo. 4,500 T) presumed sunk by submarine 450 mi. NW of ASCENSION ISLAND. Vessel enroute from RIO DE JANEIRO to FREETOWN.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2 (1 probably sunk)

Nov. 10 - Off CAPE ORTEGAL, by aircraft. SS probably sunk.

Nov. 11 - 180 mi. S. of NEWFOUNDLAND, by aircraft. 2 probable hits.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 8 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 30 Patrolling. Total: 49.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 74).

MEDITERRANEAN and INDIAN OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

PACIFIC OCEAN

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 11 - S.S. CAPE SAN JUAN (U.S. Cgo. 6,500 T) torpedoed and sinking 250 mi. S. of FIJI ISLANDS. Vessel enroute from SAN FRANCISCO to AUSTRALIA.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, Nov. 10, 1943.

One estimated eastbound within 150 miles of 48 N., 47 W., from poor DF 10/0811 Z.

1 estimated westbound area 14 N., 70 W.

Possibly 1 off GEORGETOWN from recent sightings. 1 estimated patrolling off CAYENNE.

1 unlocated FORTALEZA to RECIFE.

1 estimated homebound within 200 miles 09 S., 26 W.

1 homebound area 20 N., 46 W.

Several homebound within 150 miles of 45 N., 35 W., from recent DFS.

2 estimated homebound: 41 N., 34 W., and 40 N., 45 W.

Up to 4 estimated moving southwest between 47 N., 28 W., and 51 N., 37 W., from scattered DFS.

Up to 15 may still be patrolling within 600 miles east of NEWFOUNDLAND although recent DFS suggest this line may be breaking up.

No fresh information on other areas.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

CINCCNA (B-3863) Nov. 10, 2240 Z.
FONF (B-3866) Nov. 11, 0054 Z.

SS attacked by RCAF plane at 2028, Nov. 10 in 44-18 N., 52-27 W., (150 mi. S. of NEWFOUNDLAND).

ADMIRALTY (B-3794) Nov. 9, 1943 Z.

SS attacked by RAF at 0945, Nov. 6 about 50 mi. SE of LORIENT. 4 hits obtained with heavy cannon.

OPTEL (369), Nov. 10.

SS sunk Nov. 9 by aircraft NW of the AZORES.

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Total Ships Attacked - 0

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ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 3 (1 sunk)

Nov. 6 - In BAY OF BISCAY, by RAF. 4 hits claimed with heavy cannon.

Nov. 9 - NW of the AZORES, by aircraft. SS sunk.

Nov. 10 - 150 mi. S. of NEWFOUNDLAND, by RCAF plane.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 8 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 30 Patrolling. Total: 49.

All Atlantic: 74. (Yesterday: 77).

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, November 9, 1943.

One westbound area 37 N., 50 W., from DFS 03/2224 and 08/2226.

Several more definitely fixed within 300 miles of this area probably moving westward.

One westbound area 14 N., 69 W., from attack 08/1438.

One unlocated off CAYENNE.

One estimated westbound within 200 miles 12 S., 26 W.

Two within 150 miles 53 N., 45 W., from recent DF and sightings.

One homebound area 40 N., 48 W.

One estimated within 200 miles east to NE of ST. JOHNS.

Up to six estimated in general area 48 N., to 50 N., and 27 W., to 33 W., from light DF activity several of these probably homebound.

About six estimated within 150 miles 44 N., 39 W., from considerable DF activity probably reporting TRACKER GROUP.

Tow estimated patrolling coastal area between BELEM and NATAL.

One homebound area 17 N., 48 W.

No fresh information from other areas.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

CINCMED, Nov. 8, 2244 A.

S.S. SURVILLE (Fr. Cgo. 2,318 T) mined and beached on November 6, at 37-05 N., 11-10 E., (Off CAPE BON).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA, Nov. 9 (721).

SS reported at 1203 Z, at 07-51 N., 58-45 W., and at 08-12 N., 58-33 W.

Note: Position approx. 50-60 mi. N. of GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA.

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 1

November 10, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Nov. 9 - 50 mi. N. of GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA, by aircraft.

SHIP CONSTRUCTION FOR OCTOBER	Ships	Gross Tons
United States	142	1,054,136
Great Britain	15	101,962
Canada	15	98,720
Total	172	1,254,818
October losses (all causes)	36	135,095
NET GAIN	136	1,119,723

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 8 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 33 Patrolling. Total: 52.

All Atlantic: 77. (Yesterday: 77).

MEDITERRANEAN

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 6 - S.S. SUKVILLE (Fr. Cgo. 2,500 T) mined off CAPE BON and beached.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, November 8, 1943.

1 within 150 miles 49 N., 51 W., from poor DF 08/0843.

1 estimated homebound area 40 N., 51 W.

1 probably westbound area 15 N., 68 W., from sightings 07/1300 and 07/1945.

1 homebound area 15 N., 50 W.

All times Z.

1 unlocated CAYENNE to AMAZON.

Possibly 1 off SAO LUIZ from sighting 08/0820 vicinityJT-12.

1200/8 enemy submarine estimate.

1 unlocated FORTALEZA to RECIFE.

1 homebound area 13 S., 30 W.

Up to 20 appear to be still patrolling about 600 miles east of NEWFOUNDLAND from recent DFS.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS SUNK

ALGIERS (MIS) (L-6641) JNL 172, Nov. 8.
ALGIERS (MIS) (L-6652) JNL 43, Nov. 9.
OPTEL (366), Nov. 8
S.S. SANTA ELENA (U.S. Cgo. 9,135 T) sank off PHILIPPEVILLE at 1800 Nov. 7, by aircraft.

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/8) torpedoed Nov. 6 in 37-13 N., 06-21 E. Convoy. MKF-25.

COMNAVEU, Nov. 8, 1716 (682).
OPTEL (366), Nov. 8
S.S. MARNIX Van St. ALDESONDE (Du. Cgo. 19,355 T) sunk Nov. 7, by A/C.

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/8) [redacted] at 37-13 N., 06-21 E., (Off PHILIPPEVILLE). Convoy MKF-25).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

HALIFAX CCO, Nov. 8, 1350 (641).

SS sighted by aircraft at 52-51 N., 46-26 W., (350 mi. E. of LABRADOR).

S.S. POMONA, Nov. 8, 1500 (635).

SS sighted 22 N., 85-40 W., (100 mi. W. of CUBA).

COMINCH, Nov. 8, 2110 (B-3712).

Periscope sighted at 0820 Z, Nov. 8 in 00-43 S., 43-01 W.,

(Off N. coast of BRAZIL).

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BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY

November 9, 1943

Total Ships Sunk - 2

Total Ships Attacked - 0

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 3

Nov. 8 - 350 mi. E. of LABRADOR, by aircraft.

Nov. 8 - 100 mi. W. of CUBA, by surface craft.

Nov. 8 - Off N. coast of BRAZIL, no details.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 8 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 33 Patrolling. Total: 52.

All Atlantic: 77. (Yesterday: 77).

MEDITERRANEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 2

Nov. 6 - S.S. MARNIX VAN ST. ALDEGONDE (Du. Cgo. 19,000 tons) and S.S. SANTA ELENA (U.S. Cgo. 9,000 Tons) sunk by aircraft off PHILIPPEVILLE. Convoy (Mediterranean - U.K.).

Casualties believed slight.

Note: reported yesterday as torpedoed.

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 7 November 1943, (N) - #553.

2 unfixed CANADIAN Coastal zone.

1 estimated Eastern CARIBBEAN, possible having entered via ANEGADA.

1 homebound estimated within 200 miles 13 N, 52 W.

1 SAO LUIZ to AMAZON patrolling.

1 approaching coast CAPE SAN ROQUE to SAO LUIZ.

1 off NATAL.

1 estimated homebound within 150 miles 16 S, 31 W.

Up to 20 patrolling about 600 miles E of NEWFOUNDLAND from recent DFs and attack 06/1715.

Other areas quiet.

All times "Z".

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SHIPS ATTACKED

ADMIRALTY (via FX-43), Nov. 7, 1111 A.

S.S. SAINT ELENA (U.S. Cgo. 9,135 T) and S.S. MARNIX Van St. ALDESONDE (Du. Cgo. 19,355 T) torpedoed at 1837 Z, and 1909 Z, Nov. 6 in approximately 37-13 N., 06-21 E., (off PHILIPPEVILLE). Convoy MKF-25.

COMNAVEU, Nov. 6, 1756 (532).

S.S. FIRELIGHT (Br. Not listed) and BRITISH PROGRESS (Br. Cgo. 4,581 T) damaged at 2330 Z, Nov. 4 in attack by E-boats in 52-22 N., 02-00 E., (Off EAST ANGLIA). Convoy FN-70. Both vessels arrived in YARMOUTH.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COMINCH, Nov. 6, 2043 (B-3643).

Periscope attacked by surface craft Nov. 6 in 34-30 N., 37-26 W., (500 mi. SW of AZORES).

NSHQ, Nov. 7, 0544 Z and 0650 Z (B-3650 and 3656).

Two submarines sunk: One by HMS WOODCOCK at 0918, Nov. 6 in 44-46 N., 41-08 W., and one by HMS WILDGOOSE at 1700, Nov. 6 in 43-42 N., 42-08 W., (500 mi. SE of NEWFOUNDLAND).

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMINCH, Nov. 7, 2021 (B-3677).

SS sighted by transit plane at 1300, Nov. 7 in 16-30 N., 65-43 W., (100 mi. SE of PORTO RICO).

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COMNAVEU, Nov. 6, 1756 (532).

S.S. TIOGA (Br. Tnkr. 715 T) sunk in collision Nov. 5 in 55-41 N., 01-31 W., (off E. coast of SCOTLAND).

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 4

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SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 2

Nov. 4 - S.S. FIRELIGHT (Br. unlisted) and BRITISH PROGRESS (Br. Cgo. 4,500 T) damaged off EAST ANGLIA in attack by E-boats. Local convoy.

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 3 (2 sunk)

Nov. 6 - 500 mi. SW of AZORES, by surface craft.

Nov. 6 - 2 submarines sunk 500 mi. SE of NEWFOUNDLAND, by British surface craft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Nov. 7 - 100 mi. SE of PORTO RICO, by aircraft.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 7 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 33 Patrolling. Total: 51.

All Atlantic: 88 (Yesterday: 88).

MEDITERRANEAN

SHIPS ATTACKED - 2

Nov. 6 - S.S. SAINT ELENA (U.S. Cgo. 9,000 T) and S.S. MARNIX Van. ALDERSOMDE (Du. Cgo. 19,000 T) torpedoed off PHILIPPEVILLE. Convoy MKF-25 (Mediterranean - U.K.).

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 5 November 1943, (N) - #373.

Two unfixed CANADIAN Coastal area.

One estimated moving SW within 200 miles 19 N, 63 W.

Two unlocated GEORGETOWN and SAO LUIZ.

One reestimated southbound 10 N, 45 W.

One within 150 miles 03 S, 37 W.

One locality 20 S, 33 W by DF 05/1326 and from DF 04/2342.

No indication of change other areas.

Enemy U-boat estimate for 1200/5.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

SO ESCORT GROUP B-2 (B-3602), November 6, 0631A.

German U-boats attacked approx. 0530Z, November 6 in 44-49 N, 41-13 W (550 mi. SE of NEWFOUNDLAND).

COMINCH (B-3596), November 5, 2101.

"D" Sound contacts attacked by AM-96 and AM-98 between 0045 and 0707 in 43-31 N, 70-01 W (off PORTLAND, MAINE).

COM 4TH FLEET (B-3591), November 5, 1915.
ASCENSION ISLANDS SOUTH ATLANTIC (B-3605) November 5, 2252.

SS sunk by aircraft (2 Army, 4 Navy), November 5 in 10-09 S, 18 W (550 mi. W of ASCENSION ISLANDS).

12 AIR FORCE (L-6602) (MIS) Jnl. 347, November 5.

No On November 4(?) SS attacked W of ALGIERS by RAF. Two depth charges straddled conning tower. No damage observed.

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMINCH (B-3596), November 5, 2101.

"D" Periscope sighted at 1450Z, November 5 in 43-41 N, 69-45 W, (off PORTLAND, MAINE).

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Total Ships Sunk -0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

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November 6, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 3 (1 sunk)

Nov. 6 - 550 mi. SE of NEWFOUNDLAND, by surface craft.

Nov. 5 - Sound contact off PORTLAND, MAINE, by minesweepers.

Nov. 5 - 550 mi. W. of ASCENSION ISLAND, by aircraft (2 army, 4 navy). SS sunk. About 20 survivors in water.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 1

Nov. 5 - Possible SS off PORTLAND, MAINE, by merchant vessel.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 14 Westbound, 30 Patrolling. Total: 49.

All Atlantic: 77. (Yesterday: 82).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 4 - W. of ALGIERS, by RAF. 2 depth charges straddled conning tower. No damage observed.

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 4 November 1943, (N) - #271.

1 locality 03 S, 37 W by DF 04/0504Z from attack 03/1722Z probably shadowing TJ-12.

2 estimated patrolling coastal areas between GEORGETOWN and SAO LIUZ.

2 estimated moving S or SW, 21 N, 60 W, 14 N, 51 W.

About 20 remain unlocated within 600 miles E of NEWFOUNDLAND except for attack 04/0230Z.

50-24 N, 43-22 W and DFs SE of FLEMISH CAP on the 2nd.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS SUNK

COMNAVEU (315), November 4, 1721.

S.S. SAORAA (Br. Not Listed) sunk by E-boat off HASTINGS at 0003Z, November 3. Convoy CW-221.

Note: Name of vessel probably garbled, but Code Room states name given exactly as received.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

ALGIERS (MIS) (L-6592), Jnl. 80, November 5.

SS attacked night of November 3/4 by coastal forces from MADDALENA (SARDINIA). SS retired to SAN STEPHANO.

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NCSO HALIFAX (314), November 4, 1826.

S.S. VOLUNTEER (U.S. Cgo. 7717 tons) caught fire November 3 in HALIFAX harbor. Vessel beached and holds flooded. No casualties.

COMNAVEU (315), November 4, 1721.

S.S. FOAM QUEEN (Br. Cgo. 811 tons) arrived DOVER in tow.

Note: Previously reported (summary 11/4) sunk by E-boat off BEACHY HEAD, on November 3 in Convoy CW-221.

HARRISON, U.S. Min., BERN (State Dep't Brief, November 4), November 1.

GERMANY lost 31 submarines during the first 20 days of October.

OPR. INT. BULLETIN, DIO 7ND, November 1, 1943.

Cuban auxiliary schooner ANTONIO ENSENAT collided with Honduran auxiliary schooner CHARTA. ANTONIO ENSENAT sank in ten minutes after collision at 27-05 N, 82-43 W (17 mi. SW of SARASOTO, FLA) on 0300 EWT, October 31, 1943.

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Total Ships Attacked - 0

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SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

MARINE CASUALTY

Nov. 3 - S.S. VOLUNTEER (U.S. Cgo. 7,700 T) caught fire in HALIFAX HARBOR. Vessel beached with holds flooded.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 14 Westbound, 30 Patrolling. Total: 49.

All Atlantic: 88. (Yesterday: 88).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1

Nov. 3/4 - East of SARDINIA, by surface craft.

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 3 November 1943, (N) - #183.

2 unlocated CANADIAN coastal area of which 1 probably patrolling off ST. JOHNS.

2 estimated moving SW: 23 N, 58 W, 16 N, 50 W.

1 homebound 54 N, 50 W.

Possibly 1 between PARAMARIBO and CAYENNE from contact 02/0645Z, possibly shadowing JT-11.

1 unlocated BELEM to FORTALEZA.

Possibly 1 off RECIFE from contact 02/2039Z.

1 not recently located off RIO DE JANEIRO, possibly moving to the NE.

About 10 estimated patrolling within 200 miles of 46 N, 40 W from recent DFs.

About 4 estimated moving SW between 52 N, 36 W and 57 N, 26 W from recent DFs.

Other areas quiet.

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SHIPS SUNK

COMNAVEU (235), November 3, 1758.

S.S. FOAM QUEEN (Br. Cgo. 811 tons) and S.S. DONA ISABEL (Br. Cgo. 1179 tons) sunk by E-boats 2/3 November between DUNGENESS and BEACHY HEAD. Convoy CW-221.

CINCMED, November 3, 1947A.

S.S. MONTVISO (Br. Cgo. 4531 tons) sunk by SS at 0050, November 3 in 36-45 N, 01-55 E (50 mi. W of ALGIERS). Convoy KMS-30.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

COM 4TH FLEET (191), November 3, 1917.

SS attacked at 1722Z, November 3, in 03-33 S, 37-42 W (150 miles NW of NATAL).

(NO ORIGINATOR GIVEN) (B-3480, B-3484), November 4, 0230 and 0448Z.

SS attacked in 50-24 N, 43-42 W (400 mi. E of NEWFOUNDLAND). Contact lost at 0411Z in 50-22 N, 43-17 W.

CINCMED, November 3, 1947A.

SS attacked by submarine P-34 at 0716, October 30 off TOULON. One torpedo hit. Conning tower observed sinking after attack. P-34 considers attack successful.

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MISCELLANEOUS

LLOYD'S GAZETTE (Via FX-43), October 20.

S.S. ASSUAN (Br. Cgo. 499 tons) foundered and sank 17 October, area 55-39 N, 01-30 W.

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Total Ships Sunk - 3

Total Ships Attacked - 0

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SHIPS SUNK - 2

Nov. 2/3 - S.S. FOAM QUEEN (Br. Cgo. 800 T) and S.S. DONA ISABEL (Br. Cgo. 1,200 T) sunk by E-boats off SE coast of England. Coastal convoy.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 2

Nov. 4 - 400 mi. E. of NEWFOUNDLAND. No details.

Nov. 3 - 150 mi. NW of NATAL, no details.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINES ESTIMATED

Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 14 Westbound, 30 Patrolling. Total: 49.

All Atlantic: 88. (Yesterday: 92).

MEDITERRANEAN

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Nov. 3 - S.S. MONTVISO (Br. Cgo. 4,500 T) sunk by SS 50 mi. W. of ALGIERS. Convoy KMS-30 (U.K. - Mediterranean).

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1 (1 sunk)

Oct. 30 - Off TOULON, by British submarine. SS sunk.

INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 2 November 1943.

Up to ten estimated patrolling within 200 miles 50 N, 42 W,

from poor DF 02/0022.

Several area 37 N, 43 W from recent DFs.

No fresh information other areas.

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SHIPS SUNK

COMNAVEU (138), November 2, 1741.

S.S. NEW COLOMBIA (Br. Cgo. 6574 tons) torpedoed and presumed sunk at 2030Z, October 31 in 04-25 N, 05-03 E (150 mi. SE of LAGOS). 100 survivors picked up.

COMNAVEU (138), November 2, 1741.

S.S. FORT LONGUEIL (Br. Cgo. 7128 tons) presumed sunk. Possibly torpedoed Sept. 19, approx. 10 S, 68 E (1300 mi. SW of COLOMBO).

Note: Previously reported (summary 10/16) overdue FREMANTLE since October 3.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

CINCMED (B-3386), November 1, 01101.
ADMIRALTY (B-3383) November 2, 1016Z.

SS sunk in STRAITS OF GIBRALTAR by HMS DOUGLAS on 31 October.

OPTEL 360, November 2.

SS sunk by British submarine October 31, west of CORSICA.

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MISCELLANEOUS

C & R (Via FX-43), November 2.

S.S. METIS (Br. Sch. 198 tons) aground and total loss November 1 in 22-30 N, 78 W (OLD BAHAMA CHANNEL).

COMNAVEU (138), November 2, 1741.

Norwegian tankers BRANORA (6361 tons) and INDIA (9977 tons) overdue, missing and presumed lost.

C & R states BRANORA sailed HORMUZ 9/6 for MELBOURNE, due 10/11. C & R states INDIA sailed TALARA, PERU 9/3 for SYDNEY due 10/2. BRANORA previously reported (summary 10/25) overdue. INDIA previously reported (summary 10/15) overdue.

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ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 1

Oct. 31 - NEW COLOMBIA (Br. Cgo. 6,500 T) torpedoed and presumed sunk 150 mi. SE of LAGOS. 100 survivors rescued.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1 (1 sunk)

Oct. 31 - In STRAITS OF GIBRALTAR, by British surface craft. SS sunk.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 0

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 14 Westbound, 30 Patrolling. Total: 49.

All Atlantic: 92. (Yesterday: 92).

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 1 (1 sunk)

Oct. 31 - West of CORSICA, by British submarine.

INDIAN OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

PACIFIC OCEAN

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 1 November 1943, (N) - #7.

1 between CAPE RACE and VIRGIN ROCKS from attack 31/1230.

1 unlocated CANADIAN Coastal area.

2 estimated moving SW: 26 N, 53 W; 20 N, 46 W.

1 estimated patrolling within 300 miles of coastal area between GEORGETOWN and CAYENNE.

1 homebound 31 N, 55 W.

1 between SALINAS and SAO JUIZ from contact 31/1710, possibly shadowing TJ-12.

1 estimated within 200 miles of NATAL.

1 within 150 miles 24 S, 41 W from sighting 31/1435.

All times "Z".

Several area 49 N, 32 W from DFs 01/0108 and 01/0524.

No fresh information from other areas.

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SHIPS SUNK

COMNAVEU (50), November 1, 1923.

S.S. HALLFRIED (Nor. Cgo. 2968 tons) torpedoed and sunk at 0733Z, October 31 in 46-05 N, 20-26 W (500 mi. NE of AZORES). Convoy MKS-28.

NOB RIO (4184), October 31, 1559.

S.S. SIRANGER (Nor. Cgo. 5393 tons) torpedoed and sunk at 0700, October 24 at plotted position 00-40 S, 32-10 W (300 miles NE of NATAL). Survivors landed vicinity SAN LUIZ. One crew member taken prisoner. No other casualties.

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SHIPS ATTACKED

ALUSLO COLOMBO (10), November 1, 0615.

S.S. ROBERT G. INGERSOLL (U.S. Cgo. 7176 tons) attacked by SS at 0030Z, October 31 in 05-37 N, 80-54 E (120 mi. S of COLOMBO). 2 torpedoes missed.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

CINCMED (B-3357), October 31, 2240A.

SS sunk by IMPERIALIST (Br. trawler) at 35-54 N, 05-52 W (STRAITS OF GIBRALTAR) at 1330Z, October 31.

USAAW Via USFOR LONDON (MIS) (L-6552), Jnl. 88, November 2.
OPTEL 358, November 2.
ADMIRALTY, November 1, 1154A.

SS sunk at 0930, October 31, by HMS WHITEHALL (DD), escort of northbound convoy, in 46-27 N, 20-12 W (500 mi. NE of AZORES).

COMINCH (B-3370), November 1, 2145.

SS sunk at 0155, November 1 by U.S.S. BORIE in 49-03 N, 31-55 W (600 mi. N of AZORES).

SS sunk at 1805, October 31 by aircraft from U.S.S. CARD in 49-14 N, 31-55 W (600 mi. N of AZORES).

EDC (MIS) (L-6477), Jnl. 231, November 1.

SS attacked by RCAF plane at 1230Z, October 31 in 47-05 N, 51-20 W (60 mi. NE of CAPE RACE). Oil slick one mile long observed.

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMINCH (B-3370), November 1, 2145.

SS sighted by Brazilian aircraft at 1435Z, October 31 in 23-26 S, 42-24 W (60 mi. SE of RIO DE JANEIRO).

SS sighted by aircraft at 1420, October 31 in 18 N, 67-40 W (30 mi. W of PUERTO RICO).

CINCWA LIVERPOOL (B-3353), November 1, 0954.

Possible SS sighting reported by escort of HX-263 at 0613Z, approx. 51-30 N, 41-40 W (550 miles S of CAPE FAREWELL).

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BERLIN (Via FCC), November 1.

During October, German submarines sank 39 merchant ships of 255,700 G.R.T. Another 8 ships were damaged. In addition, 7 destroyers and one patrol vessel were sunk.

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OCTOBER 1943	Atlantic			Mediterranean			Indian Ocean			Pacific			Total for Month			Grand Total 1943		
Nov. 1, 1943 (Date)	Ships Attacked	Ships Sunk	Tons Sunk	Ships Attacked	Ships Sunk	Tons Sunk	Ships Attacked	Ships Sunk	Tons Sunk	Ships Attacked	Ships Sunk	Tons Sunk	Ships Attacked	Ships Sunk	Tons Sunk	Ships Attacked	Ships Sunk	Tons Sunk
Enemy Action																		
Cargo	8	5	24,099	13	6	30,690	9	6	25,833	2	1	7,176	32	18	87,798			
Tanker	2	1	5,356	2	1	5,542	5						9	2	10,898			
** Total Enemy Action	10	6	29,455	15	7	36,232	14	6	25,833	2	1	7,176	41	20	98,696			**
Marine Disaster		11	20,275											11	20,275			
Total for Month		17	49,730		7	36,232		6	25,833		1	7,176		31	118,971			
ALL CAUSES 1943																		
In Convoy	5	4	19,436	11	5	27,416	4						20	9	46,852			
Convoy Stragglers	1												1					
Independent	4	2	10,019	4	2	8,816	10	6	25,833	2	1	7,176	20	11	51,844			
** Total Enemy Action	10	6	29,455	15	7	36,232	14	6	25,833	2	1	7,176	41	20	98,696			**
ENEMY ACTION 1943																		
Other	1												1					
By Submarine	5	4	22,256	3	2	12,718	14	6	25,833				22	12	60,807			
By Aircraft	2			8	4	18,778				2	1	7,176	12	5	25,954			
By Surface Craft																		
By Mine	2	2	7,199	4	1	4,736							6	3	11,935			
** Total Enemy Action	10	6	29,455	15	7	36,232	14	6	25,833	2	1	7,176	41	20	98,696			**
ENEMY ACTION 1943																		

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Total Ships Sunk - 2

Total Ships Attacked - 1

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ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 2

Oct. 31 - S.S. HALLFRIED (Nor. Cgo. 3000 T) torpedoed and sunk 500 miles NE of AZORES. Convoy MKS-28 (Medit. to U.K.)

Oct. 24 - S.S. SIRANGER (Nor. Cgo. 5500 T) torpedoed and sunk 300 miles NE of NATAL. One crew member taken prisoner. All other survivors landed.

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 5 (4 sunk)

Oct. 31 - In STRAITS OF GIBRALTAR, by British anti-SS trawler. SS sunk.

Oct. 31 - 500 mi. NE of AZORES, by British DD, escort of Northbound convoy. SS sunk.

Oct. 31 - 600 mi. N. of AZORES, by aircraft from USS CARD. SS SUNK.

Nov. 1 - 600 mi. N. of AZORES, by USS BORIE (DD). SS sunk.

Oct. 31 - 60 mi. NE of CAPE RACE, by RCAF plane. Oil slick one mile long observed.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 3

Nov. 1 - Possibly SS 550 mi. S. of GREENLAND, by escorts of eastbound convoy.

Oct. 31 - 30 mi. W. of PORTO RICO, by aircraft.

Oct. 31 - 60 mi. SE of RIO DE JANEIRO, by aircraft.

MISCELLANEOUS

Germany claims 39 ships of 255,000 tons were sunk by submarine during October.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 5 Eastbound, 14 Westbound, 30 Patrolling. Total: 49.

All Atlantic: 92. (Yesterday: 92).

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INDIAN OCEAN

SHIPS ATTACKED - 1

Oct. 31 - S.S. ROBERT G. INGERSOLL (U.S. Cgo. 7,100 T)
attacked by SS 120 mi. S. of COLOMBO.
2 torpedoes missed.

PACIFIC OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

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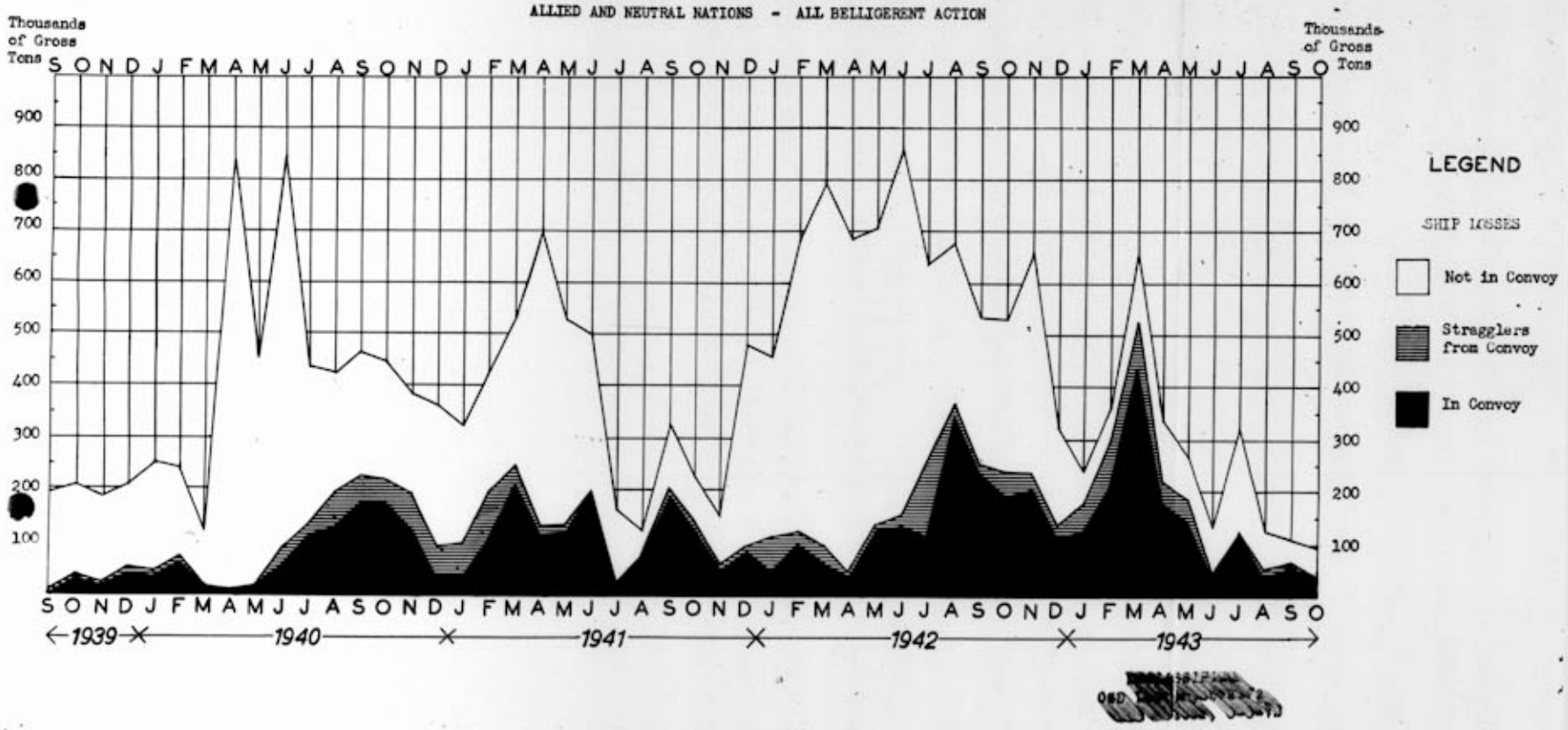

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SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

COMINCH, 31 October 1943, (N) - #4164.

2 Canadian coastal area of which 1 possibly patrolling off ST. JOHNS.

1 homebound within 150 miles 30 N, 58 W.

1 estimated within 200 miles 09 N, 54 W.

1 SAO LUIZ to AMAZON, possibly shadowing JT-11 from sighting 30/1610.

2 estimated bound S or SW areas, 27 N, 50 W; 23 N, 45 W.

1 within 300 miles of coast RECIFE to CAPE RAN ROQUE from sighting 30/0838.

1 within 100 miles of 24 S, 40 W from attack 30/1225.

All times "Z".

No indication of change other areas.

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SUBMARINES ATTACKED

CINCCNA (B-3332), October 31, 1440Z.

SS attacked by aircraft at 1230Z, October 31 in 47-05 N, 51-20 W (off CAPE RACE, NFLD).

USFOR LONDON (L-8532) (MIS) Jnl. 167, October 31.

SS attacked by Wellington, October 29 (day) 145 mi. SW of BREST.

COMINCH (B-3345), Oct. 31, 2106.

SS sunk by aircraft from USS CARD at 1541Z, October 30 in 48-43 N, 32-19 W (500 mi. N of the AZORES).

COMINCH (B-3320), October 30, 2101.

SS attacked by Brazilian PBY at 1225Z, October 30 in 22-55 S, 40-55 W (150 mi. E of RIO DE JANEIRO). Plane damaged.

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SUBMARINES SIGHTED

COMMANDER CG HAITIAN FLOTILLA (4104), October 30, 2127.

SS sighted by Haitian mail pilot at 1500Z, October 30 in 18-40 N, 73-30 W (off SW coast of HAITI).

BATFISH (4161), October 31, 1620.

Periscope sighted at 1620, October 31 in 09-55 N, 79-45 W (off COLON, C.Z.)

EDC (L-6475), Jnl. 183, October 31.

SS sighted by aircraft at 0531Z, Oct. 30 in 54-01 N, 30-30 W (550 mi. SE of GREENLAND).

COM 4th FLEET (B-3318), October 30, 2252.

Possible SS sighted by surface craft at 1610Z, October 30 in 00-18 N, 44-24 W (350 mi. E of AMAZON RIVER MOUTH).

COMINCH (B-3345), October 31, 2106.

SS sighted by B-24 at 0838Z, October 30 in 06 S, 29-30 W (350 mi. E of NATAL).

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MISCELLANEOUS

NSHQ (4127), October 30, 2143.

S.S. BERNARDO (Br. Cgo. 96 tons) burned at sea and total loss about October 29, while enroute from WEST PALM BEACH to SAN JUAN.

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Total Ships Sunk - 0

Total Ships Attacked - 0

BRIEF OF DAILY SUMMARY

November 1, 1943

ATLANTIC

SHIPS SUNK - 0

SHIPS ATTACKED - 0

SUBMARINES ATTACKED - 4 (1 sunk)

Oct. 29 - In BAY OF BISCAY, by RAF.

Oct. 30 - 500 mi. N. of the AZORES, by aircraft from USS CARD. SS sunk.

Oct. 31 - Off CAPE RACE, NEWFOUNDLAND, by aircraft.

Oct. 30 - 150 mi. E. of RIO DE JANEIRO, by Brazilian aircraft.

SUBMARINES SIGHTED - 5

Oct. 30 - 550 mi. SE of GREENLAND, by aircraft.

Oct. 30 - Off SW coast of HAITI, by aircraft.

Oct. 31 - Periscope off COLON, CANAL ZONE. No details.

Oct. 30 - Possible SS 350 mi. E. of AMAZON RIVER mouth, by escorts of coastal convoy.

Oct. 30 - 350 mi. E. of NATAL, by aircraft.

SUBMARINE ESTIMATE

Our Atlantic: 10 Eastbound, 11 Westbound, 32 Patrolling. Total: 53.

All Atlantic: 92. (Yesterday: 92).

MEDITERRANEAN, INDIAN and PACIFIC OCEAN

(Nothing to report)

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