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MOROCCO INTERNMENT OF BRIT BNINO ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT
UNDEB HARDSHIP. FELT TO BE RETALIATION PRO PARIS
BOMBING RATHER THAN PRECAUTION RESULTING FROM MILITARY
ACTIVITY ON ATLANTIC COAST OF MOROCCO. GERMAN PRESSURE
THROUGH DANLAN IS REAL CAUSE.

From: Shipp - Lisbon
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SHIPP
LISBON

SEAPLANE LANDINGS AT HORTA ARE ALLOWED ALTHOUGH
PLANES MAY NOT FLY OVER THE ANCHORS. ARRIVED BACK AT
COLOMBO MARCH 15. SLOOP AND TRANSPORT (PORTUGUESE
NATIONALITY) HAVE BEEN DIVERTED FROM TIMOR TO GOA.

From: Admiralty Via ONI
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ADMIRALTY VIA ONI

1 SS WITHIN 100 MI OF 31-30 N, 41-30 W. (370 MI SE OF
SAN MIGUEL) HOMEWARD.

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From: McClure - London

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MCCLURE
LONDON

ON MAR. 16 THE ENEMY MAINTAINED GROUND ACTIVITY IN THE AREA GARR EL ALUMA - W. ELUET EL DABA (12 MI NW OF GAZALA).

ENEMY TANK MOVEMENTS EASTWARD TOWARDS AGHELLIA WHICH WERE REPORTED IN OUR 2189 ARE BELIEVED BY THE WAR OFFICE TO BE REPLACEMENTS OR REINFORCEMENTS OF FORWARD UNITS AND NOT NEW ADVANCE FORMATIONS.

THE FIRST INDICATION OF MOVEMENT EASTWARD IN TRIPOLI IS THE IDENTIFICATION OF ELEMENTS OF 133RD LITTORIO ARMORED DIVISION IN THE MISURATA (110 MI E OF TRIPOLI)

From: McClure - London

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MCCLURE
LONDON

AXIS ARMORED STRENGTH FORWARD AREA LIBYA THOUGHT BY WE OFFICE TO BE 350 TANKS EXCLUDING ITALIAN 133RD ARMORED DIVISION AT TRIPOLI.

ENEMY UNITS (AT MOST 30 TANKS) HABITUALLY ROAM RO MAN'S LAND DODGING BRITISH PATROLS. ELUET EL DABA (12 MI NW OF GAZALA) OCCUPIED ON THE SIXTEENTH BY AXIS INFANTRY COMPANY WITH SOME ARTILLERY.

From: Admiralty Via ONI

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2 SU's IN THE FREXTOWN-TAMORADI AREA; OF WHICH 1 WAS IN 04-56 N, 04-47 W (150 MI E OF CAPE PALMAS, AFRICA) AT 0737 HRT ON MAR. 17.

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From: Brett, Australia

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8 TYPE 96 HEAVY BOMBERS OVER DARWIN ON 17TH DID NOT ATTACK.

HEAVY CONCENTRATION OF ENEMY WITH ARMoured VEHICLES & PARACHUTE TROOPS REPORTED IN MARKHAM RIVER VALLEY W OF LAE. AT SALAMANA BELIEVED TO BE 1000 ENEMY. MORESBY AREA RECON BY 2 TWIN ENGINEED AIRCRAFT. AT DOIST ISLAND 15 MI SE OF SAMARAI, NEW GUINEA, 3 LAROR SHIPS WERE REPORTED IN VICINITY OF BUKA PASSAGE. JAP NAVAL FORCE WAS REPORTED ANCHORED.

OWING BAD WEATHER ONLY 1 HUDSON FOUND ITS TARGET AND BOMBED KOMPANG AIRDROME IN ALLIED ATTACK ON KOMPANG ON 17TH.

(ONE TO ACTION BY ?) 10 FIGHTERS SIMILAR TO NAVY TYPE 96. NO PHOTOS WERE TAKEN DURING PHOTO RECON OF KOMPANG ON 17TH. BETWEEN KOMPANG AND DARWIN 1 THREE-ENGINEED

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FLYING BOAT WAS SIGHTED.

IN TODAY'S ALLIED AIR ACTIVITY 3 B 17'S EXT OUT TO ATTACK SHIPPING AT RABAU. ONE FAILED TO ATTACK A SECOND SIGHTED 1 HEAVY CRUISER, 1 CRUISER, 1 CRUISER OR DESTROYER, 1 DESTROYER, 8 TRANSPORTS AND 6 AIRCRAFT ON THE WATER. A POSSIBLE HIT WAS SCORED ON HEAVY CRUISER. THERE IS NO REPORT FROM THE THIRD B 17.

TODAYS RECON, 1 PRY W. OF BORN ISLAND, 1 ENGINE FLYING BOAT E. OF BORN ISLAND. 1 PRY W. OF TULAGI. THERE IS NO REPORT FROM THE 6 HUDSONS WHICH ATTACKED KOMPANG AIRDROME.

3 TYPE 97 FLYING BOATS ATTACKED TULAGI AND SLIGHTLY DAMAGED ONE CATALINA TODAY. 1 TYPE 97 HEAVY BOMBERS RECON. IONA AND MORESBY AREAS TODAY. IN VICINITY OF KITA 1 AIRCRAFT WAS REPORTED DURING THE TULAGI AIR RAID.

NORTH AND EAST OF MORESBY THERE WERE 3 REPORTS OF AIRCRAFT. IN VICINITY OF BORN ISLAND THERE WERE 9 UN-IDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT.

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From: M/A London

A NEW PROVISIONAL BOUNDARY BETWEEN BRIT & CHINESE ARMIES HAS BEEN DELINEATED BY BURMA HQS AS FOLLOWS: ROAD KUNLONG-LASHIO-MAYMYO-KYAUKEE³ (ALL TO CHINESE) THENCE ALONG ALONG EASTERN BOUNDARIES OF FOLLOWING DISTRICTS: MYINGYAN MAOWE, THAYTHING⁴ AND PROME.⁴

ROAD PAUKKAUNG⁵-PROME⁶-TAUNGUP⁷ CONSTITUTES AN E-W LINE DIVIDING THE FORWARD AREA OF THE 17TH INDIAN DIV AND THE CENTRAL AREA LINE OF COMM., WHICH INCLUDES THE TOWNS NAMED.

WITH REF. TO I.B. NO. 48, 3/13/42, THERE ARE NO DETAILS OF THE ACTION PLANNED BY THE 1ST BURMA DIV FOR MARCH 11. A DIVERSION ATTACK, WITH 2 BRIG. AHEAD, MADE DURING WITHDRAWAL FROM RANGOON WHICH RESULTED IN CAPTURE OF PYUNTAZA, MADAYA¹⁰ AND SHWEGYIN.¹¹ IT IS THOUGHT THAT THE DIV. HAS NOW WITHDRAWN NORTHWARD AND IS ALONG AN E-W LINE

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THROUGH NYAUNGOLBIN.¹² WHEN THE CONCENTRATION OF CHINESE FIFTH ARMY IS COMPLETED, THE 1ST BURMA DIV. WILL REVERT TO ARMY RESERVE, PROBABLY IN VICINITY OF PROME.⁶

THE MOVEMENT OF CHINESE 22ND DIV.¹³ FROM LASHIO HAS BEEN WILD ID.

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HELD UP.

0-2 NOTES:

1. KUNLONG - ABOUT 60 MI NE OF LASHIO, NEAR CHINESE BORDER.
2. MAYMYO: ABOUT 30 MI E OF MANDALAY.
3. KYAUKSE: ABOUT 30 MI S OF MANDALAY.
4. DISTRICTS NAMED IN ORDER, S. FROM MANDALAY ALONG IRRRAWADDY RIVER.
5. PANKLAUNG: ABOUT 20 MI E. OF PROME.
6. PROME: IMPORTANT CENTER ABOUT 150 MI NW OF RANGOON, NW W OF TOUNGOO.
7. TAUNGUP: ON COAST W. OF PROME, JUST N OF SANDOWAY.

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8. THIS REFERS TO WITHDRAWAL OF OTHER UNITS FROM RANGOON TOWARD PROME.
9. PYUNTALA: VILLAGE NEAR SHWEGYIN.
10. MADAU: ACROSS THE SITTANG RIVER FROM SHWEGYIN.
11. SHWEGYIN: ABOUT 40 MI NE OF PEGU ON SITTANG RIVER.
12. NYAUNGLEDIN: A FEW MILES W. OF SHWEGYIN.
13. THIS DIV. IS PART OF THE CHINESE FIFTH ARMY.

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From: McClure, London

POSITION IN BURMA REPORTED TO BE STABILIZED ON LINE RUNNING NORTHWEST OF THARRAWADDY WITH THE BRIT FORCE FROM THE SCHWEGIN AREA HAVING WITHDRAWN AND REJOINED THE LINE AT THARRAWADDY.

AIR FORCE REPORTS MIXED ENEMY FORCE OF 1000 EAST OF LENTPADAN ON THE 18TH.

CHINESE PATROLS REPORTED SUCCESSFUL IN MINOR ACTIONS NEAR MONGTUM. JAPS REPORTEDLY USING MOTOR CARS FOR PATROLS AS FAR AS THONER.

JAPS USING ARMORED VEHICLES AND LIGHT 10 TON TANKS AGAINST BRIT AT PEGU. BRIT. FIND THEM VULNERABLE TO THEIR 37-MM GUN.

A LIST OF WAR OFFICE CHANGES OF JAP ORDER OF BATTLE

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- SAKHALIN: DOWN FROM TWO TO ONE DIV.
- ✓ PHILIPPINES: DOWN FROM FIVE TO FOUR DIVS.
- ✓ JAVA DOWN FROM SIX TO FIVE DIV.
- ✓ CENTRAL CHINA: UP FROM FIVE TO SIX DIVS.
- INDO-CHINA: UP FROM ONE TO TWO DIVS.
- BURMA: UP FROM THREE TO FOUR DIVS.
- CHQ: MOVING FROM HAINAN TO BANGKOK.

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Journal #66, 3/18

From: Gen. Brereton

FROM MARCH 8 TO MARCH 13, INCL. 1 LB-30 AND 7 B-17'S TRANSPORTED FROM ASANSOL, INDIA TO MEAGWE, BURMA, 1 BATTALION INWISKILLIN FUSILIERS. NO LOSSES.
SEA WITCH LOST AT SEA. P-40'S REQUESTED.

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From: Stilwell - Chungking. LJ #14, 3/19/42
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STILLWELL
CHUNGKING

ASSUMED COMMAND OF 5TH AND 6TH ARMIES AT LASHIO ON MAR 11TH. MAR 12TH PROCEEDED TO MAYMYO. HAVE ATTENDED CONFERENCE WITH GOVERNOR, GEN. ALEXANDER, AND STAFF AND COMPLETED ARRANGEMENTS AMUNT SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE OF CHINESE TROOPS BY THE BRITISH. THE CHINESE ARE LACKING IN TRANSPORT AND SERVICES FACILITIES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SKETCHY SIGNAL UNITS AND MEDICAL ORGANIZATIONS. PRESENT SUPPLY OF AMMUNITION IS LOW.

THE BRITISH GENERAL HQ ARRIVED MARCH 13.

THE 6TH ARMY HAS ONE DIV AT TOUNGOO. THE 3 DIVISIONS OF THE 6TH ARMY OCCUPY POSITIONS IN THE AREA DENGTONG - TOUNGOOYI.

PENDING SETTLEMENT OF COMMAND AND SUPPLY QUESTIONS AND UPON THE GENERALISSIMO'S ORDER THE REMAINING TWO

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DIVISIONS OF THE 6TH ARMY ARE ON THE CHINESE BORDER. IT HAS BEEN MY URGENT RECOMMENDATION THAT THE BORDER DIVISIONS BE RELEASED IN ORDER TO UTILIZE THEM AS SUPPORT NORTH OF TOUNGOO.

THOUGH THE COMMAND QUESTION IS NOT SETTLED, THE SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH BY THE BRITISH. MY INSTRUCTIONS PRECLUDE TAKING ORDERS FROM BRITISH, BUT, I CAN COOPERATE IF GENERALISSIMO WILL TOLERATE SUCH A BASIS OF OPERATIONS.

GENERAL CONTEMPLATES DEFENSE OF THE LINE PROME-TOUNGOO. A BRITISH FORCE OF 12000 ARE NOW NORTH OF THARRAWADDY. UNREINFORCED.

UNCONFIRMED CHINESE STRENGTH ESTIMATE IS 50,000. WHILE ENEMY STRENGTH ESTIMATE EXCEEDS TWO DIVISIONS.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT AIR FORCE IN INDIA BE INCREASED AT ONCE.

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LOSS OF OIL WELLS NORTH OF PROME WILL INTENSIFY SERIOUSNESS OF THE SITUATION.

PERHAPS IN TWO MONTHS SOME COMMUNICATIONS WITH INDIA CAN COME DOWN MANIPUR ROAD BUT UNTIL SUCH TIME IT IS STRESSED THAT ONLY AIR COMMUNICATION EXISTS WITH INDIA.

STILLWELL

*PROBABLY KENGTUNG

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M.E. & AFRICA

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From: MATTHEWS, London thru State Dept

UNCONFIRMED REPORT THAT 3 SHIPLOADS OF COLONIAL TROOPS
DEPARTED FOR MADAGASCAR FROM DAKAR.

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IJ #16, 3/19

From: DAWSON, Accra

GREATER & MORE ACTIVE RESISTANCE, TO EXTENT OF BEING
SHOT UPON APPREHENSION, BEING ENCOUNTERED BY OUR AGENTS
UPON ENTERING VICHY TERRITORY. THIS HAS HAPPENED TO
SEVERAL OF THEM. ALSO SPIES OF VICHY GOV'T ARE BECOMING
EXTREMELY ACTIVE ON GOLD COAST & IN NIGERIA.

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IJ #1, 3/19

From: YELLERS, Cairo

IN ONE KNOWN INSTANCE A LIGHT TANK WAS COMPELLED TO
CONTINUE OPERATION FOR A GREAT DISTANCE AT SPEED RANGING
FROM 2 TO 6 MILES PER HOUR.

LIGHT TANK CONFORMANCE TO SPEED OF MIXED COLUMNS MOVING
8-12 MPH IS NORMAL. 8-16 MPH IS VELOCITY OF BRIT ARTY
PRIME MOVERS. SUCH OPERATION AT EXCESSIVELY LOW SPEEDS
ACCOUNTS FOR AMER LIGHT TANK CRUISING RANGE OF ONLY 40-50
MILES DURING RECENT CAMPAIGN.

FOLLOWING FROM AMER: FAVORABLE COMPARISON WITH AMER
EXPERIENCE ENCOUNTERED IN QUEEN BAY WHEN MILEAGE OF FROM
1 1/2 MILES PER GALLON WAS OBTAINED AT SPEEDS BETWEEN 25 &
30 MPH.

GENERAL INCLINATION TENDS TO CONFORM TANK SPEEDS TO
THAT OF SLOW MOVING COLUMNS IN SPITE OF FACT THAT BRIT

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REALIZE THAT AMER TANKS, EQUIPPED WITH RADIAL ENGINES
SHOULD BE OPERATED AT HIGHER SPEEDS.

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IJ #21, 3/19

From: ALUSKA, Capetown thru Navy

TESTIMONY INDICATES THAT SINKING OF DUTCH ALGYONE, 10
MI. N.W. OF CAPE TOWN, ON MAR. 16 WAS DUE TO A MINE, NO
SUB NOR TORPEDO TRACK BEING SIGHTED.

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From: BERMUDA thru Navy

SS CATATUMBO REPORTS BEING ATTACKED BY SUB 25-14 N,
68-20 W (560 Miles E. OF CAPE LOOKOUT) AT 1445 GMT OR
1045 EST ON MAR. 18.

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IJ #18, 3/19

From: ADMIRALTY Navy

A NEW FREQUENCY WHICH WILL POSSIBLY BE USED BY ITAL
U-BOATS OPERATING IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC & CARIBBEAN HAS
BEEN MEASURED AS 11538.

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From: ASTALUSNA, Managua thru Navy

COSTA RICAN GOV'T REPORTS UNKNOWN SUB OFF POINT
CALDERA, GULF NICoya AT 10:30 CST.

Filed: 1930 3/18

IJ #24, 3/19

From: ALUSNA Montevideo thru Navy

CAPT. OF MONTEVIDEO REPORTS IT WAS TORPEDOED MAR. 8
AT 29-26 N, 69-13 W (270 MI. S.W. OF BERMUDA) AT 1930.
WAS PROBABLY SUNK 4 HOURS BEFORE. SUB OF GERMAN TYPE
DISCHARGED TORPEDO & SHELLED SHIP QUICKLY. BEFORE BEING
PICKED UP BY DUTCH SHIP AT 29-00 N, 73-40 W THEY HAD
BEEN AFLOAT FOR 5 DAYS. 16 OF CREW PROBABLY SAVED ON A
RAFT & 2 WENT DOWN WITH SHIP.

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IJ #38, 3/19

From: CLEVELAND, Bogota

MAR. 18, CONVERSATION OVERHEARD BY PURSER THAT PERUVIAN
BOAT PERENE CARRYING AXIS MILITARY INFORMATION TO IQUITOS
FROM CALLAO WAS BEING ESCORTED BY JAP SUB.

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From: Brit Govt London thru Navy

TIRPITZ HAS BEEN OBSERVED IN ITS USUAL BEATH IN
AARFJORD. HUGEN & SCHERER REMAIN IN PREVIOUS POSITION.

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From: MAGER, Madrid

NO NEWS OF SUFFICIENT IMPORT TO REPORT.

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From: LEAHY, Vichy thru State

NOTHING NEW TO REPORT.

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IJ #20, 3/19

From: London thru Navy

ATTACKED SUB CONTACTED IN 53-20 N, 13-38 W AT 0704Z
(140 MILES S OF IS. OF ROCKALL). CONTACT AGAIN GAINED AT
1016Z, SAME POSITION, BY TRAIL & ST. FRANCIS. 5 ATTACKS
CARRIED OUT. BUBBLES ON SURFACE 40 SECONDS AFTER DEEP
ATTACKS. STILL INVESTIGATING.

* "BY SOUND CONTACT" from ONI.

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From: ALUSNOB Colombo thru Navy

AFTER LULL JAP SUB OPERATIONS RESUMED THIS AREA.

NORWEGIAN SS MABELLE SUNK 14-00 N, 81-00 E (75 MILES N.E. OF MADRAS, INDIA) ON MAR 13.

SS TUSCALOOSA CITY SIGHTED FIRE, APPARENTLY BURNING SHIP, 25 MILES N.E. OF TRINCO.

GREEK SS ANTOS ATTACKED SUB MAR. 14 50 MI. W. OF COLOMBO

SUB WITH SAID FOR DISGUISE SIGHTED OFF KARACHI MAR. 14.

U.S. ARMY PLANE REPORTED SUB 15 MI. N.E. OF PORT SUDAN. UNCONFIRMED.

SS POLK SIGHTED SUB IN 19-00 N, 73-00 E (45 MI. W. OF BOMBAY) ON 13TH.

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From: Melbourne thru Navy

4 BOMBS DROPPED ON KOMPANG AIRDROME AT 0230 MAR 17 WITH
HITS ON RUNWAYS OBSERVED.ENEMY NAVAL FORCE REPORTED 15 MILES OFF SHORE AT KESSA
MAR 17 AT 0310. INDICATION THAT LANDING PARTIES HAVE
FORAGED FOR FRESH FOOD BUT NO MOVE MADE TO OCCUPY AREA.REPORT OF HEAVY ENEMY CONCENTRATION ON MARKHAM RIVER
(NEAR LAE). REPORTED CROSSING RIVER IN RUBBER BOATS WITH
EQUIPMENT & ARMORED VEHICLES. REPORTED THAT GERMAN MISC-
SIONARIES ARE WITH JAPS & LOCAL NATIVES SUSPECTED OF
COOPERATING WITH ENEMY. 1000 ENEMY BELIEVED AT SALANOA.RELIABLY REPORTED THAT ON MAR. 6 2330, 3 LARGE SHIPS
IN VICINITY OF DOINI IS. (NEAR SAMARAI).AT LAE ON MAR. 16 WHERE 2 DESTROYERS & 3 SUBS; DESTROYERS
DEPARTED EASTWARD.

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EVERYDAY AIR RECONNAISSANCE OVER PORT MORESBY AT 1950
MAR 16 & OVER SAMARAI AT 2001 MAR. 16.PARACHUTE TROOPS EMPLOYED ON MINCHINGBROOK IS. MAR. 18.
NO EVIDENT ENEMY ACTIVITY. ON MAR. 16 KAMOI WAS NORTH
OF NEW IRELAND. AT 2235 MAR 16 8 T-96 HEAVY BOMBERS OVER
DARWIN AREA.

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IJ #26, 3/19

From: ALUSHA London thru Navy

ADMIRALTY REPORTS JAP PARACHUTE INCENDIARY BOMBS BEING
DROPPED WITH UP TO 12 HRS DELAYED ACTION. THEY ARE 6 INS.
IN DIAMETER & 3 1/2 FT IN LENGTH. PAINTED BLACK WITH RED
BAND 6 IN. FROM NOSE.

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IJ #6, 3/19

From: ROULLARD Kuibishev thru Navy

FOLLOWING FIGURES ON ADMITTED LOSSES OF JAPS FROM DEC. 7
TO MAR. 7 TAKEN FROM JAP PROPAGANDA BULLETIN SECURED
THRU SWEDISH EMBASSY:

SUNK: 4 DESTROYERS	DAMAGED: 2 CRUISERS
9 SUBS	1 DESTROYER
1 TRANSPORT	1 MINESWEEPER
5 MINESWEEPERS	
27 MERCHANT SHIPS	

PLANES LOST & MISSING - 122.

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From: CG, BSC

NO CHANGE STRONG REPORTS ON THE 16TH.

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Journal #58, 3/17

From: Cayenne Fr. Corr.

NEITHER EAST NOR PRESENT ENEMY ACTIVITIES ARE APPARENT. THERE IS NO DREDGING NOR NEW DOCK CONSTRUCTION UNDER WAY OR CONTEMPLATED.

I SPENT A DAY AND NIGHT AT ILES DU SATUT AND MY IDENTITY WAS KNOWN ONLY TO THE GOVERNOR AND HIS AIDE.

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From: Cockrell, Panama

THE FOLLOWING TO MIDNIGHT GMT 3/17. HOSTILE ACTIONS IN THE AREA COVERED BY THIS REPORT WERE NIL.

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Journal #76, 3/17

From: Almasa, Lima

INFORMATION BEING UNCOVERED HERE THAT INDICATES SWEDISH STEAMER URUGUAY COOPERATING WITH GERMAN SUGGEST WATCHING.

SWEDISH STEAMER URUGUAY DEPARTED CALLAO 2300 17TH FROM ARICA VALVO AND THEN STRAITS WITH MAIN CARGO 1000 TONS LEAD FROM CERRO DE PASCO FOR VARIOUS LEGITIMATE CONSIGNEES IN RIO. SHIP REQUESTED 1000 TONS DIESEL OIL AND BRIT ALLOWED 500 FOR DELIVERY TALARA. SHIP SAILED FOR SOUTH WITHOUT TAKING ANY OIL WHEN AS FAR AS CAN BE LEARNED ON INVESTIGATION.

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Journal #79, 3/17

From: NOR Guantanamo

RECENT ENEMY SS ACTIVITY THIS SECTOR RESULTING IN LOSS OR DAMAGE 2 MERCHANT SHIPS INDICATES USE AT LEAST 2 LARGE SSs PAINTED BLACK WITH HIGH BOW AND STREAMLINED FORWARD FLARED CONNING TOWER MOUNTING 2 SHORT 4 OR 5 INCH DECK GUNS, 1 FORWARD AND 1 AFT CLOSE CONNING TOWER, ALSO SEVERAL HEAVY MACHINE GUNS ABOUT 1 INCH WITH TRACER. SURFACE SPEED 17 KNOTS. ATTACKS MADE AT NIGHT AFTER FOLLOWING AND OVERTAKING VICTIM. NO WARNINGS. LIFEBOATS MACHINE GUNNED. SMALLER SS PAINTED GRAY WITH HIGH BOW AND 1 DECK GUN FORWARD SOMETIMES OPERATES WITH 1 LARGER 1 DEFINITELY SUNK TOGETHER. APPAR POSSIBLE ACCURATE KNOWLEDGE MERCHANT VESSEL MOVEMENTS STAYING WELL OFF IF ARMED BUT CLOSING AT ONCE IF UNARMED. TORPEDOES WHEN USED FIRED CLOSE RANGE. SURVIVORS 1 VESSEL REPORT SS CREW SPOKE EXCELLENT ENG. COMMANDS GIVEN IN ENG. MOSTLY GERMAN, BUT ITALIAN ACCENT NOTED. SHELLING METHODOLOGICALLY PLANNED: FIRST GUN CREW, THEN RADIO, RUDDER, CREW QUARTER. TORPEDOES ENGINE ROOM.

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From: Admiralty, Navy

ADMIRALTY SS SITUATION:

1 10-09 N 84-33 W (430 MI E OF TRINIDAD) AT 2:38 MARCH
16 EWT. 2 IN CARIBBEAN, 1 PROBABLY IN EASTERN, THE OTHER
IN CENTRAL AREA. 1 PROBABLY IN WINDWARD PASSAGE (BETWEEN
CUBA AND HAITI, 1 IN FLORIDA STRAIT (BETWEEN KEY WEST AND
CUBA). 2 IN BAHAMAS.

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From: SANTIAGO, CHILE

SANTIAGO
CHILE

PLEASE CABLE INFORMATION WHICH WILL ASSIST US TO FORMU-
LATE A PLAN OF ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING AND IN ADDITION ON
ANY PERSONNEL INCREASE FOR THIS OFFICE.

AIR ATTACHE AT WASHINGTON, D.C. HAS ADVISED THE CHILEAN
AIR FORCE THAT 15 PILOTS AND PLANES LEFT U.S. ON 21ST OF
FEB.

TOLMEN INCIDENT IS NOW UNDER DISCUSSION AT MEETING OF
CHILEAN CABINET.

CHIEF OF AIR FORCE HAS BEEN INTERROGATED AS TO THE LO-
CATION OF THE PLANES.

QUESTIONS ARE BEING BROUGHT UP BY THE CHILEAN ARMY AND
AIR FORCE CONCERNING DEFENSE OF PAN AMERICA AND INTER-
CHANGE PROGRAM ON STUDENT OFFICERS.

(NO SIGNATURE)

From: Cincavi Via Navy

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CINCNAVY
VIA NAVY

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A SUB IS REPORTED 10-09 N, 84-33 W., 380 MILES EAST OF
TRINIDAD 0038 GMT MARCH 17.

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Journal #71, 3/17

From: Navy

MASTER OF SS O M BERNUTH, GALVESTON, STATES ON MARCH 16 HE WAS AUTHOR OF POST CARD AND LETTER FOUND IN JAR WHICH HE THREW OVERBOARD NEAR PALM BEACH EXPECTING SMALL FISHING CRAFT NEAR BY TO PICK IT UP. AS HE WAS RUNNING A DAY AHEAD OF SCHEDULE DUE TO GOOD WEATHER HE WISHED TO NOTIFY OWNERS TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR BERTHING AND LOADING COMPLETED ON ARRIVAL. HE HAD NO SUBVERSIVE INTENT IN MAKING THE MESSAGE OBSCURE.

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Journal #66, 3/17

From: BTO, Watkins

CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR INTERCEPT INDICATES THE BRIT TANKER SAM DIMITRIE WAS TORPEDOED AT 0020 GMT MAR 17 AT 37-03 N 73-50 W.

BRIT TANKER RESOLUTION SIGHTED A SUB AT 29-56N, 74-05 W AT 2115 GMT MARCH 16

COAST GUARD STATION NO 99 SIGHTED A SUB ON SURFACE AT 2200 GMT MAR 16 HEADED N. DUE EAST OF SPERMAGHTI COVE, SANDY HOOK, SURFACE SHIPS FOUND NOTHING.

23 SURVIVORS OF YUGOSLAVIAN SHIP (SIG 7) ARE ABOARD THE SWEDISH MOTOR VESSEL SICILIA LOCATED IN DENSE FOG SE OF OVERFALLS LIGHTSHIP OFF CAPE HENLOPEN ACCORDING TO CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR INTERCEPT.

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Filed: 3/17/42, 1333

Journal #62, 3/17

From: Iceland, Benesteele

NO CHANGE IN DISPOSITION OF HOSTILE TROOPS OR ARMY CAPABILITIES.

Filed: 3/17/42, 2344

Journal #91, 3/17

From: Watkins, WFO

REPORT OF WFO RENDERED AS OF 1200 GMT MARCH 17:

NO ATTACKS ON SUBS.

LIST OF U-BOATS SIGHTED OR SUSPECTED AS FOLLOWS:

1 BY MERCHANTMAN SIGHTED N OF ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA ABOUT 420 MI.

1 APPROX. 33 MI E OF SEA GIRT, N.J.

1 OFF MONTAUK POINT.

A SUB WAS BELIEVED PICKED UP BY SOUND LOCATOR ABOUT 7 MI E. OF FIRE ISLAND.

SUB SIGHTED E OF CAPE HENRY 620 MILES.

ANOTHER SIGHTED OFF SANDY HOOK

NO CHANGE IN U-BOAT DISPOSITIONS.

ATTACKS ON MERCHANT MARINE OFF EASTERN THEATER INCLUDE THESE: THE DEMETRIO HIT OFF CHESAPEAKE BAY; THE STEAMER AUSTRALIA ATTACKED OFF HATTERAS.

8:00 A.M.

3/17/42

TO

8:00 A.M.

3/18/42

Filed: 3/17/42, 1236

Journal #76, 3/17

From: Admiralty, Navy

ADMIRALTY SS SITUATION:

1 HORNWARD BOUND WITHIN 100 MI OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

26-30 N 65-30 W (300 MI S OF BERMUDA)

27-00 N 61-00 W (390 MI SE OF BERMUDA)

28-00 N 48-00 W (1000 MI ESE OF BERMUDA)

36-30 N 65-30 W (240 MI E BY W OF BERMUDA)

37-30 N 50-30 W (560 MI SE BY E OF CAPE HAZE)

(2 CAPE HATTERAS AREA, 1 37-02 N 73-50 W (240 MI. ESE OF CAPE MAY) AT 2035 MARCH 16. 2 BETWEEN DELAWARE BAY AND CAPE COD. 4 OR 5 IN AREA N OF 40°N BETWEEN 60 AND 68°W. ABOUT 7 BETWEEN 40 AND 47°N AND 30 AND 45°W. E OF 30°W NO CHANGES).

From: NSHQ Via Navy

IJ #8, 3/18/42

NSHQ VIA NAVY

Filed: 3/17/42, 0417 GMT

SUB VICINITY 28-30 N - 66-00 W., 470 MILES EAST CAPE HENLOPHN, DELAWARE. 107 GMT MARCH 16.

SUB VICINITY OF 36-30 N, 68-30 W., 390 MILES NORTH OF CAPE HENRY.

From: NSHQ Via Navy

IJ #9, 3/18/42

NSHQ VIA NAVY

Filed: 3/17/42, 0258 GMT

SUB VICINITY 26-00 N - 65-00 W., 480 MILES SOUTH OF BERMUDA 2335 GMT MARCH 16.

From: Ottawa Radio (N) Via Navy IJ #4, 3/18/42

OTTAWA RADIO (N) VIA NAVY

Filed: 3/17/42, 1735 GMT

SUB VICINITY OF 36-00 N - 65-30 W., 310 MILES SE CAPE COD 1509 GMT AND 1544 GMT MARCH 16.

From: RDO - Ottawa Via Navy

IJ #10, 3/18/42

RDO

Filed: 3/17/42, 0903 GMT

OTTAWA VIA NAVY

SUB 39-30 N, 72-00 W., 135 MILES SOUTH OF CAPE COD 230 GMT MARCH 16.

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IJ #29, 3/18

From: OPNAV

FROM SPANISH MINISTRY: "VOYAGES OF SPANISH SHIPS
INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED."

Filed: 3/17/42, 0140

Journal #54, 3/17

From: Lisbon

THERE ARE ABOUT 120 GERMANS IN CALDAS DA RAINHA. ^{THREE} MILLIMETER AA BATTERIES ARE EXPECTED TO LEAVE FOR PONTA DEL DEL GADA ON MARCH 18. ALSO TO MADRIDA AND TO THE AZORES, 40 MM AA BATTERIES EACH.

THERE 8000 TON TANKERS ARE BEING LEASED FROM FRANCE OR SPAIN BY THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT.

BRIT. CARGO SHIPS BELIEVED SUNK BY GERMAN BOMBERS NEAR FENICHE.

A SECRET AGREEMENT BETWEEN FRANCE AND SPAIN FOR THE PROTECTION OF FRENCH NORTH AFRICA IS STILL BELIEVED TO BE IN EXISTENCE BY THE SPANISH KING.

IN BERLIN THE CHIEF OF SPANISH AIR FORCES CONFERRED WITH THE GERMAN HIGH COMMAND PROBABLY ABOUT THE COMING SPRING OFFENSIVE. THAT AXIS SUBMARINES ARE RUMORED OPERATING BETWEEN MADRIDA, SALVADOR AND THE CANARY ISLANDS

JOURNAL #54, 3/17 CONTD.

IT IS BELIEVED THIS AREA SHOULD BE WATCHED. ALONG THE SPANISH BORDER THE PORTUGUESE ARE MAKING PLANS FOR DEMOLITIONS.

From: Leahy - Vichy Via St. IJ #16, 3/18/42

Filed: 3/17/42, 1800 GMT

LEAHY
VICHY
VIA ST.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM OFFICIAL SOURCES:

THERE ARE PERSISTENT REPORTS OF INDICATIONS THAT THE GERMANS INTEND TO USE GAS IN THEIR SPRING OFFENSIVE IN RUSSIA. TWO ADDITIONAL SQUADRONS OF PURSUIT AVIATION HAVE ARRIVED IN THE VICINITY OF MONT DE MARSAN, HAVING COME FROM THE REGION OF BREST. THIS ARRIVAL DOES NOT IMPRESS OFFICIAL CIRCLES AS HAVING ANY SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE.

ON MAR 13 THE 22ND ARMORED DIV. DEPARTED FROM THE REGION OF NIORT BY RR APPARENTLY DESTINED TO GERMANY. ON FEB. 18 THE 23RD ARMORED DIV. DEPARTED WITH SCARCELY ANY ADVANCE NOTICE FROM CAMP VALDAHON BY RR APPARENTLY FOR VER-SAILLES, BUT THIS DIV. HAS NOT BEEN OBSERVED SINCE THEN.

LEAHY.

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Middle
East

WNT
Filed: 3/16/42, 1830
From: Tangier, Bentley

Journal #56, 3/17

BENTLY REPORTS NO CHANGE IN THE SITUATION ON THE 16TH.

Filed: 3/16/42, ---
From: Cairo

Journal #77, 3/17

CAVAL REMAINS OPEN AND SOME WAR MATERIAL IS BEING
LANDED THERE.

Filed: 3/17/42, 1236
From: Admiralty, Navy

Journal #76, 3/17

REPORT OF SS OFF CAPETOWN NEGATIVE. 3 RECENTLY OFF
LIBERIA MAY SOON RESUME ACTIVITY.

Filed: 3/17/42, 21:43
From: Bentley, Tangier

Journal #102, 3/17

CONDITIONS UNALTERED

Filed: 3/18/42, 1842

Journal #64, 3/17

From: Teheran

SOVIET ASSURANCE OBTAINED THAT RELATIONS WITH AMERICANS ARE HARMONIOUS BUT IT IS DESIRABLE TO AMPLIFY ORGANIZATION OF ASSEMBLIES AND DELIVERIES. GENERAL IMPROVEMENT OF CONDITIONS WILL MINIMIZE OPPORTUNITY FOR DISAGREEMENT.

Filed: 3/17/42, 20:06

Journal #92, 3/17

From: Lagos, Bern

SITUATION CONTINUES AS IT HAS BEEN.

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TO
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3/18/42

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Journal #93, 3/17

From: Kager, Madrid

REPORT IS NEGATIVE.

From: Schoenfeld - Helsinki Via St. Dept. 15 #17, 3/18/42

SCHONENFELD

Filed: 3/17/42, 1000 GMT

HELSINKI VIA

THE WHOLE 163RD GERMAN DIV. REMAINS ON THE SVIR BETWEEN LOTINAPETO AND LAKE LADOGA.

STATE DEPT.

FOUR GERMAN DIVISIONS ARE TO DRIVE NORTHWARD FROM TINK-VIN IN THE FORTHCOMING SPRING OFFENSIVE AGAINST Leningrad, TO BE MET BY THE 163RD.

NEW SOVIET DIVS. ARE COMPOSED OF 18 AND 19 YEAR OLD MEN.

ONE GERMAN DIV. IS BEYOND VIBORG ON THE KARELIAN Isthmus.

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From: Cinspac Via Navy LS #2, 3/18/42

Filed: 3/17/42, 0539 GMT

THREE OR FOUR SUBS REPORTED IN APPROXIMATE POSITION,
20-20 N, 128-00 W. (1600 MI. E. OF HAWAII).

CINCPAC
VIA NAVY

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From: 3/17/42, 2230 LJ #70, 3/17/42
Filed: Brett

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14 JAP TYPE-97 HEAVY BOMBERS RAIDED DARWIN 16TH. AIR FIELD AND BUILDINGS AND ONE HUDSON HEAVILY DAMAGED. RIGO AND IOWA RECONNOITERED BY JAP AIR THE 16TH. AMBASI (NW NUNA) RECONNOITERED THE 16TH BY HVT BOMBER. MORESBY DISTRICT RECONNOITERED TWO TIMES THE 16TH. SAMARAI AND DOGURA EACH RECONNOITERED THE 16TH BY A TYPE-96 HVT BOMBER. DARWIN HAD AIR RAID ALERT THE 17TH. MORESBY RECONNOITERED THE 17TH.

ALLIED PLANES MADE RECONNAISSANCE THE 17TH FROM TULAGI TO EAST TIP NEW GUINEA. NO REPORTS FROM ROUTINE AUSTRALIAN COAST PATROLS. KOMPANG ATTACKED BY RAAF HUDSONS. RESULTS UNREPORTED. PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE OF KOMPANG MADE THE 17TH.

8 SHIPS SEEN ANCHORED IN KESSA HARBOR 0040 THE 16TH. NO ENEMY ACTIVITY SEEN FIJI AREA THE 16TH. TWO NAVAL

(LJ #70, 3/17/42, Cont'd)

VESSELS, PROBABLY DESTROYERS, SEEN 50 MILES NE OF KOMPANG THE 16TH BY OUR AIR RECONNAISSANCE.

INDICATIONS OF POSSIBLE NEW AIRFIELD AT ORRELO, 12 MI ENE OF KOMPANG, SEEN BY OUR TEMPO RECON. FLIGHT THE 15TH.

From: Admiralty Via Navy LJ #5, 3/18/42
Filed: 3/17/42, 1047 GMT

ADMIRALTY
NAVY

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THE JAP FIRST AND THIRD ESCORT FORCE OF THIRD FLEET ARE LIKELY TO OCCUPY CHRISTMAS ISLAND (S OF JAVA IN THE INDIAN OCEAN) BEFORE MAR. 22.

EXACT COMPOSITION OF INVADING FORCE UNKNOWN BUT WILL PROBABLY CONSIST OF 8 UNITS.

From: ACNH Via Navy LJ #3, 3/18/42
Filed: 3/17/42, 0944

ACNH VIA NAVY

DARWIN RAAF AIRDRONE RAIDED BY 3 HEAVY BOMBERS AT 0000 EWT MARCH 16. CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO BUILDINGS, 2 KILLED, 11 WOUNDED RESULTED.

INDICATION OF PORTION OF YOKOSUKA AIR SQUADRON WITH KANOI IN NEW BRITAIN AREA.

From: Cincpac (N) Via Navy LJ #1, 3/18/42
Filed: 3/17/42, 0559 GMT

CINPAC (N)
VIA NAVY

RAID ON MORESBY YESTERDAY AND AIR RECONNAISSANCE IN BOUGAINVILLE, SOLOMON ISLANDS. INDICATIONS THAT VP AND PERHAPS VB AIRCRAFT NOW OPERATING FROM SALAMOA AREA. VF AND VP OPERATE FROM GASMATA (NEW BRITAIN, SOUTHERN COAST)

JAP AIR ACTIVITY IS NOW LOCATED ON NENE ISLE IN TRUK. ENEMY CONVOYS ENROUTE TRUK-NEW BRITAIN AREAS ARE USING STEFFEN STRAIT (NW OF NEW IRELAND) AS RENDEZVOUS. NAVAL AND AIR OPERATION IN VICINITY OF MANILA ARE BECOMING MORE ACTIVE. MOVEMENT W FROM MALAY BY NAVAL UNITS IS ALSO IN PROGRESS.

*VP: FIGHTER.

**VF: PATROL

***VB: BOMBERS

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Filed: 3/16/42, 2055

Journal #55, 3/19

From: Stilwell, Chungking

TEN THOUSAND ENEMY TROOPS LEFT SAIGON ON MARCH 5 FOR
PHOM PENH. ABOUT ONE DIV. CARRIED IN 30 TRANSPORTS
ARRIVED IN SAIGON BETWEEN MARCH 1 AND 5. ITS IDENTITY
IS UNKNOWN.

THE TROOPS WHICH LANDED EARLY THIS MONTH AT AU
HAIPHONG HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED FROM SECRET NUMBERS USED
BY THE JAPS. THE AGENT REPORTS THEM TO BE THE 1st DIV
OF THE KWANTUNG ARMY WHICH WAS FORMERLY STATIONED AT
TSI TSI HAR. PLUS GUARDS DIVISION REINFORCEMENTS.

THE 48th DIV. HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS THE TROOPS WHICH
RECENTLY LANDED AT MEDAN, IDA AND KOTARADA IN NORTHERN
SUMATRA.

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Filed: 0203, 3/17

IJ #26, 3/18

From: Halifax NAVY

SUB SIGHTED ON SURFACE AT 0800 P (0600 EDT) MAR. 17 AT
POSITION 45-30 N, 68-21 W (OFF CAPE SABLE, NEWFOUNDLAND).
RELIABILITY 07

Filed: 1315 3/17

IJ #27, 3/18

From: Halifax, NAVY

SS LIEN TORPEDOED AT 1845Z (1245 EDT) MAR. 9 IN POSI-
TION 43-32 N, 54-14 W (ESE OF CAPE RACE, NEWFOUNDLAND).
SURVIVORS HAVE BEEN LANDED AT HALIFAX.

Filed: 1934 3/17

IJ #28, 3/18

From: Halifax, NAVY

SUB SIGHTED & ATTACKED AT 38-48 N, 67-09 W (200 MILES SE
OF NANTUCKET ISLAND, MASS) AT 1823Z (1423 EDT) MAR. 17.

Filed: 2300, 3/17

IJ #22, 3/18

From: USS DICKERSON THRU NAVY

UNIDENTIFIED TANKER TORPEDOED OFF DIAMOND SHOALS (OFF
CAPE HATTERAS, N.C.) AT 1745 EDT MAR. 17.

Filed: 3/17

IJ #19, 3/18

From: ETO Barnsbaw

TANKER SS ACME TORPEDOED OFF DIAMOND SHOALS AT 2156 GMT;
PERISCOPE SEEN AT 2203 GMT BY DESTROYER DICKERSON. THE
SS GULFWAVE IS IN THAT AREA. THIS INFORMATION REPORTED AT
2226 GMT BY CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR WHO ALSO REPORTED AT
2150 GMT THAT 5TH NAVAL DISTRICT INTERCEPTED MESSAGE TO
EFFECT THAT AT 2126 GMT DIRECTION FINDER INDICATED A SUB
WITHIN 25 MILES OF 37-45 N, 66-15 W.

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Filed: 0800 3/17

IS #87, 3/18

From: NAVY

MOST UNITS COMPRISING SCREENING FORCE ARE BY NOW BELIEVED CONCENTRATED IN BONIN ISLANDS AREA, ALTHOUGH REPORTED THAT ASSEMBLY OF FORCE WOULD NOT BE ENTIRELY COMPLETED UNTIL MAR. 23.

PLANS APPEAR UNDERWAY FOR EXTENDING JAP OCCUPATIONAL ZONES IN SUMATRA. FEW VESSELS ORDERED TO BELAWAN, PORT FOR MEDAN, NORTHERN SUMATRA, & INDICATED SOME TROOPS WILL BE LANDED THIS AREA.

INCREASING EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT ASSUMPTION THAT KAGA (OV) OF CARDIV 1, NOW ENROUTE TO HOME YARD, WAS CARRIER DAMAGED BY TORPEDO FIRE IN STRAIT OF LOMBOK. FOLLOWING IDENTIFICATIONS OF RECENT CASUALTIES, WHILE NOT CERTAIN, HAVE STRONG EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THEM.

1. MACHI (CA), PROBABLY DAMAGED IN JAVA SEA, UNDER REPAIRS AT PALAU.

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2. CHINUBA (CA) BELIEVED SUNK IN FEB. 11 AIR RAID ON SALANCA-LAE AREA.

3. EITHER AGRA (CA) OR KINUGASA (CA) SUNK, & TENNYE OR TATSUTA BADLY DAMAGED & PROBABLY SUNK IN SALANCA-LAE AREA.

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LS #18, 3/18

From: WED & 4TH ARMY Harrington

A JAP, THOUGHT TO BE RESERVE SERGEANT IN JAP ARMY, WAS 1 OF 2 JAPS IN CROW OF DUTCH SHIP WILHELMINA WHICH HAD BEEN CHARTERED BY JAPS. HE ATTEMPTED TO DESTROY A JAP PANEL CODE IN HIS POSSESSION WHICH WAS FORWARDED BY THIS HQS ON FEB 21. UNDETERMINED WHETHER CODE USED BY GROUND FORCES OR BY VESSELS ONLY. KOREAN CROWN MOTOMACHI WAS PRINT USED IN ORIGINAL. SOURCE WAS BUREAU OF MARITIME AFFAIRS OCT. 8, 1940 ACCORDING INFORMATION FROM ALASKA. "TEI" & "FUKYO FUKUSEI" ARE JAP WORDS MARKED. RELIABILITY IS GOOD.

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WESTERN ATL.

Filed: 1800 3/17

IS #20, 3/18

From: AUSTALUSA Lisbon NAVY

AERIAL NAVIGATION HAS BEEN FORBIDDEN OVER ISLANDS OF THE
ARCHIPELAGO OF AZORES. FLYING PROHIBITED OVER THEM & AD-
JACENT TERRITORIAL WATERS.

Filed: 1531 3/17

IS #21, 3/18

From: ALUSMA London NAVY

3 CRAFT, PROBABLY FROM GERMAN AIR SQUADRON BASED NEAR
BORDEAUX, FRANCE, WERE SIGHTED 17 MILES N.W. OF CAPE
ESPICHEL PORTUGAL BETWEEN 1540 & 1945 (1440 & 1545 GMT)
MAR. 16.

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Filed: 1630 3/17

IS #24, 3/18

From: ALUSSEB Curacao NAVY

SS PENLOPE TORPEDOED MAR .3 AT 15-00 N, 64-20 W (AP-
PROX. 200 MILES W OF MARTINIQUE).XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
XXXXXXXX SS PULLED ALONGSIDE LIFE BOAT CARRYING HANSEN,
MASTER OF PENLOPE. SS COMMANDER QUESTIONED HANSEN AS TO
SHIP CREW CAROD ROUTE. HANSEN REPLIED FALSELY. SS COM-
MANDER CORRECTED EACH REPLY GIVING CORRECT INFORMATION AS
TO CREW, GUN CREW & LOCATION OF AMMUNITION ABOARD. HANSEN
& COXSAIN PEDER OF GUN CREW IDENTIFIED SS AS FRENCH
RENAULT LA PLACE. SHE HAD APPROX 4-INCH GUNS, 1 FORWARD
1 AFT. CREW, GERMAN. COMMANDER SPOKE ENGLISH.

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CHINA

Filed: 1235, 3/17

13 #23, 3/18

From: ALUSMA Vichy NAVY

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR 6 JAP REAR ADMIRALS WERE HELD RECENTLY AT TOKYO.

Filed: 0800 3/17

13 #87, 3/18

From: NAVY

AIRCRAFT PATROLS CONTINUE, BUT IS NOTED THAT OPERATING SECTOR FROM KISARASU AIR STATION (EASTERN HONSHU COAST) HAS BEEN SHIFTED TO A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION. 12 HEAVY BOMBERS ASSIGNED PATROL DUTY THIS SECTOR, FLIGHT TAKING OFF AT 0530 I, MAR 18. AS OF THIS DATE, REPORTED THAT A TOTAL OF 43 PLANES AT THIS STATION EQUIPPED WITH TORPEDOES & IN OPERATIONAL CONDITION. EMPHASIS ON TORPEDOES MAKES IT APPARENT THAT JAPS ARE MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO INCREASE THEIR TORPEDO BOMBER STRENGTH, & INCREASED USE OF THIS WEAPON BY BOTH SHORE & SHIP BASED PLANES MAY BE EXPECTED. PAST SUCCESSSES WITH AERIAL TORPEDOES WOULD SEEM TO JUSTIFY JAP RELIANCE IN THIS WEAPON.

Filed: 1400 3/17

13 #15, 3/18

From: New Delhi WILSON thru State

FROM GEN. BREKHTON FOR GEN. ARNOLD: FROM MAR. 5 TO MAR. 13, INCLUSIVE, 1 LB-30 & 7 B-17's TRANSPORTED FROM ANANDOL, INDIA, TO KRAOWE, BURMA, 1 BATTALION INDESKILIN FUSILIERS, 29 TONS OF MILITARY SUPPLIES & 474 TROOPS WERE DELIVERED TO BURMA & 423 CIVILIANS EVACUATED FROM BURMA TO INDIA. BRIT FIGHTER GROUP & AVG FURNISHED LOCAL PROTECTION IN BURMA. NO CASUALTIES OR LOSSES.

AIRCRAFT NOW AT KARACHI WHERE OPERATIONAL TRAINING WILL BE STARTED IMMEDIATELY.

ROYAL NAVY REPORTS TRANSPORT SEA WITCH LOST AT SEA. 26 OFFICERS & 600 ENLISTED OF AIR BASE GROUP ABOARD. ABOUT 27 P-40'S WENT DOWN WITH SHIP.

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Journal #48, 3/16

From: Cockrell, Quarry Hts.

JOSE ISMAEL MOJICA HAS BEEN ARRESTED BY POLICE FOR ALLEGED SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES. HE IS A TOOL OF THE EX-PRESIDENT ARNULFO ARIAS. WITHIN THE NEAR FUTURE, OTHER FRIENDS OF EX-PRESIDENT ARIAS MAY ALSO BE ARRESTED. ALTHOUGH OUR IN-SHORE PATROL REPORTS NO SUCH OBSERVATION, THE MASTER OF THE SS ALL AMERICAN REPORTS THAT AT 2340 CANAL ZONE TIME MARCH 13 HE SIGHTED WHAT WAS BELIEVED TO BE A SUB AT LOCATION 7 DEGREE 48 MINUTES NORTH - 79 DEGREE 30 MIN. WEST.

THE ABOVE IS SITUATION SUMMARY TO 1200 OCT MARCH 16.

Filed: 3/16/42, 0840

Journal #35, 3/16

From: Ottawa thru Navy

D/F AT 0118Z MAR 16 (2118 EST MAR 15) INDICATES SS WITHIN 60 MILES 21-00 N., 67-30 W., 140 MILES N. OF PUERTO RICO.

Filed: 3/16/42, 0700

Journal #53, 3/16

From: Ottawa thru Navy

D/F AT 2311Z (1911 EST) ON MARCH 15 INDICATES SS WITHIN 100 MILES 16-00 N., 64-00 W., 120 MILES SE OF PUERTO RICO.

Filed: 3/17/42, 0046

Journal #80, 3/16

From: Quarry Hts.

ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CREW OF THE OIL SHIP "J N FOX" WHO WAS SAVED AFTER THIS SHIP WAS TORPEDGED HAS STATED THAT THE ATTACK OCCURRED ABOUT 400 MI NORTH (EAST ?) OF CRISTOBAL. A CLOSER IDENTIFICATION OF THE SITE IS THAT IT LIES ABOUT 40 MILES NORTH OF SANTA MARIA, COLOMBIA.

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From: Hughes - Rio
 Filed: 3/16/42, 842 GMT

IJ #3/ 3/17/42

HUGHES
 RIO

IN THE PAST CONTRACT PLANES HAVE NOT CARRIED POUCHES OF MAIL FOR AIR CORPS FERRY COMMAND. IT IS DESIRED THAT PAN AMERICAN INCREASE TO 100 POUNDS THE TOP LIMIT ON POUCHES CARRIED ON ALL CONTRACT PLANES FOR OUR USE. THIS IS TO BE DONE AT ONCE.

MAIL POUCHES SHOULD BE CARRIED ALSO BY ANY OTHER CONTRACTORS IF SUCH IS NOT ALREADY THE PRACTICE.

From: Allisnob - Natal Via Navy IJ #7, 3/17/42
 Filed: 3/16/42, 1901 GMT

ALLISNOB
 NATAL VIA NAVY

CLIPPER REPORTS MARCH 16, 0639 GMT (0239 EST) 05-05 S, 35-55 W, (105 MI. E. OF NATAL) SIGHTED, CIRCLED, LIGHTED-UP TANKER, HEADED S, WHICH DOUSED WHEN APPROACHED. ANOTHER LIGHTED TANKER, SAME VICINITY, SHORTLY AFTER.

*EAST NOSE OF HEAVY
 From: Spenavo - London Via Navy IJ #9, 3/17/42
 Filed: 3/16/42, 1901 GMT

SPENAVO
 LONDON VIA
 NAVY

JAP MERCHANT SHIPS IN ESCORTED CONVOY ARE EXPECTED OFF CHILEAN COAST BETWEEN 15TH AND 17TH OF MAY ACCORDING TO ADMIRALTY REPORT GRADED C-2. IT IS BELIEVED POSSIBLE THAT JAPS MAY TRY TO GET CHILEAN COPPER IN THIS WAY.

(UNCONFIRMED, PLAUSIBLE RUMOR)

From: Smith - Cayenne
 Filed: No time given

IJ #26, 3/17/42

SMITH
 CAYENNE

YESTERDAY AN EXCELLENT LANDING FIELD WAS OBSERVED BY PAN AMERICAN PILOT. THE FIELD HAS A RUNWAY ABOUT 1400 YARDS LONG AND IS LOCATED A FEW MILES N.E. OF FALLS AT ST. GACHIRON ON THE BRAZILIAN SIDE OF THE APOCK RIVER.
 SMITH

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Filed: 3/16/42, 1119

Journal #46, 3/16

From: Brant, NBC

SUB SIGHTED BY AIRCRAFT 43-50 N, 48-45 W.

SUBS LOCATED BY SOUND CONTACT FURBER 40-13N, 72-10W.

AT 1752 GMT ALSO AT 41-48 N, 69-52 W. AT 2315 GMT

MARCH 14.

AMERICA SS ARIO REPORTED SIGHT OF SUB 10 MILES E CAPE
RACE LOOKOUT 0534 GMT-14. SUB ATTACKED SS SATURN 29-34 N,
74-35 W.

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Filed: 3/16/42, 1142

Journal #50, 3/16

From: Watkins, NTO

OIL SLICKS AT POINT 30 MILES FROM CAPE HENLOPER,
DELAWARE, BEARING 127, ATTACKED BY NAVY BLIMP MARCH 15.
PIECES OF WOOD AND AIR BUBBLES RESULTED. NO FURTHER
REPORT.

SUBS SIGHTED MARCH 16:

AT 0210 GMT-1 AT 37-48 N., 75-13 W BY MERCHANT SHIP THOMAS

D. BRAL

AT 1115 GMT-1 AT 21-52 N, 84-57 W BY SS CADMUS.

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Filed: 3/14/42, 2130 GMT

JOURNAL #98, 3/16

From: Watkins, NTO

AT 24°01' N - 68°49' W BRIT VESSEL SIGHTED SUBMARINE.
THIS THROUGH CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR, FROM BRITISH SOURCE.

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Filed: 3/16, 42, 1235

Journal #51, 3/16

From: Watkins, NTO

PERIODIC MOON GMT MARCH 16

ATTACK ON SHIPPING NTO

CARIBBEAN AREA

NONE

ONE

MERCHANT VESSEL OFF OCEAN CITY, MD. SIGHTED ONE SUB

MERCHANT VESSEL OFF N.W. OF CUBA SIGHTED ONE SUB

NAVY BLIMP ATTACKED SUB OFF CAPE HENLOPER, DELAWARE.

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Filed: 3/13/42, ---

Journal #38, 3/16

From: ONI

INFORMATION RECEIVED BY ADMIRALTY FROM COMINCH THAT MERCHANT SHIP ROOPLYN TORPEDGED NIGHT MARCH 11 OFF FENWICK ISLAND SHOAL. THEY DESIRE KNOW IF CONSIDERATION OF GROUND MINE FIELD HAS BEEN TAKEN ALSO ON WHAT EVIDENCE IS TORPEDGING BASED.

8:00 A.M.

3/16/42

TO

8:00 A.M.

3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 0736

Journal #54, 3/16

From: Ottawa via Navy

D/N INDICATES SS WITHIN 60 MILES 36-00 N. 73-30 W (100 MILES E. OF CAPE HATTERAS, N.C.) AT 0054Z MAR 16 (2054 EST MAR. 15) AND 0043Z MAR. 16 9(2043 MAR 15 EST)

Filed: 3/16, 42, 1837

Journal #60, 3/16

From: Drus, ETO

DRUM REPORTS NEGATIVE AIR ACTIVITY FOR PERIOD ENDING NOON (GMT) MARCH 16.

7 RECONNAISSANCE, 24 OBSERVATION MISSIONS REPORTED.

WEATHER: POOR VISIBILITY IN NORTHERN AREAS; GOOD WEATHER IN SOUTH.

NEWFOUNDLAND REPORTS FOR MARCH 14, 15 AND 16 NOT RECEIVED.

Filed: 3/16/42, 1640

Journal #63, 3/16

From: Strong, BBC

STRONG REPORTS NEGATIVE AIR ACTIVITY FOR MARCH 15.

Filed: 3/16, 42, 1911

Journal #56, 3/16

From: FBI thru Navy

POSTCARD, APPARENTLY FROM AN INFORMER, FOUND FLOATING IN A JAR NEAR THE SCENE OF SEVERAL SINKINGS. THEY MENTION DEPARTURE, TIMES, ETC.

Filed: 3/16/42, ---

Journal #52, 3/16

From: ETO, Watkins

NEWFOUNDLAND BASE COMMAND HAS BEEN ASKED FOR DETAILS ON SIGHTING OF SUB AT 43-50 N, 48-45 W (600 MI E. OF NOVA SCOTIA) BY A PLANE, AS THEIR REPORT DOES NOT INDICATE THE SUB WAS ATTACKED AS WAS REPORTED IN MESSAGE #1, MARCH 16 FROM WDCBI TO ETO.

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Filed: 3/16/42, 1854

Journal #76, 3/16

From: ETO, Belling

INFORMATION CAME FROM INTERCEPTOR COMMAND THAT THEY HAD PICKED UP A WIRELESS MESSAGE REGARDING THE AUSTRALIA.

THIS STATED THAT THE VESSEL HAD BEEN TORPEDOED AND THAT THE CREW WAS PUTTING OFF IN SMALL BOATS AT FIVE MINUTES AFTER SIX (GMT) THIS EVENING. THE LOCATE OF THE ATTACK IS GIVEN AS BEING IN THE MEDITERRANEAN VICINITY NEAR THE LIGHT BURN OFF DIAMOND SHOALS.

8:00 A.M.

3/16/42

TO

8:00 A.M.

3/17/42

Journal #64, 3/16

Filed: 3/16/42, 1855

From: Belling, ETO

INFORMATION FROM BASE COMMAND AT REYNOLDSLAND SAYS THAT SATURN ENCOUNTERED A SUB AT 29°34'N, 74°35'W (400 MI SE JACKSONVILLE, FLA.). NO DETAILS AS TO TIME OF DAY OR DATE. EFFORTS TO OBTAIN SUBSTANTIATION OF THIS MATTER ARE IN VAIN. SOURCES CONTACTED WERE BEE AND ALL UNITS OF EASTERN THEATER.

VESSEL WHOSE SOLE IDENTITY WAS BY CALL LETTERS B D D R REPORTED SEEING A SUB THIS DATE AT HALF PAST FOUR IN THE AFTERNOON GMT. THE LOCATION CITED WAS 37°01'N, 75°06'W (40 MI E OF NORFOLK)

Filed: 3/15/42, ---

Journal #36, 3/16

From: Newfoundland Base Com.

THE EXPLOSION OF A VESSEL AT 33°35'N - 73°36'W (400 MI E CHARLESTON) AT 0110 GMT 12 MARCH WAS REPORTED BY THE AMER. SS MERCHANT SUB.

A distress message stating SHIP AROUND ON SABLE ISLAND WAS BROADCAST BY THE SS INDEPENDENCE 1117 7 MARCH AT 1750 GMT.

A SUB WAS POSITIVELY SIGHTED IN WINDWARD PASSAGE AT 01156(1), ACCORDING TO BROADCAST FROM STATION NAV PORTO RICO.

ON MARCH 12 AT 0613 GMT A SUB WAS SIGHTED AT 21°14'N 83°05'W (200 MI SE KEY WEST).

A SUB WAS SIGHTED OFF CAPE HATTERAS AT 0129 GMT.

AT 0040 MARCH 12 A MERCHANT VESSEL WAS REPORTED SUNK BY GUNFIRE AT 24°05'N - 74°20'W (300 MI E MIAMI)

THREE SUBS WERE SIGHTED AT 37°30'N (1) (DUE E OF JOURNAL NO. #36 CONTD.)

BELLING

A SUB WAS SIGHTED AT 14°03'N - 57°09'W (450 MI E NOVA SCOTIA) BY A PLANE AT 1455 GMT.

ON THE 11 OF MARCH 7 A MERCHANT VESSEL WAS REPORTED ATTACKED AT 2552 NORTH - 77-05 W (NEAR BASAN IN BAHAMAS)

THE ABOVE IS FROM 8-2 REPORT #8 FOR PERIOD MARCH 7 TO MARCH 12.

From: CONTACTFOR VIA CMT
Filed: 3/16/42, 0727 GMT

IS #63, 3/16/42

A SUB ON SURFACE AT 43-50 N., 48-45 W (250 MILES SE OF CAPE PINE N.C.) ATTACKED BY PLANE WITH FOUR DEATH BOMBS AS THE SS SUBMERGED. TIME 1241 EST. OIL AND DEBRIS FROM-ENT AFTER ATTACK.

CONTACTFOR
VIA CMT

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ORD Letter, 6-8-92

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TO
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3/17/42

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

From: Admiralty Via Navy

IJ #6, 3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 1300 GMT

U-BOAT LOCATIONS:

1 - AT 33-53 S., 17-53 E. (30 MI W OF CAPE TOWN) AT 0317
BET MARCH 16.

1 - IN GEORGETOWN AREA, NOT FIXED.

1 - PROBABLY MONA PASSAGE.

3 - BAHAMAS OR FLORIDA STRAIT.

3 - S OR SW OF LIBERIA OR TAKORADI.

1 - WITHIN 150 MILES OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS
(HOMeward BOUNDS)

26-00 N. 26-00 W (575 MILES SW OF CAPE BLANCO) (FRENCH
WEST AFRICA)

27-00 N. 48-00 W (900 MILES SSE OF BERMUDA)

25-00 N. 65-00 W (460 MILES S OF BERMUDA)

35-00 N 45-00 W (780 MILES SSE OF CAPE PINE (NFLD)

40-00 N. 40-00 W (660 WNW of San Miguel) (AZORES)

(IJ #6, 3/17/42, Cont'd)

134-37 N. 76-20 W. (?)

2 - WITHIN 100 MILES OF 34-30 N. 70-30 W. (290 MILES E
OF CAPE LOOKOUT, N.C.) AT 1434 GMT NEAR MAR. 15.

2 - BETWEEN DELAWARE AND CAPE COD.

6 OR 7 IN AREA NORTH OF 37-00 N. BETWEEN 65-00 W. AND
45-00 W.

2 WESTBOUND WITHIN 150 MILES OF 45-00 N. 38-00 W. (640
MILES ESE OF CAPE PINE NP.)

IN N. ATLANTIC E. OF 30 W. ONLY APPARENT ACTIVITY IS BE-
TWEEN ROCKALL AND REYTAUJK.

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VIA NAVY

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Journal #61, 3/16

From: Part of Spain

NEGATIVE REPORT WITH NO CHANGE IN CAPABILITIES FOR PERIOD TO 1200 GMT MARCH 16.

FRATT

Filed: 3/16/42, 1507

Journal #62, 3/16

From: Iceland

NO CHANGE IN DISPOSITION OF HOSTILE TROOPS IN NORWAY. CAPABILITIES UNCHANGED. REPORT NUMBER 3 FOR MARCH 16.

BONESTEEL

8:00 A.M.

3/16/42

TO

8:00 A.M.

3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 012P (?)

JOURNAL #77, 3/16

From: CAFFEY LONDON

THERE IS THOUGHT TO BE A LINK BETWEEN USANIF (SIG) AND THE COURSE OF A GERMAN PLANE WHICH PASSED OVER MULLINER A AT 1305, THEN OVER LOCK NEAGE, PORTRUSS, BELFAST, NEWRY, DUNDALK, DUBLIN AND ANDMORE HEAD AT 1450 THE 15TH.

From: Legge - Bern

IJ #1, 3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 2007 GMT

LEGGE

BERN

REPORTS ARE RECEIVED FROM GOOD FRENCH SOURCES THAT AIR STRENGTH OF GERMANS IS DECREASING IN FRANCE BUT AIR FORCE IN CRETE IS BEING STRONGLY INCREASED.

ACCORDING TO I-8 KIEV IS DEPOT FOR SIX PANZER UNITS OF GERMAN ARMY. ITALY PANZER UNITS ARE ON MOVE EASTWARD THRU TRIESTE.

From: Eager - Madrid

IJ #87, 3/16/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 1920 GMT

NO CHANGE.

EAGER

MADRID

From: Admiralty - London Via Navy IJ #8, 3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 2013 GMT

ON MARCH 16 AT 1328 HWT, BY D/F BEARINGS ON 76 40 EC SS WAS IN APPROXIMATELY 64-40 E., 55-20 W., AND 17-30 W. (ABOUT 103 MILES SW OF ROCKALL).

ADMIRALTY
LONDON VIA
NAVY

NORTH END OF GREAT BRITAIN.

From: Leahy - Vichy Via St.

IJ #15, 3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 2000 GMT

THERE ARE NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS TO REPORT.

LEAHY

VICHY VIA ST.

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From: Legge - Bern
Filed: 3/16/42, 2007 GMT

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From: Cairo - Maxwell Via AGO IJ #17, 3/17/42
Filed: 3/16/42, 1108 GMT

CAIRO
MAXWELL

REPORTS POSITION OF AMERICAN MERCHANT SHIPS IN MIDDLE EAST.

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From: Legue - Bern

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TRIESTE.

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From: Schoenfeld - Helsinki

IJ #19, 3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 1300 GMT

WE WERE INFORMED LAST NIGHT BY THE FORMER FINNISH MINIS-
TER IN WASHINGTON, JARNEFELT, THAT THERE ARE FINNISH TROOPS
AT PRESENT IN THE EXTREME NORTH. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT
THEY ARE BASED ON PETSAMO. HE SAID THAT PATROLS ACTUALLY
WERE IN OPERATION IN THE KOLA PENINSULA EAST OF MURMANSK.
THIS IS THE FIRST INDICATION WE HAVE HAD THAT FINNISH TROOPS
ARE IN FACT NORTH OF LOUHI SINCE THE STATEMENT TO THIS EF-
FECT WAS MADE BY PRESIDENT RYTI.

SCHOENFELD
HELSINKI

SCHOENFELD.

From: Schoenfeld - Helsinki Via St. IJ #16, 3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 1800 GMT

MAJORITY OF GERMAN FORCES IN FINLAND A MONTH AGO MOVED
TO FAR NORTH FRONTS. PRESENT GERMAN STRENGTH IN FINLAND
IS ABOUT FIVE DIVISIONS. IF A DRIVE IS MADE ON LENINGRAD
THE FINNISH FORCES IN KARELIAN ISTHMUS WILL NOT PARTICI-
PATE.

SCHOENFELD .
HELSINKI
VIA ST. DEPT.

GERMANS CAN TAKE LENINGRAD BUT WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO
OCCUPY MOSCOW. GERMAN NEED FOR OIL MAKES ANY OFFENSIVES
ON THE NORTHERN FRONT OF MINOR IMPORTANCE.

From: Spenavo - London Via Navy IJ #13, 3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 1547 GMT

SPANAVO
LONDON VIA
NAVY

REPORT OF ITALIAN WARSHIPS DAMAGED:

Type and Name	Date	Cause
BB'S:		
ONMARE	9 JULY 1940	GUNFIRE
LITTORIO	11 DEC. 1940	AERIAL TORPEDO
CAVOOR	11 NOV. 1940	AERIAL TORPEDO
DUILIO	11 NOV. 1940	AERIAL TORPEDO
VENETO	27 NOV. 1940	AERIAL TORPEDO
DUILIO	9 FEB. 1941	GUNFIRE
VENETO	28 MAR. 1941	AERIAL TORPEDO
(LITTORIO CLASS)	14 DEC. 1941	TORPEDO
CA'S:		
ARA	9 JUL. 1940	GUNFIRE
BOLZANO	11 NOV. 1940	AERIAL TORPEDO
FOIA	14 DEC. 1940	BOMBING
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(UNNAMED)	31 AUG. 1940	TORPEDO
(2 UNNAMED)	27 NOV. 1940	GUNFIRE & A. TORP.
GORILIA	JUNE 29, 1941	TORPEDO
KOLARAO	AUG. 26, 1941	TORPEDO
TRIESTE	NOV. 21, 1941	TORPEDO
UNNAMED	FEB. 16, 1942	TORPEDO
CL'S:		
DANAE NERE	JULY 9, 1940	GUNFIRE
ABRUZZI	NOV. 11, 1940	AERIAL TORPEDO
UNNAMED	NOV. 27, 1940	BOMBING
BADENERE	MAR. 28, 1941	GUNFIRE
GARIBALDI	JUL. 28, 1941	TORPEDO
UNNAMED	NOV. 22, 1941	AERIAL TORPEDO
(2 UNNAMED)	FEB. 16, 1942	AERIAL TORPEDO
DD'S ONE:	JULY 5, 1940	AERIAL TORPEDO
(IJ #13, 3/17/42, Cont'd)		
DD'S ONE:	NOV. 11, 1940	GUNFIRE
"	NOV. 27, 1940	GUNFIRE
"	MAY 12, 1941	AERIAL TORPEDO
"	JUNE 10, 1941	TORPEDO
"	JULY 22, 1941	
"	JULY 22, 1941	AERIAL TORPEDO
"	AUG. 14, 1941	AERIAL TORPEDO
"	SEPT. 3, 1941	AERIAL TORPEDO
"	SEPT. 19, 1941	BOMBING
"	NOV. 9, 1941	TORPEDO
"	NOV. 21, 1941	TORPEDO
"	DEC. 8, 1941	GUNFIRE
"	DEC. 11, 1941	TORPEDO
"	DEC. 23, 1941	TORPEDO
"	JAN. 18, 1942	AERIAL TORPEDO
(IJ #13, 3/17/42, Cont'd)		
SIMM TANK		
BAKERS ONE	DEC. 14, 1940	BOMBING
"	JAN. 1, 1941	MINE
"	JULY 9, 1941	BOMBING
"	FEB. 8, 1942	SS COLLISION

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Filed: 1013 3/16/42

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From: Army A C Dep Seat Wash

AT 3AM AN AUTO WITH FOUR MEN PASSED THE INFANTRY
BARRICADE IN SOUTH PARK, SEATTLE. NOT HEEDING THE
SENTINEL ORDERS TO HALT THEY WERE SHOT AT AND ARE BEING
HELD AT THE SEATTLE POLICE STATION PENDING INVESTIGATION.

Filed: 0451

Journal # 47 3/16/42

From WDC

ON MARCH 14 WE INDICATED A RADIO FIX OF A JAP STATION
ON 6035 KCS AND MOVING WEST. PRESENT INDICATIONS ARE THAT
THIS STATION HAS MOVED EASTWARD TO THE VICINITY OF 52 N -
156 W. THE FBI HAVE NOT YET COMPLETED THE INVESTIGATION
OF THE WAREHOUSE FIRE WHICH WAS MENTIONED IN OUR SPECIAL
REPORT #332 3/15/42.

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Filed: 1600 3/16

Journal #12

From: Australia, Brett

Cite A.C.H.D. - 1316 "Allied Air Activity today, one photo recon--"

ON THE THIRTEENTH AN UNIDENTIFIED AIRPLANE BELIEVED TO BE A FLYING BOAT TYPE 97 WAS SEEN OVER MELVILLE ISLAND. TWO UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS WERE REVEALED IN A PHOTO RECON OVER DILLI ON THE 15TH. THE LANDING STRIPS AT THE AIRFIELD ARE BEING LENGTHENED. NO RESULTS WERE OBSERVED WHEN BOMBS WERE DROPPED ON THIS AIRFIELD. REPORTED THAT ON THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY A LARGE TRANSPORT, PROTECTED BY A DESTROYER AND ESCORTED BY A T-97 TYPE FLYING BOAT WERE HEADED FOR LAE. ON THE FOURTEENTH NINE FLYING BOATS OF 96 TYPE (HEAVY) BOMBED SEVEN MILE AIRFIELD. THIS ATTACK WAS FOLLOWED WITH A RECON BY A T-97 FLYING BOAT. ON THE FOURTEENTH HOLN ISLAND WAS ATTACKED BY A GROUP OF 9 TYPE

Journal #12 3/16

"O" FIGHTERS AND 8 NINETY-SIX TYPE HEAVY BOMBERS. TWO HUDSONS WERE DAMAGED AND ONE DESTROYED ON THE GROUND, BUT THERE WAS LITTLE OTHER DAMAGE. A JAP FORCE WAS INTERCEPTED BY NINE P-40'S ON PATROL. AS A RESULT OF HAMMING A "O" FIGHTER, ONE P-40 IS MISSING. TWO OF THE "O"'S WERE BROUGHT DOWN AND ONE BOMBER ACCOUNTED FOR. IN THE VICINITY OF DAWMIN-SALY TWO UNIDENTIFIED AIRPLANES WERE REPORTED ON THE FOURTEENTH. SHORTLAND ISLAND WAS RECONNOITERED BY A TYPE T-97 P.B. TO SOUTH OF BOUGAINVILLE ON 3/14/42. NW OF MORSEBY OVER CAPE NELSON AND SE OF MORSEBY OVER (CAPE) ROBINSON UNIDENTIFIED AIRPLANES WERE SIGHTED.

Filed: 11:36 P 3/16/42

Journal # 42

From: Brett, Australia

PRECAUTIONS FOR PROTECTION OF FREMANTLE INCLUDE ANTI-AIRCRAFT AND FIGHTER PROTECTION, COASTAL AND OFFSHORE RECONNAISSANCE AND AIRCRAFT WARNING SYSTEM. TO BE IN OPERATION BY THE END OF THE MONTH.

Filed: 3/16/42, 1055

Journal #57, 3/16

From: Ft. Mills, MacArthur

CEBU SHELLED BY DESTROYER WITHOUT DAMAGE.
ENEMY ATTACK EASILY REPULSED IN BATAAN.
CAVITE GUNS ACTIVE: DAMAGE SLIGHT.

Filed: 3/16/42, 1355

Journal #59, 3/16

From: GAPA Australia

DAY'S RECONNAISSANCE REVEALED EIGHT WARSHIPS IN KESSA HARBOR, 16 BOMBERS AND 20 FIGHTERS AT KOMPANG AND 3 SHIPS AT WHARF, 3 SHIPS DILLI HARBOR, 5 TRI-MOTOR FLYING BOATS AT NW SARACE STRAITS AND ONE SMALL SHIP.

Filed: 3/16/42, 2111

Journal #60, 3/16

From: Navy

DAILY REPORTS OF JAP NAVAL ACTIVITIES REVEALED TWO

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Journal #69, 3/16

From: Navy

DAILY REPORT OF JAP NAVAL ACTIVITY MENTIONS TWO CARRIERS DETACHED FROM SCREENING FORCE AND SENT TO CELEBES (BELIEVED TO DELIVER FUNERALS), FORCE ADVANCING INTO Bay of Bengal specified, Christmas Island TO BE TAKEN AND PROBABLY COCOS AS WELL, AND YAGA NOW ON HER WAY TO SASEBO IS THOUGHT TO BE THE CARRIER RECENTLY REPORTED TORPEDOED.

Filed: 3/13/42, --

Journal #72, 3/16

From: Admiral Helfrich

UP TO MARCH 1, LOSSES FROM FLEET UNDER COMMAND OF ADM. HELFRICH WERE AS FOLLOWS: 2 CRUISERS, 6 SUBS, 2 MINELAYERS, 7 DESTROYERS, 1 COAST DEFENSE SHIP, 31 FLYING BOATS, A NUMBER OF GUARD AND PATROL BOATS. MERCHANT MARINE LOSSES UP TO MARCH 1 IN NEI WATERS: 30 DUTCH SHIPS OF TOTAL TONNAGE OF 100,000 TONS. LOSSES SINCE MARCH 1 ARE NOT KNOWN, BUT FEARED ALL LOCAL DEFENSE UNITS (MINELAYERS AND SWEEPERS, PATROL BOATS, MOTOR TORPEDO BOATS) HAVE BEEN LOST. EXACT NUMBERS NOT AVAILABLE, BUT OF MERCHANT MARINE, 75,000 TONS PRESUMABLY (17,000 OF TOTAL WERE TANKERS) HAS BEEN SUNK IN JAVA SEA OR JAVA PORTS.

FOLLOWING SHIPS NOW UNDER ADMIRAL HELFRICH'S COMMAND: 1 DESTROYER, 3 CRUISERS, 1 MINELAYER, 1 GUNBOAT, 7 SUBS, MINIMUM OF 14 PBV and DO 24 K FLYING BOATS, OTHER AUXILIARY NAVAL BOATS. STRENGTH OF MILITARY AIRCRAFT, ABLE JOURNAL #72, CONTD.

TO BE EVACUATED TO AUSTRALIA, IS STILL UNKNOWN.

ABOVE MESSAGE FROM ADMIRAL HELFRICH, DATED MARCH 13.

8:00 A.M.
3/16/42
TO
8:00 A.M.
3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 2005

Journal #79, 3/16

From: Ceylon.

UNVERIFIED JAP IDENTIFICATIONS (CHINESE SOURCE THRU BRITISH):

30th DIVISION	PEOU FRONT
11th DIVISION	BANOKOK
51st DIVISION	BATON AREA
17th DIVISION	RAILWAY NORTH AND EAST
13th DIVISION	NORTH-INDO CHINA
4th DIVISION	PEOU FRONT

STRENGTH OF ABOVE EQUALS 230,000 AND 30,000 MORE ARE EXPECTED AT HAIPHONG BY APRIL. BANOKOK IS NOW HQ SOUTH SEA AREA, NO LONGER HAINAN. THIS APPARENTLY INDICATES THAT JAP FORCES FACE WEST.

See page #3

Filed: 3/16/42, 0645

Journal #71, 3/16

From: Com. Western Frontier

QUEEN ELIZABETH IN CONVOY POINTS WEST AT 2055 DEPARTS MARCH 19TH REFUELING AS IN MY DISPATCH MARCH 12 AT 0200. TO ARRIVE SYDNEY AUSTRALIA APRIL 8 YOUR DISPATCH MARCH 14 AT 1535.

Filed: 3/16/42, ---

Journal #69, 3/16

From: Navy thru ONI

FOLLOWING NAVAL FORCES APPEAR TO BE INVOLVED IN ADVANCE INTO BAY OF BENGAL: 1 HEAVY CRUISER, 3 LIGHT CRUISERS, 8 DESTROYERS, 12 SUBS, ABOUT 75 AIRCRAFT, 4 AIRCRAFT TENDERS AND UNKNOWN NUMBER SEAPLANES. KAGA NOW ENROUTE BASEDO IS LIKELY SHIP REPORTED TORPEDGED RECENTLY. CARRIER DIV. 5 IS RETURNING TO REFUEL AT YOKOSUKA, MARCH 16, AFTER APPEARING TO COVER PRETTY THOROUGHLY AREA BETWEEN JAP AND CAROLINES. ON DAY FOLLOWING, THIS DIV. IS EXPECTED TO PROCEED TO STARLING BAY, SE CELEBES, ARRIVING MARCH 24. BELIEVED THIS TRIP IS FOR DELIVERY OF CERTAIN SHORT RANGE AIRCRAFT TO SOUTHERN AREAS, NOT DETACHMENT OF DIV. FROM SCREENING FORCE. SINCE IT IS COMPOSED OF TWO OF FASTEST AND NEWEST CARRIERS IN JAP NAVY, SUGGESTS NO IMMEDIATE LARGE SCALE OFFENSIVE IS PLANNED IN EASTERN PACIFIC. SEARCH OPERATIONS TO SE OF JAPAN CONTINUE.

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8:00 A.M.
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SIX BOMBERS STARTED SEARCH OF SECTOR FROM MARCUS TO A DISTANCE OF 400 MILES FROM OAOO, MARCH 15.

CHRISTMAS I., ABOUT 180 MI SW OF JAVA, WILL PROBABLY BE SEIZED. COCOS I., ABOUT 550 MILES SW OF JAVA MAY ALSO BE OCCUPIED, BUT NO PRESENT INDICATION OF IT.

Filed: 3/16/42, 1355

Journal # 59, 3/16

From: CAFE Australia

AIR SECTION PARAPHRASE: ALLIED AIR ACTIVITY: NO REPORTS FROM REGULAR PATROLS OF THE WEST AND EAST COASTS OF AUSTRALIA. TROBRIAND IS. RECONNOITERED BY PATROL FROM Balagi. Delayed reports give following additional INFORMATION ON THE RECON. PATROLS TO TIMOR: 3 VESSELS IN HARBOR AT DILLI; KOMPANG PATROL REPORTED SINKING SMALL VESSEL AND 5 3-MOTORED FLYING BOATS IN NW PART OF SAMAGE STRAITS. TOTAL OF 20 FIGHTERS AND 16 BI-MOTORED BOMBERS WERE OBSERVED ON the airfield and 3 VESSELS WERE SEEN CLOSE TO DOCKS AT KOMPANG. AA ARTILLERY ENCOUNTERED AND INTERCEPTION BY ENEMY ATTEMPTED. ABOUT 15 MILES S. OF TIMOR, A FLYING BOAT ATTACKED THE PATROL.

JAP AIR ACTIVITY: IT WAS REPORTED THAT THERE WERE 8 NAVAL VESSELS AT NESSA HARBOR. EVIDENCE EXISTS THAT A RECON. FLIGHT MIGHT HAVE BEEN MADE OVER ROPER RIVER AND

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GROOTE KILANDT. (WESTERN GULF OF CARPENTARIA, NORTHERN TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA.).

From: Pape - Calcutta

IJ #79, 3/16/42

Filed: 3/16/42, 2005 GMT

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CALCUTTA

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11TH DIVISION	BANGKOK
17TH DIVISION	RAILWAY NORTH & EAST
13TH DIVISION	NORTH INDO CHINA
4TH DIVISION	PEGU FRONT

STRENGTH OF ABOVE EQUALS 230,000 AND 80,000 MORE ARE EXPECTED AT HAIPHONG BY END MARCH. HQ SOUTH SEA AREA DUE TO MOVE FROM HAINAN TO BANGKOK. ABOVE APPARENTLY INDICATES WESTWARD ORIENTATION OF FUTURE ENEMY EFFORT.

PAPE

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DDP Letter, 6-3-73

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3/16/42
TO
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From: A.C.N.B. Via ONI 1J #84, 3/16/42
Filed: 3/16/42, 1335 GMT

ON MARCH 14 AIR RECONNAISSANCE SHOWED TWO SMALL SHIPS IN HARBOR AT DILLI, PORT TIMOR, AND ONE AIRCRAFT ON AIR-
DROME, THE RUNWAY OF WHICH WAS APPARENTLY BEING EXTENDED.
Bomb dropped with no results apparent.

PERSON, ESCAPED FROM DUTCH TIMOR, REPORTS WHARF BEING
CONSTRUCTED AT KOMPANG.

(2115 MARCH 15 EWT) THERE IS REPORTED ONE LARGE TRANS-
PORT AND ONE SMALL WARSHIP, ACCOMPANIED BY ONE T-97 BLUING
BOAT, APPROACHING LAE FROM SE.

NINE HEAVY BOMBERS MADE 13TH RAID OF PORT MORESBY AT
0142 2/14 (2142 EWT MAR. 13) DAMAGING RUNWAY SLIGHTLY.

EIGHT BOMBERS AND NINE 2-FIGHTERS RAIDED NUELVA ISLAND
AT 0120 2/14 (2142 EWT MAR. 13) WITH NO DAMAGE TO AIRDROME.
TWO 2-FIGHTERS AND ONE BOMBER DESTROYED IN THE AIR; ONE

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R.A.A.F. HUDSON DESTROYED ON GROUND.

ENEMY AIR RECONNAISSANCE SOUTH OF DOUGAIVILLE AND
SHORTLAND ISLAND MARCH 14; ALSO OVER NAURU AT 1802 EWT
MARCH 12. NUMEROUS ENEMY RECONNAISSANCE ON MARCH 14 OVER
SE NEW GUINEA.

UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT REPORTED OVER DARWIN AT 0213 MAR
14 AND OVER DALI WATERS AT 2210 MARCH 13.

From: Melbourne Via ONI 1J #86, 3/16/42
Filed: 3/15/42, 0938 GMT

MELBOURNE
VIA ONI

ON MARCH 14 A PATROL OVER DILLI OBSERVED ONE PLANE ON
AIRFIELD AND 2 SMALL VESSELS IN HARBOR. AN EXTENSION OF
THE NORTH-SOUTH RUNWAY SEEMS TO BE UNDERWAY. NO RESULTS
WERE OBSERVED AFTER OUR BOMBING. THERE WERE NO ENEMY
PLANES IN AIR NOR WAS THERE ANY ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE.

AN ESCAPED DUTCHMAN SAYS DOCK IS BEING BUILT AT KOMPANG.
IT WAS REPORTED THAT A LARGE AP WAS APPROACHING LAE FROM
SE ESCORTED BY A WARSHIP AND A T97 BLUING BOAT. THIS WAS
140115Z (2115 EWT, MARCH 13).

RUNWAY AT PORT MORESBY HAD SLIGHT DAMAGE WHEN RAIDED BY
9 HEAVY BOMBERS 140142Z (2142 EWT MAR 13). THIS WAS RAID
NUMBER 13. BOSHEA ISLAND (IN RAID NO. 1) WAS ATTACKED BY
8 BOMBERS AND 9 ZERO FIGHTERS AT 140120Z (2120 EWT MAR 13)
WITH NO DAMAGE TO AIRFIELD. 2 ZEROS AND 1 BOMBER DES-

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TROYED.
THERE WERE ENEMY AIR PATROLS OVER NAURU AT 122202 (1802
EWT MARCH 12) AND OVER SHORTLAND ISLAND (SOUTH OF DOUGAIV-
VILLE) MARCH 14. UNIDENTIFIED PLANE OVER DALI WATERS
1400210 (2210 EWT MAR 13) AND OVER DARWIN 140613Z (0213 EWT
MAR 14). ON MARCH 14 THERE WERE MANY ENEMY PATROL FLIGHTS
OVER SE NEW GUINEA.

From: ~~ACNB~~ ACNB 1J #11, 3/17/42
Filed: 3/16/42, 1123 GMT

-ACB(w)
ACNB

AIR RECONNAISSANCE KOMPANG BY ONE HUDSON ON MARCH 15
SHOWED 16 TWO-MOTORED BOMBERS AND 20 SSF'S AT AIRDROME.
(FOUR T) FIGHTERS ATTEMPTED TO INTERCEPT, A/A FIRE EN-
COUNTERED AT 13,000 FT. BOMBS DUMPED 1 MILE NORTH OF AIR-
DROME. FIVE 3-ENGINE FLYING BOATS AND 1 SIX-THOUSAND TON
VESSEL AND LIGHTER ANCHORED OFF WHARF. AIR RECONNAISSANCE
DILLI MARCH 14, IN ADDITION TO UNITS MENTIONED (MY SERIAL
NO. 53 6-THOUSAND TON MOTOR VESSEL AT WHARF. UNIDENTIFIED
FLYING BOAT SIGHTED IN POSITION 08-09 S., 155-37 E. COURSE
12 DEGREES (240 MILES SE CAPE ST. GEORGE, NEW IRELAND) ON
MARCH 15.

RE: 8 ENEMY UNITS REPORTED SEABEAS (DULA) (MY SERIAL
NO. 50) ALL UNITS RETURNED MARCH 15 AND WERE ANCHORED IN

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HARBOR AT 0145/2 MARCH 15. HARBOR REPORTED BUOYED. SUGGEST THIS BEING USED AS BASE FOR FORCE COVERING NEW BRITAIN, NEW GUINEA OPERATIONS, 2 AIRCRAFT REPORTED DROPPING 4 PARACHUTES OVER HINCINERROE ISLAND AT 0900Z MARCH 15. THESE AIRCRAFT ARRIVED FROM AND DEPARTED TO EASTWARDS. GRADND C-S. REPORT BEING THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATED.

8:00 AM
3/17/42
8:00 AM
3/18/42

Filed: 2400 3/16 IJ # 32, 3/17
From: ALUSNOB (Williamstad) NAVY
SURVIVORS OF PENNELOPE, TORPEDOED IN POSITION 15-00 N,
64-00 W. (160 MI. WNW OF MARTINIQUE IS., W.I.) MAR. 13,
HAVE BEEN LANDED. SS WAS OF RENAULT LAPIACE TYPE.

Filed: 1915 3/16 IJ #33, 3/17
From: OPNAV
BRAZILIANS PROCEEDING DIRECTLY TO CALIFORNIA FOR AIR-
PLANES. THEY DO NOT CONTEMPLATE VISITING ANY NAVAL STATIONS.

Filed: 2034, 3/15 IJ # 34, 3/17
From: COM 15 NAVY
MAR. 11 THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 476 INTERNEES AT BALBOA
INTERMENT CAMP. THIS FIGURE IS MADE UP OF 121 GERMANS,
18 ITALIANS, 266 JAPANESE & 71 OF MISCELLANEOUS NATION-
ALITIES. ALSO INCLUDED ARE 66 WOMEN & 79 CHILDREN.
INCREASE IN NUMBER IS DUE TO DEPENDENTS OF INTERNEES
BEING ADMITTED FOR VOLUNTARY INTERMENT.

Filed: 1500 3/16 IJ #31, 3/17
From: PORT AU PRINCE THRU NAVY
URUGUAYAN SS MONTEVIDEO TORPEDOED MAR. 8.
NORWEGIAN SS TONBERGFJORD TORPEDOED OFF BERMUDA MAR. 6

Filed: 2340 3/16 IJ #35, 3/17
From: Bermuda THRU NAVY
ATTACK BY A SS HAS BEEN REPORTED IN POSITION 10-09 N.,
64-35 W. (336 MILES ESE OF TRINIDAD).

Filed 2140 3/16 Journal # 52 3/17
From Port Au Prince
AT JEREMIE HAITI AT 7:00 AM THE 16 THE DUTCH STEAMSHIP
PUT OFF ONE LIFE BOAT WITH 18 SURVIVORS OF THE NORWEGIAN
SS TONBERGFJORD WHICH WAS TORPEDOED ON MARCH 6 NEAR
BERMUDA, AND ONE LIFE BOAT WITH 31 SURVIVORS OF THE
URUGUAYAN TRANSPORT MONTEVIDEO WHICH WAS TORPEDOED MARCH
8. SURVIVORS WERE PICKED UP RESPECTIVELY ON MARCH 15 AND
13 AT 30N-75W AND 2935N - 6913 W.

Filed 0700 Journal # 42 3/17
From Hq. So. Def. Com.
BECAUSE OF VIOLATION OF RULE BY GEN QUINONES, GARRISON
COMMANDER, THAT NOT MORE THAN 2 JAPS MAY GATHER AT ONE TIME
AND PLACE, 15 JAP RESIDENTS OF C. JUAREZ WERE ARRESTED FOR
MEETING IN THE BELLA VISTA DISTRICT OF JUAREZ LATE MARCH
16. A NAZI PROPAGANDA SHEET IS NOW BEING PUBLISHED BY
DR. WALTER GIBBE, NAZI LEADER OF CHIHUAHUA.

Filed: Journal # 53 3/17

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Filed: 3/15/42, 1819 Journal #81, 3/17
From: ETO, Brum
PERIOD ENDING MARCH 15 AT 1200 GMT
AIR ACTIVITY--NEGATIVE
WEATHER -- UNFAVORABLE NORTH OF LANGLEY FIELD
OBS. MISSIONS -- 34
REC. MISSIONS -- 8
NORTHERN MISSIONS -- CANCELLED
REC REPORTS 14 AND 15 MARCH NOT YET RECEIVED.

8:00 A.M.
3/17/42
TO
8:00 A.M.
3/18/42

Filed: 3/17/42, 1724 Journal #87, 3/17
From: 1st AF, Lacey
MISSIONS COMPLETED MARCH 17.
RECONNAISSANCE -- 27
OBSERVATION -- 28
WEATHER CONDITIONS GENERALLY UNFAVORABLE. THIS FOR
PERIOD ENDING 1200 GMT MARCH 17.

Filed: 3/17, 42, 1459 Journal #88, 3/17
From: REC
REC REPORTS WEAK DISTRESS SIGNALS RECEIVED REVEAL
EXPLOSION OF SHIP HEAVY CAUSED BY TORPEDO AT 1805 MARCH
17 AT DIAMOND SHOALS.

From: Acmb

IJ #11, 3/17/42

Filed: 3/16/42

AIR RECONNAISSANCE KOMPANG BY ONE HUDSON ON MAR 15 SHOWED 16 TWO-MOTORED BOMBERS AND 20 SSF'S AT AIRDROME. (FOUR T) FIGHTERS ATTEMPTED TO INTERCEPT, A/A FIRE ENCOUNTERED AT 13,000 FT. BOMBS DUMPED 1 MILE NORTH OF AIRDROME. FIVE 3-ENGINE FLYING BOATS AND 1 SMALL SHIP SIGHTED SEMAOE STRAITS, 2 ONE-THOUSAND TON VESSELS, 1 SIX-THOUSAND TON VESSEL AND LIGHTER ANCHORED OFF WHARF. AIR/RECONNAISSANCE DILLI MAR 14, IN ADDITION TO UNITS MENTIONED (MY SERIAL NO. 53) 6-THOUSAND TON MOTOR VESSEL AT WHARF. UNIDENTIFIED FLYING BOAT SIGHTED IN POSITION 08-09 S., 155-37 E. COURSE 12 DEGREES (240 MILES SE CAPE ST. GEORGE, NEW IRELAND) ON MARCH 15. RE: 8 ENEMY UNITS REPORTED SEASSA (BUKA) (MY SERIAL NO. 50) ALL UNITS RETURNED MARCH 15 AND WERE ANCHORED IN HARBOR AT 0145/Z MARCH 15. HARBOR REPORTED BUOYED. SUGGEST THIS BEING USED AS BASE FOR FORCE COVERING NEW BRITAIN, NEW GUINEA OPERATIONS, 2 AIRCRAFT REPORTED DROPPING 4 PARACHUTES OVER HINCHINBROOK* ISLAND AT 0900Z MARCH 15. THESE AIRCRAFT ARRIVED FROM AND DEPARTED TO EASTWARDS. GRADED C-3**. REPORT BEING THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATED.

*(NORTHEAST AUSTRALIA)

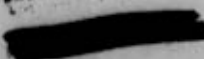
**(BRITISH RATING: SOURCE, POOR; RELIABILITY, POOR)

THIS REFERS TO JAP BATTLE ORDER, GIVEN IN PARAPHRASE OF
MESSAGE FROM PAPER, CALCUTTA:

G-2 COMMENT:

ACCORDING TO PREVIOUSLY-RECEIVED INFORMATION THE JAP
DIVISIONS IN BURMA ARE THE 17TH, 33RD AND 55TH. IN
THAILAND THE 4TH AND 86TH DIVISIONS. IN FRENCH INDO-
CHINA THE 11TH DIVISION AT SAIGON AND AN UNIDENTIFIED
INDEPENDENT BRIGADE AT HANOI.

AS TO THE OTHER DIVISIONS MENTIONED IN THIS REPORT
WE HAVE THE 51ST DIVISION IN SAKHALIN ISLAND. THE 15TH
DIVISION IS IN CENTRAL CHINA AND THE 38TH IN SUMATRA
WHERE IT WAS MOVED FOLLOWING THE FALL OF SINGAPORE.

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From: Kluss - Ankara IJ #27, 3/17/42
Filed: 3/16/42, 2255 GMT

KLUSS
ANKARA

IT IS MY PERSONAL OPINION THAT TURKEY WILL BE CIRCUM-
VENTED BY ANY ATTACK OF THE AXIS ORIGINATING IN THIS AREA.

AM ADVISED BY THE BRITISH THAT SEVERAL BOATS OF SMALL
CAPACITY ARE BEING ASSIGNED BY THE GERMANS IN THE VICI-
NITY OF CRETE.

FAMILIARITY WITH SYRIAN COASTLINE AND PALESTINE, THE
ALLGRED WEAKNESS OF THE BRITISH FLEET IN THE MEDITERRA-
NEAN, TOGETHER WITH LACK OF SUFFICIENT GROUND AND AIR
FORCE, LEAD TO MY BELIEF THAT AN INVASION OF THE NEAR
EAST FROM ISLANDS TO INCLUDE DODECANESE, WHILE ~~IMMEDIATE~~
NOT IMMINENT, IS POSSIBLE.

SHIP CONSTRUCTION AS OF MY NO. 90¹ IS FANTASTIC.
GREEK N/A BRANDS THIS INFORMATION AS INCORRECT. HE LIKE-
WISE CLAIMS THAT THE SHIP CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE CALLS FOR

2000 TON TYPE AND THAT TWO OF THESE EQUIPPED WITH RAMPS
HAVE BEEN COMPLETED.

KLUSS

(1) ID#25 - FEB. 19TH.

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From: Andino - San Jose, Costa Rica IJ #20, 3/15/42
Filed: 3/14/42, 1823

ANDINO
SAN JOSE
COSTA RICA

SHIPS AND 1 SUB OF UNKNOWN NATIONALITY ARE SAID BY ASST. NAVAL ATTACHE TO BE LOCATED OFF PUNTO GUIONES (PACIFIC SIDE OF COSTA RICA).

CHIEF EXECUTIVE REQUESTED OUR MINISTER TO SEND 1000 U.S. TROOPS TO SUPPLEMENT VERY SMALL LOCAL FORCE.

COSTA RICA PLANS TO CANCEL FORMER AGREEMENT AND GIVE ASSETS OF HOSTILE ALIENS INTO CUSTODY OF CIVIL DEFENSE COMMITTEE.

CONGRESS VALIDATES ABACA AGREEMENT.

From: Merida - Venezuela IJ #31, 3/15/42
Filed: 3/14/42, 1100

MERIDO
VENEZUELA

REPORTS RECEIVED ON NIGHT OF 12 MARCH GAVE EVIDENCE THAT SUB ATTACKS WERE MADE IN THE VICINITY OF YUCATAN CHANNEL ON TWO SHIPS.

Filed: 2155, 3/14

IJ #34, 3/15

From: CINC ANI

SHIP BELIEVED TORPEDOED IN VICINITY OF 35-38 N, 66-01 W (256 MILES NW OF BERMUDA).

Filed:

IJ # 38, 3/15

From: COMTASKGROUP

M.R. 14 AT 1640Q (1940 EST) SMALL DUTCH MV TELAMON WAS SIGHTED IN POSITION 24-47 N, 75-11 W (107 MILES NW OF CHOCOMA PASSAGE, BAHAMAS) ON COURSE 200 HEADED DIRECTLY FOR CAT ISLAND.

8:00 a.m.

3/15

TO

8:00 a.m.

3/16

FROM: NAVY

Journal # 85

FILED: 1944 GMT 3/15

- 1 SUB PROBABLY STILL NORTH OF GUIANA
- 1 SUB IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN
- 1 SUB S OF HAITI OR SANTO DOMINGO
- 3 SUBS IN THE BAHAMAS ISLAND AREA

FROM: NAVY, COMCARIBBEANFROM (N)

FILED: 3/13

Journal # 88 3/15

OBSERVATION OF THE EMILE BERTIN REVEALED IT TO BE IN POOR CONDITION, GUNNERY BAD, CREW UNTRAINED, DECK FORCE MARTINIQUE NEGROES AND A SKELTON CREW.

POST

FROM: KIRKWOOD, CANAL ZONE

Journal # 100 3/15

FILED: 1228 GMT 3/15

THERE IS NO WORD OF THE RESULTS OF THE 18 STRIKING SEAMEN WHO TIED UP LAKE TANKER OPERATIONS FEB 24 (?). THE TRIAL WAS HELD MARCH 14 AT CURACAO.

FROM: CHESTER (THRU PRATT)

Journal # 97 3/15

FILED: 1203 GMT 3/15

A SUB LOCATION WAS REPORTED AS 14°48' N BY 64°30' W (COURSE 5° MAGNETIC). THE TIME IT WAS SEEN WAS 20:30GMT THE 14th.

TWO OTHERS WERE SAID TO BE OFF THE EAST COAST OF TRINIDAD AND OFF NORTHEAST POINT. THERE IS NO CONFIRMATION ON THESE LAST TWO.

THE CURACAO POLICE STATION WAS THE SCENE OF SLIGHT DISTURBANCES. THE LAKE TANKERS ARE AGAIN OPERATING BETWEEN ARUBA & CURACAO. TRIALS WERE HELD ON THE 14th OF THE 18 CHINESE SAILORS AT CURACAO.

THIS IS THE DAILY CABLE SENT AT 12:00 GMT THE 15th.

FROM: COLLINS, SAN JUAN

FILED: 1304 GMT 3/15

Journal # 98 3/15

THE SS HELEN ARRIVED GUANTANAMO 07:30 GMT THE 14th AFTER HAVING BEEN TORPEDGED 03:00 GMT THE PREVIOUS DAY OFF POINT GATO, CUBA ACCORDING TO THE TENTH NAVAL DISTRICT.

THIS IS THE DAILY REPORT.

8:00 AM

3/15/42

TO

8:00 AM

3/16/42

From: Cincawi - Curacao
Filed: 3/14/42, 2121 GMT

IJ #5, 3/14/42

CINCANI
CURACAO

CRUDE OIL CARRIED BY ADMIRALTY CONTROLLED TANKERS BETWEEN CURACAO AND LAS PIEDRAS HAS BEEN ELIMINATED SINCE FEB. 17, THIS STOPPAGE OF TRAFFIC WAS ORDERED BY THE SENIOR BRITISH NAVAL OFFICER AT CURACAO. NO RESTRICTIONS HAVE BEEN PLACED ON AMERICAN CONTROLLED SHIPS WHICH CARRY CRUDE OIL BETWEEN LAS PIEDRAS AND ARUBA. THIS PARTICULAR TRAFFIC IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE OF THE LAGO COMPANY'S REFINERIES, BUT THE CLOSING OF LAS PIEDRAS WOULD NOT VITALLY AFFECT THE MAIN SUPPLY.

From: NSHQ Via Navy
Filed: 3/15/42 - NPT

IJ #11, 3/16/42

NSHQ VIA
NAVY

HT: S.S. WEST GRAMS SAILING FROM NEW YORK OVERDUE AT COLON.

From: Alusnob - Pernambuco
Filed: 3/15/42, 12:30 GMT

IJ #9, 3/16/42

ALUSNOB
PERNAMBUCO

BRAZILIAN MINE-LAYER GABEDEL ARRIVED PERNAMBUCO (EAST NOSE BRAZIL).

Filed: 7:21A 3/15
From: ETO

IJ # 42, 3/15

AT 0936 GMT A COAST GUARD CUTTER ACACIA RADIOED THAT SHE WAS BEING SHELLLED AND MACHINE GUNNED AT POSITION 16° 17' N - 65° 44' W. TWO MINUTES LATER THE VESSEL RADIOED THEY WERE ABANDONING SHIP. THIS INFORMATION COMES FROM A RADIO INTERCEPT BY THE CHESAPEAKE BAY DEFENSE SECTOR.

HARRIS

FILED: 1034 3/15
FROM: NAVY

IJ #89, 3/15

SS BERWENGLER REPORTS BEING ATTACKED BY AN ENEMY SS 1/2 MILE INSIDE ALVON SHOALS WHICH IS IN 37-05 N 74-35 W (65 MI. E OF CAPE CHARLES.) AT ABOUT 1034 EWT OR 1434 GCT ON MARCH 15.

FILED: 1137 3/13
FROM NAVY

IJ #86

SUBS REPORTED FIRED ON AT 0232 EWT, MARCH 13 BY THE NORWEGIAN, FENJA, AT 20° 00' N - 74° 50' W., WERE PROBABLY U. S. SUBMARINES.

FILED: 12:55 3/15
FROM: ETO

IJ #82

AT 16:20 GMT TODAY FOUR NAVY PLANES DIVE-BOMBING SUBMARINE POSITION 39° 04' N. --74° 35' WEST. THIS REPORT FROM PHILADELPHIA SUBSECTOR.

WATKINS

From: COM EASTSEAFRON
Filed: 3/15/42, 0215

IJ 28, 3/15/42

COM
EASTSEAFRON

THAT CANNONADING AT SEA WAS HEARD AND LIGHT SEEN AT A POINT ABOUT 5 MILES TO THE EAST OF NAUSET WAS REPORTED. (PROBABLY REFERS TO NAUSET BEACH, MASS.)

From: Baltimore Field Unit IJ #30, 3/15/42
Filed: 1/15/42, 0411

BALTIMORE
FIELD UNIT

AT 11 MINUTES AFTER 4 THE STEAMER OLEAN WAS ATTACKED BY A SUB 15 MILES SOUTH OF CAPE LOOKOUT.

Filed: 0535 3/15
From: Com 6

IJ #35, 3/15

DISTRESS SIGNAL WAS RECEIVED FROM "ARIO" WHICH WAS TORPEDOED 10 MILES E. OF CAPE LOOKOUT, N.C. AT 0527 WNT.

Filed: 10:25 P 3/14/42
From: ETO

IJ #39, 3/15

AT 36-50 N, 74-45 W AMER FREIGHTER WITH STERN APPARENTLY LISTING SIGHTED BY BOMBER COMMAND PLANE ON ROUTINE FLIGHT. VESSEL ON COURSE 70° AT SPEED OF 10 KNOTS. ABOUT 1 MILE AWAY THERE WAS AN AMER DESTROYER.

AT 1845 WNT WATCHMAN AT OLD LIGHTHOUSE, CAPE HATTERAS, ACCORDING REPORT FROM JOINT ARMY-NAVY OPERATIONS AT NORFOLK SIGHTED SUB 7 MILES E. OF STATION. BEFORE IT SUBMERGED WITH ONLY ITS PERISCOPE SHOWING OBSERVER SAW GUN ON DECK. NO SUB SIGHTED AT 1900 WNT BY PLANE FROM 68TH OBSERVATION SQUADRON OVER AREA AT THAT TIME.

Filed: 0154 3/15
From: ETO

IJ #44, 3/15

RADIO INTERCEPT BY NAVAL AIR STATION, FLOYD BENNET FIELD. SHIP APPEAR APPARENTLY TORPEDOED. SUB IN VICINITY. POSITION 35-58 N, 66-01 W. THIS RECEIVED FROM A V P PLANE.

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

ATLANTIC OTHER

G-2 WORK SHEET
8:00 a.m. 3/15
TO
8:00 a.m. 3/16

FROM: NAVY Journal # 85 3/15
FILED: 1644 GMT 3/15
1 SUB IN 25-15 N 79-40 W (25 MI SE OF CAPE FLORIDA)
AT 1045 GMT ON MARCH 14.
1 SUB IN 25-00 N 69-00 W (295 MI SSW OF BERMUDA)
HOMeward BOUND.
1 SUB IN 29-00 N 51-00 W (780 MI ESE OF BERMUDA)
HOMeward BOUND.

~~XX~~
~~XX~~
1 SUB IN 34-37 N 76-31 W (5 MI SE OF CAPE LOOKOUT) AT
1611GMT ON MARCH 15.
1 SUB OFF CAPE HAITHERS
1 SUB OFF HAMPTON ROADS, & 1 WITHIN 250 MI TO THE EAST-
WARD.
1 SUB BETWEEN HAMPTON ROADS & NEW YORK.
1 SUB IN 36-00 N 66-00 W (225 MI NW OF BERMUDA) AT
Journal # 85 3/15 continued

1400 GMT ON MARCH 14.
ABOUT 6 SUBS IN AREA N OF 38° N BETWEEN 50 & 70° W
(N OF BERMUDA).
1 SUB WITHIN 150 MI OF 31-00 N 48-00 W (870 MI ESE OF
BERMUDA) HOMeward.
1 SUB WITHIN 150 MI OF 35-30 N 54-30 W (555 MI ENE OF
BERMUDA) HOMeward.
IN THE AREA E OF 30° W - NO CHANGE - BUT ACTIVITY
INCREASING S & SW OF ICELAND,

~~FROM: BRANT VIA NEWFOUNDLAND B COMM Journal # 86 3/15~~
~~FILED: 3/15~~
~~IN COMPLETE RADIO MESSAGE FROM NEWFOUNDLAND BASE COMMAND~~
~~(PARTS 1 AND 6 ARE BEING SERVICED.)~~
~~AT 0445 GMT 1000, A COMMERCIAL VESSEL WAS TORPEDGED AT~~
~~39.5° N, 73.2° W.~~
~~A SUB WAS SIGHTED AT 1149 N, 6309 N, 6309 W AT 2215 GMT~~
~~2215 N.~~
~~ANOTHER SUB WAS SIGHTED AT 4346 N., 6355 W AT 1755 GMT~~
~~ANOTHER SUB~~

FROM: BRANT, NYLD. Journal # 99 3/15
FILED: REC'D G-2 10:35 GMT 3/15
AIR ACTIVITY DAILY REPORT # 43; VISIBILITY 8 MILES;
CEILING 2000 FT ABOVE SEA LEVEL; ABOVE AS OF 1200 GMT,
MARCH 15. TWO RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS PERFORMED.
THERE WERE NO SUPPLIES TO FOLLOWING (SIC): FRIENDLY
AIR ATTACKS, ENEMY AIR ATTACKS, ESCORT MISSIONS, SPECIFIC
ATTACK MISSIONS, ENEMY OBSERVED, IDENTIFICATIONS.

8:00 a.m.

3/15

TO

8:00 a.m.,

3/16

FROM: BRANT, NEWFOUNDLAND B COMMAND

FILED: 3/15 Journal # 26 3/15

IN COMPLETE RADIO MESSAGE FROM NEWFOUNDLAND B COMMAND.
PARTS 1 & 2 (SIX) BEING SERVICED).AT 0445 GMT 10TH A COMMERCIAL VESSEL WAS TORPEDGED AT
3945 N, 7361 W.

A SUB WAS SIGHTED AT 1149 N, 6309 W AT 2215 GMT 8.

ANOTHER SUB WAS SIGHTED AT 4348 N, 6355 W AT 1755 GMT 8

TWO SUBS SEEN 3422 N, 7620 W, 3700 N, 5626 W AT 0014 GMT
11th.A COMMERCIAL VESSEL TORPEDGED AT 0040 GMT 12th AT 2132 N,
7625 W.A SANTA LUCIA (STATION B. Q. H.) BROADCAST AT 0415 GMT ON
THE 10th SAID SHIPPING WAS ATTACKED IN CASTRIES HARBOR BY SUBM
SUBMARINE, & 2 COMMERCIAL SHIPS SUNK.6 OR 7 SUBS, ONE NEAR SNEYDIS FJORD, WERE SIGHTED IN EGE -
LAND AREA, 11th.

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SS. PARISMINA, AMER VESSEL, SAW SUB AT 3912 N, 7431 W at
0625 GMT 11th.A REBROADCAST MESSAGE RECEIVED AT 0930 GMT 10th FROM 2310
NORTH, 6027 W, SAID "TORPEDGED TWICE".

A MERCHANT SHIP WAS SUNK AT 0005, 11th AT 3827 N, 7454 W.

A SUB WAS SEEN AT 0635 GMT 12th AT 3503 N, 7554 W.

ANOTHER COMMERCIAL VESSEL WAS TORPEDGED AT 0316 GMT 10th
AT 2310 N, 6028W.

A SUB WAS SIGHTED 1720 GMT 11th AT 3838 N, 7433 W.

SUBMARINE SEEN BY MSCRARI (BRITISH) AT 0005 GMT 11th AT
1327 N, 5626 W/

ANOTHER SUB SEEN AT 0940 GMT 11th AT 4020 N, 7350 W.

FROM: ETO WATKINS

Journal # 93 3/15

ETO
WATKINS

FILED: 1658 GMT 3/15

MESSAGE NO 12

ROUTINE REPORT FOR 1200 GMT, MARCH 15:

ENEMY POSSIBILITIES UNALTERED SINCE PRECEDING WEEKLY
REPORT.THE OUTCOME OF ATTACKS ON THREE SUBS BY OUR DESTROYERS
IS DOUBTFUL. DEPTH BOMBS WERE RELEASED OVER AREAS OFF
NEW JERSEY, CURRITUCK, VA. & IN WATERS ADJACENT TO NEW
ENGLAND.SUBS SIGHTED: ONE NORTH OF BERMUDA; ONE OFF THE
VIRGINIA CAPES; ONE OFF CAPE HATTERAS, THE LATTER REPORT
BEING HELD IN MUCH DOUBT.SHIPPING ATTACKS: TWO VESSELS WERE PLACED UNDER HOSTILE
ATTACK IN THE CARIBBEAN; TWO TANKERS WERE THE OBJECT OF
TORPEDO ACTION OFF CAPE LOOKOUT, N.C. ONE SHIP WAS
ATTACKED NORTH OF BERMUDA.

JOURNAL # 93 3/15 continued

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A PROBABLE SUB OPERATING OFF NEW
ENGLAND, U-BOAT ACTIVITY OFF EASTERN THEATER OF OPERATION
IS NOT CHANGED.

From: Shipp - Lison
 Filed: No time given

IJ #13, 3/15/42

SHIP
 LISBON

TWO SUBS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED RECENTLY IN THE HUELVA VICINITY BUT UNABLE TO MAKE CERTAIN WHETHER THESE ARE FACIST OR NAZI. AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME, NEAR ZAERA 2 NAZI BOMBERS WERE SEEN. ADDITIONS TO SPANISH ARMY POST PERSONNEL ARE AS LISTED: EL CERRO, 1 COMPANY INFANTRY, GIBRALCON, A BATTERY OF 75'S, MURIDA A BATTERY OF 155 GUNS, AT ELFENROL 2 BATTERY 44 MM AA. AT LACORUNA A BATTALION OF INFANTRY. ADDITION TO THE ABOVE 2 SQUADRONS OF GERMAN BOMBERS HAVE BEEN SENT TO LEON FOR USE OF SPANISH DETAIL FOR TOPOGRAPHICAL WORK ALONG THE PORTUGUESE BORDER. FRENCH DIPLOMAT IS CONFIDENT THAT HIS COUNTRY WOULD AID THE NAZIS IF THERE ARE FURTHER X RAIDS BY THE BRITISH. THE MASTER OF A FRENCH SHIP XXXXXXXX SAID THAT LARGE TRANSPORTATIONS OF SOLDIERS WERE GOING TO LIBIA FROM SICILY: THIS IS IN ADDITION TO MY CABLE 234. IT IS THE OPINION OF THE MA FROM ARGENTINA THAT SINCE THE

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SALAZAR-FRANCO CONVERSATION THAT THE SPANISH FEELING TOWARD THE WEST IS NOT SO ANTAGONISTIC. HE IS DOUBTFUL CERTAIN NAZIS WILL BE SUCCESSFUL IN SPRING OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE RUSSIANS. IT IS SAID IN PORTUGAL THAT AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN SPAIN AND FRANCE HAS BEEN ENTERED INTO TO REPULSE ANY OFFENSIVE AGAINST NORTH AFRICA BY WESTERN FORCES.

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 From: HAGER, Madrid
 NO CHANGE IN SITUATION.

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Filed: IJ #111, 3/15
 From: BONESTEL Indigo
 LOCATION & STRENGTH OF GERMAN GROUND, AIR & NAVAL UNITS IN NORWAY:

PLACE	STRENGTH	UNIT
KIRKENES	1 DIV	2ND MOUNTAIN
NARVIK	1 DIV	3RD MOUNTAIN
PIKKENESS	1 DIV	69 MOUNTAIN
TRONDHEIM	1 DIV	161ST
MOSJOEN	1 DIV	196TH
NARVIK	1 DIV	199TH
STAVANGER AREA	1 DIV	214TH
ALTA	1 DIV	702ND
OSLO	1 DIV	710TH
BERGEN	1 DIV	UNIDENTIFIED

NAVAL FORCES:

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PLACE	SHIP
UNKNOWN	TIRPITZ
TRONDHEIM FJORD	ADMIRAL SCHERR
TRONDHEIM FJORD	PRINZ KUGEN
KNIL	SCHARNHORST
	GNIESNAU
	MUNBERG

AIR FORCES:

PLACE	NO.	TYPE
KIRSTIANSLAND	10	TWIN ENGINED FIGHTERS
STAVANGER	60	LONG RANGE BOMBERS
STAVANGER	15	BOMBER RECONNAISSANCE
STAVANGER	20	SINGLE ENGINED FIGHTERS
STAVANGER	15	TWIN ENGINED FIGHTERS
STAVANGER	12	COASTAL
HEEDIA	10	TWIN ENGINED FIGHTERS

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PLACE	NO.	TYPE
TRONDHEIM	80	LONG RANGE BOMBERS (INCL. 6-9 CONDORS)
TRONDHEIM	9	BOMBER RECONNAISSANCE
TRONDHEIM	30	SINGLE ENGINE FIGHTERS
TRONDHEIM	30	TWIN ENGINE FIGHTERS
TRONDHEIM	15	COASTAL
BODO	9	DIVE BOMBERS
BODO	10	SINGLE ENGINE FIGHTERS
BAERUDFOSS	30	LONG RANGE BOMBERS
BAERUDFOSS	3	BOMBER RECONNAISSANCE
TRONSO	12	COASTAL
BAERUDFOSS	9	DIVE BOMBERS.

OVER ICELAND NO HOSTILE AIR ACTIVITY.

MAR. 13 AT 60-25 N, 14-W., RAF ATTACKED SUB AT 1930 HOURS.

1 HIT BELIEVED SCORED.

RECONNAISSANCE & BOMBING RAIDS OVER ICELAND & INVASION

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OF ICELAND BY NAVAL UNITS SUPPORTED BY AIRBORNE & PARACHUTE TROOPS ARE WITHIN CAPABILITIES OF ENEMY.

BY 1200 HOURS NEXT DAY A DAILY ACTIVITY REPORT AS OF 24 HOURS IS SUBMITTED TO THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

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FROM: BONESTEEL VIA AGO Journal # 94 3/15

FILED: 1715 GMT 3/15

CRASH OF BRITISH PLANE & EXPLOSION OF BOMB LOAD
DESTROYED LARGE SUPPLY OF AMMUNITION STORED NEARBY.
REQUISITION FOR REPLACEMENT BEING MADE THROUGH OTHER
CHANNELS.

FROM: BONESTEEL, INDIGO

Journal # 96 3/15

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1. SUB SIGHTED BY RAF AT 62° 01' N - 21° 18' W at 1450, March 14th. NO ATTACK MADE.
2. NO CHANGE ENEMY CAPABILITIES.
3. SUB SIGHTED BY RAF 63° N - 23° W ON 15th AT 1130. IT WAS NOT ATTACKED.
4. NO CHANGE IN NORWAY GERMAN DISPOSITIONS.
5. MARCH 15, REPORT # 2.

FROM: M/A - Madrid

IJ #110, 3/15/42

M/A MADRID

FILED: 3/15/42, 2015 GMT
NO NEWS.

FROM: Leahy - Vichy

IJ #4, 3/16/42

LEAHY
VICHY

FILED: 3/15/42, 1400 GMT
THERE IS NO CHANGE TO REPORT.

FROM: Huddle - BernVia St. Dept. IJ #1, 3/16/42

HUDDLE
BERN VIA ST.

FILED: 3/15/42, 1300 GMT

FROM A TRIP LIKE THE ONE DESCRIBED IN MY 763:
AGENTS ACCOMPANY GERMAN "CRUISER" SUBMARINES TO NORTH
AND CENTRAL AMERICAN COASTS. THEY PROMOTE SABOTAGE AND
ARE WELL SUPPLIED WITH MONEY AND EXPLOSIVES. THEY ARE
PUT ASHORE VIA RUBBER BOATS OUTBOARD EQUIPPED.

A UNIFIED PLAN IS ESTABLISHED TO CREATE A WAVE OF
SABOTAGE WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF PREVENTING TROOP MOVE-
MENTS ABROAD.

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SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION ELIMINATES ITS BEING A
"PLANT".

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FROM: NPLD

Journal # 95 3/15

FILE: 1535 GMT 3/15

MESSAGE NO. 156.

ROUTINE REPORT NO. 2 FOR 15 MARCH AS FOLLOWS:

1. IN THE WATERS NORTH OF 3500 N BETWEEN 5000-7000 W ARE OPERATING EIGHT U-BOATS. THREE OF THEM HAVE BEEN FIXED BY RDF. POSITION OF ONE GIVEN WITHIN 150 MI OF (4400-N - 5300 W) AT 0206 GMT ON MARCH 14th. A SECOND has been fixed within 100 MI of (400 N - 5730 W), at 0008 GMT ON 14 MARCH. A THIRD HAS BEEN LOCATED WITHIN 100 MI OF (4400 N - 6400 W), THIS AT 2306 GMT ON 13 MARCH.
2. WITHIN A RADIUS OF 150 MI OF POSITION (3700N -7300W) AND (4330 N- 3830 W) ARE TWO SUBS MAKING TO THE EASTWARD.
3. AT 0945 GMT ON THE 14th WAS SEEN A SUB AT POSITION (2515 N - 940 W).
4. ON THE 14th AT 0600 GMT WERE SUNK TWO MERCHANTMEN AT POSITION (39, 21 N - 74, 13 W) WITH IT BEING POSSIBLE THE SAME SUB ACCOUNTED FOR BOTH SINKINGS.
5. AT 0235 GMT ON 14 MARCH THE SS ESSO BAYONNE, FLASHED IT HAD SIGHTED A SUB AT POSITION (2100 N - 73, 52 W). AT 0915 GMT ON 14 MARCH A TORPEDO WAS SEEN AT POSITION (36, 32N - 74, 44W).

From: ETO

IJ #108, 3/15/42

ETO

Filed: 3/15/42, 2333 GMT

U.S. DESTROYER DROPPED DEPTH CHARGES ON SUB SOUND CONTACT 1530 GMT MARCH 15 SOUTHEAST OF CAPE MAY, N.J. RESULTS UNREPORTED.

THE SHIP ARIO REMAINS AFLOAT 20 MILES SOUTH OF CAPE LOOKOUT, N.C. THE SHIP OLEON, TORPEDOED BY SUB SATURDAY NIGHT, ANCHORED AND AFLOAT.

TORPEDOED AND SHELLED AT 2018 GMT THE 15TH WAS THE ATHOL QUEEN. POSITION 26-42 N, 78-40 W (IN THE BANANAS, 150 MILES EAST OF MIAMI).

From: Greenland

IJ #109, 3/16/42

GREENLAND

Filed: 3/15/42, 2056 GMT

NO ACTIVITY FROM NOON THE 14TH TO NOON THE 15TH.

Filed: Journal # 54 3/15/42

From Steinhardt, Ankara

ACCORDING TO A RELIABLE SOURCE ADMIRAL RANDEK AND OTHERS OF THE GERMAN NAVAL STAFF HAVE RECENTLY BEEN IN SOFIA. SOUTH OF BUCHAREST THE SOURCE HAS RECENTLY OBSERVED SUBSTANTIAL SOUTH BOUND TROOP MOVEMENTS. ACCORDING TO RANKING GERMAN OFFICERS IN SOFIA AND BU DAPST THE SOURCE UNDERSTANDS THAT AS SOON AS WEATHER PERMITS A GERMAN ALL-OUT OFFENSIVE WILL BE BOUND IN THE BLACK SEA AREA, STARTING ABOUT THE END OF APRIL. THE SOURCE HAS BEEN TOLD BY GEN THOMAS, AID TO GOERING, THAT UNLESS GERMANY CAN WIN THE WAR THIS YEAR SHE MUST THEREAFTER BE ON THE DEFENSIVE. ALSO A SERIOUS OIL SIT IN GERMANY. THE SOURCE IS OF THE OPINION THAT IN ORDER TO SUPPLEMENT AN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE SAILING FROM THE PORTS OF BURGAS AND VARNA, VARNA, GERMANY WOULD DEMAND FROM TURKEY PASSAGE OF AXIS VESSELS THROUGH THE STRAITS, THEREBY ATTACKING SOVIET

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DEFENSES IN THE REAR AND DIRECTLY THREATEN BATUM.

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Journal # 54 3/15/42

From: Monrovia

REFERENCE TO TRYPANOSOMIASIS (AFRICAN SLEEPING SICKNESS): LEARNED THAT THE EXTREME NORTHWEST AREA BOLAHUN DISTRICT IS ACTIVE ENDEMIC FOCUS OF THIS DISEASE. DURING 1936-39 FAMINE ENDEMIC AREA INVOLVED FRENCH AFRICA AND SIERRA LEONE. INCIDENCE OF INFECTION APPEARS TO BE DECREASING IN AREA UNDER OBSERVATION.

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IJ #40 3/15

From: FILLERS Cairo

IN MEDITERRANEAN BRIT FLEET SUFFERED UNANNOUNCED REVERSES
FIELD MARSHAL KESSELMING, RECENTLY COMMANDED 2ND LUFT-
WAFFE ON CENTRAL USSR FRONT, REPORTED BY RAF AT GRANDE
BRETAGNE HOTEL, ATHENS, ON FEB 20, WHERE HE HELD NUMEROUS
CONFERENCES WITH SENIOR ARMY & NAVY OFFICERS. HE NOW COM-
MANDS GERMAN MEDITERRANEAN AIR FORCE. OWING TO INEFFECTIVE-
NESS OF MALTA AS BASE, AXIS SHIPPING TO AFRICA PRACTICALLY
UNINTERRUPTED. PLANNING FOR ATTACK AGAINST MIDDLE EAST IS
INDICATED BY GERMAN AIR & SHIPPING ACTIVITIES.

IF ALLIES SEND SEVERAL SQUADRONS OF HIGH LEVEL DAYLIGHT
PRECISION BOMBERS TO STRIKE AT STRATEGIC CENTERS IN LIBYA,
ITALY & GREECE, ROMMEL'S POSITION IN LIBYA CAN BE RENDERED
UNTENABLE.

Filed:

IJ #62, 3/15

From: STEINHARDT Ankara

DUTCH MINISTER SAYS EXTENSIVE BASES BUILT & STOCKED WITH
SUPPLIES IN BULGARIA ALONG TURKISH FRONTIERS. BULGARIAN &
ITAL. TROOPS CONCENTRATED IN GREECE & ON ISLANDS OFF COAST
OF TURKEY, & SUBSTANTIAL GERMAN AIR FORCE CONCENTRATED IN
SAME AREA. HIS OPINION PREPARATIONS INDICATE IMPENDING IN-
VASION OF SYRIA.

LATEST FIGURES COMPILED BY EXPERTS OF SHELL UNION OIL CO
INDICATE OIL RESERVES OF GERMANY WOULD BY DEC 1, 1942, BE
COMPLETELY EXHAUSTED & THEREAFTER GERMANY & ITALY WOULD BE
COMPLETELY DEPENDENT ON OUTPUT OF CALICIAN & ROMANIAN
FIELDS & SYNTHETIC PRODUCTION, WHICH WILL BE ALTOGETHER
INADEQUATE FOR CONTINUANCE OF OPERATIONS ON SOVIET FRONT
AT RATE OF PAST 6 MONTHS.

DUTCH MINISTER THINKS GERMANS WILL ATTEMPT TO REACH BOTH
MOSUL & BAKU FIELDS, SYRIA, BY SEPARATE OPERATIONS.
ROMEL REPORTED TO BE IN BALKANS.

Filed: 1117 EWT

Journal #58 3/15/42

From: Ambassador, London

AFTER CAPTURE OF 5 STATION POSTS, FREE FRENCH, HAVE
GONE BACK TO TERRITORY OF CHAD, FOLLOWING OPERATIONS IN
SOUTHERN PEZZAN, SAYS WAR OFFICE.

IN LIBYA THERE HAS BEEN GREATER RESISTANCE FROM PATROLS
OF ENEMY OF LATE. IN THE REGION OF GABR-ER-ALBIMA PATROLS
HAVE BEEN ACTIVE TO SOME EXTENT.

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Journal #533/15

From: Steinhardt, Ankara

AN EXTRACT OF A NEWSPAPER REPORT IN ZORA OF SOFIA
STATING THAT RUMORS WHICH ALLIGED THAT BULGARIA AND
HUNGARY ENVISAGED COLLABORATION AGAINST A COMMON ENEMY
IN THE BALKANS WERE FALSE.

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FROM: NAVY

Journal # 85 3/15

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ONE SUB IN 23-00 N 29-30 W (700 MI W OF CAPE BLANCO
AFRICA) HOMEWARD BOUND.

ONE SUB WITHIN 150 MI OF 36-30 N 44-30 W (930 MI W of
SAN MIGUEL) HOMEWARD BOUND.

ONE SUB WITHIN 150 MI OF 44-30 N 32-30 W (510 MI NW
OF SAN MIGUEL) HOMEWARD.

TWO SUBS WITHIN 150 MI OF 45-00 N 35-00 W (650 MI NW
OF SAN MIGUEL) WESTBOUND.

FROM: NAVY, BALTIMORE

Journal # 90 3/15

FILED: 3/15

S.S. TACHIRA REPORTS BEING ATTACKED BY AN ENEMY SUB
IN 30-03 N - 34-38 (435 Miles WNW of SAN MIGUEL) at
ABOUT 1437 GMT ON MARCH 15.

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FROM: NAVY, BOURMANSE

Journal # 87

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A CONVOY WAS ATTACKED BY THE GERMAN TIRPITZ, AND THE
RUSSIAN STEAMER IJORA WAS SUNK.

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IJ 37, 3/15

From: BDO Honolulu

BOTH SS & AIR ACTIVITY INCREASED IN PENANG & SINGAPORE AREA. EXPECTED THAT PART OF CRUISER DIV. 7 WILL MOVE TO THIS AREA SHORTLY.

PART OF DD SQUADRON 4 & CRUISER DIV 5 WILL PROCEED TO SASEBO, JAPAN OR KURE.

THE "KAGA", JAP AIRCRAFT CARRIER, IS PROCEEDING TO SASEBO WHILE JAP CARRIER "HETUJO", & CARRIER, DIV 2 IS STILL IN EAST INDIES.

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IJ #37, 3/15

From: Honolulu

AT 2055Z (1635 EST) MAR. 13 A B-17 ATTACKED VUNAKANAU AIRDROME AT SABAU SCORING 1 DIRECT HIT ON AIRCRAFT AND POSSIBLY 2 MORE DESTROYED ON GROUND. 1 LARGE TRANSPORT OBSERVED AT WHARF. 3 LARGE VESSELS (PROBABLY CRUISERS) & 10 SMALL VESSELS (SOME PROBABLY DESTROYERS) IN HARBOR. 1 DESTROYER ENTERING HARBOR. 10 AIRCRAFT NEAR RUNWAY AT VUNAKANAU & SEVERAL AIRCRAFT IN VICINITY OF LAKUNAI.

GASATA AIRDROME ATTACKED BY 1 HUDSON BOMBER AT 2100Z (1700 HWT) MAR. 12. NO AIRCRAFT ON AIRDROME, DISPERSAL BAYS OFF RUNWAY BOMBED & VERY HEAVY ANTI-AIRCRAFT ENCOUNTERED.

RECONNAISSANCE SHOWED 1 DD & 1 LARGE TRANSPORT 65 MILES S. OF GASATA AT 2300Z (1900 HWT) MAR. 12 WITH ENE COURSE.

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IJ #43, 3/15

From: MEHLESMITH, Melbourne

DIRECT HIT ON PARKED AIRCRAFT & 6 HITS ON RUNWAY AT VUNAKANAU AIRDROME AT SABAU WHICH PROBABLY DESTROYED 2 MORE, SCORED BY 1 B-17 OF 6 WHICH DROPPED 14 500 LB. BOMBS. NO INTERCEPTION ATTEMPTED. NEW BLDGS. OBSERVED AT AIRDROME. AT VUNAKANAU WERE 3 SHIPS PROBABLY CRUISERS, 1 LARGE TRANSPORT AT DOCK & 11 SMALL VESSELS PROBABLY DESTROYER.

AT VUNAKANAU 10 TO 12 AIRCRAFT. 4 AIRCRAFT PROBABLY AT LAKUNAI. ON 13TH 5 TYPE O PLANES ATTACKED PORT MORESBY MACHINE-GUNNED & CANNONADED AIRDROME DESTROYING 1 CIVIL AIRCRAFT. 1 NAIF PERSONNEL WOUNDED.

ATTACK EVASDED BY 1 B-17 & 1 HUDSON COMING INTO LAND. KAIRUBU, 60 MI. N.W. OF MORESBY, ALSO MACHINE-GUNNED.

2 RECONNAISSANCES MADE OF SOLOMON IS. & 1 OF TORRES STRAIT. NO REPORTS FROM ROUTINE RECONNAISSANCE OF AUSTRALIAN COAST OR NEW ZEALAND.

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500 AIR PRISONERS REPORTED BY ESCAPES TO BE BUILDING A WHARF AT KOMPANG. ON 13TH 1 FLYING BOAT RECONNAISSANCE OF MELVILLE IS./THURSDAY IS. & HORN IS ATTACKED ON 14TH BY UNREPORTED NUMBER AIRCRAFT. AT KEREKA, 120 MI. N.W. MORESBY, 8 BOMBERS & 12 FIGHTERS SIGHTED ON S.W. COURSE WHICH MAY RELATE TO RAID ON HORN & THURSDAY ISLANDS.

ON 14TH UNREPORTED NO. AIRCRAFT ATTACKED MORESBY. OVER IONA 8 TO 10 BOMBERS REPORTED ON S.W. COURSE WHICH MAY RELATE TO MORESBY RAID.

ON 14TH 40 MILES S.W. OF MORESBY AT HIGO 1 PLANE OF UNREPORTED TYPE MADE RECONNAISSANCE.

DEFINITE INFORMATION GIVEN BY SURVIVORS OF SINKINGS THAT 3 HEAVY CRUISERS & 2 DESTROYERS S. OF JAVE ON MAR 4TH.

CONCLUSION THAT SALAMUA & LAE AIRDROMES USED BY FIGHTERS & PROBABLY BOMBERS REACHED BECAUSE W. OF MORESBY FIGHTERS SIGHTED PRESUMABLY ENROUTE TO ATTACK HORN IS. COURSE OF

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BOMBERS SUPPORTS THIS CONCLUSION.

FROM LAE TO MORE ISLAND DISTANCE IS 360 MILES.

IJ #56, 3/15

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From: McCLURE, M/A London

POSSIBILITY OF DIVISION OF JAPS LOCATED IN MARSHALL IS.
PROCEEDING TO SOLOMON IS.

AIR RECON. OVER NEW GUINEA SHOWED 1 PARTIALLY SUNK TRANSPORT & 1 DESTROYER AT LAE. AT SALAMOA 1 SMALL & 2 7,000 TON TRANSPORTS SEEN.

5TH & 10TH JAP AIR DIVS OPERATING FROM BANGKOK & LAMPANG & 31ST FIGHTER UNITS OPERATING FROM PITTSBURGH.

IDENTIFICATION HAS BEEN MADE OF 112TH & 143RD INF. OF 60TH JAP DIV.

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IJ #57, 3/15

From: McCLURE, M/A London

EVENING OF MAR. 12 BURMA ARMY OPENED ADVANCED HQS. AT YEMANGYAUNG.

ACCORDING RAAF REPORTS SHWEGYIN ATTACK PROGRESSING FAVORABLY.

QUIET IN 17TH DIV. AREA. COMMUNICATIONS LACKING WITH 1st DIV.

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IJ #60, 3/15

From: BEETT, Australia

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: ON 12TH TROOP SHIP IN SINKING CONDITION & 1 DESTROYER OBSERVED BY HUDSON ON RECONNAISSANCE, AT LAE; ALSO 2 FIGHTER PLANES. AT SALAMOA 3 TROOP SHIPS. SAME DATE COAST OBSERVER 43 MILES N. OF CAPE MORETON (BRISBANE) SAW UNIDENTIFIED SUB. AIR OBSERVER PATROL ABOUT 20 MILES SE OF POINT LOOKOUT (S. CHANNEL MORETON BAY) SAW SEVERAL UNIDENTIFIED LARGE MERCHANT VESSELS.

FOLLOWING AERIAL REPORT FOR TODAY. 8 RECON NORMAL FLIGHTS ALONG AUSTRALIA SHORE LINE. OBSERVATION OF TULAGI CASMATA MADE BY CATALINA. LUKAMAE & VUNAKUMAU AIR FIELDS ATTACKED BY B-17S. CASMATA AIR FIELD BOMBED BY 1 HUDSON, 8 HITS ON AIRCRAFT DISPERSAL BAYS & OTHER INSTALLATIONS.

ENEMY OPERATIONS: 1 HUDSON HARASSED WITHOUT EFFECT BY 5 FIGHTERS IN MORESBY VICINITY. SHORE LINE IN TUPUBUNA, NEW GUINEA, AREA HAD 1 OBSERVATION FLIGHT.

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GATHERING OF HEAVY JAP FORCES IN AREA CENTERED BY BONIN IS. CONTINUES.

HIYER (BN) ORIGINALLY ORDERED TO PROCEED TO W.E.I. AS FLAGSHIP OF NEWLY ORGANIZED E. INDIES DEFENSE FORCE HAS NOW RECEIVED ORDERS TO JOIN SCREENING FORCE IN VICINITY OF BONIN IS.

KAG. (CV) PROBABLY PROCEEDING FROM STARING BAY IN CELEBES TO BONIN AREA.

CARDIV 4, CARDIV 5, KAG. 1, SORTU & PROBABLY 1 OTHER CARRIER, POSSIBLY NEW ONE, ARE INDICATED AS CARRIED FORCE TO BE CONCENTRATED IN BONIN AREA.

EXTENSIVE AIR SEARCHES BEING CONDUCTED FROM JAPAN PROPER SAIPAN & BY CARRIED BASED AIRCRAFT EXTENDING 300 MILES TO EASTWARD OF BONIN IS. PRESUMABLY FOR A U.S. TASK FORCE REPORTED N. OF WAKE ON 10TH. SHOULD BE NOTED THESE WIDE-

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SPREAD AIR SEARCHES & PATROLS GREATLY ADD TO SECURITY OF ANY CONCENTRATION OF SHIPS IN AREA BETWEEN BONIN IS. & JAPAN.

REPORTS RECEIVED THAT TORPEDO TRAINING, PARTICULARLY FOR AIRCRAFT, BEING EMPHASIZED & THAT COORDINATED ATTACKS BOTH DAY & NIGHT AGAINST SHIPS BY HIGH LEVEL BOMBERS & TORPEDO PLANES BEING PRACTICED. INDICATIONS THAT STANDARD ATTACK OF THIS TYPE WOULD BE DELIVERED BY 36 BOMBERS & 9 TORPEDO PLANES.

MAY BE INFERRED THAT CONCENTRATION OF SHIPS IN BONIN AREA RECEIVING TRAINING AS COMBAT UNIT & THAT USE OF NAVAL AIR POWER IN COORDINATION WITH SURFACE SHIPS STRESSED.

IN GENERAL VESSELS IN W.E.I. ENJOYING REST PERIOD & THERE ARE SIGNS THAT MANY UNITS OF 3RD FLEET PROCEEDING TO CAMPAH BAY IN FRENCH INDO-CHINA PRESUMABLY FOR UPKEEP. INDICATIONS OF GRADUAL MOVEMENT OF 2ND FLEET FORCES TOWARD

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SINGAPORE & POSSIBLY PENANG PERSIST THO NO DEFINITE INFORMATION WITHIN PAST 2 DAYS.

REPAIRS TO DAMAGED BASE ESTABLISHMENTS IN MARSHALL IS. SEEM SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED & LARGE FORCE OF HEAVY BOMBERS STATIONED AT THESE BASES.

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FROM: MACARTHUR, PHILIPPINES Journal # 83 3/15
FILED: REC'd W.D. 1627 GMT 3/15
IN A MESSAGE FOR THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, GEN MACARTHUR
QUOTES A MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM GEN AKIN, ALL FIFTY-SEVEN
COMPROMISED, DUE TO LOSS & FAILURE TO ARRIVE OF PLANE
CARRYING FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE PHILIPPINES OF AT LEAST
ONE COPY OF EACH ITEM WHICH WERE LISTED IN THE LETTER
DATED NOVEMBER 22.
"KEY PHRASE 'RINY FUN'".

FROM: MCCOLLUM, PACIFIC FLEET, VIA OPNAV
FILED: 3/15 Journal # 102 3/15
THE ONI JAP NAVAL ACTIVITIES REPORT STATES THAT ADDITION-
AL EVIDENCE OF A REORGANIZATION IS AT HAND, A PENONG
CONCENTRATION INDICATES AN ADVANCE INTO THE BAY OF BENGAL,
AUSTRALIAN INVASION IS DISCOUNTED FOR LACK OF NAVAL STRENGTH
AND THE BLOCKADE OF GEN. MACARTHUR'S FORCES IS TIGHTENING.

From: Alusna - London IN #8 3/16/42
Filed: 3/15/42, 1228 GMT
DUTCH TOEWINDJUK REPORTED SEIZED BY JAPS MARCH 13 AT
BATAVIA.

ALUSNA
LONDON

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FROM: WDC AND 4th ARMY

Journal # 103 3/15

FILED: 2245 GMT 3/15

FURTHER FACTS ARE REQUESTED BY WESTERN SEA FRONTIER
CONCERNING A SUB REPORTED 520 MI SW OF SAN FRANCISCO
ON 14 MARCH. INFORMATION IS REQUESTED ON WHETHER OR NOT
SOURCE WAS NAVY DEPT RADIO INTELLIGENCE. NO DATA REGARD-
ING SUBJECT OF THIS REPORT CAN BE UNCOVERED BY WSP.
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FROM: MCCOLLUM, PACIFIC FLEET (?) VIA OPNAV

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THE ONI JAP NAVAL ACTIVITIES REPORT STATES THAT ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE OF A REORGANIZATION IS AT HAND, A FENONG CONCENTRATION INDICATES AN ADVANCE INTO THE BAY OF BENGAL, AUSTRALIA. INVASION IS DISCOUNTED FOR LACK OF NAVAL STRENGTH, AND THE BLOCKADE OF GEN MACARTHUR'S FORCES IS TIGHTENING.

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Journal # 14 3/16

From: CINCAWI, Navy

SS SHELLING AND MACHINE GUNNING THE ACACIA AT THE POSITION
16-17 N, 63-44 W (185 MI. NW OF MARTINIQUE) AT 0942Z
(0542 EWT) March 16.

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Journal # 15 3/16/42

From: Nassau, Navy

THE PANAMANIAN SS CYONST WAS TORPEDOED AND SUNK AT
1650 (1250 EWT) MARCH 11 IN THE POSITION 24-02 N, 74-
17 W (OFF SE COAST SAN SALVADOR ISLAND, W.I.)

Filed: 0615 3/16

Journal # 30 3/16/42

From: Brit. Govt.

D/F INDICATES SS WITHIN 90 MILES 24-30 N, 66-30 W
(480 MILES NORTH OF PUERTO RICO (AT 2219 EWT, MARCH 15.)

(two ships) NORTH OF LARSEN FJORD (VI 15178 251)
SA. INCHOWING TO NARINER 50 WHIRL 54-50 N 00-20 E
ALSO 15178 251
11194: 0110 2110

14 N (ONE TO CORREL ONE EXTENDING INWARD 211)
1050 (1050 211) WHICH IT IS THE LOCATION 54-50 N 14-
THE EXTENDING TO NARINER 50 WHIRL 54-50 N 00-20 E
ALSO 15178 251
11194: 1050

(0142 211) 1050 10
10-12 N 54-50 E (100 MI. SE OF NARINER) VI 0051
WHICH IT IS THE LOCATION 54-50 N 14-
ALSO 15178 251
11194: 1050

ITALY VERSION

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SUMMARY OF ACTUAL OBLIGATORY MESSAGE

From: COMC A & WI
Filed: 3/14/42, 2153 GMT
RADIO MESSAGE RECEIVED: "ATTACKED BY SUB 36-01 N
66-49 W BR. RESOURCE" TIME: 1927 GMT 14TH. POSITION
INDICATED 150 MILES NORTH OF BERMUDA.

COMC
A & WI

Filed: 1909 3/16 Journal # 10 3/16/42
From: Navy
SS ATTACKED AT 43-50 N, 48-45 W (270 MI. SE OF CAPE RACE,
NEWFOUNDLAND).

Filed: 1249 3/16 Journal # 17
From: Iceland (Navy)
SS SIGHTED ON SURFACE BY AIRCRAFT AT 63-01 N, 21-15 W
(40 to 50 MI. S OF ICELAND) COURSE 318, SPEED 10.

Filed: 2129 3/14 Journal # 16 3/16
From: Ottawa, Navy
SURVIVORS FROM THE NORWEGIAN TYRI HAVE BEEN LANDED AT
HALIFAX. THE TYRI WAS ENROUTE FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM
TO HALIFAX.

Filed: 355 3-16 Journal # 19 3/16
From: Dio & ND (ONI)
The S.S. OLEAN, TWICK TORPEDOED, IS NOW ANCHORED.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

MIDDLE EAST

Filed: 0015 3/16
From: Fellers, Cairo

Journal # 24 & 25

ENEMY STRATEGIES AND SPECIFIC UNITS IN FORWARD AREA OF LIBYAN THEATER GIVEN. IMPORTANCE OF BRITISH RECAPTURE OF GREEN MOUNTAIN AREA AND DIFFICULTY OF SUPPLYING HALA EMHASIZED. BRITISH EXPECT TO HAVE TANK PARITY BY MAY 1 WHEN FELLERS BELIEVES THEY WILL ATTACK.

Filed: 1151
From: London by Navy
ANALYSIS OF THE ITALIAN NAVY:

Journal # 21 3/16/42

Filed: 2:19 P 3/16
From: [REDACTED]

Journal # 49

Filed: 2:19P 3/16
From: McClure M/A London

Journal # 49 3/16

NEAR MECHILI FOURTEEN TANKS WERE TURNED BACK BY MECHANIZED PATROLS. NEAR THE SAME PLACE THERE HAVE BEEN OBSERVED DIGGING AND BLASTING OPERATIONS AS WELL AS 500 AXIS VEHICLES.

CABE EL ALEINA WAS THE SCENE OF INCREASED AXIS ACTIVITY. ACCORDING TO AN ESTIMATE 500 ENEMY TANKS ARE ADVANCING ON THE ROADS FROM EL AGHIL.

Filed: 0019 3/16
From: Fellers, Cairo

Journal # 35 3/16

LAST PART OF CABLE SUGGESTS ATTACK ON SYRIA AND MENTIONS WEAKNESS OF SPECIFIC BRITISH UNITS THERE AND AGENT ACTIVITY. CONCLUSIONS OFFERED ARE THAT AXIS OFFENSIVE IS IMMINENT AND THAT SITUATION REQUIRES ALL AID AVAILABLE.

MIDDLE NW 1

OFFICIAL MESSAGES

Filed: 1900 3/16

Journal #12

From: Australia, Brett

Site A.G.W.D. - 1316 "Allied Air Activity today, one photo recon--"

ON THE THIRTEENTH AN UNIDENTIFIED AIRPLANE REPORTED TO BE A FLYING BOAT TYPE 97 WAS SEEN OVER MELVILLE ISLAND. TWO UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS WERE REVEALED IN A PHOTO RECON OVER DILLI ON THE 18TH. THE LANDING STRIPS AT THE AIRFIELD ARE BEING LENGTHENED. NO RESULTS WERE OBSERVED WHEN BOMBS WERE DROPPED ON THIS AIRFIELD. REPORTED THAT ON THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY A LARGE TRANSPORT, PROTECTED BY A DESTROYER AND ESCORTED BY A T-97 TYPE FLYING BOAT WERE HEADED FOR LAE. ON THE FOURTEENTH NINE FLYING BOATS OF 96 TYPE (HEAVY) BOMBED SEVEN MILE AIRFIELD. THIS ATTACK WAS FOLLOWED WITH A RECON BY A T-97 FLYING BOAT. ON THE FOURTEENTH HOLN ISLAND WAS ATTACKED BY A GROUP OF 9 TYPE

Journal #12 3/16

"O" FIGHTERS AND 8 NINETY-SIX TYPE HEAVY BOMBERS. TWO HUDSONS WERE DAMAGED AND ONE DESTROYED ON THE GROUND, BUT THERE WAS LITTLE OTHER DAMAGE. A JAP FORCE WAS INTERCEPTED BY NINE P-40'S ON PATROL. AS A RESULT OF HAMMING A "O" FIGHTER, ONE P-40 IS MISSING. TWO OF THE "O'S" WERE BROUGHT DOWN AND ONE BOMBER ACCOUNTED FOR. IN THE VICINITY OF DARWIN-SALT TWO UNIDENTIFIED AIRPLANES WERE REPORTED ON THE FOURTEENTH. SHOTLAND ISLAND WAS RECONNOITERED BY A TYPE T-97 P.B. TO SOUTH OF BOUQUINVILLE ON 5/14/42. NW OF MORESBY OVER CAPE NELSON ANGE OF MORESBY OVER (CAPT) ROBINSON UNIDENTIFIED AIRPLANES WERE SIGHTED.

Filed: 11:36 P 3/16/42

Journal # 42

From: Brett, Australia

PRECAUTIONS FOR PROTECTION OF FREMANTLE INCLUDE ANTI-AIRCRAFT AND FIGHTER PROTECTION, COASTAL AND OFFSHORE RECONNAISSANCE AND AIRCRAFT WARNING SYSTEM. TO BE IN OPERATION BY THE END OF THE MONTH.

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CHINA

Filed: 1419 3/19

From: W/A Eason McClure

Journal # 34 3/18

AIR STAFFING AND BOUING OF MINOR JAP TROOP MOVEMENTS WERE CARRIED OUT IN THE TAUKYAN AND HUANGRI AREAS. THE HUBA ARMY FORWARD AND REAR BATTALIONS ARE NOW COMBINED AT HAYTO. THE FORWARD POSITION OF THE TROOPS IN HUBA REMAINS THE SAME THE FOURTEENTH. AKYAN MAY BE THE OBJECTIVE OF AN INFILTRATION ATTACK AS INDICATED BY THE LANDING OF TWELVE SMALL CRAFT AT THE RIVER MOUTH SOUTH OF HASSIN. THE AIRCRAFT THERE COULD BE USED AS A BASE FOR FIGHTERS COVERING NAVAL OPERATIONS IN THE BAY OF BENGAL.

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

ATLANTIC EAST EUROPE

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3/14

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8:00 a.m.

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FROM: SHIPP, LISBOA

Journal # 19 3/14

SHIPP, LISBOA

FILED: 2226 GMT 3/13

UKRAINE WILL BE ASSAULTED BY GERMANY WHEN INDIA ATTACK
BY JAPAN TAKES PLACE.TURKEY WILL BE THREATENED BY BULGARIAN ARMY.
IF NECESSARY ITALIANS AND HUNGARIANS WILL RENDER UNWILL-
ING ASSISTANCE IN SPRING OFFENSIVE.MOSCOW AND LENINGRAD WILL BE CAPTURED BY GERMANS &
DEFENSIVE LINES THERE ESTABLISHED AND TROOPS WILL BE SENT
TO KINZA & SOUTH RUSSIA.

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FROM: SHIPP, LISBOA Journal # 19 3/14
FILED: 2226 GMT 3/13

FROM SAME SOURCES WITH NO DETAIL & UNCONFIRMED IT IS REPORTED THAT SEVERAL PLACES IN AUSTRALIA WILL BE ATTACKED NEXT WEEK BY A STRONG JAP FORCE.

FROM: ALUSNA, LONDON Journal # 37 3/14
FILED: 3/13/42

ALUSNA, LONDON

REPORT OF CAPTURE BY THE JAPS PRIOR TO DEC. 28, OF 16 BRITISH SHIPS BY NAME AND TWO SINKINGS FEB. 6 & MARCH 2 REPORTED BY DAILY SERIAL 13 & MODJOKERTH SERIAL 10.

From: McClure - London IJ #101, 3/14/42
Filed: No time given

MCCLURE
LONDON

REPORTS OF AUSTRALIAN AIR RECONNAISSANCE FOR THE 11TH GIVE FOLLOWING ENEMY SHIPS IN NUON GULF AREA; 2 CRUISERS, 2 DESTROYERS, 4 TRANSPORTS INCLUDING ONE BEACHED AND SUBMERGED AND ONE SMALL STEAM VESSEL.

SIX ENEMY CRUISERS AND 2 DESTROYERS WERE ANCHORED OFF KESSA, IN THE SOLOMON ISLES ON THE 9TH AND 10TH.

No such
Name? /?

From: Source Unknown IJ #2, 3/15/42
Filed: 3/13/42, 2313 EWT

UNKNOWN

ONE OR MORE JAP CARRIER DIVISIONS AND STRONG ACCOMPANYING UNITS CENTERING AROUND BONIN ISLANDS. SOME VESSELS GOING FOR REPAIRS AT BASES, OTHERS GROUPING NEAR MARIANAS. BALANCE OF STRENGTH IN EAST INDIES BEING REALIGNED.

From: Navy - Washington, D. C. IJ #4, 3/15/42
Filed: 3/14/42, 0121 EWT

NAVY
WASHINGTON D.C.

1. SUBS LOCATED 650 MILES WSW OF MIDWAY ISLAND AND 520 MILES SW OF SAN FRANCISCO.
2. AN AIRBASE AT POKAOKU, IN THE MARSHALLS.
3. NO CHANGE IN TRUK - NEW BRITAIN.
4. FLEET OILER NARUTO EN ROUTE TO CHICHIJIMA FROM PALAS.

ABOVE ARE JAPANESE NAVAL DISPOSITIONS.

8:00 AM

3/14/42

TO

8:00 AM

3/15/42

From: McClure - London

IJ #89, 3/14/42

McCLURE
LONDON

Filed: No time given

INCREASED ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THE AREA GABREL ALKIMA,
LIBYA. ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE FORCED BRITISH PATROLS TO
WITHDRAW.

ENEMY ARE CONTINUING TO PREPARE DEFENSIVE POSITIONS
FROM DERNA TO NEXILI, REPORTS INDICATE.

From: Flexer - Dakar

IJ #107, 3/14/42

FLEXER
DAKAR

Filed: No time filed 3/14/42

HIGH COMMISSIONER BOISSON CONFIDENTIALLY REPORTED TO
BE FLYING TO VICHY MARCH 17. EMBASSY INFORMED.

From: ONI - CASABLANCA

IJ #114, 3/14/42

ONI
CASABLANCA

Filed: N.T.F. 3/13/42

SAVOIE ARRIVED FROM MARSEILLE WITH TRANSIT CARGO FOR
DAKAR OF 850 TONS GASOLINE VEHICLES, MACHINE PARTS AND UN-
ASSEMBLED HUTS IN ADDITION TO THE GOODS FOR CASABLANCA PRE-
VIOUSLY REPORTED. THE FRENCH ANDRE MOIBARD ARRIVED FROM
MARSEILLE WITH FARM TRACTORS AND 2,000 TONS CEMENT IN TRAN-
SIT FOR DAKAR. THIS SHIP ARRIVED MARCH 6.

8:00 a.m.

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8:00 a.m.

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FROM: ALUSMA, LONDON Journal # 37 3/14
FILED: 3/13/42

ACTIVITY YESTERDAY OF AT LEAST 2 CRAFT XC-40 FROM
BORDEAUX AND ALSO SOME FROM TRONDHEIM REPORTED; THEIR
MOVEMENTS WERE UNKNOWN.

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON Journal # 78 3/14
FILED: 3/14

DESTRUCTION OF SIX ALUMINA PLANTS AT LAUTA, LUNEN,
MARTINSWERK AND GIULINI IN GERMANY, & AT MONTECATINI &
NEUHAUSEN IN ITALY WOULD DEAL A CRIPPLING BLOW TO AXIS
WAR EFFORT.

AIR MINISTRY ANALYSIS OF GERMAN ALUMINUM AND OTHER NON-
FERROUS METAL SITUATION ENCLOSED.

From: Secy. of State - Wash. D.C. IJ #90, 3/14/42
Filed: No time given.

SECY OF STATE
WASH. D.C.

LETTER FROM SECRETARY OF STATE REQUESTING INFORMATION
REGARDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN FRENCH AND GERMAN GOVERNMENTS
SIGNED MAY 28, 1941.

ENCLOSURE EXCERPT FROM PROTOCOL MAY 28, 1941.

From: Leahy - Vichy IJ #108, 3/14/42
Filed: 3/14/42, 6:00 P

LEAHY
VICHY

LARGE AMOUNT ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY BEING MOVED INTO
PARIS AREA BY GERMANS ACCORDING TO RELIABLE SOURCES. ON
MARCH 12 FORTY PURSUIT PLANES ARRIVED AT MONT DE HARSON,
SOUTH OF BORDEAUX, AND IT IS EXPECTED MORE WILL ARRIVE.
THE FORTY PLANES WERE FORMERLY BASED IN BREST AREA.

From: British Government - London IJ #12, 3/15/42
Filed: 3/14/42, 0801

BRIT GOVT
LONDON

PHOTOGRAPH OF THE HARBOR AT HAMBURG TAKEN 13 MARCH
INDICATES THE PRESENCE OF ONE VESSEL OF THE HIPPER CLASS.

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ATLANTIC

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From: Harris - ETO
Filed: 3/15/42, 0229

IJ #23, 3/15/42

HARRIS
ETO

THE 7000 TON TANKER ARIO RADIOED A DISTRESS SIGNAL
AT 1:27 AM ENT AFTER BEING ATTACKED BY A SUB.

From: Harris - ETO
Filed: 3/14/42, 1025

IJ #24, 3/15/42

HARRIS
ETO

HOSTILE SUB LOCATED NEAR PROVINCETOWN OFF CAPE COD 2112
ENT THE 14TH BY COAST GUARD CUTTER. DEPTH CHARGES WERE
DROPPED. NEWPORT NAVAL OPERATING BASE SENDING ASSISTANCE.

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3/15/42

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

From: ETO Watkins

IJ #103, 3/14/42

ETO
WATKINS

Filed: 3/14/42, 1836 GMT

ROUTINE REPORT TO 1200 GMT 14 MARCH INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING INTELLIGENCE:

A SUB SIGHTED OFF CAPE CHARLES, VA. BROUGHT ABOUT THE DISPATCHING OF TWO NAVY BOMBERS AND A BLIMP AND ONE ARMY BOMBER, NONE OF WHICH WAS ABLE TO LOCATE THE VESSEL. THE NAVY ALSO SENT OUT A DESTROYER WHICH RELEASED DEPTH BOMBS ON SOUND PICK-UP.

ATTACKS ON MERCHANT SHIPPING OFF NEW JERSEY COAST: ONE MERCHANTMAN TORPEDOED AND SUNK. A FEW SURVIVORS REMAIN.

SUB SIGHTED AT (36,32 N - 74,44 W) AT 0915 GMT.

OF THE NAVY ACTION NOTED ABOVE, RESULTS OF THE DESTROYER'S ACTION ARE NOT CERTAIN. AIR ACTIVITY REPORT OF THIS DATE DISCUSSES AIR ATTACKS ON ENEMY SUBS.

From: Navy - Ottawa

IJ #3, 3/15/42

NAVY
OTTAWA

Filed: 2/14/42, 0703 EWT

D/P LEARNINGS MAR 13 AT 2349 EWT AND MAR 14 AT 0010 EWT SHOWED PRESENCE OF SUB 90 MILES NORTH OF CAPE CHARLES VIRGINIA.

From: Leahy - Vichy

IJ #108 3/14/42

LEAHY
VICHY

Filed: 3/14/42, 6:00 P

LARGE AMOUNT ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY BEING MOVED INTO PARIS AREA BY GERMANS ACCORDING TO RELIABLE SOURCES. ON MARCH 12 FORTY PURSUIT PLANES ARRIVED AT MONT DE HANSEN, SOUTH OF BORDEAUX, AND IT IS EXPECTED MORE WILL ARRIVE. THE FORTY PLANES WERE FORMERLY BASED IN BREIST AREA.

See W.F.

From: ONI

IJ #115, 3/14/42

ONI

Filed: 3/14/42, 3:51 P

TORPEDOED AND SUNK MARCH 13 AT 0230 EWT THE SS TOLTEC. ONE SURVIVOR, LANDED AT NEW YORK SAME DATE.

From: ETO

IJ #21, 3/15/42

ETO

Filed: 3/15/42, 0104

AT 2:08 PM EWT MAR 14 THE DESTROYER HOGAN DROPPED 21 DEPTH CHARGES WITH NO VISIBLE EFFECTS. THIS ACTION TOOK PLACE OFF LONG ISLAND.

From: NAH RDO - New York

IJ #8, 3/15/42

NAH RDO
NEW YORK

Filed: 3/14/42, 1250 EWT

2 HOSTILE SUBS SEEN NEAR A LIGHT BUOY OFF NANTUCKET ISLAND NIGHT OF MARCH 13-14.

From: Merida - Venezuela

IJ #7, 3/15/42

Filed: No time given.

NORWEGIAN VESSEL GUNNY, TORPEDOED AND SUNK BY SUB MAR 20 390 MILES SSE OF BERMUDA. 14 CASUALTIES. SUB NOT SEEN. THE GUNNY SANK IN 1 MINUTE.

From: ETO

IJ #22, 3/15/42

ETO

Filed: 3/15/42, 0118 EWT

STEAMER OLEON RADIOED SOS AT 025 EWT AFTER BEING ATTACKED BY SUB 15 MILES SOUTH OF CAPE LOOKOUT.

From: DIO 3 ND

IJ #10, 3/15/42

DIO 3 ND

Filed: No time given.

SUB OBSERVED 110 MILES SOUTH OF NANTUCKET AT 0545 EWT MAR 11 BY GREEK STEAMER HELENA KULURUNDIA.

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From: Macruder - Chungking IJ #63, 3/14/42
Filed: 1905 3/14/42 GMT
NO. 356 AMISCA

MACRUDER
CHUNGKING

THE FOLLOWING SHOULD BE REPEATED TO GENERAL MACARTHUR.
SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE NUMBER 33. IN BURMA THE BRIT
HAVE POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED THESE UNITS: 55TH DIVISION
AND 33RD DIVISION; ALSO FROM FORMOSA THE 11TH IND. MORTAR
COMPANY OF 8 MORTARS. ALSO REPORTED UNITS OF 17TH DIV.
AND 4TH DIV. ARE IN BURMA.

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FROM: WDC 4th ARMY Journal # 76 3/14
FILED: 2755 GMT 3/14

HARRINGTON, 0-2 WDC AND FOURTH ARMY, SAYS UP THERE HAS
REPORT OF AIR RAID ALARM IN HONOLULU AT 2016 GMT MARCH 14.
NO OTHER DETAILS GIVEN.

WDC 4th Army

FROM: SHIPP, LISBOA

Journal # 19 3/14

FILED: 2226 GMT 3/14

IT IS THE CLAIM OF JAPANESE DIPLOMAT THAT JAPAN'S AIR
FORCE & NAVY WILL SOON ATTACK HAWAII.

From: Harrington - WDC & 4th Army IJ #82, 3/14/42
Filed: No time given.

HARRINGTON
WDC & 4TH ARMY

PERIODIC REPORT 228, DATE MARCH 14, AS FOLLOWS AT 1200
GMT: ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY DESTROYER WHAT APPEARED
TO BE A SUB IN JUAN DE FUCA STRAIT OFF SLIP POINT. RESULTS
NEGATIVE. NEGATIVE RESULTS ARE REPORTED FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION
OF CIVILIAN-REPORTED SUB SIGHTED OFF GAVIOTA, CAL.
U-BOAT SIGHTED BY NAVY AIRCRAFT 20 MILES SOUTH OF THE
COLUMBIA RIVER MOUTH OFF THE OREGON COAST. NAVY PLANE
MADE NO ATTACK.

RADIO FIX IN THE VICINITY 50 N 164 (W?) REPORTS SUB IS
APPARENTLY MAKING TO THE WEST AND ITS CURRENT POSITION IS
GIVEN AT VICINITY (50 N - 175 W) RADIO FIX IS NEAR (38 N -
128 W). FOLLOW-UP WAS WITHOUT RESULT.

From: Cincpac

IJ #5, 3/15/42

CINCPAC

Filed: 3/14/42, 0131 EWT

NEWS GIVEN TO PRESS SHOULD BE MORE CLOSELY EXAMINED.
TOO MUCH SPECIFIC INFORMATION IS BEING RELEASED AND GETTING
TO HOSTILE FORCES.

CONTINUED SECRECY OF CODING IS ENDANGERED IN WASHINGTON
OF OFFICIAL RELEASES, THE CONTEXT OF WHICH IS ALMOST VERBATIM
WITH CINCPAC'S REPORTS OF OFFICIAL NATURE WHICH ARE
SENT EACH DAY.

From: Navy - Washington, D. C. IJ #4, 3/15/42

Filed: 3/14/42, 0121 EWT

NAVY
WASHINGTON
D. C.

1. ENEMY SUBS LOCATED 650 MILES WSW OF MIDWAY ISLAND
AND 520 MILES SW OF SAN FRANCISCO.

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8:00 a.m.

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TO

8:00 a.m.

3/15

FROM: ADMIRALTY (N) Journal # 56 3/14

FILED: 1249 GMT 3/14

ONE SUB NORTH OF GUIANA BETWEEN 50 & 60 DEGREES WEST.
 ONE SUB WITHIN 100 MI OF 16 N - 64 W. (198 MI SW OF
 KINGSTON JAMAICA) ON MAR. 13 AT 2230.

ONE SUB SOUTH OF HAITI.

ONE SUB NEAR INAGUA ISLAND (WEST INDIES).

ONE SUB NE OF CROOKED ISLAND (WEST INDIES) HOMEWARD BOUND

ONE SUB WEST NW OF CUBA.

ONE SUB IN PROVIDENCE CHANNEL (BAHAMAS).

ONE SUB IN THE CARIBBEAN OR ANTILLES, NOT LOCATED.

From: Pratt - Port of Spain IJ #91, 3/14/42

Filed: 3/14/42, 10:57 A

PRATT
PORT OF SPAIN

1. FIVE GERMAN PRISONERS ESCAPED FROM A DUTCH GUIANA
 PRISONER-OF-WAR CAMP NIGHT OF MARCH 12TH-13TH BUT ALL HAVE
 BEEN RETAKEN.

2. POSSIBILITIES OF U-BOAT ATTACKS REMAIN.

3. EIGHT MILES SW OF SOUVIERE BAY, ST. LUCIA A SUB WAS
 SEEN AT 1050 GMT 13 MARCH.

4. FOREGOING INTELLIGENCE IS DAILY PERIODIC REPORT IS-
 SUED AT NOON, GMT, 14TH. CHESTER.

PRATT

From: ETO

IJ #103, 3/14/42

ETO

Filed: 3/14/42, 1836 GMT

ROUTINE REPORT TO 1200 GMT 14 MARCH INCLUDES THE FOLLOW-
 ING INTELLIGENCE:

SAVE FOR TWO NEW SUBS LOCATED, ONE OFF HISPANIOLA &
 ONE IN SOUTHERN-SECTOR WATERS, THE ENEMY U-BOAT REPORT
 REMAINS UNALTERED.

From: Alusna

IJ #1, 3/15/42

ALUSNA

Filed: 3/14/42, 0945 EWT

FAMILIES OF ARGENTINE NAVY OFFICERS FEAR NAZIS WILL
 CONTROL FRENCH FLEET BY THE MIDDLE OF APRIL. RANKING
 OFFICERS OF ARGENTINE NAVY ARE SYMPATHETIC WITH GERMANY.

From: Oleland - Bogota

IJ #113, 3/14/42

CLELAND
BOGOTA

Filed: 3/14/42, 1:15 P

1. EFFORTS BEING MADE TO EVACUATE JAP DIPLOMATS ON
 MARCH 28 BOAT.

2. COLOMBIA WILL DEPORT 180 TO 200 AXIS NATIONALS TO
 THE U.S. ON MARCH 25TH BOAT AND ABOUT 150 MORE BY MAR 28.

3. DANGEROUS NAZIS INCLUDED IN BOTH GROUPS BUT NO
 EXSCADTA* RADIO OPERATORS AND ONLY ONE EXSCADTA* PILOT
 OUT OF 14.

*(EXSCADTA: FORMERLY EMPLOYED BY "SCADTA" AIR LINES)

From: San Juan

IJ #11, 3/15/42

SAN JUAN

Filed: 3/14/42, 0941

A U.S. VESSEL WAS FIRED ON AT 10:30 PM MAR 13 OFF
 ANTILLA, CUBA.

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FROM: CALCUTTA, BRINK/FREEMAN JOURNAL # 64 3/14
FILED: 3/14/42
FOLLOWING FROM BRINK.
NO. 41.

FREEMAN/BRINK
CALCUTTA

THE SITUATION IN BURMA SHOULD BE VIEWED PESSIMISTICALLY.
ALLIED FORCE IS NEEDED IMMEDIATELY IN MANDELAY AREA TO
PREVENT LOSS OF LINE COMMUNICATIONS. FREEMAN BELIEVES
JAPS CAN TAKE CEYLON.

FROM: McCLURE - LONDON
FILED: NO TIME GIVEN

IS #101, 3/14/42

McCLURE
LONDON

FOUR CHINESE DIVISIONS HAVE TAKEN POSITION IN BURMA &
2 MORE SHOULD BE IN POSITION BY THE 18th. ARRIVALS ARE
EARLIER THAN EXPECTED AND REPRESENTATIVE SAYS THE TROOPS
GIVE FAVORABLE IMPRESSION.

JAP NAVAL AND SHIPPING LOSSES ESTIMATED BY THE ADMIRAL-
TY TO THE 27th OF FEB ARE 1 BATTLESHIP SUNK, 2 DAMAGED. 11
CRUISERS SUNK, 10 DAMAGED. 10 DESTROYERS SUNK, 4 DAMAGED.
6 SUBS SUNK. ONE SEAPLANE CARRIER DAMAGED. 93 MERCHANT
SHIPS SUNK NONE DAMAGED. THIS ESTIMATE SHOULD BE ACCEPTED
WITH RESERVE AS IT IS BASED ON AIR RECONNAISSANCE AND RE-
PORTS OF NIGHT ENGAGEMENTS.

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FROM: AIRMAILTY (N) via ONI Journal # 56 3/14

FILED: 1249 GMT 3/14

ONE SUB WITHIN 150 MI OF 36-00N, 59-00W. (300 MI ENE OF BERMUDA) HOMEWARD.

ONE SUB WITHIN 150 MI OF 26-30 N - 61-30 W. (740 MI ESE

OF BERMUDA) HOMEWARD.

ONE SUB WITHIN 150 MI OF 37-00 N, 45-00 W. (885 MI NE

OF BERMUDA) HOMEWARD.

ONE SUB WITHIN 150 MI OF 29-00 N - 32-00W (700 MI. SE

OF BERMUDA) HOMEWARD.

ONE SUB WITHIN 150 MI OF 43-30 N-38430 W (710 MI NW OF

SAN MIGUEL) HOMEWARD.

TWO SUBS BETWEEN CHARLESTON & HAMPTON ROADS

TWO SUBS BETWEEN HAMPTON ROADS & NEW YORK CITY.

ABOUT 3 SUBS IN THE AREA NORTH OF 35 DEGREES W. BETWEEN

70 & 50 DEGREES WEST OF WHICH ONE WAS IN APPROXIMATELY

36-00 N - 61-00 W. (280 MI. NE OF BERMUDA) ON MARCH. 13th

AT 0814. THIS ENTIRE AREA IS WITHIN OF BERMUDA 6555 OF

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NOVA SCOTIA.

ONE SUB IN APPROXIMATELY 4100N - 60-00 W (305 MI SE

OF CAPE SABLE) ON MARCH 13 AT 2000.

THERE IS NO MATERIAL CHANGE IN THE AREA EAST OF 30-00W.

FROM: ETO WATKINS

Journal # 94 3/14

FILED: 1832 GMT 3/14

FLASH MESSAGE OF MARCH 13 REPORTED TWO TANKERS TORPEDOED IN THE WATERS OFF CAPE LOCKPORT- CAPE FEAR, N.C. CONFIRMING INFORMATION NOW REVEALS ONLY ONE TANKER WAS HIT, THAT THE JOHN D. OILL AS REPORTED

BEING

FROM: ETO WATKINS

Journal # 99 3/14

FILED: 1959 GMT 3/14

SS ATTERS SIGHTED AN UNDER-SURFACE CRAFT AT 0945 GMT, MARCH 14 AT POSITION (25 N - 79, 40 W), (300 MI E MIAMI). ABOVE INFORMATION PICKED UP BY ESP SS RADIO MONITOR.

ETO
WATKINS.

FROM: ETO WATKINS

Journal # 93 3/14

FILED: 1510 GMT 3/14

WARNING MESSAGES ARE GOING OUT ON THE BASIS OF A FISHERMAN'S DUBIOUS REPORT THIS AM THAT HE HAD SEEN TWO U-BOATS CRUISING LAST NIGHT 22 MILES NW BY W OF HAMMOCSET LIGHT. THIS FROM NAVAL OPERATIONS, REPORT, BY ESP.

ETO, WATKINS

FELLERS
CAIRO

G-2 WORK SHEET

Journal # 54 3/14

8:00 a.m.
3/14
TO
8:00 a.m.
3/15

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO

FILED: REC'D AT W.D. 1340 a.m. GMT 3/14

1. ON NIGHTS OF MARCH 2 & 3, ABOUT 30 JU 88's & HE 111's RAIDED SUEZ AREA. THE KARRIT AIRCRAFTS (15 MI S. PORT SAID) WERE ATTACKED & MINES DROPPED OVER THE CANAL.

2. HIGH EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, 10 LARGE & 50 SMALL, 3 DELAYED ACTION, 200 INCENDIARIES WERE DROPPED FROM LOW LEVEL AT THE AIRCRAFTS WITHOUT THE USE OF FLARES.

3. THE AIRCRAFTS SUFFERED DAMAGE. MANY CRATERS WERE MADE. 6 WELLINGTON'S WERE DAMAGED AND 4 OTHERS BURNT OUT. IN THE VICINITY OF PORT SAID & KANTARA (20 MI S PORT SAID) XXXXXXXX EXPLOSIONS REPORTED BUT NO MINES SEEMED TO BE DROPPED IN THE CANAL. BEAU FIGHTERS BROUGHT DOWN 2 HE 111's. IT WAS REVEALED BY RAF OFFICER THAT AIRCRAFT DEFENSES WERE RECENTLY REMOVED FROM KARRIT BUT CONFORMATION HAS BEEN IMPOSSIBLE. IN THIS SECTION, WE KNOW THAT NATIVES HAVE BEEN ANTI-BRIT & THEY MUST HAVE GIVEN INFORMATION TO THE

JOURNAL # 54 Fellers, Cairo 3/14 continued

4. IN EGYPT, SUDAN, & PARESTINE, BRITISH AIR STRENGTH HAS BEEN SLIGHTLY INCREASED. AS OF MARCH 5, 2000 OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT WITH 500 SERVICEABLE WERE ON HAND. IN MALTA 122 WERE ON HAND WITH 33 SERVICEABLE. EFFECTIVE WORK IS BEING DONE BY SPITFIRES WHICH RECENTLY REINFORCED MALTA.

FROM: KERSCHNER, FCC

Journal # 53 3/14

FILED: 2211 1611 GMT 3/14

FOLLOWING RADIO INTERCEPTED MARCH 7, QUOTED AS POSSIBLY HEARING ON MADAGASCAR SITUATION. HELD BECAUSE THOUGHT TO REFER TO EXCHANGE OF DIPLOMATS.

MINISTRY CONFIRMS EXCHANGES WILL TAKE PLACE LORENZE MARQUES WITHIN TWO MONTHS AND BOATS WILL START FROM RESPECTIVE PORTS WITHIN ONE MONTH. MINISTRY & WE BOTH THINK PREFERABLE YOU WAIT IN TOKYO, PRINCIPAL CENTER, INFORMATIONS, SAFETY PROTECTIONS, & DEPARTURE EVACUATION.

FROM: SHIPP, LISBOA

Journal # 19 3/14

FILED: REC'D MIS 0923 GMT 3/14

IT IS CLAIMED BY ITALIANS THAT GREAT BRITAIN'S FLEET WILL LEAVE ALEXANDRIA BY NECESSITY.

FROM: ADMIRALTY (M)

Journal # 56 3/14

FILED: 3/14

ONE SUBMARINE WITHIN 150 MI OF 21-00 N - 31-00 W. (780 MI WEST OF CAPE BLANCO AFRICA) HOMEWARD BOUND.

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FROM: ETO, WATKINS Journal # 71 3/14
FILED: 1518 GMT 3/14

ETB
WATKINS

THE LEMUEL BARROWS WAS HIT BY A TORPEDO AT 0600 GMT
MARCH 1st FIVE MILES OFF ATLANTIC CITY. FIRST INTERCEPTOR
COMMAND REPORTS AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF SURVIVING CREWMEN.

FROM: CG BERMUDA NC, STRONG Journal # 72 3/14
FILED: 1430 GMT 3/14

PATROLLING BY WOB ON 13th WAS ROUTINE SAVE FOR THE
NIGHT PATROL.

CEILING AND WEATHER GOOD. CARRIER WILL PROCEED TO
U.S. BASE FOR OVERHAUL OPERATION; ITS COMPLEMENT OF
PLANES HAS ALREADY LEFT KINDLY FILED.

FROM: ETO, WATKINS Journal # 92 3/14
FILED: 2746 3/14 GMT

ETO
WATKINS.

HOSTILE GUN FIRE WAS REPORTED AGAINST AN AMERICAN SHIP
AT 1730 GMT, MARCH 14. POSITION GIVEN AS 2100N - 75,52W.
(300 miles E. MIAMI)

FROM: ONI, Journal Desk Journal # 86 3/14
FILED: REC'D WD 3/14

ONI
Journal Desk

LOCATIONS OF U.S. NAVAL AIRCRAFT. COWI # 7.

FROM: NFID BASE COMMAND Journal # 81 3/14
FILED: REC'D G-2 1135 GMT

WITHIN a 150 MILE RADIUS OF (23, 30 N - 57, 30W)
ARE REPORTED TWO EASTBOUND SUBMARINES.

THREE U-BOATS REPORTED OPERATING BETWEEN NEW YORK AND
CAPE HATTERAS AS FOLLOWS: (ALL PICKED UP BY SOUND DETECTOR
& REPORTED AT 1100 GMT MORNING OF 13th): POSITIONS GIVEN
AT (37, 15N - 74, 32 W).

BETWEEN 50 - 70 WEST & NORTH OF 38 NORTH ARE REPORTED
7 SUBS.

WITHIN 150 radius of (41 N - 40 W) ARE REPORTED TWO
SUBS MAKING EASTWARD.

THREE OTHERS ARE WITH 250 MI OF (33 N - 58 W).

WORD FROM THE AMER SS MERCURY SUB REPORTED A SHIP EX-
PLOSION AT POSITION (33, 35 N - 73, 36W) at 0410 GMT.

(ABOVE DAILY REPORT FORWARDED AS S-2 REPORT NO. 1
MARCH 14, NEWFOUNDLAND BASE COMMAND.

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OSD Letter, 5-8-78

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

LATIN AMERICA # 3

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8:00 a.m.

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FROM: OTTAWA (N) via ONI JOURNAL # 57 3/14

FILED: 1250 GMT 3/14

S/V INDICATES SUBMARINE WITHIN 100 MILES 14-50 N- 64-30W OTTAWA
(350 MILES NE OF ARUBA) ON MARCH 14, 0537 GMT. VIA ONI

FROM: ENT, N/A LIMA

Journal # 67 3/14

FILED: 3/13

NO. 117

COMMANDING OFFICER, FIFTEENTH NAVAL DISTRICT, NOTIFIED
NAVAL ATTACHE THAT SS SICILIAN DELIVERED ONE HUNDRED &
TWENTY-FIVE 100-LB. BOMBS TO SALINAS, ECUADOR, FOR SANTIAGO
AND LIMA. NO INFORMATION RECEIVED BY ARMY CONCERNING
RESHIPMENT. SHIPMENT CAN BE MADE TO TALARA IN THE BARGE
LA LIBERTAD WHICH IS USED IN SALINAS BY AMERICAN ARMY, IF
THOSE ARE IN ADDITION TO THE 324 SIMILAR BOMBS RECEIVED ON
THE SS ETOLIN. REPLY REQUESTED.

ENT, LIMA

FROM: ETO WATKINS

JOURNAL # 80 3/14

FILED: REC'D 0-2 1132P GMT

HOSTILE SUBMARINES OFF THE CUBAN COAST HAVE BEEN
REPORTED OPERATING, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL WAR WARNING
FROM SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO. POSITION OF THE SUBS WAS
GIVEN IN VICINITY OF (21, 32 N - 76, 25W).

ETO
WATKINS.

FROM: QUARRY HTS, CZ.

Journal # 84 3/14

FILED: REC'D 0-2 1147 3/14 GMT

SITUATIONAL REPORT AS OF 1200 GMT, MARCH 14th.

1. PARTICULARS ARE NOT AVAILABLE BEYOND THE SIMPLE FACT
IN A NAVY REPORT THAT AN ALERT WAS SOUNDED AT GALAPAGOS
BASE DURING LATE PM, MARCH 13.
2. A.N.A. AT SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA FORWARDS INFORMATION
THAT A VESSEL, APPARENTLY A U-BOAT WAS SEEN BY AN AIR
PILOT S.E. OF POINT QUIRRES, COSTA RICA ABOUT ONE MILE.
TIME SEEN WAS AT 1430 GMT. SEARCH BEING CONTINUED TODAY
AFTER FRUITLESS SEARCHING YESTERDAY.

QUARRY HTS, CZ
COCKRELLDECLASSIFIED
GMSD-Letter, 5-3-72

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FROM: ONI - RADIO BALTIMORE (N) Journal # 59 3/14 E
FILED: 1530 GMT 3/14
"S.S. SAMUEL BARRON" SUNK ABOUT 3 MILES SSW OF BRIGANTINE
GAS BUOY, WHICH IS 5 MILES NW OF ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.,
MARCH 13th, 0820, GMT.
FURTHER REPORTS REVEAL BARRON WAS SUNK BY ENEMY SS.

FROM: RADIO CHARLESTON(N) Journal # 62 3/14
FILED: 3/14/42 (VIA ONI)
S.S. ATENAS ATTACKED BY ENEMY SS AT POSITION 26-15N,
79-40W AT 1145 GMT, MARCH 14. THIS IS APPROXIMATELY 28
MI SE OF MIAMI, FLA.

RADIO CHARLESTON
VIA ONI

FROM: IET AT, MITCHELL FIELD Journal # 83 3/14
FILED: 1711 GMT 3/14
LACY REPORTS FOLLOWING MISSIONS PERFORMED:
51 RECONNAISSANCE
90 OBSERVATION
PERISCOPE SIGHTED OFF CAPE FEAR AND TURBLANCE SIMILAR TO
SUBMARINE WAKE SIGHTED AT 38°40' N - 73°20' W, AT 1230 GMT.
RESULTS OF ATTACKS ON BOTH UNKNOWN.
WEATHER: GENERALLY GOOD.

FROM: COM 10 (N) VIA ONI JOURNAL 61 3/14
FILED: 1135 GMT
"BY 131643 SHIP REPORTED IS COLABEE AND NOT HELEN."
REFERENCE OUR SERIALS 8787, 8749.
REFERENCE 131843, COM 10 ORIG: SS HELEN TORPEDOED
0430 GMT., LATITUDE 22-10 LONGITUDE 77-35 (300 mi E of
CHARLESTON, S.C.) PLANE PATROLLING AREA AT TIME.
SURVIVORS AT CAPE VERDE LIGHT.

FROM: HDQS, OTTAWA (N) Journal EISE 58 3/14
FILED: 1056 GMT 3/14 (via ONI)
D/F INDICATES SS WITHIN 60 MI OF 39-30 N, 73-30 W,
(60 MILES SE OF SANDY HOOK) MARCH 13, 1942, AND MARCH
14 AT 0619 GMT

Filed 1812 3/16/42

Journal # 24

From Brett Ausrl.

THIS COMMAND IS IN A POSITION TO AID IN BRINGING INTO THIS AREA MORE AIRPLANES BY SUPPLYING NAVIGATORS AND PILOTS UP TO HALF THE REQUIRED NUMBER. IT IS MY URGENT RECOMMENDATION THAT FULL COMBAT CREWS PLUS EXTRA TRAINED GUNNERS OF TWENTY PERCENT BE PROVIDED FOR ALL BOMBARDMENT TYPE AIRPLANES DESTINED HERE. THIS WILL PROVIDE EXTRA GUNNERS TO TAKE THE PLACE OF THOSE INJURED IN ACTION AND WILL GUARANTEE COMBAT PERSONNEL TO ALLOW DOUBLE DUTY FOR EACH AIRCRAFT. IN JAVA THE EXPERIENCE LED TO THE CONCLUSION THAT THE FOREGOING WOULD BE THE BEST METHOD OF USAGE OF AIRCRAFT AND MEN. THAT EVERY HEAVY BOMBER BE EQUIPPED WITH ONE SELF SEALING BOMB BAY TANK IS URGENTLY RECOMMENDED.

REFERENCE IS MADE TO THE HEAVY BOMBER STATUS. THE

Journal #24 3/16/42

NINETEENTH BOMBER GROUP HAS ABSORBED PERSONNEL OF ALL OTHER UNITS. Cite in reply: CAB 1188. ON MARCH 28 SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IS THE 43RD GROUP. THEN THE OFFICERS AND MEN WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO MAN BOTH GROUPS. INCLUDED IN THIS ARE NINETEEN PILOTS AND NAVIGATORS WHO WERE RETURNED TO HAWAII FOR ADDITIONAL FERRY WORK. FROM JAVA THERE WERE EVACUATED FOURTEEN HEAVY BOMBERS. ALTHOUGH THEY ARE BADLY NEEDFUL OF REPAIR THEY WILL BE MADE READY FOR MORE ACTION BY THE END OF MARCH. OF THE TWELVE AIRPLANES FROM HAWAII TWO ARE NOW LOST.

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Filed: 2130 March 13

Journal # 23, 3/14

From: Cairo, Fellers

PRINCIPAL GERMAN BOMBING EFFORT HAS BEEN AGAINST PUNA AIRDROME, RAILHEADS AT CAPURSO AND COASTAL SHIPPING. ENEMY RECONNAISSANCE PLANES OVER THE AREA ALEXANDRIA AND PUNA WERE PARTICULARLY ACTIVE.

NIGHTLY ENEMY AIR ATTACKS ON MALTA DURING THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 10TH WERE CONTINUOUS. ON 8TH OF MARCH THERE WERE CONTINUOUS DAYLIGHT ATTACKS AND DURING THE REMAINING 6 DAYS OF THAT WEEK 26 ALERTS WERE NECESSARY. IT IS ESTIMATED NOT LESS THAN 80 PLANES WAS THE DAILY AVERAGE IN OPERATING WITH MARINE BASES AND AIRDROMES BEING THE MAIN OBJECTIVES. FOOD SUPPLY, COOKING FUEL, AVIATION GASOLINE, AND AMMUNITION IN THAT ORDER ARE MOST CRITICAL ITEMS ON MALTA. IT IS CLAIMED 8 MONTHS AMMUNITION SUPPLY IS ON HAND. HOWEVER FOOD SUPPLY IS INCREASINGLY SERIOUS. ENTIRE POPULATION HAVE AVAILABLE AIR SHELTER.

Journal # 23, 3/14

260,000 CIVILIANS ARE ON MALTA. NO IMPORTANT CHANGE IN STRENGTH OF AXIS AIR FORCES WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT INDICATIONS ARE GERMAN BOMBER STRENGTH ON SICILY HAS BEEN AUGMENTED. GERMAN RECONNAISSANCE AND BOMBERS HAVE TAKEN NEW BASES FORWARD FROM BENGAZI TO DERNA.

Filed: 2130 3/13/42

Journal # 25

From: Fellers

BRIT AIR ATTACKS SUNK ONLY 4,000 TONS OF AXIS SHIPPING IN FEBRUARY. THIS REPRESENTS ONE FOURTH OF ALL AXIS LOSSES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN DURING THE MONTH OF FEB. NO SINKING OF AXIS SHIPS WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY BRIT SURFACE NAVAL FORCES.

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Journal # 30, 3/14

From: Naval Observer, G-2

S.S. COLABEE TORPEDGED 1035 HNT ON MARCH 12, LAT 22 -
10N, LONG. 77 - 35W. (120 MILES NW OF LUCENTIA POINT,
CUBA), BUT AFTER MINOR REPAIRS WILL PROCEED TO U.S.

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Filed: 0848 HNT

Journal #28

From: C-in-C A. & W.I.

NORWEGIAN S.S. DOLY FENJA FIRED ON SUBMARINES 50
MILES WEST OF POINT GRAVOIS, HAITI AND FORCED THEM TO
DIVE.

Filed: 0848 HNT

Journal # 33

From: C-in-C Caribbean

ARUBA RECEIVING SOME CRUDE OIL BUT PLANT PRACTICALLY
IDLE. IMPOSSIBLE TO SETTLE STRIKE AT CUMACAO OF LAKE
TANKER CREWS.

Filed: 0848 HNT

XJournal #31

From F.C.C.

S.S. ESSO BAYONNE REPORTS THAT UNIDENTIFIED SHIP
FIRED 3 SHOTS OVER HER AT POINT 60 MILES NW of PEARL
POINT, HAITI, BUT NO FURTHER ACTION REPORTED.

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8:00 a.m.

3/14

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8:00 a.m.

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Filed: 1445 2/14/42

Journal # 8

From: Australusna, San Jose

PILOT OF PLANE OF ATTACK AT GUATEMALA WHILE IN FLIGHT
1430 SAW WHAT HE THOUGHT TO BE A SUB. HE WAS THEN IN THE
VICINITY ONE MILE SE OF POINT GUIONOS¹, COSTA RICA.
WITHOUT DELAY THIS SUSPECTED SUB SUBMERGED. AN INTENSIVE
SEARCH FAILED TO REVEAL ANY FURTHER EVIDENCE. ON THE
OTHER SIDE OF POINT GUIONOS AND SEEMING TO BE MOORED TO
A LOG NEAR THE BEACH WAS A CRAFT OF ABOUT 100 TONS.²
THIS VESSEL BROKE OUT FLAG OF WHITE, RED AND WHITE STRIPES IN
IN HORIZONTAL WHILE PLANE FLEW OVER IT.

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1. ON PENINSULA OF NICCOYA. THIS CONNECTS WITH PIEDRA
BLANCA BAY, POSSIBLE SUB BASE.

2. ABOUT THE SIZE OF TUNA FISHER VESSEL.

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Filed: 9:30

Journal #25 3/14/42

From: M/A Cairo Fellows

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1. 3/4...ROYAL NAVAL INTELLIGENCE REPORTS FOUR ITALIAN SHIPS WITH APPROXIMATE TOTAL TONNAGE OF 12,000 in PIRAEUS. THESE SHIPS ARE REPORTED LOADED WITH TRACTORS, MOTOR VEHICLES, MORTARS, AND MILITARY STORES.
2. 3/8 THE FEB REPORT COVERING SHIPPING TO PIRAEUS SHOWS THE ARRIVAL OF 46,000 tons in 23 SHIPS AND THE DEPARTURE OF 80,000 TONS IN 33 SHIPS.
3. BRIT AIR ATTACKS SANK ONLY 4,000 TONS OF AXIS SHIPPING IN FEB. THIS AMOUNT REPRESENTS ONE-FOURTH OF ALL AXIS LOSSES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN DURING THE MONTHS OF FEB. NO SINKING OF AXIS SHIPS WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY BRIT SURFACE NAVAL FORCES.
4. 3/9 IT WAS REPORTED THAT ALTHOUGH AXIS CONVOYS ARE STILL LOST, SOME AXIS SUPPLIES ARE STILL ARRIVING IN LIRYA IN ISOLATED SHIPS. THESE SHIPS SAIL FROM GENOA.

Journal #25 3/14/42

PASS BETWEEN THE BALEARIC ISLANDS AND THE ISLAND OF CORSICA AND, AFTER REACHING A POINT NEAR THE ALGERIA-TUNISIA FRONTIER, PROCEED CLOSE IN-SHORE TO THEIR DESTINATION.

5. AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF BENIGAZI TAKEN 2/26 SHOWED THREE MEDIUM-SIZE MERCHANT VESSELS HAVE ARRIVED SUBSEQUENT TO MARCH 31 AS REVEALED BY AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS.

8:00 a.m.

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Filed: 0848
From: London

Journal # 32 3/14/42

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LONDON REPORTS RAF PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE SHOWS
GHEISENAU AND SCHAMHORST SIDE BY SIDE AT QUAY OF
SOUTH YARD AT KIEL; IN DRYDOCK NO. 6 AT SAME PLACE IS
MUNBERG; IN DRYDOCK AT WILHELMSHAVEN IS KOLN.

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OSD Letter, 5-8-72Filed: 1624
From Watkins

3/14/42 Journal # 47

- SUB OPERATIONS UP TO 1200 GMT MARCH 12.
1. 21° 32' E, 76° 25' W at 0039 GMT-12 SSTEAS TORPEDOED.
 2. WINTER QUARTER SHOALS AT 1720 GMT -11 sub SIGHTED BY BLIMP.
 3. 30 MILES E CAPE HENLOPEN DEL. AT 1320 GMT -11 SUB SIGHTED BY BLIMP. ATTACKED BY CG VESSEL 1438 GMT. Results NOT REPORTED BY NAVY.
 4. ARMY AIR INVESTIGATING SOUND CONTACT 13 MILES E. OF CAPE CHARLES, VA. RESULTS NOT REPORTED AS YET BY CHESAPEAKE BAY.
 5. CG VESSEL ON SOUND CONTACT ATTACKED SUB 1404 GMT OFF H.J. RESULTS NOT REPORTED.
 6. S.Y.-PHILADELPHIA SECTOR. DESTROYER DROPPED THREE DEPTH CHARGES.

Journal # 47 3/14/42

7. NAVY TRANSPORT BELLATRIX 25 MILES FROM CHARLESTON, S.C. AT 2221. SUB SIGHTED. NO REPORT FROM AIR INVESTIGATION.
8. SUB SIGHTED 1826 GMT, 12 MILES OFF CAPE HENRY, VA.
9. SUB SIGHTED 1835 GMT 6 MILES S. ACACOCK LIGHTHOUSE.
10. SUB SIGHTED 15 MILES S. CAPE PRIDE ISLE OF PINES, CUBA.
11. ONE OF MORE SUBS IN GUANTANAMO BAY.

Filed: 0931
From: Navy

Journal #39 3/14

SS JOHN D GILL TORPEDOED LAT 33-43N, LONG 77-36 W, on FIRE AND DRIFTING NE. ELEVEN SURVIVORS RESCUED BY COAST GUARD VESSEL AND TAKEN TO SOUTHPORT, N.C. FIFTEEN OTHERS RESCUED BY SS ROBERT H. CALLEY AND TAKEN TO CHARLESTON, S.C. THREE USN PERSONNEL INCLUDED IN SURVIVORS. SEARCH FOR OTHER SURVIVORS CONTINUES BY SURFACE AND AIRCRAFT. TUGS HAVE GONE TO ATTEMPT SALVAGE OF SHIP.

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Filed: 0848 HWT

Journal # 34

Pr/From: Ottawa

8:00 a.m.

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CANADIAN SHIP MADE 2 ATTACKS ON SUBMARINE OFF SLIP
POINT (JUAN DE FUCA) AND IS CONTINUING SEARCH FOR OTHERS.
OIL PATCH NOTED BY HUDSON BOMBER AT 1615 PWT, MARCH 13,
AT POINT 60 MILES WEST OF SAN FRANCISCO (48-16 N, 124-04W).

Filed: 0548 3/13

Journal #45 3/14

From: Harrington WDC & 4th Army
12 March.

IN ATTACK ON HAWAII MARCH 4 THE UNIDENTIFIED PLANE WAS
TRACED FROM ABOUT 90 MILES N.W. OF KAUAI TO OAHU NEAR
KAENA POINT THEN SOUTH TO HONOLULU. PLANE DEPARTED
TOWARD MARSHALL ISLANDS. SPEED APPROX 180 MPH. PROBABLY
A MULTI-ENGINE FLYING BOAT FROM MARSHALLS OR WAKE.
ASSUMED THAT PLANE WAS REFUELED BY SUB NEAR FRENCH
FRIGATE SHOALS. OVERCAST PREVENTED ACCURATE BOMBING, AA
OR PURSUIT.

Filed: 810AM

3/14/42

Journal # 35

From: 2nd Interceptor Command
BMCS TIMMONS ATTACKED SUBMARINE 2 MILES OFF SLIP
POINT AT 1440 PWT.

8:00 a.m.

3/14

TO

8:00 a.m.

3/15

Filed:

3/14

Journal # 29

From U.S. Consul, Dakar

CONSUL DAKAR REPORTS S.S. CONDE BOUND FOR MADAGASCAR WITH CARGO OF MILITARY SUPPLIES.

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Filed: 19:38 3/14

From M/A Ankara

Journal # 38 3/14

KLUSG ESTIMATES 350,000 MEN MOBILIZED BY BULGARIA.
TURK MINISTER TO ROMANIA STATES ROMANIAN LOSSES
RUSSIAN CAMPAIGN ARE 100,000 KILLED AND 200,000 wounded.
HUNGARIANS AND ROMANIANS FACING EACH OTHER WITH FAIRLY
STRONG FORCES ON FRONTIER. CIVILIAN TRAFFIC ON ROMANIAN
RAILROADS PRACTICALLY STOPPED. NAZIS HAVE NOT FULFILLED
PROMISE TO REPLACE ROMANIAN MATERIEL LOST IN RUSSIAN
CAMPAIGN.

From: Pratt - Port of Spain IJ #20, 3/14/42
Filed: 3/13/42, 1:23 P

PRATT
PORT OF SPAIN

COMMANDING OFFICER OF ST. LUCIA SENT THE FOLLOWING:
FOURTEEN SHIPS ALREADY IN HARBOR AT MARTINIQUE AND 1
VESSEL ENTERING PORT DE FRANCE AT 2100 OCT MARCH 12TH
ARE REPORTED BY AIR PATROL OVER THE HARBOR.
THIS EXCEEDS BY AT LEAST 5 SHIPS ANY PREVIOUS CONCEN-
TRATION IN THE HARBOR.

From: Com 10th N.D.
Filed: 3/13/42, 1443 HRT

IJ #16, 3/14/42

COM 10TH N.D.

AT 0030 HRT SS HELEN TORPEDOED AT 22-10 N., 77-35 W.
(275 MILES SE KEY WEST).

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Journal #65, 3/13

From: McClure, London

ON THE 11TH LAND OPERATIONS IN LIBYA WERE CONFINED TO
NORMAL PATROL ACTIVITIES.

Filed: 3/13/42, ---

Journal #61, 3/13

From: Miller, NG

MOVEMENT OF VICHY TROOPS (FOUR BRIGADES) INTO TENI-
SAY AREA OFF NIGERIA (NW PART) IS OF CONCERN TO THE
BRITISH.

Filed: 3/13/42, ---

Journal #91, 3/13

From: Tehran

REPORT TO TAO THAT LEND-LEASE TRAFFIC IS PROGRESSING
SMOOTHLY THROUGH THE PORT.

From: Doolittle - Tunis Via St. I. Journal #98, 3/13/42

Dated: 3/12/42, 8:00 P

DOOLITTLE
TUNIS VIA ST.

RAIL SHIPMENTS TO LIBYA FROM TUNIS HAVE STOPPED ALTHO
ITALIAN TRUCKS ARE STILL MOVING BETWEEN GABES AND TUNIS.
EACH MONTH APPROXIMATELY 300 USED TRUCKS ARE STILL BEING
SENT BY RAIL TO GABES FOR REPAIRS AND FORWARDING FROM
THERE. THESE TRUCKS ARE FROM NORTH AFRICA. SHIPMENT OF
GASOLINE TO LIBYA BY ITALIAN AND GERMAN TANK TRUCKS IS
BEING MADE FROM ELAOUINET STATION WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY
EIGHT MILES NORTH OF GABES. THE GASOLINE IS SENT TO THIS
POINT FROM ALGERIA VIA TASSERINE BY TRAIN.

AIR FIELDS IN TUNIS ARE BEING USED BY AXIS COMMISSIONS
FREELY AND THE FRENCH ARE GIVING SERVICE TO NUMEROUS PLACES
WHICH MAKE EMERGENCY LANDINGS IN TUNIS BUT IT SEEMS CER-
TAIN THAT NO AXIS AIR BASES ARE LOCATED IN THIS PART OF
NORTH AFRICA.

From: Alusnob - Freetown

IJ #17, 3/14/42

ALUSNOB

Filed: 3/12/42, 1458

FOUR SHIPS HAVE BEEN TORPEDOED AND SUNK OFF LIBERIAN
COAST DURING THE PAST WEEK. IT IS INDICATED BY SINKINGS
AND SIGHTINGS THAT AT LEAST 2 SUBS ARE OPERATING IN THE
AREA.

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From: ETO and FA - N.Y.
Filed: 3/13/42, 1730

IJ #96, 3/13/42

ETO & FA
NEW YORK

EASTERN SEA FRONTIER REPORTS PRINX EUGEN AND ADMIRAL
SCHEER SHOWN THRU PHOTOGRAPHIC RECONNAISSANCE IN LOTFORD,
NORWAY, 0930, GMT, MARCH 11. TIRPITZ MISSING.

ENEMY SUB DISPOSITIONS, AS OF NOON GMT, MARCH 13: ONE
OR MORE GROUPS ACROSS GREAT CIRCLE ROUTE IN WESTERN NO.
ATLANTIC.

From: Johnson - Stockholm
Filed: 3/13/42, 4:00 P

IJ #104, 3/13/42

JOHNSON
STOCKHOLM

BRITISH BOMBING OF KIEL CAUSED GREAT DAMAGE. GERMANS
HAVE ONLY ABOUT 800 SOLDIERS IN COPENHAGEN AND WITH THE
EXCEPTION OF JUTLAND MOST OF THE GERMAN TROOPS HAVE BEEN
MOVED OUT OF DENMARK. IN JUTLAND THE AIRPORTS ARE WELL
GUARDED AND THE GERMANS NEVER MAKE AIR RAIDS FROM THERE.
HLSINGOR IS GARRISONED ONLY BY SOME GESTAPO AND GERMAN
POLICE.

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OSD Letter, 5-3-72

Filed: 3/13/42, 1520

Journal #88, 3/13

From: NERK (N)

AT 0415 Z (0015 EST) MAR 13 ORKEN ROCKET SIGHTED AT 29-11 N., 73-00 W. (350 MILES E OF CAPE CAMAVERAL, FLA.)
 AT 0717 Z (0317 EST) MAR. 13 AT 30-00 N., 73-00 W. PASSED FAST CARGO SHIP, SOMEWHAT SIMILAR NO. 23BR115 BOUND S., WHICH TURNED AWAY SHARPLY WHEN AHEAD. ALGROD ORIGINATOR. POSSIBILITY OF RENDEZVOUS WITH SS SUGGESTED.

Filed: 3/13/42, —

Journal #92, 3/13

From: ETO

BRIT MERCHANTMAN DAYTONIAN WAS HIT BY TORPEDO AT 1627 GMT THIS DATE. CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR RADIO INTERCEPTED THIS INTELLIGENCE. POSITION OF TORPEDOING WAS REPORTED AS (26°33' N - 74°43' W) WATKINS

Filed: 3/13/42, 1405

Journal #87, 3/13

From: Com 6 (N)

AT 2310 N MARCH 12 AN UNIDENTIFIED TANKER APPARENTLY STRUCK BY TORPEDO AND SET ON FIRE AT 33-34 N. 77-36 W. (70 MILES S. OF CAPE LOOKOUT ALONG THE COAST). DRIFTING NNE. 11 SURVIVORS RESCUED AND BEING SENT INTO SOUTHPORT, N.J. SURFACE CRAFT AND AIRCRAFT SEARCHING FOR SURVIVORS. USS UMPQUA AND ONE COMMERCIAL TUG HAVE BEEN DISPATCHED TO SALVAGE IF PRACTICABLE.

From: ETO and FA

I.J. #96, 3/13/42

ETO & FA
NEW YORK

Filed: 3/13/42, 1730

ENEMY SUB DISPOSITIONS, AS OF NOON GMT, MARCH 13:

- (a) ONE GROUP IN AREA OF CAPE HATTERAS-CAPE FEAR, N.C.
- (b) ONE GROUP IN AREA OFF N.J. DELAWARE BAY

AIR ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR SAME PERIOD: NEGATIVE.

NEWFOUNDLAND REPORT: DELAYED.

IN GENERAL AREA CAPE LOOKOUT-CAPE FEAR, 2 UNIDENTIFIED TANKERS TORPEDOED.

ATTACKS ON SUBS: TWO IN CAPE MAY; N.J. AREA. RESULTS DOUBTFUL.

From: Drumm - ETO

IJ #21, 3/14/42

DRUM
ETO

Filed: 3/14/42, 0545

A SURVIVOR BROUGHT IN AT TOMPKINSVILLE STATE ISLAND REPORTS THAT A SHIP WAS SUNK AT 2:30 A.M. 13TH MARCH APPROXIMATELY 10 MILES FROM NEW YORK. BELIEVED TO BE THE CHILEAN S.S. TOLTON A CARGO VESSEL OF 5348 TONS.

From: Com 6 (N) (Conf)

IJ #18, 3/14/42

COM 6 (N)

Filed: 3/13/42, 1418 EST

REFERENCE OUR NO. 8742 (JOURNAL #87, 3/13) NAME OF TANKER IS JOHN D DILL. SHIP REPORTED TO BE TOTAL LOSS.

Filed: 3/13/42, 0232

Journal 89, 3/13

From: Bermuda (N)

SG FENJA, NORWEGIAN, REPORTS THAT SUBS HAVE BEEN FIRED ON AND FORCED TO DIVE IN 18-20 N. 74-50 W (120 MILES NE OF KINGSTON, JAMAICA AT 0232 EST OR 0632 GMT ON MAR 13.

From: ETO and FA - N.Y. BU #96, 3/13/42

ETO & FA
NEW YORK

Filed: 3/13/42, 1730

ONE TANKER IN OLD BAHAMA CHANNEL OF CAPE VERDE, CUBA, TORPEDGED.

From: Kirkwood - Quarry Heights, C.Z. IJ #1, 3/14/42

KIRKWOOD
QUARRY HEIGHTS

Filed: 3/12/42, 12:30 P

THREE SUBS HAVE BEEN SIGHTED IN AREA OF CURACAO ON 11TH MARCH. REPORTED FROM CURACAO.

DUTCH SEA CAPTAIN INDICATES PROBABILITY OF AXIS BASES FOR FUELING ON COAST OF VENEZUELA.

S.S. UNFER REPORTS SUB AT 10-27 N, 46-26 W.

From: COM 10 (N)

IJ #10, 3/14/42

COM 10 (N)

Filed: No time given

SUBS VERY ACTIVE N COAST OF CUBA.

From: Astralusan - San Jose, Costa Rica IJ #9, 3/14/42

ASTRALUSAN
SAN JOSE
COSTA RICA

Filed: 3/14/42, 1445

WHAT WAS BELIEVED TO BE A SUB SIGHTED BY PLANE ABOUT 1 MILE SE OF POINT QUIONES (?) (NW COAST OF COSTA RICA). SMALL VESSEL OF 100 TONS ANCHORED APPARENTLY ON LOOKS (?) FROM NEARSHORE BORE FLAG WHITE, RED, AND WHITE HORIZONTAL STRIPES.

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OSD Letter, 8-2-72

8:00 AM

3/13/42

TO

8:00 AM

3/14/42

Filed: 4:50 P 3/12

IJ #27, 3/13

From: Bonesteel IBC

BONESTEEL

IBC

1ST BRIG (PROVISIONAL) MARINES HAS BEEN DETACHED FROM

U.S. ARMY & EMBARKED AT 1200 MAR 8.

PENDING DEPARTURE CONVOY MOVED TO NAVAL ANCHORAGE.

REFER GHQ 291 22 FEB 42.

Filed: 3/13/42, —
From: Watkins, ETO

Journal No. 46, 3/13

SUB SIGHTED SUBMERGING OFF WILDWOOD, N.J. 12 MILES,
AT 1315 GMT MARCH 12, BY CIVILIAN AIR PATROL PLANE.
ATTACK WAS BEING MADE BY COAST GUARD. PLANE RELIEVED BY
BLIMP. 7 AIRPLANES LATER SENT OUT. NO RESULTS REPORTED.

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Filed: 3/12/42, 6:08 P.

Journal #46, 3/13

From: ETO

REPORTS INDICATE THAT AT 0601 GMT MARCH 12 THE CARIBBEA WAS SUNK 10 MI OFF CAPE LOOKOUT, N.C. DEFINITE RESULTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN REPORTED CONCERNING AN ATTACK BY A COAST GUARD VESSEL ON A SUBMERGING SUB 12 MILES OFF WILDWOOD, N.J. THE SUB WAS SIGHTED BY A CIVILIAN AIR PATROL PLANE, WHICH PLANE WAS RELIEVED BY A NAVY BLIMP. FOUR ARMY AND THREE NAVY PLANES WERE DISPATCHED TO THE AREA LATER.

WATKINS

8:00 A.M.

3/13/42

TO

8:00 A.M.

3/14/42

Filed: 3/13/42

Journal #76, 3/13

From: I A F

FIRST AIR FORCE REPORTS 68 OBSERVATION, 39 RECONN. MISSIONS. WEATHER: GENERALLY GOOD. NO ENEMY INFORMATION.

Filed: 3/13/42, 1324

Journal #77, 3/13

From: Watkins, ETO

DESTROYER USS DAHLGREN ON REPORT OF EASTERN SEA FRONTIER, REPORTED AT 0448 GMT THE DROPPING OF DEPTH BOMBS ON CONTACT AT (34° 45'N - 74° 23' W) DAMAGE IF ANY REMAINS IN DOUBT.

Filed: 3/13/42, 12:38

Journal #90, 3/13

From: Navy

ADMIRALTY REPORTS 12 SUBS LOCATED IN SOUTH ATLANTIC; 16 OTHER POSITIONS GIVEN.

Filed: 3/13/42, ---

Journal #93, 3/13

From: Watkins, ETO

TANKER NOTED IN REPORTS AS STRUCK BY TORPEDO AT 0310 GMT ON MARCH 13 HAS BEEN ASCERTAINED AS THE JOHN D. GILL. STATUS OF SURVIVORS INCLUDES 14 DEAD OR MISSING, 11 LANDED AT WILMINGTON, N.C. AND 12 LANDED AT SOUTHPORT SOUTH OF CAPE FEAR RIVER.

WATKINS

From: Shipp - Lisboa

IJ #19, 3/14/42

SHIPP
LISBOA

Filed: 3/13/42, 2126

UKRAINE WILL BE ASSAULTED BY GERMANY WHEN INDIA ATTACK BY JAPAN TAKES PLACE.

TURKEY WILL BE THREATENED BY BULGARIAN ARMY.

IF NECESSARY ITALIANS AND HUNGARIANS WILL RENDER UNWILLING ASSISTANCE IN SPRING OFFENSIVE.

MOSCOW AND LENINGRAD WILL BE CAPTURED BY GERMANS AND DEFENSIVE LINES THERE ESTABLISHED AND TROOPS WILL BE SENT TO LIBYA AND SOUTH RUSSIA.

From: Kluss - Ankara

IJ #22, 3/14/42

KLUSS

Filed: 3/13/42, 1996

VISITING TURKISH MINISTER ESTIMATES THAT BULGARIA HAS ONLY 350,000 MEN MOBILIZED AND FURTHER STATES THAT CIVILIAN TRAFFIC VIA ROUMANIAN RAILROADS IS PRACTICALLY WITHOUT EXISTENCE, AND IT IS RUMORED THAT RAILROADS FACILITIES ARE NEEDED FOR TRANSPORTING TO SOVIET FRONTS 20 OF GERMANY'S DIVISIONS.

ROUMANIAN CASUALTIES ARE ABOUT 200,000 WOUNDED AND 100,000 DEAD. GERMAN PLEDGES TO REPLACE MATERIAL LOST HAVE NOT BEEN KEPT. RATHER LARGE FRONTIER CONCENTRATIONS OF ROUMANIANS AND HUNGARIANS ARE FACING EACH OTHER.

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OSD Letter, 5-3-72

G-2 WORK SHEET

8:00 AM

3/13/42

TO

8:00 AM

3/14/42

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

MIDDLE EAST # 2

From: British Admiralty #93 IS #14, 3/14/42

Filed: 3/12/42, 1262 EWT

BRIT ADMIRALTY

93

LATEST INFORMATION ON ITALIAN BATTLESHIP IMPERO DATED SEPT. 26, 1941 INDICATED SHIP AT BRINDISI PROTECTED BY TORPEDO NETTING, WORK IN PROGRESS. IT IS STATED BY RECENT PRISONERS OF WAR THAT WORK HAS CEASED FOR WANT OF MATERIALS. ITALIAN BATTLESHIP ROMA ACCORDING TO LAST INFORMATION, AUGUST 1941 WAS AT TRIESTE, WORK MUCH BEHIND SCHEDULE. COMPLETION DATE UNCERTAIN.

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Filed: 3/13/42, 0603

Journal #74, 3/13

From: Navy

RESULTS OF MORE THAN 12 HEARINGS FROM 4 STATIONS GIVES FAIR FIX INDICATION OF AN ENEMY CRAFT WITHIN 100 MI RADIUS OF 36-00 N, 128-00 W (240 MI W. OF SAN FRANCISCO) AT 0730 OCT (0330 KWT) ON MARCH 13.

GILES

8:00 A.M.

3/13/42

TO

8:00 A.M.

3/14/42

Filed: 3/13/42, 2215

Journal #75, 3/13

From: Navy

REFERENCE UNDIS 242329 AND WDIS 262215. ALIENS NOT GRANTED LICENSES TO FISH IN SEVENTH DIST. WATERS. APPROVAL THIS POLICY REQUESTED.

Filed: 3/13/42, —

Journal #60, 3/13

From: WDC

HOSTILE AIR AND LAND ATTACKS VICINITY ALASKA PROBABLE WITHIN NEAR FUTURE AS RESULT OF FACT THAT SHORTER NIGHTS WILL LIMIT OPERATIONS FROM DISTANCE AT NIGHT. FROM TWO JAP RADIO FIXES IT IS NOW EVIDENT ENEMY CRAFT ABOUT 50° N 164° W. THIS IS WITHIN 100 MILES OF 36°N - 128° W.

HARRINGTON

Filed: 3/13/42, 5:48 A.

Journal #38, 3/13

From: WDC

DUE TO FACT THAT FRIENDLY NAVAL VESSEL WAS KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING FIRING PRACTICE IN THE AREA WHERE AN UNIDENTIFIED PLANE WAS PICKED UP BY D-RAX ON MARCH 11 IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE PLANE CAME FROM THIS FRIENDLY SHIP. THIS D-RAX PICK UP CAUSED THE ALERT AND RADIO BLACKOUT IN LOS ANGELES ON THAT DATE.

Filed: No time filed.

I.J. #93, 3/13/42

From: 2nd Interceptor Command

PLANE SIGHTED SUB 5 MILES SOUTH OF TILLAMOOK HEAD OREGON, HEADED SOUTH, AT 505. NO REPORT OF ANY ATTACK MADE.

2ND INTERCEPTOR
COMMAND

From: 2nd Interceptor Command

IJ #94, 3/13/42

Seattle, Wash.

Filed: 3/14/42, 0045

H.M.C.S. TIMMONS REPORTS CONTACTING SUB AT SLIP POINT, CANADA. TIME 14:20.

2ND INTERCEPTOR
COMMAND
SEATTLE, WASH.

Filed: 3/13/42, —

Journal #80, 3/13

From: ONNAV

A CONCENTRATION OF JAP NAVAL FORCES HAS BEEN ORDERED NORTH OF THE BONIN ISLANDS BETWEEN MARCH 13-23. IT IS CONSIDERED TO BE A DEFENSIVE FORCE IN THE PROCESS OF ORGANIZATION IN THE N.E.I. AREA.

Filed: 3/13/42:30

Journal #65, 3/13

Australia.

From: Brett, Australia

STATUS REPORT FOR MARCH 12 FROM BRETT, AUSTRALIA. NO PERTINENT CHANGES.

Filed: 3/13/42, 3:18 P.

Journal #67, 3/13

From: McClure, London

ADVANCED HQS OF BURMA ARMY NOW IS MONYO (50 MI N. THARRAVADDY). IT CLOSED AT THARRAVADDY ON THE 11TH.

THERE HAS BEEN NO ENEMY GROUND OR AIR ACTIVITY DURING WITHDRAWAL.

JAPS BOMBED LETPADAN (125 MI. N. RANGOON) DAMAGING RAILWAY SLIGHTLY ON THE 12TH.

AN OFFENSIVE OPERATION BEGINNING THE 11TH WAS PLANNED BY THE 1ST BURMA DIV. TO SECURE THE AREA NYAUNGLEDIN-SINGOYIN-DAIKU (75 MI NE PEGU)

Filed: 3/13/42, 3:25 P.

Journal #69, 3/13

From: McClure, London

INDIAN ESCAPED FROM HONG KONG STATES TO W.O. THAT GERMANS ARE FLYING MANY JAPAN'S FIGHTER PLANES AND ARE DIRECTING ARTILLERY OPERATIONS.

From: Shipp - Lisboa

IJ #19, 3/14/42

SHIPP
LISBOA

Filed: 3/13/42, 2126

SEVERAL PLACES IN AUSTRALIA WILL BE ATTACKED NEXT WEEK BY A STRONG JAPANESE FORCE (CABLE NOT CLEAR BUT BELIEVED SOURCE OF THIS STATEMENT IS CLAIM OF JAP DIPLOMAT) IT IS THE CLAIM OF JAPANESE DIPLOMAT THAT JAPAN'S AIR FORCE AND NAVY WILL SOON ATTACK HAWAII.

From: Alusna - Port Darwin

IJ #12, 3/14/42

ALUSNA
P. DARWIN

Filed: 3/13/42, 0025 EWT

UNDER THE PRESENT SET-UP IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 2 ENEMY DIVISIONS CAN OCCUPY THE AREA FROM BIRUM TO DARWIN IN 5 DAYS.

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8:00 AM

3/13/42

TO

8:00 AM

3/14/42

From: A C N B - Melbourne IJ #13, 3/14/42

A C N B
MELBOURNE

Filed: 0752 EWT

RECONNAISSANCE BY AIR SHOWS THAT ON MAR 12TH 0145Z
(MAR. 11 2145 EWT) THERE WAS AT LAX ONE DESTROYER AND ONE
PARTIALLY SUNK TRANSPORT. FIGHTER (SIG) OPERATING FROM
AIRDROME.

AT 2155 MAR 11 AT SALAMOA THERE WERE TWO 7,000 TON
GREY TRANSPORTS AND 1 SMALLER TRANSPORT. A CRUISER WAS
ALSO REPORTED OFF SALAMOA AT 1915 MAR 11.

From: COMSOWESPAC (N)

IJ #11, 3/14/42

COMSOWESPAC
(N)

Filed: 0345 EWT

ENEMY GASOLINE TANKER, 3,000 TON, SUNK FEB. 19 OFF
SUBIC BAY.

Filed: 3/11/42, 1711

Journal #28, 3/12 SAN JUAN

From: RDO SAN JUAN

TWO SS'S WERE SIGHTED OFF THE ENTRANCE TO QUANTANAMO, CUBA.

Filed: 3/12/42, 0833

Journal #71

From: Navy

TRANSMISSION AT 0112/Z INDICATES U-BOAT WITHIN 1 00 MI
010 DEGREES NORTH, 52-30 W (500 MILES EAST OF TRINIDAD)
THIS TRANSMISSION MARCH 11, 2112 EWT.

8:00 A.M.

3/12/42

TO

8:00 A.M.

3/13/42

Filed: 3/12/42

Journal #26, 3/12

From: OPNAV

A PERUVIAN SS, OF THE (R) TYPE, IS PATROLLING WITHIN A
RADIUS OF 40 MILES OF TALARA, PERU.

FROM: ENT, LIMA

JOURNAL #98

3/12

FILED: 1236 March 12

TALARA - NEGRITOS DEFENSE MADE UP OF:
I. NAVY - 1 CRUISER, 1 DESTROYER, 4 SUBS.
II.

FROM: ENT, LIMA

Journal # 98 3/12

FILED: 1236 March 12

TALARA - NEGRITOS DEFENSE MADE UP OF:

I. NAVY -- PERUVIAN NAVY ONE CRUISER, ONE DESTROYER,
FOUR SUBS.II. AIR -- SQUADRON CONTAINING THREE NORTH AMERICAN
PURSUITS, 3 NORTHROP ATTACKS, & THREE CAPRONI 310 BOMBERS.III. ARMY -- ONE BATTERY OF THREE BREDA 20 MM AA GUNS
AT NEGRITOS, ANOTHER AT TALARA.

ONE BN (1000 MEN) OF INFANTRY.

ONE COMPANY OF TANKS (12 SEVEN-TONNERS AT NEGRITOS).

ONE BN OF 155 mm GUNS (4 EACH) AT TALARA.

GEN. URETA INSPECTED COMMAND MAR. 10. ARMY, NAVY, AND AIR
OPERATE IN COORDINATED PLAN.AT LEAST ONE EACH, SS DETECTORS AND AIRPLANE DETECTORS
SHOULD BE SENT IMMEDIATELY. NONE HERE NOW.

8:00 p.m. 3/12
TO
8:00 p.m. 3/13

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

LATIN AMERICA # 2

KNOWZ

JOURNAL # 13 3/13

FROM: NHOUES, RIO

FILED: 6:58 P 3/12

ALL BRAZILIAN BOATS ORDERED NEAREST PORT
PRESIDENT SIGNED AMMENDMENT GREATLY INCREASING POWER TO
CONFISCATE PROPERTY
POLICE HAVE RIO SITUATION UNDER CONTROL. MOB OF 200
BROKE WINDOWS OF BIG GERMAN BUSINESS HOUSES NOON TODAY.

FROM: KIRKWOOD, QUARRY HEIGHTS

Journal # 85

FILED: 12:20 p.m. 3/12

GERACAO REPORTS 3 SUBS SIGHTED IN VICINITY ON MARCH 11.
SUB REPORTED AT 1027 N- 4626 W BY SS UPRER.

PAA REPORTS RUNWAY WILL BE COMPLETED AT CATEBUW AIRPORT
IN 30 DAYS.

DUTCH SEA CAPTAIN BELIEVES VENEZUELA COAST LINE PROBABLE
AXIS REFUELING AREA.

FROM: ALUSNOB, BAHIA (BRAZIL) Journal # 12

FILED: 3/12

UNORGANIZED CROWDS DEMONSTRATED AGAINST AXIS BUSINESS
HOUSES. BROKE WINDOWS AND PULLED SIGNS. THIS WAS FIRST
POPULAE OUTBURST AGAINST RECENT SINKINGS. ORGANIZED
STUDENT INDICATIONS HELD DOWN BY POLICE. GOVERNOR WARNED
AGAINST MOB VIOLENCE. 8 ARMED JAPS ARRESTED IN THE INTERIOR.

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FROM: LAPAZ, BOLIVIA (ROBERTS) Journal # 5 3/13
FILED: 3/12 4:24P

BOLIVIAN GOVT AGAIN REQUESTS 200 MORE TRUCKS, ADDITIONAL
PURSUIT PLANES AND AA ARTILLERY. 30 & 50 CALIBER AA GUNS, U.S.
DUAL MOUNT, WOULD BOLSTER GOVT. MORALE. VISIT BY FLIGHT
U.S. PURSUIT PLANES ALSO WOULD HELP

FROM: ALUSNA, MONTEVIDEO JOURNAL # 32
FILED: 1545 3/11
EXX 3rd OFFICER HELMUT GIES

FROM: ALUSNA, MONTEVIDEO JOURNAL # 32
FILED: 1545 3/11
3rd OFFICER HELMUT-GIESMANN SCHWEIBERDORS & RADIO
OP. ULIECH DAVECHINAS FROM INTERMED GERMAN "TACOMA",
MISSING, BELIEVED ABOARD SPANISH "MOTE GORREA" DEPARTED
MONTEVIDEO FEB. 23 FOR BARCELONA.

FROM: PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI JOURNAL # 7

FILED: 6:49P 3/12

NO SURVIVORS YET REPORTED FROM STEAMSHIP TEXAN, ~~REXX~~ ~~XXIX~~
RELIABLY REPORTED TORPEDOED LAT. 2132, LONG. 7624 MARCH 11.
QUARRY HEIGHTS AND 10th NAVAL DISTRICT INFORMED

Filed: 3/12/42, 0350

Journal #74, 3/11 NAVY

From: Navy

NAVY REPORTS THE LOCATION OF ELEVEN SUBMARINES IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC AND CARIBBEAN AREA AND FIFTEEN IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC AREA ON THE 11TH.

Filed: 3/12/42, 0405

Journal #72, 3/11

From: Ottawa

AT 2329 11TH U-BOAT PLACED WITHIN 60 MILES OF 43-30 N, 53-00 W (590 MILES E OF CAPE SABLE) BY D/F.

8:00 A.M.

3/12/42

TO

8:00 A.M.

3/13/42

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON

Journal # 18

FILED: 3/12

CONCERNING VEHICLES MAGNOT SECOND CONTINGENT.

FROM: ETO WATKINS Journal # 1

FILED: 3/13

AMERICAN VESSEL "CARABSEA" TORPEDOED MARCH 11 OFF CAPE HATTERAS. SANK IN 13 MINUTES. SEVEN SURVIVORS REACHED LITTLE CREEK, VA., COAST GUARD STATION, 1300 GMT, MARCH 12. THEY ARE IN NAVAL HOSPITAL.

FROM: OTTAWA

Journal # 10

FILED: 3/12 1646 EWT

D/F PLACES SUB 275 MI SSW OF CAPE RACE, N.S. AT 1337 EWT MARCH 12. (THIS IS WITHIN 60 MI OF 4230 N -5530 W)

FROM: EASTERN SEA FRONTIER Journal # 93

FILED: 3/11 1633 EWT

TORPEDOED 3/10 AT 1605 EWT WAS NORWEGIAN SHIP HVORLEY POSITION 2 MI EAST OF FENWICK LIGHT (FENWICK ISLAND, 38-27N, 75-03 W).

FROM: FCC (N)

Journal # 29

FILED: 0635 GMT 3/12

ENEMY SS SIGHTED BY S.S. MARJORY 5 MI SE OF ACROPOKE LIGHTHOUSE, CAPE HATTERAS.

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Filed: 3/12/42, 1300
From: Alameda (LISBON)

J. 30, 3/12

LISBON

THE BRITISH ANTICIPATE A RESUMPTION OF AIR ATTACKS ON
THEIR MERCHANTSHIP SAILING FROM PORTUGAL.

Filed: 3/11/42, 1909 A
From: Admiralty

Journal #27, 3/12

3/12/42
8:00 A.M.
TO
3/13/42
8:00 A.M.

RECONNAISSANCE OF TROMSHEIM AT 1030 MARCH 11 PLACED
THE ADMIRAL SCHNER AND THE PRINCE EUGEN IN LO FJORD.
THE TIRPITZ IS NOT PRESENT.

DAWSON

PONTA DELAGADA
AZORES

FROM: PONTA DELAGADA (AZORES)
FILED: MARCH 12 Dawson

Journal # 100 3/12

THREE TRI-MOTOR AIRPLANES, UNASSEMBLED, ARRIVED HERE
MARCH 6 FROM LISBON. PLANES THOUGHT TO BE JUNKERS "JU 52"
TYPE. AT PRESENT ARE AT SANTA ANNA AIRDROME ON NORTHERN
COAST.

FROM: LEGGE, BERNE
FILED: 2005 3/12

Journal # 4 3/12

NO CHANGE IN SITUATION HERE.

LEGGE

FROM: LEAHY, VICHY
FILED: 3/12

Journal # 101 3/12

NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS TO REPORT WITH REGARD TO THE
MILITARY SITUATION IN FRANCE.

LEAHY, VICHY

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON
FILED: 10:40 p.m. 3/12

Journal # 6 3/12

COMPOSITE JIC HELD SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 11 TO ORIENT
U.S. GROUP. CAVENDISH-BENTINCK PRESIDED. STATEMENTS OF
INTEREST:

I. THE CAUCASUS ARE GERMANY'S SPRING GOAL. ROUTE AND
INTERMEDIATE OPERATIONS STILL OBSCURE. MILIT OPERATIONS
AGAINST SWEDEN UNLIKELY.

II. VON ROSEN, JUST BACK FROM SWEDEN, THINKS NAZI INVAS
ION NOT IMMINENT, BUT IS CONCERNED OVER ANY POSSIBLE ALLIED
OPERATIONS IN NORWAY BEFORE PREPARED FOR MAJOR OFFENSE ON
CONTINENT. FEELS THIS NOT PRACTICABLE THIS YEAR.
GERMAN PROPAGANDA STRESSING ALLIED DESIRE TO SECURE RUSS
PORTS IN ARCTIC BY OCCUPYING ALL NORTH ANDANAVIA. SWEDEN
WOULD RESIST SUCH ACTION INVOLVING HER TERRITORY, EVEN TO
ACCEPTING NAZI AID.

8:00 a.m.

3/12

TO

8:00 a.m.

3/13

JOURNAL # 6 3/13 continued
 III. WEEKLY MEETINGS FOR DISCUSSING WORLD SITUATION STILL
 ATTENDED BY U.S. GROUP, WITH PRIVILEGE OF ASKING QUESTIONS.
 IV. FOR LEE NOT BRITISH. CONSIDERING FACTORS MOST
 FAVORABLE FOR THE GERMANS, SPRING INVASION OF GREAT BRITAIN
 IMPRACTICABLE BEFORE OCTOBER IF GERMANS LAUNCH SPRING
 OFFENSIVE ON RUSSIA.

FROM: OTTAWA

Journal # 41

FILED: 3/11 2127

D/F BEARINGS SHOW SUBMARINE 340 MI NNW OF SAN MIGUEL,
 AZORES (WITHIN 100 MI 4100N - 3700 W)

FROM: SHIPPE, LISBON

Journal # 8

FILED: 2215 3/12

DETACHMENT ABOUT 100 MEN DEPARTED MARCH 10 FOR AZORES.
 COL. WOSHIBADA MISHIMA IS NEW JAP W/A. LT. COL.
 NOOKIMUTSUTAMA, ASST. W/A RESIDENT OF MADRID BUT ACCREDITED
 TO LISBON.

MAJ. GEN. KRAMER WILL BE REPLACED APRIL 1 AS GERMAN
 AIR ATTACHE BY GEN. KEPTENBEIL

FROM: LISBON, ASTALUSNA

Journal # 11

FILED: MARCH 12 1400 ENT

100 MIXED TROOPS LEFT MARTEN ABOARD THE "LIMA" BOUND
 FOR THE AZORES.

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON

JOURNAL # 18

FILED: 3/12

CONCERNING VEHICLES MAGNOT SECOND CONTINGENT.

~~XXXXX~~
 FROM:

Filed: 3/12/42, ---

Journal #79, 3/12

LONDON

From: M/A London

LONDON REPORTS THAT ENEMY PATROLS WERE MET AND FORCED
TO WITHDRAW IN THE BIR TENROD-GADE EL AINIMA AREAS ON THE
10TH. (10-20 MI W. OF GAZALA)

FROM: THE ADMIRALTY (N) Journal # 36

FILED: 10:33 3/10

GERM TANKER GERMANIA LEFT TUNERIFE, MARCH 5 CARRYING
900 TONS FUEL ONLY. GERMAN TANKER CHARLOTTE SCHLESSEMAN LEFT
LAS PALMAS ON FEB 25 WITH 9000 TONS DIESEL OIL. 12 KNOTS
MAX. SPEED EACH TANKER.

NO INFORMATION PRESENT LOCATION RAIDER E.

8:00 A.M.

3/12/42

TO

8:00 A.M.

3/13/42

FROM: DAWSON, MIAMI Journal # 30

FILED: 3/13 2349 EST

SS OBSERVED 10 MI OFF IVORY COAST BY CREW OF FERRY PLANE
MARCH 11. SUBMARINE APPEARED 400 FEET LONG, NOT IN MOTION,
NO IDENTIFICATION MARKS. PLANE WAS FLYING AT 2000 FEET

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

PACIFIC # 1

8:00 a.m.
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8:00 a.m.
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FROM: COM 14 (N)

Journal # 39

FILED: 1730 3/11

RECOMMEND THAT DOCTOR LEON MERMOD BE APPOINTED LOCAL
REPRESENTATIVE TO INSPECT INTERNMENT CAMPS OF INTERNATIONAL
RED CROSS IN HAWAII.

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Filed: 3/12/42, 0408

Journal #69, 3/12

From: Navy

ON MARCH 10, 2 SMALL AND 1 LARGE (POSSIBLY CARRIER)
COMBATANT SHIPS SIGHTED OFF KAPATE (NEW HEBRIDES).
SUBRON 7 IS IN MARSHALLS.

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Filed: 3/12/42, 0408

Journal #70, 3/12

From: Navy

KAMOGAWA MARU (AIR TENDER) IS IN SAIGON.
ON MARCH 10 THERE WERE FOUR CRUISERS OR DD'S AT LAE
(NEW GUINEA).

Filed: 3/13/42, 0225

Journal #77, 3/12

From: Brett, Australia

BRETT WARNED THAT TENTAGE FOR HOUSING TROOPS MUST BE
SENT WITH THEM SINCE THERE ARE NO AVAILABLE HOUSING
FACILITIES.

FROM: ACNB, NAVY

Journal # 96

FILED: 3/12

MARCH 11, 6 B-17's ATTACKED LAE IN SALAMOA, DESTROYING
BUILDING AND HANGARS, DAMAGING RUNWAY, WITH 20 500-LB
BOMBS, AT SALAMOA. AT LAE SAME NUMBER BOMBS DROPPED ON
AIRDROME. NO PLANES LOST, ONE ENEMY DOWNED.

MARCH 10, 0800, RECONNAISSANCE AT NAURU MADE BY FOUR-
MOTORED FLYING BOATS. BOMBED AND MACHINE GUNNED BY
ENEMY FLOAT PLANE MARCH 10, AT 2300 OCT, WERE OUR RADIO
AT PUNA AND MISSION VESSEL.

OBSERVED ENEMY SHIPPING MARCH 11 IN HUON GULF WERE ONE
BEACH TRANSPORT, TWO DESTROYERS, TWO CRUISERS, THREE
TRANSPORTS, ONE SMALL STEAMER. ENEMY INACTIVE SALAMOA.
LAE AIRPORT IN OPERATION BY ENEMY ACCORDING OUR RECONNAISS-
ANCE MARCH 11, 0303 OCT.

THE STANDING PATROL BY JAPS OF RABAU IS ONE T-96 SSF
FROM 0400 TO 1800 LOCAL TIME DAILY, 3000-5000 METERS

JOURNAL # 96 continued

ALTITUDE, BELIEVED RELIABLE SOURCE THIS INFORMATION
PRISONER INTERROGATION. EIGHT WARSHIPS LEFT KESSABUKA
HARBOR MARCH 10. THESE WERE: TWO 3 FUNNEL CRUISERS, TWO
2-FUNNEL CRUISERS, TWO 1-FUNNEL CRUISERS AND TWO DESTROYERS.
MAY ALSO HAVE BEEN ONE AC. CRUISERS MAY HAVE BEEN TIKUMA
KASH IMA, TATSUTA TENRY U, & TWO-UNIT CRUISER DIVISION 6.
KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN THIS VICINITY LATELY WAS C IN C JAP
4th FLEET & FLAG OFFICER MANDATED AIR FLEET.

AIR RAID ON PORT MORESBY MARCH 11, 0230 OCT WAS MADE BY
12 HEAVY BOMBERS. NO CASUALTIES. 18 BOMBS WERE HIT RUN-
WAY BUT AIRFIELDS NOT MATERIALLY DAMAGED. SEVERAL OF THE
BOMBS WERE DELAYED ACTION TYPE. PORT MORESBY AREA
EXTENSIVELY RECONNOITERED MARCH 10, 2120 OCT.

TULAGI RECONNOITERED BY ENEMY PLANE 0030 OCT MARCH 11.

JOURNAL # 96

UNIDENTIFIED SS REPORTED BY AIR RECON AT 009-10 SOUTH
143-51 E, MARCH 11 (JUST OFF COAST SOUTH CENTRAL NEW
GUINEA, NEAR BARU.

FROM: EMMONS, FT. SHAFTER Journal # 21
FILED: 3/12/42 10:03 p

PARAPHRASE FROM GEN PATCH TO GEN CRAWFORD WPD:
WD INSTRUCTIONS TO KEEP SECRET DEFINITE PLANS ON
POPPY FROM FRENCH HIGH COMMISSIONER HAVE BEEN RIGIDLY
OBSERVED, BUT AUSTR NAVY LIAISON OFFICER YESTERDAY TOLD
ME HE REVEALED DATE, STRENGTH, AND OTHER DATA TO FRENCH
COMMISSIONER ON INSTRUCTION FROM HIS SUPERIORS. THIS
HAS BEEN CONFIRMED.

PROGRESS ON ARGENTIEU NEGOTIATIONS SATISFACTORY. HE
DESIRES COMMAND ENTIRE MILL FORCES. I TOLD HIM THE
COMMAND IS AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE MY RESPONSIBILITY.
AUSTR FORCE COMMANDER EXCELLENT IN COOPERATION. NO
FURTHER DIFFICULTY ON QUESTION OF COMMAND ANTICIPATED.

[REDACTED]

* French High Commissioner of
New Caledonia and adjacent
French Islands. He was
appointed by General De Gaulle.

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5/13/42

Filed: 0404 5/12

IS #64, 5/12

From: STILWELL Chungking

UNTIL JAP PLANS IN SOUTH BURMA KNOWN & COOPERATION WITH
BRIT ARRANGED, NO CHINESE ACTION CAN BE EXPECTED IN BURMA.
JOINT STAFF BEING CONSIDERED FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT MAR 10
BY GENERALISSIMO OF STILWELL AS CHIEF OF STAFF. STILWELL
DEPARTING FOR CHINESE HQS IN BURMA MAR 11.

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Filed: 3/12/42, —

Journal 91

From: M/O. INDIA

M/O INDIA STATES ESTIMATES OF INDIAN ONQ AS TWO TON-
NAGE OF MAIL CAN BE CARRIED IN INDIA.

KARACHI-QUETTA 30,000

KARACHI-CALCUTTA OR BOMBAY-CALCUTTA BUT NOT BOTH
100,000CALCUTTA-GUNWATI 40,000 AND CALCUTTA-DIMAPUR 20,000
BOTH IN ASSAM.

8:00 A.M.

3/12/42

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Filed: 3/12/42, —

Journal #33, 3/12

From: M/A London

LONDON IDENTIFIED THE FOLLOWING:

ONE FORMOSAN DIV. IN BURMA

2 IN PHILIPPINES (USED FOR L OF C DUTIES, JAP ORGANI-
ZATION AND OFFICERS)

33RD AND 55TH JAP DIV. IN BURMA

BRITISH 17TH DIV, SEVENTH ARMORED BRIGADE AND INDIAN
63RD INF BRIG ENROUTE FROM RANGOON TO PROME (200 MI N.
RANGOON) [ORGANIZATION INTACT], ADVANCE HQ BURMA ARMY IS
AT THARRHADDY, (100 MI N. RANGOON, NORTH GROUP AT MAOWE
(300 MI N. RANGOON), CHINESE 200TH DIV. (FIFTH ARMY) AT
PYIDAWA - YEDASHE (20 MI NORTH TOUNGOO) FREEING BURMS
FIRST DIVISION FOR USE ELSEWHERE THAN TOUNGOO -PTU AREA
(200 MI S. MANDALAY). CHINESE 55TH DIV NOW ENTIRELY EN-
ROUTE LASHIO TO NANSANG (10 MI W. LASHIO). FOLLOWING
ELEMENTS CHINESE FIFTH ARMY IDENTIFIED ENROUTE TO PEANWE
JOURNAL #33, 3/12
(100 MI S MANDALAY) ANTITANK UNIT, ENGINEER UNIT, PIONEER
BATTALION (APPEARED IN FINE TRIM)
COMMUNICATION DIFFICULT IN BURMA BECAUSE OF ENEMY ACTION
AGAINST LINES, LACK OF RADIO FACILITIES AND LENGTH OF
LINES.

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IS #26, 3/13

From: N/A HAVANA

CHILEAN NAVAL TRANSPORT RANGUA ARRIVED METANZAS MAR 10 FROM MIQUIQUE, CHILE.

PLANS DEPART ABOUT MAR. 20TH FOR NEW YORK ON MEXICAN PORT. WILL CONFIRM DEPARTURE & DESTINATION WHEN OCCURS.

Filed: 1850, 3/12

IB #25, 3/13

From: ALUSNA MEXICO CITY

PEMEX STILL DELAYING SAILING MEROPE TO MARTINIQUE BY REFUSING BUNKERS BUT SITUATION IS BECOMING EMBARRASSING TO PEMEX.

SITUATION MAY DEMAND OFFICIAL REQUEST OF MEXICAN GOV'T TO REFUSE BUNKERS IN ORDER TO HOLD SHIP. MASTER HAS REQUESTED THROUGH AMER CONSUL JIATZACO ALCOS APPROVAL U.S. MARITIME COMMISSION OR NAVY DEPT FOR VOYAGE TO MARTINIQUE TO CHANGE CREW & RETURN TO TUXPAN OR TAMPICO. MEROPE NOW AT MANCHITAL WILL BE READY SAIL 15TH. PEMEX STATES MASTER INSISTS ON CALLING AT TAMPICO BEFORE PROCEEDING TO MARTINIQUE. MEXICAN NAVAL DURANGO NOW OBSERVING MEROPE.

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Filed: 4:50 P 3/12

IJ #27, 3/13

From: BOMESTEELE IBC

1ST BRIG (PROVISIONAL) MARINES HAS BEEN DETACHED FROM
U.S. ARMY & EMPARKED AT 1200 MAR 8.PENDING DEPARTURE CONVOY MOVED TO NAVAL ANCHORAGE.
REFER OHQ 291 22 FEB 42.

Filed: 0429 3/13

IJ #43, 3/13

From: WATKINS, ETO

RADIO INTERCEPT REPORTED BY CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR: FROM
SS MAIPOSA 33°35'N, 77°36'W - VESSEL EXPLODED ABOUT 8 MI.
NORTH.RADIO INTERCEPT REPORTED BY NEW YORK-PHILA. SECTOR:
VESSEL OBSERVED TO EXPLODE 8 MILES NORTH OF 33°35'N, 73°
30'W BY SS MERCURYSON AT 0330 GMT.

Filed: 1026 EWT 3/12

IJ #89, 3/13

From: CESP #1762

SS WAS SIGHTED AT 1960 CCT (1650 EWT) MAR 11 IN POSITION
43-26 N. 65-13 W. (20 MILES E. OF CAPE SABLE, NOVA SCOTIA).

Filed: 1637, 3/11

IJ #35, 3/13

From: ALUSNA LONDON

1 ENEMY CRAFT KC40 FROM TRONDHEIM WAS ACTIVE YESTERDAY
EXTENDING ITS OPERATIONS TO 65°NORTH AND WEST OF 10° WEST
(ENE OF ICELAND).

Filed: 4:29 A 3/13

IJ #41, 3/13

From: ETO

FREIGHTER AT 1120 GMT MAR. 13 WAS STOPPED BY SMALL DES-
TROYER AT 3858 NORTH-7432 WEST. PLANE FROM 104TH OBSERVA-
TION SQUADRON WHO OBSERVED ACTION STATES DESTROYER DID NOT
RETURN SIGNAL PROPERLY. HOWEVER, DESTROYER WAS ONE OF OUR
OWN ACCORDING TO REPORT FROM NAVY SOURCES.

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ABDA THEATER

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IJ #28, 3/13

From: EMMONS Ft. Shafter

CINCPAC MESSAGE: 6 B-17's, AUSTRALIAN FORCES, ATTACKED
MISSION ON LAE & SALAMUA ABOUT 2030 Mar. 11. ALL BLDGS
DESTROYED & PIER AT LAE HIT DIRECTLY. 6 ENEMY FIGHTER
PLANES DOWNED. ALL OUR PLANES RETURNED.

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1J #39, 3/13

From: KLUSS Ankara

GREEK AMBASSADOR REPORTS HUNGARIAN TROOPS IN GREECE.

PRESENT STRENGTH OF BULGARIAN ARMY:

18 INFANTRY DIVS.

2 CAVALRY DIVS.

1 MECHANIZED DIV.

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IJ #40, 3/13

From: MICHELA K

ESTIMATE BASED ON PRESS REPORTS OF PAST 4 MONTHS OF COM-
PARATIVE LOSSES OF MEN & MATERIEL OF RUSSIAN & GERMAN
ARMIES. ALSO PREDICTION OF COMING SPRING OFFENSIVE & A
STATEMENT THAT RUSSIAN ARMY CAN SLOW UP & MAKE COSTLY A
GERMAN OFFENSIVE BUT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO WIN DECISIVELY.

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IS # 80, 3/12

From: USG AM EMBASSY

LONDON REPORTS SHIPPING LOSSES FOR BRIT ALLIED & NEUTRAL
NATIONS BETWEEN MAR 2 & MAR 8 INCLUSIVE TO BE 41,000 TONS
OF SHIPPING OTHER THAN TANKERS & 61,400 OF TANKER SHIPPING.
THIS INCLUDES ONLY SHIPS OF 1600 GROSS TONNAGE & OVER.

Filed: 1557, 3/11

IS #55, 3/13

From: ALUGMA LONDON

3 ENEMY AIRCRAFT FROM BORDEAUX CONDUCTED ANTI-SHIPING
RECONNAISSANCE ON MAR 10 & THE N.W.S. LOCH OSMAG WAS
ATTACKED OFF OPORTO SPAIN.

1 ENEMY CRAFT KC40 FROM TRONDHEIM WAS ACTIVE YESTERDAY
EXTENDING ITS OPERATIONS TO 65° N AND W. OF 10° W. (ENE OF
ICELAND).

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Journal #37, 3/11

From: Navy

AN ENEMY SUB TENDER IS BELIEVED TO BE OPERATING IN THE
VICINITY OF 23N - 61W, 400 MILES NE OF PUERTO RICO.

ATLANTIC SUBMARINE SINKINGS:

1130 OCT PANAMANTIAN SS HANSEAT
MARCH 920-10W 10 MILES NORTH
74-10W OF CAPE MAYBI0900 SS UNTATA
10 MARCHIN HARBOR OF CASTRIES
RIES, ST. LUCIA

MARCH 9 BRIT SS HEMOIST

140 MI W OF BUTT
OF LEWIS, NORTH
ISLAND.3/11/42
8:00 A.M.
TO
3/12/42
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Journal #39, 3/11

RIO

From: Hughes, Rio

BRAZILIAN SHIPS (?) CAIRU LLOYD TORPEDOED MARCH 8
ENROUTE NEW YORK, ACCORDING TO A.P. REPORT.

Filed: 3/11/42, 2:54 P.

Journal #43, 3/11

QUARRY HTS.

From: Kirkwood, Quarry Hts.

I.B. #89, 3/11

SEARCH FAI LS TO REVEAL 3 SUBS REPORTED NEAR CURACAO.
SUSANA (?) BAY NOT REFUELING BASE FOR ENEMY SUBS,
ACCORDING TO STUDY BY M/A CIUDAD TRUJILLO.

Filed: 3/11/42, 1540

Journal #50, 3/11

From: OPNAV

A PERUVIAN SS, OF THE (A) TYPE, IS PATROLLING WITHIN
A RADIUS OF 40 MILES OF TALARA, PERU.

From: Pratt - Port of Spain

Journal #48, 3/11/42

PRATT

Filed: 3/11/42, 5:11 P

PORT OF SPAIN

DUTCH REPORT SUB AT 10°27' N - 56°26' W; FROM G2, DUTCH
GUIANA.

From: Watkins - ETO

I.J. #9, 3/12/42

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ONE OR MORE SUBS ARE REPORTED FROM SAN JUAN IN
PUERTO RICO TO BE FOUND IN GUANTANAMA BAY.

Journal #32, 3/11

From: COMCARIBSEAFRON

RIO

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Journal #36, 3/11

From: Hughes, Rio

I.B. #53, 3/11

PUTSCH EXPECTED ANY MINUTE, INFORMANT STATES BERLIN SOURCE. ARAMAH AND AIR MINISTRY APPREHENSIVE FEELING HIGH OVER SINKINGS OF BRAZILIAN SHIPS.

ATLANTIC

Filed: 3/11/42, 0614/Z
From: RDO Ottawa (N)

Journal #28, 3/11

OTTAWA

AN ENEMY SS INDICATED BY D/F BEARINGS ON MARCH 11,
0218/Z, WITHIN 100 MI 40-30 N 50 W 400 MI OFF SABLE
ISLAND.

Filed: 3/11/42, 0855/Z
From: RDO, Ottawa (N)

Journal #29, 3/11

OTTAWA

AN ENEMY SS INDICATED BY D/F BEARINGS ON MARCH 11,
0442/Z WITHIN 30 MI 40 N 70 W 125 MILES S. OF CAPE
COD.

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From: Navy

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ATLANTIC SUBMARINE SINKINGS:

MARCH 6 AMERICAN SS BARBARA -

0445 OCT SS GULF TRADE
10 MARCH

39-45N 4 MI OFF BARNEGAT,
73-51W N.J.

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Journal #40, 3/11

DRUM, ETO

From: ETO, Drum

I.B. #73, 3/11

SUBS CLOSE TO N.J. SHORE AT 0909 GMT ACCORDING TO
SPOTTER AT LONG BRANCH, N.J.

Filed: 3/11/42,

Journal #44, 3/11

ETO-

From: Drum, ETO & 1st Army

3 SUBS SIGHTED BY BOMBER AT 1115 GMT MARCH 10; 41°06'N
70°53' W. NO ATTACK MADE, THEY SUBMERGED AT ONCE.
REGULAR MISSIONS PERFORMED.

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8:00 A.M.
TO
3/12/42
8:00 A.M.

From: Watkins - ETO

Journal #3, 3/12/42

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REPORT FROM COAST GUARD AT LERES, DEL., OF TORPEDOING
OF UNITED FRUIT SHIP ELVOSLEF AT0005 GMT MARCH 11 OPPOSITE
CAPE HENLOPEN, DEL. 14 SURVIVORS.

SUB SIGHTED AT 0925 GMT MARCH 11 AT 34°22' N - 76°20' W.
REPORT FROM NEW YORK-PHILADELPHIA SECTOR AT 1404 GMT
THAT SUB NEAR MANTOLOKING, N. J., WAS ATTACKED BY A COAST
GUARD VESSEL, WHICH DROPPED 3 DEPTH CHARGES WITH UNKNOWN
RESULTS.

AT 1312 GMT DEPTH CHARGES WERE ALSO DROPPED BY A DES-
TROYSER AT 39°22' N - 74°15' W, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

From: Watkins - ETO

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DESTROYER ATTACKED SUB 8 MILES SOUTH OF BLOCK ISLAND
AT 0100 MARCH 11. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

SUB ATTACKED BY NAVAL VESSEL 20 MILES OFF ATLANTIC CITY
WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

ANOTHER AT 0925 GMT SOUTH OF CAPE LOOKOUT, N. C.
NAVY REPORTS SHIP (IDENTITY UNKNOWN) NEAR PALM BEACH,
FLA. AT 0140 GMT MARCH 11.

SUB SIGHTED AT 0009 GMT MARCH 11 VERY NEAR SHORE AT
LONG BRANCH, N. J.

ANOTHER SUB SIGHTED 6 MILES EAST OF MANTOLOKING N.J.
SUB SIGHTED BY SHIP IDENTIFIED (?) AS LEDA AT 29°58' N
AND 69°32' W AT 2032 GMT.

REPORT FROM NAVY AT KEY WEST THAT NORWEGIAN TANKER
CHARLES RACINE WAS TORPEDOED AT 0321 GMT MARCH 10 LOCATION
23°10' N - 60°27' W.

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Journal #37, 3/11

From: Navy

VISUAL RECONNAISSANCE OF AASPERED ON MARCH 10 FAILED TO
FIND THE ADMIRAL SCHEER AND PRINZ HUGHEN.

From: Eager - Madrid

Journal #44, 3/11/42

EAGER

Filed: 3/11/42, 1855

I.B. #1, 3/12/42

MADRID

INDICATIONS OF STRENGTHENING ANTI-INVASION TROOPS FROM
BORDEAUX SOUTH NOTED; INCLUDING SEVERAL ARMED. UNITS AND
AN A.A. REGT.

Filed: 3/11/42, 3:28 P.

Journal #35, 3/11

From: McClure, London

I.B. #46, 3/11

FOUR ENEMY MERCHANT SHIPS WITH ESCORT ATTACKED BY BRIT. NAVAL PLANES ON 9TH, 170 MI NE MISURATA. CONVOY APPARENTLY ENROUTE BOMBAY.

1 ID, 1 CV HIT 1 MERCHANT SHIP SET ON FIRE.

GROUND ACTIVITY LIMITED TO PATROLS ON BOTH SIDES.

Filed: 3/10/42, 3:30 P.

Journal #47, 3/11

From: McClure, London

I.B. #67, 3/10

LONDON

3/11/42
8:00 A.M.
TO
3/12/42
8:00 A.M.

MOST RECENT EST. IN W.O. CONCERNING AXIS TANKS IN FORWARD AREA LIBYA GIVES MIN. OF 260, WHICH IS THOUGHT TO BE PROBABLY CLOSE TO CORRECT, HOWEVER, IT IS ADMITTED THAT THERE COULD POSSIBLY BE AS MANY AS 450.

IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOME OF ARMORED ELEMENTS OF THE 133D ITALIAN ARMORED DIV. HAVE ARRIVED IN FORWARD AREA FROM TRIPOLI, BUT THERE IS STILL NO POSITIVE INFORMATION TO THAT EFFECT.

IN MY OPINION HEAVY CONTINUOUS BOMBING WHICH HAS BEEN RAINED ON MALTA INDICATES THAT ANOTHER AXIS CONVOY IS ENROUTE TO LIBYA, HOWEVER, THERE IS NO INFORMATION HERE THAT SUCH A MOVEMENT IS IN PROGRESS.

DURING FORENOON 8 MARCH, AXIS ARTILLERY WAS ACTIVE E. OF THE DESERT TRACK EL ELEBA-BIR HALBON-THIMI BUT IT WAS FORCED TO WITHDRAW DURING AFTERNOON BY A BRIT COLUMN. I.B. #67, 3/10 CONTD.

A RECONNAISSANCE DISCOVERED MUCH AXIS MOTOR TRANSPORT IN THE VICINITY OF THE NORTH OF MECHILI, MARCH 8.

From: Edwards - Tanger

Journal #45, 3/11/42

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I. B. #2, 3/12/42

EDWARDS

NOTHING TO REPORT.

TANGER

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Journal #37, 3/11

From: Navy
 CRESS WAS SUNKED BY AN ENEMY CRUISER AT 11:28 A.M. (0328 GMT) ON MARCH 10.

AN AMST. CONQ. STATES THAT PORT MORESBY WAS BOMBED BY ENEMY AIRCRAFT FOR THE 10TH TIME ON MARCH 10. ENEMY FORCES LANDED AT PINCHABAY, ON THE COAST NEW GUINEA, 60 MILES FROM SALAMBA, ON MARCH 10.

A JAP CONQ OF MARCH 11 ANNOUNCED THAT THE AMST. AIR FORCE MADE THEIR GREATEST RAID ON THE NEW GUINEA AREA ON MARCH 10, ATTACKING ENEMY SHIPS AND AIRFIELDS AT OASHTA, NEW BRITAIN AND AT SALAMBA, NEW GUINEA, ONE, AND POSSIBLY TWO ENEMY CRUISERS, IN ADDITION TO ABOUT 7 OTHER VESSELS, WERE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN SUNK IN THESE ATTACKS.

A UNITED STATES SUB RETURNING FROM PATROL OFF FORMOSA ISLAND REPORTS SINKING A TOTAL OF FOUR JAPANO VESSELS.

3/11/42
 8:00 A.M.
 TO
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 8:00 A.M.

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Journal #38, 3/11

AUSTRALIA

From: Brett, Australia

OPINION THAT ALLIED DEFEATS SO FAR ARE DUE TO DISPERSION OF FORCES AND LACK OF LONG RANGE DEFENSIVE PLANNING FOR CONTINUITY OF SUSTAINED ACTION. RECOMMENDS U.S. CONCENTRATE ITS EFFORTS IN ONE THEATER ONLY, PREFERABLY ANZAC AREA, SO THAT ALL SUPPLIES AND TRAINING WILL BE UNIFORM. ALL PILOT AND TECHNICAL TRAINING OF AUSTRALIAN FORCES SHOULD BE CONDUCTED IN CONTINENTAL THEATERS OF U.S.

Filed: 3/10/42, 3:30 P.

From: USO AMEMBASSY LONDON

Journal #46, 3/11

LONDON

INFORMATION ON FAR EAST:

1. NEW GUINEA: HEAVY BOMBERS RAIDED PORT MORESBY ON MORNING MARCH 7. OCCUPATION OF SALAMBA AND IAE BY ENEMY WAS CONFIRMED.

2. JAVA: THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL REPORT AT W.O. TODAY ON SITUATION.

3. BURMA. a. INFORMATION JUST RECEIVED DATED 1300 GMT MARCH 7 IN BURMA: IN LOWER BURMA SITUATION BECAME WORSE ON MARCH 6, WHEN JAP CUT OFF A BRIGADE OF INDIAN 17TH INDIAN DIV AT PROU. ENEMY LANDINGS ON NORTH SHORE OF CHINA BAKER RIVER AND ALONG W. BANK OF RANOCOR RIVER ON SAME DAY. RESULT WAS BRIT EVACUATION OF RANOCOR, ON MARCH 7, AS REPORTED EARLIER BY US. BRIT 7TH ARMORED BRIGADE LED BRIT TROOPS IN WITHDRAWAL BY WAY OF ROSE-ROAD. AT POINT 26 MI N. RANOCOR CONSIDERABLE FORCE OF ENEMY WAS ENCOUNTERED WHICH HAD RECENTLY ROAD BLOCKS PROTECTED BY ANTI-TANK GUNS. BRIT CASUALTIES WERE HEAVY IN ATTEMPTED BREAK THRU WHICH VIOLENTLY OPPOSED. b. MESSAGE RECEIVED ALONG WITH ABOVE BUT DATED 1500 GMT, MARCH 8. STATED THAT EARLY ON MARCH 8 ROADBLOCKS WERE REMOVED AFTER LOSS OF A NUMBER OF BRIT TANKS. UP TO 1100 GMT ON 8TH THE WITHDRAWAL TO THARAVADY WAS STILL IN PROGRESS. THE COM NEW BURMA PLANNED TO RETIRE TO MOE AND THEN JOIN CHINESE FOR FURTHER OPERATIONS IN UPPER BURMA. c. THE JAP HOLD TERRITORIES UP AS LIBERATORS TO THE BURMESE WHOM THEY ARE TREATING WELL, ALTHOUGH THE LATTER ARE REQUIRED TO WORK AND TAKE UP ARMS.

ABDA
1942

IM66, 3/11 CONTD.

0-2 NOTES.

1. CHINA BAKER RIVER: ONE OF NORTHEASTERN MOUTHS OF THE IRAWADDY, DUE S OF RANGOON.
2. RANGOON RIVER: RUNS SE PAST CITY OF RANGOON.
3. FROME: ABOUT 160 MILES NW RANGOON, ON ONE OF TWO MAIN ROUTES TO N.
4. THAKRAWADDY: ABOUT 65 MILES NW OF RANGOON ON ROAD TO FROME.

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M Journal #48, 3/11

From: ACMB

I.B. #107, 3/11

8 ARMY BOMBERS DROPPED BOMBS ON ENEMY SHIPPING IN SALAMOA HARBOR AT 0115 MARCH 10 CAUSING THE FOLLOWING DAMAGE SIX TRANSPORTS WERE HIT, FOUR OBSERVED BURNING, ONE BEACHED, AND ONE SINKING.

AN ALLIED AIRCRAFT BOMBED A TRANSPORT IN THE ENTRANCE TO SALAMOA HARBOR AT 0723 MARCH 10.

AN ALLIED AIRCRAFT DROPPED 8 BOMBS ON THE CENTER RUNWAY OF THE SALAMOA AIRFIELD AT 0720 MARCH 10.

AN ALLIED AIRCRAFT ATTACKED A DESTROYER AND A TRANSPORT IN MAN ISCH HARBOR AT 2345 MARCH 9.

RECONNAISSANCE AT 2050 MARCH 9 SHOWED 2 CRUISERS, 2 LARGE TRANSPORTS, AND 3 DESTROYERS ENTERING LAE, NEW GUINEA, ALSO ONE TRANSPORT AT ANCHOR.

BUMA, NEW GUINEA WAS MACHINE GUNNED BY SINGLE ENGINED SEA PLANES ON MARCH 10 AT 0001.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills

I.J #22, 3/12/42

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

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FIRE DIRECTION CENTER PLUS ALL AVAILABLE OBSN (PORT SILL METHOD) PROVED EFFECTIVE.

FIRING METHOD, NO NEED FOR IMPROVEMENT. HEAVY CONCENTRATIONS PARTICULARLY EFFECTIVE ON JAPS COUPLED WITH SURPRISE EFFECT. 155'S G.P.F. HAVE PROVED MOST EFFECTIVE. HAVE USED THEM IN CONCENTRATIONS WITH GREAT MOBILITY. IN SERIOUS SITUATIONS, VITAL FACTOR HAS BEEN THESE GUNS.

THEY HAVE COMPLETELY CHECKMATED AND CONFUSED THE ENEMY AND HAVE BEEN HANDLED AUDACIOUSLY.

JAP ORDER OF BATTLE IN P.I.

14TH ARMY LT. GEN. HEMMA GASEE REPORTED HEAD (HARIKARI?) REPLACE BY LT. GEN. YAMASHITA.

CORPS ORGANIZATION

LUZON 2 PROBABLE

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S. ISLANDS 1 INCL. MINDANAO

MANILA, HQ OF LUZON UNITS

LT. GEN. SUSUMU MORIOKA

SAN FERNANDO HQ N. LUZON UNITS

TAGAYTAY HQ ? S LUZON UNITS OR POSSIBLY BATANGAS

BATAAN FRONT

16TH DIV. LT. GEN. NAOKI KIMURI (?)

INF. REGTS. 39th, 9th, 20th

F.A. 22d

ENG 16th

NTR. TRANSP 16th

RECONNAISSANCE GROUP 16th

SIG. GROUP 16th

P. HOSPITAL 1st

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65TH DIV.

LT. GEN. AKIRA MURA.

INF. REGT. 122 141, 142

MT. BN 38

ENG 10

UNIDENTIFIED SERVICE UNITS

LINE OF COMMUNICATION

48 DIV. LT. GEN. ICHIKI DORASH (?)

N.B. PARTS OF 65TH DIV. BELIEVED TRANSFERRED TO MINDORO
UNITS OF L OF COM. HAVE TAKEN THEIR PLACE. NO
IDENTIFICATION BEYOND MARINES IN MINDANAO.

From: Brett-Australia
Filed: 3/12/42 0515

I.J. #15, 3/12/42

BRETT
AUSTRALIA

THE FURTHER DETAILS OF RECONNAISSANCE AND ATTACK ON
ENEMY TRANSPORT SHIPS IN HANISCH ON MARCH 10. NO HITS.
HEAVY ANTIAIRCRAFT AT 12,000, LIGHT AT 3,000. REPORT
OF ENEMY SHIPS ENTERING LAE (?) AND OTHERS ANCHORED
THERE, AS WELL AS AT HANISCH HARBOR, SALAMUA AND BARAUL.
REPORTS OF BOMBING CARRIED ON DURING AIR RAIDS ON
SALAMUA AND MORESBY. REPORT THAT ROUTINE PATROLS OF
AUSTRALIAN COAST HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT. ASSERTED
PROBABILITY OF ENEMY LANDING ATTACK BEING CARRIED OUT
BY JAPS ON AUSTRALIAN NW AND W COAST. IT IS NOT THOUGHT
LIKELY THAT SUCH AN ATTACK WILL BE MADE IN THE BEGIN-
NING AS FAR SOUTH AS FREMANTLE.

From: OPNAV
Filed: 3/11/42, 0836

I.J. #20, 3/12/42

OPNAV

ENEMY SHIPPING IN SALAMUA HARBOR BOMBED BY EIGHT
ARMY BOMBERS 10TH MARCH. RESULTS FOLLOW: 6 TRANSPORTS
HIT, ONE BEACHED, ONE SINKING, FOUR BURNING.
TRANSPORT IN ENTRANCE TO SALAMUA HARBOR MARCH 10TH
BOMBED BY ALLIED AIRCRAFT.

THE SALAMUA AIRDROME WAS BOMBED MARCH 10TH BY
ALLIED AIRCRAFT. 6 BOMBS WERE DROPPED ON THE CENTER
RUNWAY.

ON MARCH 9TH ALLIED AIRCRAFT ATTACKED THE FOLLOWING
VESSELS IN THE HANISCH HARBOR: 1 DESTROYER, 1 TRANSPORT.
3 DESTROYERS, 2 CRUISERS, 2 LARGE TRANSPORTS WERE
OBSERVED ENTERING LAE, NEW GUINEA 9TH MARCH. 1 TRANS-
PORT WAS ALSO AT ANCHOR.

BUNA, NEW GUINEA WAS OBJECTIVE OF SINGLE ENGINE SEA
PLANES WHO MACHINE GUNNED THE PLACE 10 MARCH.

WITHIN A RADIUS OF 40 MILES OF TALAM, PERU, A
PERUBIAN SUB OF THE (R) TYPE WAS PATROLLING.

ADMIRAL SCHERER AND THE PRINCE EUGEN WERE IN LO FJIOND
10:30 A.M. MARCH 11TH. RECONNAISSANCE DID NOT REVEAL
THE PRESENCE OF THE TURPITZ.

AT THE ENTRANCE OF GUANTANAMO, CUBA, TWO SUBS WERE
SIGHTED.

ABDA

Filed: 3/11/42, 3:28 P.
From: McClure, London

Journal #34, 3/11

LONDON

NO NEWS OF JAVA SITUATION
REPORTED THAT JAPS HAVE BEEN FORTIFYING MASSIKONOTUKA
AND WATOM ISLES OFF RABAUH HARBOR.

ONE 8000 TON TRANSPORT HIT BY AUSTRALIAN PLANES AT
SALAMOA, NEW GUINEA.

ELEVEN SHIPS CARRIED OUT LANDING AT LAE, NEW GUINEA,
MARCH 7.

Filed: 3/11/42, 2100
From: Brett, Melbourne

Journal #35, 3/11

MELBOURNE

REPORT RECOMMENDING CENSORS OFFICE IN WASHINGTON NOT
RELEASE ANY INFORMATION RE US FORCES IN AUSTRALIA UNTIL
THE GENERAL BAN ON SUCH INFORMATION IS LIFTED, IN ORDER
THAT FALSE IMPRESSION AS TO US EFFORT MAY NOT BE CREATED.

DIFFICULTIES TO BE GUARDED AGAINST IN WAY OF ALLIED
COOPERATION.

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ABDR

Filed: 0825 3/11
From: COM 14 2222

J. 225, 3/11

JAP FLEET DISPOSITIONS:

1. FUJIKAWA MARU (AIR TENDER) IN TRUK, NEW BRITAIN AREA.
2. 1 SS SIGHTED AT 2949 S 155-03 E (570 MI NNE OF RAPA IS.
3. AIRCRAFT CONTINUES TO BE MOVED FROM SOUTHERN EMPIRE TO YOKOSUKA AREA.
4. IN JAVA AREA (PROBABLY TO SOUTH) CARNAV 2 STILL OPERATES
5. IN JAVA AREA ARE BATDIV 3, DESRON 1, DRUDIV 8, & 1 OR 2 SUBRONS.

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~~SECRET~~

Filed: 3/10-11/42,—
From: Navy

Journal #37, 3/11

U.S. NAVAL FORCES RAIDED WAKE ISLAND ON FEBR 24. SHORE INSTALLATIONS WERE BOMBED AND BOMBARDED. SEVERAL SEAPLANES AND A PATROL BOAT WERE PRESENT IN THE HARBOR AND WERE DESTROYED. 1 PLANE WAS LOST AND THE CREW WAS CAPTURED BY THE ENEMY.

A U.S. NAVAL FORCE RAIDED MARCUS ISLAND ON MARCH 4. NO ENEMY SHIPS OR AIRCRAFT WERE PRESENT. SHORE INSTALLATIONS AND DEVELOPMENTS IN PROGRESS ON THE IS. WERE DESTROYED BY BOMBING. 1 U.S. PLANE WAS SHOT DOWN BY AA FIRE.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT WERE REPORTED OVER MIDWAY ISLAND AT 2340 OCT, MARCH 10.

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Filed: 3/11/42, 1529 (RCD at WD) Journal #41, 3/11 WDC
From: Harrington, WDC

UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT, PERHAPS PLANES, OVER CATALINA
PICKED UP BY D-REX. FOURTH INTERCEPTOR COMMAND ORDERED
RADIO SILENCE AT 5:50 AM PWT AND BLUE ALERT (UNIDENTI-
FIED PLANES WITHIN 15 MINUTES OR 80 MILES) AT 5:58 AM
PWT AT LOS ANGELES, SANTA ANNA, SANTA BARBARA AND
VENTURA. ALL CLEAR AT 6:55 AM PWT EXCEPT FOR RADIO
SILENCE WHICH CONTINUES TO 8:00 AM PWT AS A PRECAUTIONARY
MEASURE. CAUSE STILL UNDETERMINED INVESTIGATION CONTINU-
ING.

3/11/42
8:00 A.M.
TO
3/12/42
8:00 A.M.

Filed: 3/11/42, 1711 Journal #49, 3/11
From: RDO San Juan
TWO SS's WERE SIGHTED OFF THE ENTRANCE TO GUANTANAMO,
CUBA.

From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter I. J. #6, 3/12/42
Filed: 3/11/42, 1435

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

CINCPAC REPORTS THAT BOATS IN SALAMOA HARBOR WERE AT-
TACKED BY 8 B-17 PLANES. THESE PLANES BELONGED TO THE
HAWAIIAN AIR FORCE AND HAD BEEN ASSIGNED TO THE ANZAC
TASK FORCE. THIS BOMBING OCCURRED AT 0115 OCT MARCH 10.
THESE PLANES DROPPED 66 BOMBS. RESULTS OF BOMBING, AC-
CORDING TO PRIMARY REPORTS:

6 TRANSPORTS HIT, 4 OF THEM BEING BURNED, ONE BEING
SUNK AND ONE GROUNDDED ASHORE.

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8:00 AM

3/11/42

9:00 AM

3/12/42

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

#1

CHINA THEATER

Filed: 918 3/10

IS #27, 3/11

From: BRINK-ALUMNOB, Colombo

J. #18, 3/11

CHINESE 1ST DIV GATHERING AT PYU-MYAUNG-LESHI. CHINESE TROOPS ARRIVING PYINMAMA. GREAT UNREST IN DELTA AREA. EUROPEANS ARE ATTACKED & INDIANS MURDERED. BURMESE BNS. REPORT NUMEROUS DESERTIONS. THE UNDESIRABLES ARE BEING RELINQUISHED OF THEIR WEAPONS.

DESPITE NEWS & OTHER REPORTS, BRIT BRIG'S ATTACK AT WANGUN NOT A SUCCESS.

NUMBERS OF FREE BURMESE ARMY IS INDICATED BY CAPTURE OF ARMED BURMESE AT PYINMOMA.

JAPS MOVING TO HIT AT TARRAWADY-PROME ROAD, BUT HAVE NOT TAKEN PRG AS YET.

Filed: 3/11/42, 3:28 P.

Journal #34, 3/11

From: McClure, London

I.B. 47, 3/11

LONDON

NO NEWS OF GROUND OPERATIONS IN BURMA. ONLY OFFICIAL REPORTS DESCRIBE ENEMY AIR ACTION AGAINST BRIT TROOPS FALLING BACK ON PROME RANGOON ROAD.

Filed: 3/10-11/42

Journal #37, 3/11

From: Navy

INDIAN OCEAN SINKINGS:
20 FREE BRITISH SS SHINA

07-47N ABOUT 400 MILES
73-31E WEST OF COLOMBO

From: McClure - London

Journal #46, 3/11/42

Filed: 3/10/42, 3:30 P

I.B. #66, 3/10/42

MCCLURE
LONDON

BURMA

a. INFORMATION JUST RECEIVED DATED 1300 GHT MARCH 7 IN BURMA: IN LOWER BURMA THE SITUATION BECAME WORSE ON MARCH 6, WHEN THE JAPANESE CUT OFF A BRIGADE OF THE INDIAN DIVISION AT PRGU. ENEMY LANDINGS ON THE NORTH SHORE OF THE CHINA BAKER RIVER AND ALONG THE WEST BANK OF THE RANGOON RIVER ON THE SAME DAY. THE RESULT WAS A BRITISH EVACUATION OF RANGOON, ON MARCH 7, AS REPORTED EARLIER BY US. THE BRITISH 7TH ARMORED BRIGADE LED BRITISH TROOPS IN A WITHDRAWAL BY WAY OF THE PROME ROAD. AT A POINT 26 MILES NORTH OF RANGOON A CONSIDERABLE FORCE OF THE ENEMY WAS ENCOUNTERED WHICH HAD ERECTED ROAD BLOCKS PROTECTED BY ANTI-TANK GUNS. BRITISH CASUALTIES WERE HEAVY IN THE ATTEMPTED BREAK-THROUGH, WHICH WAS VIGOROUSLY OPPOSED.

b. A MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED ALONG WITH THE ABOVE, BUT

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DATED 1500 GHT, MARCH 8. IT STATED THAT EARLY ON MARCH 8 THE ROAD BLOCKS WERE REDUCED AFTER THE LOSS OF A NUMBER OF BRITISH TANKS. UP TO 1100 GHT ON THE 8TH THE WAITHANAL

TO THARRAWADDY WAS STILL IN PROGRESS. THE COMMANDING GENERAL, BURMA, PLANNED TO RETIRE TO PROME AND THEN TO JOIN THE CHINESE FOR FURTHER OPERATIONS IN UPPER BURMA.

G-2 NOTES:

1. CHINA BAKER RIVER: ONE OF THE NE MOUTHS OF THE INRA-WADDY, DUE SOUTH OF RANGOON.

2. RANGOON RIVER: RUNS SE PAST THE CITY OF RANGOON. OLD MAIN ROUTES TO THE NORTH.

4. THARRAWADDY: ABOUT 65 MILES NW OF RANGOON ON THE ROAD TO PROME.

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M.E. THEATER

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Filed: 1933, 3/11

IS #20, 3/12

From: Ankara KL556

REPORTS INDICATE FOLLOWING DISTRIBUTION AXIS FORCES:
ITALIAN DIVS; Samos, 6TH; RHODES, 1ST & 1 AMONG GREEK
ISLANDS.

GERMAN: 5 BNS LEMNOS ISLANDS, ONCE (?) ON MYTELINNE.

THIS IS NOT AN INCREASE IN STRENGTH.

NO REASON FOR GERMAN ATTACK TURKISH DIRECTION SEEN BY
PRIVATE SECRETARY OF PRESIDENT.

DANISH CHANCE D'AFFAIRS SAYS FOR 5 MOS. NO DANGER TO
TURKEY.

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13 455, 3/12

From: HUGHES Rio de Janeiro

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT SIGNED BY PRES. VARGAS TODAY
EMPOWERS HIM TO DECLARE WAR OR STATE OF EMERGENCY. ALSO
EMPOWERS HIM TO SUSPEND PERSONAL & PROPERTY RIGHTS OF
FOREIGNERS WHO HAVE COMMITTED ACTS OF AGGRESSION PREJUDICIAL
TO BRAZIL.

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IS #21, 3/12

From: M/A Stockholm (Dept of State)

GERM PLANE TO REPLACE SEED & SWEDEN WILL LOAN SEED TO FINLAND AS PRESENT SEED, RYE & OATS ARE BEING EATEN. AS LONG AS THE RUSSIANS HOLD LENNINGRAD, FINNS ARE NOT EXPECTED TO MAKE A MAJOR MOVE. GERMAN-FINNISH COOPERATION POSSIBLE BEFORE ICE MELTS. ISLANDS NEAR OTHER END OF FINNISH GULF OBJECT OF ATTACK. RUMORS OF RUSSO-GERMAN PEACE HEARD IN STOCKHOLM, CONSIDERED IMPROBABLE IN VIEW OF GERMANY'S DESPERATION TO OBTAIN PETROLEUM & STALIN'S UNPREDICTABLE ATTITUDE.

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#1

ATL W.E.

Filed: 9:40 PM 3/10

IJ #21, 3/12

From: M/A Stockholm (Dept of State)

SWEDISH LIMITED MOBILIZATION CARRIED OUT SATISFACTORILY. GERM PORTS IN BALTIC ICEBOUND. REPORTS OF GERM TROOP MOVEMENTS SHOULD BE DISCOUNTED ACCORDINGLY.

COASTAL DEFENSE OF NORWAY BEING INSPECTED BY FIELD MARSHALL LIST. WHETHER DEFENSIVE REMAIN UNDER NAVAL COMMAND OR TURNED OVER TO ARMY WILL BE HIS RECOMMENDATION. DEFENSES ENHANCED BECAUSE OF BRIT RAIDS. IN NORWAY 10 INF BNS BEING FORMED FROM GERM UNITS THERE. COAST DEFENSES, REINFORCED BY 16 BNS FROM GERM. 150 NEW COASTAL BATTERIES BEING BROUGHT IN FROM WESTERN COAST OF CONTINENT. NO DEFENSIVE WORKS ALONG SWEDISH-NORWEGIAN FRONTIER. 6 FIELD DIVS. COMPOSE INTERIOR MOBILE RESERVES. ON MAR 14 LIST EXPECTS TO VISIT STOCKHOLM. PURPOSE OF VISIT UNKNOWN. SEE BELOW

Filed: 1933 3/11

IJ #20, 3/12

From: Ankara, KLUGS

FROM DANISH CHARGE D'AFFAIRES: IN SPITE OF HEAVY CASUALTIES GERMAN MORALE IS EXCELLENT. PRINCIPAL AXIS PROBLEM IS SHORTAGE OF PETROLEUM. APRIL 15 IS SCHEDULED DATE OF START OF SPRING OFFENSIVE. CONDITIONS DENMARK BETTER THAN GERMANY.

LARGE GERM CONCENTRATIONS NEAR SMOLENSK REPORTED BY TURKISH GENERAL STAFF WHICH ALSO SAYS GERMAN STRENGTH IN FRANCE, BELGIUM, HOLLAND & DENMARK ONLY 15 DIVS COMPARED WITH 25 ABOUT 2 MONTHS AGO.

CABLE FROM M/A Stockholm SAYS:

GERMAN & NORWAY MILITARY TRAFFIC MUST BE VIA COPENHAGEN SINCE GERMAN PORTS IN BALTIC ICEBOUND. REPORTS OF GERMAN TROOP MOVEMENTS SHOULD BE DISCOUNTED ACCORDINGLY.

RECENT BRIT RAIDS ON NORWAY COAST HAVE CAUSED INCREASE IN COAST DEFENSES.

*RAIDS

*GERMANY

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FROM: YOUNG, PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI I.B. # 37
FILED: 3/8 11:48 p.m. Journal # 17 3/9
24 SURVIVORS OF "CARDONIA" LANDING 3/8 REPORT ANOTHER
SHIP AFIRE 12 MILES WEST OF TORTUE ISLAND, March 7.
"CARDONIA" SUNK WITHOUT WARNING BY LARGE SUB 5 MILES
WEST OF MOLE ST. NICHOLAS MARCH 7.

Filed: 3/9/42, 4:52 P. Journal #28, 3/9 BAIREZ
From: Lang, Baires I.B. #68, 3/9
BRIT AGENT REPORTS GERMANS PLANT TO SEND VON PAPEN
TO ARGENTINA AS TURKEY WILL BE UNDER NAZI OCCUPATION
BY NEXT MAY. UNCONFIRMED.

Filed: 3/9/42, 1545 Journal #30, 3/9 Comb Task
From: Com. Task Group thru ONI Group
CONSIDERABLE ENEMY SUB ACTIVITY WINDWARD PASSAGE.
INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED FOR PROTECTION OF SHIPPING IN
THAT AREA.

From: Kirkwood - Canal Zone Journal #2, 3/10/42 KIRKWOOD
Filed: 3/9/42, 5:52 P CANAL ZONE
TANKER OPN RESUMED CURACAO-ARUBA.
MSG INTERCEPT 2215 GMT 3/8 SUB SIGHTED 11°40' N -
63°09' W. ST. LUCIA REPORTS (FR) SS WYOMING ENTERING
PORT DE FRANCE 1230 OCT, WITH DESTROYER TYPE VESSEL
THERE.
24 SURVIVORS OF SS CARDONIA ARRIVED PORT AU PRINCE
1700 3/8 REPORT SUNK WITHOUT WARNING BY LARGE SUB 0410
3/7, 5 MILES W OF MOLE ST. NICHOLAS. 14 CREW MISSING.
THESE REPORT A SHIP AFIRE 12 MILES W OF TORTUE ISLANDS
0200, 3/7.

From: FCBA Via ONI Journal #6, 3 / 10 / 42 FCBA VIA ONI
Filed: 3/10/42, 8:05
SUB ATTACK 4 SSS SSS SS CHARLES RACINE 23°10' N -
60°28' W torpedoed AT 0323 GMT.

F.C.B.A. - FIELD CENSOR BALTIMORE

From: FCBA Via ONI Journal #7, 3/10/42 FCBA VIA ONI
Filed: 3/10/42, 8:05
SSS SUB AT CASTRIES HARBOR ATTACKED SHIPPING 0240 GMT.

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From: Strong - BBC Journal #34, 3/9/42
Filed: 3/9/42, 6:15 P I.B. #94, 3/9/42
REGULAR PATROLS REPORT VISIBILITY AND WEATHER GOOD,
MARCH 8.

STRONG
BBC

From: Watkins - Governor Island Journal #37, 3/9/42
Filed: 3/9/42, 5:25 P I. B. #96, 3/9/42
SHIP HOECH SILVERCLOUD SIGHTED SUB 37°42' N - 72°10' W,
3/9/42 at 2005 GMT probably Norwegian. STANDARD OIL
TANKER QUEEN TORPEDOED AND SUNK BETWEEN DELROY BEACH AND
LAKE WORTH MIDNIGHT MARCH 8-9 ACCORDING REPORT FROM NAVAL
OPERATIVE BASE KEY WEST.

WATKINS
GOV. ISLAND

NO SUCH VESSEL AS TANKER QUEEN. SEE JOURNAL #37, 3/9/42.

From: DIO 7th Nav. Dist via ONI Journal #5, 3/10/42
Filed: 3/9/42, 2227

DIO 7TH NAV.D.
VIA. ONI

INVESTIGATION SHOWS

1. NO SUCH SHIP AS S.O.T. QUEEN.
2. STORY INITIATED BY "CRACKPOT" WHO REPRESENTED
HIMSELF AS THE CAPTAIN OF THE SS QUEEN. HE
IS NOW "INCARCERATED."

Filed: 3/9/42, 5:45 P.

From: McClure, London

Journal #27, 3/9

I.R. #56, 3/9

GERMANS HAVE BASED PLANES AT MERZUCH AIRFIELD.
ELGATUM AND TEGHERY AIRFIELDS HAVE BEEN OCCUPIED BY
FREE FRENCH. GERMANS EXTENSIVELY RECONNOITERING NORTH
SEA.

From: Shipp - Lisbon Journal #36, 3/9/42

Filed: 3/9/42, 2026 I.R. #93, 3/9/42

MARCH 9TH EXPEDITIONARY BN. ABOUT 550 MEN AND 3 RIFLE
COS. LEFT FOR MOZAMBIQUE.

SHIPP
LISBON

4:00 P.M.

3/9/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/10/42

From: Eager - Madrid Journal #3, 3/10/42

Filed: 3/9/42, 1950

NO CHANGE.

EAGER
MADRID

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ATLANTIC E. EUROPEAN # 1

From: Michela - Kouibichev Journal #35, 3/9/42

Filed: 3/9/42, 1547

I.B. #92, 3/9/42

MICHELA
KOUIBICHEV

NAVAL RESERVISTS BEING CALLED INDIVIDUALLY AND SENT TO
PACIFIC FLEET, REPORTS AN AMERICAN-BORN SOVIET CITIZEN.

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Journal #22, 3/9

CAIRO

From: Fellers, Cairo

I.B. #62, 3/9

CARE MUST BE TAKEN NOT TO OVERESTIMATE DEFENSIVE STRENGTH OF BRIT. FORCES IN LIBYA. BATTLE WEARINESS, LACK OF HOMOGENEITY, FAULTY TRAINING AND LEADERSHIP REDUCE THEIR FIGHTING CAPACITY. ALSO, THEY LACK MODERN ANTI-TANK AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT WEAPONS.

INABILITY TO GAIN SUCCESS IN LAST CAMPAIGN, IN SPITE OF NUMERICAL SUPERIORITY OF ART, TANKS, AIRCRAFT AND TROOPS, IS BEING CORRECTED BY STRINGENT MEASURES, BUT ACTUAL EFFECTIVENESS OF CORRECTIVE STEPS REMAINS TO BE SEEN.

4:00 P.M.

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Filed: 3/9/42, 9:10 P.

Journal #31, 3/9

From: State Department

SS SIBONEY HAS ARRIVED SAFELY IN CAPE TOWN, S. AFRICA AND CAPTAIN OF SHIP IS AWAITING FURTHER ORDERS.

Filed: 3/9/42, 7:10 P.

Journal #33, 3/9

LONDON

From: McClure, London

I.B. #76, 3/9

ENEMY ARMORED UNITS ATTACKED BY BRIT COLUMN 10 MI S OF TUNISI. AXIS MT ACTIVITY MOUNTED ON 7TH.

FUKA, MATRUH AND TORUK AREAS ATTACKED BY ENEMY BOMBER 3 NIGHT OF 6TH AND DAY OF 7TH.

WATERLOGGED LANDING FIELDS HINDERED BRIT FIGHTERS.

From: Fellers - Cairo

Journal #4, 3/10/42,

Filed: 3/9/42, 1450

FINAL INTENT OF AXIS REGARDING MALTA UNCERTAIN AS HOBGELS REINFORCES ARE STILL EN ROUTE.

BR. REPORTS OF UNUSUAL ACTIVITIES IN AEGEAN AND GREECE DENIED BY ARMY INTELLIGENCE.

GER. SPRING OFFENSIVE CAN BE EXPECTED IN M.E. HIS BEST METHOD SHOULD BE SIMULTANEOUS ATTEMPTS - 1. FROM DESERT AND - 2. SEA AND AIR BOMB INVASION EITHER IN REAR OF 8TH ARMY OR IN VICINITY OF CANAL OR SYRIA. BRIT CANNOT MEET THESE SUCCESSFULLY.

RECOMMEND 1. AM. AIR SUPPORTING FORCE BE SENT TO M.E.

2. AEF BE SENT TO M.E. SOON.

From: Fellers - Cairo

Journal #11, 3/10/42

Filed: 3/9/42, 1452

FELLERS

CAIRO

LOCATIONS AXIS SHIPPING IN CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN.

STOCKS OF OIL, GASOLINE, FOOD AND COAL. AIR ACTIVITIES.

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Filed: 3/9/42, 1218

Journal #24, 3/9

From: Brett, Sans Origine

YESTERDAYS SIGHTINGS SHOWED 1 CRUISER, 4 DESTROYERS AND 6 TRANSPORTS 50 TO 60 MILES NE OF BUMA, WITH REFERENCE TO G-2 NO. 813, 4 CRUISERS AND 4 TRANSPORTS DISPERSED AT ANCHOR OFF SALAMAUA AT 2025 MARCH 7. MORESBY RAIDED MARCH 7 BY 2 FORMATIONS OF 5 EACH MITSUBISHI HEAVY BOMBERS WITH SLIGHT DAMAGE.

RAAF MADE 4 RECON TODAY. 4 CRUISERS AND 4 TRANSPORTS OBSERVED 60 MILES SW OF GASMATA AT 0225. 4 CRUISERS AND 2 TRANSPORTS ANCHORED OFF SALAMAUA. 4 HUDSONS FROM TOWNSVILLE VILLE AND ALL AVAILABLE HUDSONS FROM MORESBY ATTACKED CONVOY OFF SALAMAUA.

4 US B-17'S FROM HORN ISLAND ATTACKED SAMU TARGET BUT NO RESULTS REPORTED.

JAPS RAIDED SALAMAUA AND FOLLOWED BY LANDING AT 1600 MARCH 7. JAPS AIR RAIDED LAE BY PATROL PLANES AND

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BOTH PORTS SHELLED BY TWO TRANSPORTS 2240 MARCH 7. LANDING FROM ELEVEN SHOPS AT 2300 MARCH 7. SALAMAUA AND LAE OCCUPIED BY ENEMY 0020 MARCH 8. THE SALAMAUA AIRFIELD REPORTED LEFT IN GOOD CONDITION. BULOLO AND TULAGI RAIDED ONCE TODAY. FORTIFICATION AT RABAU IS CONTINUING.

AMDIR AND BOMAH AIRFIELDS REPORTED TO BE UNSERVICEABLE. BANDONG RADIO DESTROYED BECAUSE OF APPROACH OF ENEMY. NORTH AUSTRALIAN RADIO TRYING TO CONTACT JAVA THROUGH PADANG, SUMATRA STATION.

Filed: 3/9/42, 4:23 P.

Journal #23, 3/9

LONDON

From: McClure, London

I.B. #61, 3/9

JAP STRENGTHENING OF BRIDGES OVER MYANADDY AND RAHMO MAY POINT TO THRUST INTO BURMA BY TANK REGT. RANGOON EVACUATED AND DEMOLITION STARTED MARCH 7. CHINESE STATE 1 REGT OF 5TH ARMY HAS REACHED TOUNGOO. BRIT OFFICER EXPECTED EARLY CAPITULATION IN JAVA, BUT DUTCH CINC HAD ORDERED THAT ANY CAPITULATION ORDER WAS TO BE DISREGARDED BY LOCAL CO'S. WHO WERE TO CONTINUE FIGHTING.

SMALL UNITS WOULD RESIST EVEN AFTER ORDER TO CAPITULATION SAYS BRIT AIR OFFICER. NO CONFIRMATION IN LONDON OF JAP CLAIMS OF SURRENDER.

JAP LANDING AT SALAMAUA REPORTED IN PRESS BUT NOT CONFIRMED OFFICIALLY.

BRIT PAPERS ARE SELLING PUBLIC THAT ALLIES WILL SOON TAKE OFFENSIVE IN P.E. BUT INFERENCE IS THAT U.S. WILL DO SO, SINCE DUTCH ARE OUT AND BRIT ARE UNABLE TO.

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BRIT BOMBING OF FRENCH PLANTS PRELUDE TO REAL OFFENSIVE ACCORDING TO PAPERS.

GOVT TRYING DESPERATELY TO FIND STOPCAP OR ANSWER ON INDIA FOR COMMONS SESSION THIS WEEK.

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Journal No. 29, 3/9

Sans Origine

From: Brett, Sans Origine

LT COL TORNEY WHO WAS WITH 9TH AND 11TH DIVISIONS DURING MOST OF MALAYAN CAMPAIGN REJECTS THE THEORY OF SPECIAL JUNGLE TRAINING AS PRIME REQUISITE FOR U.S. TROOPS AND THINKS THROUGH PHYSICAL TRAINING ALONG PRACTICAL ATHLETIC LINES TOGETHER WITH REJECTION OF ALL TIMOROUS AND UNFIT FROM COMBAT UNITS IS THE ANSWER. STRESSES LACK OF DISCIPLINE AND COMBAT LEADERSHIP AMONG BRITISH AND AUSTRALIANS. ALSO THE UNWEILY BRITISH STAFF ORGANIZATION. FURTHER NECESSARY THAT ANY U.S. TROOPS BE PROPERLY IMPRESSED WITH THE NECESSITY FOR DEFENDING ANY SECTOR TO WHICH SENT.

4:00 P.M.

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From: Brett - Melbourne Journal #1, 3/10/42

BRETT

Filed: 3/9/42, 2330

MELBOURNE

ROUTINE REPORT OF RECONNAISSANCE OFF COAST OF AUSTRALIA. JAPS BUILDING FORTIFICATIONS AT WATON MASSIKOMA-POEN ISLAND NW OF BARAUL.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #8, 3/10/42

MACARTHUR

Filed: 3/10/42, 11:28 A

FT. MILLS

JAP LIGHT CRUISER SHELLED CEBU CAUSING SLIGHT DAMAGE. NO OTHER CHANGE.

From: Pratt - Port of Spain Journal #13, 3/10/42
Filed: 3/10/42, 3:35 A I.B. #43, 3/10/42
SS BADI NELSON AND SS UMCATA TORPEDOED IN CASTRIES
HARBOR APPROX. 0300 OCT.

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PORT OF SPAIN

8:00 AM
MR. 10
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MR. 11

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J. #14, 8/10

From: Ft. Mills MACARTHUR

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FLAG.

FROM: FT MILLS PRESSREL 8/10

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HENRY MAY NOT GO UNCHIEVED. STATEMENT OF JAPANESE PROPAGAN-
DA BUREAU THAT AMER SOLDIERS MACHINE GUNNED JAP CIVILIANS
COMPLETE FABRICATION. ABSOLUTELY NO BASIS OF FOUNDATION OF
FACT. AMER & FILIPINO FORCES STRICTLY & HIGHLY AGENTED IN
ALL RESPECT TO LAWS OF WAR & TREATED ALL JAP NATIONALS IN-
CLUDING PRISONERS WITH EVERY POSSIBLE CONSIDERATION.

JAP PEOPLE THEMSELVES SIGNIFIED APPROVAL OF TREATMENT OF
JAP NATIONALS INTERNEED. IMMEDIATELY UPON DECLARATION OF WAR
CERTAIN JAPS WERE ARRESTED & CONFINED. THEY RECEIVED FAIR
TREATMENT, MEDICAL ATTENTION & GOOD FOOD. TREATMENT OF
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JAPS IN MANILA ALONE WHO WERE NOT INTERNEED OR ARRESTED
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FT MILLS PRESSREL COM'T

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGE #1

ATLANTIC

Filed: 3/10

J. #10, 3/10

From: Navy War Plans, COMINCH

ATLANTIC SUB SINKINGS

1. 0800 3/10 SS LADY NELSON; IN HARBOR, CASTRIES ST. LUCIA.

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60°27'W, 400 MILES N.E. OF PORTO RICO.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGE

WESTERN EUROPE

Filed: 5/10

J. #18, 5/10

From: Navy War Plans COMINCH

TIRPITZ, ACCOMPANIED BY 1 CRUISER & 2 DESTROYERS, WAS
SIGHTED AT CANN MAR 9 & ATTACKED BY AIRCRAFT FROM H.M.S.
VICTORIOUS OFF COAST OF NORWAY. TORPEDOES FIRED BUT NO
HITS CLAIMED. SUBSEQUENT REPORT INDICATES THAT PROBABLE
DESTINATION OF THIS ENEMY FORCE IS EITHER NARVIK OR
TRONDHEIM.

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From: Pratt - Port of Spain Journal #13, 3/10/42
 Filed: 3/10/42, 3:35 A I.B. #43, 3/10/42
 SS BADA NELSON AND SS UMCATA TORPEDOED IN CASTRIES
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 PORT OF SPAIN

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Filed: 3/10 J. #16, 3/10
 From: Navy War Plans, COMINCH
 00300 3/10, SS LADY NELSON TORPEDOED (SINKING AS
 YET UNCONFIRMED) IN HARBOR, CASTRIES ST. LUCIA.

Filed: 3/10/42, 12:09 P. Journal #24, 3/10
 From: Young, Port Au Prince I.B. #72, 3/10
 SS BARBARA SUNK MARCH 6. 20 SURVIVORS OF 40 PASSENGERS AND 60 CREW ON TORTUE ISLAND AWAITING TRANSPORT TO PORT DEPAIX, HAITI. BOTH NAVAL DIST. AND QUARRY HEIGHTS HAVE BEEN INFORMED.

PORT AU PRINCE

Filed: 3/10/42, 1258Z Journal #26, 3/10
 From: Admiralty (N) ONI
 SUBMARINE SITUATION:
 1 - WITHIN 180 MILES OF ST. LUCIA (ISLAND IN WEST INDIES) ✓
 2 - WITHIN 400 MILES OF PARAMARIBO (SURINAM) ✓
 2 - IN CARIBBEAN (POSITION NOT FIXED) MYERLAKE MAY BE NEAR MONA PASSAGE AND WINDWARD PASSAGE. ✓
 3 - WITHIN 250 MILES OF 27-00 N 62-00 W (360 MILES SE OF BERMUDA). AT ✓
 1 - IN THE BAHAMAS AREA ✓

SEE CARD UNDER ATLANTIC AND AFRICA

Filed: 3/10/42, 3:48 P. Journal #33, 3/10
 From: Andrews, Canal Zone
 REQUESTS THAT GEN. MARSHALL & MISTER MARTIN BE NOTIFIED OF ARRIVAL OF BRTT AT BALISE.

CANAL ZONE

From: Compating 7 Via ONI Journal #1, 3/11/42
 Filed: 3/11/42, 0235
 CUKI (SS OHARI) "SUBMARINE ATTACK 13°27' N - 56°26' W sighted SUBMARINE."
 (270 MILES FROM MARTINIQUE BEARING 110°)

COMPATING 7
 VIA ONI

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CARIBBEAN - L. A.

✓ From: Pratt - Port of Spain Journal #13, 3/10/42
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SS RUBY NELSON AND SS UNGATA TORPEDOED IN CASTRIES
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Journal #27, 3/10

From: East Sea Front (N) thru ONI

SS SILVERCLOUD REPORTED SIGHTING A SS IN THE POSITION
37-47 N, 72-10 W (120 MI ESE OF CAPE HENRY, VA) AT
1605 MARCH 9. (2005 GMT)

AN ARMY BOMBER FROM LANGLEY FIELD CONTACTED THE
SILVERCLOUD AT 1825 (2225 GMT) IN THE POSITION 35-12 N,
72-05 W. SEARCHED THE AREA AND FOUND NOTHING SUSPICIOUS.

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Filed: 3/10/42, 1430 (1530 GMT)

Journal #29, 3/10

REYKJAVIK

From: Bonesteel, Reykjavik

SCATTERED CLOUDS, TEMPERATURE 26 TO 41, LIGHT WINDS.

NO HOSTILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

12 HR 45 MIN. TRAINING AND OTHER FLIGHTS.

MARCH 9 PATROLS 29 HRS AND 20 MIN.

8:00 A.M.

3/10/42

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From: ONI

Journal #10, 3/11/42

ONI

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AT 1515, MARCH 10, WHILE ON ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROL,
SIGHTED AN UNIDENTIFIED DESTROYER AT 39-45 NORTH - 73-41
WEST (20 MILES OFF BANNEGAT INLET, N.J.). PLANES GAVE
PROPER IDENTIFICATION AND WERE SUBSEQUENTLY TWICE FIRED
UPON BY THE DESTROYER. DESCRIPTION OF DESTROYER AS FOLLOWS:
LIGHT GRAY IN COLOR; A TWO STACKER WIDE APART, WITH NO
DECK HOUSE AMIDSHIPS. DESTROYER MADE AN UNUSUAL AMOUNT OF
SMOKE AND WAS TRACKED FOR ABOUT 40 MINUTES. NO OTHER VESSELS
WERE SEEN NEARBY.

NOTE: This message subsequently cancelled. See Journal #12,
3/11/42, ONI #8515.

From: ONI

Journal #11, 3/11/42

ONI

Filed: 3/11/42, 0630

S.S. PARISMINA REPORTED AN ENEMY SS AT 39-12 N - 74-31 W
(5 MILES BEARING 100 DEGREES FROM OCEAN CITY, N.J.)

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Journal #28, 3/10/42

ADMIRALTY (N) ONI

From: Admiralty (N) ONI

SUBMARINE SITUATION:

2 -- GERMAN AND 1 ITALIAN -- WITHIN 350 MILES SW
OF MONROVIA.

Filed: 3/10/42, 1440

Journal #31, 3/10/42

FELLERS

From: Fellers, Cairo

I.B. #104, 3/10/42

CAIRO

BRIT STRENGTH IN ME: 2 ARMED DIVS. WITH 1 TANK BRIG.
6 INF DIVS., 1 TANKLESS ARMED DIV., 2 IND. TANK
BRIGS., 1 INF DIV. OF ODS AND ENDS.

BRIT FEEL 16 DIVS MINIMUM FORCE NECESSARY FOR DEFENSE
OF ME.

BRIT SENT TO F.E. PRO M.E. FOLLOWING TROOPS, WITH
FULL EQUIPMENT: 7TH ARMED BRIG., 5000 ARTY & AA TROOPS,
400 AIRCRAFT, 3 AUSTRALIAN AND BRIT. 70TH INF. DIVS.

TANK SITUATION ON MARCH 7: 22ND ARMED BRIG. - 115
TANKS, 2ND ARMED BRIG. - 166 TANKS, 1ST ARMY TANK BRIG. -
100 TANKS, 4TH ARMED BRIG. - 100 TANKS. 100 DAMAGED
AWAITING EVACUATION FROM DESERT. 300 (FIGURE BELIEVED
TOO LOW) CAPTURED, DESTROYED OR MISSING.

MALTA HAD 121 PLANES ON FEB 19; 54 SERVICEABLE.

ON FEB 26, 133 PLANES PRESENT, BUT ONLY 33 SERVICE-
ABLE; 81 FIGHTERS, BUT ONLY 14 SERVICEABLE, OF THE 133.

NEW TANKS ARRIVING ME AT ABOUT 180 MONTHLY:

35 AMER. M-3 LIGHT

65 AMER. M-3 MEDIUM

80 BRIT. INF & CRUISER TANKS.

From: Kluss - Ankara

Journal #9, 3/11/42

KLUSS

Filed: 3/10/42, 1747

I.B. #14, 3/11/42

ANKARA

THE 4TH AND 10TH CORPS GERMAN AIR FORCES, THE LATTER
HAVING BEEN HERETOFORE REPORTED AS IN GREECE, ARE NOW
IN CRETE; THESE UNITS ARE NOT AT FULL STRENGTH. ACCORD-
ING TO THE BRITISH A FEW GERMAN PARATROOPS AND A NUMBER
OF GERMAN PLANES RECENTLY ARRIVED AT SOFIA AND PLOVDIV.

From: Fellers - Cairo

Journal #8, 3/11/42

FELLERS

Filed: 3/10/42, 2026

I.B. #13, 3/11/42

CAIRO

BURCKHARDT PARATROOP GROUP, NOW BELIEVES IN LIBYA,
ORGANIZED AS FOLLOWS ACCORDING TO INFORMATION FROM
GERMAN PRISONERS:

4 OR 5 PARATROOP COMPANIES, 120 MEN EACH

ANTI-TANK COMPANY, 650 (?) MM AT GUNS

ARTILLERY TROOP, 105 MM GUN - HOWITZERS, 160 MEN.

THE 105'S ARE MADE TO BE DROPPED IN 4 LOADS. THE
GROUP IS A COMPONENT OF THE 7TH FLIEGER DIV., MAJOR
PART OF WHICH IS PRESENTLY IN RUSSIA. IF OFFENSIVE
COMES CRITICAL POINTS IN BRIT. 8TH ARMY'S REAR WILL BE
ATTACKED BY THESE TROOPS.

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Journal #28, 3/10/42

ADMIRALTY (N) ONI

From: Admiralty (N) ONI

SUBMARINE SITUATION:

- 1 -- WITHIN 150 MILES OF 45-30 N 29-30 W (100 MI. SW OF SAN MIGUEL, AZORES), HOMEWARD BOUND.
- 1 -- WITHIN 150 MILES OF 47-00 N 23-00 W (580 MILES NNE OF SAN MIGUEL, AZORES), HOMEWARD BOUND.
- 1 -- WITHIN 150 MILES OF 33-30 N 41-30 W (800 MI SW OF SAN MIGUEL, AZORES) HOMEWARD BOUND.
- 1 -- WITHIN 150 MILES OF 41-30 N 32-30 W (380 MI NNW OF SAN MIGUEL, AZORES), HOMEWARD BOUND.
- 1 -- WITHIN 150 MILES OF 46-00 N 23-00 W (510 MI NNE OF SAN MIGUEL, AZORES) HOMEWARD BOUND.
- 1 -- ABOUT 47-00 N 33-00 W (650 MI NNW OF SAN MIGUEL AZORES)

From: Shipp - Lisbon

Journal #5, 3/11/42

SHIPP

Filed: 3/10/42, 2117

I.B. #8, 3/11/42

LISBON

IF BOMBINGS OF FRANCE ARE CONTINUED BY BRITISH, VICHY WILL JOIN AXIS ACCORDING TO SPANISH SOURCES.

THE ESTIMATED STRENGTH OF PORTUGUESE TROOPS IN THE AZORES IS AS FOLLOWS:

PAYAL 4600;
SAO MIGUEL 14,000 TO 15,000;
TER CEIRA 4,000;
(PORTION OF MESSAGE HERE NOT CLEAR)
NONE IN THE OTHER ISLANDS.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

EASTERN EUROPE

From: Kluss - Ankara

Journal #6, 3/11/42

Filed: 3/10/42, 1325

I.D. #9, 3/11/42

KLUSS

ANKARA

GERMAN HEAVY ARTILLERY, INFANTRY, ENGINEERS, SIGNAL PERSONNEL AND ARMORED TROOPS (WITH NO TANKS), ESTIMATED AT ABOUT ONE DIVISION, RECENTLY ARRIVED AT SVILENGRAD. THESE TROOPS ARE THOUGHT TO BE EN ROUTE FROM GREECE TO EASTERN FRONT.

BULGARIANS HAVE ORGANIZED THE 16TH AND 21ST DIVISIONS. THE 21ST IS AT NISH, YUGOSLAVIA.

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J. #14, 8/10

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MENT OF NATIONALS OF HOSTILE ENEMY.

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Journal #30, 3/10

From: M/A Lisbon

I.B. 80, 3/10

STATED THAT JAPANESE DIPLOMAT AVERTED THAT JAVA WILL SOON BE TAKEN AND THAT THEY WILL THEN ATTACK AUSTRALIA AND MAYBE INDIA, SEE MY LETTER 2038 FOR ALIEN SOURCE.

IT IS BELIEVED BY G-2¹ THAT JAPANESE WILL SOON CONQUER JAVA AND THEN AUSTRALIA WILL BE ATTACKED. AMERICAN AID IS THE ONLY THING THAT CAN PREVENT THIS. NEW ZEALAND HELPLESS. BURMA, AUSTRALIA, AND PHILIPPINES CAN BE OPERATED AGAINST SEPARATELY. MADAGASCAR MAY BE RELEASED TO JAPAN BY VICHY GOVERNMENT. WISDOM OF POLICY OF ALLIES CONCERNING GERMAN AND ALLOWING JAPAN TO HAVE A FREE HAND IN INDIA AND PACIFIC OCEAN IS DOUBTFUL. TROOPS FOR TIME HAVE NOT COME BACK TO COLOMBO, AND THEIR END IS DOUBTFUL.

FROM FRANCE 30 TRUCKS, 3 CARRYING TANKS, RECENTLY CAME INTO IRUN AND WENT TO MIDDLE OF SPAIN.²

I.B. #80, 3/10 CONTD.

G-2 COMMENT: ¹G-2 IS PORTUGUESE G-2.

THE ABOVE STATEMENT OF DELIVERIES OF TRUCKS AND MATERIAL TO SPAIN IS THE FIRST STATEMENT RECEIVED TO THIS EFFECT.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills

Journal #3, 3/11/42

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

Filed: 3/11/42, 9:55 A

SITUATION IS UNCHANGED, SETTLING INTO STATE OF STABILIZATION.

FOR A NUMBER OF DAYS TO COME MACARTHUR WILL SEND NO REPORTS.

From: Brett - S/O

Journal #2, 3/11/42

BRETT S/O

Filed: 3/11/42, 025

JAP AIR ACTIVITIES:

TORONGAU ON MANUS ISLAND, WAS MACHINE GUNNED AND BOMBED BY 3 PLANES WHILE A SINGLE FIGHTER STRAFED BUNA. THE NORTH EAST COAST OF AUSTRALIA AND NEW BRITAIN WERE RECONNOITERED.

ALLIED RECONNAISSANCE ON MARCH 9:

AT RABAU ONE CRUISER, ONE TANKER AND 7 TROOP SHIPS;

AT VUNAMMANAU AIRFIELD 18 TWO-ENGINE BOMBERS;

AT GASMATA NO SHIPPING OBSERVED.

ON MARCH 10 TWO CRUISERS, 3 DESTROYERS AND 3 TROOP SHIPS WERE OBSERVED AT LAE, NEW GUINEA.

ESTIMATE OF JAP PLANS:

AIRCRAFT CARRIER NOW NEAR SINGAPORE, SOON BE SENT TO SUPPORT FORCES AT RANGOON OR TO RAID SHIPPING IN

(Journal #2, 3/11/42 Cont'd)

INDIAN OCEAN.

ONCE NEI ARE CONSOLIDATED NEXT OBJECTIVE WILL BE TO PROTECT NEI CONQUEST BY DENYING ALLIES THE USE OF AUSTRALIA AS A BASE FOR OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS. UNLESS ALLIED RAIDS COMPEL A CHANGE, THE PRELIMINARY MOVE AGAINST AUSTRALIAN NE COAST WILL BE TO OCCUPY LAE AND SALAMAU OR PERHAPS THE SOLOMONS AND NEW CALEDONIA. DIFFICULT TO SAY WHEN THIS STEP WILL BE TAKEN BECAUSE OF ALLIED OPERATIONS.

IN ABOUT 2 WEEKS CONSOLIDATION OF NEI WILL FREE AT LEAST 2 DIVISIONS WHICH WILL BE EMPLOYED AGAINST THE NW COAST OF AUSTRALIA SUPPORTED BY 1 OR MORE AIRCRAFT CARRIERS, INCIDENT TO WHICH RAIDS MAY BE MADE BY CARRIER BASED PLANES AGAINST FREMANTLE TO HARASS FACILITIES FOR PROTECTION OF THE INDIAN OCEAN SHIPPING. IT IS NOT LIKELY THAT SW AUSTRALIA WILL BE ATTACKED UNTIL THE

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From: Navy Dept.

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Navy Dept.

THE INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE INITIAL ATTEMPT AT BOMBING OBJECTIVES IN THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS WAS NOT WHOLLY SUCCESSFUL, BUT THAT RENewed TRIALS WILL BE MADE WITH SOME FORM OF COORDINATION BETWEEN THE ATTACKING FLYING BOATS AND EITHER SURFACE CRAFT OR SUBMARINES.

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From: McClure, London

Journal #32, 3/10
I.B. #103, 3/10

LONDON

RESPONSIBLE BRITISH AUTHORITY PERSONALLY BELIEVES JAPAN WILL SHORTLY MAKE ANOTHER ALL-OUT SUICIDE ASSAULT ON PEARL HARBOR IN NEAR FUTURE FOR ITS COMPLETE DESTRUCTION AS A NAVAL BASE. JAPS MUST BE AWARE PEARL HARBOR OUTPOST UNDESTROYED IS A POWERFUL THREAT TO ALL THEIR PRESENT GAINS. REALIZES MOST OF THOSE IN AUTHORITY MAY SCOFF AT THIS PERSONAL CONVICTION IN ABSENCE OF FACTUAL BASIS BUT VIEWING JAP PROPENSITY FOR THE UNEXPECTED AND ACCEPTANCE OF GREAT LOSSES TO ACHIEVE, FEELS THAT HE SHOULD PASS THIS ON FOR CLOSEST ATTENTION BY US.

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(3/11/42, 0001 GMT)
From: Weed, Seattle

Journal #34, 3/10

SEATTLE

USAT OTSEGO COMPLETED 2ND TRIP TO DUTCH HARBOR AND RETURN 9:00 A.M. (1700 GMT) MARCH 10.

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SITUATION IN NW AUSTRALIA HAS BEEN DEVELOPED.

From: Brett - S/O

Journal #4, 3/11/42

BRETT S/O

Filed: 3/10/42, 2210

NO MATERIAL CHANGES SINCE THE LAST REPORTS. PLANES ON

HAND AS FOLLOWS:

TYPE	UNDER ERECTION	IN COMMISSION	UNDER REPAIR
P-40	14	111	35
P-400	19	33	0
P-39	7	21	5
O-47A	0	6	1
O-47B	0	3	0
C-53	0	3	0
B-17E	0	13	13
B-17D	0	2	0
B-17C	0	1	0
C-39	0	1	0

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LB-30	0	4	0
A-24	13	22	9
BEECH- CRAFT	0	0	1
B-18	0	0	2
B-25	0	3	0
TOTALS	53	223	66
GRAND TOTAL:			342

From: Shipp - Lisbon

Journal #5, 3/11/42

SHIPP

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I.B. #8, 3/11/42

LISBON

THE MOST IMPORTANT AUSTRALIAN PORTS ON NORTHERN COAST
INCLUDING PORT DARWIN WILL, ACCORDING TO JAP DIPLOMATIC
SOURCES, BE TAKEN BY MARCH 31, PROBABLY AROUND MARCH 15
OR 20; THIS OPERATION WILL ENTAIL THE USE OF 150 TROOP
SHIPS.

Filed: 3/10/42, —

Journal #20, 3/10

From: Navy Dept.

AN ADVANCE INTO BAY OF BENJAL IS INDICATED TO START ABOUT MARCH 15. SEIZURE OF THE ANDAMAN ISLANDS IS CONSIDERED THE MOST PROBABLE OBJECTIVE. AN AIR UNIT IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART MUMBAI, BANGA ISLAND, ON MARCH 15 AND TO REFUEL AT PENANG PRIOR TO PROCEEDING TO THE OPERATIONS AREA, REINFORCED BY FIVE HEAVY BOMBERS AND TWO TRANSPORT PLANES. THE GREEK AND HYAKURINAMA AIR GROUPS ARE ALSO INVOLVED, THE FORMER ADVANCING ON THE OBJECTIVE ABOUT MARCH 15 FROM SAIGON, AND THE LATTER PROCEEDING FROM KUCHING (W. COAST OF BORNEO). IT IS PROBABLE THAT A SO-CALLED 12TH SPECIAL BASE FORCE WHICH WAS RECENTLY ESCORTED SOUTH AND NOW BELIEVED AT PENANG MAY HAVE BEEN SENT THERE FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE VARIOUS AIR UNIT MENTIONED SUGGESTS THE CUSTOMARY PROCEDURE OF AIR RECONNAISSANCE FOLLOWED BY BOMBING BEFORE THE FINAL

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STAGE OF LANDING OPERATIONS.

ALL EVIDENCE SHOWS THAT STRENUOUS EFFORTS ARE BEING CONTINUED TO BUILD UP THE AIR DEFENSES OF THE EMPIRE, AND THAT THE PRESENT FIRST LINE AIRCRAFT STRENGTH IN JAPAN PROPER IS CONSIDERED INSUFFICIENT.

Filed: 3/10/42, 1015 (0215 GMT)

Journal #26, 3/10

CHUNGKING

From: Stilwell, Chungking

CHIANG KAI SHEK IS EXTREMELY SUSPICIOUS OF BRITISH AND REFUSES TO PLACE CHINESE TROOPS UNDER THEIR COMMAND. HE MADE CATEGORICAL STATEMENT HE WILL WITHDRAW TROOPS IF BRIT. INSIST ON COMMAND. HE WOULD APPROVE OF MY COMMANDING, BUT REMAINS ADAMANT AGAINST BRIT. COMMAND. AM ENDEAVORING THRU MADAM TO CONTINUE PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS. TO AVOID MOST SERIOUS MOVE, I RECOMMEND A MESSAGE TO CKS FROM MYHREH QUARTERS. AM LEAVING FOR BRIT AND CHINESE HQ IN BURMA TO WORK OUT PLAN OF COOPERATIVE ACTION.

Filed: 3/10/42, 1440

Journal #31, 3/10

CAIRO

From: Fallers, Cairo

I.B. #104, 3/10

BRIT SENT TO F.E. FROM M.E. FOLLOWING TROOPS, WITH FULL EQUIPMENT:
7TH ARMD. BRIG.
5000 ARTY & AA TROOPS
400 AIRCRAFT
3 AUSTRALIAN & BRIT 70th INF. DIVS.

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From: Shipp - Lisbon

Journal #5, 3/11/42

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I.B. #8, 3/11/42

LISBON

IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE JAPS WILL BE GIVEN MADAGASCAR
BY THE FRENCH.

✓ From: DIO 7th Nav. Dist Via ONI Journal #5, 3/10/42
Filed: 3/9/42, 2227

DIO 7TH NAV.D.
VIA. ONI

INVESTIGATION SHOWS

1. NO SUCH SHIP AS S.O.T. QUEEN.
2. STORY INITIATED BY "CRACKPOT" WHO REPRESENTED HIMSELF AS THE CAPTAIN OF THE SS QUEEN. HE IS NOW "INCARCERATED."

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From: Navy Dept.

Journal #20, 3/10

NAVAL FORCES WHICH SUPPORTED THE LANDING OPERATIONS ON JAVA ARE NOW EMPLOYED IN UPKEEP AND PROVISIONING FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 9-19 AT KENDANKY AND MACASSAR.

THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT A NRI DEFENSE FORCE IS NOW BEING ORGANIZED. IT IS PROBABLE THAT THE OLD BATTLESHIP, NITRI WILL BE, OR HAS BEEN DESIGNATED FLAGSHIP OF THIS OF THIS FORCE AND THAT ~~SEARING BAY~~ SEARING BAY (S.E. CELEBES) COMMANDING A CENTRAL POSITION IN THE NRI WILL SERVE AS THE FUELING AND SUPPLY BASE FOR THIS FORCE.

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From: Watkins, HQ ETO & 1st Army
Gov Island, N.Y.

J. #22, 3/10

I.B. #64, 3/10

ETO & 1st Army

PREVIOUS REPORT OF TANKER "QUEEN" (REPORTED TORPEDOED MARCH 9) CANCELLED, APPARENT ERROR.

NAVY KEY WEST REPORTS SS CHARLES RASINE TORPEDOED AT 23°10'N - 60°27' W. TANKER GULF TRADE TORPEDOED SW BARNEGAT BUOY 4 MILES. 16 survivors with COAST GUARD.

Filed: 3/10/42, 3:52 P.

From: Bonesteel, Indigo

Journal #23, 3/10

I.B. #70, 3/10

INDIGO

BRITISH AIR MINISTRY STATES GERMAN LONG RANGE BOMBERS MAY CARRY OUT RECONNAISSANCE ICELAND AREA.

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From: Admiralty (N) ONI

Journal #26, 3/10

SUBMARINE SITUATION:

3 — in the area bounded by CAPE HENRY AND THE POSITION 37-00 N 70-00 W AND CAPE COD.

1 — WITHIN 100 MILES OF 40-00 N 62-00 W (260 MI SE OF CAPE SABLE, NOVA SCOTIA) AT 2310 ,MARCH 9.

8 OR 9 — IN THE AREA NORTH OF 37-00 N AND BETWEEN 50-00W AND 70-00 W

2 — ABOUT 49-30 N 42-30 W (430 MI ENE OF ST JOHNS, NFID.) BOUND SW.

1 — WITHIN 150 MILES OF 45-00 N 40-00 W (580 MI. ESE OF CAPE RACE, NFID.), HOMEWARD BOUND.

SEE CARD UNDER LATIN AMERICA AND AFRICA.

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From: Admiralty (N) ONI
SUBMARINE SITUATION
2 CR 3 - E CR SW OF ICELAND
2 - NW OF HERRIDES.

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SEE AFRICA, ATLANTIC, AND LATIN AMERICA CARDS

Filed: 3/7/42, ---
From: M/A Lisbon

Journal #30, 3/10

FROM FRANCE 30 TRUCKS, 3 CARRYING TANKS, RECENTLY CAME
INTO IRUN AND WENT TO MIDDLE OF SPAIN.²

G-2 COMMENT:² THE ABOVE STATEMENT OF DELIVERIES OF
TRUCKS AND MATERIAL TO SPAIN IS THE FIRST STATEMENT TO
THIS EFFECT WE HAVE RECEIVED.

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From: M/A Berne LEGGE

IS #6, 3/10

J. #18, 3/10 STATES

FRENCH SOURCE STATES IN BALTIC SEA STRONG GERMAN CONCENTRATION WHICH INCLUDES 5 PANZER DIVS. REPORT OF SWISS SOURCE OF CONCENTRATION IN FLENSBURGSTETT-LUBECK AREA IS CONFIRMED. THESE ARE PRIMARILY RECRUITS BUT GREAT EFFORTS OF GERMANY IN LAST 4 MONTH TO INCREASE MILITARY MANPOWER WILL YIELD IN EXCESS OF 300 DIVS.

NO FURTHER DEFINITE REPORTS, BUT BRIT SOURCE GENERALLY CONFIRMS CABLE #89.

FROM CREDITABLE SOURCES, ANOTHER BRIT SOURCE STATED THAT BULGARIANS REPORT CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF GERM FORCES IN BULGARIA BUT PRIMARILY IN CONVALESCENT CAMPS & DEPOTS. COASTAL ZONE OF BLACK SEA BEING HEAVILY FORTIFIED. TECHNICAL SERVICES, ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTY & COAST ARTY OPERATED BY GERM PERSONNEL. IN TRIANGLE BORDERED BY KILBENKADAGH MOUNTAINS, AEGEAN SEA, & MARITZA RIVER, 2 GERM DIVS. GREAT

IS #6, 3/10 CONT

SHORTAGE OF MATERIALS IN ITALY BUT IT IS EXPECTED THAT ITALY WILL CONTRIBUTE 250,000 MEN FOR OFFENSIVE IN RUSSIA.

G-2 COMMENT:

1. STETT PROBABLY REFERS TO STETTIN.
2. CABLE #89 REQUESTED VERIFICATION OF CABLE # 108 WHICH RELATED TO AXIS INTENTIONS IN SOUTHEASTERN EUROPE.

GERM TROOPS HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN REPORTED FORTIFYING NEAR MARITZA. WHILE RECENT REPORTS INDICATE MOVEMENT OF GERMAN FORCES OUT OF BALKANS, THIS IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH PRESENCE OF CONVALESCENTS IN BULGARIA OR ACTIVE TROOPS NEAR THE MARITZA.

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

#1

CHINA THEATER

G-2 WORK SHEET

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Filed: 918 3/10

IB #87, 3/11

From: BRINK-ALUSMOB, Colombo

J. #16, 3/11

CHINESE 1ST DIV GATHERING AT PYU-MYAUNG-LEBIN. CHINESE TROOPS ARRIVING PYINGAMA. GREAT UNREST IN DELTA AREA. EUROPEANS ARE ATTACKED & INDIANS MURDERED. BURMESE BNS. REPORT NUMEROUS DESERTIONS. THE UNDESIRABLES ARE BEING RELIEVED OF THEIR WEAPONS.

DESPITE NEWS & OTHER REPORTS, BRIT BRIG'S ATTACK AT WANDER NOT A SUCCESS.

NUCLEUS OF FREE BURMESE ARMY IS INDICATED BY CAPTURE OF ARMED BURMESE AT PYINBOM.

JAPS MOVING TO HIT AT TARRAWADOT-PROME ROAD, BUT HAVE NOT TAKEN PEGU AS YET.

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0-2 WORK SHEET

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ATLANTIC OTHER

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TO

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FROM: DRUM, ETO JOURNAL # 21 3/11

FILED: 3/11 I.B. # 32

REPORT FROM BOB SAYS NAVY AIR SIGHTED SS AT 32°22' N -
76°20' W, AT 9:55 GMT TODAY.

Filed: 1004 3/11

J. #22, 3/11

From: WATKINS ETO

IB #34, 3/11

ENEMY SS'S SEEN OFF MARTHA'S VINEYARD BY ARMY BOMBER.
PLANE DIDN'T MAKE ATTACK AS NOT KNOWN IF FRIENDLY OR ENEMY
SUB. A FRIENDLY SUB HAD BEEN SCHEDULED TO DEPART NEW
LONDON, CONN. SS LEDA SAW SS AT 29°56' N, 68°32' WEST AT
2021 GMT.

Filed: 4:14 AM 3/11

J. #23, 3/11

From: DRUM ETO

IB #35, 3/11

SS AT 39° 12' N, 74°31' W REPORTED BY SS PARISIMIA AT
0655 GMT 3/10.

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#1

W.E.THEATER

Filed: 3/11

J. #19, 3/11

From: NAVY (OPNAV)

GERM BATTLESHIP "TIRPITZ" STILL AT LARGE
ACCOMPANIED BY A CRUISER OF "PRINCE EUGEN" TYPE, A SMALLER
CRUISER OR LARGE DESTROYER, AND SMALL DESTROYER, (PREVIOUS
REPORT SAID 3 DESTROYERS).

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

#1

PACIFIC THEATER

Filed: 3/11

J. #17, 3/11

From: NAVY WAR PLANS (NAVAL OPERATIONS)

U.S. NAVAL FORCES ATTACKED WAKE ISLAND ON FEB. 24 & DESTROYED ALL JAP SEA PLANES, BLDGS, & OTHER INSTALLATIONS ON ISLAND. NO LAND PLANES OR WARSHIPS FOUND AT WAKE. 1 SMALL JAP PATROL VESSEL CAPTURED & ITS CREW TAKEN PRISONER. 1 U.S. BOMBER SHOT DOWN & CREW TAKEN PRISONER. THAT THEY WERE LATER SENT TO JAPAN WAS LEARNED FROM INTERCEPTED RADIO MESSAGE. (THIS CONFIRMS JAP PRESS REPORT OF ATTACK, BUT CORRECTS U.S. PLANE LOSS FROM 6 TO 1).

Filed: 3/11

J. #18, 3/11

From: NAVY F-111

U.S. NAVAL FORCES ATTACKED MARCUS ISLAND (ABOUT 156°E, 27°N) MAR. 4 & DESTROYED ALL INSTALLATIONS. NO PLANES ENCOUNTERED, BUT EXTREMELY ACCURATE JAP AA FIRE KNOCKED DOWN 1 ATTACKING BOMBER. (THIS CONFIRMS JAP PRESS REPORT OF ATTACK ON MARCUS.)

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J. #13, 3/11

From: OTTAWA(N)

DIRECTION-FINDER INDICATES ENEMY SS'S 120 MILES SOUTH-
WEST OF MARTINIQUE WITHIN 60 MILES OF 15°30'N, 63°00'W AT
1219 OCT.

Filed: 2157 3/10

J. #14, 3/11

From: MS HQ (OTTAWA)

SS HANSEAT, PANAMA: TORPEDOED 10 MILES NORTH OF CAPE MAYSI
REPEAT MAYSI AT 1150 OCT 0'CLOCK THE 9TH. CAPE MAYSI IS
THE S.E. TIP OF CUBA.

Filed: 3:57 A 3/11

J. #15, 3/11

From: KIRKWOOD Quarry Heights, C.Z. IB #22, 3/11

REPORTS FROM TRINIDAD & CARIBBEAN SEA FRONT INDICATE
THE TANKER HALAM WAS TORPEDOED 25 MILES OFF CAPE SAN
ANTONIA WHILE EN ROUTE TO CIENFUEGOS. COLOMBIA RELAYED
THE INTERCEPTED CALL FOR HELP.

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J. #19, 3/11

From: NAVY (OPNAV)

WHEN U.S. SUB REPORTED TO PEARL HARBOR BASE MAR 10 IT ANNOUNCED HAVING SUNK OFF FORMOSA 3 FREIGHTERS & 1 COMBINATION PASSENGER & FREIGHT VESSEL.

MIDWAY ISLAND WAS ATTACKED BY JAP PLANES MAR 10 2340 GCT.

Filed: 1835 3/10

J. #20, 3/11

From: ACNEB

1. THE NAMOI, JAP SEA PLANE CARRIER IN RAHAUL AREA. IT IS ACCOMPANYING C IN C 4TH FLEET.
2. NOTHING FURTHER ON ENEMY AT SALAMOA & LEA.
3. GASMATA - 2 JAP FIGHTERS FAILED TO INTERCEPT OUR AIR RECONNAISSANCE.
4. JAPS 9TH AIR RAID ON PORT MORESBY THE 9TH AT 0100 GCT. 11 TYPE 97 HEAVY BOMBERS DAMAGED THE AIRPORT SLIGHTLY & 1 AA BATTERY. NO CASUALTIES TO AA BATTERY.
5. AIR RECON MAR 9 AT RAHAUL: 6 TRANSPORTS IN HARBOR, ONLY 1 SETTING OUT, 1 TANKER & 1 CRUISER IN SE OF HARBOR. YUMAKAMAM AIRPORT HAD 16 2-MOTORED BOMBERS. WE EVADED 4 FIGHTERS TO ESCAPE.

Filed: 1824, 3/11

J. #24, 3/11

From: BHETT Melbourne

- 8 B-17'S UNDER MAJ. E.H. CANNMICHAEL DROPPED 16 TONS OF BOMBS ON SALAMOA HARBOR MAR 10, SINKING 2 SHIPS, BURNING 4, BEACHING 1. NO LOSS SUFFERED BY THE FLIGHT.

Filed: 0325 3/11

J. #25, 3/11

From: COM 14 2222

JAP FLEET DISPOSITIONS:

1. FUJIKAWA MARU (AIR TENDER) IN TRUK, NEW BRITAIN AREA.
2. 1 SS SIGHTED AT 2949 S 165-03 E (570 MI NNE OF NAPA IS.
3. AIRCRAFT CONTINUES TO BE MOVED FROM SOUTHERN EMPIRE TO YOKOSUKA AREA.
4. IN JAVA AREA (PROBABLY TO SOUTH) CARDIV 2 STILL OPERATES
5. IN JAVA AREA ARE SATDIV 3, DESRON 1, DRUDIV 8, & 1 ON 2 SUBMARINES.

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J. #26, 5/11

From: ACNS Melbourne

JAP FLEET & AIR DISPOSITIONS:

1. AS OF MAR 9 AIR RECON SHOWED THAT, OF 6 TRANSPORTS IN HARBOR AT SARAU 1 WAS MOVING OUT; 1 CRUISER AT SE END OF

Filed: 0800 5/11

J. #32, 5/11

From: OF 18-9-2

SUMMARY AS OF 0800 5/11, OF JAP NAVAL ACTIVITIES ALLIED NAVAL FLEET OF 2 CRUISERS, 5 DD AND 1 CV IN NEW BRITAIN AREA APPEARS TO HAVE MADE TWO DISTINCT CONTACTS WITH KENNY. A SUBMAREC MADE THE FIRST ON MARCH 10, A PATROL PLANE AT 1540 O'CLOCK MADE CONTACT AGAIN THE SAME DAY WITHIN A FEW MINUTES. THIS PATROL PLANE THEN SIGHTED 40 KENNY AIRCRAFT.

A JAP LANDING AT FINNSAPIN IS THEIR THIRD ON THE EAST COAST OF NEW GUINEA.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT A MAX. OF THREE CA OF GRUINS, 8 AND 6 HAVE LEFT SARAU AREA FOR N.E.I.

THE ANIMAN ISLANDS, PROBABLE OBJECTIVE OF EXPECTED KENNY OFFENSE PROGRAM DAY OF SEVERAL AREA LIKELY CASE OF MUCH SUMMER ACTIVITY. HIS CONCERN IN THIS OPERATION IMPLIES THAT THE CINC, SECOND FLEET, IS PREPARING ORDERS WHICH WILL INVOLVE AT LEAST PARTS OF THE ARMY FORCES IN JOURNAL #32, 5/11/42, CONT'D.

RELA AS WELL AS HIS NAVAL UNITS. PHANG ALMOST SURE TO BE SPRINGBOARD OF THE OFFENSE AFTER ARMY UNITS LEAVE THE WEST COAST OF MALAYA.

TOKYO CLAIMS 1 US CRUISER SUNK MARCH 2 BY JAP CRUISER SQUADRON. ONLY A FEW OF THE UNITS ENGAGED IN JAVA INVASION ARE NOW OPERATING IN THE INDIAN OCEAN. MOST OF THEM RECEIVING TEN DAY MAINTENANCE PERIOD.

Filed: 3/7/42, 5:58 P.

Journal #76, 3/8

RIO

From: Hughes, Rio

I.B. #62, 3/8

RECOMMEND SEAPLANE BASE BE CHANGED FROM 2ND TO 1ST
PRIORITY.

Filed: 3/8/42, 4:25 P.

Journal #87, 3/8

E.T.O.

From: Watkins, ETO

COAST GUARD SAN JUAN RELATED RADIO THEY RECEIVED FROM
SS DALRAM AS HAVING SIGHTED A SUB AT 1106 GMT MARCH 8 AT
18°18' N 65°03' W.

4:00 P.M.

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Journal #88, 3/8

From: Navy

ACCORDING TO CERTAIN EVIDENCE THE ANTILLES ARE THE
OPERATIONAL AREA OF SOME ITALIAN SUBS.

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3/8/42

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3/9/42

From: Pratt - Port of Spain Journal #95, 3/8/42

Filed: 3/8/42, 5:35 P I.R. #109, 3/8/42

PRATT

PORT OF SPAIN

SS BRACSTANGE UNSUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED BY SUB 200 MILES
NW ARUBA. HOSTILE SUB OFF GALLERA POINT. (NE POINT TRINI-
DAD) AIRCRAFT IN AIR.

LAKE TANKER TRAFFIC STOPPED BY STRIKE OF CHINESE SAIL-
ORS, BUT RESUMED TODAY.

SAILOR REPORTS PANAMANIAN SHIP BAZON TORPEDOED; SANK
IN 30 SEC. WITH MANGANESE CARGO FROM RIO FOR CANADA.

From: Pratt - Port of Spain Journal #1, 3/9/42

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PRATT

PORT OF SPAIN

AIR PATROL SIGHTED FRENCH PASSENGER FREIGHTER WYOMING
ENTERING PORT DE FRANCE 1230 OCT. SUSPICIOUS VESSEL IN
HARBOR OF DESTROYER TYPE.

G-2 WORK SHEET

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ATLANTIC - OTHER

Filed: 3/3/42, 8:35 P 3/7
From: ETO WATKINS
SUB SIGHTED AT 18° 18' N, 65° 03' W BY US TALKAM AT 1106 GMT
S18.

IS #49, 3/8
J. #62, 3/8

Filed: 3/4/42, 4:51 P.
From: CG, CDC
TRINIDAD REPORTS COMMAND OF "ARUBA AND CURACAO JOINT
UNITED STATES FORCES ASSUMED ON MARCH 2 BY ADMIRAL
CHANDLER."

Journal #70, 3/8
I.B. #48, 3/7

CDC

FOR G-2, ONE TANKER AND FOUR FREIGHTERS ARRIVED AT
CURACAO ON MARCH 2. AT ARUBA FOUR OCEAN TANKERS ARRIVED
AND THREE DEPARTED. NO LATE TANKER TRAFFIC. ON MARCH
4th, the ENEMY OPERATIONS REPORT FROM CURACAO STATES THAT
CONDITIONS IN ARUBA ARE NORMAL.

G-2 COMMENT: LAST SHIP REPORTED DAMAGED IN THIS AREA
WAS THE "SUN" ON FEB 25, OFF THE "MONROE ISLANDS" JUST W
OF ARUBA).

Filed: 3/8/42, 1:06 P.
From: HQ ETO & First Army Gov Is.
REQUEST FOR PROPER ADDRESS FOR MESSAGES FROM E.T.O.

Journal #75, 3/8
I.B. #64, 3/8

ETO & FIRST ARMY

Filed: 3/7/42, 6:57 P.
From: HQ ETO & First Army
REPORT OF ADI ACTIVITIES AND WEATHER.

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I.B. #69, 3/8

ETO & FIRST ARMY

Filed: 3/8/42, 7:40 P.
From: ETO & First Army
ARMY LIAISON JOINT NAVY-ARMY OPERATIONS STATES SUB
DEFINITELY SIGHTED IN WINNARD PASSAGE, AT 21:15, MARCH 7

Journal #90, 3/8

From: Watkins - ETO
Filed: 3/8/42, 9:47 P
SUB ATTACKED BY PLANE AT 43° 45' N - 63° 55' W.
SUB ALSO SIGHTED MAR. 8 AT 30° 09' N - 65° 02' W.

Journal #94, 3/8/42
I.B. #108, 3/8/42

WATKINS
ETO

From: Hoffe
Filed:

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THIS AFTERNOON PAN-AM FLIGHTS TOWARD PANAMA ON BOTH
SIDES OF CANAL ZONE WERE HALTED WITHOUT WARNING. INDICA-
TION OF POSSIBLE ATTACK ON CANAL PENDING. IF AVAIL-
ABLE, FURTHER DETAILS FOLLOW.

HOFFE

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WESTERN EUROPE

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From: W/A London

I.S. #53, 3/7

LONDON

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE C-2 REQUEST RELAYED TO US BY COL MEMPHON FOR EXPEDIENTS FORWARDING OF MERCHANT SHIP LOSS DATA, THE FOLLOWING TABULATION IS SUBMITTED. WE SHALL CONTINUE, HOWEVER, TO SUBMIT THESE DATA BY MILITARY ATTACHE REPORT ALSO.

BRIT. ALLIED AND NEUTRAL MERCHANT SHIPPING LOSSES IN GROSS TONS.

	WEEK OF FEB. 16-22	WEEK OF FEB. 23-MARCH 1
Non-tanker vessels	45,900	6,300
Tankers	54,500	17,200
TOTAL	101,400	23,500

*ONLY VESSELS OF 1600 OR MORE GROSS TONS ARE INCLUDED.

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Journal #86, 3/8

MADRID

From: Eager, Madrid

I.S. #73, 3/8

REFERS TO HIGHLY SECRET DEVELOPMENTS OF RANGE AND HEIGHT FINDER. INFO. TO GO TO PARTY REFERRED TO IN MY CABLE #92. (NOT RECEIVED BY SITUATION R.H.S.)

From: Watkins - ETO

Journal #2, 3/9/42

WATKINS

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ETO

ESP LOG 21.25 REPORTS AIR PHOTO SHOWS PRINCE EUGEN AND ADMIRAL SCHERER YET AT TRONDHEIM.

20.36 INTERCEPT FROM JACKSONVILLE C.O. 500 K.C. THREE USS A036 DISTRESS STOP SENDING ON 500 K.C.

From: Eager - Madrid

Journal #3, 3/9/42

EAGER

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MADRID

NO CHANGE.

From: Leahy - Vichy

Journal #6, 3/9/42

LEAHY

Filed: 3/8/42, 6:00 P

VICHY

NOTHING TO REPORT.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

EASTERN EUROPEAN # 1

From: Steinhardt - Ankara Journal #4, 3/9/42
Filed: 3/8/42, 10:00 A

STEINHARDT
ANKARA

VIEWS OF SULZBERGER, N.Y. TIMES CORRESPONDENT IN BALKANS, MOSCOW, KIEV, AND ANKARA.

AS SOON AS WEATHER PERMITS, GERMAN OFFENSIVE IMPENDING
GERMAN LEFT WING PROBABLY AT KHARKOV.

PRINCIPAL DRIVE DIRECTION OF ROSTOV TO CUT RR BETWEEN
N AND W AREAS AS LEFT PINGER OF A DRIVE EITHER BY-PASSING
TURKEY THRU SYRIA AND PALESTINE OR THRU TURKEY.

THE RIGHT PINGER IS SPLIT IN 2 COLUMNS, ONE HEADED
TOWARD MOSUL AND ULTIMATELY BAGHDAD OR BASRA IF POSSIBLE
AND THE OTHER COLUMN HEADED TOWARD THE CAUCASUS.

TURKISH DETERMINATION TO RESIST NOW WEAKENED BY EVENTS
AND IT IS NECESSARY THAT SOME TOWN FORCE EITHER GROUND
OR AIR BE SENT TO THAT AREA.

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From: Steinhardt - Ankara Journal #5, 3/9/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 4:00 P

STEINHARDT
ANKARA

RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR BELIEVES GER. OFFENSIVE WILL BE DIRECTED
THRU ROSTOV TO THE CAUCASUS ON A LINE RUNNING FROM
KHARKOV TO THE BLACK SEA AND ALSO THRU TURKEY. HIS BASIS
IS INFORMATION AS TO

1. PREPARED BASES IN GREECE AND BULGARIA.
2. ASSEMBLY OF A LARGE NUMBER OF PLANES IN GREECE.
3. HITLER HAS AMASSED 2,000,000 FOR THIS OPN.
4. 80 TON BARGES CONSTRUCTED ALONG GREEK COAST IN
CARGO NUMBERS.
5. AXIS SHIPPING IN CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT CONCENTRATED IN
VICINITY OF PORT OF VARNA (FOR LANDING IN TURKEY)

HE BELIEVES AN ATTACK ON TURKEY WILL BE LIMITED TO

(Journal #5, 3/9/42, Cont'd)

SEIZURE OF THRACE, IN ORDER TO GAIN CONTROL OF STRAITS.
HE DOUBTS TURKEY'S ABILITY TO RESIST WITHOUT ADEQUATE
SUPPORT IN AIR FROM BRITISH OR RUSSIAN SOURCES.

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From: Cairo FELLERS

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WHILE MALTA IS KEY TO MED. SHIPPING, SUPPLY LINE FROM ITALY & TRIPOLI NOW ALMOST FREE OF INTERRUPTION OWING TO HEAVY BOMBING OF ISLAND. AS YET BRIT HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO DETERMINE NATURE OF SUPPLIES BEING SENT TO TRIPOLI, BUT IT APPEARS CERTAIN AXIS CAN MAKE MAJOR PUSH THROUGH DESERT.

WITH PROBABLE ARRIVAL OF LITTORIO DIV (ARMORED), AXIS HAS IN ALL 4 MECHANIZED DIVS. ADEQUATE NUMBER ITALIAN TROOPS TO MAINTAIN COMMUNICATIONS & HOLD OCCUPIED TERRITORY. BRIT WITH PRESENT STRENGTH COULD NOT PREVENT TAKING OF EGYPT & SUEZ CANAL IF AXIS SHOULD GET 4 MOTORIZED DIVS SENT TO AFRICA FROM RUSSIAN FRONT.

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Journal No. 64, 3/8

From: M/A Cairo

I. B. #49, 3/7

CAIRO

AXIS MAY ATTACK SERIA EITHER BY PASSAGE THROUGH TURKEY OR BY SEABORNE INVASION. M.E. INTELLIGENCE DOES NOT BELIEVE EITHER OF THESE OPERATIONS PROBABLE. IN SUPPORT OF THIS ATTITUDE THEY ADVANCED THE FOLLOWING:

(1) BRITISH CONSIDER THAT TURKEY WILL FIGHT AN AXIS INVASION.

(2) A NUMBER OF GERMAN DIVS WOULD BE REQUIRED WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE BE OF USE AGAINST RUSSIA.

(3) PRUDENCE OF AN INVASION OF TURKEY PRIOR TO CLARIFICATION OF SITUATION IN SOUTHERN RUSSIA IS DOUBTFUL.

(4) SOLE LAND SUPPLY ROUTE TO SERIA IS A SINGLE-TRACK RR WITH MANY TUNNELS IN THE TAURUS MOUNTAIN AREA.

(5) DIFFICULT CROSSING OF THE HELLESPONT AND DARDANELLES WOULD BE INVOLVED IN AN INVASION OF TURKEY.

IN MY OPINION THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

I.B. # 49, 3/7 CONTD.

AND NOT GIVEN APPROPRIATE WEIGHT BY THE BRITISH:

(1) THE TURKS FEAR RUSSIA MORE THAN THEY DO GERMANY

(2) MILITARY POSITION OF THE BRIT IN ME IS NOT SECURE.

(3) BRIT PRESTIGE IN MUSLIM TURKEY HAS BEEN LOWERED BY THE EPISODE IN ABDINE PALACE DESCRIBED IN I.B. #32, FEB. 9th

(4) TURKEY MIGHT ALLOW AXIS TROOPS AN UNOPPOSED PASSAGE TO THE SYRIAN FRONTIER AS SHE REALIZES THE FUTILITY OF RESISTANCE TO GERMANY WITHOUT BRITISH AID.

(5) TURKEY IS WELL AWARE THAT THE BRITISH DO NOT HAVE AVAILABLE MEANS TO EXTEND EFFECTIVE MILITARY ASSISTANCE. THIS IS IN REPLY TO YOUR 721.

G-2 NOTE: I.B. #32, FEB. 9TH, DESCRIBED THE ACTION OF THE BRIT AMBASSADOR IN BREAKING IN THE PALACE GATES AT NIGHT WITH TANKS AND OFFERING KING FAROUK THE CHOICE OF

I.B. #49, 3/7

APPOINTMENT OF NAHAS PASHA AS PRIME MINISTER OR IMMEDIATE ABDICATION AND TRANSPORTATION TO SOUTH AFRICA.

Filed: 3/7/42, Noon

Journal #73, 3/8

From: Vice-Consul, Algiers

I.B. #95, 3/7

ALGIERA

ON OCCASIONS OF OFFICIAL CALLS ON HIGH FRENCH OFFICERS, BOTH ARMY AND AIR, AT ALGIERA AND TUNIS THEY EXPRESSED SCORNO OVER DEATHS CAUSED BY BOMBING OF PARIS AREA. HOWEVER, THEY FULLY UNDERSTAND ENGLISH POSITION AND NONE OF THEM EXPRESSED INDIGNATION; SEVERAL EXPRESSED HOPE THAT BRIT WARFARESHIP HAD BEEN GOOD AND ADDED THAT FRANCE MUST ACCEPT SUCH EVENTS. THEY RIDICULED THE FRENCH NEWS-PAPER TREATMENT OF BOMBING AS GERMAN-INSPIRED AND SAID THAT THE ARMY UNDERSTOOD THIS AND WAS SURE THAT THE PEOPLE DID LIKEWISE.

WITH THE CONTINUED ADVANCES OF THE JAPS, GENERAL MORALE IS STEADILY GOING DOWN. THE PRIME EXCEPTION IS THE GREAT STRESS BEING PUT UPON GEN. MACARTHUR'S STAND AS BEING THE FIRST EXAMPLE OF REAL FIGHTING BY ALLIES. AIR OFFICERS EXPRESSED HOPE THAT TOKYO WOULD RECEIVE ATTENTION OF

I.B. #95, 3/7 CONT.

BOMBERS, IF ONLY FOR THE MORALE EFFECT ON THE WORLD.

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Journal #74, 3/8

From: M/A ANKARA

I.B. #50, 3/7

ANKARA

1. IT IS ESTIMATED IN SECRET PAPERS OF FREE FRENCH THAT TROOPS UNDER PETAIN CONTROL IN REUNION ISLANDS AS OF THE FIRST OF NOVEMBER WERE: AT POINT EDESSAULTS ONE ARTILLERY SECTION OF CALIBER 90 GUNS; AT ST. DENIS ONE COMPANY OF INFANTRY COMPRISING WHITE TROOPS.

2. AN ATTACK BY TWO BATTALIONS ON REUNION ISLANDS WOULD BE SUCCESSFUL IF COORDINATED WITH ACTION AGAINST MADAGASCAR.

3. THE LATTER COULD BE SUCCESSFULLY TAKEN OVER ACCORDING TO THESE PAPERS BY THREE BRIGADES OF THE TYPE USED BY BRITAIN SUPPORTED BY ONE LIGHT TANK COMPANY, NAVAL SUPPORT, AND SUPPORTING AIR FORCES.*

4. TO PREVENT THE JAPANESE FROM SEIZING THE AREAS MENTIONED IT IS URGED THAT STEPS BE TAKEN WITHOUT DELAY.

5. TROOPS UNDER VICHY CONTROL AT MADAGASCAR FOUR MONTHS

I.B. #50 3/7 CONTD.

AGO WERE CALCULATED TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: ONE BN INF. AT TAMATAVE; ONE SEC. 90 MM OR 75 MM ART AT TAMATAVE; ONE OR TWO COMPANIES INF. AT MAJUNGA; ONE GROUP MIXED MOUNTAIN ART AND FIELD ART. AT DIEGO-SUAREZ; SEVEN BATTERIES COAST ART AT DIEGO-SUAREZ; ONE BN MIXED INF. COMPRISING TROOPS TO THE NUMBER OF TWELVE HUNDRED AT DIEGO-SUAREZ; ONE OR TWO GUNBOATS OF THE COLONIAL TYPE AT DIEGO-SUAREZ; ONE MACHINE GUN DETACHMENT AT DIEGO-SUAREZ; ONE CO. OF ENGINEERS AT DIEGO-SUAREZ.

6. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE COAST ART. AND THE WATER-CRAFT THE FORCES AT DIEGO-SUAREZ ARE DUPLICATED AT TAMATAVE.

7. APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN OBSOLETE PLANES, 20 MORAINES, AND 15 POTEE - A TOTAL OF 50 AIRPLANES - ARE ON HAND.

8. IN THE INSULAR AREAS THERE ARE SMALL UNITS OF MILITIA.

I.B. #50, 3/7 CONTD.

9. THE PAPERS FROM WHICH THE ABOVE INFORMATION DERIVES WERE DRAWN AT BEIRUT HQS OF DEGAULLE ON 24 JAN.

ON B. RELATION BETWEEN BRIGADES AND TANK COMPANIES NOT CLEAR CLEAR IN ORIGINAL CABLE.

COM-2 COMMENT: 1. MESSAGE AGREES WITH PREVIOUS INFORMATION

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RECEIVED FROM BRITISH. GREATER DETAIL AND CLOSER UNIT IDENTIFICATION, HOWEVER, INDICATE A CLOSER INVESTIGATION ON THE PART OF THE FREE FRENCH.

2. VICHY COLLABORATION WITH JAPAN AND DESIGNS ON MADAGASCAR HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM OTHER EUROPEAN SOURCES.

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From: Fellers, Cairo

Journal #77, 3/8
I.B. #60, 3/8

CAIRO

BRIT WILL NOT CONCEDE THAT AN INVASION OF SYRIA BY SEA ROUTE IS POSSIBLE BECAUSE THEY WILL NOT CONCEDE THAT THEIR NAVY CAN BE PUT OUT OF ACTION OR THAT GERMANS CAN CAPTURE CYPRUS.

COL. FELLERS BELIEVES THAT BRIT FLEET IS BOTTLED IN A AND CONTINUOUS EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN BY BLOCKING OF SUEZ CANAL, AND COM PRESSURE ON MALTA THE TINUOUS BOMBING OF ALEXANDRIA IT CAN BE DRIVEN FROM ITS BASE. ONCE THE BRIT FLEET PUTS TO SEA IT CAN BE DESTROYED BY AIR ATTACKS AND THE MORE POWERFUL ITALIAN FLEET.

AS FIGHTER PLANES CAN FLY FROM RHODES TO CYPRUS BUT CANNOT RETURN ANY AERIAL ATTACK WOULD HAVE FIGHTER SUPPORT ENROUTE BUT THE FIGHTERS WOULD HAVE TO LAND WITH THE TRANSPORT PLANES. THERE IS A VALLEY ACROSS NW CYPRUS ABOUT 20 MILES WIDE WHERE PLANES COULD LAND AND THE 5TH INDIAN DIVISION DEFENDING CYPRUS WOULD BE FACED WITH

I.B. #60, 3/8 CONTD.

SIMULTANEOUS AIR AND SEA ATTACKS. THE CAPTURE OF CYPRUS WOULD BE COSTLY BUT IS POSSIBLE.

THAT AN ATTACK FROM BALKAN AREA IS CONTEMPLATED IS INDICATED BY THE FOLLOWING: (1) COMMUNICATIONS FROM BALKANS TO GREECE AND AEGEANS IMPROVED (2) INCREASED TROOP MOVEMENTS IN GREECE (3) EXTENSION OF AIRFIELDS IN GREECE, CRETE, AEGEANS. (4) CONSTRUCTION OF BARRAGES (5) TRAINING FOR LANDINGS IN AEGEANS (6) AMASSING OF WAR SUPPLIES IN SALONIKA AND SYDIES (7) REORGANIZING OF CRETE (7) ALL GERMAN UNITS EXCEPT 6 DIVISIONS HAVE MOVED OUT OF BALKANS POSSIBLY SOME TO CRETE.

ROMMEL'S MISSION MAY BE TO PEN DOWN THE 8TH ARMY IN LIBYA WHILE A COMBINED PARACHUTE, AIR AND SEA BORNE LANDING ANYWHERE BETWEEN FUKA AND EASTERN FRONTIER OF EGYPT COULD NOT BE OPPOSED BY ANY MAJOR LAND RESISTANCE AND MIGHT PROVE DEVASTATING. HOWEVER IF ROMMEL'S MISSION

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IS TO TAKE THE DELTA AREA WITHOUT ASSISTANCE THEN THE LOGICAL OBJECTIVE FOR THE FORCES NOW ASSEMBLING IN PELOPONNESIS WOULD BE SYRIA, PALESTINE OR TURKEY AND THE BRITISH DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT FORCES TO MEET THE TWO ATTACKS.

A NEUTRAL TURKEY WOULD BE TO ADVANTAGE TO AXIS BECAUSE TURKEY DOES NOT OFFER ANY HIGH OBJECTIVE AND TURKISH COMMUNICATIONS TO SYRIA ARE POOR. THE LEAST COSTLY AXIS MOVE TO SECURE MOSUL OIL WOULD BE ATTACK BY ROMMEL ON THE DELTA AND MOVE BY SEA ON SYRIA BY-PASSING TURKEY. THEREFORE BELIEVE THAT SEA BORNE INVASION OF SYRIA IS A PROBABILITY.

From: Eirders - Peshwar
Filed: 3/8/42, 1735

Journal #10, 3/9/42

EIRDERS
PESHWAR

AFGHANS ANTICIPATE INVASION OF INDIA BY JAPS. FEAR
LOSS OF BRIT. AUTHORITY THRU INDIAN REACTIONS. U.S. FOCUS
OF HOPES. LEND-LEASE REQUESTS FOR AFGHANS AND DEFENSE
SEEM IN EXCHANGE FOR FULL COOPERATIONS.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #8, 3/9/42

Filed: 3/9/42, 8:55 A

MACARTHUR

~~SECRET~~

FT. MILLS

SITUATION UNCHANGED. GEN. YOKI YAMASHITA, NEW COMMANDER
IN CHIEF WITH HQ AT SAN FERNANDO (COMMANDED DRIVE AGAINST
SINGAPORE)DECLASSIFIED
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Journal #61, 3/8

From: ABDA BRETT

PERSONNEL OF 27TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP ARRIVED PHILIPPINES ON 12/7/41 WITHOUT PLANES & SINCE THEN 21 PILOTS HAVE BEEN EVACUATED TO AUSTRALIA.

IN DEC. 52 A-24'S ARRIVED AUSTRALIA, WERE PLACED IN COMBAT OPERATIONAL COMMISSION & ASSIGNED TO PROVISIONAL GROUP. THIS GROUP HAS 52 PILOTS. OF THIS GROUP ONLY 1 SQUADRON, THE 51ST WENT TO JAVA & ITS REMNANTS HAVE NOT RETURNED.

STRENGTH OF GROUP AT PRESENT:

29 A-24'S (OF ORIGINAL 52)

15 A-24'S IN PROCESS OF REECTION

27TH LIGHT BOMBARDMENT GROUP IS NOW BEING REACTIVATED.

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Journal #71, 3/8

From: Harrington, WDC and 4th Army

I.B. #85, 3/7

WDC & 4th ARMY

INVESTIGATION WILL BE CONDUCTED BY NAVY SURFACE VESSEL REGARDING REPORTED REPLENISHING OF WATER SUPPLY BY SUB. ABOUT 30 MILES SOUTH OF LA PAZ, LOWER CALIFORNIA, AT PUNTA PALMILLA. DETAILS OF REPORT WERE GIVEN IN OUR G-2 PERIODIC MOLLO, WHICH WAS AIRMAILED EARLY TODAY. BREWSTER, US VICE CONSUL AT LA PAZ, INVESTIGATED THE INCIDENT, WHICH IS SAID TO HAVE OCCURRED ON THE NIGHT OF FEB. 26TH AND REPORTED THE SOURCES AS BEING RELIABLE. BY OFFICIAL COMM. TO OUR LIAISON OFFICER IN LOWER CALIFORNIA (EMSENADA), COL. AKILLO, A.C.O.S., PACIFIC MILITARY REGION "CATEGORICALLY DENIED THE UNFOUNDED VERSION." IT IS POINTED OUT THAT IF TRUE, THIS REPORT WOULD INDICATE THAT THE SUB. WHICH REPLENISHED ITS WATER SUPPLY AT PUNTA PALMILLA MIGHT HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FEB 23 SHELING OF

I.B. #85, 3/7 CONTD.

ELLWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

G-2 COMMENT: COL. AKILLO REFERRED TO IS COL. LUIS ALMILLO FLORES, A.C. OF S., PACIFIC MILITARY REGION. THE REFERENCE TO THE SAME SUB. BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SHELING OF ELLWOOD, CALIFORNIA IS POSSIBLE CONSIDERING THE DISTANCE AND SPEED OF A SUBMARINE.)

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Journal #79, 3/8

CHUNGKING

From: Stilwell, Chungking

DISPOSITION OF ALLIED FORCES IN BURMA AS OF MARCH 1st. JAPS HAVE ABOUT 1 DIV IN CHIENGMAY AREA AND 1 TO 2 DIVS SITTAH.

DISTRIBUTION OF JAP AIR FORCES FEB 27 FROM CHIEF SINO AIR FORCE: 83 HANKOW; 6 KAIPEHO; 4 HSINHSIANG; 3 NANKING; 12 HANGCHOW; 9 SHANGHAI; 40 CANTON; 16 SWATOW. THEN 800 JAP PLANES IN INDO-CHINA, THAILAND, MALAYA AND BORNEO NOT INCLUDING BORNEO ARMY AIR FORCE IN THIS AREA WHICH IS COMPOSED OF THE 5TH, 6TH, 12TH, 13TH, 14TH KAYA, TAIWAN, AND MOTOYAMA GROUPS AND NAVY AIR FORCE 12TH, 27TH, 31ST, 75TH, 96TH AND CHII GROUPS.

Journal #66, 3/8

MCARTHUR

Filed: 3/8/42, 11:45 A.
 From: MacArthur, Ft. Mils
 RECENT COLLIER OF 90 TRUCKS CARRYING 1 INF. REGT. OF
 2500 WAS SHOT DOWN AND DESTROYED BY OUR ADVANCED ARTY.
 TRL.

Journal #69, 3/8

SANS ORIGIN

Filed: 3/8/42, 2020
 From: Brett, Sans Origine
 MAJOR KIDHOLS ACCEPTS TEMPORARY LT. COLONELCY.

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SANS ORIGIN

Filed: 3/8/42, 1900
 From: Brett, Sans Origine
 ANY GROUND UNITS WILL BE INEFFECTIVE UNLESS EQUIPPED
 WITH ANTIDROGAPT UNITS, DETECTION UNITS AND PROPER AIR
 COVERAGE. LATEST INFORMATION IS THAT ENEMY BY BASING 500
 TO 600 PLANES ON ISLANDS TO THE NORTH AND CARRIERS CAN CON-
 CENTRATE IN THE AUSTRALIAN AREA. FLEXIBILITY OF A
 CARRIER BASED OPERATIONS PERMITS CONCENTRATIONS OF A
 LARGE FORCE ALMOST AT WILL AGAINST ANY POINTS IN
 AUSTRALIA. CONCENTRATION OF FORCES IN AUSTRALIA TO
 OPPOSE JAP ATTACKS IS EXCEEDINGLY DIFFICULT BECAUSE OF
 LACK OF COMMUNICATIONS, POOR TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES
 AND GREAT DISTANCES TO BE COVERED.
 DETAILS AS TO NUMBERS AND DISPOSITIONS OF ALLIED
 AIR FORCES IN AUSTRALIA AND ESTIMATES AS TO REINFORCE-
 MENTS NECESSARY TO DEFEND AREA.
 DISPOSITIONS OF PRESENT GROUND FORCES AND ESTIMATES OF
 REINFORCEMENTS NEEDED.

Journal #83, 3/8

NAVY DEPT.

Filed: 3/8/42
 From: Navy Dept.
 JAP NAVAL ACTIVITIES SUMMARY AS OF 0800, 3/8/42
 1. THERE SEEMS TO BE NO LESSENING OF JAP NAVAL FORCES
 OPERATING IN JAVA SEA NOR HAVE THERE BEEN ANY FURTHER
 REPORTS OF THE JAP SURFACE FORCES PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS
 BEING IN JAVA.
 2. LIGHT SURFACE FORCES HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE SUBS AND
 AIR FORCES OPERATING FROM PERAK AND COMBINE WITH AN ADDED
 THREAT TO ALLIED COMMUNICATIONS WITH INDIA.
 3. JAPS CONTINUE TO BUILD UP STRENGTH IN THE NEW
 BRITAIN AREA, PARTICULARLY AT RABULU AND GASMATA. THE
 STEADY DEVELOPMENT OF THIS AREA INDICATES THE POSSIBILITY
 THAT IT IS BEING ORGANIZED AS A BASE TO SUPPORT OFFEN-
 SIVE OPERATIONS. THE INCREASED FREQUENCY OF RECON-
 NAISSANCE BY JAP PLANES OVER EASTERN NEW GUINEA AND NORTH-
 EASTERN AUSTRALIA IS WORTHY OF NOTE AS INDICATIVE OF A
 POSSIBLE OFFENSIVE MOVE IN THIS REGION.

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4. THE SITUATION IN THE MARSHALL ISLANDS REMAINS
 ABOUT THE SAME WITH REMAINS PROGRESSING AT WOTE AND
 TALKABEY. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SUBS AND PATROL PLANES
 THERE ARE INDICATIONS OF A GRADUAL SHIFT OF FORCES FROM
 THIS AREA TOWARDS THE RABULU-NEW BRITAIN ZONE.
 5. CINC COMBINED FLEET AND THE 1ST FLEET ARE NOT
 DEFINITELY LOCATED BUT WANT LIGHT UNITS OF THE FIRST FLEET

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HAVE BEEN NOTED IN THE JAVA SEA AREA WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN OPERATING UNDER THE DIRECTION OF CINC 2ND AND CINC THIRD FLEETS.

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From: CSF

Journal #92, 3/8

BANDONG SIGNED OFF AT 0445 PWT SENDING BY HAND AS FOLLOWS "THANKS AND GOODBYE NOW. WE SHUT DOWN. LONG LIVE OUR QUEEN. SO LONG AND TILL BETTER TIMES".

RCA STILL MONITORING BUT BELIEVE THIS IS ALL FOR SOMETIME.

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FROM: NAVY WAR PLANS, COMINCH Journal # 14 3/9
FILED: 11:50 A
ATLANTIC SUBMARINE SINKINGS
2100 GGT, FEB 23, EMPIRE HALL, 44-52N, 40-21W, 570 MI
SE OF CAPE RACE.
1605, MAR. 7, SS UNIWALECO, 13-23N, 62-04W, 90 MI SW OF
MARTINIQUE.
0800, MAR. 7, SS CARDONIA, OFF ST. NICHOLAS MOLE, HAITI.
2210, MAR. 5, BRIT. SS BENMOHR, 50-50N, 15-50W, 250 MI
SW OF FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE, AFRICA.

FROM: DTC & ARMY HQ. Journal # 15 3/9
FILED: 10:49 a.m. 3/9
BRAZILIAN BOAT "BRAMUTAN" TORPEDOED MARCH 7, THE 54
SURVIVORS, INCLUDING 2 HOSPITAL CASES, LANDED AT LITTLE
CREEK, NEAR NORFOLK, VA., TODAY AT 1130 GMT.

FROM: HQ DTC ending Journal # 21 3/9
FILED: 2:40 pm 3/8 I.B.# 43
FOR THE PERIOD 3/8 1200 GMT THE FOLLOWING IS REPORTED OF
AIR ACTIVITIES:
SUB SEEN BY PLANE AT 155 GMT AT 3905 N - 7400 W.
WHAT WAS BELIEVED TO BE A SUB WAS ATTACKED BY A B-26 AT
1605 GMT AT 3730 N - 6925W, AS A RESULT OF WHICH 2 SMALL
OIL SLICKS APPEARED.
MISSIONS, OBSERVATIONS 81
RECONNAISSANCE 59.
NEWFOUNDLAND NOT INCLUDED.

FROM: NAVY WAR PLANS, COMINCH

JOURNAL # 14 3/9

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THE TIRPITZ AND THREE DESTROYERS WERE REPORTED ON 7 MARCH
AS HAVING LEFT TRONDHEIM HEADING NORTH.

FROM: NAVY WAR PLANS, COMINCH JOURNAL # 14 39

FILED: 11:50A 3/9

AT 0940 MARCH 8, RIF BEARINGS PLACED AN ENEMY CRAFT
AT 38-40N, 163-30 W, HALFWAY BETWEEN DUTCH HARBOR
AND PEARL HARBOR.

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FROM: COMBOWSPAC NAVY Journal # 15 3/9
FILED: OCS5

DAMAGE TO ENEMY BY OUR SUBS FEB. 27 TO MARCH 6:
NORTH LOMBOK STRAIT, 3/2, TWO HITS ON AN AIRCRAFT
CARRIER; NORTH SOENDA STRAITS ON 3/4, THREE HITS ON LARGE
OIL TANKER, WATCHED SINK; 3/4 NORTH JAVA COAST, ONE CERTAIN
ONE POSSIBLE HIT ON CRUISER; 3/4, NORTH OF JAVA ONE HIT ON
CRUISER; FEB. (?) 4th, TWO HITS DESTROYER LEADER WHICH SANK;
TWO HITS CRUISER FEB. 21--BOTH OFF KENDARI, CELEBES.

~~XXXXXXXX~~ (NOTE: ACCORDING TO NAVY WAR PLANS, COMINCH,
SUMMARY OF 3/9 THE EVENTS UNDERSCORED ABOVE OCCURRED ON 3/4)

FROM: NAVY A.C.N.B. JOURNAL # 19 3 / 9
FILED: 11:48 3/8

- A. PORT MORESBY RAIDED BY 10 BOMBERS, HEAVY, TYPE 96,
ON THE 7th AT 0220 Z. NO CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE.
- B. ENEMY LANDED AT SALANCA MARCH 8 IN A.M., GIVING
HIM BOTH LAK AND SALANCA.

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From: Cairo FELLERS

J. # 12, 3/8

FOLLOWING BRIT TROOPS WILL BE AVAILABLE BY TIME AXIS
READY TO MAKE PUSH IN N. AFRICA.

1. 7TH ARMORED DIV., LESS 7TH ARMORED BRIG. (4TH ARMORED BRIG. IS PART OF THIS DIV & HAS 64 MEDIUM, 36 LIGHT TANKS)
2. 1ST ARMORED DIV WITH GUARD BRIG MOTOR GROUP ATTACHED, BUT LESS 2ND ARM'D BRIG. OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY.
3. ARMY TANK BRIG. (180 INF. TANKS).
4. 50TH BRIG DIV. (FRESH & SEASONED UNIT AT FULL STRENGTH)
5. 1ST S. AFRICAN DIV (ALMOST AT FULL STRENGTH).
6. 2D S. AFRICAN DIV.
7. 4TH IND. DIV.
8. (ALL 4 INF DIVS. WILL BE AT FULL STRENGTH).
9. 5TH NEW ZEALAND BRIG.
10. FREE FRENCH BRIG (4000 MEN)
11. 1 YUGOSLAV BN (800 MEN).

IB #29, 3/8 Con't

12. POLISH BRIG (3200 MEN)

TOTAL NUMBER OF TANKS 582.

TOTAL STRENGTH IN WESTERN DESERT, 120,000.

COMBAT EFFICIENCY 75%.

Filed: 0015 3/9

IB #32, 3/9

From: Cairo FELLERS

J. #13, 3/9

GERM MAY STRIKE IN M.E. FOR FOLLOWING REASONS WHICH ARE
MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE MATERIAL GAINS INVOLVED:

1. TO GET A QUICK DECISIVE VICTORY TO COUNTERACT LACK OF SUCCESS IN RUSSIA.
2. NOWHERE ELSE CAN SUCCESS ASSURE SO MUCH WITH SUCH LITTLE EXPENDITURE.
3. A JUNCTURE WITH JAPS WOULD HAVE TREMENDOUS MORALE EFFECT.
4. ONCE GROUND HAS BEEN GAINED GERM TROOPS CAN BE RE-LEASED FOR RUSSIAN OPERATIONS, & ITALIANS USED AS ARMY OF OCCUPATION.
5. NORTHERN ROUTE WOULD BE SOLE MEANS OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN U.S. & RUSSIA.
6. BRIT HAVING LOST SINGAPORE, COULD NOT RECOVERATE FROM LOSS OF M.E. & WOULD BE RELEGATED TO DEFENSE OF BRIT. ISLES.

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO

I.b. # 35 Journal # 16 3/9

FILED: 0025 3/9

AT PRESENT BRIT HAVE NO UNITS AS BIG AS A BRIGADE TO MEET POSSIBLE LANDING BETWEEN EASTERN EGYPTIAN BORDER & FUKA, BUT THEY WILL HAVE VARIOUS MISCELLANEOUS ORGANIZATIONS (AT MOST 10,000 MEN), 8000 GREEKS AND PERHAPS A PART OF THE ARMY. ANTI-BRITISH FEELING HAS BEEN VERY STRONG SINCE VIOLATION OF ABIDINE PALACE AND IT IS UNCERTAIN IF EGYPTIANS WILL BE PERMITTED TO FIGHT, BUT IF THEY HAVE CHARGE OF ANTI-AIRCRAFT DEFENSE WHEN AIR ATTACK COMES, THEY WILL FIGHT AGAINST AN AXIS LANDING.

THERE ARE ABOUT 38,000 MEN, WITH, ON THE AVERAGE, FAIR COMBAT EFFICIENCY. IN INFANTRY ALONE, IN CYPRUS & SYRIA. IN SYRIA THERE ARE NOW A DIV OF NEW ZEALANDERS (LESS 5th BRIG), 10th ARMORED DIV. (TANKLESS & LESS ONE BRIG - FIGHTING EFFICIENCY FAIR) & 18,000 FREE FRENCH (FIGHTING EFFICIENCY VERY POOR). CYPRUS IS HELD BY 5th (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)

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MIDDLE EAST # 6

4:00 p.m.

3/8

TO

4:00 p.m.

3/9

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO I.B.# 35 Journal # 16-3/9
(continued from preceding page)

INDIAN DIV. (FIGHTING EFFICIENCY GOOD).

RAF WOULD BE SUBJECTED TO HEAVY STRAIN IN EVENT OF SIMULTANEOUS OFFENSIVE ON 2 FRONTS. PRESENT RAF STRENGTH ESTIMATED AT 2000 PLANES, BUT OF THESE PAST EXPERIENCE WOULD INDICATE THAT ONLY 480 CAN BE DEPENDENT UPON AS SERVICEABLE. SUCH AIR STRENGTH IS NOT ADEQUATE TO HANDLE SIMULTANEOUSLY AN ATTACK IN LYBIA AND A MAJOR ATTACK ELSEWHERE.

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FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO JOURNAL # 20, 3/9
FILED: 10:20P 3/9 I.B. # 36

RAF LOSSES NOV. 18 THRU FEB. 28 MIDDLE EAST, 231
TOTAL LOSSES.

WRECKED BUT SALVAGEABLE, 713 BRITISH & 243 AMERICAN.
AMERICAN LOSSES BY THE TYPE WERE -- 15 DOCTORS, 24
MARYLANDS, 59 KITTY, AND 135 TOMAHAWKS.

ONLY 482 OF THE 2043 OPERATIONAL PLANES IN SUDAN, EGYPT,
& PALESTINE ON FEB. 19 WERE SERVICEABLE IN OPERATING
SQUADRONS. ON FEB. 28TH, ONLY 469 WERE SERVICEABLE & IN
SQUADRONS OF TOTAL 1986. THIS MEANS THAT WE HAD LESS
THAN 24% AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS. ENGINE LIFE OF 30
HOURS COMMON DUE TO SAND. SPARE PARTS NEEDED VERY
BARELY TO FULFILL THE HEAVY MAINTENANCE PROBLEM. OF THE
1178 OPERATIONAL PLANES IN MAINTENANCE SCHEDULES ON FEB.
19TH, ABOUT 60% NEEDED SPARE PARTS NOT IN STOCK.

I.B.# 36 JOURNAL # 20 3/9 continued

POOR AIRCLEANER ON KITTHAWKS ARRIVING HERE ARE BEING
REMOVED AT ASSEMBLY STATIONS. THESE CLEANERS CUT AIR
SPEED 25 MILES PER HOUR AND BOAST 10 INCHES. OF 71
ARRIVING PLANES, THE BALTIMORE ONLY AMERICAN SHIP TO COME
WITH EXPERIMENTATION CLEANERS. FACILITIES HERE NOT
SUFFICIENT FOR MANUFACTURING AND INSTALLATION.

SAND HERE 80% QUARTS. ALL AIR FIELDS ARE SAND AND
GRAVEL. IT IS ESSENTIAL TO PROVIDE PLANE MOTORS PRO-
TECTION AGAINST SAND BEFORE THEY FLY HERE. AIRCLEANER
NECESSARY TO EXTEND LIFE OF AIRPLANE ENGINES, DISREGARDING
IMMEDIATE LOCATION OF AIR

SCOP. REFER AMNOS 291, 296, 468.

RECOMMENDATION: PUT A GOOD AIR CLEANER ON ALL AMERICAN
PLANES DESTINED FOR THIS THEATER BEFORE THE PLANES ARE
SHIPPED HERE.

Filed: noon 3/8
From: BREKSTON via State Dept.

Journal #7, 3/9

RE INDIA-CHINA CARGO TRANSPORTATION ROUTE: AS RESULT OF INVESTIGATION, FOUND THAT AIR TRANSPORTATION ROUTE FROM DINJAN NEAR SABIYA TO LOIWING & ORPASHAN & YUNNANYI IS PRACTICABLE AS CONNECTING LINK BETWEEN EXISTING TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS AT PRESENT FOR NOT EXCEEDING 25 PLANES. CONSTRUCTION DELAYED AT MYITHYIMA AIRDROME & ITS USE APPEARS INADVISABLE. LACK OF AIRDROMES IN ASSAM, CAPACITY OF ASSAM-BURMA RR. & APPROACHING MONSOON WEATHER WHICH BEGINS IN MAY ARE IMMEDIATE BOTTLENECKS. IN ATTEMPT TO SOLVE ABOVE PROBLEMS PLANNING CONSTRUCTION 2 ADDITIONAL AIR FIELDS IN ASSAM, COMPLETION 3 AIRDROMES IN CHINA & PRIORITY ALLOCATION SUFFICIENT RAILROAD TONNAGE.

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CARIBBEAN, LATIN AMERICA
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4:00 p.m.
3/7
4:00 p.m.
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FROM: 0-2 ETO Journal # 57 3/7

FILED: 6:35 A.M. 3/7

THE SS CARDONIA REPORTED AT 4:50 AM EST THAT SHE WAS BEING FOLLOWED BY A SUB AND AT 5:06 AM EST REPORTED THAT SHE WAS BEING SHIELLED BY A SUB IN A WINWARD PASSAGE OFF ST. NICHOLAS MORN, 1950 NORTH - 7320 WEST.

WATKINS

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FROM: KANE, SANTISGO Journal # 68 3/7

FILED: 1:36 p.m. 3/7

ACCEPTS APPOINTMENT AS MAJOR.

FROM: PRATT, PORT OF SPAIN(I.B.# 65 Journal # 64 3/7

FILED: 12:09 A 3/7

A SURVIVOR FROM TORPEDOED SHIP MAYOU RESCUED 7 -30 North 68 - 5 WEST, AT 1200 EST.

160 SENESESE SOLDIERS, 3 HALF CASTE OFFICERS, ARRIVED ST LAURENT MARCH 5 at 6:00 p.m. ON SS SAN DOMINGO, NO REMAINS IN GERMANS IN PARTY. TROOPS HAD BEEN ENROUTE 31 DAYS AND SUPPOSED TO HAVE TRANSFERRED TO SS SAN DOMINGO AT SEA. 100 MORE SOLDIERS EXPECTED MARCH 24.

From: Com. 10th N.D. Via ONI Journal #3/ 3/8/42

FILED: 3/8/42, 0115

SUBMARINE WARNING. SUBMARINE POSITIVELY SIGHTED IN WINWARD PASSAGE LAT. 20° long. 73°37'.

COM. 10TH N.D.
VIA ONI

From: Harrington - WDC Journal #10, 3/8/42

FILED: 3/7/42, 1:47 P

SUB SEEN REFILLING WATER SUPPLY AT PUNTA PALMILLA, NEAR SAN JOSE DEL CARO, 50 MILES S OF LA PAZ, L. CALIF. 2/26. NAVY TO SEND VESSEL TO INVESTIGATE. COL. AKILLO, A.C. OF S. MILITARY REGION OF PACIFIC, ENSENADA, CONTRA-DICTED REPORT CATEGORICALLY.

HARRINGTON
WDC

From: Shedd - C.Z. Journal #23, 3/8/42

FILED: 3/7/42, 4:21 P

35 MEDICAL PATIENTS TRANSFERRED TO NEW ORLEANS.

SHEDD
C.Z.

From: Watkins - ETO Journal #31, 3/8/42

FILED: 3/8/42, 12:30 A

SUB SIGHTED IN GUANTANAM BAY 19°50' N - 75°20' W 2314 GMT, 3/7. (FROM NAVY SOURCE)
ALSO 0045 GMT 3/8 FALSE REPORTS BY RADIO OF PLANE DOWN AND NAVY SHIPS TO PORT.

WATKINS
ETO

From: Andrews - C.Z. Journal #36, 3/8/42

FILED: 3/7/42, 5:35 P

DO NOT UNDERSTAND REF IN YOUR RADIO RELATIVE TO PASS-PORT PHOTOS FOR FEMALE EMPLOYEES.

ANDREWS
C.Z.

4:00 p.m.

3/7/42

TO

4:00 p.m.

3/8/42

FROM: STRONG, BERMUDA

I.B. # 55

FILED: 1159 A.M. 3/7

Journal # 55 3/7/42

VISIBILITY AND WEATHER GOOD ON 3/8 NIGHT PATROL
CANCELLED.DECLASSIFIED
OSD Letter: 5-3-72

FROM: WATKINS, BERMUDA

I.B. # 56

FILED: 1108 A.M. 3/7

Journal # 55 3/7

REQUEST FOR ADDRESS TO WHICH DAILY AIR REPORTS ARE TO
BE SENT.WATKINS,
BERMUDA

FROM: G-2 ETO

Journal # 59 3/7

FILED: 1:22 a.m. 3/7

AT 12:20 AM MARCH 7, THE SS CITY SERVICE MISSOURI EDGO
RADIOED THAT SHE WAS BEING ATTACKED BY A SUB TEN MILES
EAST OF GEORGETOWN LIGHT.

WATKINS

FROM: G-2 ETO

FILED: 1:22P 3/4

Journal # 58 3/7

NEWFOUNDLAND REPORTS NEGATIVE AIR ACTIVITY, ONE RECON-
NAISSANCE MISSION, CEILING 1500 FEET AND VISIBILITY FOUR
MILES. IN ETO WINDS 25 to 30 DIRECTION 180 DEGREES, SEAS
ROUGH, WEATHER GENERALLY POOR WITH LOW CEILINGS AND INTER-
MITTENT RAIN. FORTY OBSERVATION AND TWELVE RECONNAISSANCE
MISSIONS. AIR ACTIVITY NEGATIVE TO MOON GMT MARCH 4.

Dram

FROM: DEVERS, FORT KNOX

JOURNAL # 55 3/7

FILED: 10:00 a.m. 3/7

ADVANCED ATTACHMENTS 6th ARMORED DIVISION ON WAY TO
CAMP CHAFFET.

4:00 p.m.

3/7

4:00 p.m.

3/8

FROM: BRANT, HBC JOURNAL # 69 3/7

FILED: 2:06 p.m. 3/7

CIPHER FOR USE DURING MONTH OF MARCH RECEIVED. METHOD OF TRANSMISSION THEREOF DISCUSSED FROM POINT OF VIEW OF SECURITY.

FROM: GILES, BLUE WEST JOURNAL # 61 3/7

FILED: 3/8

REPLACEMENT OF PERSONNEL AT BLUE EAST.

FROM: DRUM, HQ ETO JOURNAL # 83 3/7

FILED 3/8

REPORT OF AIR ACTIVITY UP TO 3/8 AT NOON GMT (EXCLUSIVE OF NEWFOUNDLAND). THERE HAS BEEN NO ACTIVITY EXCEPT FOR 7 (72 (?)) OBSERVATION MISSIONS AND 37 RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS. IN THE MORNING, MISSIONS WERE CANCELLED BECAUSE OF BAD WEATHER, BUT DURING THE COURSE OF AFTERNOON MISSIONS, CEILING WAS UNLIMITED AND VISIBILITY 8 TO 10 MILES.

FROM: DRUM, HQ ETO JOURNAL # 84 3/7

FILED: 3/8

AIR AND WEATHER REPORTS.

TO BEGIN IN NOON GMT 3/8: NO AIR ACTIVITY EXCEPT FOR 67 OBSERVATIONS AND 34 RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS; WEATHER FAIR IN SOUTH BUT ON WHOLE GOOD.

NEWFOUNDLAND:

3/8 NEGATIVE: VISIBILITY ONE-HALF MILE; CEILING 700 FEET;

3/8 NEGATIVE: VISIBILITY UNLIMITED; CEILING 3000 FEET.

From: FBI-thru CIB

Journal #4, 3/8/42

FBI VIA CIB

Filed: 3/7/42

BENTON OF FBI INFORMED CIB THAT FBI JUST RECEIVED A WIRE FROM MRS. ANNA ACKERMAN IN MIAMI, FLA. TO THE EFFECT THAT 3 GERMAN SUBS WERE IN FLA. WATERS. SHE ALSO STATED THAT THE MIAMI HERALD HAD TAKEN PICTURES OF THEM.

MR. BENTON SAID THE INFORMATION IS UNRELIABLE BUT FBI IS CHECKING UP AND WILL NOTIFY US IF ANY DEVELOPS.

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3/7/42
TO
10:00 AM
3/8/42

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ATLANTIC OTHER # 3

From: Com. Bermuda Via Navy Journal #6, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 12:02 P
FROM NAVY CHARGE BERMUDA. UNKNOWN SHIP REPORTED TOR-
PEDGED AT 25°52' N - 77°05' W early 3/7.

COM. BERMUDA
VIA NAVY

From: Navy Com. Bermuda Via Navy Journal #7, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 2358
ESCH UNIMALECO TORPEDGED AT 1605 GMT 13°23' N - 62°04' W.

NAVY COM
BERMUDA VIA NAVY

From: Watkins - ETO Journal #5, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 1:17 P
U.S.C.G. MONTAUK SIGHTED SUB 2 1/2 MI. SOUTH OF MONTAUK
PT. LONG ISLAND 0545 GMT 3/7.
OSW. PLANE SIGHTED SUB 39°15' N - 74°10' W 1205 GMT 3/7.
UNIDENTIFIED SHIP TORPEDGED 25°51' N - 77°05' W 1505 GMT
RADIO INTERCEPT FROM KEY WEST.

WATKINS
ETO

From: Shedd - C.E. Journal #9, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 2:28 P
LOSSES TO CORRUPT, NEW ORLEANS, AND LEFT DEPARTMENT.

SHEDD
C.E.

From: Krueger - San Antonio Journal #12, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 4:53 P
REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF SOURCE OF CADRES 112 RADIO
INT. CO.

KRUEGER
SAN ANTONIO

From: Watkins - ETO Journal #15, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 12:01 A
PLANES HEADED E AND NE FLYING OVER LONG ISLAND AND CAPT
COD, 0130 GMT, 3/8. SOURCE, DIREX STATIONS. AA ALERT,
NO TARGET YET. ONE AA ALERT CEASED 0235 GMT.

WATKINS
ETO

From: Burke - Camp Upton Journal #16, 3/16/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 7:16 P
121 SIG RAD INT. CO. (LESS 2 PLAT) MOVING TO FT. G.
HEAD 3/8.

BURKE
CAMP UPTON

From: Watkins - ETO Journal #20, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 9:45 P
2 FLIGHTS PLANES UNIDENTIFIED 73 MORGAN 73 MOBLE.

WATKINS
ETO

N.B. MAY REFER TO JOURNAL #15. H.B.S.

From: Watkins - ETO Journal #22, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 9:57 P
SS ARHUTAN (BRAZIL REGISTRY) TORPEDGED 35°-36° N -
74°-75° W. CHESAPEAKE SECTOR REPORTS. 3 LIFE BOATS 15
MEN EACH SIGHTED HEADING SOUTH 1 LIFE BOAT GETTING UNDER
WAY. EXCELLENT VISIBILITY AT 2301 GMT.

WATKINS
ETO

From: Reinhardt - Texas Journal #34, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 3:53 P
DEPARTURES ENLISTED PERSONNEL.

REINHARDT
TEXAS

From: Kennedy - Ft. Bragg Journal #35, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 6:50 P
SERIAL DEPARTURE DATES.

KENNEDY
FT. BRAGG

4:00 p.m.

3/7

TO

4:00 p.m.

3/8

FROM: HQ NTO

JOURNAL # 70 3/7

I.D. # 78

FILED: 3:08 P.M. 3/7

NEWFOUNDLAND BASE COMMAND REPORTS THAT RADIO MESSAGES BY THE GERMAN FLEET HAVE SHOWN A DEFINITE INCREASE; SUCH AN INCREASE ALSO OCCURRED PRIOR TO THE MOVEMENT OF THE GERMAN FLEET THROUGH DOVER STRAIT.

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FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON Journal # 76 3/7

FILED: 3:20 3/7

REQUEST FOR PROMOTION OF NAMED ENLISTED MEN.

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON Journal # 75 3/7

FILED 3:20 p.m. 3/7

APPOINTMENT ACCEPTED BY LT. COL. WELLS.

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON Journal # 79 3/7

FILED 3/6 1:20 a.m.

REFERENCE TO CODES FOR INDIGO AND OSSIGO.

FROM: JOHNSON, STOCKHOLM JOURNAL # 88 3/7

FILED: 3/7 (VIA STATE)

IT IS REPORTED THE GERMANS ARE PRESSING THE COMPLETION IN TRONDHEIM OR NEAR THERE IN NORWAY, A NAVAL REPAIR YARD WHICH WILL BE EQUIPPED TO REPAIR IMPORTANT DAMAGE TO CAPITAL SHIPS WHICH WILL OPERATE AGAINST CONVOYS ENROUTE TO RUSSIA. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE GERMAN CAPITAL SHIPS ARE ALREADY IN NORTHERN NORWEGIAN WATERS AND THAT WHEN THE PROPER REPAIR FACILITIES ARE COMPLETED, THEY WILL BEGIN THEIR ATTACK.

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 82 3/7
FILED: 3:30 p.m. 3/7
REFERENCE PROPER ADDRESSES FOR MESSAGES.

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 80 3/7
FILED: 3/6
REFERENCE MATERIAL FOR HOUSING IN NORTH IRELAND

From: Leahy - Vichy Via State Journal #86, 3/7/42
Filed: 3/7/42, Noon.

LEAHY
VICHY VIA ST.

A RELIABLE OFFICIAL OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE TELLS US
CONFIDENTIALLY THAT THE OFFICIAL COUNT AS OF LAST NIGHT
OF THE PERSONS KILLED DURING THE BRITISH BOMBING OF
PARIS WAS 247. HE ADDED THAT ALTHOUGH A FEW MORE BODIES
MAY BE FOUND UNDER DEBRIS THE TOTAL IS NOT EXPECTED TO
EXCEED 270. HE DID NOT HAVE FIGURES FOR INJURED PERSONS.
LEAHY

From: Chaney - London Journal #2, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 7:30 P
REQUEST FOR EXAMINATION PAPERS FOR WARRANT OFFICERS.

CHANNEY
LONDON

From: Chaney - London Journal #1, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 7:30 P
REFERENCE CLASS E ALLOTMENT OF LT. R. J. WOODS.

CHANNEY
LONDON

From: McClure - London Journal #25, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 3:20 P
FULL AGREEMENT ON MUNITIONS ASSIGNMENT COMMITTEE TO
PRINCIPLES SLATED BY GEN. MARSHALL.

MCCLURE
LONDON

From: Johnson - Stockholm
Filed: 3/7/42, Noon

Journal #28, 3/8/42

JOHNSON
STOCKHOLM

POSSIBLE HITLER MAY DECIDE TO OFFER RUSSIA PEACE AND EVACUATION OF HER TERRITORY DUE TO ATTEMPT TO GAIN OIL FROM CAUCASUS USING MORE FUEL THAN RESULT WOULD GAIN. (GROWING DISSATISFACTION IN GERMANY)

From: Thurston - Kuibyshev
Filed: 3/7/42, 1:00 P

Journal #29, 3/8/42

THURSTON
KUIBYSHEV

N. NORWAY JOINT EXPEDITION PLAN ABANDONED BY RUSSIA WHEN IT WAS LEARNED FINNS APPRISED.

RUSSIANS PRESS BRIT FOR RECOGNITION OF THEIR SOVEREIGNITY OVER BALTIC STATES. BRIT HOLD BACK DUE TO COMMITMENTS REGARDING TERRITORY TO U.S. RUSS PRESS FOR CONSULTATION WITH U.S.

From: Leahy - Vichy
Filed: 3/7/42, 6:00 P

Journal #30, 3/8/42

LEAHY
VICHY

A MILITARY EXPEDITION OF LARGE SIZE WILL TAKE PLACE IN E. MEDITERRANEAN EARLY IN APRIL OR END OF MARCH. POSSIBLY THIS WILL BE DIRECTED TOWARD EGYPT, TURKEY OR CYPRUS.

THIS WILL PRECEDE SPRING OFFENSIVE ON RUSSIA BUT BE LINKED TO IT. ACTION IS POSSIBLE TO GAIN ACCESS TO BLACK SEA FOR ITALIAN FLEET.

GERMAN PLAN TO ATTACK TURKEY HAS BEEN DIVULGED; AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS TAKEN IN BULGARIA; ITALIAN BATTLESHIPS READY FOR SEA; SMALL GERMAN FORCES STATIONED NEAR TURK BORDER; AND THESE ARE PUTTING UP TELEPHONE LINES.

4:00 p.m.

3/7

To

4:00 p.m.

3/8

FROM: THOMP SON, MOSCOW

I.B.# 60 3/8

FILED 3/4

Journal # 71 3/7

THE SOVIET EXPECTATION FROM A QUARTERLY QUOTA OF 6,000
TONS OF ALUMINUM AND 1,500 TONS OF DURALUMINUM SEEMS TO BE
JUSTIFIED.

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FROM: MAXWELL, CAIRO Journal # 77 3/7
FILED: 20:40 3/7
OVERHEAD REQUIREMENTS FOR MILITARIZATION.

FROM: MAXWELL, CAIRO JOURNAL # 92 3/7
FILED: 1755 3/7
APPOINTMENT OF NAMED OFFICERS.

FROM: BENTLEY, TANGIERS JOURNAL # 87 3/7
FILED: 3/7 VIA STATE
HIGH FRENCH OFFICERS AT ALGIERS AND TUNIS REPORTED AS
UNDERSTANDING THE BRIT POSITION IN THE PARIS BOMBING
MORALE DECREASING WITH CONTINUED JAP ADVANCES.

FROM: Maxwell - Cairo Journal #14, 3/8/42
FILED: 3/7/42, 1750
LT. COL. A. T. WILSON, ACTING REGIONAL C.O. PENDING
ARRIVAL FERRY HQ. PERSONNEL.

MAXWELL
CAIRO

FROM: Edwards - Tanger Journal #32, 3/8/42
FILED: 3/7/42, 1756
MILITARY CHARACTERISTICS AND EQUIPMENT SAIDIA AIRFIELD
AND OUERCIJ AIRFIELD.

EDWARDS
TANGER

G-2 WORK SHEET

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PACIFIC # 1

4:00 p.m.
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TO
4:00 p.m.
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FROM HQ WDC I.B. # 59 Journal # 53 3/7
FILED: 1205 3/7

AT 5:45 A.M. FWT AT CORVALLIS, OREGON, A FIRE BROKE OUT IN BUILDINGS OCCUPIED BY U.S. TROOPS. THE AMOUNT OF DAMAGE, CASUALTIES, OR THE ORIGIN OF THE FIRE HAVE NOT BEEN DETERMINED AS YET, THOUGH IT IS BELIEVED THAT 4 SOLDIERS ARE DEAD. INVESTIGATION WILL BE CONTINUED.

FROM: G-2 WDC JOURNAL # 57 3/7
FILED: 12:12PM

NO. 212 PERIODIC
1200 NOON FWT 6 MARCH 1942. NOTHING TO REPORT

HARRINGTON

FROM: HQ WDC I.B. # 75
FILED: 1345 FWT 3/7 Journal # 73 3/7
HONOLULU WENT OF AIR AT 12:56 P.M., FWT.

FROM: HQ WDC I.B. # 75
FILED: 1441 FWT 3/7 Journal # 74 3/7
HONOLULU REPORTS ALL-CLEAR AT 2:27 P.M., FWT.

From: Gilbreath - Ft. Mason Journal 8, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 2:02 P
RCT. OF RADIO ACKNOWLEDGED.

GILBREATH
FT. MASON

From: Emons - Ft. Shafter Journal #13, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 2:04 P
REQUEST TO ACTIVATE 3 BN. 298 INF. AND COL. 299 INF.

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

From: Emons - Ft. Shafter Journal #18, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 11:53 A
RELATES TO REMOVAL OF SUB CALIBRE FROM 16" AND 12".

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

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4:00 p.m.
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TO
4:00 p.m.
3/8

FROM: BRETT, S/O JOURNAL # 62 3/7
FILED: 2100 3/7

BRETT IS RECONSTITUTING THE 7th AND 19th HEAVY BOMBARDMENT GROUP INTO A SINGLE UNIT AFTER THEIR OPERATIONS IN JAVA. HE RECOMMENDS THE INCORPORATION INTO THE NEW UNIT OF HEAVY BOMBERS NOW OPERATING OUT OF AUSTRALIA UNDER NAVY ORDERS.

FROM: BRETT, S/O LONDON I.B. # 60

FILED: 3:20 p.m. 3/7 JOURNAL # 61 3/7

THE SITUATION IN JAVA AS OF 22 HRS GMT, MARCH 4:
THE ENEMY IN JAVA HAVE BEEN REINFORCED BY ONE DIV.
PROBABLY FROM CELEBES.

TOTAL OF 5 JAP DIVS NOW IN JAVA. ENEMY HAS OCCUPIED
JOKYAKARTA, BODJONEGRO, AND TJEPON AND THEY HAVE SUPERIOR
NUMBERS AT KRAWANG AND SOLO RIVER, WHICH WILL PERMIT THEM
TO ADVANCE SOUTH. AIR ATTACKS ON BANDOENG ARE INCREASING,
AND TJILATJAP HAS BEEN ATTACKED FROM AIR.

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON I.B. # 60 Journal # 61 3/7
FILED: 3:20 p.m. 3/7

THE SITUATION IN JAVA AS OF 22 HRS GMT, MARCH 4:
THE ENEMY IN JAVA HAVE BEEN REINFORCED BY ONE DIV,
PROBABLY FROM CELEBES.

TOTAL OF 6 JAP DIVS NOW IN JAVA. ENEMY HAS OCCUPIED
JOKYAKARTA, BODJONEGRO, AND TJEPON AND THEY HAVE SUPERIOR
NUMBERS AT KRAWANG AND SOLO RIVER, WHICH WILL PERMIT THEM
TO ADVANCE SOUTH. AIR ATTACKS ON BANDOENG ARE INCREASING,
AND TJILATJAP HAS BEEN ATTACKED FROM AIR.

FROM: BRETT, S/O JOURNAL # 90 3/7
FILED: 3/7

METHOD OF REPORTING SHIP MOVEMENT

FROM: EDMONS, FT. SHAFTER Journal # 89 3/7
FILED: 3/7 ANDRUS.
REASSIGNMENT OF COLONEL C. KENNEDY

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FROM: BRETT S/O JOURNAL # 85 3/7
FILED: 1840 3/7
REQUEST FOR TYPEWRITERS, ADDING MACHINES, ETC.

FROM: BRETT, S/O Journal # 91 3/7
FILED: 2200 3/7
REFERENCE PROMOTION OF LT. J. BERRY.

From: Brett - S/O Journal #11, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 2220
2D LT. WILLIS ACCEPTS APPT.

BRETT S/O

From: Brett - S/O Journal #17, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 2222
ACKNOWLEDGES MESSAGE # 567.

BRETT S/O

From: Brett - S/O Journal #19, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 1840
REPLACEMENTS REQUESTED FOR SIG. TROOPS DIVERTED WITH
OPERATING EQUIPMENT.

BRETT S/O

From: Brett - S/O Journal #33, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 2222
PERIODIC STRENGTH REPORT.
STOCKS ON HAND, ETC.

BRETT
S/O

From: Brett - S/O Journal #27, 3/8/42
Filed: 3/7/42, 1500
PERIODIC STRENGTH REPORT.
MATERIEL AIRCRAFT, ETC.

BRETT
S/O

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10:00 AM

3/7/42

TO

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3/8/42

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CHINA 6-3-42

MAYER
CHUNGKING

From: Mayer - Chungking Journal #24, 3/8/42

Filed: 3/7/42, 0600

REPORT MY ESCAPE FROM HONGKONG; OUR OFFICERS OCCUPYING CONSULAR QUARTERS WITH CONSUL STAFF, FAIRLY WELL TREATED.

STANLEY PRISON AND FT. STANLEY HOLDS IN CONFINEMENT 150 (APPROX) AMERICANS INCL WOMEN AND CHILDREN. FAIRLY COMFORTABLE EXCEPT POOR FOOD AND LACK MEDICAL HELP.

AMERICAN BANK STAFF TAKEN TO WORK DAILY UNDER GUARD.

MARY KNOLL MISSION FATHERS NOW INTERNED IN ST. STEPHENS COLLEGE NOW OK BUT WERE TREATED BADLY AT FIRST.

AMERICANS AT HONGKONG INCLUDE CONSULAR STAFF AND BITTING OF HBC, W. J. SUNT. O.C. O'GARA AND MARSHAN ESCAPED 2/10.

JAP CASUALTY REPORT

BRIT. KILLED	1500	WOUNDED	600
JAP	600	"	800
JAP GARRISON	5000		

(Journal #24, 3/8/42, Cont'd)

JAPS SENT MUCH LOOT HOME.

MORE THAN 1,000,000 TONS CARGO STORED NEAR PIER 5 IN KOWLOON. LARGE AUTO PARKS AT CRICKET GROUND, KOWLOON POLOFIELD AND HAPPY VALLEY.

EXTENSIONS BEING MADE TO KAITAK AIRPORT.

JAPS TRYING TO WIN OVER CHINESE AND SOON CHINESE OFFICIALS WILL PROBABLY TAKE OVER. SOON AFTER OCCUPATION MANY ATROCITIES BUT NOW OCCUR ONLY OCCASSIONALLY. CHINESE GUERRILLAS AID PEOPLE ESCAPING THOUGH APPEARING TO BE WITH JAPS. BAIGETT GOING TO S CACKLAN, WILL TAKE NO ACTION AND RETURN SOON.

From: Stillwell - Chungking

Journal #26, 3/8/42

STILLWELL
CHUNGKING

Filed: 3/7/42, 0450

REQUEST FUNDS TO EXPAND BILLETS.

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TO:

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3/8

FROM: SASS MOOLUNE, LONDON I.B. # 60

FILED: 3:29 p.m. 3/7

Journal # 61 3/7

IN SUMMA, ENEMY OCCUPIED PATTOI NIGHT OF MARCH 3 AND ESTABLISHED ROAD BLOCKS AT PYINBON WHICH WOULD INDICATE A WESTWARD MOVE EITHER TO OUTFLANK PEGU, OR A WOODCOCK-PRONG ROAD. AIR RECONNAISSANCE SHOWED ENEMY TANKS CROSSING MAIN ROAD AND MOVING WEST. 3 ENEMY RIVER BOATS ALSO OBSERVED STRAMING WEST FROM MOUTH OF SALWEEN RIVER ON MARCH 6. REPORT THAT CHINESE TROOPS DUE TO ARRIVE PYINBON ON MARCH 4 OR 5. IDENTITY OF CHINESE TROOPS NOT KNOWN, BUT LONDON THINKS ARMORED DIV OF 5th ARMY. GREAT DISORDER, PILLAGE AND SABOTAGE RESULTING FROM WITHDRAWAL OF CIVIL AUTHORITIES, WHICH ALSO HAMPER MILITARY SITUATION BECAUSE IT CUTS OFF SOURCE OF ENEMY INFORMATION. MUCH SABOTAGE AND LOOTING AGAINST BRITISH FORCES NORTH OF PEGU.

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FROM: BREXTON JOURNAL # 78 3/7

FILED:

STATUS OF OSBORN MILITARY OBSERVER MISSION.

FROM: DRAFER, ARMINIA

I.B. # 64

FILED: 3/5

Journal # 75 3/7

BRIT. TROOPS HAVE ARRIVED AND DEPARTED FROM INDIA AS FOLLOWS:

(1) DEPARTURES:

FOR SUMMA WITH THE 8th HEAVY AA BATTERY FROM IRAQ, THE FIRST CAMERONIANS, FIRST WEST YORKSHIRE, SECOND DUKE OF WELLINGTONS, CONSISTING OF A TOTAL OF 2,000 MEN; MIXED UNITS--THE GREATER PART BEING BASE UNITS, BUT INCLUDING ONE A.T.K. REGT, 5 A A BATTERY, ONE LIGHT AA REGT AND ONE FIELD REGT, A TOTAL OF 2,000 MEN LEFT FOR IRAQ; THE 18th DIV. TOTALING 18,000 MEN. TRANS-SHIPED FOR MALAYA AT BOMBAY.

(2) ARRIVALS:

A TOTAL OF 4,800 ARRIVED, CONSISTING OF FOLLOWING UNITS: IN THE CALCUTTA AREA, THE 57th HEAVY AA REGT & THE 24th LIGHT AA REGT; AT RANCHI, THE 82nd A.T.K. REGT; AT QUINJA, THE 10th LANCAHIRE, FUSILIERS, AT SECUNDERABAD I.B. # 64 Journal # 75 3/7 continued

THE 18th LIVERPOOL, AND AT KANACHI, THE 7th YORKSHIRE AND LANCAHIRE.

From: Brett - S/O
Filed: 3/7/42, 2350

Journal #37, 3/8/42

BRETT S/O

POPPY FORCE LEFT FOR DESTINATION. TOOK ALL PRECAUTIONS AGAINST PROBABLE ENEMY ATTACK AT THAT POINT. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PREPARATION AND LOADING OF FORCES IN FUTURE WITH DEBARCATION IN VIEW.

From: Brett - S/O
Filed: 3/8/42, 1540

Journal #40, 3/8/42

BRETT
S/O

PERIODIC REPORT ON AIR RECONNAISSANCE FROM COAST OF AUSTRALIA.

Filed: 1445, 3/8

Journal #41, 3/8

From: Sans Origine ABDA BRETT

HAVE DISCUSSED YOUR 543 5TH (1) WITH AUSTRALIAN MILITARY WITH RESULT THAT PRIME MINISTER NOW HAS MATTER IN HIS HANDS REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF AN AMERICAN SUPREME COMMANDER. IT SHOULD BE PRESENTED BY HIM TO DUTCH AUTHORITIES. NOT ABLE TO CARRY MATTER FURTHER.

Filed: 10:55 AM 3/7

Journal #43, 3/8

From: Sans Origine BRETT

BOMBING TABLES REQUESTED.

Filed: 12:35 P 3/4

Journal #44, 3/8

From: WAR DEPT USA OHQ Pres. of San Fran, Calif.

REQUEST AUTHORITY TO SEND TO ALASKA CO. A 29TH ENG. BN.

Filed: 12:50 P 3/8

Journal #51, 3/8

From: London MCCLURE

IB #46, 3/8

GROUND TROOPS EXHAUSTED, ALL ALLIED PURSUITS KNOCKED OUT, & JAPS ADVANCING IN ALL AREAS ACCORDING TO LAST REPORT FROM JAVA, WITH WHICH RADIO & CABLE COMMUNICATION CEASED ON 3/7 AT 1615 GMT.

ON 3/6 20 JAP MERCHANT VESSELS AT TARAUL, WHICH MIGHT BE INTENDED FOR USE AGAINST PORT MORESBY, FREQUENTLY BOMBED OF LATE. THEY COULD CARRY 2 REGIMENTS WHICH WOULD BE PLENTY TO TAKE PORT MORESBY.

ON 3/4 DARWIN & PORT MORESBY FIELD WERE BOMBED. W.O. ESTIMATES THAT IN NEW GUINEA PACIFIC ISLE AREA THERE ARE 2 JAP DIVS.

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Filed: 1836 3/7
From: Admiralty, Navy ONI

Journal #57, 3/8

TIRPITZ & 3 DESTROYERS LEAVING TRONDHEIM TO NORTHWARD.
AN ATTEMPT TO ATTACK NORTH RUSSIAN CONVOYS IS ANTICIPATED.

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From: London MCCLURE

Journal #48 3/8
IB # 48, 3/8

ONLY PATROLING OPERATIONS ON 3/8.

ENEMY HAS ENTRENCHED HIMSELF STRONGLY ALONG A LINE FROM
MEKILI NORTH TO DERMA. WHILE THIS IS SOME INDICATION THAT
HE INTENDS TO REMAIN ON THE DEFENSIVE, FELLERS DOES NOT
BELIEVE THAT IT PRECLUDES POSSIBILITY OF ATTACK.

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ATLANTIC

Filed, 3/3

Journal #48, 3/3

From, COMNAVSTA Atlantic

ON FIVE 20 4 P-38D's WERE RECEIVED.

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Journal #50, 3/8

FROM: NY MILLS PRO

PRESHEL FOR MAR 8 - AN ENEMY INF REGT OF REINFORCEMENTS
ESTIMATED AT 2,500 STRONG TRANSPORTED IN COLUMN OF 90 TRUCKS
WAS CAUGHT IN FIRE OF OUR HIDDEN ADVANCED ARTILLERY NEAR
ABUGAY ON OUR RIGHT & 29 OF TRUCKS WITH MOST OF OCCUPANTS
DESTROYED. ENEMY COMPLETELY SURPRISED.

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OSD Letter, 6-8-72

Filed: 12:07 A 3/8

Journal #60, 3/8

From: Ft. Shafter EDMONS

ON 3/8 AT 10:25 AM AIR ALERT WAS GIVEN WHEN AN UNKNOWN AIRCRAFT WAS FOUND NEARING OAHU FROM NORTH. BAD WEATHER MADE CONFIRMATION DIFFICULT. NO HOSTILE PLANES FOUND BY OUR PURSUITS.

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Filed: 12:50 P 3/8
From: London MCCLURE

Journal #61, 3/8
IB #46, 3/8

ONE OF 8 JAP RIVER BOATS, REPORTED ON 3/7 AS SAILING FROM SALWEEN RIVER MOUTH TO WEST, WAS CAPTURED BY BRIT-INDIAN NAVAL UNIT, BUT REMAINDER GOT AWAY. THE ONE CAPTURED HELD 55 BURMESE OF FREE BURMA ARMY LED BY A JAP OFFICER & THE 8 BOATS WERE THE FIRST PORTION OF A PLANNED BURMA-JAP EXPEDITION ACCORDING TO ONE PRISONER.

ON 3/8 COMMAND OF BURMA ARMY WAS TAKEN OVER BY GEN. SIR H. ALEXANDER WITH GEN. HUTTON, CGS.

BRIT HAVE CLEANED TOWN OF PAYAGYI OF JAPS. JAPS REPORTED N.W. OF PEGU & THEIR PRESSURE INCREASED N.E. & N. OF THAT POINT. JAP INFILTRATIONS, ACCOMPANIED BY LIGHT TANKS, ARE CONTINUING THROUGH PEGU.

SITUATION IN RANGOON HAS QUIETED A LITTLE & SOME CIVILIANS HAVE RETURNED. TO THE NORTH IT IS QUIET EXCEPT FOR SABOTAGE OF MOTOR TRANSPORTS & ROADS BY NATIVES.

IB # 46, 3/8 Con't

ON 3/8 (?) 55TH CHINESE DIV. IS EXPECTED TO COMPLETE CONCENTRATION AT KARENWI.

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3/7/42

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UNITED STATES #1

From: Van Voorhis - Ft. Hayes, Ohio Journal #1, 3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, 5:55 P

EXCHANGE OF SMALL ARMS; ARMS AVAILABLE.

VAN VOORHIS
FT. HAYES, OHIO

From: Christine - Jefferson Barracks, MO. Jn. #2, 3/7/42
Filed: 3/6/42, 2:49 P

JAPANESE UNLISTED MEN READY FOR ASSIGNMENT.

CHRISTINE
JEFFERSON BAR-
RACKS, MO.

From: Brant - NBC

Filed: 3/6/42, 2:30 P

GEOMETRIC FIX RADIO STATIONS.

Journal #11, 3/7/42

BRANT
NBC

From: Donovan - Ft. Sam, Tex. Journal #13, 3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, 6:55 P

COMPANY B 97TH QUARTERMASTER REGIMENT (BAKER) ARRIVED
CAMP BARKELEY PERMANENT STATION.

DONNAVAN
FT. SAM, TEX.

From: Mallon - Camp Robinson Journal #20, 3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, 6:04 P

NURSE DETAINED.

MALLON
CAMPT ROBINSON

From: Shedd - C.Z.

Filed: 3/6/42, 6:35 P

USS FLORIDA DUE NEW ORLEANS 3/9. 250 EVACUEES.

Journal #22, 3/7/42

SHEDD
C.Z.

From: Hoyle - Ft. Bragg

Filed: 3/6/42, 12:43 A

TRANSFER LT. PHIPPS.

Journal #26, 3/7/42

HOYLE
FT. BRAGG

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UNITED STATES

Filed: 3/5/42, 11:25 P.
From: Smith, Atlanta, Ga.
SMALL ARM REQUIREMENTS.

Journal #51, 3/6

ATLANTA, GA.

4:00 P.M.
3/6/42
TO
4:00 P.M.
3/7/42

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Filed: 3/5/42, 7:15 P.

Journal #43, 3/6

MEXICO

From: W/A Mexico City, Mexico

FOLLOWING INFORMATION CORRECT, HAS BEEN VERIFIED. SECRET SERVICE AGENT OF FED. DIST. CONFIRMED THE FOLLOWING GERMAN AGENTS ON MARCH 4: FRITZ MUELLER, MAX WEBER, HANS HALLERMAN AND HILDA KRUEGER. WHAT DISPOSITION WILL BE MADE OF THEM NOT KNOWN. IT IS RUMORED OTHERWISE, BUT GREGO NICOLAUS REMAINS CONFINED BY GOVERNACION.

G-2 COMMENT: REMOVAL OF GERMAN DIPLOMATIC CORPS NOW FOLLOWED BY ARREST OF DANGEROUS NAZI AGENTS. NICOLAUS, WEBER AND MUELLER ARE PROMINENT MEMBERS OF GESTAPO; HALLERMAN IS GERMAN CHIEF OF THE SPANISH FALANGISTS, AND HILDA KRUEGER, A GERMAN MOVIE ACTRESS IS A NAZI AGENT AND ASSOCIATE OF MEXICAN OFFICIALS.

4:00 P.M.

3/6/42

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4:00 P.M.

3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, ---

Journal #58, 3/6

SAN JUAN

From: Collins, San Juan, P.R.

URGENT REQUEST FOR 10,000 MORE TRAINING GAS MASKS.

Filed: 3/6/42, 11:22 A.

Journal #67, 3/6

QUARRY HTS

From: Andrews, Quarry Hts.

REGULAR MAIL CLERKS REPORT.

Filed: 3/6/42, 0145 GMT

Journal #69, 3/6

GEORGETOWN

From: N.O.B. Georgetown, British Guiana

Thru ONI

SURVIVORS OF SS BAYOU, PANAMANIAN WITH GREEK CREW CARRYING MANGANESE ORE FROM RIO TO CANADA, PICKED UP AT NOON ON RAFT AT 07°36'N - 30°03'W. 58°03'W.

SHIP TORPEDGED DURING NIGHT FEBR 27. SANK IN HALF A MINUTE. SUNK NE OF SURINAM, IF TIME IS CORRECTLY REPORTED.

From: Andrews - Canal Zone

Journal #15, 3/7/42

ANDREWS

Filed: 3/6/42, 5:36 A

CANAL ZONE

PLAN TO MOVE AXIS PRISONERS TO BONAIRE AS AGREEMENT OF GOVERNOR OF SURINAM.

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ATLANTIC #1

Filed: 3/6/42, --- Journal # 44, 3/6
 From: Enrique G. Canova, Maj.
 SUB SIGHTED OFF SHORE ONLY 1 MILE. POSSIBLE TO LAND
 AGENT FROM SUB. IN BARREN STRETCHES OF FLA. COAST.

Maj. Canova
 MI, Defense
 Aid Div.

Filed: 3/6/42, --- Journal #47, 3/6 NAVY
 From: Navy
 CHANGING IN RECOGNITION SIGNALS.

4:00 P.M.
 3/6/42
 to
 4:00 P.M.
 3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, (1) 2:15P. Journal #53, 3/6 E.T.O.
 From: E.T.O. (3) 4:31 P.
 thru ONI (4) 6:00 P.
 9 (1) US CRUON & TEXAS OIL CO. TANKER, WAS REPTD. TORPEDOED
 AND SUNK OFF PORTO PLATA, MARCH 1, NO TIME.
 (2) 5 MILES NE OF SEAGIRT, N.J. A SOUND CONTACT WAS
 MADE BY A SUB-CHASER AT 0512 GMT, TODAY.
 (3) A SOUND CONTACT WAS MADE OFF CAPE HENRY AT 1530
 GMT TODAY BY THE DESTROYER HERBERT WHICH ATTACKED. THE
 DESTROYER ROOPER HAS BEEN ORDERED TO JOIN THE ACTION.
 (4) IRON VESSEL BRASTAGI WAS REPORTED ATTACKED 19:15
 GMT AT 17°15' N - 17°14' W. IT IS BELIEVED THE BOAT
 ESCAPED.

WATKINS

Filed: 3/6/42, 1:20 P. Journal #57, 3/6 B.B.C
 From: B.B.C. thru ONI I.B. #62, 3/6
 DAILY PATROLS OVER BERMUDA WILL BE PERFORMED BY 24
 AIRCRAFT CARRIER PLANES NOW BASED ON KIMLEY FIELD.
 HIGH WINDS CANCELLED ALL PATROLS ON MARCH 4. WEATHER AND
 VISIBILITY GOOD.

STRONG

Filed: 3/6/42, 10:40 P. Journal #71, 3/6 E.T.O.
 From: E.T.O. thru ONI
 RADIO INTERCEPT INDICATES SUB ATTACK ON THE SS HYPE
 60 MILES OFF CAPE HATTERAS AT 35°02' N & 75°56' W. INFO.
 RECD. AT 2130 EMT.

WATKINS

Filed: 3/6/42, 15:43 Journal #70, 3/6 D.I.O 7th ND
 From: D.I.O. 7th N.D. thru ONI
 PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION FAILS TO SUBSTANTIATE CLAIM OF
 INFORMANT THAT SUBS HAVE BEEN HIDING IN TURTLE BAY, BETTER
 KNOWN TURTLE HARBOR (NEAR KEY WEST).
 ON DAY OF REPORT 60 FT CONVERTED SCHOONER IN TURTLE HARBOR
 CARRYING ADDITIONAL BUNKERS ON DECK AS IS CUSTOMARY.
 PILOT FIA PLANE NC 33612 ENROUTE HAVANA FROM MIAMI REPORTS
 "SIGHTED SUB AT 1630 EMT ATTACKING STEAMER ON FIRE 10 MI
 SE OF KEY WEST." FIA ADVISED ARMY INTERCEPT COM. JACKSON-
 VILLE AND N.O.B. KEY WEST.

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ATLANTIC # 2

From: Flexer - Dakar Via St.
Filed: 3/5/42, 3:00 P

Journal #17, 3/7/42

FLEXER
DAKAR VIA ST.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT PLANE HAVE BEEN MADE FOR THE REMOVAL FROM DAKAR OF THE NAVAL AIR FORCE IN THE EVENT OF HOSTILITIES IN THIS AREA. LIGHT SEAPLANES WOULD OPERATE FROM A FORMER AIR FRANCE BASE 70 KILOMETERS NE OF DAKAR NEAR CAYAR VILLAGE OPPOSITE THDES AT LAKE RETRA NEAR NORTH COAST. MULTIMOTORED SEAPLANES WOULD BE MOVED TO ST. LOUIS.

THE NAVAL SQUADRON IS NOW ENGAGED IN MANEUVERS OUTSIDE. FIRING PRACTICE HAS BEEN GOING ON DAY AND NIGHT DURING THE PAST WEEK, UNUSUALLY HEAVY IN VOLUME. UNITS OF AVIATION, COAST AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY AND THE NAVY HAVE ALL TAKEN PART, INCLUDING THE MICHELIEU FIRING FROM MOLE THREE WITH SECONDARY AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT BATTERIES.

FLEXER

From: DIO 7th Dist.
Filed: 3/6/42, 2051

Journal #10, 3/7/42

DIO 7TH DIST.

PILOT PAN AMERICAN PLANE NC-33612 EN ROUTE HAVANA FROM MIAMI REPORTS "SIGHTED SUB AT 1620 EST ATTACKING STEAMER ON FIRE 10 MILES SE OF KEY WEST". PAN AMERICAN ADVISED N.O.B. (NAVAL OBSERVER) KEY WEST AND ARMY INTERCEPTOR COMMAND, JACKSONVILLE.

FORTSON

From: 7th Naval Dist.
Filed: 3/7/42, 1:15 A

Journal #9, 3/7/42

7TH NAVAL DIST.

OUR REFERENCE TWX 062051 REPORTED PAN AMERICAN PLANE SIGHTING SUBMARINE OPERATIONS, KEY WEST. ADVISE IT WAS FRIENDLY DESTROYER MAKING SMOKE.

TAYLOR FOR
FORTSON.

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Filed: 3/6/42, 4:36 P.

Journal #46, 3/6 LONDON

From: Chaney, London

SERVICE STATEMENTS REQUESTED FOR CERTAIN OFFICERS.

Filed: 3/6/42, 4:38 P.

Journal #49, 3/6 LONDON

From: Chaney, London

APPOINTMENT TO WARRANT OFFICER OF SGT. DEMI.

4:00 P.M.

3/6/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, 4:38 P.

Journal #50, 3/6 LONDON

From: Chaney, London

REQUEST SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE FOR MAJ. GATES.

From: Edwards - Tanger

Journal #3, 3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, 1800

I.B. #3, 3/7/42

SITUATION UNCHANGED.

EDWARDS

TANGER

From: Edwards - Tanger

Journal #4, 3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, 6:11 P

I.B. #2, 3/7/42

SEE NAVY ATTACHE'S REPORT #537, MARCH 3. ANALYSIS
OF RUBBER SITUATION.

EDWARDS

TANGER

From: Chaney - London

Journal #8, 3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, 6:11 P

CHANAY

LONDON

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DISBURSEMENTS DISCRETIONARY
OBLIGATIONS.

From: Russell - Casablanca

Journal #18, 3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, 1:00 P

RUSSELL

CASABLANCA

NEW JAP CONSUL CASABLANCA.

Filed: 3/6/42, 0845

Journal #54, 3/6

CAIRO

From: Cairo, no sig.

WHEELER MADE CHIEF OF SUPPLY SERVICE. KARACHI ASSUMED
TO BE MAJOR ORDNANCE BASE. PLEASE CONFIRM.

Filed: 3/6/42, 3:20 P.

Journal #56, 3/6

LONDON

From: M/A London

I.B. #45, 3/6

W.O. INFORMATION LIBYAN SITUATION TO INCLUDE MARCH 4.

NO REPORTS OF CHANGES IN BATTLE ORDER. VISIBILITY IS
POOR; raining HEAVILY. A NUMBER OF CONTACTS BETWEEN SMALL
COLUMNS IN THE AREA TRIMI - LIZFA MARKED LACK OF
AGGRESSIVENESS DISPLAYED BY AXIS TROOPS.

4:00 P.M.

3/6/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, 1217

Journal #60, 3/6

CAIRO

From: Maxwell, Cairo

CLARK'S STATUS AS DEPUTY ORDNANCE OFFICER CONFIRMED.

Filed: 3/6/42, 1710

Journal #65, 3/6

CAIRO

From: Maxwell, Cairo

CLARIFICATION OF PREVIOUS MESSAGE REQUESTED.

Filed: 3/6/42, 1710

Journal #68, 3/6

From: Maxwell, Cairo

CAPT PELTON ACCEPTS MAJORITY.

From: Wheeler - Baghdad

Journal #7, 3/7/42

WHEELER

Filed: 3/5/42, 2050

BAGHDAD

ENGINEERING ESTIMATE VARIOUS PROJECTS.

From: McBride - Monrovia

Journal #19, 3/7/42

MCBRIDE

Filed: 3/6/42, 11:00 P

MONROVIA

FORCE NEEDED TO PREVENT SEIZURE OF LANDING FIELD. FERRY-
ING COMMAND AND GOVT SUPPORT URGENT REQUEST. LIGHT BOMB-
ING DETACH. DESIRABLE.

From: Maxwell - Cairo

Journal #25, 3/7/42

MAXWELL

Filed: 3/6/42, 2045

CAIRO

CONCURRENCE IN CONSTRUCTION DETAILS.

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MEMO PART 2

EASTERN EUROPE

Filed: 3/4/42, 8:56 P.
From: M/A Cairo

Journal #42, 3/6
I.B. #37, 3/5 CAIRO

GEN REPIN EXPRESSED FEAR JAP MAY FORCE RUSSIA TO FIGHT ON TWO FRONTS BY AN ATTACK ON MARITIME PROVINCES. HE STATED THAT HIS GOVT DEEMS IT IMPERATIVE THAT UNITED NATIONS CREATE WESTERN FRONT IN FRANCE AND LOWLANDS WITHOUT DELAY IN ORDER THAT RED ARMY MAY BE RELIEVED OF AXIS PRESSURE. GEN. REPIN MAINTAINED THAT EVEN THOUGH A HEAVY ASSAULT BY AIR AGAINST RUMANIAN OIL FIELDS AND AXIS ZONE OF THE INTERIOR WOULD BE OF GREAT ASSISTANCE TO RUSSIA, SHE STILL DESIRES THAT WESTERN FRONT BE CREATED. HE ALSO MAINTAINED THAT ANY COMTEMPLATED ACTION BY GREAT BRITAIN AND U.S. MUST BE CARRIED OUT AT ONCE.

CHUVAKHIN REMARKED THAT A SEPARATE PEACE WOULD NEVER BE MADE BY THE SOVIET. "WHY NOT?" REMARKED GEN. REPIN. HE EXPLAINED THAT IF THE ALLIES OF RUSSIA DO NOT INITIATE AN OFFENSIVE ON LARGE SCALE IN WEST, THE RUSSIAN PEOPLE WOULD

I.B. #37 CONT'D.

BE JUSTIFIED IN MAKING SEPARATE PEACE. HE STATED THAT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A SOVIET WAR WITH A SOVIET VICTORY, AND ADDED THAT THE SOVIET MAY CONSIDER THAT NO AGREEMENT HAS BEEN VIOLATED UNLESS THE REMAINDER OF UNITED NATIONS ACTIVELY PARTICIPATES IN SETTING UP A WESTERN FRONT.

From: London
Filed: 3/6/42, 11:00 P
LENINGRAD SECTOR

Journal #5, 3/7/42
I.B. #1, 3/7/42

LONDON

RUSS MADE PROGRESS ACROSS VOLCHO RIVER VICINITY OF CHUDOVO (1ST CHANGE SINCE BRIDGEHEADS WERE ESTABLISHED IN JAN)

LAKE IMMER-LAKE SELIGER SECTOR

NO FURTHER DETAILS THAN THOSE IN PRESS REGARDING RUSS SUCCESS AGAINST GER. 16TH ARMY IN STANAYA. SEEMINGLY 3 GER. DIVS. WERE CUT OFF IN A SALIENT BETWEEN STARA RUSSIA AND Kholm TOWARD DEMYANSK.

CENTRAL SECTOR

FIGHTING AT VELIZH (REZHEV AREA) AND NORTH OF YUKHNNOV. THE RUSS CAPTURE OF YUKHNNOV IS UNCONFIRMED IT IS PROBABLE. UKRAINE

RUSS STATUS IMPROVED PAST WEEK PARTICULARLY S OF KRAS-

(Journal #5, 3/7/42, Cont'd)
NORAD ATTACKING BAKHOUT AREA.

CHINGA

RUSS LATELY ATTACKED FROM KERCH PENINSULA AND SEVASTOPOL. GER. CLAIM REPULSE BOTH.

MAIN EVENTS OF WEEK

SUCCESS IN STARA RUSSIA

CONTINUATION OF ATTACK IN SMOLENSK-MOSCOW SECTOR

HEAVY FIGHTING ABOUT DOWETZ WITH DEFINITE RUSS SUCCESS

DOMETZ AREA HAS WARMER WEATHER WHICH MAY BE EITHER

TEMPORARY OR AN EXTREMELY EARLY THAW.

From: Schoenfeld - Helsinki
Filed: 3/1 (?) Noon

Journal #24, 3/7/42

SCHOENFELD
HELSINKI

OFFENSIVE AGAINST SOROKKA SHOWN IN OFFICIAL REPORT OF BOMBING MUMMANSK R.R.

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Journal #40, 3/6

From: London McCLURE

IN #46, 3/6

FORCES PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN POSITION ACROSS RR & ROAD AT PYINBON ON 2/27 ARE NOW THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN COMPOSED MOSTLY OF BURMESE WHO HAD BEEN ORGANIZED & WERE COMMANDED BY JAPS.

ON 3/5 JAVA SITUATION IN GENERAL SEEMED TO INDICATE JAP MAIN DRIVE DIRECTED TOWARD BATAVIA & WEST OF SOERABAYA. ON 3/5 IN WEST BRIT FORCE UNABLE TO MAKE A COUNTER-ATTACK TO NORTH BECAUSE OF PREMATURE BLOWING OF BRIDGE AT LUDWILLANG. ARMORED CARS LIQUIDATED PARATROOPS AT BANJONGDONS. KRAWANG & POENWAKARTA FELL TO JAPS ON 3/5, AS DID SURAKARTA & BOJONEGROO IN EAST. ALSO ON 5TH A FEW MILES SOUTH OF TJEPON THERE WERE SMALL GROUPS OF JAPS. FOUR HURRICANES WERE ALL BRIT PLANES IN SERVICEABLE CONDITION ON 3/5.

RANGOON REPORTS CAPTURE FROM JAPS OF A 5-INCH MORTAR &

IN #46, 3/6 Con't

A 77 MM GUN. AS TO FORMER, THIS IS 1ST CONFIRMATION OF USE OF SUCH A WEAPON BY JAPS. AN EARLIER REPORT FROM MALAYA OF USE OF HEAVY MORTAR WAS THOUGHT TO BE THE 70 MM MORTAR-GUN USED BY JAP INFANTRY BATTALION, BUT MALAYA REPORTED IT AS CORPS OR ARMY ARTILLERY & HENCE NOW IT APPEARS THAT POSSIBLY WEAPON USED IN MALAYA WAS A 5-IN. MORTAR. W.O. HAS NO DATA ON 77 MM GUN THOUGH IT IS KNOWN THAT THERE ARE 4 75 MM GUNS IN JAP REGIMENTAL GUN COMPANY, FIRING A 15 LB SHELL UP TO A MAXIMUM RANGE OF 7,000 YDS & THAT THE DIV. HAS A LARGER 75 MM WITH A MAXIMUM RANGE OF 13,500 YDS.

OWING TO DESTRUCTION OF WARNING SYSTEM & REMOVAL OF RAF APPARATUS BRIT PURSUITS AT RANGOON HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO INTERCEPT JAP PLANES. ALL COMMUNICATION & POWER LINES & POWER STATION HAVE BEEN DAMAGED, BUT LATTER STILL RUNNING.

BROOME, AUSTRALIA BOMBED ON 3/5 & ON SAME DAY PORT MORSBY SUBJECTED TO HEAVY BOMBER ATTACK.

Filed: 3/7/42, 0200

Journal #45, 3/6

SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

RECOMMEND SENDING ORDNANCE COMPANY.

Filed: 3/6/42, 2:35 PMT CEAR

Journal #48, 3/6

W.D.C.

From: Harrington, WDC thru CMC

ANSWER TO YOUR TEL OF EVEN DATE: "NO MMR ACTION AGAINST JAPS BY CIVILIANS IN W.D.C. AS HAS BEEN REPORTED TO THIS HQ."

Filed: 3/6/42, 4:26 A

Journal #52, 3/6

From: Gilbreath, Ft. Mason, Calif.

UNABLE CONTACT SECOND LT. CHARLES CONTRAD REYLING ABOARD USAT PRESIDENT POLK.

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Filed: 3/6/42, 10:41 P. Journal #55, 3/6
From: 4th Army Pres of San Fran.
REQUEST RELIEF OF CAPT. ENOSTROM FROM ALASKA ATS.

SAN FRANCISCO

Filed: 3/6/42, 1831 Journal #59, 3/6
From: Brett, Sans Origine
APPOINTMENT OF LT. DREGG; DISCHARGE OF CADET ELLIOTT.

SANS ORIGINE

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3/6/42
TO
4:00 P.M.
3/7/42

Filed: 3/6/42, 1621 Journal #61, 3/6
From: Brett, Sans Origine
FINANCE DISBURSEMENTS BY AUSTRALIAN COMMAND.

SANS ORIGINE

Filed: 3/5/42, 11:20 P. Journal #62, 3/6
From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter
REQUEST FOR RIFLES AND AMMUNITION FOR HAWAII HOME GUARD.

FT. SHAFTER

Filed: 3/6/42, 952 Journal #63, 3/6
From: Mair, Ft. Lewis, Wash.
DESIRE MT SHURTZ REMAIN AS GENERAL'S AIDE.

FT LEWIS

Filed: 3/5/42, 1121 P. Journal #64, 3/6
From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter
REQUEST AUTHORITY AND FUNDS FOR AIRFIELD

FT. SHAFTER

Filed: 3/6/42, 11:50 A. Journal #66, 3/6
From: Pres. of San Fran. Pres.
REQUEST INFORMATION WHETHER CERTAIN MOTOR EQUIPMENT
IS AUTHORIZED FOR SHIPMENT.

SANS FRANCISCO

From: Brett - Melbourne Journal #6, 3/7/42
Filed: 3/5/42, 2355
ROUTINE STRENGTH AND MATERIEL REPT.

BRETT
MELBOURNE

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From: Denson - Seattle

Journal #12, 3/7/42

DENSON

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SEATTLE

REQUEST 30 ENL. MED. DEP. TRANSFERRED TO SEATTLE PORT OF EMBARKATION DUE TO INCREASED NUMBER COMMERCIAL STEAMERS USED AS TRANSPORTS TO ALASKA.

From: Benedict - Ft. Douglas, Utah

Journal #14, 3/7/42

BENEDICT

Filed: 3/6/42, 3:28 P

FT. DOUGLAS, UTAH

REPORT ON ACCOMMODATIONS, TROOPS FROM ALASKA D. C.

From: Magruder-Stillwell - Chungking

Journal #16, 3/7/42

MAGRUDER

Filed: 3/6/42, 2315

STILLWELL

SITUATION ON OUR ARRIVAL AT RANGOON; FEW CIVILIANS LEFT IN CITY, NO POLICE, NO FIREMEN; LAW AND ORDER: NONE; DOGS RUNNING IN PACKS; UNCONTROLLED FIRES; LOOTING OF SHOPS EXCEPT WHERE TANK BRIGS WERE UNLOADING; DOCKS OPEN TO ANY UNIFORM; NO CONTROL OVER STOCKS; EVACUATION OF LARGE STOCKS FOOD STUFFS: NONE; EVACUATION OF LEND LEASE MATERIALS OF VALUE WHICH COULD BE MOVED: COMPLETE; CHINESE OFFICIALS COME BEFORE ASSEMBLY OF MTR. VEHICLES; DEMOLITION CREW LEFT TO DESTROY UNASSEMBLED TRUCKS, AND IMMOVABLE MATERIEL.

CHUNGKING

MILITARY SIT. 2/22 CRITICAL. BRIT FORCED TO RETIRE FROM BILIN RIVER TO SITTANG RIVER. ATTEMPT MADE TO CROSS SITTANG BY NIGHT. JAPS ATTACKED SEIZING E END OF BRIDGE. 2 TIED BRIGS AND A PORTION OF ANOTHER WERE TRAPPED. CONFUSION EN-

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SUED. ONLY OTHER TROOPS NEAR BY WAS A TANK BRIG PARTIALLY UNLOADED.

DUE TO PREVIOUS FAILURES OF BRIT TO DESTROY MATERIEL ST. JOHN WAS INSTRUCTED TO SET IN MOTION HIS PLAN. 1000 BOXED AND PARTIALLY ASSEMBLED TRUCKS WERE BURNED AS WELL AS THE PLANT AND SMALL STORES DEEMED NONVITAL BY CHINESE.

ON REPORT TO GEN. HUTTON, SIT. WAS DESCRIBED MORE SERIOUS THAN GENERALLY KNOWN. ALL OUR PERSONNEL EVACUATED BY PLANE AS WELL AS AUG. RAF.

WHOLE EVACUATION SUCCESSFUL ONLY THROUGH COOPERATION OF AMERICANS AND CHINESE. ACCOMPLISHED WITH CREDITABLE SHOWING.

WILSON AND BURMA ROAD CREW STILL ENGAGED IN MOVING MA-

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TERIALS FROM YAMETHIN AND MANDALAY.

From: Dewitt - Pres. S.F.

Journal #21, 3/7/42

DEWITT

Filed: 3/6/42, 5:08 P

PRES. S.F.

OFFICER TRANSFERRED TO A.D.C.

From: Buckner - Ft. Richardson

Journal #23, 3/7

HUCKNER

Filed: 3/6/42, 2356

FT. RICHARDSON

ANSWER YOUR RADIO AAF 3/15 MAR. 2 REF. CONSTRUCTION KUGARAK AIR FIELD DELAYED UNTIL 3/9.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills

Journal #27, 3/7/42

MACARTHUR

Filed: 3/7/42, 11:20 A

FT. MILLS

NO CHANGE ON BATAAN FRONT. ENEMY LANDED 4 VESSELS IN MINDANAO (S). SEVERAL E. COAST TOWNS BOMBED. STRENGTH ESTIMATED WITH TANKS AT 1500. 2000 IN LAMPANGA. CONTACT BEING MAINTAINED BY US APPROXIMATELY 5 KILOMETERS FROM THE CITY.

Calapan,

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MIDDLE EAST
& AFRICA

Filed: 12 noon 3/6-7
From: F-111 (USN)

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BRIT STEAMER HELMUS, SUNK BY SUB MAR 3 AT POSITION
06°N-12°W, 60 MILES W. OF MONROVIA, LIBERIA.

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Filed: Mar. 6
From: Cairo PELLERS

Journal #45, 3/7

POWER TURRETS ON DORNIER FIVE-E AIRCRAFT, ENGLISH BELIEVE.
UNPROTECTED GASOLINE TANKS EMPLOYED IN THIS THEATER. A
POSSIBILITY THAT A PLANE THROWER IN THE TAIL-END OF AIR-
PLANES MAY APPEAR, WITH MOTIVE OF BURNING UP FOLLOWING
PLANE.

HEAVY ATTACKS ON MALTA CONTINUE. FIGHTER REINFORCEMENTS
SEEN IN THE INCREASED FIGHTER PLANE ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK.
98 MORE BOMBERS LOCATED IN SICILY BY RECENT REGROUPING.
50 TO 60 TRANSPORT PLANES OPERATING IN MEDITERRANEAN AREA.
PLANES FROM TUNISIA & AEGEAN COMMONLY RECONNOITER ALEXAN-
DRIA APPROACHES & THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN. ATTACKS ON
SUEZ FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 4 MONTHS.

FROM A PW IT WAS LEARNED THAT HEMMEL CALLED A CONFERENCE IN MIDDLE OF FEB. TOLD HIS STAFF HE WAS TAKING BRIEF LEAVE OF ABSENCE & WOULD THEN PRESS NEW OFFENSIVE. IT IS THOUGHT

J. #48, 3/7 con't

COMMANDER OF AFRICAN PARACHUTE TROOPS IS MAJOR BURKHARDT.
FOUNDATION OF 1 GERMAN 'CHUTE REGIMENT AT AGADABIA.

BUSCHHARDT TROOPS HAVE BEEN USING 30 TO 49 CATERPILLAR MOTORCYCLES ARMED WITH DUAL MACHINE GUNS. THESE VEHICLES DESIGNED TO DROP BY 'CHUTE FROM JUNKERS 52.

Filed: 3/7

Journal #47, 3/7

From: Cairo FELLERS

GERM E. MEDITERRANEAN AIR FORCE AS OF MARCH 3RD. SOURCE,
RAF INTELLIGENCE.

LIBYA: 10 JU 88 BOMBERS, 10 ME 110 TWIN-ENGINE FIGHTER,
60 JU 87 DIVE BOMBERS, 5 ME 110 & ME 111 RECONNAISSANCE,
95 ME 109 SINGLE-MOTORED FIGHTERS, 20 ME 126 ME 110 &
FS 186 ARMY CO OPERATIVES.

GREECE: 50 JU 88 BOMBERS, 30 HE 111 BOMBERS, 15 JU 88
 & 10 17 BOMBER-RECONNAISSANCE, 30 HE 607W & HE 59 COASTS.

20 ME 110 TWIN-MOTORED FIGHTERS, 40 JU 88 & 111 BOMBERS,
46 JU 88 2-MOTORED NIGHT-FIGHTERS. 180 ME 109 SINGLE-
ENGINE FIGHTERS.

SARDINIA, 10 JU 68 BOMBERS.

CRCTR: 5 ME 109 1 MOTORED FIGHTERS.

J. 447 3/7 Con't

TOTAL GERMAN PLANES IN MEDITERRANEAN, 735. OF THIS NUMBER, 40% SERVICEABLE.

TOTAL ITALIAN AIRCRAFT IN LIBYA 337.

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From: KLUS Ankara

Journal #48, 2/7

MOSCOW TRYING TO DISCOVER TYPES OF PLANES GERMANS WILL
USE IN SPRING OFFENSIVE.

MOSCOW REPORTS ONLY THESE TYPES GERMAN PLANES USED IN
RUSSIA: ME 111, 112; JU 82, 87, 88; ME 110, 111. TYPES
ME 177, 129, FW 16 A, JU 288, ME 210, 217, 217 NOT SEEN.
REASON FOR THIS UNKNOWN.

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Journal #45, 3/7

From: F-111 (UEN)

PANAMANIAN SS MAYOU, SUNK FEB 27 BY SUB, 7-36 N, 40
MILES NORTH OF GEORGETOWN, BRIT GUIANA.

LATVIAN SS EVERMAN, SUNK BY SUB 17°N-48°W, 780 MILES E.
OF ANTIGUA, W.I., 2/26.

SECRET

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COULD TO TEAR THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION INTO TATTERS AND TO UNDERMINE THE STABILITY OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT.

AMERICA HAS LEARNED FROM BITTER EXPERIENCE THAT THE POLITE BOW AND SMILE OF A JEW NATIONAL SERVE ONLY TO CONCEAL A BLACK HEART AND A TRAITOR'S CONSCIENCE. AND WISELY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IS DEPRIVING THEM OF THEIR OPPORTUNITIES FOR TREACHERY.

PRO

Filed: 5/7

Journal #37, 3/7

From: F35 NAVY

SSUBS KNOWN TO BE AT PRESENT BETWEEN MIDWAY & PEARL HARBOR, SHOWS INCREASED ACTIVITY IN THIS AREA.

Filed: Noon 3/6

Journal #30, 3/7

From: CINC NEI Army

OUR AIR STRENGTH NOW GONE. USED LAST OF OUR PLANES TO REPULSE ENEMY ATTACK AFTERNOON OF MAR. 5 AT TJIATI PASS (TO NORTH OF BANDOENG). JAP PLANES, ARMORED CARS, & MOTORIZED INF. USED THERE.

NEWLY ARRIVED DIVE BOMBERS, OUR LAST FLYING BOATS, & THE AREA OF THE HARBOR WERE ALL BURNED WHEN JAPS BOMBARDED TWILATJAP. ENEMY OCCUPIES KERTOSONA NJANDJORE, KEDINI, MADIONE, DJOKJAKARTA, NUITENZORO, & ENVIRONS OF DJOMBONG.

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Journal #45, 3/7

From: F-111 (USN)

1. TOTAL OF ABOUT 6 ENEMY GUNS SIGHTED MAR. 5 & 4 OFF AUSTRALIAN WEST COAST.

RAID ON DARWIN MAR 5 BY ENEMY AIRCRAFT REPORTED BY GENE BRETT.

BRETT REPORTS AN AIR RECONNAISSANCE OVER RAUVAL, NEW BRITAIN, MAR. 6, REVEALED 20 TO 25 MERCHANT VESSELS, 3 TRANSPORTS, 12 FLYING BOATS, & 3 DESTROYERS.

MAR 7 RECONNAISSANCE AT RAUVAL FOUND 4 FLYING BOATS, 1 HOSPITAL SHIP, 3 CRUISERS, & 4 TRANSPORTS. AT CASMATA, NEW BRITAIN, 1 CRUISER & 12 TRANSPORTS.

AN ALLIED SUB IN CHINA SEA SANK JAP NAVAL TANKER "KIMO".

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From: Brett - S/O
Filed: 3/7/42, 1146

Journal #28, 3/7/42

BRETT
S/O

ROUTINE REPORT OF AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE OFF COAST OF AUSTRALIA.

From: Brett - S/O
Filed: 3/7/42, 1636

Journal #29, 3/7/42

BRETT
S/O

PERSONNEL PROBLEM WITH REGARD TO CHOICE OF AIR OFFICER THIS HQ.

From: Brett - S/O
Filed: 3/7/42, 0200

Journal #31, 3/7/42

BRETT
S/O

MAIL SHIPMENTS.

From: Brett - S/O
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Journal #32, 3/7/42

BRETT
S/O

PARTIAL REPORT ON SALVAGE OF STEAMSHIP PORTMAN.

From: Ft. Mills, Pro
Filed: 3/7/42, 11:45 A

Journal #33, 3/7/42

FT MILLS
PRO

PRESS RELEASE FOR MARCH 7. EXCEPT FOR INEFFECTIVE AERIAL ACTIVITY AND ARTILLERY FIRE THE ENEMY REMAINS PASSIVE.

RADIO TOKYO HAS LAUNCHED A VITRIOLIC ATTACK AGAINST AMERICA OVER THE NEWS THAT JAP NATIONALS WILL BE EVACUATED FROM STRATEGIC AREAS ON THE WEST COAST OF THE U.S. WE WOULD HARDLY EXPECT THEM TO LAUGH. TOKYO CLAIMS THAT THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS--CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, MIND YOU-- OF A PEOPLE WHO HAVE RESIDED IN THOSE AREAS ALL THEIR LIVES HAVE BEEN TRAMPLED BY A VICIOUS GOVT. VIOLATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS! TO CONTINUE UNHAMPERED THEIR ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES AND THEIR 5TH COLUMN WORK--THIS MUST BE THEIR IDEA OF RIGHT GUARANTEED BY THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION. SINCE WHEN DID NATIONALS OF JAPAN HAVE CONSTITUTION-

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AL RIGHTS IN AMERICA? AND AS FOR THE ARGUMENT THAT THEY HAVE LIVED THERE ALL THEIR LIVES--CAN YOU IMAGINE JAPAN ALLOWING AMERICANS TO FARM THE BEST TRUCK GARDENS IN JAPAN FOR A LIFETIME? THE PRIVILEGE HAS ALREADY BEEN ENJOYED AND ABUSED BY THE JAPS, BUT NO RIGHTS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED. THE GOD OF "GREATER EAST ASIA" SHOULD BE JUSTLY OPENLY TWO FACED.

TOKYO CLAIMS THIS EVACUATION IS PRETTY REVENGE, INDEED! CONSIDER FOR A MOMENT THE REVENGE THAT COULD BE WREAKED ON THE JAP NATIONALS BY THE JUSTLY INDIGNANT AND OUTRAGED POPULACE IN AMERICA. REVENGE FOR THE BRUTAL MURDER OF DISARMED CAPTURED SOLDIERS, REVENGE FOR THE RAPE OF INNOCENT WOMEN, REVENGE FOR THE TORTURE OF HELPLESS CIVILIANS. NO, IN THE LIGHT OF THE RETALIATION WHICH IS POSSIBLE AND WHICH TO MANY SEEMS JUSTIFIABLE--THE EVACUATION OF JAP NATIONALS

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COULD HARDLY BE CALLED REVENGE.

WE KNOW WHY TOKYO IS SCREAMING. THOSE OF US WHO WERE IN MANILA AND SAW THE SIGNAL LIGHTS AND FLARES AT NIGHT AND DISCOVERED THE SECRET RADIO STATIONS KNOW THAT NO NATIONAL OF JAPAN CAN EVER BE TRUSTED. THE HOSPITALITY OF A FRIENDLY COUNTRY IS ENJOYED AND ABUSED FOR YEARS BY THE JAPS AND FOR ONLY ONE PURPOSE--TO BETRAY. IT IS LUDICROUS IN THE EXTREME FOR A PEOPLE WHO HAVE ABUSED THE HOSPITALITY OF A NATION LIKE AMERICA TO REMOAN THE LOSS OF THEIR SO CALLED "CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS" WHEN, AS GUESTS OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, THEY HAVE UNDERHANDEDLY DONE ALL THEY

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From: Procter - Ecuador

Journal #9, 3/5/42

PROCTER

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EQUADOR

RECOMMEND WITHOLDING ESTRADA LICENSE, BELIEVE UNRELIABLE.

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Journal #45, 3/4

Port of Spain,
BWI

From: Port of Spain, B.W.I. thru GHQ

A FAA PILOT WHO ARRIVED IN MIAMI TUESDAY REPORTS
SIGHTING 3 COVERED BARGES GROUPED TOGETHER OFF ONE OF
THE SOLUT ISLANDS NEAR FRENCH GUIANA AT 5°17"N - 50°35"W
WHICH MIGHT BE CAMOUFLAGED FOR SUBS.

C.O. ARUBA, REPORTS A SUB SIGHTED 1½ MILES S OF ST.
NICHOLAS AT 13:52 SUBMERGED AT ONCE.

Filed: 3/3/42, 3:05 P.

Journal #51, 3/4

E.T.O.

From: CO, ETO thru GHQ

I.B. #50, 3/4

CEILING AND VISIBILITY UNLIMITED. OTHER THAN THREE
RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS, AIR ACTIVITY NEGATIVE IN
NEWFOUNDLAND FOR PERIOD ENDING NOON GMT MARCH 3.

4:00 P.M.

3/4/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/5/42

Filed: 3/4/42, 6:00 P.

Journal #59, 3/4

B.B.C.

From: CO, B.B.C. thru GHQ

AIR PATROLS, MARCH 3, CANCELLED BECAUSE OF HIGH WINDS
AND LOW VISIBILITY.

STRONG

Filed: 3/4/42, 4:00 P.

Journal #58, 3/4

C.B.C.

From: CO, C.B.C.

ALCOA REPRESENTATIVES MAKE STRONG REQUEST THAT BAUXITE
SHIPS BE CONVOYED FROM GUIANA AS AIR PATROLS SUPPLIED BY
US AFFORD ONLY INCIDENTAL PROTECTION.

TRINIDAD BASE COMMAND REPORTS THAT 3 SHIPS DEPARTING
FROM GUIANA WITH BAUXITE HAVE BEEN SUNK SINCE FEBR 20.
WRECKAGE AT GALERO POINT, TRINIDAD.

IT IS BELIEVED SS MORDVANGEN FROM PARAMARIBO FEBR 18,
DUE TRINIDAD FEBR 21 HAS BEEN TORPEDGED AS NO OTHER
INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECD ON THIS SHIP.

KIRKWOOD

Filed: 3/4/42, 8:12 P.

Journal #61, 3/4

E.T.O.

From: C-2 ETO thru GHQ

SSS FROM K O S Y (SS YARMOUTH) THAT SUB WAS SIGHTED AT
18:10 EWT at 35°13"N - 66° 03"W. THIS MESSAGE FROM LIAISON
OFFICER ETO AT 6:40 P. WATKINS

Filed: 3/4/42, 7:35 P.

Journal #63, 3/4

CG E.T.O.

From: CG, E.T.O. thru OHS

USAT EDMUND D ALEXANDER UNDER GUNS OF FT. PICKENS (H.D., PENSACOLA) FOR PROTECTION IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO NEW ORLEANS, HAS BEEN ASSURED BY COM. 8TH NAVAL DIST. THAT THE SEAS ARE SAFE. SHIPS CAPTAIN SAID HE DODGED SUBS ON PASSAGE FROM NEW YORK. SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE BY DARK AT MOUTH OF MISSISSIPPI RIVER. THIS INFORMATION RECD. FROM CAPT. KELLER, S. SECTOR, ATLANTA, RELAYED FROM COL. MACRUDER, H.D., PENSACOLA COMMANDING.

DRUM

4:00 P.M.

3/4/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/5/42

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Journal #67, 3/4

E.T.O.

From: E.T.O. thru O.H.Q.

USAT ALEXANDER DEPARTED PENSACOLA 6:00 P TODAY 10 KNOTS SPEED AND WILL REACH S. PASS 9:00 A.M. MARCH 5, COURSE 230 TRUE. COM. 8TH N.D. ADVISED AND WILL MEET TRANSPORT. THIS INFORMATION FROM CAPT. WESLEY, S. SECTOR AT 8:30 P WHO RECEIVED FROM FT. BARRANCAS, PENSACOLA AT 8:15 P.

Filed: 3/4/42, 9:16 P.

Journal #68, 3/4

E.T.O.

From: E.T.O. thru O.H.Q.

OIL SLICK AND OVERTURNED LIFE RAFT AND LIFE BOAT OBSERVED BY 112TH OBSERVATION SQUADRON AT 18:25 AT 38°15' N - 74°22' W. NAME ON RAFT COULD NOT BE READ, BUT CONSISTED OF 7 OR 8 LETTERS. THIS MESSAGE FROM L.O., E.T. O. AT 8:19 P.M., FROM REPORT BY 1st AIR FORCE.

WATKINS

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TO
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WESTERN EUROPE

From: Chaney - London Journal #71, 3/4/42
Filed: 3/4/42, 8:10 P
MACHINES AVAILABLE TO MAKE STEEL WOOL.

CHANAY
LONDON

From: Chaney - London Journal #72, 3/4/42
Filed: 3/4/42, 8:10 P
REQUEST DEPARTURE DATE FROM HALIFAX OF CAPT. HANBER
AND PARTY WHO IS EN ROUTE LONDON.

CHANAY
LONDON

From: Eager - Madrid Journal #4, 3/5/42
Filed: 3/4/42, 1915 I.B. #3, 3/5/42
CONCERNING DETECTION EQUIPMENT.

EAGER
MADRID

From: McClure - London Journal #5, 3/5/42
Filed: 3/4/42, 6:43 P I.B. #2, 3/5/42 STRENGTH 1/3
PAROES LOVAT SCOUTS, 1 BN (OLD YEOMANRY REGT) 773 42
ATTACHED TROOPS - ENG., SIG., MED., ETC. 95
PAROES FIRE COMMAND
1 COAST ARTY REGT. (3 BATTYS) 366
1 A.A. BATTERY (LIGHT) 252
TOTAL 1286

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OPENETS INFANTRY 3563
ARTY (INCL COAST AND AA) 10142
ENG. 1645
SIG. 410
PIONEERS 1114
ANCILLARY SERVICES 1132
HQ 207

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TOTAL 18213

SHETLANDS INFANTRY 2439
ARTY 1122
ENG 386
SIG 103
ANCILLARY SERVICES 334
HQ 47
TOTAL 4431

From: McClure - London Journal #6, 3/5/42
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CAPT. R.H. ARNOLD C. OF ENG. ACCEPTS MAJORITY APPOINTMENT.

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From: Edwards - Tanger Journal #8, 3/5/42
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NO CHANGE.

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TANGER

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES WESTERN EUROPE # 3

From: Chaney - London Journal #7, 3/4/42
Filed: 3/4/42, 11:10 P

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IN EVENT OF GAS
EVENTUALLY A LOCAL IMPREGNATING PLANT WILL BE REQUIRED
AS NO BRIT FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE. EXPERIENCE HERE SHOWS
LOCAL IMPREGNATION NOT PRACTICABLE DUE TO INABILITY TO USE
U.S. MATERIALS AND METHOD USED CANNOT GIVE ADEQUATE LOAD TO
COTTON. RECOMMEND INITIAL ISSUE OF COTTON GLOVES AND SUIT
OR SET OF UNDERWEAR FOR EMERGENCY.

From: Chaney - London Journal #11, 3/5/42
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CHANNEY
LONDON

NOTEBOOKS OF TRIGGER GROUP OFFICERS FORWARDED BY POUCH.
MORE TO FOLLOW.

From: Chaney - London Journal #12, 3/5/42
Filed: 3/4/42, 8:10 P

CHANNEY
LONDON

ASK FOR HYDROM BY FASTEST MEANS OF TRANSPORT, SALARY
\$4800 MINIMUM CIVILIAN CAPACITY--(AVOID DELAY)

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Journal #65, 3/4

From: Johnson, Stockholm thru St. Dept.

STOCKHOLM

GERMANS ARE CIRCULATING STORY OF IMMEDIATE RUSSO-GERMAN PEACE PLAN, WITH STATUS QUO ANTI-BELLUM ESTABLISHED. SOUNDS FANTASTIC, BUT MAY BE EFFORT TO SCARE SWEDES BY THREATENING TO LEAVE THEM AT MERCY OF RUSSIANS.

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Journal #69, 3/4

LONDON

From: Chanay, London

SUGGEST CERTAIN TYPES OF EQUIPMENT BE GIVEN TO RUSSIANS ONLY AFTER SPECIALIZED TRAINING HAS BEEN GIVEN TO RUSSIANS OFFICERS.

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Journal #46, 3/4

CAIRO

From: M/A Cairo

I.B. #41, 3/3

1. A WHEAT SHORTAGE HAS DEVELOPED IN SYRIA PRODUCING AN UNSATISFACTORY POLITICAL SITUATION. RESULT, THE NEW ZEALAND 5TH DIVISION (LESS ONE BRIGADE) IS BEING WITHDRAWN AND SENT INTO THAT AREA. THE NEW ZEALAND 5TH BRIGADE WILL NOT ACCOMPANY THE DIVISION.

2. SUMMATION OF PRESENT LEBYAN SITUATION IS THAT BRIT. CAN BE FORCED BACK TO FRONTIER BY ROMMEL WITH HIS PRESENT STRENGTH, BUT A LACK OF SUPPLIES AND DEPENDABLE INFANTRY WILL PREVENT FURTHER PROGRESS. HOWEVER, THESE SHORTAGES CAN BE "MADE UP" QUICKLY AT THE PRESENT RATE OF AXIS SHIPPING IN THE M.D.

CO OF BRIT XIII CORPS, GEN. GOTT, ASSERTS THAT HE HAS DEVELOPED STRONG DEFENSIVE POSITION IN THE TORUK - QAZALA - HACHEIM AREA. THERE ARE LARGE MINE FIELDS WHICH REACH FROM HACHEIM TO QAZALA.

I.B. #41, 3/3 CONTD.

BEHIND THIS LINE OF MINE FIELDS THE BRIT TROOPS ARE DISPOSED AS FOLLOWS FROM RIGHT TO LEFT:

ON EXTREME RIGHT - S. AFRICAN 1ST DIVISION STRENGTHENED BY THE ATTACHMENT OF THE POLISH BRIGADES.

NEXT THE BRITISH 50TH DIVISION.

THE FREE FRENCH BRIGADE LOCATED AT EL HACHEIM.

TO THE S. AFRICAN 1ST DIV. & THE BRIT 50TH DIV., INFANTRY TANKS HAVE BEEN ATTACHED.

THE BRIT. 1ST ARMORED DIV STRENGTHENED BY THE ATTACHMENT OF INFANTRY TANK BATTALIONS AND GUARDS MOTOR BRIGADE GROUPS IS LOCATED TO LEFT REAR OF BRIT. 50TH DIV.

THE S. AFRICAN 2ND BRIGADE LOCATED IN AREA ABOUT ACRONA

I.B. #41, 3/3 CONTD.

THE NEW ZEALAND 5TH BRIGADE IS STATIONED IN REGION OF TORUK.

THE S. AFRICAN 2ND DIV AND INDIAN 4TH DIV. ARE ENAGED IN CONSTRUCTING DEFENSIVE AREAS IN THE MADHLENA - LUM (1) REGION.

QIARABUS IS OCCUPIED BY DETACHMENTS OF THE S. AFRICAN 1ST DIVISION.

G-2 COMMENT: (1) MAY BE MADHLENA - SOLLUM AREA.

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Journal #52, 3/4

BAGHDAD

From: Wheeler, Baghdad

MATERIALS NEEDED FOR SHOPS IN BAGHDAD.

Filed: 3/4/42, 1500

Journal #53, 3/4

CAIRO

From: Maxwell, Cairo

APPOINTMENT OF MAJOR DELISLETS TO LT. COL.

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Filed: 3/4/42, 1015
From: Maxwell, Cairo

Journal #54, 3/4

MAXWELL
CAIRO

REQUESTING LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. BOSTON OFFICE
BE NOTIFIED TO CONTACT ARMY ON FREEMPLOYMENT EXAMINATION FOR
WOUND.

Filed: 3/3/42, 2135
From: Wheeler, Baghdad

Journal #57, 3/4

BAGHDAD

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BASE ORDNANCE PROJECT AT KARACHI
AND BAGHDAD.

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From: Maxwell, Cairo

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CAIRO

DETAILS OF MOTOR EQUIPMENT AND DEPRECIATION.

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From: Maxwell, Cairo

Journal #70, 3/4

CAIRO

CABLE RE PERSONNEL AVAILABLE TO GEN. MOTORS IN N.E.

From: McClure - London

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I.B. #1, 3/5/42

INCLUDING 3/2, SOLE NEWS FROM LIBYAN FRONT BRIT. PAT-
ROLS ACTIVE, NO ENEMY CONTACTS.

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 From: Brett, Sans Origine
 ILLNESS OF LT. COL. TWITTY AT COLOMBO.

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Filed: 3/4/42, ---
 From: Brett, Melbourne

Journal #43, 3/4

MELBOURNE

600 WORD REPORT AIR ACTIVITY N.E.I. AND N. AUSTRALIA.
 BOVINE PATROLS AUSTRALIAN COAST; NUMEROUS KNOON.
 FLIGHTS AND PATROLS OUT OF MORESBY.
 34 ENEMY SHIPS, 4 DESTROYERS SIGHTED AT RABAU.
 VITAM ATTACKED BY JAPS; 3 FUEL DUMPS DESTROYED.
 BROOKS ATTACKED; 31 PLANES DESTROYED (DUPLICATE OF
 BRIT. REPORT OF JAVA ACTION.) SEA ACTIVITY OFF W.
 AUSTRALIA.

TOTAL OF 9 ENEMY LANDINGS ON JAVA REPORTED.

Filed: 3/4/42, 2245
 From: Brett, Sans Origine
 RECOMMEND APPOINTMENT OF MERLESMITH AS G-2 AND AS BRIG.
 GENERAL.

Journal #50, 3/4

Sans Origine

Filed: 3/3/42, 6:00 P.
 From: Cinc ABDA Area

Journal #49, 3/4

ABDA

NEW FLEET OF 51 TRANSPORTS ARRIVED BANTAM ENEMY PRO-
 CEEDING FROM BANTAM HAS ARRIVED TANGERANG AND LEUWILIANG.
 ATTEMPT TO RETAKE SOERABANG AND KALIDJATI MADE NIGHT MARCH
 2-3 FAILED BUT IT WILL BE REPEATED. ENEMY ADVANCED FROM
 KEMRANG AREA, THROWING BRIDGE ACROSS RIVER AT TJEPCE,
 PROCEEDING PAST KEMAWI TOWARDS TJAROKRANO. THERE HAS BEEN
 HEAVY INFILTRATION IN THE LINE BOJONGBOCRO - BABAD. NO
 ENEMY TO EAST OF THAT LINE AND NORTH OF RIVER. A HARUTO
 TYPE JAP TANKER SUNK IN BANTAM BAY BY A SUB 3000 NAVY
 PERSONNEL HAVE SAILED FOR COLOMBO FROM TJILATJAP.

Filed: 3/4/42, 4:07 P.
 From: G2 WDC thru ONQ

Journal #55, 3/4

WDC

FOR YOUR INFORMATION WESTERN SEA FRONTIER HAS RECD.
 DIRECTIVE ADDRESSED TO C.O. HAWAIIAN TO TUTUILA AND
 TASK FORCES COMMANDER OF PACIFIC FLEET FROM CINC PACIFIC
 FLEET TO BE ON ALERT MARCH 4 AND 5 FOR ENEMY ACTION.
 BTCH

Filed: 3/5/42, 0030
 From: Brett, Sans Origine

Journal #56, 3/4

SANS ORIGINE

REPORTS SAFE ARRIVAL OF SS SEA WITCH WITH MISCELLANEOUS
 EQUIPMENT AND 27 P-40'S AT TJILATJAP. SEA WITCH DEPARTED
 MARCH 3. DUE TO SITUATION IN JAVA SS ATHENE REQUESTED
 TO RETURN TO MELBOURNE, EXPECTED TO ARRIVE MARCH 5.
 AT PRESENT OTHER PLANES SENT N.E.I.

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Journal #62, 3/4

SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

REQUEST FOR ENGINES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT.

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SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

REPORT THAT THE US OILER PECOS SUNK MARCH 1 IN VICINITY COCOS ISLAND.

RE BROOME ATTACK 3/3/42: ON WATER DUTCH PLANES DESTROYED WERE 3 DORNIER 24, 1 QUANTAS FLYING BOAT COMBAT; BRITISH PLANES DESTROYED WERE 2 BBT and 1 UNIDENTIFIED BUT THOUGHT TO BE RAAP FLYING BOAT; AMER. PLANES DESTROYED 2 PBY'S. ON LAND: DUTCH PLANES DESTROYED 1, DC-3, 1 LONESTAR; AUST. PLANES DESTROYED 1 LOCKHEED; AMER. PLANES DESTROYED 2 B-17 AND 1 B-24. IN THE AIR PLANES DESTROYED: 1 B-24 and 1 BOAC OBSERVATION CURTIS. CASUALTIES: 37 DEAD OR MISSING AND 20 WOUNDED. BELIEVED THAT 1 TYPE O WAS SHOT DOWN BY DUTCH PILOT.

RAAP ACTIVITY TODAY AND NEW ZEALAND AIR ACTIVITY THIRD PERIOD: THERE WERE ROUTINE PATROLS OF AUSTRALIAN COAST INCLUDING 2 VICINITY DARWIN AND PATROL FROM FREMANTLE BY

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U.S. NAVY FLOAT PLANES; 5 HUDSONS FROM MORESBY ATTACKED GASMATA 1420 MARCH 3; TWO PLANES FAILED TO LOCATE TARGET AND TWO OTHERS ARE MISSING: ONE SCORED SEVERAL HITS ON RUNWAYS AND BUILDINGS; TWO JAP PLANES MAKE UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO INTERCEPT; ONE CATALINE FROM MORESBY MADE RECON. TULAGI BRADLEY REEF AND ONE MADE RECON. TULAGI MESSIA ISLAND TROBIANS ISLAND OISO ISLAND; ONE PO 2Y2 FROM SUVA MADE DIRECT FLIGHT TO AUCKLAND; 3 HUDSONS FROM HANOI, FIJI MADE PAN SHAPED PATROL OF NORTH; JAP AC AND DESTROYER REPORTED BY U.S. RECON. PLANE AS 270 MILES SOUTH S.E. CHRISTMAS ISLAND.

JAP AIR ACTIVITY: PORT MORESBY ATTACKED 0420 MARCH 3 BY 11 HEAVY BOMBERS AND 3 FIGHTERS; RUNWAY AND PETROL DUMPS WERE DAMAGED; DARWIN WAS RAIDED 0427 MARCH 4 BY 6 TYPE O FIGHTERS; BROOME RECON. BY UNDETERMINED TYPE PLANE 0235 MARCH 4 AND ONSLOW RECON. BY ONE FLYING BOAT BIPLANE 0600

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MARCH 3; COCOS ISLAND SHELLED WITH SLIGHT DAMAGE AND CASUALTIES.

IN THE JAVA AREA; 2 HEAVY ENEMY WARSHIPS SEEN NEAR SOUTH COAST JAVA; HEAVY CASUALTIES AMONG ENEMY TROOPS, AND CYCLE PATROLS AND TRANSPORT ALONG PANANOKAN--INDRAMAJOE ROAD; 2 HURRICANES DESTROYED AND 3 DAMAGED BY LIGHT AA FIRE; COUNTER ATTACK BY MOBILE COLUMN LAUNCHED TO REGAIN KALIDJATI AIRFIELD IN SOERABAYA AREA; REPORTED THAT SMALL ENEMY FORCES HAVE REACHED DRADENAN (20 MILES SOUTH REMBANG) AND BARAD (35 MILES W. OF SOURABAYA); OTHER ENEMY FORCES ARE DREDGING BENGAWAN SOLO RIVER SOUTH OF THEPOE; STRAFING OF DJOMBONG (40 MILES SW OF SOURABAYA) MADE MAJORITY OF P-40'S UNSERVICEABLE.

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 From: Wilson, New Delhi thru St. Dept.
 REQUEST FURTHER DETAILS OF AIR UNITS BEING SENT INDIA TO
 FACILITATE PLANNING AND SHIPMENTS BEFORE MONSOONS SET IN.

From: McClure - London Journal #3, 3/5/42
 Filed: 3/4/42, 6:43 P I.B. #4, 3/5/42

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1ST APPEARANCE OF JAP TANKS IN BURMA.
 A SMALL NUMBER SEEN IN PYIN OON-BYITKO AREA 2/28 (POSSIBILITY FROM DIV TANK BN OR FROM TANK REGT MOVED UP FROM SIAM).

W.O. ESTIMATE 2 JAP DIVS SITTANG-PEGU FRONT
 1 JAP DIV IN RESERVE AT MOULMAIN
 1 JAP DIV ADVANCING FROM BANGKOK TO SUPPORT.

CHUNGKING REPORTS CENTRAL CHINESE ENEMY ACTIVITY SOMEWHAT INCREASED. W.O. ESTIMATE 5 JAP DIVS CENTRAL CHINA; MAJOR OFFENSIVE NOT TO BE EXPECTED.

N.E.I. 2/27. 12 TRANSPORTS, 2 DESTROYERS, 3 MISCELLANEOUS OFF KOEPANG, TIMOR. (POSSIBILITY OF USE OF THIS FORCE AGAINST PORT DARWIN.)

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COCOS ISLES. 3/3/42. JAP RAIDER SHELLING—COMMUNICATION BROKEN.

JAVA. 3/1/42. LITTLE DOING. W. JAVA DUTCH 3/1 FELL BACK ACROSS TSIAWEN RIVER. ALL DEMOLITIONS IN FORWARD AREA ACCOMPLISHED INCLUDING BRIDGES.

KALIDJATI AIRFIELD CAPTURED BY 600 JAP INF. AND LIGHT TANKS.

E. JAVA. JAPS BRIDGING SOLO RIVER.

From: Ft. Mills - PRO Journal #15, 3/5/42
 Filed: 3/5/42, 0303

FT. MILLS
 PRO

PRESS RELEASE FOR MARCH 5. WE LOST NO PLANES YESTERDAY BY ENEMY ACTION IN THE HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL SURPRISE ATTACK AT SUBIC BAY. THIS IS BELIEVED TO BE THE FIRST TIME IN THE WAR THAT WE HAD PLANES AND THE ENEMY HAD NONE PRESENT. THOUSANDS WERE DROWNED FROM THE TRANSPORTS WE SANK. THE ENEMY IS GETTING A FORETASTE OF WHAT AMERICA WILL DO WHEN SHE BECOMES FULLY ARMED AND DOES NOT HAVE TO FIGHT WITH COMPLETELY OVERWHELMING ODDS AGAINST HER. AND THE ENEMY DOES NOT LIKE IT.

PRO

From: Brett - S/O Journal #13, 3/5/42
 Filed: 3/5/42, 0315

DESIRE STATUS OF CAPT. T.N. CHARLES, A.C.
 ALSO CALL TO DUTY 1ST LT. T. R. GALLOWAY.

From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter Journal #16, 3/5/42
 Filed: Undated

EMMONS
 FT. SHAFTER

SANDY CAME TO PALMIRA FOR W.P.D., CRAWFORD.

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PACIFIC

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #17, 3/5/42
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MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

NO AIR LOSSES IN ATTACK ON SUBIC BAY. SURPRISE!
JAP CASUALTIES BELIEVED THOUSANDS DUE TO DROWNING AND EXPLOSIONS.

OUR FORCE, 4 P-40'S BADLY WORN. EACH RIGGED WITH A SPECIAL DEVICE, SPRING OPERATED, IMPROVISED SO THEY COULD DIVE BOMB WITH 500 POUNDS. DO NOT PUBLICIZE LAST ITEM.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #18, 3/5/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 1555

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

CODE DESIGNATIONS CASUALTY LIST.

From: Emons - Ft. Shafter Journal #19, 3/5/42
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EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

VICINITY HONOLULU BOMBED BY 1 HOSTILE PLANE., 2:30 AM,
3/4. DAMAGE, NONE. LOAD DROPPED FROM ABOVE THE UNDERCAST.
THREE BOMBS FOLLOWED BY INSTRUMENTS FROM ISLAND OF NIHOA
(VICINITY) TO OAHU (?) THEN DUE WEST AT LEAST 120 MILES. NO
RESULTS YET FROM IMMEDIATE SEARCH FOR BASE. UNFAVORABLE
WEATHER.

From: Emons - Ft. Shafter Journal #20, 3/5/42
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EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

PLANE OR PLANES PROBABLY CRUISER BOMBE 3 BOMBS AT LEAST,
DROPPED 3-5 HUNDRED LBS. OUTSIDE HONOLULU. DAMAGE AND
CASUALTIES, NONE.

INSTRUMENTS FOLLOWED FLIGHT FOR 1 HOUR PREVIOUS FROM
DIRECTION NIHOA AND MORE THAN 100 MILES WESTWARD AFTER
ATTACK.

EFFORTS TO INTERCEPT PLANE OR SURFACE VESSEL NO RESULT.

From: Brett - S/O Journal #21, 3/5/42
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BRETT S/O

PVT. COUGLER KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT.

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From: Huddle - Bern Via State Journal #22, 3/5/42
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HUDDLE
 BERN VIA ST.

BULGARIAN MINISTER REVEALS CHANGE OF POSITION REGARDING POSSIBLE GER. SUCCESS. SAYS GER. TROOPS IN YUGOSLAVIA SUBJECTED TO VIOLENT ATTACKS BY GUERRILLA TROOPS. SITUATION THERE NEARLY CATASTROPHIC. HUMANIAN RELATIONS STRAINED, POSSIBILITY OF OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES. IN HIS OPINION BRIT. INVASION OF BALKANS WOULD MEET LITTLE RESISTANCE.

IN GERMANY, SAME SOURCE SAYS, NAZI PARTY NOW STRONGER THAN HITLER.

ANOTHER SOURCE REPORTS THE DUNKERQUE REQUIRES 5 MONTHS FOR REPAIRS. GERMAN ATTITUDE TOWARD VICHY MORE ARROGANT. DARLAN-PETAINE TENSION INCREASING. DARLAN BLAMES VICHY-AMERICAN POLICY AS CAUSING GERMANY TO DISTRUST FRENCH.

From: Leahy - Vichy Via State Journal #24, 3/5/42
 Filed: 3/4/42, 6:00 P

LEAHY
 VICHY VIA ST.

GERMANS HAVE DIFFICULTY IN BALTIC ICE. CONVOYS NOW FROZEN IN NOT SUBJECTED TO AIR ATTACK BY RUSSIA.

ADV. UNITS GER. AIR FLEET NOW IN FINLAND, MAY MENACE ARCHANGEL.

BOMBING OF PARIS CAUSED UNFAVORABLE REACTION AMONG MILITARY.

From: Leahy - Vichy Via State Journal #25, 3/5/42
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LEAHY
 VICHY VIA ST.

LYON REPORTS 10-11 GERMAN E BOATS HAVE COME DOWN THE RHONE IN PAST 10 DAYS.

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From: Lisbon SHIPP

Journal #29, 3/5

FOR GEN. LEE, PLEASE SEE CABLE 171 MAR 4TH LISBON TO STATE: OFFICE PRESTIGE DAMAGED & CONFUSION COMES FROM M/A & ASSISTANT M/A BOTH OF RANK OF LT. COL., GSC. MISSION OF SOLBERG IS ADVERTISED. GOOD RELATIONS WITH PORTUGUESE HARD TO MAINTAIN.

CACERES AIRDROMES COMPLETED. SPANISH GARRISONS RECEIVED FOLLOWING REINFORCEMENTS:

MERIDA, 3 BATTERIES 55 MM GUNS;

HUELVA, INF. BNS WITH HEAVY MACHINE GUNS;

CARTAGENA, INF. BNS. WITH HEAVY MACHINE GUNS;

VALLADOLID & SALAMANCA INCREASED STRENGTHS LATELY WITH RESERVISTS.

EVIDENT THAT ENTIRE MEDITERRANEAN COAST TO BE REINFORCED ESPECIALLY FROM MALAGA TO GIBRALTAR.

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IT IS RUMORED THAT GARRISONS ALONG FRENCH FRONTIER ARE BEING BUILT UP BY SPANISH. WILL SEND MORE INFORMATION LATER.

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From: LEAHY via State Dept. (VICHY)

BOMBING OF PARIS CAUSED UNFAVORABLE REACTION AMONG MILITARY.

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Journal #57, 3/5

From: F-111 (NAVY)

PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE OF GYDNIA, POLAND, AT 1340, MAR 3
DISCLOSED GERM NAVAL VESSELS AS FOLLOWS:

CV	-	GRAF ZEPPLIN
CL	-	EMDEN
CL	-	LEIPZIG
BB	-	SCHLESWIG HOLSTEIN (?)

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From: COMINCH U.S. FLEET

ALUSMA COLOMBO, MAR. 4, ADMIRAL HELFRICH WITH STAFF ARRIVED
COLOMBO 3RD BY AIR. PLANS TO BASE REMNANTS HIS NAVAL FORCE
ON Ceylon.

COM 16, OCT 1045/3, Z 4 0645/3, LZT 1845/3, REPORTS FROM
ARMY INDICATE 2 JAP DD'S HAVE SUNK SEVERAL SMALL VESSELS
OFF Cebu & NEGROS ISLANDS. STEAMERS CALTEX, DON ESTABAN,
MAYON, SIKICAO BELIEVED SUNK BY AIR ACTIVITIES AFTER DIS-
COVERY IN HIDEOUTS MINDORO & NORTH MINDORO & NORTH
MINDANAO COASTS DURING PAST WEEK.

BRIT ADMIRALTY, MAR 1, CASUALTIES DURING ACTION OFF JAVE
ON FEB. 27: 1 BRIT CRUISER HAS ONLY 1 BOILER ROOM SER-
VICABLE; 1 BRIT DD SUNK & ANOTHER POSSIBLY SUNK. 2 BRIT
SLOOPS RECEIVED MINOR DAMAGE FROM DIVE BOMBING.

2 DUTCH 6-INCH CRUISERS SUNK BY TORPEDOES. DDNSUNK:
ENEMY LOSSES ESTIMATED AT 1 6-INCH CRUISER & 1

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1 8-INCH CRUISER DAMAGED.

NAVY RADIO INTELLIGENCE: JAP ENEMY OFFENSIVE EXPECTED TO
START MAR 5 (RADIO INTEL.). INDICATIONS IT WILL HIT HAWAII
OR SOME OTHER MID-PACIFIC ISLANDS. YESTERDAY'S MINOR AIR
BOMBING TIES IN.

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From: COM 14 ONI

2, POSSIBLY 3, JAP PLANES CIRCLED OVER OAHU, DROPPED BOMBS IN AREA ABOUT 1500 YDS NE OF PUNCHBOWL. NO DAMAGE. FRAGMENTS RECOVERED INDICATED BOMBS ABOUT 250 KILOGRAMS GENERAL SERVICE. PLANES FIRST PICKED UP AT 0013 LCT 200 miles BEARING 290° FROM THE CENTER OF OAHU. DEPARTED ON BEARING 240°. BOMBS DROPPED AT 0215 LCT. CRATERS 30 FT DIAMETER, 8-12 FT DEEP. CINCPAC HAS OPNAV DELIVER COMINCH.

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From: MacK, P 35 (A-2)

FROM COMINCH TO CINCPAC: ALL INTELLIGENCE SINCE ABOUT FEB 15 INDICATES THAT ENEMY PLANS RAID WITH CARRIER DIV 5 PLUS MITA MARU & LARGE SEAPLANES AGAINST U.S. POSITIONS & FORCES PROBABLY OAHU POSSIBLY PALMYRA, JOHNSTON, MIDWAY. IN SPITE OF SUGGESTIONS OF DECEPTION COMINCH ANALYSIS HAS HERETOFORE TENTATIVELY PLACED DATE OF RAID ABOUT MAR 11 - 13. HOWEVER IMPLICATIONS FROM COM 14 & COM 16 THAT ATTACK WILL OCCUR MAR 5 HAS SOME FOUNDATION THAT CANNOT BE IGNORED.

NOTES: 1. CARRIER DIV. HAS 2 CARRIERS.

2. AS OF MAR. 4 FOLLOWING AIR FORCES IN HAWAII ARMY--191 FIGHTERS, 29 HEAVY BOMBERS, 21 MEDIUM BOMBERS, 10 LIGHT BOMBERS.

NAVY--75 PATROL PLANES, 20 SCOUT BOMBERS, 13 TORPEDO BOMBERS
3. DAILY SEARCH MADE 700 MI TO SEA IN 270° SECTOR AROUND OAHU. REMAINING SECTOR COVERED BY 250 MILES PATROL.

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From: London MCCLURE

Journal #60, 3/5

ENEMY TROOPS REINFORCED BY ESTIMATED DIV, FROM PERHAPS MALAYA, IS WITHIN 10 MILES OF BUITENZORG, HAVING PENETRATED TO TONGERONG, ACCORDING TO NEI REPORTS. DUTCH FAILED TO RECAPTURE SOERBANG & AIRFIELD AT KALIDJATI, S.E. OF BATAVIA. JAPS USING LIGHT TANKS IN THAT VICINITY.

CONTINUED INFILTRATION & A CROSSING OF THE SOLO AT TJEPOE RIVER HAS BEEN EFFECTED BY THE ENEMY IN EAST JAVA.

BRIT TANKS PLUS INFANTRY ATTACKED JAP BN. IN BURGA AT WAW & LOST 2 TANKS TO JAP A.T. FIRE. BRIT FAILED TO KNOCK OUT THE JAP BN. OR SILENCE THE MORTARS & MACHINE GUNS. JAPS BELIEVED USING A.T. GUNS HEAVIER THAN THEIR 1935 MODEL 37. OLD JAP 37 COULD AT 450 YDS PENETRATE 20 SIQQ(?) ARMOR PLATE.

TULAGI, NEW GUINEA & SOLOMONS BOMBARDED THE 2ND, WYNDHAM AUSTRALIA AIRFIELD BOMBED 3RD & "BW OLO CIA WAW" THE 2ND.

Filed: 8:40 P 3/4

Journal #27, 3/5

From: Rio MILLER

ENERGETIC ACTION NEEDED IN BRAZIL AGAINST 5TH COLUMNISTS.
INTERNAL SITUATION SERIOUS.

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OSD Letter, 8-3-72

Filed: 3/4-5

Journal #37, 3/5

From: F-111 (NAVY)

THE REPORTED ENEMY SUB ATTACK ON THE TUG M. MORAN OR
POSSIBLY THE TUG BAYTON WHICH WAS ASSISTING THE MORAN IN
THE GULF OF MEXICO IS IN ERROR.

Filed: 1325, 3/5

Journal #44, 3/5

From: Radio San Juan NAVY ONI

WAR WARNING. SUB 0900 OCT 18-50 LONGITUDE 63-50 (40 MILES
EAST OF VIRGIN ISLANDS)

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ODD Letter, 6-3-72

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From: Cairo FELLERS

Journal #30, 3/5

GERMANS HAVE 250 MEDIUM TANKS IN LIBYA. 2 TANK BNS.
LITTORIA ARMORED DIVS. JOINED ARIETO DIV. GER & IT TANK
TROOP NOW TRAINING. ROMMEL NOW RUMORED IN VIENNA. POSSIBLE
AXIS OVER ESTIMATE STRENGTH IN LIBYA.

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OSD Letter, 5-3-72

Filed: 6:00 P 3/4

Journal #24, 3/5

From: LEAHY, Vichy, via State Dept.

GERMANS HAVE DIFFICULTY IN BALTIC ICE. CONVOYS NOW
FROZEN IN NOT SUBJECTED TO AIR ATTACK BY RUSSIA.

ADVANCE UNITS GER AIR FLEET NOW IN FINLAND, MAY MENACE
ARCHANGEL.

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Journal #2, 3/5

From: G-2 ETO (GHQ) WATKINS

AT 9:22 P, 1ST INTERCEPTOR COM. REPORTED SSS AT 80°15'N -
28°30'W A BRIGHT PARACHUTE FLARE 134⁰ TRUE FROM HETZEL
SHOAL GAS BUOY--AT 0050 GMT. SENT BY MOTOR VESSEL RHODE
ISLAND & RELAYED BY W.S.C.

Filed: 11:33 P 3/4

Journal #27, 3/5

From: TBC. (GHQ) PRATT

UNCONFIRMED REPORT SHOWS ENEMY SUB AT 1400-1930 HOURS
OFF SAN NICHOLAS MADE BY C.O. CURACAO. HAVE NOTIFIED C.D.C.
AND C.C.S.F.

Filed: 4-5 March

Journal #37, 3/5

From: V-111 (Navy)

SUNK: IN THE ATLANTIC, THE U.S. TANKER OREGON ON Mar 1.
AT 0400 TIME. SURVIVORS LANDED AT PUERTO PLATO, DOMINICAN
REPUBLIC.

Filed: 3/3/42, 6:15 P.

Journal #59, 3/3

MEXICO CITY

From: M/A Mexico City

I.B. #58, 3/3

THE GOVERNMENT ARRESTED GEORGE NICOBAUS ON NIGHT 28TH FEBR, AND HE IS NOW CONFINED, ACCORDING VERY RELIABLE SOURCE JAP INTERNEES SENT TO PENAL COLONY ON ISLAS MARIAS FOR A SHORT PERIOD. THIS REPORT GIVEN A HIGH EVALUATION.

WEEKS

G-2 COMMENT: NICOBAUS IS ONE LEADING NAZI ESPIONAGE AGENTS IN MEXICO. HE HAS OPERATED WITH BARON VON SCHLESBRUGGE WHO IS REPORTED TO BE MOST ACTIVE IN MILITARY FIELD, PARTICULARLY COASTAL AND AIR INTELLIGENCE. NICOBAUS LEFT COLOMBIA IN 1939 FOR GERMANY, RETURNING TO MEXICO IN 1940.

From: Andino - Costa Rica

Journal #6, 3/6/42

ANDINO

Filed: 3/5/42, 435

I.B. #6, 3/6/42

COSTA RICA

C.N. CONGRESS SUSPENDS CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES FOR 60 DAYS (SEE MY #47 12/10/42).

REPORT FROM ARGENTINE LEGATION, SAYS ARGENTINE PURCHASED 20 SHIPS FROM ITALY AND IS TO BUY 6 ADDITIONAL.

MIN. OF WAR REQUEST ORD. OFF. FROM C.Z. DETERMINE CONDITION OF FIELD GUNS NOW IN HAND.

4:00 P.M.

3/5/42

TO

3/6/42

4:00 P.M.

Filed: 3/5/42, 1:51 P.

Journal #69, 3/5

I.B.C.

From: I.B.C. thru GHQ

WEATHER OVERCAST TO HIGH BROKEN 1000 FEET TO UNLIMITED
VISIBILITY VARIABLE FROM 6 MILES TO UNRESTRICTED, 42° to
49°, WINDS EASTERLY TO 30 M.P.H. OPERATION FOR MARCH 4 AS FOLLO
FOLLOWS: AIR ALERT PATROLS 22 HRS. 40 MIN., OTHER 28 HRS.
* 5 MIN.

BOWESTEEL

4:00 P.M.

3/5/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/6/42

Filed: 3/5/42, 7:08 P.

Journal #70, 3/5

E.T.O.

From: E.T.O. thru GHQ

RADIO INTERCEPT BY FT. MONROE ADVISE SOS FROM LNWJ,
NORWEGIAN MOTOR TANKER, PLEASE SEND ESCORT, TORPEDOED,
26°17' N - 75°50' W.

DRUM

From: ETO thru GHQ

Journal #89, 3/5/42

ETO THRU GHQ

Filed: 3/5/42, 11:14 P

AT 10:28 EWT SOUTHERN SECTOR ADVISED KEY WEST NAVAL
OPERATIONS SUB SIGHTED 29°12' N - 64°29' W.

NAME OF SHIP NOT GIVEN. ORIGINAL SOURCE A BERMUDA
RADIO.

DRUM

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Filed: 3/5/42, 1540
From: Michala, Kuibyshev

Journal #81, 3/5
I.B. #63, 3/5

KUIBYCHEV

PROPOSAL OF NORWEGIAN GOVT SUPPORTED BY BRITISH FOR
SOVIET EXPEDITIONARY FORCE TO NORWAY FAVORABLY RECEIVED
AND STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION.

4:00 P.M.
3/5/42
TO
4:00 P.M.
3/6/42

Filed: 3/4/42, 9:15 P.
From: M/A Cairo

Journal #76, 3/5
I.B. 26, 3/5

CAIRO

SOVIET SUSPICION OF INSINCERITY AMONG THEIR ALLIES IS
INTENSE. THERE IS GREAT NEED FOR EFFICIENT PROPAGANDA TO
COUNTERACT THIS SUSPICION. ALL THREE RUSSIANS EXPRESSED
WITHOUT RESERVE THEIR ANTI-PATHY TOWARDS THE BRITISH,
STATING THAT THEY FELT BRIT TO BE INSINCERE.

GEN. REPIN STATED HIS BELIEF THAT PROSPECTS OF RUSSIA
ARE GOOD. HE CONSIDERS NAZI ARMY CAN AT MOST ATTAIN THE LINE OF
LINE OF THE VOLGA RIVER THE WINTER 1942, 1943. HE MAINTAINS
THAT THIS WOULD NOT CONSTITUTE A GERMAN VICTORY IN ANY
SENSE AND THAT SOVIET ARMIES AND INDUSTRIES TO THE EAST
OF THE VOLGA CAN BE ORGANIZED IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO TAKE
THE INITIATIVE DURING THAT WINTER.

GEN REPIN MAINTAINS THAT THE MASSES OF USSR ARE DETERM-
INED TO WIN AND THAT THIS CONSTITUTES THE MILITARY STRENGTH
OF RUSSIA, MILITARY LEADERSHIP BEING A SECONDARY CONSIDER-
ATION.

Filed: 3/4/42, 9:20 P.
From: M/A Cairo

Journal #77, 3/5
I.B. #25, 3/5

CAIRO

RUSS OFFICERS RETURNING FROM US EXPRESS AMAZEMENT AT
US PRODUCTION PLANS, FEEL NEED OF RUSS GOVT. TO
DEMONSTRATE US IS TRULY THEIR ALLY OVERSHADOWS EQUIP-
MENT NEEDS.

THESE THREE OFFICERS EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE IN SOVIET
PRODUCTION PROGRAM. THEY STATED THAT THE BULK OF WAR
INDUSTRIES WHICH WERE FORMERLY LOCATED IN AREAS NOW
OCCUPIED BY GERMANS AND IN THE VICINITY OF MOSCOW HAVE
BEEN SUCCESSFULLY MOVED TO REGION URAL MOUNTAINS AND ARE
NOW IN PRODUCTION. THEY ALSO STATE "KIROV" WHICH IS ONE
OF THE LARGEST AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION PLANTS IN USSR IS NOW
IN FULL PRODUCTION IN URALS AFTER REMOVAL FROM Leningrad.

Filed: 3/5/42, 0905

Journal #72, 3/5/ CAIRO

From: Maxwell, Cairo

URGENT NEED FOR FOUR PRATT & WHITNEY MEN.

Filed: 3/4/42, 1906

Journal #73, 3/5

ANKARA

From: Kluse, Ankara

I.B. 66, 3/5

REPORT AS TO THE LATEST KNOWN DISPOSITIONS OF THE BULGARIAN ARMY.

4:00 P.M.

3/5/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/6/42

Filed: 3/5/42, 3:00 P.

Journal #74, 3/5

LONDON

From: Fellers, London

I.B. #38, 3/5

LAND ACTIVITY IN CYRENAICA MARCH 3, 1942 WAS CONFINED TO ONE ENGAGEMENT IN WHICH BRITISH ARTILLERY FORCED RETIREMENT OF AN ENEMY PATROL ABOUT SEVEN MILES TO THE SOUTHEAST OF TIMMI.

Filed: 3/5/42, 0906

Journal #76, 3/5

CAIRO

From: Maxwell, Cairo

PERSONNEL SHOULD HAVE PERSONAL FIELD EQUIPMENT UPON ARRIVAL

Filed: 3/5/42, 0907

Journal #79, 3/5

CAIRO

From: Maxwell, Cairo

PROMOTION OF MAJ. DEVEN OK BUT NO VACANCY EXISTS FOR LT. COL.

From: Maxwell - Cairo

Journal #3, 3/6/42

MAXWELL
CAIRO

Filed: 3/5/42, 0908

CHANGES IN ENLISTED PERSONNEL SPECIALISTS RATING TO HQ. DETACH.

From: Maxwell - Cairo

Journal #6, 3/6/42

MAXWELL
CAIRO

Filed: 3/5/42, 1800

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES OF PERSONNEL.

From: McCone - Bathurst

Journal #10, 3/6/42

MCCONE
BATHURST

Filed: 3/5/42, 1025

ENGINEERING DATA RELATIVE TO DEVELOPMENT OF PORT.

From: Fellers - Cairo

Journal #13, 3/6/42

FELLERS
CAIRO

Filed: 3/6/42, 2200

IF SUGGESTION IN MY #822 IS FOLLOWED I CAN GET INFORMATION EASILY FOR YOUR QUERY IN #721.

10:00 AM

3/5/42

TO

10:00 AM

3/6/42

From: Brereton Via Wilson Via St. Journal #16, 3/6/42
New Delhi.

BRERETON VIA
WILSON VIA ST.

Filed: 3/5/42, 5:00 P

REQUEST AUTHORITY TO EMPLOY CIVILIAN SPECIALISTS ON
TURRETS.

REQUEST PERSONNEL OFFICER (PREFER LT. COL. AUBREY MOORE)
NEED, A COMPLETE ADMINS. AND SPECIAL STAFF IN SETTING UP
HQ. 10TH AIR FORCE.

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Filed: 3/5/42, 8:00 P.
From: McClure, London

Journal #58, 3/5
I.B. #49, 3/5

LONDON

RECOMMEND POINT OF AIM OF FIELD AND ANTITANK GUNS BE
CHANGED TO MIDDLE OF VISIBLE MASS.

Filed: 3/5/42, 12:40 P.
From: M/A, London

Journal #75, 3/5
I.B. #28, 3/5

LONDON

CONTINUOUS STUDY AND REVISION BY MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC
WARFARE KEEPS THEIR ESTIMATES OF THE AXIS OIL SITUATION
UP TO-DATE. THE MINISTRY BELIEVES THEIR CURRENT ESTIMATE
TO BE CORRECT AND WOULD LIKE THAT BELIEF TO BE TRANSMITTED
TO YOU. THE PROCEDURE USED IN ESTIMATING THE AXIS OIL
SITUATION WILL BE EXPLAINED IN A DETAILED MEMORANDUM WHICH
THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC WARFARE HAS PROMISED TO WIRE FOR
THE US.

4:00 P.M.
3/5/42
TO
4:00 P.M.
3/6/42

Filed: 3/5/42, 6:00 P.
From: Vichy thru St. Dept.
NOTHING NEW.

Journal #85, 3/5

VICHY

From: Chaney - London
Filed: 3/4/42, 8:04 P

Journal #5, 3/6/42

CHANNEY
LONDON

MAGNET FORCE 2D CONTINGENT UNLOADED. STRENGTH REPORT.

From: Chaney - London
Filed: 3/5/42, 8:04 P

Journal #9, 3/6/42

CHANNEY
LONDON

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CENSORSHIP PROCEDURE OF MAIL FOR
USAFBI.

From: Eager - Madrid
Filed: 3/5/42, 1910

Journal #12, 3/6/42

EAGER
MADRID

DEVICE DESCRIBED IN CABLE #91 NOT KNOWN BY GER. NOW
BEING INSTALLED IN FRENCH WARSHIPS (ULON).

From: Leahy - Vichy Via St. Journal #16, 3/6/42
Filed: 3/5/42, 11:00 A

LEAHY
VICHY VIA ST.

DUNKERQUE; DAMAGE, SIDE PLATING AND ARMOR BETWEEN MAIN
TURRETS ON STAR BOARD SIDE.

PROVIDED MATERIALS CAN BE OBTAINED REPAIRS WILL TAKE 6
MONTHS.

From: Leahy - Vichy Via St. Journal #17, 3/6/42
Filed: 3/5/42, 6:00 P

LEAHY
VICHY VIA ST.

MILITARY SITUATION UNCHANGED.

From: Chaney - London
Filed: 3/6/42, 12:05 A

Journal #18, 3/6/42

CHANNEY
LONDON

FAULTS DEVELOPING IN PROPELLER BLADES FOR AIR. ALSO
CAMOUFLAGE PAINT OF SUCH POOR QUALITY NEED CHANGE IN
METHOD.

4:00 PM
3/5/42
TO
4:00 PM
3/6/42

Filed: 3/5

Journal #52, 3/5

From: CIG Java

SITUATION ON MAR 4: ENEMY INFILTRATED ALONG TJISEDANE RIVER DESPITE INCREASED FIGHTING. THEY OCCUPIED KRAWANG, PERMAKATA, TJIKAMPER, SOLO. ALLIED AIR STRENGTH IS DIMINISHING. MORE & MORE AIR BOMBINGS OF RANDONG. JAPS BUILDING UP NUMBERS AT BODJONEGORO.

BATAVIA DECLARED AN OPEN CITY BY THE MAYOR. WE LEFT A SCREENING FORCE BEHIND US AS WE LEFT BATAVIA TODAY (THE 5TH). IT WILL AID IN SECURITY & PRESERVING ORDER.

Filed: 3/4

Journal #53, 3/5

From: CINC JAVA

WE EXPECT ENEMY ATTACKS IN BANTAN AREA. ENEMY HAS RECONNOITERED EXTENSIVELY THAT TERRAIN. OUR ATTACKS ON KALIDJATI AND SOEBANG WERE TOTAL FAILURE, TROOPS DEMORALIZED & WITHDRAWN TO NORTH SIDE OF RANDONG PLATEAU. CAUSE OF THIS ACTION WAS LACK OF FIGHTER AIRCRAFT.

ENEMY OCCUPIED IN EAST JAVA THESE PLACES: PATIH, BLOHAN, TJEPU, BODJONEGORO, & TJOREBAN.

1500 NAVAL & DOCKYARD PERSONNEL LEFT LAST NIGHT ON MBS "TAWALI" & "JANSSEN" FROM TJILATJAP. SET TO CLOSE THE HARBOR GAPS WITH MINES AND LAYERS "Gouden Leeuw" & "KRAKATAN" AT SOERABAJA.

EN ROUTE TO COLOMBO ARE THESE SS VESSELS - K-9, K-11, K-14, K-25, K-18, & C-19. SS K-12 READY TO LEAVE SOERABAJA.

ONLY A FEW BOMBING SHIPS & ABOUT 10 FIGHTERS NOW AVAILABLE HERE, THOUGH MANY PILOTS. WE ARE ASSEMBLING 27 P-40's A FEW DAYS WILL GIVE US OUR FIRST COMPLETION. 2 SQUADRONS J. #53, 3/5 Can't

OF CURTISS RECONNAISSANCE PLANES & 8 PLANES NOT SUITABLE FOR OPERATIONS.

WE STILL HOLD 6 AIR FIELDS IN WEST JAVA.

THE ENEMY IS BELIEVED TO NOW HAVE - 2 TO 4 DIVS IN EAST JAVA, 1 TO 2 DIVS IN INDRAMAJOE AREA, & 4 DIVS IN BANTAN AREA.

Filed: 3/4/42, 7:45 P.

Journal #60, 3/5

FT. SHAFTER

From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter

7TH A.F. BASE COMMAND SET UP TO REPLACE HAWAIIAN AIR FORCE. LOCATION OF AIR AND LAND UNITS.

3/5/42, 1821

Journal #61, 3/5

SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

REQUEST SHIPMENTS TO N.E.I. BE DIVERTED TO AUSTRALIA IF DEVELOPMENTS DEMAND.

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OSD Letter, 6-3-72

Journal #63, 3/5

NCO

Filed: 3/3/42, 12:47 P.
 From: NCO Batavia
 NAVY INVESTIGATION OF SS BRIG INCIDENT NOT YET COMPLETED.
 PERIODIC #221, 12 NOON, MARCH 5; ALASKA RADIO INTERCEPTS
 INDICATE INCREASING ENEMY ATTENTION TO OUR OBSERVATION
 FORCES AND PATROLS IN THE ALEUTIANS.
 ALASKA REPORTS THE SEA CLEAR OF ICE ALONG N. SIDE OF THE
 ALEUTIAN ISLANDS AND ALASKA PENINSULA E. OF WAREX SINCE
 FEBRUARY 26.

Journal #64, 3/5

JAVA

Filed: 3/5/42, ---
 From: Cinc Java
 SITUATION AS OF MARCH 4, INCREASE ENEMY INFLTRATION
 ALONG TJISDANAN RIVER. POERBANTARA, TJILAWER, KEANAR
 AND SOLO OCCUPIED BY ENEMY. OUR TROOPS DISPERSED AT
 BRAYANG AND JAPS PROCEEDED SOUTH. INCREASED AIR BOMBARD-
 MENT OF BANDONG AND AIR ATTACK ON TJILAWER. OUR AIR
 STRENGTH BEING EXHAUSTED AND ENEMY AIR STRENGTH AT
 BODJONORO INCREASING. BATAVIA ABANDONED MARCH 5 AND
 DECLARED OPEN TOWN BY MAYOR.

4:00 P.M.
 3/5/42
 to
 4:00 P.M.
 3/6/42

Journal #62, 3/5

BRITAIN

Filed: 3/4/42, 0630
 From: Britain
 SUMMARY OF DAILY OPERATIONS: 17 SHIPS SIGHTED OFF JAVA
 W. COAST; 34 IN BANTAM BAY, 1 BB, 9 TRANSPORTS, 2 CRUISERS,
 1 SUB., 3 WARSHIPS SEEN W. OF PULAU BABI.
 WEST JAVA - ENEMY ADVANCING IN SMALL GROUPS TOWARD
 BATAVIA, BRISK FIGHT BETWEEN PATROLS ON DEWITILAND BRIDGE.
 EAST JAVA - ENEMY SOME MILES S. OF TAPES, LITTLE
 INFLTRATION.
 CENTRAL JAVA - 5 ENEMY PLANES PROBABLY DESTROYED AT
 ANDER A.L. DUTCH MOBILE UNITS HEAVILY DIRT-BOMBED WHILE
 ATTACKING KALIDATI; REORGANIZING NEAR TESISOMAN.
 GROUND STRAPPING BARRERS ALLIED EFFORTS; ENEMY PRESSING
 FORWARD COMPARATIVELY SLOWLY.
 AIR - OPERATIONS GREATLY HINDERED BY SERVICIABILITY
 DIFFICULTIES AND DIMINISHING AIR STRENGTH, 4 PLANES DES-
 TROYED, 2 DAMAGED IN LAID ON ANDER.

JOURNAL #62, 3/5 CONTD.
 HURRICANES ACTIVE GROUND STRAPPING ENEMY. # 232 SCD.
 ABOUT ONLY UNIT STILL IN OPERATION HERE.
 3 ENEMY PLANES DOWNED, FIRES STARTED, 3 BOMBERS HIT AT
 KALIDATI.
 6 HURRICANES LEFT IN RESCUE.

Journal #65, 3/5

BRITAIN

Filed: 3/3/42, 0630
 From: Britain
 JAPS HAVE REACHED TAPPA AND RIVER HAS BEEN CROSSED
 FURTHER SOUTH. RECON. BY BLACKFOUR TO DUSSENA WITHOUT
 CONTACTING ENEMY. DUTCH IN CONTACT WITH ENEMY AT
 KALIDATI, SOERABO AND RESAY WAS FORCED TO WITHDRAW
 BEFORE SUPERIOR NUMBERS AT LATTER PLACE, BUT NOW ENGAGED
 IN PLANNING MOVEMENT. INFLTRATION BY JAPS ON CRIDLES TO
 SOERABANTO, LAID ON ANDER BY 50 PLUS BOMBERS AND 12
 FIGHTERS. PARATROOPS DROPPED AT BODJONORO BEING MOVED
 UP BY ANCHORED CARS. JAPS HAVE PENETRATED TO TJEPOE AND
 WEREND BUT NO JAPS REPORTED EAST OF BABAD. 5 JAP BOMBERS
 SHOT DOWN IN BANDONG AREA.

THE ENEMY MAIN THREATS APPEAR TO BE ON BATAVIA AND
 WEST OF SOERABANTO.
 CONSIDERABLE W.S.I. AIR ACTIVITY DURING DAY. RUWATS
 KALIDATI AIRBOMB HIT BY BOMBS. ENEMY SEA PLANE DESTROYED

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↑ Moving March 3 north of Batavia by RAF hurricanes.

Filed: 3/5/42, 0040

Journal #66, 3/5

From: Stillwell, Chungking

STILLWELL ACCEPTS APPOINTMENT AS LT. GENERAL.

Filed: 3/6/42, 0035

Journal #71, 3/5

From: Brett, Sans Origine

REQUEST FOR ORDNANCE EQUIPMENT

SANS ORIGINE

4:00 P.M.

3/5/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/6/42

Filed: 3/5/42, 1821

Journal #67, 3/5

From: Brett, Sans Origine

REQUEST FOR CERTAIN CHEMICALS.

SANS ORIGINE

Filed: 3/5/42, 2045

Journal #68, 3/5

From: Brett, Sans Origine

ITEMS OF SUPPLY REQUESTED BY MACARTHUR

SANS ORIGINE

Filed: 3/5/42, 1946

Journal #82, 3/5

From: Brett, Sans Origine

INSUFFICIENT PILOT TRAINING CAUSING DAMAGE TO P 40'S
IN ALARMING NUMBERS.

SANS ORIGINE

Filed: 3/5/42, 1054

Journal #83, 3/5

From: Brett, Melbourne

ORDNANCE PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS.

MELBOURNE

Filed: 3/6/42, 7:03 P.

Journal #84, 3/5

From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter

INCREASED FIRE POWER NEEDED ON B 26'S. OTHER ORDNANCE
DETAILS.

FT. SHAFTER

Filed: 3/5/42, 1514

Journal #86, 3/5

From: Brett, Sans Origine

STATUS REPORT AS TO PERSONNEL & EQUIPMENT, 6:04, March
3.

SANS ORIGINE

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Journal #87, 3/5

PT. SHAFTER

From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter

ARRIVAL OF TROOPS AT COPPER AND YANTAN.

From: Brett - S/O

Journal #88, 3/5/42

BRETT S/O

Filed: 3/5/42, 1850

ONLY 1 AIRFIELD LEFT IN JAVA AND THIS SUBJECT TO CONSTANT STRAFING.

NOT POSSIBLE TO USE N.W. AUSTRALIA AIRDROMES FOR BOMBING OF JAVA DUE TO ENEMY ACTION.

AM IN CONSTANT TOUCH WITH ABDA AND AM MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO SEND ASSISTANCE EVEN THOUGH MIGHT BE THOUGHT NOT WARRANTED.

LOSS OF LANGLEY HEAVY BLOW. 30 PURSUIT PILOTS, 32 FIGHTERS, 12 CREW MEN LOST WITH HER. SHE WAS SENT TO JAVA ONLY AFTER ADM. HELFICH HAD ASSURED SUITABLE AND PROPER PROTECTION.

SIAMITCH HAS PRESUMABLY UNLOADED 27 P-40'S CRATED AT JAVA. NUMEROUS DUTCH IN AUSTRALIA SEEKING TO FIND WAYS TO HELP JAVA.

4:00 P.M.

3/5/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/6/42

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STATUS REPORT OF PLANES IN AUSTRALIA. COL. BURANKS FAMILIAR WITH ORDERS OF SUPREME COMMAND. STATEMENT BEING SECURED FROM HIM.

From: Brett - S/O

Journal #1, 3/6/42

BRETT S/O

Filed: 3/5/42

DARWIN ATTACKED BY UNREPORTED NUMBER AND TYPE OF ENEMY PLANES 0442 MARCH 5. JAPS HAVE REACHED TANGABANG. DETAILS INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS BRIT. INT. REPORTS.

From: Brett - S/O

Journal #1, 3/6/42

Filed: 3/5/42

DARWIN ATTACKED AT 0442, 3/5/42, BY AIRCRAFT. IN JAVA.

JAPS HAVE REACHED TANGABANG HALTED BY DEMOLISHED BRIDGE. SMALL ENEMY PATROLS CROSSED RIVER TO THE SOUTH. RECONNAISSANCE AS FAR AS DJASNGA MADE NO ENEMY CONTACTS. DUE TO DEMOLITION OF BRIDGE AT LEUWILLIANG BLACK FORCE CANNOT COUNTERATTACK. DUTCH IN CONTACT AT KALKIDJATI AND SOEBANG IN ENVELOPING MOVEMENT. SUPERIOR ENEMY FORCE AT ERETAN CAUSED DUTCH TO WITHDRAW BUT ARE MAKING A FLANKING ATTEMPT. INFILTRATION TO SOEKAMANTRA BY JAP CYCLISTS. RAJONGSON (SOUTH OF GAROET) HIT BY PARATROOPS. ARMORED CARS USED AGAINST SUCH ATTEMPTS.

IN EAST: JAPS REACH TJEPOR AND MOENING BUT DUTCH STILL CARRYING ON. EAST OF BABED NO JAPS REPORTED. MAIN EF-

(Journal #1, 3/6/42, Cont'd)

FORTS SEEM CONCENTRATED ON BATAVIA AND WEST OF SOURABAYA. FURTHER DETAILS ON AIR ACTIVITIES.

From: Brett - Melbourne

Journal #2, 3/6/42

BRETT
MELBOURNE

Filed: 3/5/42, 2130

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SHIPPING BANDS ON 500 LB. BOMBS.

From: Unsigned - S/O

Journal #4, 3/6/42

UNSIGNED S/O

Filed: 3/6/42, 2130 A

ROUTINE REPORT OF AIR RECONNAISSANCE OFF AUSTRALIAN COAST.

N.B. THESE ARE USUALLY SIGNED BRETT. H.B.S.

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From: Powell - Ft. Shafter Journal #7, 3/6/42
Filed: 3/5/42, 2:38 P
INFORMATION WANTED AS TO ARRIVAL DATE MOBILE RADIO
EQUIPMENT.

POWELL
FT. SHAFTER

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #11, 3/6/42
Filed: 3/6/42, 0056
HOSTILE ACTION NIL DUE TO INABILITY OF ENEMY TO RE-
ORGANIZE FOLLOWING SUBIC BAY ACTION.

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter Journal #14, 3/6/42
Filed: 3/5/42, 2:35 P
PERIOD MIDNIGHT 3/1 TO MIDNIGHT 3/4.
LAND - NOW ACTIVE.
MARINE - SUBMARINE CONTINUED.
AIR - 4 MED. BOMBS ON SUBURBS OF HONOLULU FROM AIRCRAFT
NOW BELIEVED LARGE FLYING BOATS. CASUALTIES AND
DAMAGE NONE.

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter Journal #19, 3/6/42
Filed: 3/5/42, 8:30 P
ANNOUNCING ARRIVAL OF AIR CADETS AND THEIR DEPARTURE
FOR PLUM.
REQUEST COMMISSIONS BE MADE BEFORE SHIPPING CADETS FROM
U. S.

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

From: TEC via GHQ Journal #20, 3/6/42
 Filed: 3/5/42, 7:50 P

TBC VIA GHQ

14 SURVIVORS OF LATVIAN SHIP DJERESMA WHICH WAS TOR-
 PEDGED 2/28 AT 0900 GMT, POSITION 17° N 48° W LANDED AT
 VIEUX PORT TODAY AT 1500 GMT. ONE MORE LIFE BOAT REMAINS
 AFOAT, BUT POSITION IS UNKNOWN. ABOVE RECEIVED FROM CO.
 ST. LUCIA 5 MARCH.

CHESTER.

NOTE: ONI STATES THIS MAY BE THE S.S. EVERASMA WHICH
 CLEARED NORFOLK AND IS OVERDUE AT RIO. THE SPELLING OF
 THE ONI RECORD MAY BE IN ERROR.

H.B.S.

From: HTO via GHQ Journal #21, 3/6/42
 Filed: 3/6/42, 5:30 A

ETO VIA GHQ

AT 4:45 AM, N. Y. INTERCEPTOR COMMAND REPORTED A SUB
 CLOSE ON SURFACE AT POSITION 32°22' N - 80° W. S.S.
 McKESPORT SIGHTED SUB AT 0710 GMT.

DRUM

Filed: 10:50 A 3/5-6

Journal #29, 3/6

From: Navy War Plans COMINCH US Fleet

ATLANTIC SUBMARINE SINKINGS

2137 GOT	NORWEGIAN SS	26-17 N 50 MI EAST OF MASSAU IS,
5 MARCH	O A KNUDSEN	75-50 W BAHAMAS
0930 GOT	SS COLLAMER	44-19 N 30 MI S.E. OF HALIFAX
5 MARCH		63-09 W
24 FEB.	SS SAMA	44-25 N 480 MI S.E. OF CAPE RACE
	SS ADILLAN	42-29 W
	(in convoy)	

Filed: 1:03 PM 3/6

Journal #37, 3/6

From: Port of Spain, Brit W. I. via GHQ PRATT

THE CO AT LUCIA REPORTS A SUB SITED 1122 GMT AT 12° N
 60°30' W, POSSIBLY BOUND NW.

Filed: 11:03 AM 3/6

Journal #38, 3/6

From: HTO via GHQ

INFORMATION GIVEN YESTERDAY REGARDING SUB ATTACK ON AN
 UNIDENTIFIED TANKER AT 22°10' N 75°52' W WAS INCORRECT.
 SUB WAS SITED AT THIS LOCATION BUT DID NOT ATTACK.

Filed: 3:06 P 3/6

Journal #39, 3/6

From: Com Eastern Frontier via F-36 Navy

1. INDIGATIONS ARE THAT IN 2 OR 3 DAYS ADDITIONAL SUBS
 WILL REACH THIS COAST. CONSIDER IT ESSENTIAL THAT ALL
 AVAILABLE DESTROYERS BE ASSIGNED.

2. BLOCKADE RUNNERS FROM JAPAN TO GERMANY ARE IN OPERA-
 TION, CARRYING RUBBER & OTHER ACUTE NEEDS.

3. MERCHANT MARINE LOSSES FOR FEB. WERE OVER 600,000 TONS.
 ONLY ONE MONTH, APRIL 1941, IN PRESENT WAR WAS LARGER.

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From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter Journal #23, 3/6/42
 Filed: 3/5/42, 8:30 P
 REQUEST REVOCATION S. O. 2208 PERTAINING TO LT.
 MENGEN MED. C.

EMMONS
 FT. SHAFTER

From: Ft. Mills - PRO Journal #24, 3/6/42
 Filed: 3/6/42, 0900

FT. MILLS
 PRO

PRESS RELEASE FOR MARCH 6. THREE ENEMIES ACTIVITIES
 HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY DISLOCATED BY THE BLOODY DEFEAT AD-
 MINISTERED TO HIM IN SUBIC BAY TWO DAYS AGO. HIS REAC-
 TIONS ARE WEAK AND DEFENSIVE.

THE DISTILLATE OF FORTY YEARS--FILAMERICAN TROOPS--
 FILAMERICAN SPIRIT--FILAMERICAN STAMINA AND GRIT! THIS
 PERFECT UNION OF TWO RACES BEGAN EARLY IN THE CENTURY
 WHEN THE WEARY AMERICAN SOLDIER RESTING BY THE ROADSIDE ~~WAX~~
 GAVE A BRIGHT-EYED FILIPINO BOY HIS FIRST APPLE AND HIS
 FIRST LESSON IN ENGLISH. THE UNION BASED ON MUTUAL RES-
 PECT WAS REFINED AND IMPROVED AS THE YEARS PASSED. BUT
 THE FIRE OF WAR BROUGHT FORTH THE PERFECT AND PURE UNDER-
 STANDING. THE AMERICAN SOLDIER FAR FROM HOME AND HIS
 BROWN BROTHER, DEFENDING HIS HOME FIGHTING SIDE BY SIDE

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AGAINST A COMMON HATED ENEMY. FREED FROM DROSS AND ALLOY T
 THE BOND BETWEEN FILIPINO AND AMERICAN STANDS PURE AND IM-
 PERVERSUS. FILAMERICAN! IT HAS WITHSTOOD THE ATTACKS OF
 SCHEMING PROPAGANDA--THE ATTACKS OF FALSE PROMISES--THE
 ATTACKS OF FIRE AND STEEL AND IT WILL ENDURE.

PRO.

Filed: 0340, 3/6 Journal #32, 3/6
 Rikmdx From: RDO BATAVIA (RDO CAVITE) via ONI
 0340/6 CLOSING - KEEP SMILING - END OF COMMUNICATION -
 GOOD LUCK.

Filed: 10:50 A 3/5-6 Journal #29, 3/6

From: Navy War Plans COMINCH US Fleet

NAVAL SITUATION ESTIMATE BY PLANS DIV:

PRESS REPORTS DUTCH HAVE EVACUATED BATAVIA & COMMUNICA-
 TIONS BROKEN. RADIO STATION CLOSED DOWN. TOKYO CLAIMS THE
 OCCUPATION OF BATAVIA AT 9:30 P LCT 6 MAR.

TOKYO RADIO ANNOUNCED MARCUS IS. RAIDED BY US FORCES AT
 DAYLIGHT 4 MAR. & CLAIMS 7 OF 30 ATTACKING PLANES SHOT DOWN
 & THAT ONLY MINOR DAMAGE INFLICTED ON ISLAND.

CINCPAC ESTIMATES 3 ENEMY SUBS IN VICINITY OF HAWAII.

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Journal #29, 3/6

From: Navy War Plans COMINGH US Fleet

NAVAL ESTIMATE SITUATION BY PLANS DIV:

IN AXIS AIR RAID ON BRIT NAVAL AIR BASE AT KAHNET, SUEZ
CANAL, MORNING OF MAR 3, 4 BRIT BOMBERS WERE DESTROYED ON
GROUND WHILE INTERCEPTOR PLANES CLAIM DESTROYING 1 &
POSSIBLY 2 ENEMY PLANES. AXIS PLANES ON MAR. 4 REPORTED TO
HAVE DROPPED 4 MINES IN CANAL.

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#2 WESTERN EUROPE

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IS #77, 3/5

From: Bathurst McCONE

Journal #26, 3/5

REPORT ON HARBOR & RIVER FACILITIES.

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Filed: 3/2/42, 10:12 P.

Journal #41, 3/2

MEXICO CITY

From: Weeks, Mexico City

I.B. #56, 3/2

REPORT FROM G-2 OF POSSIBLE REVOLUTION IN NORTHERN MEXICO UNDER LEADERSHIP OF PORTES GIL IS NOT THOUGHT TO BE RELIABLE. IT IS NOT BELIEVED GIL WISHES TO START AN UPRISING OR THAT HE WOULD GET ANY BACKING TO SPEAK OF. HE HAS NO SUPPORT FROM THE MILITARY AND ONLY IN TAMULIPAS DOES HE HAVE ANY POLITICAL SUPPORT. IT IS THOUGHT THAT IN CONNECTING GIL WITH JAP FISHING FLEET HE HAS BEEN CONFUSED WITH ABELARDO RODRIGUEZ, PRESENTLY PRESIDENT AND BESIDES FOR THE PAST 1 1/2 YEARS NO JAPS HAVE FISHED MEXICAN WATERS.

4:00 P.M.

3/3/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/4/42

Filed: 3/3/42, 12:54 P.

Journal #51, 3/3

BAIRES

From: Lange, Baires

I.B. #65, 3/3

ESTABLISHED POINTS 1 AND 3 ON MAP THERE ARE NOW 2 ADDITIONAL FLEETS, 6 TO EACH FLEET, OF U-BOATS. SEE NY NOS. 73, 70.

Filed: 3/3/42, 12:02 P

Journal #53, 3/3

LIMA

From: Ent, Lima

I.B. #60, 3/3

ON FEB. 27 WHILE IN SECRET SESSION PERUVIAN CONGRESS VOTED PERMISSION US ESTABLISH MILITARY BASES IN PERU. RECEIVED FROM UNUSUALLY RELIABLE SOURCES, BUT BEING CHECKED.

Filed: 3/3/42, 12:45 P.

Journal #77, 3/3

MEXICO CITY

From: Weeks, Mexico City

I.B. #81, 3/3

JAPS LEFT 25 RIFLES, 5 PISTOLS, 45 ROLLS PROPAGANDA FILMS IN LEGATION, AUTHORITATIVE SOURCES REPORT.

Filed: 3/3/42, 10:24 P.

Journal #80, 3/3

PUERTO RICO

From: Collins, Puerto Rico thru GNC

SEA CAMP, MONA IS. SHELLED BY SUB USING SMALL CALIBRE ARTILLERY AT 8:30 P.M., MARCH 2. NO DAMAGE RESULTED FROM THIS ACTION.

Filed: 3/3/42, 4:39 P.

Journal #81, 3/3

BOGOTA

From: Cleland, Bogota

I.B. #86, 3/3

IF. COL. DILA STATES SPANISH HAVE SUB. BASE PROTECTED BY NATURE FROM AIR RAIDS, IN LARGE MARINE CAVE ON PALMA IN CANARY IS.

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Journal #48, 3/3

E.T.O. thru
GHQ

From: G-2 E.T.O. thru GHQ

NAVAL PLANES ARE ENROUTE TO THE SCENE OF A SUB ATTACK
ON A TANKER AT 26°41'N 89°08'W AT 1605 GMT TODAY.
WATKINS

Filed: 3/3/42, 1525

Journal #50, 3/3

BATHURST

From: MC Con, Bathurst

I.B. #61, 3/3

FAN PALM WOOD ONLY KIND AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA.

4:00 P.M.

3/3/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/4/42

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Journal #56, 3/3

B.B.C. THRU
GHQ

From: B.B.C. thru GHQ

FERR 2 REPORT OF AIR ACTIVITY; PATROLS REGULARLY
PERFORMED, GOOD WEATHER, GOOD VISIBILITY.

STRONG.

Filed: 3/2/42, 11:35 A.

Journal #65, 3/3

From: Strong, CG Bermuda thru GHQ

I.B. #73, 3/3

WEATHER AND VISIBILITY GOOD BUT HIGH SEAS CANCELLED
NIGHT PATROLS ON MARCH 1.

Filed: 3/3/42, 7:30 P.

Journal #68, 3/3

LONDON

From: Chaney, London

I.B.

REQUEST INFO. RE. DATE OF RESUMPTION OF ATLANTIC
FERRYING SERVICE TO BRITISH ISLES.

Filed: 3/3/42, 3:50 P.

Journal #71, 3/3

LONDON

From: Chaney, London

HARTIE REQUESTS 1000 TRANSCRIPT FORMS.

Filed: 3/3/42, ---

Journal #75, 3/3

MONROVIA

From: Wharton, Monrovia thru St. Dept.

HAVE FERRY COMMAND OBTAIN INFORMATION FROM AKRON ON
HOW TO RECEIVE AND TRANSMIT TO COMMUNICATE WITH BARBEL
FIELD. 2 RECENT ARRIVALS ARRIVING WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS
INDICATE PILOTS ARE NOT BEING INSTRUCTED.

Filed: 3/3/42, 6:00 P.

Journal #74, 3/3

VICHY

From: Vichy thru State Dept.

30TH GERMAN DIV REPORTED MOVING FROM FRANCE. 23D ARMORED DIVISION MOVED FROM PARIS TO CAMP VALDAHONNE, ARREZANSON HAVING LEFT THE PARIS AREA.

BULGARIA ORDER ON FEBR 28 TO PREPARE AIR RAID SHELTERS AND CAMOUFLAGE ALL LIGHTS.

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Journal #73, 3/3

BERN

From: Ruddle, Bern thru St. Dept.

RAIL SHIPMENTS BY GERMANY TO ITALY OF IRON ORE, JUNK, FRESH FISH, AND COAL DECLINING OR CEASING, DUE APPARENTLY TO LACK OF ROLLING STOCK. ITALY IS SHIPPING WINE DAILY IN 40-60 CAR TRAINS FOR STORAGE IN INNESBRUCK AND IRREGULAR SHIPMENTS OF FRUITS, VEGETABLES AND PARACHUTE SILK CONT. CATTLE SHIPMENTS FROM DENMARK TO ITALY WHICH UTILIZED ONE 30-CAR TRAIN WEEKLY TO END OF 1941 FELL TO HALF THAT AFTER JAN 1 AND CEASED IN WEEK ENDING 2/26.

DURING A 2-WEEK PERIOD SHIPMENTS OF SYNTHETIC GAS FROM GERMANY FOR MIXTURE IN ITALY WERE INTERRUPTED, BUT NOW ONE 40 TONN CAR TRAIN MOVES DAILY.

Filed: 3/3/42, 9:32 P.

Journal #79, 3/3

LONDON

From: Chaney, London

NUMBER OF US TROOPS IN BRIT. ISLES.
COMMENTS ON HANDLING OF MAIL.

Filed: 3/2/42, 2200

Journal #54, 3/3

CAIRO

From: Feller, Cairo

I.B. #59, 3/3

GERM TANK STRENGTH: 130 - 150 MED. TANKS; 236 ANTI-TANK GUNS. DETAILS OF ARTY. & AA GUNS.

ENEMY SUFFERED HEAVY LOSSES RECENT CAMPAIGN; REPLACEMENTS OF INFERIOR QUALITY. MAJOR TRANSPORT SHORTAGE AMONG ENEMY.

R.N. REPORTS TROOP CONCENTRATIONS IN NAPLES. LITTORIO ARMORED DIV. REPORTED IN TRIPOLI, CONTAINS 5 TANK BNS.; 1 BRIG. MOTORIZED INF.; 1 REGT. MOTORIZED ARTY.

ITALIAN ANTI-TANK GUNS & ARTY OF INFERIOR QUALITY, SEMI OBSOLETE. ITALY HAS 1 MOTORIZED DIV. AT FULL STRENGTH 1 HERSO REGT, 12 INF BNS OF MEDIOCRE QUALITY. INF. IN UNLIMITED NUMBERS CAN BE SUPPLIED BY ITALY.

AXIS FACES FUEL SHORTAGE ALL DURING RECENT OPERATIONS, AND HAVE DIFFICULT MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS. ABOVE FROM 13TH CORPS INTELLIGENCE.

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LONDON

From: MC Clure, London

I.B. #67, 3/3

ON MARCH 1, IT WAS REPORTED FROM LIBYA, BRIT. ART. SMELLED ENEMY COLUMN SOUTH OF TJIMI, 12 MILES, THEN WITHDREW.

Filed: 3/2/42, 7:39 P.

Journal #59, 3/3

ANKARA

From: M/A Ankara, Turkey

I.B. #43, 3/3

NO INDICATION THAT THOSE WHO ARE NOW LEADERS OF TURKEY DO NOT HAVE FAITH OF THE PEOPLE, ALTHOUGH SOME ACTS OF GOVT CRITICIZED.

INCREASED CONTROL BY GOVT OF COMMODITIES OF ESSENTIAL IMPORTANCE TAKING PLACE ORDER TO DISTRIBUTE EQUITABLY AND TO CONSERVE MATERIALS. NO EVIDENCE THAT PUBLIC MORALE IS AFFECTED, ALTHOUGH THERE IS NORMAL DISLIKE OF THE IMPOSITION OF SUCH RESTRICTIONS.

Filed: 3/2/42, 6:10 P.

Journal #58, 3/3

MOROCCO

From: M/A Morocco

I.B. #13, 3/3

SAIDIA AERODROME IRREGULAR IN SHAPE, BEING ABOUT 1,600 FT LONG BY 985 FT WIDE. LOCATED FEW HUNDRED YARDS S OF THE CENTER OF SAIDIA, JUST WEST PORT SAY AND ABOUT 20 MILES N OF REMOURS, IN COUNTRY GENTLY ROLLING, BETWEEN HILLS TO THE SOUTH AND THE SEA TO THE NORTH.

NEITHER RUNWAYS, FUEL STORAGE, RAILROAD, PORT, OR TOWN WATER FACILITIES AVAILABLE. ONE HANGAR ABANDONED & FIELD USED FOR EMERGENCY ONLY. NO EQUIPMENT NIGHT FLYING. LYING ON W SIDE OF THE NORTHERN TERMINUS OF OUDA HIGHWAY, THE

FIELD COULD BE EXPANDED TO S AND SW. IT IS SCORDED WITH GRASS BUT HAS NO TELEPHONE, TELEGRAPH, RADIO OR POWER FACILITIES. HOUSING FACILITIES NEGLECTIBLE.

Filed: 3/3/42, 1945
From: Eager, Madrid
USUAL ACTIVITY

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I.B. #82, 3/3

MADRID

From: Maxwell - Cairo Journal #4, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 1750

MAXWELL
CAIRO

BRIEF MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO AROMATIC FUEL, TANK
LIMITS AND THE SENDING OF ARNOLD BY ADLER.

From: Bentley via Edwards - Tanger Journal #9, 3/4/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 1813 I.B. #8, 3/4/42
REPORT ON AIR FIELD SITUATED NEAR MAHRAKECH.

BENTLEY VIA
EDWARDS -
TANGER

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CHANKY

From: Chaney, London

LONDON

QUERY CONCERNING WAVE LENGTH OF TRANSMITTER ANTENNA.

4:00 P.M.

3/3/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

Filed: 3/3/42, 4:35 P.

Journal #45, 3/3

CHANKY

From: Chaney, London

LONDON

FOR PUB. RELATIONS. MAGNET CONTINGENT WILL BE ENTIRELY
 ASHORE 1600 EDST. WILL RELEASE NEWS 1300 WASH. TIME,
 1800 B.D.S.T.

Filed: 3/3/42, 1816

Journal #52, 3/3

BERN

From: Legge, Bern

I.B. #63, 3/3

SITUATION UNCHANGED.

Filed: 3/3/42, 1150

Journal #49, 3/3

TANGIER

From: Edwards, Tangier

I.B. #62, 3/3

DATA ON AIRFIELD AT OUDJA 2,900 METERS LONG; 40
 BARRACKS FOR 2,000 MEN, FLOODLIGHTS BEING PUT IN;
 WILL BE MODERN FIELD UPON COMPLETION.

Filed: 3/3/42, 1:30 P.

Journal #62, 3/3

LONDON

From: M/A London

I.B. #42, 3/3

FOLLOWING ARE LISTED THE AREAS IN GERMANY IN WHICH THE
 MAJORITY OF GERMAN PARACHUTE AND GLIDER FORCES ARE
 STATIONED: BRUNSWICK, GARDENHAGEN, HANOVER, BURG,
 MAGDEBURG, AND STENDOL. NO GERMAN SPECIALLY TRAINED
 OLIDER UNITS OR PARACHUTE TROOPS ARE KNOWN TO BE STATIONED
 IN BELGIUM, HOLLAND OR FRANCE, ACCORDING TO AIR MINISTRY
 AND W.O. STATEMENTS.

WHEN PARACHUTE AND OLIDER SUPPORT IS DESIRED THE UNITS
 ARE MOVED FROM HOME STATIONS TO THEATER OF OPERATION.

AIR MINISTRY REPORTS THAT OLIDER AND PARACHUTE UNITS
 HAVE BEEN ACTIVE IN DIRECTION OF CAUCASUS.

Filed: 3/3/42, 1030

Journal #57, 3/3

TANGIER

From: Edwards, Tangier

I.B. #68, 3/3

DATA ON OLD AIRFIELD AT OUDJA (I.B. 62 IN NEW FIELD).

Filed: 3/3/42, 2300

Journal #43, 3/3

SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

DETAILS OF FINANCES IN FAR EAST THEATER. REQUEST LARGE CREDIT FOR STUDEBAKER ACCOUNT.

Filed: 3/3/42, 2205

Journal #47, 3/3

SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

REQUEST FOR ITEMS OF PILOTS AND PLANE EQUIPMENT.

4:00 P.M.

3/3/42

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3/4/42

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SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

REPORT OF STRENGTHS BY GEOGRAPHICAL GROUPINGS OF PERSONNEL ARTY, AMMUNITION AND PLANES IN SW PACIFIC.

Filed: 3/3/42, 0112

Journal #48, 3/3

MACARTHUR

From: MacArthur, Ft. Mills

OFFICERS RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD OF REVIEW. APPOINTMENT RECOMMENDED OF COL. RAWITZER AS ASST. JAG

Filed: 3/3/42, 11:43 P.

Journal #55, 3/3

FT. SHAFTER

From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter

FROM 2400 FEBR 25 TO 2400 MARCH 1/ENEMY LAND AND AIR ACTIVITIES, SUBMARINE SIGHT.

Filed: 3/3/42, 0352

Journal #63, 3/3

A.C.N.B.

From: A.C.N.B.

A.C.N.B. REPORT OF MARCH 1.

GASBATA TARGET OF OUR NIGHT BOMBING FEBR 28. BOMBED RUNWAYS SUCCESSFULLY.

ENEMY SEAPLANE PASSED OVER SALAMAUA 0043, MARCH 1

FLYING WEST OUT OF FINSCHAFER 9 HEAVY BOMBERS AT 0122, MARCH 1.

SOUTH OVER SALAMAUA, 4 HEAVY BOMBERS AT 0135, MARCH 1 OVER TANIMBAR ISLAND, 1 UNIDENTIFIED SE CRAFT AT 0635, MARCH 1.

AT LANISSO BAY, VICINITY OF CAPE BOUGAINVILLE, 3 DESTROYERS.

NEAR DARNLEY ISLAND (TORNEO STRAIT) 1 SUB AT 0325, 2/28

AT TRUK, 2/28, THE A/C (CONVERTED) KITTA MARU

AT RABAU AIRDRONE, OVER CATALINA BOMBED AND FIRED

TARGET AREA, SILENCING A/A GUNS. ENEMY FIGHTER PLANES NOT PRESENT.

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From: MacArthur, Ft. Mills

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FT MILLS

NO RECORD THIS DEPT OF ARRIVAL CAPT. JAMES EDMUND VICKETS.

Filed: 3/3/42, 2:25 P.
From: MacLure, London

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LONDON

I.B. #66, 3/3

FOLLOWING REPORT OF BRIT GEN. TO W.O. ON JAVA; ROD. LAST NIGHT:

JAP LANDING, NIGHT OF 28TH AT MERAK, W OF BATAVIA; ERAGAN, E. JAVA; BANTAM BAY AND TJIASSEM BAY, OF UNKNOWN STRENGTHS. OBJECTIVES LIKELY BATAVIA & SOERABAYA. ERAGAN WAS CHIEF LANDING, ENEMY REACHED BLORA AND PAMRAJAN AND SBRANG IN W. JAVA.

W.O. OPINION 4 JAP DIVS. IN JAVA; 2 AT ERAGAN; 1 BANTAM BAY - MERAK; 1 AT TJIASSEM. KALIDJATI AIRFIELD ATTACKED BY LIGHT TANKS.

WAVELL STATES ENEMY CONVERGING ON FEGU FROM SITITANO RI; BRIT ARMED BRID. ENGAGED JAPS BUT NO RESULTS YET KNOWN.

BRIT. PATROLS SUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED JAP PARTIES ON S SITITANO RIVER N. OF FEGU.

I.B. #66, 3/3/ CONTD.

BURMESE PRISONER STATES FREE BURMA ARMY EXISTED UNDER JAP CONTROL AND S.B.

FRENCH AT BRAZZAVILLE REPTD ANXIOUS OVER JAP DESIGNS ON MADAGASCAR CONFERENCE WITH GEN SMUTS PROPOSED BY FRENCH HIGH COMMANDER.

CHRISTMAS ISLE BOMBED BY JAPS ON 28TH.

"OFF DUTY" FEELING OF BRIT. OFFICERS THAT N.E.I.

SITUATION IS HOPELESS; SAME FOR S. BURMA; BEST CAN BE DONE IS DELAYING ACTION AT HIGH COST TO ENEMY. HOPE EXISTS FOR SUCCESSFUL STAND BY BRIT. AND CHINESE IN N. BURMA BUT PROBLEM COMPLICATED BY DIFFICULT SUPPLY PROBLEM, CHIEFLY GAS AND OIL.

Filed: 3/2/42, —
From: Wescgroup

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I.B. 69, 3/3

WESGROUP

ENEMY LANDING FORCES SUPPORTED BY NAVAL UNITS SIGHTED ON 3/1 AT AND NEAR SHORE OF:

IMRAMAJO

BOEJA

MERAK

MERAK

TAMORON

ERAGAN

TAMORON

40 MILES E OF KALIDJATI

ST. NICOLAS POINT

ON PYROTECHNIC SIGNAL FROM FLEET BEFORE LANDING AT MERAK 9 BOATS CROSSED FROM SHORE TO FLEET.

OUR AIRFORCES BOMBED AND STRAFED TROOPS, BARGES, 20 TRANSPORTS, 3 TANKS, CYCLIST COLUMN.

ENEMY BOMBED AND/OR MACHINE GUNNED: MELANG AIRBORNE, D-JOBANY AIRBORNE (MANY GROUND CRAFT DAMAGED), DUTCH SS TAWALI, TAMER AUGUSTINA, SS ENOANO (SINKING)

I.B. #69, 3/3 CONTD.

SOERABAYA LIGHT SHIP, MINESWEEPER. CAPTURE OF JALIDATI AIRBORNE BY LIGHT MOBILE FORCE REPORTED AS INCLUDING TANKS, 21 BIENHINS AND HUDSONS. 5 HUDSONS FLEW OFF.

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Journal #69, 3/3

BRITAIN

From: BRITAIN

I.B. #70, 3/3

TRIANTEN RIVER DEFENSIVE LINE TAKEN UP BY DUTCH IN WEST
 DEMOLITIONS EXECUTED IN AREAS FORWARD OF THAT LINE.

MOBILE COLUMN DISPATCHED TO REMAIN KALIDJATI AIRCRAFT
 NOT YET IN CONTACT. ENEMY EST. AT 600, PLANE TAKEN, THERE.

ENEMY HAS PENETRATED TO KRADEMANO AND BARAD AND IS
 BRIDGING THE BENIHAN SOLO RIVER SOUTH OF THEPCB.

AUSTRALIANS IN TINDER HAVE TURNED TO GUERRILLA TACTICS.
 CONTINUOUS DAYLIGHT BOMBING FOLLOWED THE NIGHT ATTACKS
 AGAINST HOSTILE LANDING FORCES ON THE NORTH JAVA COAST
 ENEMY LANDING BETWEEN PAMANKAN-INDRAMAJOR HARRASSED
 CONTINUOUSLY, WITH HEAVY CASUALTIES.

ENEMY LANDING BETWEEN TORDAN AND REMBANG HARRASSED BY
 STRAFING OF 20 TRANSPORTS, INFLECTING HEAVY LOSSES ON
 PERSONNEL AND MATERIAL.

I.B. #70, 3/3 CONTD.

MAJORITY OF OUR KITTINGAWES CAUGHT REFUELLING ON
 DJOMBAS AIRCRAFT AND ARE NOW UNSERVICEABLE.

PLANES STILL IN SERVICE: 9 HURRICANES; 3 VILDBERSTES.

Filed: 3/3/42, 4:48 P.

Journal #70, 3/3

SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

REPORTS DRUGS ON HAND AND SURGICAL EQUIPMENT NEEDED.

Filed: 3/2/42, 1056

Journal #72, 3/3

ALASKA

From: Buckner, Ft. Richardson

LOCATION AND STATUS OF PLANES.

Filed: 3/1/42, 0440

Journal #76, 3/3

CHUNOKING

From: MacFarland, Chungking

AGREE TO ESTABLISHING A DEPOT FOR SPARE PARTS AT
 BOMBAY.

Filed: 3/3/42, 2300

Journal #82, 3/3

SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

APPOINTMENT OF TWO AIR CORPS LIEUTENANTS TO TEMPORARY
 CAPTAINCIES.

4:00 P.M.
 3/3/42
 TO
 4:00 P.M.
 3/4/42

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PACIFIC

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From: Ft. Mills (Pro)
Filed: 3/3/42, 0950

Journal #1, 3/4/42

FT. MILLS
PRO

PRESS RELEASE FOR MARCH 3. NO CHANGE ON THE FRONT. WHEN THE HORDES OF THE NORTH SWEEP DOWN TO THE SOUTH LIKE WOLVES THE LEGEND OF JAPANESE MILITARY SUPERIORITY HAVE PRECEDED THEM. THE LEGEND WAS BUILT AROUND THE EMOTIONAL FANATICISM OF THE SAMURAI WHICH WAS DELIVERED TO INSPIRE SOLDIER TO ACCOMPLISH THE IMPOSSIBLE. FURTHERMORE THE DUAL CHARACTER OF THE EMPEROR AS MAN AND GOD WAS AN ADDED STIMULANT. THE INITIAL SUCCESSES OF THE ENEMY SEEMED TO BEAR OUT THE LEGEND BUT THE LEGEND IS NOW SHATTERED. THE SUPERIORITY OF THE JAPANESE MILITARY MACHINE HAS BEEN REDUCED IN THE CRUCIBLE OF WAR. PHYSICAL CLASSES OF THE FRONT LINE FIGHTERS TELL THE STORY FILIPINOS AND AMERICANS SHOULDER TO SHOULDER AND GREATLY OUTNUMBERED HAVE STOPPED AND THROWN BACK THE JAPANESE INFANTRY. THE JAPANESE SOL-

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DIER EMERGES FROM THE SHATTERED LEGEND AS A MAN WITH FEET OF CLAY. WE HAVE SOME REVEALING STATISTICS ON PRISONERS OF WAR VIZ AVERAGE WEIGHT 125.8 LBS AVERAGE HEIGHT 5' 3", AVERAGE AGE 23.9 YEARS, THE YOUNGEST BEING 19 AND THE OLDEST 31, AVERAGE LENGTH OF MILITARY SERVICE 1 1/2 YEARS; THE INFANTRY FURNISHED 65% OF PRISONERS. THE EDUCATIONAL RECORDS SHOW A PREDOMINANCE OF GRAMMAR SCHOOL--70%--AND ABOUT 15% OF HIGH SCHOOL STANDARD. IN THE RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS FARMERS 30%, CLERKS 20%, MECHANICS AND TRADES 25%. THERE ARE RIBBON CLERKS, COOKS AND SUCH; THERE IS EVEN A WATER FRONT FISHBALL VENDER FROM OSAKA WHO KNOWS AND LIKES AMERICAN TOURISTS--AND THEY LIKE HIS FISHBALLS SO HE BOASTS. OF SUCH IS THE STUFF OUT OF WHICH THE SO CALLED JAPANESE SUPERMAN IS MADE.

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From: Brett - S/O
Filed: 3/3/42, 2300

Journal #2, 3/4/42

BRETT
S/O

BRIEF MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO CASHING OF MONEY ORDERS AT APO USAFIA.

From: Brett - S/O
Filed: 3/4/42, 0020

Journal #3, 3/4/42

BRETT
S/O

RELAY OF MESSAGE REQUESTING FUNDS FOR AND STATING ACCOUNT OF J. D. LAHANIER (DISBURSING AGENT).

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #5, 3/4/42
Filed: 3/1/42, 0025

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS OF NAMED OFFICERS.

From: Brett - S/O
Filed: 3/3/42, 0020

Journal #6, 3/4/42

BRETT
S/O

MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO SHIPMENT OF SUPPLIES FOR POPPY FORCE AND PROMOTION OF NAMED OFFICERS.

From: MacMorland - Chungking Journal #7, 3/4/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 0700

MACMORLAND
CHUNGKING

MACMORLAND APPROVES PLAN FOR HAVING A SPARE PART SUPPLY POINT IN VICINITY OF BOMBAY.

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PACIFIC #5

From: Brett - S/O
Filed: 3/4/42, 1048

Journal #8, 3/4/42

BRETT

IT IS REPORTED THAT ELECTRIC SIGHTS ARE NOT AS PRACTICAL AS IRON SIGHTS, POLMANO.

RECOMMENDS THAT CERTAIN NAMED ITEMS BE INCLUDED HERE-AFTER WITH CRATED AIRCRAFT BEING SENT FROM U.S.

From: Brett - S/O
Filed: 3/4/42, 1211

Journal #10, 3/4/42

BRETT
S/O

BRETT FEELS CONCERN OVER POSSIBLE EFFECT OF PRESS INFORMATION CONCERNING RECOGNITION OF FREE FRENCH ISLANDS IN THE PACIFIC, U.S. REINFORCEMENTS FOR NEW CALEDONIA AND TRANSFER OF SW PACIFIC COMMAND TO MACARTHUR.

From: Emmons - Hawaii
Filed: 3/3/42, 10:46 A.

Journal #11, 3/4/42

EMMONS
HAWAII

INSTRUCTIONS REQUESTED WITH RESPECT TO CODING.

From: Brett - Melbourne
Filed: 3/4/42, 1436

Journal #12, 3/4/42

BRETT
MELBOURNE

RECOMMENDS THAT LIGHTERS BE SENT TO MELBOURNE; FACILITIES FOR THEIR ASSEMBLY EXIST.

From: Emmons - Hawaii
Filed: 3/3/42, 1:35 P

Journal #13, 3/4/42

EMMONS
HAWAII

REQUEST FOR PORTABLE LANDING MAT MATERIAL FOR USE IN SURVEY OF ALTERNATE FERRY ROUTE.

From: PRO - Ft. Mills
Filed: 3/4/42, 0250

Journal #15, 3/4/42

FT. MILLS
PRO

PRESS RELEASE FOR MARCH 4. IN A SUDDEN AIR SURPRISE WE SWEEP SUBIC BAY DESTROYING MANY VESSELS INCLUDING ONE OF TWELVE THOUSAND TONS, ONE OF TEN THOUSAND TONS, ONE OF EIGHT THOUSAND TONS AND TWO MOTOR LAUNCHES OF ONE HUNDRED TONS EACH. MANY SMALLER CRAFT WERE DAMAGED AND LARGE FIRES STARTED ON THE DOCKS OF GRANDE ISLAND AND OLONGAPO FOLLOWED BY MANY HEAVY EXPLOSIVES.

PRO

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PACIFIC THEATER

Filed: 0845 3/4

Journal #26, 3/4

From: BMY, COMINCH

OCT COSO/4 COM 14 Expect at LEAST 5 SUBS TO COMMENCE OPERATIONS IN INDIAN OCEAN SHORTLY. WILL PROBABLY BASE AT PENANG.

1 SS IN 25°N, 176°W, 1 SS IN 24°N, 169°W.

MAR 3 ALUSMA LONDON MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM COCOS IS. REPORTING ENEMY RAIDER ATTACKING, TIME 2058/3 (LET). CABLE COMMUNICATION WITH COCOS CRASHED.

MAR 3 BR. GOV'T LONDON COCOS IS. REPORT BY RADIO AT 2250/3 (LET) THAT STATION WAS HIT BY SHELL FIRE. DARKNESS PREVENTED IDENTIFICATION OF RAIDERS. IT IS HOPED TO ESTABLISH EMERGENCY CABLE COMMUNICATION ON MAR. 4.

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Journal #29, 3/4

From: FSS NAVY LIAISON (AIR SECT)

LARGE ENEMY FORCE REPORTED 180 MILES S. OF TJILATJAP. NAVAL DEFENSE OF JAVA, EXCEPT SUBS NOW IMPOSSIBLE. STOP ALL SHIPPING. U.S. FORCES EXCEPT SUBS ALSO WITHDRAWING. SURVIVORS OF LANGLEY SENT TO FREEMANTLE.

Filed: 12 noon 3/4

Journal #39, 3/4

From: NAVY WAR PLANS

1. FROM INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION, IT APPEARS THAT AT LEAST 1 SUB SQUADRON (NO. 10) & POSSIBLY 2 SUB TENDERS ARE PROCEEDING TO THE INDIAN OCEAN VIA STRAIT OF MALACCA FOR OPERATIONS IN THAT AREA, BASING AT PENANG.
2. 10 ENEMY SUBS ARE BELIEVED NOW OPERATING IN PACIFIC. U.S.S. MILWAUKEE REPORTS SIGHTING 1 & POSSIBLY 2 ENEMY SUBS ON MARCH 2 AT POSITION 160 MILES NORTH OF GALAPAGOS IS.

Filed: 12:10 A 3/4

Journal #17, 3/4

From: ETO (GHC) WATKINS

RADIO INTERCEPT INDICATES SUB SIGHTED AT 26° 16' N,
80° 05' W HEADING SOUTH FROM A POINT 4 MILES OFF HILLSBORO
INLET.

Filed: 11:07 P 3/3

Journal #18, 3/4

From: ETO (GHC) WATKINS

SUB SIGHTED ON SURFACE AT 28° 44' N, 59° 15' W AT 0210
GMT. SIMILAR REPORT FROM CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR 1001 GMT.

Filed: 5:32 A 3/4

Journal #30, 3/4

From: G-2 ETO, (GHC)

"SS NORWANTIC" RADIOT AT 0848 GMT THAT SHE WAS BEING
FOLLOWED BY SUSPICIOUS CRAFT AT 35° 30' N, 75° 20' W. THIS
INFORMATION HAS BEEN GIVEN TO NOB, NORFOLK.

Filed: 12 noon 3/4

Journal #39, 3/4

From: NAVY WAR PLANS

SUNK: SS ESSO COPENHAGEN, AT 2255 OCT FEB 25. POSITION
10°32'N, 55°20'W, OR 330 MILES NORTH OF CAYENNE, FRENCH
GUIANA.

G-2 Note: ONI STATES THAT 38 SURVIVORS OF THE ESSO
COPENHAGEN HAVE ARRIVED IN TRINIDAD.

Filed: 10:58 P 3/4

Journal #40, 3/4

From: ETO (GHC)

WATKINS

EASTERN SEA FRONTIER REPORTS SS GYPSUM PRINCE SUNK DUE TO
COLLISION. NO HURT ACTION INVOLVED. LOCATION GIVEN AS OFF
CAPE MENLOPEN, 30° TRUE BEARING, BRIGHTWATER LIGHT. VESSEL
SIGHTED STANDING IN BY N E C P, PHILADELPHIA SECTOR AT 1043
GMT TODAY. A FEW MINUTES LATER, BOARDING-BOAT DISCOVERED
ITS SURVIVORS ON LIFE RAFT. THE 69TH OBSERVATION SQUAD WAS
NOTIFIED AT 1200 GMT.

Filed: 2/2/42, 8:04 P.

Journal #58, 2/2

SAN JUAN

From: Collins, San Juan

PRIVATE ORR HELD FOR HOMICIDE, ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING.

From: Congdon - Montevideo

Journal #6, 3/3/42

CONGDON

Filed: 3/2/42, 6:34 P

I.B. #4, 3/3/42

MONTEVIDEO

THE ALERT WAS PARTIALLY RELAXED TODAY BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE TROOPS HELD SINCE THE START OF THE COUP D'ETAT. POLICE LESS IN NUMBER, BELIEVE THEREFORE THAT COUP D'ETAT ACTION WAS SUCCESS UNLESS FOREIGN INFLUENCES COME IN THAT ARE NOW UNFORESEEN. AXIS PROPAGANDA ORIGINATING IN ARGENTINA IS ON INCREASE ACCORDING TO REPORT NOT YET CONFIRMED. BLADOMIR'S PROMISE OF ELECTION BELIEVED TO BE SINCERE.

From: Pratt - Port of Spain

Journal #16, 3/3/42

PRATT

Filed: 3/2/42, 7:00 P

PORT OF SPAIN

NEED SPECIAL TYPE RANGE FINDER FOR SINGLE STATION CONTROL.

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Filed: 2/2/42, 9:06 A.
From: Bushner, Ft. Richardson
GENERATOR WAS LOST ON OLVEDON.

Journal #45, 2/2 Ft. Richardson

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From: Chaney, London

Journal #44, 2/2

LONDON

HAVE ACCEPTED BRIT. OFFER OF SPACE TO RETURN BY DIRECT
PLANE & RTG OFFICERS.

From: Chaney - London
Filed: 3/2/42, 7:15 P

Journal #2, 3/3/42

CHANAY
LONDON

REQUEST MODIFICATION OF ORDERS, CAPT. CASTLES, A.C. TO
READ, INVESTIGATE EFFICIENCY OF FOREIGN AIR CRAFT, AND
OPERATION OF COMMERCIAL AND MILITARY AIR LINES.

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Journal #51, 3/2

From: Navy War Plans COMINCH

PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE OF 1200 2/28 DISCLOSED TIRPITZ AT
AAS FJORD & 1 POCKET BATTLESHIP & 1 HIPPER CLASS CRUISER
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Journal #48, 3/2

KOUIBICHEV

From: Kouibichev - Michels

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W.O. MAPS SHOW FOLLOWING FRONT LINE: TAG AN ROG, PAVLO-GRAD, KRAKOV, SLIGHTLY EAST OF KURSK-ORTOL, KIROV, DOMOGOSUCH 50 KMS. S. OF VYAKNA, HALFWAY BETWEEN MOZNAISK-VYAKNA, KIROV, 30 KMS. E. OF KALIK ILUNI, KROLM AND AYK RUSSIA.

BELIEVE ABOVE IS AS OF FEBR 26. LIAISON OFFICER SAID INFORMATION OLD, EVADING MY INQUIRY.

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Journal #50, 3/2

BERN

From: Legge, Bern

I.B. 57, 3/2

EXCELLENT YUGOSLAV SOURCE CONFIRMED BY TURKISH STATES 4 ITALIAN DIVS ARE ENROUTE TO S. BALKANS AND 200 ITALIAN TRAINS BEARING TROOPS HAVE PASSED THRU HUNGARY, LIKELY ENROUTE TO THE UKRAINE. YUGOSLAVIA GARRISONS HAVE BEEN INCREASED TO PREVENT UPRISING DURING SPRING OFFENSIVE. RUMANIAN AND BULGARIAN PORTS ON BLACK SEA ACTIVE. 4 OR 5 DIVS REPORTED ENROUTE BALKANS FROM S. BAVARIA.

Filed: 3/2/42, 11:00 A.M.

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HELSINKI

From: Schoenfeld, Helsinki THRU ST. DEPT.

I RECEIVED YESTERDAY AN INTIMATION THAT THE FINNS ARE SOON GOING TO BEGIN THEIR OFFENSIVE IN THE NORTH, PROBABLY WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS. THE OBJECTIVE WOULD BE THE OCCUPATION OF SOROKKA, CUTTING OFF MURMANSK AND THE REMAINDER OF RUSSIA.

THE ABOVE INFORMATION WAS THE RESULT OF A CONVERSATION WITH FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER ERKKO.

Filed: 3/1/42, 9:00 A.M.

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BEIRUT

From: Engert, Beirut thru St. Dept.

IT IS REPORTED BY THE SOURCE GIVEN IN MY TELEGRAM NO. 40 DATED FEBR 18 THAT AT LEAST FOUR GERMAN DIVISIONS IN YUGOSLAVIA HAVE BEEN REPLACED BY BULGARIAN AND HUNGARIAN DIVS. THE 1942 AND 1943 CLASSES HAVE BEEN CALLED UP IN THE RUMANIAN ARMY AND ALL RUMANIAN REGIMENTS HAVE GERMAN OFFICERS ATTACHED. BARGES WHICH CAN CARRY ABOUT TWO HEAVY TANKS AND ONE THOUSAND MEN EACH HAVE BEEN PREPARED BY THE GERMANS IN GREECE AND OTHER ARE BEING BUILT.

ENGERT

Filed: 3/2/42, 4:00 P.M.

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BEIRUT

From: Engert, Beirut thru St. Dept.

GEN CATROUX FEELS THAT THE GERMANS WILL SOON OPEN THEIR CAMPAIGN IN THIS DIRECTION AND HE TOLD ME THAT HE FEARS THAT THE GERMANS MIGHT ATTACK SYRIA DIRECTLY BY SEA AND AIR WITHOUT PASSING THROUGH TURKEY. THE BRIT. WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO BRING IN TROOPS IN ADDITION TO A NEW ZEALAND DIVISION WHICH HAS JUST ARRIVED. GEN. CATROUX WOULD LIKE TO SEE AMER TROOPS HERE FOR DEFENSE AGAINST THE COMING

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DRIVE AND HE ALSO THINKS THAT TWO OR THREE MORE ALLIED OR
BRITISH DIVS WOULD KEEP THE NATIONALISTS QUIET IN SYRIA.
THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN DAMASCUS IS DISTURBED BECAUSE OF
THE WEAKNESS OF THE ALLIES.

From: Waddell - Stockholm
Filed: 3/2/42, 1705

Journal #9, 3/3/42
I.R. #10, 3/3/42

WADDELL
STOCKHOLM

REPORTS TO SWEDISH INTELLIGENCE SHOW MOSCOW CORRECT
REFERENCING TO PLACES AND UNITS BUT WRONG ABOUT OPS. OR
LOSSES.

GERMAN 16TH ARMY NOT SURROUNDED. SOUTHERN OF TWO CON-
VERGING ATTACKS BROKE THROUGH (BOTH SOUTH OF LAKE ILMEN)
SEVERE GERMAN LOSSES RESULTED. NORTH OF THIS POINT SPAN-
ISH SS DIV. ROUTED. THESE TWO OCCURRENCES CAUSED SHIFTING
OF RESERVES FROM Leningrad front. GERMAN COMMAND NOT
ALARMED.

SWEDISH EXPERTS UNABLE TO ESTIMATE EFFECT ON POTENTIAL
OFFENSIVE STRENGTH OF GERMAN WINTER CAMPAIGN.

From: McClure - London
Filed: 3/2/42, 10:31 P

Journal #13, 3/3/42

MCCLURE

DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL ON BRIT. MISSION INVOLVED
IN TANK (PRODUCTION?)

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From: Edwards, Tangier

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TANGIER

REPORT OF AIRFIELD NEAR FES (FES 7) NEAR FES SEFROM HIGH
WAY. 1200 METERS SQUARE; BARRACKS FOR 4,000 MEN; LIGHTS
AVAILABLE FOR NIGHT FLYING.

Filed: 3/2/42, 7:15 P.
From: McClure, London

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I.B. #56, 3/2

LONDON

REPORT OF PRESENT GAP IN NORWAY AS FOLLOWS:
51 COASTAL, 27 REG. BOMBERS, 20 LRB, 78 SE FIGHTERS,
9 DIVE BOMBERS, 20 T E FIGHTERS, 45 PLANES BASED NORTH
OF TRONDHEIM, 120 TRONDHEIM AREA, 120 AROUND STAVANGER.
CERTAIN JU 88'S RETURNED TO NORWAY TO FORMER BASE,
INDICATING FLEXIBILITY OF GAP.

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From: Fellers, Cairo

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CAIRO

HEAVY AXIS SHIPPING TO TRIPOLI DURING PAST WEEK. LARGE
CONVOY (22 VESSELS) ESCORTED BY MOST OF ITALIAN NAVY WAS
ATTACKED BY 3 SEPARATE BRITISH FLIGHTS BUT ACHIEVED NO
POSITIVE RESULTS.

3,500 AXIS WORKERS IN BULGARIAN DOCK YARDS, MECHANIZED DIV.
DIV. IN FORMATION THERE.

FRENCH NAVAL VESSELS APPEAR TO BE LEAVING AFRICA FOR
FRANCE.

INTENSE AIR ATTACKS ON MALTA CONTINUE, MOSTLY FROM SICILY.
SICILY.

L.R. REG. & BOMBERS ACTIVE OVER EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN,
5 ENEMY REGO. PLANES REPORTED OVER ALEXANDRIA.

INSTALLATIONS BETWEEN DERA AND ALEXANDRIA ATTACKED BY
ENEMY BOMBERS. STRENGTH & LOCATION GAP IN EASTERN MED.
UNCORROB.

Filed: 2/28/42, 12:15 P.
From: Maxwell, Cairo

Journal #42, 3/2

CAIRO

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL.

From: Edwards - Tanger
Filed: 3/2/42, 1635

Journal #8, 3/3/42
I.B. #5, 3/3/42

EDWARDS
TANGER

AIRFIELDS LOCATED 1 KM. SE TAZA. CHARACTERISTICS OF
FIELD WHICH IT IS IMPRACTICABLE TO EXPAND.

ALSO BILLET (TOWN) NO SUITABLE FIELDS OR RUNWAYS.

From: Ondrick - Teheran
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Journal #19, 3/3/42

ONDRICK
TEHERAN

HELD FOR SERVICE. UNINTELLIGIBLE.

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From: Buckner - A.D.C. Journal #17
Filed: 10:56 G. 3/2/42
LOCATION AND STATUS AIRCRAFT IN ALASKA.
PARTLY GARBLED, TO BE SERVICED.

BUCKNER
A.D.C.

From: Brett - Sans Origin Journal #20, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 1556
REQUESTS 24 COPIES W.D. CORRESPONDENCE FILE, REVISED EDITION.

BRETT
SANS ORIGIN

From: Brett - Sans Origin Journal #21, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 1619

BRETT
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AS SHIPS ARE REQUESTING THIS HQ FOR SPARE PARTS FOR THEIR ARMAMENT WHICH CANNOT BE MADE AVAILABLE SUGGEST SUCH BE PROVIDED BEFORE SHIPS LEAVE U.S.

From: Emons - Ft. Shafter Journal #22, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 5:22 P

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

REQUEST AUTHORITY TO PERMIT 2 CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES TO MAKE PLANE FLIGHTS.

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From: C.O. ETO

Journal #61, 3/2/42

C.O.

ETO

Filed: 3/2/42, 10:30 P

LIASON OFFICER FROM ETO GIVES FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM
NAVY LOG 2120. PLACE NORTH OF ATLANTIC CITY AND OFFSHORE
ABOUT 5 MILES, TIME 10:30. CAPT. WICKELSEN OF WINE PLANTER
L 76 REPORTED A SUBMARINE AWASH 200 FEET LONG. 1630 TIME OF
REPORT TO NAVY.

DRUM

From: Bonesteel - Iceland

Journal #23, 3/3/42

BONESTEEL

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ICELAND

FLIGHT PROGRAM REPORT. NO HOSTILE ACTIVITIES. WEATHER
REPORT.

From: Bonesteel - Iceland

Journal #24, 3/3/42

BONESTEEL

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ICELAND

NO ENEMY ACTIVITY. NO OPERATIONS BY US.
WEATHER REPORT.

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PACIFIC # 5

From: Ensign - Ft. Shafter Journal #1, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/2/42, 11:53 A
I CONCUR IN THE REASSIGNMENT OF LT. COL. MONT. T. LANDRY,
A.C.

FT. SHAFER

From: Brett - Sans Origin Journal #4, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/2/42, 2315
2D LT. CHAS. A. GIBSON, A.C. PROMOTED TO TEMPORARY
1ST LT. AS OF 2/15/42.

BRETT
SANS ORIGIN

From: Brett - Sans Origin Journal #5, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/2/42, 2315
RECOMMEND RALPH BRITLAND TEXTILE EXPERT BE SENT TO
AUSTRALIA AS TEXTILE EXPERT, GRADE OF MAJOR, Q.M.C.

BRETT
SANS ORIGIN

From: Brett - Sans Origin Journal #7, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/2/42, 2315
2D LT. R. W. DEBORD, A.C., LOST HIS WALLET AND IDENTI-
FICATION CARD FEB. 17, AT CANTON ISLAND.

BRETT
SANS ORIGIN

From: Brett - Sans Origin Journal #10, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 0105
BOMBED AIRDROCK AT DEN PASSCH. ALSO ATTACKED ENEMY
CONVOY AT THAT POINT AND A CONVOY N OF REMANO. 1 DES-
TROYER SUNK, 1 DESTROYER DAMAGED.

BRETT
SANS ORIGIN

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #11, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 0035
BATAAN FRONT NORMALLY ACTIVE.
VISAYAN AREA HAS A JAP CRUISER WITH DESTROYERS SHELL-
ING VESSELS AND PORT UTILITIES AT
ANGAO (CENT)
CEBU ISLAND (DUMAGNET)
WATERFRONT CEBU CITY
MISOS
TOLANO
MARICA RONG (NEGROS)
JAPS LANDING FROM CRUISER AND 4 TRANSPORTS AT ZAMBOAN-
GA IN MINDANAO. CITY BURNING. DOCKS AND SHIPPING AT
BUJO SHELL BY DESTROYER AND DESTROYED.

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

From: Brett - Sans Origin Journal #12, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 0300
ADVICE AS TO CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF BRIG. GEN.
S.J. CHAMBERLIN REQUESTED.
ALSO DATE OF SUCH ACTION.

BRETT
SANS ORIGIN

From: Brett - Sans Origin Journal #14, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 0050
REPORT OF AUSTRALIAN AIR RECONNAISSANCE.

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From: Brett - Sans Origin Journal #15, 3/3/42
Filed: 3/3/42, 0300
INVENTORY SUPPLIES SHIPPED TO MACARTHUR.

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Journal #29, 3/2

SANGS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

ENEMY LANDINGS REPORTED AT INDRAMAJOB, BANTAM AND BAY OF RENDANG. DUTCH ANTICIPATED LANDINGS, BUT HAD ONLY STRENGTH TO MEET BANTAM FORCE. 11 ENEMY RECO. PLANES OVER SALAMARA-TIMOR AREA. PLANE FROM EAST, TYPE UNREPORTED, POSSIBLE RECO. OVER TASMANIA ON 28TH.

5 HUDSONS ATTACKED NASMATAW (SIC) (NASMATA ?). LITTLE DAMAGE EXCEPT HITS ON RUNWAY.

ROUTINE PATROLS BY RAAF OVER AUSTRALIAN COAST SOUTH TO TASMANIA. ENEMY CONVOY NEAR HAWAIIAN ISLAND NORTH OF SOURABAYA ATTACKED BY 2 B-17'S AND 1 DIVERBOMBERS. NEAR MISSES ON CRUISER.

ROUTINE PATROLS OUT OF DARWIN.

4:00 P.M.

3/2/42

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Filed: 3/2/42, 1015

Journal #40, 3/2

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

REPORT OF TRANSFER OF 1 RM TO REPLACE ANOTHER QUOTED FOR INFORMATION OF GG WIFE.

Filed: 3/2/42, 2230

Journal #42, 3/2

SANGS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sanga Origine

REPORT OF MEDICAL FACILITIES IN A CONVOY.

Filed: 3/2/42, 2215

Journal #43, 3/2

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

NO CALIBRE 30 RIFLES NOR MECHANICAL FUZES OR ADAPTORS ABOARD NORMACSTAR; ANSWER TO YOUR QUERY.

Filed: 3/2/42, 2215

Journal #37, 3/2

SANGS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sanga Origine

REPORT OF DEATH OF LT. KANE.

Filed: 3/2/42, 2:40 P.

Journal #38, 3/2

LONDON

From: McClure, London

NO INFORMATION IN BRIT W.O. FROM N.E.I. EXCEPT OFFICIAL DUTCH PRESS REPORT THAT NIGHT FEBR. 28 - MARCH 1 THE JAPS LANDED NEAR INDRAMAJOB IN BANTAM PROVINCE, AND NEAR RENDANG. UNOFF. PRESS REPORTS GIVE SONBANG IN JAP POSSESSION AND DUTCH DESTRUCTION OF OILFIELD AND REFINERY NEAR TJENPOH. THE W.O. ESTIMATES THAT THERE ARE A TOTAL OF 4 JAP DIVS IN JAVA.

OFF. DUTCH STATEMENT SAYS JAPS HAVE PROCEEDED IN NORTHELY CONTD.

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DIRECTION FROM PALEMBANG AND THAT THEY ARE ENCOUNTERING STUBBORN RESISTANCE IN CENTRAL SUMATRA.

THERE HAS BEEN NO REPORT ON SITUATION IN BURMA FOR THREE DAYS BUT W.O. THINGS BRITISH STILL HOLD RANGOON AND PROV.

ACCORDING TO MESSAGE RECD THIS MORNING FROM CHUNGKING THE REASON THAT THE MOVEMENT OF CHINESE ARMIES INTO BURMA IS TWO WEEKS BEHIND SCHEDULE IS TWOFOLD: (1) CHIANG KAI SHEK'S ABSENCE IN INDIA AND (2) THE DESIRE OF THE CHINESE TO MOVE A VERY STRONG FORCE INTO POSITIONS THAT WILL PROTECT THE FLANK OF THEIR MAIN BODY WHILE MOVING AND THEN MOVE EN MASSE SO AS TO PROTECT AGAINST JAP ATTACKS ON CHINESE IN DETAIL.

A REPORT FROM THE BRITISH REPRESENTATIVE IS CHUNGKING STRESSES THE URGENCY OF GETTING OIL AND PETROL TO CHINESE IMMEDIATELY SO AS TO OVERCOME ADVERSE EFFECT ON CHINESE OF THE REALIZATION THAT OIL AND PETROL FROM BURMA IS CUT OFF.

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Filed: 3/2/42, ---
From: Ft. Mills

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FT MILLS

FRESHEN FROM MARCH 2 NO CHANGE ON THE FRONTS.

JAP CAN GIVE BUT CANNOT TAKE SHE HAS FILLED THE AIR WITH PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS DROPPED IN OCCUPIED AREAS AND BATAAN SHE HAS FILLED THE ETHER WITH FALSEHOOD AND MORE FALSEHOOD WITH HER CONTINUOUS RADIO BROADCASTS SHE HAS FILLED THE EARS OF THE FILIPINOS WITH DECEITFUL PROMISES AND ENTICING PICTURES OF THE GREATER EAST ASIA MOVEMENT. BUT JAP KNOWING HOW FLIMSY IS THE STRUCTURE THAT SHE HAS BUILT WITH SUCH UNFOUNDED PROPAGANDA IS AFRAID OF TRUSTS AND UNABLE TO ANSWER FACT FOR FACT.

THE FORCES OF EVIL THRIVE IN DARKNESS THEY SHUN LIGHT. HENCE THE JAP MILITARY ARE ATTEMPTING TO EXTINGUISH IN THE PHILIPPINES ALL THE LIGHTS OF FREEDOM AND TO PLUNGE THE PEOPLE IN THE DARKNESS OF THEIR INTOLERABLE SUBJUGATION. THE LAMP OF A FREE PRESS HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED IN THE

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PHILIPPINES THE LAMP OF INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM BEGAN RAILING WHEN THE FIRST SHADOW OF THE INVADER DARKENED PHILIPPINE SHORES. AND NOW IT IS THE LAMP OF THE FREEDOM OF THOUGHT THAT JAPAN WOULD EXTINGUISH.

MUCH AS THE JAP WAR LORDS WOULD LIKE TO THEY CANNOT PREVENT THE RADIO STATIONS IN AMERICA, AUSTRALIA, CHUNGKING AND EVEN GENERAL MACARTHUR'S STATION "THE VOICE OF FREEDOM IN THE PHILIPPINES" FROM BROADCASTING. BUT THEY DO NOT PLUG THE EARS OF THE PEOPLE BY JAMMING THE AIR. RADIOS STATIONS HAVE BEEN BUILT BY THE JAP TO BROADCAST ON THE SAME OR NEARLY THE SAME FREQUENCY AS CERTAIN IMPORTANT STATIONS IN AMERICA. HOWLERS INTERRUPTERS AND KEYS ARE USED TO MAKE THE HEARD TRUTH AS UNINTELLIGIBLE AS POSSIBLE.

THE EXTENT OF JAP CONCERN AND THE FREENY OF THEIR FEAR WAS PARTICULARLY APPARENT THE NIGHT THAT PRES. ROOSEVELT SPOKE TO THE NATION AND TO THE WORLD. THEY USED EVERY TRICK KNOWN

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TO RADIO TO TURN BACK THE WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT THE PROPHECY OF DOOM FOR THE INVADER. AND THEY FAILED -- FAILED AS THEY WILL ALWAYS FAIL IN THE LIGHT OF PERFECT TRUTH. THE JAPS CANNOT ENTIRELY JAM THE AIR. THE PEOPLE OF THE PHILIPPINES ARE AS WELL INFORMED ON THE PRESENT WAR SITUATION AS THE PEOPLE IN AMERICA -- AND THEY WILL CONTINUE TO BE INFORMED. JAPAN HATES THE TRUTH FOR THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE MAN FREE AND FREEDOM IS THE ANTITHESIS OF NIPPON. THE TYRANT CANNOT CONTROL THE TRUTH -- HE DOESN'T EVEN UNDERSTAND IT.

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IN CLEAR

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Journal #46, 3/2

WDC thru GEC

From: WDC thru GEC

NOTHING ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE CONCERNING SINKING OF W.H. BERG REPORTED IN OUR PERIODIC 307 MARCH 1. NEITHER THE DESTROYER KING NOR TANKER BERG HAVE YET REPORTED TO THE NAVY.

F.B.I. BELIEVES FIRE AT ASSOCIATED OIL DOCK, AVON, CALIF. WAS CAUSED BY CARELESSNESS NOT SABOTAGE.

MASTER AND PILOTS OF SS DOWNBY IDENTIFIED SUB MENTIONED IN OUR PERIODIC NO. 197 OF FEBR. 20 AS A JAP I 5-5 TYPE WHEN SHOWN PHOTOS OF JAP SUBS ACCORDING TO REPORT FROM NW SEA FRONTIER.

NO VERIFIED OBSERVATIONS AND NO CONTACT WITH HOSTILE SUBS DURING PAST 24 HOURS.

STROM

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3/2/42

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4:00 P.M.

3/3/42

Filed: 3/28/42, ---

Journal #47, 3/2

A.C.N.B.

From: A.C.N.B.

I.B. #30, 3/2

AIR RECON. REVEALED AT KOMPANG 2 DESTROYERS, 12 TRANSPORTS, 3 SMALL VESSELS UNIDENTIFIED. AIRDRONE BEING USED BY 2 TYPE FIGHTER.

RAAF AIRDRONE AT PORT MORESBY ATTACKED BY 11 HEAVY BOMBERS AND 5 DIVE BOMBERS OR FIGHTERS. RUNWAY AND LAND AIRCRAFT UNDAUNTED. 3 CATALINAS TOTALLY DESTROYED; 4TH SLIGHTLY DAMAGED.

Filed: 3/2/42, 2215

Journal #49, 3/2

SAN ORIGINE

From: Brett, San Origine

TACTICS, TECHNIQUE AND COMPOSITION OF JAP INVASION TASK FORCES. 560 WORDS.

Filed: 3/1/42, 2255

Journal #53, 3/2

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

QUERY WHETHER FERRY PLANES ARE EQUIPPED WITH SYKO MACHINES

Filed: 3/2/42, 2111

Journal #54, 3/2

Sans Origine

From: Brett, Sans Origine

GROUND PERSONNEL OF CENTRAL AIRCRAFT MFG. CO. INDUCTED; DETAILS OF FINANCES.

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Filed: 5/2/42, 11:40 P. Journal #66, 5/2 FT. SALTER
 From: ~~Bratt~~, Ft. SALTER
 ACTIVATION OF CERTAIN UNITS FOR DEFEAT OF NAUJI.
 REQUEST FOR SIGNAL CORPS PERSONNEL.

4:00 P.M.
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Filed: 5/2/42, 7:15 P. Journal #66, 5/2 LONDON
 From: ~~Bratt~~, London
 I.B. #61, 5/2
 EST. OF SITUATION IN INDIA AS A RESULT OF FALL OF
 SINGAPORE.

MILITARY, INCREASED POSSIBILITY OF JAP ACTIVITY IN INDIA
 OCEAN INCLUDING DIRECT ATTACK ON CEYLON AND INDIA. INDIAN
 PORTS ON EASTERN STRAITS MAY BE ATTACKED FROM SEA AND AIR.
 SO LONG AS RANGOON AND OR CEYLON DO NOT FALL JAPS NOT
 LIKELY TO LAND IN INDIA, BUT ARMS AND SUPPLIES MAY BE
 LANDED FOR FIFTH COLUMNISTS. DEVIATED RUMORS ARE NOW BEING
 SPREAD IN BENGAL. MORALE OF INDIAN ARMY UNITS IN INDIA NOT
 AFFECTED.

POLITICAL AND SOCIAL. "CONGRESS" LEADERS HAVE CONDEMNED
 JAP AGGRESSION AND EXPRESSED SYMPATHY WITH CHINA. THEY WILL
 NOT COOPERATE WITH BRITISH GOVT BUT CLAIM THEY WILL RESIST
 ALL AGGRESSION. "MOULAN LAMOUN" ALSO CONDEMNED AGGRESSION
 BUT INSISTS ON SATISFACTION OF THEIR POLITICAL DEMANDS AS

I.B. #61, 5/2 CONTD.

PRICE FOR COOPERATION WITH BRITISH. ONLY DEFINITE ANTI-
 BRITISH ELEMENT IS FOUND IN "HINDU FOWARD BLOC" ESPECIALLY
 IN BENGAL. AMONG PEOPLE AS A WHOLE PARTICULARLY IN EASTERN
 INDIA THERE IS GREAT FEAR OF INVASION BUT DEFINITE HOSTILITY
 TO JAPS OR THE WILL TO RESIST IS ABSENT. THEY PREFER WAIT OR
 RESIST. FEAR OF AIR RAIDS AND REGULAR LOOTING AND RIOTING
 HAS EVOKED SOME COOPERATION WITH BRITISH AUTHORITIES AS TO
 ARP MEASURES EVEN TO THE EXTENT OF OPPOSED POLITICAL GROUPS COO
 COOPERATING IN BUT MORE. CONSIDERABLE SHORTAGE OF LABOR
 BECAUSE OF NATIVE FLEEING FROM INDUSTRIAL CITIES.

Filed: 5/2/42, --- Journal #67, 5/2 SANS ORIGINE
 From: ~~Bratt~~, Sans Origine
 CHANGES IN SERIAL NUMBERS OF TWO NEW OFFICERS FOR A.G.O.

Filed: 5/2/42, 2207 Journal #69, 5/2 SANS ORIGINE
 From: ~~Bratt~~, Sans Origine
 ALLOTMENT OF MAJOR SHURTS FOR HIS SISTER.

Filed: 5/2/42, 2215 Journal #60, 5/2 SANS ORIGINE
 From: ~~Bratt~~, Sans Origine
 APPOINTMENT OF J.D. ROSS AS CAPTAIN, SPEC. RES.

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#9

PACIFIC THEATER

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Journal #31, 3/2

From: Navy War Plans, COMINCH

SS W. E. BERG REPORTS BEING ATTACKED BY GUNFIRE (SUB)
AT 0602 3/1 50 MILES WEST OF SAN FRANCISCO.

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Journal #25, 3/2

SUSPECTED SUB 6 MI S. AMBROSE LIGHT, NEW YORK WAS AT-
TACKED WITH 8 DEPTH CHARGES BY NAVY BLIMP AT 2100 GMT 3/1.
OIL APPEARED ON SURFACE & AIR BUBBLES FOR 2 HRS. NAVY
BLIMP BELIEVES SUB ON BOTTOM. ATTACK CONTINUED BY SURFACE
VESSEL. HEAVY OIL SLICK NEAR POINT OF ATTACK WAS REPORTED
BY NSCG ANTIFAM.

Journal #31, 3/2

ATLANTIC SUB SINKINGS.

2/23 SS ALCOA
Canadian

0719 TANKER 21 MI S OF AMER SHOALS, KEY WEST,
2/28 (UNCONFIRMED FLORIDA

2/28 BUT SINKING UNCONFIRMED)

0010 SS PLEIADON 39°57'N, 56°40'W - 310 MI SSW OF CAPE
3/1 (CONVOY) RACE

0900 SS CARPENBY 39°57'N, 55°40'W
(CONVOY)

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Journal #32, 3/3

From: Air Vice Marshall MALTBY

ON NIGHT OF 2/28-3/1 CONVOY NEARING BANTJAR PROBABLY
SUFFERED NUMBER OF DIRECT HITS WHEN TWICE ATTACKED BY 9
WILDBERSTES.

JAP CONVOY NEARING INDRAMAJOE ON NIGHT OF 2/28-3/1
RAIDED BY 2 HUDSONS WHICH RAN INTO NIGHT PURSUITS, BUT THEY
MADE DIRECT HITS ON 2 TROOPSHIPS, PROBABLY SANK AN AUXILIARY
VESSEL, & GOT IN MANY NEAR MISSES.

4 PLANES LOST (1 BY CRASH) & 2 DAMAGED.

U.S. AIR ACTIVITY: ON 2/28 AT 0840 (LOCAL) IN RAID ON BIG
CONVOY 2 B-17'S DAMAGED 1 TROOPSHIP & SENT ANOTHER TO THE
BOTTOM. THIS ATTACK WAS FOLLOWED UP BY 1 LB-30 & 4 B-17'S
WHICH LEFT 1 TROOPSHIP BURNING, GOT A HIT ON ONE & NEAR
MISSES ON 5 OTHERS. THERE HAS BEEN NO REPORT AS YET FROM
3 B-17'S.

DUTCH AIR ACTIVITY: CONVOY OFF INDRAMAJOE RAID BY MARTINS

J. #32, 3/3 Con't

RESULTING IN 1 WARSHIP BEING HIT & ANOTHER SUFFERING A NEAR
MISS WHILE 4 TROOPSHIPS, & PROBABLY A 5TH, RECEIVED DIRECT
HITS. ACTUAL LANDING OPERATIONS AT INDRAMAJOE WERE SUB-
JECTED TO ATTACK BY BREWSTERS WHICH MACHINE GUNNED BARGES,
SANK 1 BARGE & PROBABLY 3 OTHERS, & GOT DIRECT HIT ON
JETTY.

INDRAMAJOE LANDING BEING SUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED BY
HURRICANES.

SERVICABLE PLANES AS OF 3/1 0080Z:

4 BLENNHEIM	(APPROX.)
12 HURRICANE	"
1 HUDSON	"
6 WILDBERSTES	"

ON FEB 27/28 MANY JAP TROOPSHIPS & MEN OF WAR SEEN NEAR-
ING JAVA, THERE BEING A MINIMUM OF 3 CONVOYS.

WHILE THERE ARE AS YET NO DETAILS JAPS ARE SAID TO HAVE

J. #32, 3/3

LANDED AT FOLLOWING: AJOE, IYDON, BANTJAR (KRAGAN), BANTAR,
TJILMAJA & MOEMA.

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Journal #27, 3/3

From: CG ICELAND (GHQ) BOWSTEEL

IMMEDIATE PROBABILITY OF INVASION OF ICELAND NOT INCREASED
BY PRESENT CONCENTRATION OF NAVAL UNITS, AIRCRAFT & TROOPS
IN NORWAY, ACCORDING TO WAR OFFICE.

Filed: 7:06 A 3/3

Journal #29, 3/3

From: CG ETO (GHQ) DRUM

SUB WAS SIGHTED BY SS SWIFT ARROW 10 MILES & 200° FROM
CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA. (60 MILES S. OF DAYTONA BEACH) AT
0957 GMT ON MAR. 2.

Filed: 11:20 A 2/5

Journal #39, 3/3

From: ETO (GHQ) WATKINS

AS RESULT OF SUB ATTACKS ON 2/24 & 2/25, 7 SHIPS OF A
CONVOY WERE SUNK AT POINT APPROX. 43°N, 46°W IN US NAVAL
PATROL AREA. 112 SURVIVORS HAVE BEEN LANDED AT HALIFAX.
CONVOY SIGHTED 5 SUBS & SAME NUMBER INDICATED BY RADIO
DIRECTION FINDER. ALTHO DETAILS LACKING, IT IS REPORTED
THAT US DESTROYER ESCORT GOT 1 SUB BY DRIVING IT TO THE
SURFACE WITH DEPTH CHARGES.

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Journal #34, 3/3

From: N/O, (ONI) L.A. Section

PANAM PLANE, CAPT. BIGGERS, ARRIVES MIAMI TUESDAY. REPORTS 3 LONG COVERED BARGES GROUPED TOGETHER OFF ONE OF SALUT ISLANDS, FRENCH GUIANA, 06° 17' N, 52° 35' W. COULD BE CAMOUFLAGE FOR SUB.

Filed: 12:00 P 3/2

Journal 129, 3/3
18, 3/2

From: M/A London McCLURE

W. O. BELIEVES THAT 25TH ITAL. INF DIV (BOLOGNA) WHICH WAS NEARLY DESTROYED DURING LAST ADVANCE BY BRIT NOW REINFORCED BY REPLACEMENTS FROM ITALY & TRIPOLI BUT QUITE REDUCED IN STRENGTH. DIV NOW BELIEVED NUMBERED AMONG ITAL FORCES NOW STATIONED ALONG COASTAL AREA BETWEEN EL AGHEILA & BENGAZI.

OPINION OF W. O. ON MAR 2 THAT HOSTILE ACTIVITIES IN LIBYA WILL START AT ANY TIME. ALSO BELIEVES THAT IF AXIS FORCES MADE 1ST ATTACK IT WOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS FOR BRIT.

LATEST SITUATION REPORT INCLUDES FEB 26, AT WHICH TIME ACTIVE OPERATIONS CONSISTED OF PATROL ACTIVITIES BOTH SIDES. Comment: W. O. DOES NOT KNOW NUMBER OF TANKS OF 133RD LITTORO DIV. AT TRIPOLI, OR WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE NOW IN TRIPOLI OR WHETHER ALL OR ANY PART OF THEM MOVED TO FORWARD AREA. SEEMS THAT BOTH BRIT & GERMANS WOULD STUDY THIS MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR TO DECIDE WHO WILL TAKE OFFENSIVE & TIME

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AT WHICH IT CAN BEGIN. QUITE POSSIBLE THAT ARRIVAL OF THESE TANKS IS AWAITED BY GEN. SOMMEL & IT MAY BE THAT BRIT WILL ALLOW THEM TO ARRIVE IN FORWARD AREA BEFORE HE ATTACKS.

* (133RD LITTORO DIV HAVE ARRIVED AT TRIPOLI)

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Journal #51, 3/1

E.T.O. thru
G.H.Q.

From: E.T.O. thru GHQ

✓ CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR REPORTED AT 1051 GMT MARCH 1
A SUB ON SURFACE AT POSITION 44°10'N 63°15'W. NSF REPORTED
A CONTACT BY SOUND AT 1430 GMT AT 38°41'N 74°22'W BY #256
RESULTS OF DROPPING DEPTH CHARGES UNKNOWN. PHILADELPHIA
SECTOR STATES 2 DEPTH CHARGES DROPPED BY USS ZIRCONS ON A
CONTACT BY SOUND AT 1430 GMT AT 38°47'N 73°48'W WITH
UNKNOWN EFFECT.

FIRST BOMBER COMMAND STATES 29 DEPTH CHARGES DROPPED
BY USS DALLAS ON GOOD SOUND CONTACT 38°33'N 74°12'W AT
1840 GMT. DALLAS ASKED FOR AID. AN AIRPLANE WAS DIS-
PATCHED FROM LANOLLEY FIELD. NO REPORT OF FINAL OUTCOME
YET RECEIVED.

WATKINS

4:00 P.M.
3/2/42
TO
4:00 P.M.
3/2/42

✓ FROM: CG ETO VIA GHQ Journal # 3 3/2 3/1

FILED: 9:58 P.M. 3/1

Eto via GHQ
Drum

ACCORDING TO REPORT FROM NEW YORK-PHILADELPHIA SECTOR
RECEIVED AT ETO AT 7:50 P.M., A REPORT RECEIVED AT THE
AGCP, FORT WADSWORTH, NEW YORK "THAT A PERISCOPE WAS SEEN
AT 6:30 P.M. EWT, 3/1, ONE-HALF MILE OFF LONG BRANCH
PIER, MOVING EAST."

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CG OF TBC VIA GHQ

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February

CG OF TBC

TBC # 12 - AT 10:00 P.M. FEBRUARY 28, HOSTILE SUBMARINE VIA GHQ PHATT
 WAS SIGHTED OFF SAINT MICHAEL BAY, ACCORDING TO REPORT
 FROM THE CO CURACAO.

FROM: HUGHES, RIO

I.B.# 3 3/1

FILED: 8:19 p.m. 3/1 Journal # 5 3/2

UNIDENTIFIED AIR CRAFT FORMATION OF 7 PLANES PAST OVER

RIO TACUTU REGION (BRAZILIAN TERRITORY) 2100 GMT/REYS, 2/28

MESSAGE FROM CO, OF GARRISONS AT RIO BRANCO TO BRAZILIAN

GEN STAFF 2/28.

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From: Chaney, London

Journal #48, 3/1

LONDON

SERVICING AND REPAIRS OF AMER. TANKS UNSATISFACTORY.
REQUEST NOMENCLATURE LISTS; DETAILS OF PARTS.

Filed: 3/1/42, 6:00 P.
From: Vichy, St. Dept.

Journal #46, 3/1

VICHI

NOTHING NEW.

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3/2/42

Filed: 3/1/42, 4:40 P.
From: Chaney, London

Journal #52, 3/1

LONDON

HAVE PASS BUTTON OF COMMANDING GENERAL NEW YORK PORT OF
EMBARKATION.

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From Chaney, London

Journal #54, 3/1

LONDON

DETAILS OF REQUEST FOR MACHINE RECORDS UNIT.

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Journal #37, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

ENUMERATION OF AMERICAN TROOPS AND AIRCRAFT IN AUSTRALIA
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Journal #40, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

REPORT OF ACCIDENT AND ILLNESS OF LT. JACKSON.

4:00 P.M.

3/1/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/2/42

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Journal #39, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

LIST OF MEN NOT ARRIVING IN AUSTRALIA WITH RECENT
ARRIVALS AND REASONS WHY.

Filed: 3/28/42, 1205

Journal #41, 3/1

Defense Dept.

From: Defense Dept, New Delhi

I.B. #41, 3/1

New Delhi

HINDUSTAN AIRCRAFT BANGLORE, WORKING ON 177 PLANES,
BUT WORK SLOWED ON SOME BY LACK OF PARTS FROM US. REQUEST
FOR SHIPMENT OF PARTS.

Filed: 3/1/42, 12:53 P.

Journal #42, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

REQUEST COMPLETE SHIPMENT OF BILL OF MATERIALS SET.

Filed: 3/1/42, 10:44 A.

Journal #43, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

OFFICERS MAKING CLASS E ALLOTMENTS.

Filed: 3/1/42, 2:34 PWT

Journal #44, 3/1

WDC thru GHQ

From: G2 WDC thru GHQ

HONOLULU'S ARMY RADIO STATION WTJ WIRELESS RADIO
STATION OF 9TH CORPS AREA HERE THAT HAWAIIAN AIR RAID ALERT
AT 12:40 PWT WAS OCCASIONED BY AN INCOMING FLIGHT OF PLANES.
ALERT STILL IN EFFECT 1:35 PWT. NAVAL DIST HERE STATES THAT
NAVAL AIRPLANES ARE DUE IN HONOLULU IN ABOUT 1 1/2 HOURS OF
THE TIME OF THE ALERT. THE ALARM MAY HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY
THIS COMING.

STROM

Filed: 3/1/42, 1:40 P.

Journal #45, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

REQUEST COL. THORPE BE RELIEVED PRESENT DUTY AND BE ASSIGNED OWN STAFF AT THIS Hq. HE WILL BE USED FOR INTELLIGENCE WORK.

Filed: 3/1/42, 4:40 P.

Journal #49, 3/1

LONDON

From: McClure, London

I.B. #46, 3/1

WITH REFERENCE TO LAST PARAGRAPH OF CABLE #2064 A REPORT RECEIVED IN W.O. NIGHT FEB 28 STATES THAT NO LANDINGS HAD BEEN MADE IN JAVA, BUT BRITISH NEWS BROADCASTS AT 9:00 A.M. MARCH 1 REPORT 3 LANDINGS IN JAVA. NO OFF. CONFIRMATION OF ANY LANDINGS IN JAVA.

A BADLY GARBLED MESSAGE RECEIVED IN W.O. MORNING MARCH 1, STATES THAT THE LINDLEY WAS SUNK BY BOMBING BUT DOES NOT GIVE DETAILS.

REPORT OF ENEMY FORCE OF 5 CRUISERS, 11 DESTROYERS AND 39 TRANSPORTS PROCEEDING NORTHWARD AT 16 HRS GMT FEB 27 ABOUT 70 MI NE OF REMBANG AND THOUGHT THAT THIS IS THE REMBANG INVASION FORCE DRIVEN OFF BY NAVAL BATTLE. REPORT GIVES JAP NAVAL LOSSES OF THAT BATTLE AS 1 EIGHT-INCH CRUISER SUNK, 1 EIGHT-INCH CRUISER DAMAGED, 1 DESTROYER SUNK.

CONTD.

I.B. #46, 3/1 CONTD.

NO NEWS FROM HURMA.

INDICATED THAT JAPS HAVE GREATLY REINFORCED AIR FORCES IN MARSHALL AND CAROLINE ISLES LARGELY FROM PALAN AREA AND THAT AT LEAST 2 SUB SQUADRONS ARE OPERATING FROM MARSHALL ISLE.

Filed: 3/2/42, 0045

Journal #53, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

RAAF HAS RADIO CHANNEL FREQ FOR BROADCASTS BETWEEN HONOLULU AND AUSTRALIA.

Filed: 3/28/42, 5:12 P.

Journal #58, 3/1

FT. SHAFTER

From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter

ONE QUEEN APPREHENDED DEC. 8, 1941; HELD AS SUSPECTED ENEMY AGENT.

Filed: 3/1/42, 220

Journal #56, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN AUTHORIZING PAY DEDUCTIONS.

4:00 P.M.
3/1/42
TO
4:00 P.M.
3/2/42

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4:00 p.m.

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4:00 p.m.

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FROM: MACARTHUR, FT. MILLS JOURNAL # 1 3/1
 FILED: 1/0525
 HOFFCUT, FORMER HIGH COMMISSIONER ACCEPTED COMMISSION
 IN U. S. ARMY.

MACARTHUR

FROM: BRETT, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 4 3/2
 FILED: 10:40 P.M. 3/1
 STRENGTH REPORT: 2047 OFFICERS, 230 ARMY NURSES, 9
 WARRANT OFFICERS, 31,084 ENLISTED MEN DISTRIBUTED AMONG
 3 BASES, BESIDES OTHERS NOT ASSIGNED TO STATION.
AIRCRAFT INVENTORY IN AUSTRALIA:
NO CHANGE IN FIELD ARTILLERY.
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
NO CHANGE IN 4 PRINCIPLE AMMUNITION STOCKS OR GASOLINE
STOCKS.
NO ARRIVAL OR DEPARTURE OF STEAMSHIPS.

BRETT, MELBOURNE

(Service requested 2:35 a.m.)

FROM: MACARTHUR, FT. MILLS JOURNAL # 6 3/2
 FILED: 1450 2/28/42
 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CARGO OF 1st THREE SHIPS. DETAILED
 REQUISITION ARMS, AMMUNITION, EQUIPMENT, MEDICAL SUPPLIES.
 (MESSAGE REPEATED) Journal # 23 3/1 Previous report.

MACARTHUR FT MILLS

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 FROM: BRETT, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 8 3/2
 FILED: 1245 3/1
 ARRIVAL OF FORCE IS ANNOUNCED ENROUTE TO POPPY.
 PENDING ARRIVAL OF GEN PATCH, ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING
 MADE FOR TRANS-SHIPMENT VIA NOUMEA. REQUEST INFORMATION
 AS TO RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPPLYING THIS FORCE, ALSO AS TO
 SOURCE LIGHT P.A. UNITS FOR THIS FORCE.

*New
Caledonia*

FROM: MACARTHUR, FT MILLS JOURNAL # 9 3/2
 FILED: 1415 3/1
 COLONEL CHIN WANG REPORTED AS LIAISON OFFICER.

4:00 p.m.

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FROM: MACARTHUR, FT. MILLS Journal # 10 3/2
FILED: 0330 3/2

ALL FRONTS NORMAL. A NEW PLANE TYPE HAS APPEARED IN
LOCAL BOMBING ACTIONS 3 TWIN-ENGINEED BOMBERS, BLACK WITH
WHITE CROSSES. (POSSIBLY GERMAN ME-109F PLANES RESERVE
STOCK IN JAPAN)

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ON Letter, 6-8-72FROM: EMMONS, FT SHAFTER Journal # 11 3/2
FILED: 3/2

INTERMENT OF ALL PERSONS DETAINED AND EVACUATED TO
MAINLAND ORDERED BY HEARING BOARD.

SOME U.S. CITIZENS, CONSIDERED DANGEROUS, INCLUDED DUE
TO PRO AXIS VIEWS. HURUM, A NORWEGIAN, USED HIS RESIDENCE
FOR MEETINGS OF PRO-NAZI TYPE. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
CHECKING RECORDS.

FROM: BRETT, MELBOURNE Journal # 12 3/2
FILED: 1715 3/2

BOMBS SUNK USS LANGLEY NEAR TJILATJAP. SHIP HAD ABOUT
32 P-40 PLANES AND ARMY PERSONNEL. NO CASUALTY REPORT.

Filed: 2/28/42, —

Journal #38, 3/1

MADRID

From: M/A Madrid

I.B. #35, 3/1

IT IS CURRENTLY BELIEVED THAT FIRST DRIVE BY GERMANY IN SPRING WILL BE AGAINST TURKEY IF TRANSIT IS REFUSED. A DRIVE ON THE CAUCASUS WILL FOLLOW. REFER CABLE #188 FROM AMER EMBASSY TO ST. DEPT. FEBR 21.

DURING PAST FEW MONTHS THERE HAS BEEN NOTICEABLE LOWERING CIVILIAN MORALE. CONSUMPTION OF GAS & OIL STRICTLY CURTAILED AND TRAVEL RESTRICTED. RATIONS (1) REDUCED. INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY DECLINED AND EVIDENCES OF DEFEATISM AND WAR WEARINESS AMONG 60% OF POPULATION. SIGNS MOUNTING FRICTION BETWEEN SS AND ARMY. MANY PERSONS, WHO HERETOFORE HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED INCLUDING THOSE EMPLOYED IN WAR INDUSTRIES, HAVE BEEN DRAFTED FOR LAND ARMY.

PREDICTION MADE THAT REVOLUTION IS TO TAKE PLACE, WILL ORIGINATE IN LOWER RANKS OF ARMY RATHER THAN AMONG CIVILIAN POPULATION.

I.B. #35, 3/1 CONTD.

ABOVE INFORMATION WAS FURNISHED BY NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENTS RECENTLY RETURNED TO MADRID FROM GERMANY

NOTE: (1) PROBABLY REFERS TO FOOD.

G-2 COMMENT: REPORTS FROM BRITISH SOURCES INDICATE THERE HAS BEEN MARKED UPSWING RECENTLY IN GERMAN MORALE.

4:00 P.M.

3/1/42

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4:00 P.M.

3/2/42

Filed: 2/28/42, —

Journal #47, 3/1

TEHRAN

From: Ombick, Teheran

REQUEST CLERKS HANDLING CABLE 52 STATE CERTAIN INFO. SO CABLE MAY BE DECIPHERED.

Filed: 3/1/42, 4:40 P.

Journal #50, 3/1

LONDON

From: McClure, London

I.B. #45, 3/1

IN LIBYA SAND STORMS ABATED FEBR 27 RESULTING IN INCREASE ENEMY ACTIVITY. THEIR PATROL ADVANCED TO BIR THEROD AREA BUT WHEN ENGAGED BY BRITISH ARTILLERY THEY WITHDREW. ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY ON FEBR 27 OVER BRITISH FORWARD AREA INCREASED.

FILED: 3/1/42, 1310

Journal #55, 3/1

CAIRO

From: Maxwell, Cairo

URGENT REPLY REQUESTED TO AMEMB 479. SITUATION REQUIRES PROMPT CLARIFICATION.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

G-2 WORK SHEET

Filed: 3/1/42, 1310

Journal #57, 3/1

CAIRO

From: Maxwell, Cairo

REQUEST INFO. ON PACINGS TYPE USED ON TRUCKS RECENTLY SHIPPED TURKEY.

4:00 P.M.

3/1/42

TO

4:00 p.m.

3/2/42

Filed: 3/1/42, 1310

Journal #59, 3/1

CAIRO

From: Maxwell, Cairo

INQUIRY CONCERNING CIVILIAN PERSONNEL AND REPLACEMENT BY MILITARY.

Filed: 3/1/42, 1310

Journal #60, 3/1

CAIRO

From: Maxwell, Cairo

INFO RE EQUIPMENT AND CRANE FOR HANDLING TANKS.

FROM: MAXWELL, CAIRO JOURNAL # 61 3/1

FILED: 1310 3/1

REQUEST MESSAGES BE ADDRESSED AMSEO, NOT TO M/A.

MAXWELL
CAIRO

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March 2, 1942

NOTES ON RUSSIA

From the Press

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USD Letter, 6-3-72

APC:

Nazi troops in the Donets Basin which were said to have repelled a Russian attack were described as being Italian and Slovak.

FCC:

A German prisoner from a SS division captured in the Staraya sector, stated that they were completely surrounded, were starving and not supplied with winter clothes; he further stated that the 257th and 85th Infantry Divisions newly arrived from the rear had been wiped out on the Southern Front.

Russians claim capture of (unnamed) important village near Staraya where 8 roads converge. They further claim to be within sight of the city of Staraya itself.

APC

On the Southwestern Front rain is turning the fields and roads into a condition in which heavy motorized units and artillery are bogging down.

LIBYA

FCC & AP:

Due to bad weather and wind storms, fighting in this area was handicapped. British bombers covered both Benghazi and Tripoli and fighter planes continued patrol over Cyrenacia.

The British are reported to have successfully engaged a small enemy column in the area east of MeKili.

There was some small patrol activity, but fighting for the most part was at a lull.

Filed: 2:50 PM 2/26
From: M/A Cairo FELLERS

IB # 38, 3/1
Journal #19, 3/2

STRENUOUS EFFORT BEING MADE BY BRIT TO IMPROVE THEIR EFFICIENCY. THIS INDICATED BY TURN OVER IN COMMAND & STAFF PERSONNEL. REALIZATION OF CERTAIN DEFICIENCIES IN PERFORMANCE PRODUCED CHANGES WHICH INCLUDED ASSIGNMENT OF BRIG. GEN. DONNAN SMITH & MAJ. GEN. JOHN HARDING TO NEW DUTIES. GEN. SMITH WILL MAKE STUDY OF BALANCE OF FORCES, & MAJ. GEN. HARDING, FORMERLY SERVED AS CHIEF OF STAFF IN XIII CORPS, NOW HAS CHARGE OF TRAINING. BOTH MEN HAVE AN APPRECIATION OF THEIR PROBLEM & ARE CAPABLE.

FELLERS ESTIMATE OF SITUATION PRODUCING ABOVE IS: DURING CURRENT OPERATIONS NUMERICAL SUPERIORITY IN AIRCRAFT, ARTY, MOTOR TRANSPORT, SUPPLIES, TANKS & PERSONNEL ENJOYED BY BRIT. INADEQUATE TRAINING NOT SOLE REASON FOR LOSS OF PRACTICALLY ALL 2d ARMORED BRIG. BRIT REVERSALS MUST ALSO BE ATTRIBUTED TO:

IB #38, 3/1 Con't

- (1) LACK OF BALANCED UNIT WHICH IN TURN IS DUE TO INABILITY TO INTEGRATE WEAPONS & ARMS.
- (2) FAILURE TO USE WEAPONS & ARMS IN MOST EFFECTIVE ROLES.
- (3) CASUAL PLANNING IN HIGHER ECHELONS & FAILURE ON PART OF JUNIOR OFFICERS TO CARRY THROUGH.
- (4) IMPROPER TIMING.
- (5) ERRATIC SUPPLY OF FUEL & AMMUNITION.
- (6) ENGAGEMENTS BY BRIT UNDER ADVERSE CONDITIONS SUPERIOR ENEMY FORCE PROMPTED BY BRIT SENSE OF VALOR.
- (7) PERSISTENT INCLINATION OF HIGH COMMAND OF BRIT TO FRITTER AWAY ITS STRENGTH, PARTICULARLY ARMORED & AIR FORCES. AS RESULT OF THIS POLICY, BRIT NEVER OPPOSE ENEMY ATTACKS WITH FULL BRIT STRENGTH.

Note: Part of this message already paraphrased as IB #42 2/25/42.

Filed: 3/1

Journal #20 & 21 3/2

From: NAVY (OPNAV & COM 11TH M.D.)

COM 11TH NAVAL DIST. IN RESPONSE TO INQUIRY OF 2/28 FROM
OPNAV DENIES REPORT FROM G-2 WDC ON 2/27 OF SIGHTING OF
SUB OFF SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO BEACH (SEE J. #47, 2/27 FOR
WDC REPORT).

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Filed: 03:56 3/1

Journal #23, 3/2

From: Admiral HELFRICH, C in C, EF

BRIT WARSHIPS OF CHINA FORCE (?) & AMER. WARSHIPS WITH
THE EXCEPTION OF SUBS (?) ARE BEING WITHDRAWN. ALL OF MY
OTHER FORCES WILL ATTEMPT TO GET TO COLOMBO.

COMMAND OF ALLIED NAVAL FORCES HAS BEEN GIVEN UP BY ME.

Filed: 2/26

Journal #24, 3/2

From: JAVA AIR COMMAND

INFORMATION FOLLOWING IS UP TO 10:30 FEB 26.

OVER WEST JAVA THERE WERE NO JAP PLANES.

P-40'S INTERCEPTING OVER 40 JAP BOMBERS WITH FIGHTER
ESCORT OVER SOERABAYA FORCED BOMBERS TO DROP BOMBS IN
OCEAN & DOWNED 1 NAVY "Q".

A BLENHEIM GOT A HIT ON A MERCHANTMAN, IN RAID ON
VESSELS AT MUNTOK. THIS RAID WAS FOLLOWED UP BY 2 MARTINS
WHICH WERE UNABLE TO SEE EFFECT OF THEIR BOMBS BECAUSE OF
INTENSE PURSUIT OPPOSITION; WHILE 1 MARTIN HAS NOT RE-
TURNED 11 JAP NAVY "O" PURSUITS WERE KNOCKED OUT.

SHIPS OFF ABLI WERE INEFFECTUALLY RAIDED BY 2 B-17'S
WHILE STRONG JAP PURSUIT ACTIVITY INTERFERES WITH ACTIVITY
OF 3 MARTINS IN BAKKA (BANKA?) AREA.

Rec'd 12:10 P 3/2

Journal #28, 3/2

From: Navy Cominch

SUCCESSFUL LANDING IN BATEN & REMBANG PROVINCES, JAVA.
EFFECTED THROUGH SUPERIOR STRENGTH OF JAPS SURFACE & AIR
FORCES. PREPONDERANCE OF JAP SUPERIORITY NOW PROBABLY
SUFFICIENT TO SUPPORT LANDING FORCES WITH REINFORCEMENTS;
ALIVE TO DANGER OF ATTACK, MEASURES BEING TAKEN TO
STRENGTHEN NEW BRITAIN - MARSHALLS - WAKE & MARCUS.

4:00 p.m.

2/28

TO

4:00 p.m.

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FROM: DIO 8th NAVAL DIST. JOURNAL # 44 2/28
 FILED: 2007 2/28 VIA ONI

THE FOLLOWING TELETYPE MESSAGE HAS JUST BEEN RECEIVED FROM CIC LARDO, TEXAS: " INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM A VERY RELIABLE SOURCE THAT ON NIGHT 27 FEB., 1942, PORTER GIL RALLIED HIS FORCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING A DEFINITE BREAK IN THE STATES OF TAMAULIPAS & NUEVO LEON WITH THE PRESENT MEXICAN GOVT. GIL IS A WELL-KNOWN AXIS SYMPATHIZER & HAS ALWAYS BEEN VERY ANTI-AMERICAN. IT IS FURTHER ALLEGED THAT THE MANY SHIPMENTS OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION WHICH HAVE ENTERED MEXICO IN PAST SEVERAL MONTHS HAVE BEEN FOR THE BENEFIT OF GIL. AT THE PRESENT TIME IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER THE BREAK WITH THE PRESENT MEXICAN GOVT. WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A REVOLUTION. HOWEVER, THIS IS DEEMED ENTIRELY POSSIBLE WITHIN A FEW DAYS. GIL IS ALLEGED TO BE THE CONTROLLING STOCKHOLDER IN THE JAP FISHING FLEET PRESENTLY OPERATING OFF THE WEST COAST OF MEXICO.

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 NAVAL DIST.
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JOURNAL # 44 2/28 continued

IT IS STATED THAT GIL CONTROLS THE ENTIRE NORTH PART OF MEXICO EXTENDING FROM TAMPICO TO MATZALAN. IN THE EVENT INFORMATION IS RECEIVED RELATIVE TO AN UPRISING OR A REVOLUTION IN THIS AREA, HQS WILL BE ADVISED VIA TELETYPE."

ABOVE INFORMATION CREDIBLE, BUT ONLY PARTIALLY CONFIRMED. INFORMANT IS RELIABLE, EXPERIENCED GOVT. OFFICER, SECURING INFORMATION THROUGH HIS OWN INFORMERS WHOM HE CONSIDERS ARE RELIABLE.

Filed: 2/28/42, 5:10 P.

From: Andino, Costa Rica

COSTA RICA CONGRESS MEETS MARCH 2 TO

1. DISCUSS ABACA CONTRACTS
 2. DISCUSS SUSPENSION OF CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES
- ADDITIONAL AXIS SUBJECT INTERVIEWED AS OF MARCH 1 (CONSIDERED DANGEROUS AGENT).

Journal #12, 3/1

I.B. #11, 3/1

COSTA RICA

4:00 p.m.

2/28

TO

6:00 p.m.

2/28

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FROM: G-2 HFO via GHQ JOURNAL # 33 2/28

FILED: 1:05 p.m. 22/28

AN UNIDENTIFIED TANKER HAS BEEN SUNK AND A FREIGHTER IS BEING FOLLOWED BY A SUB SIGHTED AT 15:00 GMT TODAY AT 24°35' N - 81°35' W. AN ARMY PLANE HAS BEEN SENT TO THE AREA.

EASTERN SEA FRONTIER REPORTS RADIO DIRECTION BEARING II INDICATES SUB AT 08:20 GMT, POSITION ABOUT 41°50' N - 70°30' W. NAVY IS SENDING SURFACE VESSEL TO INVESTIGATE..

REPORT RECEIVED 15:30 GMT THAT NAVY OBSERVER NEAR MONT AUX POINT, LONG ISLAND SIGHTED SUB HEADING SOUTH ABOUT 10 MILES OFF SHORE WITH THE LETTER "Q" ON ITS SIDE. NO FRIENDLY SUBS IN AREA. AN ARMY PLANE HAS BEEN SENT TO INVESTIGATE.

ETO
WATKINS

FROM: LN. O, NAVAL OPERATIONS, KEY WEST, FLA., via GHQ

FILED: 1850 EWT 2/28 TRITON JOURNAL # 37 2/28

6:50 P.M., EWT: USSS ~~TRITON~~ REPORTS SUB SUNK AT 5:50 P.M. EWT, IN VICINITY OF AMERICAN SHOALS.

(ONI REPORTS AMERICAN SHOALS AS BEING JUST OFF KEY WEST)

LN. O, NAVAL
OPERATIONS
KEY WEST, FLA
VIA GHQ

FROM: SHARPE, GOVERNORS ISLAND I.B. # 46 JOURNAL # 38 2/28
FILED: 2:48 2/27

IT IS EXPECTED THAT THERE WILL SOON BE A BIG REDUCTION IN SHIPMENTS IN VIEW OF ACUTE TANKER SITUATION.

SHARPE
GOVERNORS IS

FROM: ETO VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 43 2/28

FILED: 5:05 p.m. 2/28

NORFOLK N.C.B. THRU SOUTHERN SECTOR REPORTS A SUB SIGHTED AWASH AT 0600 GMT, FEB. 28, BY A BRIT MERCHANT SHIP "EBILIGHT" AT A POINT ABOUT 60 MI SE OF DELAWARE CAPES. NAVY PLANE DISPATCHED TO POSITION OF SUB SIGHTED THIS MORNING AT 2425 NORTH 81°34 WEST, HAD ESTABLISHED CONTACT WITH SUB. FOUR EXPLOSIONS HEARD. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

FROM: BERMUDA COFF VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 42 2/28

FILED: 1:42 p.m. 2/28

RAIN AND LOW VISIBILITY LATE 27th CAUSED CANCELLATION NIGHT PATROLS.

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BERMUDA
STRONG
VIA GHQ

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Journal #56, 2/28

From: E.T.O. thru ONI

FOLLOWING MESSAGE INTERCEPTED BY NEWFOUNDLAND BASE
COMMAND AND ALSO RADIO WIN AT 0012 GMT "ONE BRITISH SS
CARPENTRY GSIQ TORPEDGED AT 39° 57' N. - 55° 40' W."

4:00 P.M.

2/28/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/1/42

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FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 48 2/28

FILED: 7:55 P.M. 2/28

ADMINISTRATIVE MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO LANGFORD LODGE CHANEY PROJECT.

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FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 50 2/28

FILED: 7:75 p.m. 2/28

REFERENCE LT. COLONEL R. B. WARREN'S CLASS "E" ALLOTMENT. CHANEY

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL 46 2/28

FILED: 7:55 p.m. 2/28

SHORTAGE OF HEAVIER AMERICAN TYPE BOMBS FOR OUR OPERATIONS IN BRITAIN INDICATED. REQUESTS ADVICE AS TO BOMB CAPACITY OF AMER PLANES. STUDIES SHOW THAT CERTAIN BRITISH BOMBS CANNOT BE INSTALLED IN U.S. PLANES.

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 45 2/28

FILED: 7:55 p.m. 2/28

IMPERATIVE THAT STEPS BE TAKEN IMMEDIATELY TO IMPROVE MAIL SERVICE TO U.S. TROOPS IN NORTHERN IRELAND. RECOMMENDS THAT AIR MAIL SERVICE BE MADE AVAILABLE AT ONCE.

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON I.B.# 51

FILED: 7:55 p.m. 2/28 JOURNAL # 55 2/28

THERE HAS NOW RETURNED TO BASES IN FRANCE, DENMARK AND HOLLAND THE MAJORITY OF THE GERMAN PLANES WHICH WERE SENT DURING THE PAST TWO WEEKS TO NORWAY.

THE Bomber GROUP 40 AT TRONDHEIM IS REPORTED BY THE AIR MINISTRY TO HAVE BEEN RE-EQUIPPED WITH FOCKE-WULFE 200's; THE PRESENT CAPABILITIES OF THIS ORGANIZATION WOULD PERMIT IT TO PERFORM A RECONNAISSANCE OVER ICELAND.

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON I.B.# 55 JOURNAL # 57 2/28

FILED: 7:55 p.m. 2/28

MESSAGE LISTING PRODUCTION FIGURES ON CHEMICAL AGENTS PRODUCTIONS IN BRITAIN.

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Journal #11, 3/1

KUIBYCHEV

From: Kuibyshev - Michels

I.B. #11,3/1

YOUR CABLE REGARDING ANTITANK RIFLE. IT IS BRITISH
SUPPLIED. SUGGEST OBTAINING SPECIFICATIONS FROM BRITISH
IN WASHINGTON.



4:00 P.M.

2/28/42

TO

4:00 P.M.

3/1/42

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Journal #14, 3/1

STOCKHOLM

From: Weddell, Stockholm

I.B. #15, 3/1

YEARS TRAINING, 1941 CLASS, WAS FINISHED RECENTLY
BY ARMY MANEUVERS IN EACH DISTRICT. THIS IS NORMAL PRO-
GRAM. LARGEST OF THESE MANEUVERS WAS HELD NW OF OSTERUND
WITH A REINFORCED BRIGADE ON EACH SIDE.

MOBILIZATION CHANGES NONE EXCEPT AS IN LEGATION CABLE
386, FEBR. 28.

Filed: 2/28/42, 11:40 P.

Journal #17, 3/1

LONDON

From: Chanay, London

RECOMMENDATIONS PRIORITIES MODIFICATIONS IN CERTAIN
ITEMS LISTED INCL. PLANE ACCESSORIES ORDNANCE. SIG.
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, COGO COLA.

Filed: 2/28/42, 11:40 P.

Journal #19, 3/1

LONDON

From: Chanay, London

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MEDICAL SET UP.

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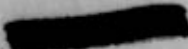
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LONDON

From: Chanay, London

REQUISITION FOR MISRALE EQUIPMENT USANIP.

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TO
4:00 p.m.
2/28
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CAIRO

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO JOURNAL # 36 I.B. # 45 2/28
FILED: 2150 2/27

IT IS FELLERS' OPINION THAT RAF TESTS OF U.S. 6 x 6 TRUCKS PROVES THAT IT IS SUITABLE FOR USE IN THE DESERT. RAF SUGGESTS USE OF OVER-SIZE TIRES IN PLACE OF REAR DOUBLE WHEEL; THIS FELLERS BELIEVES TO BE UNNECESSARY IN VIEW OF SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE IN TESTS.

FROM: EDWARDS, TANGIER
FILED: 1805 2/28
SITUATION UNCHANGED.

I.B. # 53 Journal # 54 2/28

TANGIER

Filed: 2/28/42, 363
From: Maxwell, Cairo

Journal #3, 3/1

CAIRO

AIR FORCES IN INDIA NOW BEING ORGANIZED BY GEN. STILLWELL AT CALCUTTA. THEY ARE TO BE BASED FOR OPERATION IMMEDIATELY AGAINST BURMA, RAY OF HEMMAL AND CHINA TO COVER EMERGENCY CAUSED BY ABDACOM COLLAPSE. THIS IS PART OF MESSAGE FROM ADLER ABQ INDIA TO GEN. ARNOLD OF AIR SEC. W.S. MISSION TO CAIRO. HE REQUESTS MY ASSISTANCE. I WILL THEREFORE, PENDING ORDERS TO CONTRARY, REMAIN IN INDIA UNTIL 10TH AIR FORCE ARRIVES.

PLAN PROPOSED IS AS FOLLOWS: KARACHI TO BE THE INITIAL CP OF 10TH AIR FORCE UNTIL ARRIVAL OF ITS HQ, USING ALL REINFORCING AIRCRAFT IN INDIA, THE COMMAND IS SET UP FOR ORGANIZING, OPERATING AND TRAINING SQUADRON FOR OFFENSE. TO AID IN THIS OBJECTIVE ALL REINFORCING AIR PLANES IN INDIA ARE BEING ORDERED TO KARACHI. SURVEYS AS PERMITTED ARE BEING MADE OF ADVANCED AIRPORTS EAST OF CALCUTTA REGARDING BOMB FUEL AND AMMUNITION. SOME ME 50 CAL AMMUNITIONS

JOURNAL #3, 3/1 CONTD.

ENROUTE. REQUEST AMER BOMBS BE SHIPPED TO KARACHI FROM US AS NONE ARE IN ME. CHI

AIR TRANSPORT SITUATION VITAL UNLESS 30 STANDARD ARMY CARGO PLANES ARE PROVIDED. WHOLE ORGANIZATION VERY WEAK. BREXTON TO ARRIVE ATDELHI FEB 27. REQUEST CLARIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS IN RE FORWARDING REINFORCING PLANES TO DEFUNCT ABDACOM. GEN. STILLWELL WISHES IMMEDIATE ORGANIZATION OF ALL AIRCRAFT FOR OFFENSE. CONFER WITH BRADY AND STILLWELL IN CALCUTTA TODAY. SURFACE VESSEL CARGO FOR AIR ARM MUST GO TO KARACHI ONLY.

CHENNAULT PROVIDED PILOTS FOR FERRYING. THEY ARE ALL AVAILABLE. COOPERATION OF RAF AND PAA HELPS SOLVE PROBLEM. RAF IN KARACHI WITH P-43'S READY AND CAN QUICKLY ERECT. FERRYING PROBLEM WILL HAVE LOCAL SOLUTION. REQUEST INFORMATION AS TO ASSIGNMENT OF P-43'S. MESSAGES SENT TO ME WILL BE C/O AN Q INDIA.

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Filed: 2/27/42, 1939
From: Kline, Ankara

Journal #15, 3/1

ANKARA

FIRST ARMY (of 14 Inf. Divs)
BETWEEN CORLU-CATALCA LINE 10 CORPS (1 INF. DIV. & 1 CAV. DIV.

IN AREA FROM DEFENSE LINE TO ABOUT 20 MILES EAST OF BOSPORUS - 3d, 4th, 20th ISTANBUL CORPS AND MOTORIZED MECHANIZED DIVS.

FROM CORLU TO GEORGIAN BULGARIAN BORDERS. APPROX. 4 FRONTIER BNS. AND CAV. BRIGADES.

SECOND ARMY (Of 16 Divs)
CANAKKALE AND GALLIPOLY. I & II CORPS (4 DIVS ON EUROPEAN SIDE.

BANDIRMA, MUDANYA, IZMIT, 5TH & 6TH CORPS
IZMIR AND OPPOSITE DOGECANESE ISLANDS 12TH CORPS.

JOURNAL #15, 3/1 CONTD.

THIRD ARMY
DIYARBEKIR-SIIRT 7TH CORPS (2 DIVS)
VICINITY OF SAMSUN-TOKAT 8th CORPS (2 DIVS)
TRABZON-ERZURUM-KARS 9th CORPS
VICINITY OF HATAY SHADOWS 17th CORPS
BELIEVED OPPOSITE SHADOWS AND RUSS FRONTIER 18TH CORPS
LAKE VAN AREA 19th CORPS

DIVISIONS IN ARMY 13 TO 15 INF. 2 CAV.
EQUIPMENT FOR 42 DIVISIONS ONLY, POSSESSED BY TURKEY
2-4 ADDITIONAL DIVS ORDERED PAPER EXISTENCE LARGELY.

FOURTH ARMY
WILL BE COMPRISED PROBABLY OF 5TH AND 6TH CORPS.

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FROM: WDC via GHQ JOURNAL # 35 2/28
FILED: 2:50 p.m. 2/28
INVESTIGATION OF THE OIL DOCK FIRE IS CONTINUING BY
FBI.

WDC VIA GHQ
STROH

THIS REPORT IS # 205 PERIODIC TO 12:00 NOON, FEB. 28.
NO ACTUAL SURMINE CONTACT HAS BEEN MADE, BUT THERE
ARE MANY UNVERIFIED SUB REPORTS PARTICULARLY ALONG THE
SOUTH CALIFORNIA COAST.

ALASKA REPORTS EXCEPTIONALLY MILD WEATHER WITH ALL
INDICATIONS OF AN EARLY SPRING.

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FROM: GOVERNOR GENERAL, DUTCH E. INDIES I.B. # 39
FILED: 2/27 Journal # 39 2/28
REPORT INDICATES TRANSPORTS HEADING FOR WEST JAVA FROM
PALEMBANG AND BANGKA.

THERE HAVE BEEN NO ENEMY LANDINGS ON JAVA AS OF NOON
TODAY. STRIKING FORCE MISSED ENEMY FLEET. BANDOENG IS
BEING BOMBED BUT PROVISION FOR FIGHTER PROTECTION HAS BEEN
MADE.

FROM: C-in-C, NAVAL FORCES ABDA COM
FILED: 2/28 I.B. # 47 Journal # 40 2/28
SEA BATTLE NEAR BAWEAN AFTERNOON AND NIGHT FEB 27 AS
TWO HEAVILY ESCORTED JAP CONVOYS CAME OUT OF BANGKA STRAITS.
ALLIES LOST 2 CRUISERS & 3 DESTROYERS SUNK & 1 CRUISER
DAMAGED. ENEMY LOSSES NOT FULLY KNOWN BUT AT LEAST 3
DESTROYERS.

ENEMY CONVOY THAT WAS IN WESTERN JAVA SEA HAS APPARENTLY
RETREATED AND THE LANDING IN EASTERN JAVA HAS BEEN DELAYED.

LANGLEY WITH FIGHTERS SUNK FEB 28 BY JAP BOMBER SOUTH
OF TJILATJAP.

FROM: BRIT AIR I.B. # 49 Journal # 41 2/28
FILED 2/27

RECONNAISSANCE SHOWS 1 SLOOP AND 9 FISHING BOATS BANTEN
BAY & FEB. 24 1 TRANSPORT OF 15,000 TONS, 1 AIRCRAFT
CARRIER, 2 CRUISERS & 3 DESTROYERS AT DILLI.

9 LARGE AND 3 SMALL TRANSPORTS UNLOADING DENPASAR. NO
SERIOUS DAMAGE FROM ENEMY BOMBINGS OF KALIDJATI, TJILITAN,
TANJONG, PRIOK, SOERABAYA, BATAVIA. ALLIES LOST 3 FIGHTERS
& 2 BOMBERS & JAPS LOST 2 FIGHTERS & PROBABLY 4 FIGHTERS
1 BOMBER DAMAGED.

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From: Brett, San Scrigine
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Journal #47, 2/28 SAN SCRIGINE

RELAY OF MESSAGE FOR ASSOCIATED PRESS CORRESPONDENT
 REFERENCE TO HOLD-UP OF CABLES BECAUSE OF CENSORSHIP AND
 FINANCES DISCUSSED.

From: Buckner, Ft. Richardson, Al.
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Journal #49/2/28 FT. RICHARDSON

REPORT ON STATUS AND LOCATION OF PLANES.

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From: Wemgroup, Bandoeng
 Filed: 3:55, 2/27

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BANDOENG

OVER S SUMATRA THERE IS A STANDING PATROL BY JAP FIGHTERS
 27 PLANES WERE SEEN AT NEW AIRFIELD ON BALI LOCATED AT
 06°42" S - 115°12" E. IT IS REPORTED THAT AS A RESULT OF
 JAP AIR ATTACK ON SOURABAYA ON 2/26 ONE NAVY "O" WAS DOWNED
 AND THERE WAS NO LOSS TO US. ONE GLEN MARTIN LOST IN
 INEFFECTUAL BOMBING FORAYS.

ON FEB. 26, AMONG THE SIGHTINGS OF JAP SHIPS, INCLUDING
 A TOTAL OF 3 BATTLE CRUISERS, 12 CRUISERS, 11 DESTROYERS,
 ONE AUXILIARY, 15 MERCHANT SHIPS & 28 TRANSPORTS, (THESE
 SHIPS ARE LISTED UNDER 7 SEPARATE SIGHTINGS AS TO EACH
 OF WHICH EXACT TIMES AND LOCATION IS GIVEN IN MESSAGE) THERE
 WERE SEEN AT MUNTOK HARBOR AT 0700 LOCAL TIME A TOTAL OF
 14 MERCHANT SHIPS, AND AT 0500 LOCAL TIME, A CONVOY CONSISTING
 OF 24 TROOPSHIPS, 5 DESTROYERS & 3 CRUISERS WAS SEEN 20 MI
 OFF AREN DS ISLAND, BEARING 315° COURSE 245°.

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Journal #4, 3/1/42

SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

DETAILED LIST OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES MACARTHUR NEEDS.

SUCH SUPPLIES FROM US AND AUSTRALIAN MILITARY SOURCES
 AUGMENTED BY PURCHASES FROM CIVILIAN SUPPLIES HAVE BEEN
 SENT AT EVERY POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY. THESE SOURCES RAPIDLY
 BECOMING LESS. WILL CONTINUE FORWARDING. SUPPLIES SENT FROM
 FROM THIS TIME FORTH WILL BE DEDUCTED FROM THIS SHIPMENT
 UPON ITS ARRIVAL.

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Journal #1, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

RELAY OF MESSAGE FOR INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE
 REFERENCE TO HOLD-UP OF CABLES BECAUSE OF CENSORSHIP
 AND FINANCES DISCUSSED.

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Journal #52, 2/28

From: McClure, London

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LONDON

NO INFORMATION HERE AS TO ENEMY LOSSES IN THE NAVAL ENGAGEMENT JAVA.

AN URGENT MESSAGE RECEIVED AT W.O. 11:00 A.M. REPORTS JAPS LANDING ATTACK AT REMBANG AND BELIEVED ATTACK STARTED ON BATAVIA.

UNREPORTED NUMBER JAP TRANSPORTS ESCORTED BY 5 CRUISERS & 8 DESTROYERS NW ARENDON ISLES MORNING FEBR 26 PROCEEDING CENTRAL JAVA. AT 12 HRS GMT FEBR 27 LARGE FORCE ENEMY TRANSPORTS WERE APPROACHING SOURABAYA. AT 4 HRS GMT FEBR 27 ANOTHER ENEMY FORCE WAS 110 MILES N. OF BATAVIA. THOUGHT THAT THE FORCE OFF SOURABAYA A PART OF THE FORCE REPORTED MACASSAR STRAITS ON 24TH, WHICH WAVELL EST. AS 2 DIV. AND TO ARRIVE CENTRAL JAVA DAWN 27TH. THOUGHT THAT FORCE OFF BATAVIA PART OF FORCE RECENTLY IN BANKA - PALEMBANG AREA AND TO BE ADVANCE ELEMENTS OF 2 DIV. FOR

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ATTACK ON BATAVIA.

FIRST SITUATION REPORT FROM BURMA RECEIVED IN W.O. LAST NIGHT GIVES SITUATION TO 12 HRS GMT. FEBR 25. THIS REPORT GIVES ENEMY CASUALTIES DURING WITHDRAWAL ACROSS SITTANG RIVER SO SEVERE THAT THEY ARE UNABLE TO ATTEMPT TO CROSS RIVER. ENEMY CASUALTIES SITTANG BRIDGE EST. 2000 OUT OF 5000 ENGAGED. BRITISH FORCES ARE BEING REFORMED ON LINE SITTANG. 5000 ENEMY IN SITTANG BRIDGE HEAD AREA AND ANOTHER LARGE FORCE MOVING NORTH FROM DONCAIT ON EAST BANK OF SITTANG.

THE SECOND SITUATION REPORT FROM BURMA DISPATCHED 27TH: BRITISH FORCES S. BURMA REORGANIZED AND BEING REFITTED. ENEMY ACROSS SITTANG AND ASTRIDE ROAD AND RAILWAY AT PEINSON 16 MILES N OF PPOU ON RANGOON-MANDALAY ROAD. STRENGTH NOT KNOWN. REPORTED THAT ENEMY FORCES ARE COM-

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VERGIN 0 AT MEIKYO FROM SITTANG VILLAGE AREA. ADVANCE CHINESE FORCES REACHED TOUNGOO AT 15 HRS GMT 27TH.

THOUGHT THAT THE JAP ADVANCE ON PEINSON EFFECTIVELY SERVE BOTH RAIL AND HIGHWAY BETWEEN RANGOON AND MANDALAY, AND THAT THE ENEMY FORCES PROCEEDING TO MEATKO INDICATES THAT THEY ARE REINFORCING THEIR POSITION.

AS SHOWN BY OTHER INFORMATION FROM BURMA THE 17 IND. DIV. FORCED TO WITHDRAW FROM E OF BILIN AND SITTANG RIVERS HAD SUCH HEAVY LOSSES, MEN AND GUNS, THAT IT HAS REFORMED AS TWO VERY SMALL BRIGADES OF RIFLEMEN AND NOW TOTALS 4000. HAS BEEN SERIOUS NUMBER OF DESERTIONS WITH ARMS AMONG NATIVE BURMESE TROOPS. ON FEBR. 27 OUR AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN 2 2 ENEMY PLANES WITH OUR LOSS ONLY 1, OVER RANGOON.

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Journal #2, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

RAAF GQ DESIRES COSMOS DATA FOR USE IN MAKING IONOSPHERIC PREDICTIONS.

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Journal #5, 3/2

BANDONG

From: Thorpe, Bandung

AIRFIELDS AT MALANG, SEMPLAK, SOERABAYA, BATAVIA AND PASIRAN ATTACKED BY AIR TODAY. LOSSES NOT KNOWN. JAP FLEET CAME FROM BALI. OOSTRAVEN NOW IN JAP HANDS. SMALL PATROL WORK SHOULD BE EMPHASIZED IN TRAINING INF AGAINST JAPS. ALSO USE OF UNUSUAL RUSES AND DECEPTION. GREAT WORK COULD BE DONE BY SPECIAL SCOUTING UNITS OF SMALL MEN WHO COULD BE DISGUISED EITHER AS JAPS OR AS NATIVES. FILIPINOS OR HAWAIIAN JAPS OF ASSURED LOYALTY MIGHT BE USED IN SUCH WORK.

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FT. MILLS

From: Ft. Mills

PRESREL FOR FEB 28 ENEMY HAS ADOPTED DEFENSIVE ATTITUDE THERE DEFINITE INDICATION THAT HIS HEAVY LOSSES HAVE SHAKEN HIM. HE BEGINS SHOW SIGNS EXHAUSTION. WE ARE PROBABLY ENTERING UPON A PHASE OF POSITIONAL WARFARE OF INDECISIVE CHARACTER. IN NORTH LUZON OUR MOUNTAIN TROOPS HAVE FORCED HIM EVACUATE ANNA VALLEY FROM CERVANTES TO BENGUET.

COMMONWEALTH OF PHILIPPINES OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.
PROCLAMATION - TO THE PEOPLE OF PHILIPPINES: ALMOST 3 MONTHS PASSED SINCE ENEMY FIRST RAVAGED OUR SACRED SOIL. AT COST OF MANY LIVES AND IMMEASURABLE HUMAN SUFFERING WE HAVE BEEN RESISTING HIS ADVANCE WITH ALL OUR MIGHT. HE HAS TAKEN OUR CAPITAL AND OCCUPIED SEVERAL OF OUR PROVINCES BUT WE ARE NEITHER BEATEN NOR SUBDUED. OUR SPIRIT OF RESISTANCE AND OUR WILL TO VICTORY REMAIN UNDAUNTED.

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OUR SOLDIERS IN FIELD AND CIVILIAN BEHIND LINES ARE INSPIRED BY ONE DETERMINATION AND ONE AIM -- TO FIGHT THE INVADER UNTIL DEATH AND TO EXPEL HIM FROM OUR LAND. WE HAVE SUFFERED MUCH AND WILL SUFFER MORE. WE WILL MEET THE ENEMY AGAIN AND AGAIN IN MANY BATTLEFIELDS. HE WILL FIND US READY TO DEFEND BITTERLY EVERY INCH OF OUR TERRITORY.

FOR LAST MONTH, ENEMY HAS FAILED MAKE ANY ADVANCE. EVERY ATTACK HE HAS LAUNCHED AGAINST US HAS BEEN REPULSED AND HIS LOSSES HAVE BEEN MOUNTING EVERY DAY. OUR MEN ARE RESOLUTE AND CONFIDENT. UNDER LEADERSHIP OF GEN. MACARTHUR THEY ARE VALIANTLY OVERWHELMING ODDS AND DESPITE INITIAL ATTACK OF THE ENEMY. OUR ALLIES IN OTHER FRONTS ARE ALSO DOING THEIR PART.

WE HAVE SUFFERED REVERSES, BUT WE HAVE BEGUN TO ACHIEVE VICTORIES. THE UNITED NATIONS, COMPELLED AT FIRST TO BE ON

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THE DEFENSIVE, ARE NOW SEIZING INITIATIVE IN SEVERAL FRONTS. FALL SINGAPORE HAS BEEN COMPENSATED BY VICTORIES AT MACASSAR STRAIT, OILBERT & MARSHALL ISLANDS, AND AROUND WATER OF BALI. THE BOLT HURLED BY ENEMY IS FAST SPENDING ITS FORCE. THE TIDE IS TURNING, AND IT WILL NOT BE LONG, I TRUST, BEFORE TREMENDOUS MILITARY MIGHT OF AMERICA FULLY COMES INTO ACTION IN THIS PART OF WORLD.

ALREADY GALLANTRY OF OUR SOLDIERS HAS AROUSED ADMIRATION OF WHOLE WORLD. STEADFAST LOYALTY OUR CIVILIAN POPULATION HAS LIKEWISE BEEN HIGHLY COMMENDED EVERYWHERE. MOST GLORIOUS CHAPTER IN HISTORY OUR COUNTRY BEING WRITTEN IN BATAAN & CORREIDOR ON THE EPIC STAND OF OUR ARMIES. IN THIS SHEDDING OUR BLOOD FOR JUSTICE AND LIBERTY, WE HAVE ENHANCED OUR RACE AND WON RESPECT OF MANKIND. IN A SENSE, OUR SACRIFICES HAVE ALREADY BEEN REWARDED, FOR WE HAVE

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PROVED OUR LOYALTY TO AMER. AND HAVE MERITED ADMIRATION OF WORLD. I TRUST WE WILL CONTINUE PROVING OURSELVES WORTHY OF OUR FATHERS AND OF GREAT BOON OF LIBERTY WHICH HAS BEEN THE OBJECTIVE OF OUR AGE OLD ASPIRATION.

OUR GOVT. AND GOVT OF US HAVE BEEN DOING EVERYTHING W WITHIN THEIR POWER TO RELIEVE SUFFERING AND DISTRESS AMONG CIVILIANS, PARTICULARLY AMONG FAMILIES OF OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS OF OUR ARMED FORCES IN FIELD. SHORTLY AFTER THE OUTBREAK OF WAR, THE GOVT OF US RELEASES THE SUM OF TWENTY MILLION PESOS TO BE SPENT BY PHILIPPINE GOVT FOR CIVILIAN DEFENSE AND RELIEF. A FEW DAYS AGO, GEN MACARTHUR, AS FURTHER FURTHER EVIDENCE OF HIS ABIDING FAITH IN AND AFFECTION OF FILIPINO PEOPLE, APPROVED THE TRANSFER TO PHILIPPINE TREASURE OF THE SUM OF TEN MILLION PESOS TO BE SPENT BY THE COMMONWEALTH GOVT FOR PUBLIC RELIEF AND CIVILIAN

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DEFENSE.

THIS MONEY COMES FROM THE APPROPRIATION MADE BY CONGRESS UNDER THE PHILIPPINE CIVILIAN DEFENSE ACT. I PROPOSE TO SPEND THIS AMOUNT IMPROVE IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE LIVING CONDITIONS AMONG CIVILIAN POPULATION IN THE UNOCCUPIED AREAS. IF IT WERE POSSIBLE TO EXTEND THIS RELIEF TO OUR PEOPLE LIVING IN OCCUPIED AREAS, I WOULD ONLY BE TOO GLAD TO DO SO, FOR I KNOW THAT THOSE PEOPLE DESERVE EVERY POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE FROM THEIR GOVT. OBVIOUSLY, HOWEVER, IT WILL BE IMPRACTICABLE TO TAKE SUCH ACTION NOW. NEVERTHELESS I WISH TO ASSURE THE LOYAL PEOPLE OF MANILA AND OTHER AREAS UNDER ENEMY CONTROL THAT THEIR GOVT. WILL EXTEND TO THEM ALL ASSISTANCE THAT THEY MAY REQUIRE AFTER THE ENEMY SHALL HAVE BEEN DRIVEN AWAY FROM THEIR MIDST.

SPECIAL ATTENTION WILL BE GIVEN TO FAMILIES OF SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS WHO HAVE BEEN KILLED OR INCAPACITATED AND TO

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THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN WOUNDED BY ACTION OF ENEMY. EVERYTHING POSSIBLE WILL BE DONE TO MINISTER TO NEEDS OF THESE PEOPLE WHO ARE SACRIFICING SO MUCH FOR THE WELFARE AND FREEDOM OF THEIR COUNTRYMEN.

CIVILIAN EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATION IN DIFFERENT PROVINCES WILL BE AGENCIES CHARGED WITH DUTY CARRYING OUT RELIEF PROGRAM THAT HAS BEEN ADOPTED.

I URGE EVERY FILIPINO BE OF GOOD CHEER, HAVE FAITH IN PATRIOTISM AND VALOR OF OUR SOLDIERS IN THE FIELD, BUT ABOVE ALL TRUST AMERICA AND OUR GREAT AND BELOVED LEADER — HES ROOSEVELT.

THE UNITED NATIONS WILL WIN THIS WAR. AMERICA IS TOO GREAT AND TOO POWERFUL TO BE VANQUISHED IN THIS CONFLICT. I KNOW SHE WILL NOT FAIL US! SIGNED MANUEL L QUEZON
PRESIDENT OF PHILIPPINES, FEHR. 28, 1942 ATTEST: MANUEL ROKAS, ACTG. SEC'Y TO PRESIDENT.

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From: MACOMRIAND

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MACOMRIAND

FEHR. 26 GEN. STILLWELL AND 10 OTHERS ARRIVED CALCUTTA COMING HERE SOON SAYS MESSAGE OF FEHR. 28.

FEHR 27 GEN MAGRUDER LEFT LASHIO FOR CALCUTTA TO MEET THEM.

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Journal #8, 3/1

SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

DETAILS AIR RECON. OFF COAST OF AUSTRALIA. INCLUDED
IS MENTION OF POSSIBLE REINFORCEMENTS FOR RABAU FROM
THRU IN FORM OF 12 BOMBERS SIGHTED PASSING OVER TABAR.

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SANS ORIGINE

From: Brett, Sans Origine

DETAILED RECOMMENDATIONS IN SPECIFIC LIST OF MEDICAL
SUPPLIES.

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Journal #18, 3/1

FT. SHAFTER

From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter

U.S. A.T. GRANT TOOK CREWS AWAY FEER 21 DAYS OF ARRIVAL
NOT KNOWN (REF. 1569 FEER. 27).

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Journal #20, 3/1

FT. MILLS

From: MacArthur, Ft. Mills

ALL FRONTS SHOW USUAL ACTIVITY.

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Journal #21, 3/1

MELBOURNE

From: Brett, Melbourne

REQUEST SPARE PARTS BE SHIPPED AUTOMATICALLY FOR ALL
CLASSES. PROPOSE PERIODIC ADJUSTMENT EACH 6 MONTHS. REQUEST
ADVICE ON ACTION EACH CLASS. VERY URGENT, MOTOR TRANSPORT
AND ORDNANCE.

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Journal #23, 3/1

FT. MILLS

From: MacArthur, Ft. Mills

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CARGO OF 1st THREE SHIPS.
DETAILED REQUISITION ARMS, AMMUNITION, EQUIPMENT, MEDICAL
SUPPLIES.

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WDC thru GHQ

From: WDC thru GHQ

DISTRESS SIGNAL HEARD FROM MERCHANT VESSEL W.H. BERG AT 37°25' N. 123°28' W ABOUT 90 MILES W AND S FROM SAN FRANCISCO ABOUT 10:15 P. (FWT) INDICATE SHIP BEING SHELLED APPARENTLY BY SUB. RADIO INTERCEPT FROM DESTROYER KING ABOUT 35 TO 38 MILES WEST OF FAROLLO ISLAND 10:45 P.M. INDICATING KING ITSELF WAS BEING SHELLED.

RADIO BLACKOUT ORDERED BY 4TH INTERCEPTOR COMMAND AT 10:57 P.M. BUT CHANGED AT 11:37 P.

1 B-36 AND 5 FBV'S WENT INTO AIR TO INVESTIGATE BEGINNING AT 11:20 P.

CANCELLATION OF RADIO BLACKOUT WAS DUE TO CHANGED SITUATION.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING FULL DETAILS WILL BE FORWARDED AS OBTAINED.

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WDC thru GHQ

From: WDC thru GHQ

RADIO FROM W.H. BERG RECEIVED AT 12:04 A.M. MARCH 1 STATED THAT SHELL FIRE HAD STOPPED AND THAT NO DAMAGE TO SHIP WAS SUSTAINED. THE ATTACKING VESSEL NOT OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED BUT PROBABLY HOSTILE. SUB DISAPPEARED ACCORDING TO SAME MESSAGE, WHICH GAVE CORRECT POSITION OF BERG AS 37°25' N. 123°28' W WHEN ATTACKED. AT 12:40 A.M. NAVY PLANES WERE ORDERED TO RETURN TO BASE AND ARMY PLANES RECEIVED SAME ORDER AT 12:45 A.M. REPORT OF DESTROYER KING BEING SHELLED IN OUR PREVIOUS WIRE HAS NOW BEEN ESTABLISHED AS SHELLED FROM W.H. BERG WHICH FAILED TO RECOGNIZE DESTROYER. BERG WILL STOP AT ELSEGUENDO NEAR LOS ANGELES WHERE NAVY WILL INTERVIEW MASTER. NAVY ESTIMATE OF CREDITABILITY OF HOSTILE SUB ATTACK "Excellent".

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From: M/A Cairo FELLERS

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SOVIETS NOW CONTROL THE NORTHERN PORTION OF IRAN. THE AREA UNDER THEIR INFLUENCE EXTENDS FROM HERAT, LOCATED ON THE AFGHANISTAN BORDER, TO KURDISTAN. EFFORT IS NOW BEING MADE TO BOLSHEVIZE THIS AREA WHICH IS THE RICHEST AND MOST DENSELY POPULATED. THE SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION IS TURKS AND EGYPTIANS WHO HAVE ARRIVED IN CAIRO FROM IRAN AND WHO ARE CONSIDERED RELIABLE. THESE PEOPLE CLAIM THAT THIS ACTIVITY EXTENDS TO BOTH THE MILITARY FORCES AND CIVIL ADMINISTRATION OF THE SOVIETS. PRIVATE PROPERTY OF THE WEALTHY, SUCH AS RICE, COWS AND OXEN ARE CONFISCATED AND THEN DISTRIBUTED TO THE POOR. THERE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE A WIDESPREAD ORGANIZATION TO ACCOMPLISH THIS, BUT PUBLIC FEASTS ARE USED AS PROPAGANDA MEDIA TO DEMONSTRATE THE BENEFITS ACCRUING FROM A SOVIET

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SYSTEM. ATTEMPTS OF THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT TO STOP THIS PRACTICE HAS BEEN BLOCKED BY THE RUSSIAN MILITARY FORCES.

IT IS THE BELIEF OF MY INFORMANTS THAT THIS IS A DELIBERATE ATTEMPT TO SET THE STAGE FOR FUTURE REVOLTS IN IRAN WITH THE PURPOSE OF OVERTHROWING THE PRESENT ARISTOCRATIC GOVERNMENTS. THE EMPRESS OF IRAN IS NOW IN CAIRO, AND HER PRESENCE HERE MAY BE DUE TO THE SITUATION BEING BUILT UP BECAUSE OF THIS,

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From: Com 16 (Navy)

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PORT OF DESTINATION SAFELY REACHED BY SS LEGASPI.

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From: OPNAV

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WHILE IT IS NOT TO SET UP A PRECEDENT, AUTHORIZATION
GRANTED FOR RETURN (FROM BRITAIN TO U.S.) OF WOMEN
AND CHILDREN ON 12 VESSELS IF SPACE REMAINS AFTER
OFFICIAL AND MILITARY PERSONS HAVE BEEN ACCOMMODATED.

From: Brett (Melbourne)

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ONLY ARTILLERY GUNS IN TRANSIT ARE 155 MM GUNS THOUGH AMMUNITION FOR ORGANIC ARTILLERY IS APPARENTLY BEING SENT. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ARTILLERY WEAPONS BE SENT AT ONCE.

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Journal #29

From: AVM Maltby

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THE FOLLOWING COVERS A DAILY PERIOD UP TO FEB 28, 0030 HOURS.

THREE JAP FORCES WERE SEEN NEARING NORTH CENTRAL COAST OF JAVA: WARSHIP SCREEN OF FIRST ONE RAIDED BY 2 B-17s RESULTING IN A CRUISER COMING TO A STANDSTILL; THIRD ONE RAIDED BY 1 B-17 WITHOUT EFFECT.

ENCOUNTERING LITTLE OPPOSITION 2 BLENHEIMS BOMBED 30 JAP 97s (ARMY BOMBERS) ON PALEMBANG II; THE EFFECT WAS NOT SEEN.

ONE TROOPSHIP SUNK AND SEVERAL BOMBS DROPPED CLOSE ABOARD WHEN 2 A-24s ATTACKED 43 TROOPSHIPS AND 15 DESTROYERS AT 05° 30' S 115° 40' E.

A LARGE MERCHANT VESSEL SUFFERED A CLOSE MISS WHEN 1 HUDSON INTERCEPTED 30 MERCHANTMEN (1000 TO 3000 TONS)

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ESCORTED BY 3 DESTROYERS AND 4 CRUISERS AT 04° S 106° 30' E ON COURSE 345°

RESULTS OF BOMBING OF PALEMBANG RIVER SHIPPING BY 1 BLENHEIM WERE NOT OBSERVED.

ON 2-27 AT 1230Z FOLLOWING WINGGROUP WERE IN COMMISSION:

ALHACORE 1
BLENHEIM IV 5
VILDEBEST 8
HURRICANE 13
HUDSON III 2

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From: Brett-ANZA Com

Journal # 30 3/1

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THE TAIYAN (BRIT SHIP) LEFT SORABAYA 2-26 FOR CEBU WHERE IT IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE 3-15 WITH CARGO OF 2,000,000 ROUNDS 30 CAL., ABOUT 720,000 RATIONS AND 15,000 ROUNDS 3 INCH AA.

BRETT IS LEAVING FOR AUSTRALIA ON 2-28 AS IT IS NO LONGER FEASIBLE TO CARRY ON MISSION FROM JAVA.

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From: WESGROUP

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FOLLOWING PLANES IN SERVICEABLE CONDITION:

VILDERBESTE 11

HURRICANES 13

BLENHEIM IV 6

ALACORE 2

HUDSON 1

THIS AM JAWA AIR COMMAND DIVE BOMBERS AND HEAVY BOMBERS
DIRECTED TO ATTACK ENEMY CONVOY OF 24 TROOPSHIPS AND 8
ESCORTING WARSHIPS SIGHTED 20 MILES OFF ARENDIS ISLAND
BEARING 315°, COURSE 245° at 2130Z ON 2-25.

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From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter

IN VIEW OF LACK OF REPLACEMENTS PREVIOUS REQUISITION
FOR 123 30 CAL MGs IS CANCELLED.

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Journal # 31

From: MARCORPS

I.B. 8

REFERENCE GROUPING OF MARINE (?) UNITS FOR
MOVEMENT BY LAND TO PORTS OF DEBARKATION.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

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✓ FROM: BUCKNER JOURNAL # 61 2/27

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LOCATION AND STATUS OF ALASKAN AIRCRAFT.

BUCKNER
FT RICHARDSON
ALASKA

FROM: NAVY

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✓ LOCATIONS OF U.S. NAVAL AIRCRAFT UNCHANGED.

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COLOMBIAN GOVT. HAS INSTALLED DEFENSES TO PROTECT
SEAPORTS AGAINST SUB ATTACKS. 1,000,000 bbls CRUDE &
DIESEL OIL ARE STORED AT COVENAS.

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THUESDELL
QUARRY HEIGHTS

ENT. PERU

From: Ent - Lima Journal #6, 2/28/42 ENT
Filed: 2/27/42, 5:44 P I.B. #10, 2/28/42 LIMA

NO PREPARATIONS YET MADE FOR RECEPTION OF 155 MM.
BATTERY COMING TO TALARA. HOUSING TO BE IN U.S.A. TENTS
FOR 1ST MONTH, LATER TEMPORARY BARRACKS CONSTRUCTED BY
PERUVIAN GOV'T. TEMPORARY CAMP SITE CHOSEN UNTIL DISPO-
SITIONS ARE CHOSEN BY BATTERY CO. FULL COOPERATION AS-
SURED FROM PERU. CAPT. QUICKLEY, U.S.N. AND MYSELF WILL
BE IN TALARA TO RECEIVE THE UNIT.

6:00 p.m.

2/27

TO

4:00 p.m.

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from: 1st ARMY HQ REC FROM NAVY LOG JOURNAL # 52 2/27
FILED: 6:10 p.m. 2/27
SS ORARI. CALL LETTERS CJEX, SIGHTED TORPEDOE AT 41°
51'N - 81°51'W AT 1829.

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FROM: ETO VIA GRQ JOURNAL 58 2/27
FILED: 5:78 p.m. 2/27
SS MAHORS SAID TO BE SUNK AT 9330 GMT, FEB. 27, at
35°33'N - 74°58' W ACCORDING TO MESSAGE FROM CHESAPEAKE
BAY SECTOR. ONE LIFE BOAT ARRIVED AT CAPE HATTERAS.
THOSE STILL ALIVE IN REMAINING TWO LIFEBOATS GOING SOUTH
ABOARD SS BENSON. IS NOT ASCERTAINED IF SINKING BECAUSE
OF ENEMY ATTACK. INTER-COMMUNICATION SAYS WIRELESS
INTERCEPT SUBS SAID TO BE NEAR CAPE HATTERAS IN VICINITY
FROM 20 MI TO 10 MI S.

From: ETO Journal #1, 2/28/42 ETO
Filed: 2/27/42, 10:55 P
EMPTY LIFE BOAT AND 2 RAFTS UNOCCUPIED AT 34°22' N -
75°10' W. NAVY INVESTIGATING.

From: ETO Journal #2, 2/28/42 ETO
Filed: 2/27/42, 11:32 P
COAST GUARD USS ANTIETAM FIRES ON SUB 12 MILES EAST
OF ASBURY PARK.

G-2 WORK SHEET

MIDDLE EAST
SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

MIDDLE EAST

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2/27
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FROM: FRIEDMAN, CAIRO JOURNAL # 46
FILED: 9:05 p.m. I.B.# 29 2/27

SUGGESTED AEF FOR SYRIA, WITH AIR SUPPORT COMMAND
OFFERS FOLLOWING ADVANTAGES:

1. AIR FORCE BASE FROM WHICH TO STRIKE VITAL AXIS COMMUNICATIONS, STRATEGIC CENTERS & MEDITERRANEAN BASES;
2. LOCAL AVAILABILITY OF GASOLINE & OIL & ALSO PART OF THE RATIONS;
3. ASSURANCE OF THE SECURITY OF THE MIDDLE EAST;
4. A PARTIAL RESTORATION OF CONTROL IN EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN TO THE ALLIED FLEET;
5. SEA ROUTES WHICH, WHILE LONG, WILL BE REASONABLY FREE FROM SUB & AXIS AIR ATTACKS;
6. AN EXCELLENT TRAINING AREA;
7. THE EXERCISE OF A GREAT MORAL FACTOR THROUGHOUT THE THEATRE, TURKEY & THE BALKANS;
8. THE INITIAL REQUIREMENT OF ONLY SMALL NUMBER OF TROOP

I.B.# 29 Journal # 46 2/27 continued

TROOPS DUE TO EGYPTIAN & ALLIED FORCES ALREADY HERE.

G-2 NOTE:

FROM: CHANNY, LONDON I.B.# 51 Journal # 49 2/27
FILED: 4:15 p.m. 2/27

SAND STORM ON 25th OBSCURED OBSERVATION OF ENEMY MOVEMENTS. ONE AXIS COLUMN OF 16 TANKS, HOWEVER, MADE ADVANCE SE OF MEKILI AND THEN WITHDREW THAT NIGHT. GENERAL TRAINING OF TWO HIGHLY PRIZED GERMS DUKE AND MAXWELL.

FROM: FELLERS - CAIRO JOURNAL #7, 2/28/42
FILED: 2/27/42, 2145 I.B.#6, 2/28/42

FREQUENCY MODULATION IS NOT USED IN ANY RADIO ISSUED BY RAF OR BRIT. ARMY IN THIS THEATRE. SEVERAL RECEIVING SETS RECEIVED BUT NOT YET IN USE. SIGNAL OFFICE, THIS THEATRE, REPORT NO INDICATIONS OF USE BY GERMANS EITHER FORWARD ECHELON OR REAR ECHELON.

FELLERS
CAIRO

FROM: FELLERS - CAIRO JOURNAL #8, 2/28/42
FILED: 2/27/42, 1426 I.B.#9, 2/28/42

PART II OF #860.

A MILLION TURKS MIGHT ALIGN THEMSELVES FAVORABLY IF OCCUPATION OF SYRIA WAS ACCOMPLISHED. AN AIR FORCE BASED IN TURKEY MIGHT OPERATE AGAINST OIL COMMUNICATIONS IN ROMANIA, THE REAR OF GERMANS MAJOR OFFENSIVES SEEMING TO OFFER IMMEDIATE CHANCE OF LENDING EFFECTIVE AID.

FELLERS
CAIRO

IN STALIN'S OPINION AN AEF IN SYRIA CAN BE SMALL. IT SHOULD COMPRISE AN ARMORED CORPS, 10,000 TROOPS AND 600 AIR PLANES OF WHICH LATTER ENGLAND MIGHT PROVIDE 1/2. IF OUR TROOPS HAVE NOT FINISHED TRAINING IT CAN BE COMPLETED IN SYRIA WITH LATER SUPPLY OF EQUIPMENT. AMERICAN FORCE IN M.E. WOULD HAVE VITAL MORAL EFFECT.

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2/28/42

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MIDDLE EAST # 2

(Journal #8, 2/28/42, Cont'd)

GERMANY CAN ON 30 DAYS NOTICE OPPOSE ANY LANDING ATTEMPTED BETWEEN CASABLANCA AND BAKAR, HAVING FOR THAT PURPOSE 250 LAND BASED PLANES AND AVAILABLE LANDING FIELDS. FUEL SUPPLY, THO LIMITED, IS IN THE AREA. GERMANY CAN OPPOSE ANY ATTEMPT AT LANDING BETWEEN NORWAY AND PORTUGAL BY 500-600 COMBAT PLANES.

430 BOMBERS AND 160 FIGHTERS, MAY 22D NOT ONLY BROUGHT ABOUT WORST DISASTER IN BRIT. NAVAL HISTORY BUT CONTINUED ITS HEAVY ATTACKS AGAINST CRETE WITH PART OF ITS FORCE. ANOTHER DISASTER WILL BE ASSURED IF A LANDING IS ATTEMPTED AGAINST A LAND BASED GERMAN AIR FORCE OF 250-600 PLANES. SUCH EXPEDITION JUSTIFIED ONLY BY WORTH OF OBJECTIVES.

(Journal #8, 2/28/42, Cont'd)

AN AMERICAN FORCE IN N. AFRICA OR IN EUROPE MUST BE SUPPLIED FROM THE U.S. ENTIRELY.

ATLANTIC COMMUNICATIONS - N. AFRICA - MIDDLE EAST, MUCH SHORTER BUT SUB RISK GREATER IN COMPARISON WITH OTHER ROUTES.

AEF TO N. AFRICA OR SPAIN CAN ONLY EFFECT A DIVERSION IF IT CAN LAND SUCCESSFULLY AS THERE IS NEITHER AN IMMEDIATE NOR A PRIME OBJECTIVE UNTIL PENETRATION WELL INTO EUROPE HAS BEEN MADE.

AEF TO SYRIA PROVIDES OBJECTIVE OF IMPORTANCE IN EFFECTING JOINTURE WITH RED ARMY AND THUS EFFECT ENDING OF WAR IN WINTER '42-43.

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FROM: CHANEY, LONDON Journal # 59 2/27

FILED: 4:15 2/27

CHANEY

DESIRE TO RECEIVE CHIEF OF AIR CORPS STATISTICAL CHART
RM-80.

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON Journal # 53 2/27

FILED: 5:00 p.m. 2/27

RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGED OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS.

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CHANEY

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON JOURNAL # 57 2/27

FILED: REC'D WD 226 p.m. 2/26 I.B. # 56 2/27

SUPPLY MIN HAS 20 TONS PER MONTH SURPLUS CHARCOAL FOR
GAS MASKS. CHEMICAL WARFARE SERVICE INTERESTED?

FROM: KNE MCCLURE, LONDON I.B. # 54 2/27

FILED: rec'd W D 2:26 P.M. 2/26 JOURNAL # 55 2/27

PRODUCTION IN ENGLAND OF ARTILLERY FLASH SPOTTING
BINOCULAR INSTRUMENT DESIRABLE.

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON I.B. # 57 2/27

FILED: 2/27 Journal # 62 2/27

U.S. FLAMETHROWER SUPERIOR TO SIMILAR BRITISH TYPE,
EXCEPT HAS SHORTER RANGE.MCCLURE
LONDON

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 64 2/27

FILED: 7:40 p.m. 2/27

POINTS IN YOUR MESSAGE IN REFERENCE ORGANIZATION OF
U.S. ARMY FORCES IN BRIT ISLES HAD BEEN CONSIDERED AND
DO NOT CHANGE MY VIEWS PREVIOUSLY STATED.

CHANEY LONDON

FROM: EDWARDS, TANGER

I.B. # 64 Journal # 68 2/27

FILED: 1825 2/27

SITUATION UNCHANGED.

4:00 p.m.

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TO

4:00 p.m.

2/28

FROM: MORLAND, CHUNGKING JOURNAL # 38 2/27

FILED: 0230 2/27

MORLAND CHUNGKING

A SOURCE, HERETOFORE RELIABLE, INFORMS THAT SPAIN HAS
COME TO AN AGREEMENT TO THROW IN ITS LOT WITH THE AXIS.

From: Eager - Madrid

Filed: 2/27/42, 2200

NOTHING TO REPORT.

Journal #3, 2/28/42

I.B. #1, 2/28/42

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WESTERN EUROPE # 2

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2/27
TO
4:00 p.m.
2/28

✓ FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON I.B.# 65 2/27
FILED: 7:40 p.m. 2/27 Journal # 69 2/27
A TWO-PAGE CABLE ON ORGANIZATION AND STRENGTH OF BRITISH
CHEMICAL WARFARE UNITS AND COMPOSITION OF ROCKET AND
MORTAR SHELL.

MCCLURE

✓ FROM: LEGGE, BERN I.B.# 65 Journal # 67 2/27
FILED: 1932 2/27
Situation unchanged.

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FROM: MACMORLAND, CHUMSKING JOURNAL # 38 2/27

FILED: 0230 2/27

A SOURCE, HERETOFORE RELIABLE, INFORMS THAT THE GERMANSPRING OFFENSIVE IN RUSSIA WILL BEGIN EARLY IN MARCH.

MACMORLAND

FROM: MCCLURE

JOURNAL # 61 2/27

FILED: 6:03 p.m. 2/27

I.B. # 58 2/27

REPORT AS TO RUSS FRONT THROUGH Feb. 25. IT WILL BE A MONTH TO SIX WEEKS BEFORE THAW CAN BE EXPECTED & PROBABLE THAT RUSSMAY HAVE DIFFICULTY SECURING ANY MAJOR SUCCESSES WITH POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF SOUTHERN FRONT. AT PRESENT, THE SEVERE WINTER WEATHER MAKES OPERATIONS DIFFICULT.

IN GENERAL: THE SITUATION HAS REMAINED UNCHANGED DURING PAST WEEK EXCEPT IN UKRAINE WHEN GERMS REDUCED THE DONETS SALIENT, BUT THIS PARTIALLY OFFSET BY THE RUSS ADVANCE ON KHARKOV.

IN UKRAINE: SOUTHEAST OF KHARKOV THE RUSS DROVE A WEDGE INTO GERM POSITIONS AND ARE APPROACHING CHUGUYEV NEXXIN BUT IN FACE OF PIERCE RUSS RESISTANCE THE GERM COUNTER-OFFENSIVE AGAINST DONETS SALIENT REACHED LOSOVAYA & RUSS ATTACKS SOUTH FROM BARVENKOVA HAVE BEEN REPULSED.

IN CRIMEA: RUSS CONTINUE REINFORCEMENTS KERCH PENIN-

I.B. # 58 JOURNAL # 61 2/27 continued

SULA AND SEVASTOPOL.

IN CENTRAL SECTOR: RUSS HAVE MADE NO PROGRESS TOWARDS THE Leningrad-ORSHA RR AND LITTLE WEST OF MOSCOW. REPORT OF SEVERE FIGHTING AT Kholm AND VELIZH AND THE GERMS TO HAVE DRIVEN THE RUSS ADVANCE ELEMENTS BACK NEAR VYASMA. HOWEVER, THE RUSS COMMUNIQUE OF FEB 23 CLAIMS THAT THEIR FORCES HAVE REACHED DOBOGOBUZE.

IN Leningrad SECTOR: THE GERMS DEFENSES AROUND CITY & ALONG VOLKHOV RIVER HAVE HELD UP RUSS.

IN FINLAND: SITUATION UNCHANGED.

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PACIFIC # 1

4:00 p.m.
2/27
TO
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2/28

FROM: A.C.N.H. (ADMIRALTY NO. 180) I.B. # 49 2/27
FILED: 0816 2/27 JOURNAL # 50 2/27
2 SUBMARINE SQUADRONS REPORTED IN MARSHALLS. ENEMY
RECONNOITERED DARWIN & NAURU ON 24th & 26th.
RAKUL AIRDROME ATTACKED BY STRAY CATALINAS. 5 FIRES
STARTED, ONE AIRDROME HIT DIRECTLY, ANOTHER SEEN IN FLAMES
LIGHT ENEMY AA, ARE PLANES RETURNED.
MARSHALL ISLAND & TRUK AREA AIR STRENGTH MATERIALLY IN-
CREASED, CHIEFLY FROM PALAU AREA.

FROM: G-2 WDC VIA CDR JOURNAL # 47 2/27
FILED 1340 PWT 2/27

- NO. 204 PERIODIC 12 NOON PWT 2/27.
- (1) ASSOCIATED OIL DOCK FIRE MENTIONED IN OUR SPECIAL REPORT 203 WAS PUT OUT ABOUT 11:30 A. TANKER NOW OUT IN THE STREAM SLIGHTLY DAMAGED. CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO WHARF. FIRE STARTED BY EXPLOSION AT 7:45A AND ANOTHER EXPLOSION AT 9:00A. WHETHER EXPLOSIONS WERE SPONTANEOUS OR SABOTAGE IS NOT YET DETERMINED. FBI INVESTIGATING.
 - (2) NAVY REPORT SUB SIGHTED OFF SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO BEACH. ANOTHER REPORTED IN VICINITY OF BILWOOD, CREDIBILITY DOUBTFUL.

FROM: CRANNY, LONDON JOURNAL # 60 2/27
FILED: 4:15 p.m. 2/27

NOTHING NEW FROM WAVELL SINCE OUR REPORT OF 26th. AIR-
DROMES IN JAVA, AND SOERABAYA AND BATAVIA HARBORS ATTACKED
BY AIR. NO

ON 26th, PALMBA AND COSTRAVEN BOMBED BY ALLIED PLANES.
PORT MORESBY BOMBED BY ENEMY; 2 AIRCRAFT DESTROYED ON
GROUND, BUILDINGS WRECKED.

RAF BOMBED RAKUL ON 24th.

NO BELIEVES 80 TO 100 SHIPS AT JOLO HAVE 2 DIVS TO BE
USED AGAINST JAVA. ONE MAY BE 110th FROM BOMBOSA; OTHER
6th DIV FROM S. CHINA SEA.

THIS MAKES TOTAL OF 3 DIVS IN TRANSPORTS: 2 ABOVE &
ONE NOW IN FLORES SEA TRANSPORTS. SUNK SITUATION UN-
REPORTED.

FROM: 1236 2/27

JOURNAL # 65 2/27

FROM: EDMONS, FT SHAFTER

DETAILS OF LOSS OF 10 P-40's IN DARWIN ATTACK OF 19th.

EDMONS
FT. SHAFTER

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FIG 2

From: Brett, Melbourne Journal #66, 2/27/42

BRETT

Filed: 2/27/42, 2258

MELBOURNE

NAMES OF ENLISTED MEN MAKING ALLOTMENTS. FOR
FINANCE OFFICE.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #4, 2/28/42
Filed: 2/28/42, 0105

MACARTHUR

FT. MILLS

PROCLAMATION BY PRESIDENT QUEZON CITED VALIANT DEFENSE OF THE ISLANDS AND STEADFAST LOYALTY OF CITIZENRY. HE ANNOUNCED THAT FUNDS HAD BEEN ALLOCATED FOR CIVILIAN RELIEF AND URGED THAT TRUST BE PLACED IN AMERICA AS "SHE WILL NOT FAIL US."

From: MacArthur - Fort Mills Journal #5, 2/28/42
Filed: 2/28/42, 0050

MACARTHUR

FT. MILLS

OUR OPERATIONS HAVE NOW DEFINED ENEMY IN SEMICIRCULAR DEFENSES ON LOWER SLOPED MT. NATIP. MORON-BAGAC ROAD ON WEST IS FIRMLY BLOCKED BY JAPS. THEY HAVE SMALL PATROLS ON THE ABUCAY-ORANIEN ROAD ON EAST. IT IS INDICATED THAT A POSITIONAL PHASE OF INDECISIVE CHARACTER IS BEGINNING. INDICATIONS OF ENEMY EXHAUSTION ARE COMMENCING TO APPEAR.

IN NORTH LUZON THE ARRA VALLEY FROM GERVANTES TO BERNQUED HAS BEEN EVACUATED.

SITUATION UNCHANGED OTHERWISE.

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Filed: 3:33A 2/27/42 Journal # 34 2/27/42
 From: ETO (Watkins) Thru GHQ
 S S VALPARISO SUNK OFF SEA GIRT N.J. SHIP TORPEDOED
 6 MILES EAST.

WATKINS

Filed: 556A 2/27 Journal # 34 2/27/
 From: Watkins Thru GHQ
 2 SUSPICIOUS CRAFT 9 MILES 205° from AMERICAN SHOALS
 LIGHT.
 SHIP BURNING 20 MILES SOUTH OF FIRE ISLAND.
 CALARIA STRANDED WANTS HELP.

WATKINS

Filed: 9:30A 2/27/42 Journal # 29
 From: Navy War Plans
 S S VALPARAISO, AMERICAN, 0440 2/27, 5 MILES DUE
 EAST OF MANHATTAN, N.J.
 S S WEST ZEPA, AMERICAN, 0207 OCT 2/25, 09 13 N 59 04 W,
 120 MILES SOUTHEAST TRINIDAD ISLAND.

Filed: 10:21 PWT, 2/27 Journal #37, 2/27
 From: HQ WDC (GHQ) STROM
 #203 Special; 10:00 A PWT (1:00 P MWT) 2/27. LARGE FIRE
 NOW RAGING ASSOCIATED OIL CO.'S WHARF AT AVON, CALIF.
 ABOUT 5 MILES SE OF BENICIA. NAVY REPORTS TANKER "FRANK
 A DEEM" SCHEDULED TO BE AT PIER LOADING NOW. EXTENT OF
 FIRE & POSSIBILITY OF SABOTAGE NOT DETERMINED AS YET.
 FBI HERE INFORMED.

Filed: 1:33 P Journal #41, 2/27
 From: BOMSTEEL (IBC) (GHQ)
 AIR MINISTRY IN NORWAY REPORTS CONSIDERABLE INCREASE
 IN GERMAN AIRCRAFT. PRESENT STRENGTH:

18	DIVE BOMBERS
150	LONG RANGE BOMBERS
132	SINGLE ENGINE FIGHTERS
126	TWIN ENGINE FIGHTERS
39	COASTAL
27	BOMBER RECONNAISSANCE
492	TOTAL

NAVE FURNISHED ALL.

From: Quezon - MacArthur USFFE Journal #22, 2/27/42

FILED: 2/27/42, 33 P

RECEIVED CHECK 5 MILLION DOLLARS PAYABLE TO PHILIPPINE COMMONWEALTH FOR PUBLIC RELIEF AND CIVILIAN DEFENSE. CREDIT TREASURER OF P.I. AND WE WILL GIVE THIS CHECK TO FIN. OFFICE, U.S.A. FOR SAFEGUARD OR EVENTUAL DESTRUCTION.

QUEZON
MACARTHUR
USFFE

Filed: 9:30a
From: Navy War Plans

Journal # 29 2/27/42

AN ENEMY FORCE OF 5 CRUISERS, 9 DESTROYERS AND 25 TRANSPORTS REPORTED AT 0400 OCT ON FEB. 26 IN JAVA SEA PROCEEDING SOUTHWEST. THIS EVIDENTLY IS THE FIRST CONTINGENT OF THE ENEMY FORCES ATTEMPTING TO INVADE JAVA.

Filed: 21:45 2/27/42
From M/A London MacLURE

Journal # 30
I.B. #27

1. WATKINS REPORTS THE FOLLOWING: ON FEB 26TH AN ENEMY SHIP CONCENTRATION OF 80-100 VESSELS WAS REPORTED AT JOLO. IN MACASSAR STRAIT THERE IS A SECOND CONCENTRATION OF UNKNOWN TYPE AND NUMBER. OFF MACASSAR THERE ARE SEVEN TROOPSHIPS. LOCATED ABOUT 100 MILES NORTHEAST OF BALI THERE WERE FOUR SUBMARINES, ONE CRUISER, SIX TRANSPORTS, AND SEVEN DESTROYERS. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT A JAPANESE FORCE OF AT LEAST TWO DIVISIONS COULD ARRIVE OFF CENTRAL JAVA ON EARLY MORNING, FEB 27TH, ASSUMING THAT THE TRANSPORTS MENTIONED ABOVE CARRY TROOPS AND THE VESSELS IN MACASSAR STRAIT ARE FROM JOLO.

2. THE ONLY NEWS FROM BURMA IS THE FOLLOWING FROM THE R.A.F., DATED NIGHT OF FEB 26: THE JAPANESE HAVE RESUMED THEIR AIR ASSAULTS ON RANGOON. ON FEB. 26, THE

Journal #30 2/27/42

ENEMY LOST 29 AIRCRAFT DESTROYED PLUS 7 PROBABLE IN TWO RAIDS ON MINGALADON. THE BRITISH LOST TWO FIGHTERS IN THESE RAIDS.

3. ALTHOUGH NEWS OF GROUND FIGHTING IN THE RANGOON AREA IS LACKING, THE LAST PREVIOUSLY REPORTED DISTRIBUTION OF DEFENDING FORCES LEADS TO ESTIMATE HERE THAT THE LOCATION OF UNITS IS AS FOLLOWS:

RANGOON - 1 BRITISH BATTALION

PEGU - 1 ARMORED AND 2 INFANTRY BRIGADES.

REMAINING BRITISH FORCES ARE NORTH OF TOUNGOO AND EAST OF SITANG RIVER.*

*G-2 NOTE: 2 BRIGADES WERE REPORTED CUT-OFF EAST OF THE SITANG RIVER IN IB #39, 2/24/42.

Filed: 2/26

IB #28, 2/26 27

From: ACED (Central War Room 2/25) Journal #34, 2/27

ON 2/24 SALAMOA ATTACKED BY ONE PLANE.

NIGHT OF FEB 24-25: DARWIN BASED PLANES BOMBED AN INSTALLATION AT DILL, FINDING NO SHIPS THERE DESPITE GOOD VISIBILITY; OF 5 PLANES SENT TO ATTACK BARAUL 1 WAS LOST & 1 BOMBED LAKUMAI CAUSING A FIRE; 12 SHIPS WERE SPOTTED AT BARAUL HARBOR.

PORT MORESBY, SALAMOA & GASMATA RECONNOITERED ON 2/25. IN REGION NORTH OF TURUKA ON 2/24 WAS AN UNIDENTIFIED (BUT LIKELY TO HAVE TO DO WITH AIR) ENEMY NAVAL UNIT. UNITS OF THE 4TH JAP FLEET, PROBABLY DOING ESCORT WORK, SEEN IN AREA WHERE TWO TROOPSHIPS WERE SPOTTED ABOUT NOON 2/24 WITHIN 120 MILES OF 02° S, 155° E.

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IS #27, 2/27

From: BAKERSTON

Journal #33, 2/27

AS OF NOON 2/25 JAVA COMMAND TRANSFERRED TO DUTCH & ABDA COMMAND DISSOLVED. ALL TROOPS EQUIPPED TO FIGHT REMAIN IN JAVA WITH A MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION STRIPPED OF AS MUCH PERSONNEL AS POSSIBLE. THESE FORCES WILL BE USED FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE ISLAND. OTHER PERSONNEL ARE BEING SENT OFF TO AUSTRALIA. NOT MANY PLANES OR AIR CORPS MEN ARE LEFT, BUT ALL AIRCRAFT DESTINED FOR JAVA & WHICH HAVE BEEN HELD IN PLACE IN THE PAST FEW DAYS ARE TO PROCEED THERE AT ONCE.

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Filed: 0230 2/27

Journal #38, 2/27

From: Chungking MACMORLAND

INFORMATION SENT IN 2/18 PRESENTLY INDICATED AS EXAGGERATED. CHINESE G-2 & AIR HQ. GIVE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: THE ARRIVAL OF HOSTILE TROOPS AT YOYANG HAS BEEN DENIED. IT IS NOW KNOWN THAT FRESH TROOPS GETTING TO HANKOO ARE PUPPETS & REPLACEMENTS. AT THIS TIME IT APPEARS THAT ANOTHER ATTACK ON CHANGSHA IS NOT IN PROCESS.

THERE HAS BEEN OF LATE AN INCREASE IN NUMBER OF PLANES AT HANKOW WHERE THERE ARE PRESENTLY 260, OF WHICH 60 ARE BOMBERS. A NEW OFFENSIVE MAY BE INDICATED BY CHANGE IN AIRCRAFT CALL SIGNAL, AT LEAST SUCH HAS BEEN AN INDICATION IN THE PAST.

Filed: 23:19 2/27

Journal #39, 2/27

From: Melbourne BRETT

SS QUEEN IS SCHEDULED TO GET TO AUSTRALIA SOMETIME IN THE MIDDLE OR LATTER PART OF THE MONTH OF MARCH. SHE WILL HAVE A BIG COMPLIMENT OF TROOPS. THIS INFORMATION COMES FROM AUSTRALIAN NAVAL HQS.

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Journal #16, 2/28

From: USN F 111 (WPD)

REPORT OF SINKING OF SS. VALPARAISO IS IN ERROR, THE
SUNK SHIP'S IDENTITY BEING SINCE ESTABLISHED AS THE
SS RESOR.

Filed: 1:20 p.m. 2/28

Journal #27, 2/28

From: G-2 HTO, G-2 GHQ (GHQ) WATKINS

THE 4-STACKED DESTROYER, USS JACOB JONES, WAS TORPEDOED
& SUNK PRIOR TO 1612 GMT FEB 28 AT POSITION 38 37' N
74° 32' W. 12 SURVIVORS REPORTED. REPORT FROM N.O.B.
NORFOLK THROUGH CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR.

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PACIFIC THEATER

Filed: 2/28

Journal #11, 2/28

From: USN

CURRENT NAVAL ENGAGEMENT IN JAVA SEA INVOLVES FOLLOWING SHIPS:

ALLIED: 5 CRUISERS & 10 DESTROYERS.

JAPANESE: 9 CRUISERS, 21 DESTROYERS & 40 MISCELLANEOUS SHIPS.

SO FAR 1 ENEMY CRUISER & 3 DESTROYERS OUT OF ACTION.

1 ALLIED DESTROYER SUNK, 1 CRUISER BADLY DAMAGED & RETURNING TO PORT. FULL REPORT LATER.

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AMERICA #1

Filed: 2/26/42, 10:45 A.

Journal #41, 2/26

HAVANA

From: Cummings, Havana

I.B. #26, 2/26

APPOINTMENT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE AND MINISTER OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCED.

Filed: 2/26/42, 12:27 P.

Journal #47, 2/26

CBC thru OHQ

From: CBC thru OHQ

FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED BY DUTCH GOVERNOR AT CURACAO FROM DUTCH GOVERNOR AT ST. MARTIN AT 1800 GMT, FEB. 24: "FRENCH ADMIRAL ROBERT DEPARTED ON THE BANFLOR HEAVILY ARMED FROM ST. MARTIN. HE TOOK 14 BARRELS OF GASOLINE".

KIRKWOOD

4:00 P.M.
2/26/42
TO
4:00 P.M.
2/27/42

✓ Filed: 2/26/42, 1:33 P.

Journal #52, 2/26

CHILE

From: Baker, Santiago, Chile

I.B. #48, 2/26

DEPARTURE OF QUESTIONABLE GROUP (JAP, ITALIAN, GERMAN AND CHILEAN) FOR BUENOS AIRES NOTED.

Filed: 2/26/42, 12:30 P.

Journal #52, 2/26

MEXICO CITY

From: Weeks, Mexico City

I.B. 49, 2/26

CHILEAN BOAT RANGAGUA CARRIES CARGO OF MUNITIONS FOR SUBVERSIVE SUSPECT IN MEXICO. REPORT FROM SOURCE OF UNKNOWN RELIABILITY. WASHINGTON AND CO, CDC HAVE BEEN INFORMED.

From: Kirkwood - Canal Zone

Journal #1, 2/27/42

KIRKWOOD

Filed: 2/26/42, 7:06 P

CANAL ZONE

SUB SIGHTED 3 MILES OFF PARQUERA, PORTO RICO 1615 G.C.T., 2/26.

From: Andino - Costa Rica

Journal #8, 2/27/42

ANDINO

Filed: 2/26/42, 5:50 P.M.

I.B. #7, 2/27/42

COSTA RICO

SANTA ANA AIRPORT, NEAR SAN JOSE, OWNED BY NIEHAUS (GERMAN) CONFISCATED BY GOVERNMENT, NOW GUARDED.

ALSO TRUCKS AND MOTOR CYCLES OF AXIS CITIZENS CONFISCATED.

From: Caffery - Rio Via St.

Journal #9, 2/27/42

CAFFERY

Filed: 2/26/42, 1:00 P

RIO

ESCAPE ATTEMPTED BY SEVERAL MEN SAID TO BE OF FORMER CREW OF CHAF SPEE IN SMALL FISHING VESSEL WELL SUPPLIED WITH GAS ARRESTED.

Via St. Dept

From: Leahy - Vichy Via St.

Journal #10, 2/27/42

LEAHY

Filed: 2/26/42, 3:00 P.M.

VICHY

INFORMATION REGARDING ENTRANCE OF GERMAN SUB INTO FORT DE FRANCE ON FEB. 21 INDICATES A YOUNG OFFICER WAS LANDED FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION REQUIRING AN AMPUTATION. THE INSISTENCE ON PROCURING ADEQUATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROBABLY EXPLAINED BY FACT THAT THE PATIENT IS THE SON OF A HIGH OFFICIAL IN THE GERMAN ADMIRALTY.

VIA ST. DEPT

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LATIN AMERICAN PRESS

From: Linthicum - Pernambuco Journal #13, 2/27/42

Filed: Undated - Rec'd 2/26, 9:24 P

ADVISE IMMEDIATE STATEMENT AS TO STATUS OF 12 AIR
PLANES SCHEDULED DELIVERY TO BRAZIL.

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ATLANTIC #1

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Journal #38, 2/26

N.T.O. thru GRC

From: G-2 N.T.O. thru GRC

PAA CLIPPER SIGHTED SUB FEAR 26 AT 25°23' N - 75°27' W
AT 1430 GMT.ARMY PLANE FROM SOUTHERN SECTOR SIGHTED SUB 4 MI OFF
PALM BEACH, FLA AT 1445 GMT.SUB REPORTED BY S.S.O. N.T.O. LAST NIGHT NOW IDENTIFIED
AS SS CARPENTER OFF FT. PIERCE, FLA.NOB, KEY WEST, FLA. SOUND CONTACT INDICATED SUB AT
24°20' N. 81°28' W ABOUT 1440 GMT.

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Journal #49, 2/26

1st ARMY

From: 1st Army thru G2 Field Forces

thru GRC

FEAR 26, Second "SUBS SIGHTED" MESSAGE: AT 1615 GMT.
AT 24°22' N - 75°16' W, REPORTED AS RADIO INTERCEPT BY
CHESAPEAKE SECTOR FROM SS TEXAS SUB.ANOTHER 1430 GMT AT 13°25' N - 63°15' W, IT WAS
ATTACHED BY PATROL PLANE, RESULT UNKNOWN. THIS REPORTED
BY KEY WEST.NOB AS RADIO INTERCEPT, PICKED UP FROM SAN JUAN NAVAL
RADIO.

WATKINS

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Journal #60, 2/26

1st Army

From: 1st Army, G-2 Field Force,

Thru GRC

MESSAGE RELAYED THIS HQ FROM 1st INTERCEPTOR COM.
INTERCEPTOR COM. MOON: "HIOBI SUBMARINE 35°21' N - 71°27'
W" 1st I.C. TRANSMITTED MESSAGE TO US 5:45 P. SAME MESSAGE
RELAYED US 6:04 P. BY CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR. SAME MESSAGE
RELAYED 6:07 P. BY CAPT. COLBY ADDRESS 90 CHURCH ST. WITH
ADDED MESSAGE THAT FCC ASKED IF TORPEDOED, ANSWER WAS
"NO, JUST SIGHTED SUB AT 5:44 P. EWT."

ACTING G-2 N.T.O.

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LONDON

From: Chaney, London.

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1st Army

From: 1st Army to G2 Field Force

thru GRC

LT THOMPSON AT 7:40 P SENT FOLLOWING FROM 90 CHURCH ST
ST: "IT IS REPORTED BY 50th GROUP AIR SUPPORT THAT AT
1820 AT 29°10' N - 72°45' W AN AUXILIARY, COURSE 140°
13 KNOTS, DOUBTFUL IDENTITY, NO ARMAMENT AND NO ACTIVITY
OBSERVED. LOOKS LIKE CONVERTED GRAY YACHT: 1 STACK,
200 FT. LONG; 50 FT. BEAM, DID NOT REPLY TO RECOGNITION".
NAVAL LIAISON, 90 CHURCH ST. TURNED IT OVER TO NAVY.

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From: Chaney, London

VERMONT AND FLUORSPOR HAVE SAILED FOR THE US.

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From: Chaney - London

Journal #18, 2/27/42

CHANAY
LONDON

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CONDITIONS IN HALIFAX BAD FOR AMERICAN TRANSIENTS.
STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN AT ONCE IF THAT PORT IS TO BE
USED FOR U.S. CASUALS. HOUSING AND MESSING NOT ADE-
QUATE. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HANDLING TRANSIENTS MADE.

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From: Watkins - ETO

Journal #21, 2/27/42

WATKINS
ETO

Filed: 2/27/42, 2:34 A

SUB SIGHTED 25 MILES OFF E. HAMPTON, N.Y. 0005 EWT.
TANKER TORPEDOED AND BURNING 5 MILES OFF (BEARING 95°)
Sea Gert, N.J. Small boat from this vessel landed at
BRADLEY BEACH.

From: Watkins - ETO

Journal #20, 2/27/42

WATKINS
ETO

Filed: 2/27/42, 1:17 A

PLANES SIGHTS SURFACED SUB AT 40°50' N - 70°30' W
1430 EWT.

From: Watkins - ETO

Journal #19, 2/27/42

WATKINS
ETO

Filed: 2/27/42, 1:50 A

12:55 SHIP TORPEDOED OFF SEA GIRT, N.J.
TANKER TORPEDOED 12:40 OFF PORT HANCOCK, N.J.

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Journal #32, 2/26

CAIRO

From: Fellers, Cairo

SIBIRARRANI AIRBORNE GROUND STRAPPED BY 4 MELO'S.
5 BOMBERS DAMAGED ON GROUND; PLANE WERE NOT DISPERSED,
ONLY 40 YDS APART. NO DEFENSE FROM GROUND WAS OFFERED
ATTACKING PLANE. OTHER EXAMPLES OF FAILURE TO DISPERSE
PLANE WERE NOTED IN SIBIRARRANI AREA. ME 109'S BEING
USED AS BOMBERS, CARRYING 1 550 LB. BOMB OR 4 110 LB.
BOMBS. BOMB FROM HIGH ALTITUDE AND THEN ATTACK BY PLANE
ON THEIR CLING TO MEET THEM; VERY EFFECTIVE TECHNIQUE.

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Journal #40, 2/26

LONDON

From: McClure, London

I.B. #35, 2/26

6 MI SE OF THIRI BRIT. PATROL INFLECTED NUMBER OF
CASUALTIES ON HENNY. SAND STORMS BLOCKED FURTHER
OPERATIONS UNTIL 25TH.

122ND ITALIAN ARMED DIV. AND 101ST MOTORIZED HAVE BEEN
FORMED INTO MOBILE COMPS. OTHER TO BE FORMED. W.O.
OPINION IS THAT CONVOY PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED CARRIED GERM
TANKS PLUS NORMAL SUPPLIES; NOT REMAINDER OF ARMED DIV.
123 RD ITALIAN.

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Journal #46, 2/26

War Office No 5

From: War Office NO 5.

I.B. 37, 2/26

3 HENNY COLUMNS ADVANCED WITH SOME 100 TANKS ON
POSITION HELD BY 13 COMPS. SEVERAL HENNY AIR LOSSES, BUT
ADVANCE CONTINUED UNTIL MORNING OF 16TH WHEN COLUMNS
TURNED AND WITHDREW TO FORMER AREAS NW OF HUKILL.
THIRI LINE. HAVE NOT MOVED SINCE.

AUCHINCLOSS SUGGESTS MAY HAVE BEEN ATTEMPT TO BREAK
THRU TO TORUK rec. in force; or ATTACK OUR FORCES ON
HIS TERMS AFTER NOTICING THEM OUT BEYOND SUPPORT FROM
GALALA. WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT HEAVY ENGAGEMENT HARD TO
EXPLAIN, HOWEVER, MOVEMENT OF MT AND TANKS SOUTH TO
THIRI FROM MANTERA OBSERVED.

(8 LINES INDECIIPHERABLE HERE) PLANS FOR RESUMPTION OF
OF OFFENSIVE BY 6TH ARMY, UPON GAINING TANK SUPERIORITY,
MAY BE MODIFIED BY EQUIPMENT BEING SENT RUSSIA AND
INDIA.

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TANGIER

From: Edwards, Tangier

I.B. #60, 2/26

SITUATION UNCHANGED.

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Summary of Important Official Messages

MEMORANDUM

From: Legge - Bern
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Journal #3, 2/27/42
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LEGG
BERN

GERMAN AND ITALIAN UNITS ARE BEING SHIFTED TO GREECE-CYPRUS-RODES. PREPARATIONS INCREASING FOR E. MEDITERRANEAN OFFENSIVE. BULGARIA STILL RECEIVING MATERIALS.

3500-3000 GERMAN PLANES IN MEDITERRANEAN, IS MY BELIEF. OTHER SOURCES INSIST MAXIMUM IS 1500.

From: Fellers - Cairo
Filed: 2/25/42, 2340

Journal #4, 2/27/42
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FELLERS
CAIRO

2/19 AREA ABOUT MARTHA BELIEVED TO HAVE 1 GERMAN ARMORED CORPS.

BINTENAD 30 TANKS OBSERVED.

MECHILI 1500 VEHICLES SIGHTED.

GIOVANNINETA CONSIDERABLE MOVEMENT TOWARD MECHILI.

FRIENDLY ARABS ASSISTED 200 BRIT. TROOPS TO REACH BRIT. LINES (HAVING BEEN CUT OFF). THEY CONSIDER THE GER. AS THIN ON THE GROUND. LITTLE VEHICULAR OR INF. MOVEMENT OBSERVED. TANKS IDENTIFIED AT MECHILI AS ITALIAN BUT ARABS SAY ALL TROOPS THERE ARE GER.

BENHAZI HARBOR ENTRANCE MINED BY BRIT. AND DENY USE OF HARBOR WITH SUBS. NO AXIS MARINE ACTIVITIES EAST OF

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BENHAZI AND NO MARKED AIR ACTIVITIES.

LINE OF BATTLE

GAZALA-BELOEFF 1st S. AFRICAN DIV. LESS 2D 25TH BRIG. ATTACHED SOUTH TO GHEBELUSCHICA 4TH INDIAN DIV. LESS 7TH BRIG. WITH 150TH BRIG. ATTACHED.

CHERUSA GUARD BRIG. WITH MOBILE COLUMNS.

SQUARE 36-41 2D ARMORED BRIG.

ETRIHALHAS 2D S. AFRICAN BRIG.

EL ADEN 5TH NEW ZEALAND BRIG.

TORUK 38TH BRIG.

BHACHEM (DETACHED POST) FREE FRENCH BRIG.

CAPPUZO - RAILROAD TO THIS POINT COMPLETED.

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BRITISH LOSSES DURING WITHDRAWAL

25 POUNDERS	36
2 POUNDERS	40
BOFORS	40
VEHICLES	1000
PERSONNEL	NOT HEAVY

ALL BRIT. HQ. STREAMLINED BY SETTING UP SMALL BATTLE HQ.

13 CORPS INTELLIGENCE PUZZLED AS TO NEXT MOVE OF ROMEL. PROBABLY HE HOPED BRIT. WOULD MAKE A FALSE MOVE & UNTIL REINFORCED WILL NOT MAKE ATTACK AGAINST A STRONG POSITION.

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BRIT. SUPPLY SITUATION NOW GOOD, BUT ARRIVAL OF 4TH ARMORED BRIG. NECESSARY FOR OFFENSIVE ACTION.

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MIDDLE EAST # 3

From: Fellers - Cairo

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FELLERS

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CAIRO

RUSSIANS HAVE IN THE BLACK SEA (LATE 1941 FIGURES)

1 MODERNIZED BATTLESHIP

5 CRUISERS (2 NEW OF 7000 TONS)

28 DESTROYERS

50 SUBMARINES

60 TORPEDO THROWING BOATS

1 AIRCRAFT CARRIER (MODERN) WITH 38 PLANES.

POPOVICH RECEIVED THIS INFORMATION FROM RUSSIA THROUGH
THE SOVIET LEGATION AT ISTANBUL.

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LONDON

From: Chaney, London

INSTRUCTIONS AND DRAWINGS OF MODIFIED COMPASS BUREAU
ORDNANCE FROM UK

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Journal #37, 2/26

LONDON

From: Chaney, London

EXPERIENCED STATISTICIAN NEEDED FOR AIR FORCE WORK.

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LONDON

From: Chaney, London

INQUIRY IF CERTAIN AIRPLANE PROPELLERS HAVE BEEN
SHIPPED.

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Journal #39, 2/26

LONDON

From: Chaney, London

COMPLIANCE WITH PREVIOUS ORDER DIFFICULT DUE TO BRIT.
INSISTANCE ON FINANCIAL PROCEDURE.

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Journal #56, 2/26

LONDON

From: Chaney, London

SERIAL NUMBER OF PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FOR BARRACKS
NEEDED.

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Journal #59, 2/26

LONDON

From: Chaney, London

INQUIRY CONCERNING FINANCES OF ORDNANCE AND OTHER
PROCUREMENTS.

From: Eager - Madrid

Journal #2, 2/27/42

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MADRID

REFER TO CABLE TO ST. DEPT. CONCERNING CANARY
ISLANDS.

From: Shipp - Lisbon

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SHIPP

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I.B. #5, 2/27/42

LISBON

300 HISPANO-SUIZA MOTORS ORDERED (750 H.P.-350 MILES
PER HOUR) NEW SPARE PART AIRPLANE FACTORY BEING BUILT
NEAR MADRID EMPLOYING 1000.PORTUGUESE FRONTIER BEING REINFORCED AS BEFORE, ES-
PECIALLY CADIZ-MUELVA (REASON, TO PREVENT ARMS SMUGGLING
AND BRIT. MOVEMENT.) WIDENING ROAD ALONG PORT BORDER.CLAIM PORTUGUESE DESIRE TO REMAIN NEUTRAL EMPHASIZED
TO FRANCO BY SALAZAR.

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WESTERN EUROPE # 2

From: Leahy - Vichy
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NO CHANGE.

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LEAHY
VICHY

From: Johnson - Stockholm
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Journal #12, 2/27/42

JOHNSON
STOCKHOLM

LEAK WASHINGTON TO BERLIN (PROBABLY RADIO) SHOWN IN
FACT JAP LEGATIONS RECEIVED FROM BERLIN JAN. DISTRI-
BUTIONS OF JAP ARMY AND U.S. ARMY IN ANCD AREA. BERLIN
INDICATED INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED FROM WASHINGTON.

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EASTERN EUROPE #1

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LONDON

From: McClure, London

INCREASED ATTACKS ON SHIPPING BY AIR TORPEDO PLANES ALONG
ARCTIC SEA ROUTE AND IN BLACK SEA EXPECTED BY AIR MINISTRY
ESTIMATE OF AVAILABILITY OF RAF FOR AIR TORPEDO ATTACKS AS
OF MARCH 1: 20 WEST FRONT, 25 NORWAY, 10 BLACK SEA, 20
MEDITERRANEAN, TO WEST FRONT, 20

AS OF AUGUST 1: 20 NORWAY, 40 MED., TO WEST FRONT, 20 BLACK
SEA, 200 PLANES. TOTAL BY END OF YEAR IS ESTIMATE. 20 217'S
MAY BE USED FOR THIS WORK.

WEST FRONT BASES ARE FROM BORDAUX TO TROEDHEIM; NORWAY
BASES NORTH CAPE DOWN TO TROEDHEIM.

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Journal #21, 2/26

ARMINDIA

From: Armindia

LOCATIONS AND TYPES OF PLANES IN RAF IN INDIA AND
INDIAN AIR FORCE. ALSO FLIGHTS BY INDIAN AIR FORCE.

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WDC thru GHQ

From: G-2 WDC Thru GHQ

RECURSIVE INQUIRY WAS CONDUCTED BY COMMANDING GEN. 4th
AIR FORCE IN LOS ANGELES YESTERDAY DURING WHICH 20 HIR
WITNESSES OF ANTI-AIRCRAFT ACTION EARLY ON MORNING 26 FEBR.
WERE MINUTELY EXAMINED. RESULTS SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS:
(1) PRESENCE OF FROM 1 to 5 UNIDENTIFIED AIR PLANES IN
AIR OVER LOS ANGELES ARE INDICATED. (2) IDENTITY OF AIR PLANE
PLANES NOT YET DETERMINED. THERE STILL EXISTS POSSIBILITY TH
THAT THEY WERE OF COMMERCIAL TYPE BASED ON INTERIOR CALIF.
VALLEYS OR MEXICAN. SEVERAL REPORTS OF EXISTENCE OF SUCH
PLANES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND INVESTIGATED WITH NEGATIVE
RESULTS. THERE EXISTS ALSO POSSIBILITY THAT ONE OR MORE
MAY HAVE BEEN LAUNCHED FROM JAP I TYPE SUBMARINE OR SUBS
BELIEVED TO BE OPERATING OFF PACIFIC COAST. THIS THEORY
IS LARGELY DISCOUNTED BY FACT THAT AIR PLANES CARRIED BY
SUBS HAVE INSUFFICIENT POWER TO REACH ELEVATIONS REPORTED.

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ANOTHER CONCLUSION AS GIVEN IN OUR 201 PERIODIC 25 FEBR
THERE IS NO CHANGE. ACCORDING TO REPORT OF OUR LIAISON
OFFICER OPINION OF 11th NAVAL DISTRICT REGARDING PRESENCE O
OF PLANES REMAINS UNCHANGED. THIS OPINION WAS SIMILAR TO
SEC'T KNOX'S STATEMENT APPEARING IN THE PRESS.

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LONDON

From: ALHMA, London

I.B. #61, 2/26

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION AND SUGGESTED COUNTER MEASURES
REGARDING JAP RADIO TECHNIQUES AND NAVIGATIONAL AIDS FOR
BLIND BOMBING.

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Journal #42, 2/26

MACARTHUR

From: MacArthur, Ft. Mills.

I.B. #60, 2/26

WILL TRY TO DISPATCH WOUNDED OFFICER WITH ADEQUATE
QUALIFICATION IF AFFORDABLE OPPORTUNITY ARISES. NO
EVASION YET ON ANY COMBAT OFFICER.

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Journal #61, 2/26

Melbourne

From: Harleworth, Melbourne

I.B. #47, 2/26

CASUALTY ATTACKED BY UNREPORTED NUMBER OF FLY'S &
BOMBERS FROM MORNING HIGH 26-27. RECO. BY 1 FLY TO THOR-
ALAND, BOSSEL & SHUTLAND IS. ROUTINE ABST. COAST PATROLS
2 HEAVY BOMBERS ON RECO. OVER DARWIN AT 0104, 26TH.
BARREL ATTACKED BY 2 FLY'S FROM MORNING HIGH OF 26-28
DROPPED BOMBS ON AIRCRAFT REWARDS, 2 HEAVY PLANES DESTROYED,
FIRE STARTED.

URGENT AIR RAID YESTERDAY WAS FALSE ALARM.
THIRD RECO. BY 2 HEAVY NAVAL BOMBERS WAS MADE. 1
FIGHTER MADE FUWILE INTERCEPTION DURING BARREL ATTACK
YESTERDAY. FURTHER HEAVY ACTIVITY SLIGHT.

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From: ONI

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MINIMUM ESTIMATE OF JAP NAVAL LOSSES:

	<u>DESTROYED</u>	<u>DAMAGED</u>
Battleships	1	4
Cruisers	6	25
Destroyers	9	15
Seaplane tenders	-	2
Minesweepers	1	1
Submarines	1	-
TOTAL WAR VESSELS	18	47
"Transports"	28	42
"Ships"	24	21
"Auxiliaries"	-	4
Tankers	5	1
TOTAL MISC. VESSELS	60	68
TOTAL	78	115

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	<u>SUNK</u>	<u>PROBABLY SUNK</u>	<u>BADLY DAMAGED</u>
CRUISERS	-	2	5
DESTROYERS	2		3
SUBMARINES	2		
TRANSPORTS	10		
TANKERS	3		
SUPPLY VESSELS	1		

Information from Netherlands Legation at Wash.

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MELBOURNE

From: Harlesmith, Melbourne

I.B. 31, 2/26

ON FEBR 26 TWO MIL. TRANSPORTS REPORTED 300 MILES NE OF NEW IRELAND. UNKNOWN NUMBER OF UNITS OF FOURTH FLEET SAID TO BE ESCORTING TRANSPORTS. OUR TASK FORCE ELEVEN IS LEAVING AREA 0930 -2 -25.

ROUTINE PATROLS OF AUSTRALIAN COAST SHOWS: ELEVEN JAP AIRCRAFT BUT TYPE NOT REPORTED. AIRCRAFT IN TRANSIT OVER BUNA RE COAST PAPUA AT 0336 FEB 24, 1 PLANE TYPE NOT REPORTED OVER HAHNU 0755 FEB. 24.

MORSEY REPORTED AIR RAIDED 0130 FEBR 25. SALAMAUA ATTACKED BY ONE TWIN ENGINE PLANE 0325 FEBR. 24.

1 B-24 FROM SUVA DIRECT LINE FLIGHT TO TOWNSVILLE. ON FEB 24 AN UNREPORTED NUMBER OF HUDSONS RETURNED FROM TINGA. THE REPORTED SIGHTING OF A SHIP S OF SUVA WAS INVESTIGATED FROM SINGAPORE FLYING BOAT WITHOUT RESULTS. 3 NEW ZEALAND HUDSONS FROM SUVA MADE A FAN SHAPED PATROL OF

I.B. #31, 2/26 Contd.

OF 300 MILES. 2 HUDSONS FROM MORSEY PATROL AREA TO SE OF BASS. BASS. A SEARCH MADE NW OF DARWIN TO NORTHWESTERN TIP OF TIMOR AND THEN N TO TANIMBAR ISLAND AND RETURN TO BASS BY ONE HUDSON FROM DARWIN.

AS TO THE MORSEY RAID REPORTED FEBR. 24 THE TOTAL AIRCRAFT INVOLVED WAS 14 OF WHICH 9 TYPE 96 HEAVY BOMBERS AND 5 FIGHTERS. SEVERAL BUILDINGS AND VEHICLES AND 40 DRUMS PETROL WERE DESTROYED IN ADDITION TO THE DAMAGE REPORTED YESTERDAY. THE RUNWAYS WERE NOT DAMAGED BUT LARGE NUMBER OF BOMB CRATERS. NO REPORT RECEIVED AS YET AS TO BAAF ACTIVITY. NEW ZEALAND AIR ACTIVITY IN MANDATES ON FEBR. 24 CONSISTED OF RECOGN SALAMAUA, GASMATA, THORRIAND ISLAND BY ONE HUDSON FROM MORSEY.

REVISED FIGURES ON THE DARWIN RAID FEBR 19 SHOW: IN FIRST ATTACK THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 89 PLANES INCLUDING 17 TYPE 97 HEAVY BOMBERS, 54 TYPE 99 DIVE BOMBERS, 18 TYPE

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0 FIGHTERS AND 100. IN THE SECOND ATTACK THERE WAS TOTAL OF TOTAL OF 54 PLANES IN TWO FORMATIONS OF 27 TYPE 97 HEAVY BOMBERS EACH.

THE FOLLOWING SIGHTINGS HAVE BEEN MADE: 7 SHIPS AT DILLI INCLUDING 1 TRANSPORT, 1 AIRCRAFT CARRIER, 2 CRUISERS AND 3 DESTROYERS. DILLI IS ON FIRE. RE THE ATTACK ON RAMMEL YESTERDAY BY B-17'S THERE WAS ATTEMPT AT INTERCEPTION BY 10 TYPE 0 FIGHTERS AGAINST 1 PLANE AND 9 TYPE 0 FIGHTERS AGAINST ANOTHER RESULTING IN MINOR DAMAGE TO BOTH PLANES AND ONE KNOWN CASUALTY. ON NIGHT OF FEB. 24 3 CATALINAS FROM MORRISY ATTACKED RAMMEL BUT ONLY ONE DROPPED BOMBS WHICH SET FIRE TO AIRCRAFT. THE SECOND PLANE DEVELOPED ENGINE TROUBLE JETTISONED ITS BOMBS AND RETURNED TO BASE. THE THIRD PLANE IS MISSING AND PRESUMED LOST. NO AA FIRE OR ENEMY INTERCEPTION WAS ENCOUNTERED.

I.B. #51, 2/26 CONT.

12 SHIPS SEEN IN HARBOR. MISSING B-17 WAS LOCATED BY THE SEARCH REPORTED YESTERDAY. PLANE BADLY DAMAGED AND NO SIGN OF CREW.

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Journal #57, 2/26

FT. RICHARDSON.

From: Buckner, Ft. Richardson

REPORT OF STATUS AND LOCATION OF AIRCRAFT IN ALASKA
(SAME POSTED YESTERDAY)

Filed: 2/26/42, 3:58 P.

Journal #60, 2/26

Ft. Shafter

From: Emons, Ft. Shafter

REQUEST NUMBER OF HOSPITAL INSTALLATIONS AND
AMBULANCES TO BE SENT TO PANTAN.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills

Journal #5, 2/27/42

MACARTHUR

Filed: 2/27/42, 0055

FT. MILLS

ENEMY REACTION PASSIVE IN BATAAN EXCEPT AIR AND LONG
RANGE ARTY.

ENEMY CONTACT ON NIGHT INDECISIVE.

JAP SUPPLY LINE PROBABLY SHIFTED TO ZAMBALES COAST
FROM LUZON VALLEY. CAVITE SHORE HAS NOT RESPONDED TO OUR
FIRE FOR 4 DAYS.

OTHER FRONTS NO CHANGE.

From: PRO - Ft. Mills

Journal #14, 2/27/42

FT. MILLS

Filed: 2/27/42, 0130

PRO

PRESS RELEASE FOR FEB. 27. ON THE LEFT THE ENEMY RE-
ACTED WITH LIGHT BOMBARDMENT AND HARASSING FIRE. ON
THE RIGHT OUR PATROLS KEPT PUSHING INTO THE ENEMY FOR-
FRONT WITH SHARP ENCOUNTERS AT SEVERAL POINTS. THE EN-
EMY FORCES HAVE FOR THE IMMEDIATE PRESENT DEFINITELY
GIVEN UP THE ATTACK.

JAPANESE BROADCASTS CLAIM VIRTUOUSLY THAT THEIR TROOPS
PAY FOR EVERYTHING THEY REQUISITION-BUT THEY NEVER MENTION
THAT THE PAYMENT IS IN WORTHLESS BILLS AND THAT COMMODITY
PRICES ARE MANIPULATED AT WILL. IN THE COUNTRY THEY PAY
FORTY CENTS FOR A SIX DOLLAR HOG AND TEN CENTS AS WAGES
FOR A DAY LABORER. EVERYTHING ELSE IS PROPORTIONAL.

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From: Brett - Melbourne

Journal #15, 2/27/42

BRETT
MELBOURNE

Filed: 2/27/42, 1235

MACARTHUR REQUEST FOR 10,000 H.E. SHELL FOR 3 IN.

A.A. GUN WAS COVERED BY 10,000 SHIPPED FROM N.E.I. ON

FLORENCE D. THIS LOST ENROUTE.

SUGGEST SHIPPING 20,000 TO REPLACE.

From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter

Journal #16, 2/27/42

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

Filed: 2/26/42, 7:15 P

ACTIVITIES MIDNIGHT 2/20 - 2/25 MIDNIGHT

LAND - NO CHANCE

SUB - CONTINUING

CONCLUSIONS - SAME.

From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter

Journal #17, 2/27/42

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

Filed: 2/26/42, 10:46 A

\$12,000 NEEDED TO COVER NATIONAL CENSORSHIP OBLIGA-
TIONS UNTIL MARCH 16.

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FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO I.B.# 9 2/25
FILED: 8:55 p.m. 2/24 Journal # 45 2/25
37 MM GUN WILL PENETRATE ALL ARMOR, BUT HAS SHORTER RANGE THAN ANTI-TANK GUNS OR AXIS TANK ARMAMENT WHICH MUST BE CORRECTED.

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO I.B.# 42
FILED: 2055 2/24 Journal # 59 2/25
INFORMATION ON 2ND CAIRO BRIGADE:
TANKS MODIFIED FOR DESERT OPERATIONS: AIR CLEANER OF MORE EFFICIENT TYPE, SAND GUARD, SUN COMPASSES AND BRACKETS ALL IN INSTALLED, SUSPENSION ARMS STRENGTHENED TO WITHSTAND ROCKY GROUND.

ARTY SUPPORT ONLY 50 % EFFICIENT DUE TO LACK OF TRAINING WITH TANK BRIG. BRIGADE NEVER HAD AIR SUPPORT NOR WAS THERE MEANS OF COMMUNICATING TO THE AIR WITHIN BRIG. MINIMUM DELAY BEFORE RESULTS OF AIR RECONNAISSANCE WAS RECEIVED 2 HOURS.

AIR SUPPORT VITAL, BUT COMBINED TRAINING & UNITY OF COMMAND NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE IT ARE LACKING IN OPINION OF GROUND COMMANDERS, AND THUS THEY DO NOT EXPECT IT.

BRIGADE FOUGHT AS DETACHMENT, NEVER AS A WHOLE, AND HAD NO TRAINING IN DESERT OPERATIONS EXCEPT THAT OBTAINED

I.B.# 42 Journal # 59 2/25

ON MARCH FROM NILE DELTA TO MSUS. NO UNIT TRAINING IN ENGLAND.

EXPERIENCED OFFICERS AGREE A MINIMUM OF 3 MONTHS INTENSIVE TRAINING ESSENTIAL.

FELLERS, CAIRO I.B.# 34
FILED: 2055 2/24 Journal # 50 2/25

NO AIR REINFORCEMENTS HAVE ARRIVED IN MALTA SINCE FEB. 12. THE FOLLOWING BRIT AIRCRAFT IN MALTA AS OF FEB. 12:

ONE SQUADRON OF MOSQUITOS, 9 AIRCRAFT, SIX SERVICEABLE, SUNDERLAND, MAGISTER & FULMER, 4 AIRCRAFT, NONE SERVICEABLE

ONE SQUADRON OF ALBACORES, 8 AIRCRAFT, 5 SERVICEABLE
ONE SQUADRON OF SWORD FISH, 13 AIRCRAFT, 5 serviceable
ONE SQUADRON OF WELLINGTON, 20 AIRCRAFT, 10 serviceable
ONE SQUADRON OF BLENHEIM FOUR, 12 AIRCRAFT, 7 SERVICEABLE.
TWO SQUADRONS OF HURRICANES ONE, NONE SERVICEABLE.
SIX SQUADRONS OF HURRICANES TWO, 64 AIRCRAFT, 20 SERVICEABLE

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FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON I.B.# 41
FILED: 8:08 p.m. 2/26 Journal # 60 2/26

ORDER OF BATTLE NOT CHANGED AS TO EITHER SIDE IN LIBYA.
A SMALL FORCE OF ENEMY WITH TANKS WAS ENCOUNTERED BY BRIT
PATROL BETWEEN TMIMI & EL EZZENAT ON FEB 23, BUT
ENEMY WITHDREW. THE LARGE CONCENTRATION OF ENEMY MOTOR
TRANSPORT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN THE MANTUBA AREA HAS NOT
MOVED. THE GERM ARMORED & INF. COLUMNS WHICH WE REPORTED
ON FEB 24 AS MOVING TOWARD GAZALA DISCONTINUED ADVANCE
NORTH OF TMIMI ON FEB 23 & STILL THERE ACCORDING TO LAST
REPORT.

THE AXIS IS NOW ABLE TO REINFORCE TRIPOLI & LIBYA AT
WILL. THIS IS SHOWN BY FACT THAT AXIS CONVOY WHICH WE
REPORTED FEB 24 AS LEAVING TRIPOLI, DID ARRIVE THERE WITH-
OUT INTERFERENCE FROM BRIT. THIS ACCOMPLISHED BECAUSE OF
COORDINATED AXIS AIR ATTACK ON MALTA, PRESENT WEAKNESS OF
BRIT FLEET IN MEDIT, & FACT THAT AIR BASED LIBYA & EGYPT

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IS OUT OF RANGE.

FROM: PELLERS, CAIRO

FILED: 2100 2/24

I.B.# 55 Journal # 62 2/25

IN DECEMBER, THE BRIT SANK 43,000 TONS OF AXIS SHIPPING
BY SUBMARINE, 12,000 TONS BY SURFACE CRAFT & 9,900 TONS
BY AIRCRAFT IN THE MEDIT.

IN JANUARY, THEY SANK 22,000 TONS BY SUBMARINE, 22,000
TONS BY AIRCRAFT & NONE BY SURFACE CRAFT. THE INCREASE
IN AXIS AIR POWER OVER EASTERN MEDIT ACCOUNTED FOR THE
DECREASE IN TONNAGE SUNK & THE INABILITY OF BRIT SURFACE
CRAFT TO ACCOUNT FOR ANY SINKINGS.

UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN REPORTED OVER ALEXANDRIA
AREA RECENTLY.

RAID ON MALTA: BANGAR AT KALAFRANA WAS SEVERELY DAMAGED.
FOUR ALERTS NIGHT OF FEB 20-21. FIVE SAIDENS ATTACKED
LUQA ON FEB 20. 33 ME 109's & JU 88's ATTACKED ON FEB
21. CONTINUOUS INTRUDER RAIDS ON NIGHT FEB. 21-22, &

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14 PLANES BOMBED MALFA. ON FEB 22, 95 ME 109's & JU 88's.
SOME OF THEM CAMOUFLAGED FOR THE DESERT, ATTACKED THE
MALFA, LUQA, TAKALI, AIRDROMES & SEVERAL BRIT PLANES
WERE DESTROYED. LATER ATTACKS DESTROYED 2 WELLINGTONS.

FROM: MAXWELL, CAIRO JOURNAL # 64 2/25
FILED: 2/25

DEPARTING FOR PORT SUDAN AND VICINITY WITH ENGINEERS TO
STUDY SOUTHERN ROUTE AND FINISH PLANS. ENGINEERS NOW
STUDYING LAGOS AND TAKTHADI. WORK NORTHERN ROUTE WILL BE
COMPLETED BY OTHERS.

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FROM: CHIEFS OF STAFF Journal #4 2/25
FILED: 2/26

TEXT OF DUTCH C IN C JAWA TO LONDON DUTCH GOVT:
AMERICAN & BRIT ARE TOO GLOOMY. AFTER ENEMY AIR
BOMBINGS, ONLY ONE MERCHANT VESSEL HIT IN HARBOR OF PRION
& SUMBATA. TWILIGHT NOT YET ATTACKED. STRAIT OF BALI &
SUNDA STRAIT STILL OPEN. FIGHTERS CANNOT FLY FROM AUSTRAL
TO JAWA, BUT USS LONGLEY (AIRCRAFT TENDER ?) ARRIVED 27th
THIS MONTH IN AUSTRALIA & FIGHTER AIRCRAFT SHOULD GO
DIRECTLY TO JAWA.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT HMS INDOMITABLE ARRIVE. AMERICAN
BORING RES'S SHOULD FLY FROM USA OVER THE PACIFIC. IS
CHANGING FOR THESE PLANS NOW IN AUSTR. WHEN THE ANIAC FORCE
WEST OF TORRES STRAIT & THE AVAILABLE STRENGTH FOR EASTERN
FLEET AT COLOMBO, WHEN THEIR COME INTO JAWA SEA, THE PRESSURE O
ON JAWA WILL BE RELIEVED & THE JAPS WILL AT THE SAME TIME
GET A GREAT SHOCK

JOURNAL # 34 2/25 continued

2. LITTLE DAMAGE IN SUMBATA NOW BUT OCCUPATION OF AIR
FIELD AT BALI THREATENS THE FORMER. JAPS GOING FROM
BALI & EAST HARBOR TO INFILTRATE WEST ON EAST JAWA.
3. THE WESTERN JAWA MAIN LANDING NOW BEING ESTABLISHED
WITH IMPORTANT SUPPORT PROTECTIONS NEAR AMANDAS ISLANDS.
4. IT IS NOT TOO LATE, HOWEVER, GRIN DETERMINATION &
GREAT SPEED, PLUS NECESSARY. I AM CONCENTRATING
EVERYTHING IN JAWA SEA AND VICINITY & TRYING TO INSTILL
OFFENSIVE SPIRIT IN ITS MAXIMUM TO AMERICAN SUBMARINES.

FROM: M/A LISBON I.B.# 10 2/25
FILED: 1:11 a.m. 2/25 Journal # 48 2/25

G-2 THINKS JAWA CAN ONLY HOLD OUT ONE WEEK AGAINST JAP
ATTACK, UNLESS IT IS STRONGLY REINFORCED BY ALLIES. THE
JAPS WILL CAPTURE SUMBATA & ATTACK NORTHERN AUSTRALIA
AFTER THEY HAVE TAKEN JAWA. COMMUNICATION BEING INTER-
RUPTED, THERE IS NO INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PORTUGUESE
SOLDIERS THAT DEPARTED FOR TIMOR. THE TRIP REQUIRES TEN
DAYS FROM COLOMBO.

G-2 NOTE: ACTUAL OCCUPATION OF SUMBATA HAS PRECEDED
THE ATTACK ON JAWA. THE DUTCH PLAN TO CONFINE THEIR DE-
FENSE OF JAWA TO HOLDING THE SUMBATA AND RANDONG AREAS
ONLY, & ON THAT BASIS SHOULD BE ABLE TO HOLD OUT FOR SOME
TIME IN EXCESS OF ONE WEEK GIVEN IN PORTUGUESE ESTIMATE.

FROM: BARNES, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 49 2/25
FILED: 2/25

REPEAT OF PREVIOUS MESSAGE SUGGESTING BETTER METHODS
OF CRATING PLANES FOR SHIPMENT TO PHILIPPINES.

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FROM: M/A MELBOURNE
 FILED: 11:40 p.m. 2/24
JAPANESE AIR ACTIVITY.

I.B.# 11 2/25
 Journal # 43 2/25

FEBRUARY 19. JAP AIRPLANES, THEIR TYPE & NUMBER UNKNOWN, SHOT DOWN A U.S. PSY OVER THE TIMOR SEA. CREW OF 8 MEMBERS WAS RESCUED.

THE U.S.S. FLORENCE D WAS SUNK IN TIMOR SEA BY UNKNOWN NUMBER OF BOMBERS. CASUALTIES WERE THREE MEMBERS OF CREW. POSITION OF FLORENCE D WAS VERY NEAR TO BAKELANDIA WAKAMBOOL.

FEBRUARY 22. 2215 GMT. AN AIRPLANE OF UNKNOWN TYPE OBSERVED RECONNOITERING AREA AROUND OCEAN ISLAND.

2010 GMT. ONE ENEMY AIRPLANE DESTROYED & 2 OTHERS PROBABLY DESTROYED WHEN 9 JAP FIGHTERS, TYPE 0 & TYPE 97 ATTEMPTED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO INTEREST ALLIED AIRPLANES ON A RECONNAISSANCE MISSION OVER BARAUL.

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FEBRUARY 23. 0530 GMT. TWO MULTI-ENGINE AIRPLANES OBSERVED ABOUT 200 MI NW OF DARWIN. THEY WERE APPARENTLY ON A RECONNAISSANCE MISSION ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

0140 GMT. AN UNKNOWN TYPE OF ENEMY AIRPLANE FAILED TO INTERCEPT A HUDSON ON RECONNAISSANCE OVER KOEPANG.

FEBRUARY 24. 0230 GMT. ESCORTED BY 5 FIGHTERS, 9 NAVAL MITSUBISHI HEAVY BOMBERS, TYPE 96 ATTACKED THE SEVEN MI AIRFIELD AT PORT MORESBY. IS BELIEVED A FEW BUILDINGS, ONE GANNET, & ONE HUDSON DAMAGED.

ALLIED AIR ACTIVITY.

THE FOLLOWING REPORTS RECEIVED FROM RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS DISPATCHED ON FEB 22 & 23 WHICH HAVE BEEN COMPLETED.

FEBRUARY 22. ONE CRUISER, ONE LARGE WARSHIP & 16 OTHER VESSELS DISCLOSED IN KOEPANG HARBOR BY PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY HUDSON WHICH WAS BASED AT DARWIN. THIS AIRPLANE WAS

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THE ONE WHICH THE JAPS TRIED TO INTERCEPT.

TWO SHIPS OF 2000 TONS EACH OBSERVED IN HARBOR AT BARAUL.

FEBRUARY 23. DURING MORNING OF THIS DATE, LARGE WARSHIP OBSERVED HEADED IN DIRECTION OF BARAUL. AT TIME WAS ENTERING CHANNEL OF ST. GEORGE BETWEEN NEW IRELAND & NEW BRITAIN.

0425 GMT. A SUB WAS SIGHTED APPROXIMATELY 200 MI EAST SE OF DILLI. IT WAS SURMERGING.

FEBRUARY 22 AND 23. REPORTS HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED FROM FOLLOWING MISSIONS DISPATCHED ON FEB 22 BY RNZAF & ON FEBRUARY 23 BY THE RAAF:

ROUTINE SEARCHES IN AREA NW OF DARWIN & ALONG THE COAST OF AUSTRALIA.

PHOTOGRAPHIC RECONNAISSANCE OF AREA AROUND DILLI BY HUDSON FROM DARWIN.

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I.B.# 11 Journal # 43 continued

A SEARCH OF AREA AROUND SAMARAI & THE TROMBRIAND ISLANDS BY A PSY FROM PORT MORESBY.

3 HUDSONS BASED AT PORT MORESBY WHICH RECONN THE AREA TO THE SE.

NO ENEMY ACTIVITY OBSERVED BY HUDSON ON RECONN FLIGHT FROM SINA DIRECT TO TONGA.

AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF DAILY SEARCHES COMPLETED FROM FIJI ISLANDS. NOTHING IMPORTANT REPORTED.

A SEARCH BY A HUDSON BASED AT PORT MORESBY FOR A U.S. B-17 IN AREA OF BUNA BAY LOCATED ON NE COAST OF PAPUA WAS UNSUCCESSFUL.

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FROM: BRETT, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 48 2/25
FILED: 2025 2/25

OPERATIONAL CABLE ENUMERATING AIR FORCE ORGANIZATIONS
LEAVING AUSTRALIA FOR INDIA, ALSO SUPPLIES AND TROOP
DETACHMENTS.

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FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON I.S.# 36 2/25
FILED: ~~5:08~~ 5:08 P.M. 2/25 Journal # 51 2/25

SOERABAYA IN JAVA WAS ATTACKED FEB 24 BY 40 BOMBERS &
30 FIGHTERS. BATAVIA, BANDONG & KALIDJATI WERE ALSO
ATTACKED.

ACCORDING TO WARELL'S INTELLIGENCE NO 25, SENT 3:59 GMT,
FEB. 24, THE PALEMBANG AIRDRONE ON SUMATRA IS BEING USED
BY 40 AIRCRAFT. SHIPPING MUNITO FOUR LESS THAN REPORTED
YESTERDAY, PROBABLY DUE TO A MOVE UP THE RIVER. THE SHIPS
WERE OBSERVED MOVING, BUT POSSIBLE THAT THEY WERE STOPPED
BY A SHIP SUNK ACROSS THE RIVER. NO CHANGE ANAMBAS.
NO SHIPPING BALI & NO REPORT FROM SUMBAWA.

ON FEB. 22 THERE WERE 13 WARSHIPS & 5 TRANSPORTS AT
MACASSAR. THE COMPARATIVE INACTIVITY MAY BE DUE TO PRE-
PARATIONS FOR NEXT MOVE, & THE FORCE AT MACASSAR PROBABLY
HAS SOME RELATION TO THAT MOVE. CANNOT YET ESTIMATE
TIME OF SUCH MOVE.

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 54 2/25
FILED: 7:30 p.m. 2/24

CHANGE IN BASIC GRID DATA FOR NEI ZONES.

CHANEY, LON

FROM: BRETT, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 53 2/25
FILED: 0015 2/26

TWELVE 75 MM GUNS AND 73 VEHICLES PARTIAL LOSS ON SHIPS
HIT AT PORT DARWIN. SALVAGE POSSIBLE ON 4 GUNS AND 1/3
MOTOR VEHICLES. AUSTRALIAN ARMY WILL LOAN EQUIPMENT TO
RE-EQUIP BATTALION.

FROM: BRETT, SANSORIGIN Feb. 25 Journal # 58
FILED: 1005 2/25

INQUIRY WHETHER TO FILE OR ASK FOR REPEAT ON CERTAIN
UNDECIPHERABLE MESSAGES RECEIVED HERE.

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FROM: MILLER, RIO Journal # 73 2/24
FILED: 2:16A 2/24 I.B.# 72 2/24
SITUATION UNCHANGED DESPITE SINKING RECENTLY OF 2
BRAZILIAN VESSELS.

BELIEVE ADJOURNMENT OF PRESENT JOINT MISSION DESIRABLE
PENDING NEW DIRECTIVE CALLING FOR ACTION INSTEAD OF
PLANS.

PERMISSION GRANTED BY WAR MINISTER FOR PRELIMINARY
SURVEY MADE BY PAN AIR AND STANDARD OIL ENGINEERS, AC-
COMPANIED BY BRAZILIAN ENGINEER AND OFFICER. THEY WILL
LEAVE RIO FOR NATAL MARCH 1st.

From: Strong - Bogota Journal #2, 2/25/42 STRONG
Filed: 2/24/42, 5:11 P I.B. #84, 2/24/42 BOGOTA

GEN. ANDREWS AND I DO NOT APPROVE OF DISGUISED U. S.
ARMY OFFICERS AS CONSULAR AGENTS AND AMERICAN AIRCRAFT AS
PROPERTY OF OIL COMPANY. IF THIS PRACTICE CONTINUES, THEY
SOON WILL BE BRANDED U.S. 5TH COLUMNISTS BY THE LOCAL
PRESS.

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✓ FROM: CHANEY, LONDON
FILED: 7:45 P 2/24

JOURNAL # 68 2/24

PLEASE ANSWER ON TROOPS AND SHIPS.

CHANEY
LONDON

✓ FROM: ETO VIA GHQ
FILED: 1:40 p.m. 2/24

JOURNAL # 63 2/24

AT 1700 GMT, AN ENEMY SUB WAS SEEN AT 28°55' N - 80°12' W.
AT POINT 2 MILES EAST OF PALM BEACH, ACCORDING TO SOUTHERN
SECTOR REPORT AT 1615 GMT, A SHIP WAS TORPEDOED.

ETO VIA GHQ
Watkins

✓ FROM: BERMUDA BASE COMMAND
FILED: 5:00 2/24 VIA GHQ

JOURNAL # 62 2/24

REGULAR PATROLS IN BERMUDA PERFORMED FEBRUARY 23. ALL
AIR CRAFT CARRIER PLANES LEFT BERMUDA.
VISIBILITY GOOD; WEATHER, SHOWERS WITH SQUALLS.

BERMUDA, BASE
COMMAND
STRONG

FROM: ETO VIA GHQ

JOURNAL # 61 2/24

FILED: 3:41 p.m. 2/24

✓ TWO SUBS ON SURFACE SIGHTED BY PAN AMERICAN CLIPPER AT
1645 GMT AT 35°30' N - 68°00' W.

Watkins.

ETO
Via GHQ

FROM: COMMANDING GENERAL, ICELAND

FILED: 1:04 p.m. 2/24

JOURNAL # 59 2/24

✓ ON FEB 22 ENEMY OBSERVATION & ACTIVITY WAS ZERO. MADE
FLIGHTS FOR 18 HOURS 55 MINUTES, PATROLS FOR 2 HOURS.
WIND VARIABLE AND LIGHT; CEILING UNLIMITED TO 2500 FEET;
UNRESTRICTED VISIBILITY.

COMMANDING
GEN, ICELAND
BONESTEEL

FROM: BBC VIA GHQ

FILED: 4:45 p.m.

JOURNAL # 75 2/24

✓ ON FEBRUARY 23 OUR PATROL WAS UNCHANGED, WEATHER AND
VISIBILITY GOOD.

STRONG

BBC
VIA GHQ
STRONG

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGE

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✓ FROM: INDIGO VIA OHQ

FILED: 1:15 p.m.

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INDIGO VIA OHQ

ON FEBRUARY 23, EASTERLY WINDS, LOW CEILING, LIGHT
SNOW, 13 HOURS 14 MINUTES NON-OPERATIONAL FIXING. NO
OTHER ACTIVITIES.

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FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON

I.B. # 66 2/24

MCCLURE

FILED: 7:45 p.m. 2/24

Journal # 71 2/24

APPARENTLY TO COVER GERMAN NAVAL CRAFT MOVEMENTS IN NORWEGIAN WATERS, MOVEMENT OF GAF TO NORWAY HAS OCCURRED DURING PAST FEW DAYS. OPINION OF AIR MINISTRY IS THAT NO OFFENSIVE PLANNED ON ICELAND.

PRESENT GAF IN NORWAY:

35 RECONNAISSANCE BOMBERS
190 LONG RANGE BOMBERS
30 DIVE BOMBERS
120 TF FIGHTERS
120 SE FIGHTERS
20 ARMY COOPERATION
55 COASTAL

PLANES RECENTLY SHIFTED TO NORWAY MAINLY FROM RUENT AND HOLLAND AREA. BULK OF GAF BASED BETWEEN TRONDHEIM AND STAVANGER.

I.B. # 66 2/24 Journal # 71 continued

MOST OPINION IS AT PRESENT THAT RAPID MOVEMENT OF GAF TO NORWAY OPENS FOLLOWING POSSIBILITIES:

- 1) Cover of naval craft should sea battle develop with British fleet.
- 2) Attack ships enroute to Russia.
- 3) Attack on Sweden not impossible, if concentration of GAF remains in Norway.

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FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON

I.B. # 23 2/24 *

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ANSWER TO INQUIRY ABOUT FIRE PREVENTION DURING BARRAGE-BALLOON INFLATION.

FROM: McClure - London Journal #1, 2/25/42

MCCLURE

FILED: 2/24/42, 11:00 A I.B. #23, 2/24/42

LONDON

THIS IS IN REGARD TO FIRE PREVENTION MEASURES AVAILABLE DURING BARRAGE-BALLOON INFLATION OPERATIONS. EXPERIENCE HAS JUSTIFIED THE REMOVAL OF THE SAND HOPPER AND OTHER DEVICES 18 MONTHS AGO WHEN IT WAS FOUND NO FIRES BROKE OUT DURING INFLATING.

0-2 NOTE: THIS INDORSEMENT ARCHIVED AND WAS FORWARDED TO CAC.

FROM: Eager - Madrid

Journal #6, 2/25/42

EAGER

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I.B. #1, 2/25/42

MADRID

THERE HAS BEEN NO RECEIPT OF NEWS

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FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 65 2/24

FILED: 5:30 P 2/24

COMMENTS ON STAFF FURNISHED EAKER FOR BOMBING OPERATIONS.
MORE EXPERIENCED AND QUALIFIED MEN NEEDED, DUE TO HIGHLY
DEVELOPED GERMAN FIGHTER AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT DEFENSE SINCE
LAST YEAR.

CHANCY,
LONDON

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON

Journal # 66 2/24

FILED: 5:30P 2/24

REQUEST THAT LOCAL ASSIGNMENTS OF AIR SQUADRONS BE
LEFT TO U.S. OFFICERS IN BRITISH ISLES. DUPLICATION OF
WORK AFTER RESULTS, IF SUCH DETAILS ARE HANDLED FROM
AMERICA.

CHANAY
LONDON

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON

Journal # 67 2/24

FILED: 5:30P 2/24

(SEE JOURNAL # 66) - ENEMY REACTION AND ACTION AND POS-
SIBLE SITUATION CHANGES BEFORE ARRIVAL OF (UNSPECIFIED)
UNITS OR SHORTLY THEREAFTER, MAKES IT DESIRABLE THAT EXACT
LOCATION & USE OF THESE UNITS BE LEFT TO US. WE HAVE
GIVEN 8 MONTHS ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER.

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON

Journal # 70 2/24

FILED: 2/24

REQUEST GENERAL MCNAIR SEE PREVIOUS MESSAGES 34, 35, &
36.

CHANAY
LONDON

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON

I.B.# 71 2/24

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JOURNAL # 72 2/24

ONE TON AMERICAN WHETLERITE NEEDED BY MIN SUPPLY.

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TO
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FROM: ELUSE, ANKARA I.B. # 54 2/24
FILED: 1838 2/23 JOURNAL # 55 2/24
NOW ON WAY TO RUSSIAN FRONT, KUMHEL HAS DEPARTED FROM
N. AFRICA. (THIS IS REPEAT OF PREVIOUS MESSAGE REQUESTED
BY YOU)
ACCORDING TO BRITISH, INITIAL POINT OF ARRIVAL WAS
ROME, THEN AFTER HE WENT TO VIENNA, BUT AS TO HIS FINAL
DESTINATION THEY ARE NOT CERTAIN..

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO I.B. # 55 2/24
FILED: 2209 2/23 JOURNAL # 57 2/24
Superiority American tanks attested by ordnance and field
service; ease of repair, durability of tracks and wheel
suspension.

Italian M-13 superior in action radius only. Germans
estimate Brit ordnance vulnerable, but difficult to pursue
because of high speed (30-37MPH). Conelwicht, American
light tank superior to German, mechanically, and in general
better, but low in action radius and it is undergunned.

From: McClure - London Journal #3, 2/25/42
FILED: 7:45 P, 2/24/42 I.B. #83, 2/24/42

MCCLURE
LONDON

REPORTS INCREASED RESISTANCE TO BRITISH PATROLS AND
INCREASED ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY. ENEMY FORCE OF 600 TRUCKS
AND 50 TANKS REPORTED ON 22 FEB. GOING EAST ON COAST IN
DIRECTION OF GAZALA FROM MARTUBA. ITALIANS NEAR BIR
TENGEDER QUIET.

BELIEVED THAT A LOCAL ATTACK SOUTH OF GAZALA MAY BE EX-
PECTED SOON. TWO HUNDRED MILES EAST OF TRIPOLI WITH THAT
CITY AS APPARENT DESTINATION, A NAZI CONVOY FROM GREECE
WAS REPORTED AT 3:00 GREENWICH TIME ON 23RD. PROBABLE
THAT THIS CONTAINS PART OF 123RD LITORIA ARMORED DIVISION.
APPREHENSIVE THAT BRITISH AIR FORCES WILL NOT BE ABLE TO
ATTACK THIS CONVOY BECAUSE HEAVY AIR PRESSURE ON MALTA
PREVENT OPERATIONS FROM THIS BASE.

From: Edwards - Tanger
Filed: 2/24/42, 1850
SITUATION UNCHANGED.

Journal #7, 2/25/42
I.B. 2, 2/25/42

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TANGER

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PACIFIC # 1

4:00 p.m.

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TO

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FROM: HONGKONG, CHUNGKING JOURNAL # 47 2/24 [REDACTED]
FILED: SOSS 2/24

CAREFUL STUDY OF CHINESE FACILITIES AND SUPPLIES IS
BEING CONTINUED BY MISSION.

IN VIEW OF JAVA SITUATION, BRETT HAS ORDERED THAT, AT
LEAST AS TO IMMEDIATE FUTURE, NO PLANS OF A DEFINITE
NATURE BE MADE FOR USING B-17's IN CHINA OR BURMA.

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FROM: BRETT, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 55 2/24
FILED: 2/24

QUARANTINE RESTRICTIONS ON U.S. ARMY FOODSTUFFS LIFTED
BY COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT.

BRETT,
MELBOURNE

FROM: BRETT, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 49 2/24
FILED: 1630 2/24

SUPPLIES FOR MACARTHUR UP TO 2/24:

1. ON 2/19 COAST FARMER GOT TO GINGOOG, MINDANAO. ITS CARGO:
2000 BOUNDS 81 MM SHELL, 801,000 BOUNDS 30 CAL., 30,000
BOUNDS 50 CAL., 3000 TONS OF RATIONS.
2. SUB FROM DAWIN CARRYING 26 TONS OF 50 & 30 CAL. AMMUNI-
TION. (MESSAGE DOES NOT STATE WHEN IT LEFT OR WHETHER IT
ARRIVED)
3. ON 2/19 OFF DAWIN THE DON ISIDRO WAS LOST.
4. THE ANNUI LEFT ON 2/22 WITH PROPAGANDA MATERIAL & 3 P-40'
5. ON WAY TO CEBU THERE ARE 4 (?) SHIPS WITH MEDICAL SUPPLIES
SUPPLIES, 3,500,000 BOUNDS OF 30 CAL., 13,500 TONS OF
RATIONS, PRACTICALLY ALL OF THE SIGNAL & ENGINEER SUPPLIES
ASKED FOR, 5000 RIFLE GRENADES, 10,000 BOUNDS 81 MM
MORTAR SHELL.
6. IN 3 or 4 WEEKS TIME IT IS BELIEVED ANOTHER SHIP WILL BE

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ABLE TO TAKE MEDICAL SUPPLIES, AMMUNITION AND RATIONS.

FROM: M/O BANDOENG, THORPE I.B.# 36 2/24
FILED: 10:35 a.m. 2/24 JOURNAL # 78 2/24

DEMOLITION OF LANDING GROUNDS IN EAST JAVA HAS BEGUN.
THE JAPS HAVE OCCUPIED BENKORLEN. IN AN AIR ATTACK ON
FEB. 24, 3 B-17's DESTROYED. IT IS EXPECTED THAT LANDING
IN FORCE WILL BE MADE ON BALI.

THORPE

G-2 COMMENT:

1. A city on southwest coast of SUMATRA.

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2/25

FROM: ABDACOM, JAVA JOURNAL # 58 2/24

FILED: 2/24

FEB. 23 STATUS REPORT AS OF 1200 GMT. BOMBARDMENT: 7
LB-30's ON HAND, 3 IN; 7 A-24 ON HAND, 4 IN; 18 B-17 ON
HAND, 8 IN. PURSUIT: 18 P-40 ON HAND, 15 IN.
DENPASAR AIRDRONE BOMBED BY 1 B-17 ON COMBAT RECONNAISSANCE
OVER BALI; WEATHER OBSCURED RESULTS. 14 ZERO JAP
FIGHTERS ESCORTING 9 JAP BOMBERS WERE INTERCEPTED BY 7
P-40's. ATTACK BROKE UP BY OUR PURSUIT; 1 ZERO & 1 BOMBER
SHOT DOWN; 6 BOMBERS & 2 FIGHTERS DAMAGED; NO U.S.
PLANES LOST.

ABDACOM
BRERETON

FROM: MACARTHUR, FT. MILLS JOURNAL # 69 2/24
FILED: 1406 2/24

DESPATCHING AND CENSORING OF MAIL IMPOSSIBLE.

MACARTHUR

FROM: WDC VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 64 2/24

FILED: 10:43 a.m. 2/24

STATEMENT OF NAVY IN NEWSPAPERS THIS MORNING IN REFER-
ENCE TO OIL INSTALLATIONS NEAR ELWOOD, CALIF. BEING
SHELLED BY ENEMY SUBMARINE, ESSENTIALLY SAME AS OURS.
NAVY WAS INFORMED ABOUT AN HOUR BEFORE ATTACK, BY A JAP-
ANESE ON WEST COAST, THAT AT THE END OF THE PRESIDENT'S
SPEECH, A DEMONSTRATION WOULD BE MADE BY THE ENEMY. FBI
AND NAVY ARE INVESTIGATING THIS REPORT AND IT'S SOURCE.
HAWAII, ALASKA AND PANAMA CANAL WILL BE ATTACKED BETWEEN
FEBRUARY 16 & MARCH 1st, ACCORDING TO RUMOR. IT IS PRE-
DICTED THAT LOS ANGELES WILL BE ATTACKED TONIGHT, ACCORD-
ING TO ANONYMOUS TELEPHONE CALLS RECEIVED THIS MORNING.

WDC VIA GHQ
STROH

FROM: WDC VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 60 2/24

FILED 11:58 AM. PWT 2/24

ONE DUD RECOVERED AT ELWOOD, CALIF. AFTER SUB ATTACK
BEING INVESTIGATED BY ARMY ORDNANCE AND WILL BE TURNED
OVER TO NAVY FOR INVESTIGATION AND FINAL DISPOSITIONS.

WDC VIA GHQ
STROH

4:00 p.m.

2/24

4:00 p.m.

2/25

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON I.B.# 39 2/24
 FILED: 2:45 p.m. 2/24 Journal # 77 1224

WAR OFFICE INFORMATION TODAY:

1. DUTCH TIMOR: JAP PARACHUTE TROOPS SEIZED AN AIRFIELD AT OESOE, 70 MI NE OF KOEPANG. ENEMY REINFORCEMENTS WERE LANDED ON 21st S OF KOEPANG.
2. PORTUGUESE TIMOR: A JAP LANDING SE OF DILLI HAS BEEN VERIFIED.
3. NEW GUINEA: ONE ENEMY CRUISER & SIX DESTROYERS SEEN ON 22ND HEADING S BETWEEN NEW GUINEA & NEW BRITAIN, ACCORDING TO REPORT FROM NEW GUINEA.
4. BURMA: THE SINGLE BIT OF GOOD NEWS IN ARRIVAL OF BATTALION OF CAMERON HIGHLANDERS & THE 7th ARMORED BRIG. OTHERWISE BURMA SITUATION IS EXTREMELY CRITICAL, ESPECIALLY AROUND RANGOON. THERE WAS HEAVY JAP PRESSURE ON INDIAN 17th DIV, REINFORCED BY MIXED 2nd BURMA BRIG, AS THIS FORCE WITHDREW TO WEST BANK OF SITTANG RIVER. BRIT LOSSES I.B.# 39 Journal # 77 2/24 continued

WERE SEVERE. IN ADDITION JAPS SUCCEEDED IN CUTTING OFF TWO BRIGS OF THE 17th DIV NEAR MUKPALIN.¹ AT THIS POINT SOLE REMAINING BRIDGE ACROSS SITTANG RIVER DESTROYED ON FEB. 23 DURING DAYLIGHT. WAR OFFICE HAS NO VERIFICATION THAT THESE 2 BRIGS COMPLETED THEIR WITHDRAWAL BEFORE THE DEMOLITION, BUT IS FEARED SUCH WAS NOT CASE. THERE ARE NOW TWO DIVS OPERATING AGAINST RANGOON AREA, SINCE ENEMY HAS BEEN REINFORCED BY A DIV FROM THAILAND.

COMMENT: THE NEXT JAP OBJECTIVE IS PELO, IMPORTANT RAILWAY JUNCTION, WITHOUT ANY DOUBT. UNLESS BRIT ARE ABLE TO STOP THEM, THE STORY OF SINGAPORE WILL LIKELY BE REPEATED AT RANGOON.

5. BURMA COMMAND: A SOURCE CONSIDERED RELIABLE REPORTS THAT WAR OFFICE IS NOT SATISFIED WITH CONDUCT OF BURMA DEFENSE & THAT LT. GEN. H (T) R.L.O. ALEXANDER, FORMERLY IN COMMAND OF SOUTHERN COMMAND, IS FLYING TO BURMA TO RELIEVE GEN HUTTON.

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6. WAVELL INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. A MESSAGE HAS BEEN RECEIVED DATED 0335 HOURS, BRIT TIME, FEB 23, REPORTING SUBSTANTIALLY AS FOLLOWS:

- a. THE 11 JAP SHIPS REPORTED S OF MUNTOK² ON 19th REMAIN.
- b. THE FORCE OFF ANAMBAS ISLANDS CONSISTING OF ONE TANKER ONE TRANSPORT & FOUR CRUISERS, REPORTED ON FEB. 21st, IS STILL THERE, MINUS TRANSPORT & TANKER.
- c. EARLY MORNING OF FEB 22, A TOTAL OF 6 SHIPS WERE NEARING SUMBAWA,³ ACCORDING TO A REPORT FROM THAT ISLAND.
- d. THE ENEMY AIR FORCE HAS DISPLACED ITS STRENGTH TO SOUTH. EVIDENCE OF DARWIN RAID PLUS RECONNAISSANCE SHOWS FOLLOWING PROBABLE DISTRIBUTION OF HEAVY BOMBERS:

BALI	one squadron		
KENDARI	four squadrons	RABUL	ONE SQUADRON
AMBON	three "		
PALEMBANG	unknown Strength		

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- e. Gen Wavell commented this message that it is presumed that the enemy vessels at MUNTOK² BEING HELD FOR IMMEDIATE DEFINITE MISSION SINCE THEY ARE EXPOSED TO AIR ATTACK. THIS MISSION MAY BE TO TAKE ON BOARD A PART OF FORCE NOW AT PALEMBANG. COMMENT ON REPORT THAT SUMBAWA WAS THREATENED IS HELD UP UNTIL REPORT IS VERIFIED.

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From: MacLennan - Melbourne Journal #76, 2/24/42
Filed: 2/24/42, 1:40 A I.B. #30, 2/24/42
THIS IS THE FIRST SECTION OF THIS CAME, WHICH IS IN 3 SECTIONS.

ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS

FEBRUARY 22:

AN AIR FIELD AT RABAU WAS ATTACKED BY 3 CATALINAS FROM PORT MORESBY. BOMBS WERE RELEASED FROM ONE OF THE ATTACKING PLANES AND OBSERVED TO HAVE STRADDLED THE FIELD.

A CATALINA PATROLLED THE ROUTE FROM NOUMEA TO PORT MORESBY, BY WAY OF SAMARAI.

THE REGION TO THE SOUTHEAST OF PORT MORESBY WAS RECONNOITERED BY 2 HUDSONS.

A PHOTOGRAPHIC RECONNAISSANCE OF THE KOEPANG DISTRICT WAS MADE BY A HUDSON FROM DARWIN.

THE ROUTE FROM PORT VILLA³ BY WAY OF TULAGI⁴ AND XXXXX

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SAMARAI TO PORT MORESBY WAS RECONNOITERED BY A CATALINA.

A RECONNAISSANCE IN THE PATTERN OF A FAN, OF 300 MILES, WAS MADE FROM SUVA⁵ BY AN UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF NEW ZEALAND HUDSONS.

A CATALINA WAS ENROUTE TO NOUMEA FROM SUVA BUT AS YET NO REPORTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM REPORTS WHICH WERE DELAYED INDICATES THAT THERE WAS NOTHING TO REPORT CONCERNING THE OPERATIONS WHICH WERE COMPLETED ON FEB. 22.

JAPANESE AIR ACTIVITY:

FEBRUARY 22:

AN UNSUCCESSFUL ATTACK WAS MADE 100 MILES NNW OF DARWIN ON THE SS WARRAMBOOL⁶ BY 2 FLYING BOATS. AT 0325 G.M.T. A BI-MOTORED MONOPLANE WAS SIGHTED HIGH ABOVE PORT MORESBY ON RECONNAISSANCE. ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE WAS INEFFECTIVE.

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ALLIED AIR ACTIVITY:

FEBRUARY 23:

THE REPORTS FROM THE REGULAR PATROLS OFF THE COAST OF AUSTRALIA HAVE NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED.

A RECONNAISSANCE FOR A DISTANCE OF 400 MILES TO THE NORTH OF DARWIN WAS MADE BY AN UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF HUDSONS.

AN ORDER WAS ISSUED FOR AN ATTACK ON RABAU BY 9 B-17'S WHICH WERE AT TOWNSVILLE. ONE OF THESE PLANES GOT LOST & HAD TO RETURN TO TOWNSVILLE. ANOTHER HAD ENGINE TROUBLE BEFORE LEAVING. A COLLISION ON THE TAKE-OFF DAMAGED 2 MORE. A BROKEN OIL LINE CAUSED ANOTHER TO MAKE A FORCED LANDING. THE REST OF THE PLANES, OR A TOTAL OF 4, ACTUALLY REACHED THE OBJECTIVE; HOWEVER, BOMBS WERE RELEASED BY ONLY ONE OF THE PLANES AND THE RESULTS OF THE BOMBING BY

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THIS ONE PLANE WERE NOT OBSERVED. AS THE B-17'S WERE GASSING UP AT PORT MORESBY ON THEIR RETURN FROM RABAU, A PATROL WAS BEING CARRIED OUT BY 2 HUDSONS AT 10,000 FT. AT SAMARAI, DOCKS AND BUILDINGS ARE STILL BURNING BUT THERE IS NO REPORT OF OCCUPATION BY THE ENEMY.

0-2 COMMENTS:

1. A PORT IN SOUTHWEST NEW CALEDONIA.
2. A VILLAGE IN SOUTHEAST PAPUA.
3. A VILLAGE ON EFATE ISLAND IN THE NEW HEBRIDES GROUP.
4. A VILLAGE ON FLORIDA ISLAND IN THE SOLOMON GROUP.
5. A TOWN ON VITI LEVU ISLAND IN THE FIJI GROUP.
6. NOT LISTED IN LLOYD'S REGISTRY. PROBABLY A SMALL COASTAL VESSEL NAMED AFTER A TOWN OF THE SAME NAME NEAR MELBOURNE.

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PACIFIC # 6

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #5, 2/25/42
Filed: 2/25/42, 0300 I.B. #

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

MACARTHUR RECOMMENDS SETTING UP PHILIPPINE BRANCH OF JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL DEPARTMENT AND A REVIEW BOARD AND REQUESTS AUTHORITY BE GIVEN FOR APPOINTMENT OF NECESSARY PERSONNEL.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #4, 2/25/42
Filed: 2/25/42, 0110

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

IT IS NOW DETERMINED THAT JAPS FIGHTING TO THE NORTH OF DAVAO ARE NAMED.

ACTIVITY ALONG THE ENTIRE FRONT HAS BEEN LOCAL, BUT SHARP, CONSISTING OF PATROLS AND SCREENING OPERATIONS.

IN THE NEAR FUTURE, IF THE ENEMY FAILS TO DISCLOSE HIS INTENTIONS, IT IS MACARTHUR'S INTENTION TO ASSUME THE INITIATIVE WITH DETERMINED LOCAL OFFENSIVES IN ORDER TO GET CONTROL OF GROUND BETWEEN THE LINES AND THEREBY FORCE JAPS EITHER TO ADOPT POSITIONAL TACTICS OR PUT ON AN ATTACK.

Ft. Mills
From: PRO - MMKEMER Journal #9, 2/25/42
Filed: 2/25/42, 0300

FT. MILLS
PRO

PRESS RELEASE FOR FEB. 25TH. THERE WERE SHARP ENCOUNTERS YESTERDAY ALL ALONG THE LINES BETWEEN OUR AGGRESSIVE PATROLS AND THE ENEMY SCREEN. OUR TROOPS WERE UNIFORMLY SUCCESSFUL.

GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR, COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES IN THE FAR EAST, IN ORDER TO RELIEVE SUFFERING AND PRIVATION AMONG THE CIVILIAN POPULATION IN THE PHILIPPINES, PARTICULARLY THE FAMILIES OF MILITARY PERSONNEL IN THE FIELD, HAS AUTHORIZED THE EXPENDITURE OF TEN MILLION DOLLARS FOR RELIEF. FOR IMMEDIATE DISTRIBUTION GEN. MACARTHUR HAS SET ASIDE THE SUM OF TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS TO BE SPENT FOR THE PAYMENT OF GRATUITIES OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS KILLED IN LINE OF DUTY, THE CARE AND RE-

(Journal #9, 2/25/42, Cont'd)

HABILITATION OF MILITARY PERSONNEL PERMANENTLY DISABLED, THE RELIEF OF FAMILIES OF THOSE WOUNDED IN ACTION AND THE RELIEF OF THE FAMILIES OF ALL MILITARY WHO MAY BE IN WANT. IN ADDITION HE HAS SET ASIDE TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE PAYMENT OF GRATUITIES TO FAMILIES OF CIVILIANS KILLED OR INCAPACITATED BY ENEMY ACTION, THE CARE AND REHABILITATION OF CIVILIANS WOUNDED OR INJURED AS A RESULT OF WAR ACTIVITY, THE RELIEF OF THEIR FAMILIES, AND THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE HOMES OF THE PEOPLE OF MODERATE MEANS DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY THE ENEMY. THE ACTION OF GEN. MACARTHUR WAS INSPIRED BY THE SIGNIFICANT LOYALTY EXHIBITED BY FILIPINOS EVERYWHERE OF WHATEVER CLASS COMBINATION OR SEX.

From: FBI Via CIB Journal #10, 2/25/42
Filed: 2/25/42, 0635 (Approx.)

FBI
VIA CIB

FBI REPORTED TO CIB THAT FBI AGENT AT LOS ANGELES SAW WHAT HE THOUGHT TO BE ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE.

From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter Journal #11, 2/25/42
Filed: 2/24/42, 10:48 P

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

HAWAIIAN COMMAND WILL DEVOTE THE WHOLE OF ITS FACILITIES TO HASTENING MOVEMENT TO JAVA OF N T I (WHI?) AIR CRAFT.

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TO
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10:00 AM
2/25/42

From: Hoshiars - London Journal #79, 2/24/42
Filed: 2/23/42, 11:00 P I.S. #9, 2/24/42
1. RELIABLE, THOUGH UNOFFICIAL ESTIMATES ON INDIA:
JAP VICTORY IN BURMA WILL AFFECT INDIA MORE THAN
FALL OF SINGAPORE.
ARMY UNITS STILL IN INDIA INTENTION TO OLD LINE UNITS
MOST OF WHICH ARE OVERSEAS.
GENERAL INDIAN SITUATION GRAVE MILITANTLY AND POLIT-
ICALLY. BRITISH UNITS ONCE AVAILABLE AS REINFORCEMENTS
FROM MIDDLE EAST, NOT NOW AVAILABLE BECAUSE EMPLOYED AGAINST
THREATS ELSEWHERE.
SERIOUS DOUBT ABOUT UNITY OF INDIAN PUBLIC OPINION
BECAUSE OF INTERNAL RELIGIOUS AND POLITICAL RIVALRIES.
JAP THREAT WILL PROBABLY NOT EFFECT REAL UNITY.
DANGER THAT CIVIL POPULATIONS WOULD PANIC BEYOND
CONTROL ON HOHEING OR ENEMY LANDINGS.

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UNTIL ACTUALLY THREATENED, NO PREDICTION CAN BE
MADE THAT FEAR OF JAPAN WILL ENFORCE FORGIVENESS OF
QUARRELS WITH BRITISH AND UNITE THEM BEHIND THE IMPERIAL
WAR EFFORT.

EFFECTIVENESS OF INDIAN TROOPS AGAINST JAP INVADERS
QUESTIONABLE, PARTICULARLY IF CIVIL POPULATION NOT THOR-
OUGHLY BELLEGERANT AGAINST INVASION.

ORDINARY INDIAN SUPINE AND INDIFFERENT, PERSONALLY
INTERESTED ONLY IN OWN DAILY ROUTINE. NATIVE NEWSPAPERS
ANTI-BRITISH AND PRO-RELIGIOUS AND PRO-NATIVE POLITICS,
GIVE NATIVE HIS ONLY PICTURE OF WORLD EVENTS INCLUDING
THE WAR.

CHAND KAI SREE'S CONVERSATIONS ARE BELIEVED TO
HAVE HAD POSITIVE EFFECT ON INDIAN LEADERS, BUT DOUBTFUL
THAT THIS RESULT WILL REACH THE MASSES SUFFICIENTLY TO

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ACTIVATE UNITED OPPOSITION TO JAPAN.

NECESSARY TO DEMONSTRATE TO HINDUS AND MUSLIMS THAT
THEY WILL GAIN BY THE PRESENT STRUGGLE.

RADICALS WILL UTILIZE WAR TO GAIN CONCESSIONS FOR
THEIR COOPERATION.

JAPAN IS PROPAGANDIZING EFFECTIVELY.

RECASTING OF THE INDIA OFFICE DESTINABLE & EXPECTED.
WHITE NOT PUBLISHED AND POSSIBLY NOT PROVEN, AMER-
CAN AND BRITISH JOURNALISTS DOUBT THAT INDIAN TROOPS EX-
CEPT THE GURKHAS HAVE Fought STUBBORNLY IN LIBYA OR WALA-

KA. (O-2 NOTE: THIS NEEDS QUALIFICATION.)

II. NEGLECTED BELIEVES.

CLEAR ACT OF GERMENOSITY NEEDED TO SHOW THAT BUILT.

VICTORY MEANS INDIAN INDEPENDENCE.

SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES NEEDED IN BRITISH INDIA OFFICE.

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TIME REQUIRED TO PRODUCE A FAVORABLE RESPONSE TO
THESE EVENTS AND STIR THE INDIAN SPIRIT TO A VIGOROUS
DEFENSE OF INDIA.

IT IS TOO LATE NOW TO HAVE INDIA A SOURCE OF OVER-
SEAS TROOPS AND WAR MATERIALS.

AS SEEN FROM LONDON AND WITHOUT PERSONAL EXPERIENCE
IN INDIA, I BELIEVE THAT THE INDIANS WILL FIGHT ON OWN
SOIL WITH UNWAVING ENTHUSIASM.

OFFICIAL ESTIMATES DELAYED BY NECESSITY FOR CLEAR-
ANCE BY WAR OFFICE WITH INDIA OFFICE AND ADDITIONAL IN-
FORMATION ON POLITICAL AND SOCIAL ESTIMATES FROM THE
VICEROY WHO HAS (IT IS UNDERSTOOD) BEEN CALLED.

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MIDDLE EASTERN

From: Maxwell - Cairo Journal #12, 2/25/42

Filed: 3/34/42, 1447

TWO-PAGE MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO ASSEMBLING OF PLANES,
PROGRESS AT BASRA AND CEDAR, AND REQUEST FOR PERSONNEL AND
TECHNICAL LITERATURE.

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Journal #14, 2/25

From: G-2 WDC (GMC) STROM

SAN DIEGO

LOS ANGELES BLACKED-OUT AT 2:25 AM PWT, & BOMBED AT 2:05 AM BASED ON A MECHANICAL RECORDING ON ONE OF UNIDENTIFIED PLANES OVER FORMER CITY. A LT. COLONEL, COAST ARTY, REPORTED HE "SAW A FLIGHT OF ABOUT 25 PLANES" AT HEIGHT OF 12,000 FT OVER CITY AT 2:15 AM - & ALSO SAW APPROX. SAME NUMBER A RED FIRE SHORTLY AFTERWARDS. OTHER SOURCES ALSO REPORTED ACTUALLY SEEING PLANES OVER CITY. ANTI-AIRCRAFT OPENED FIRE AT SUPPOSED TARGETS AT 2:15 AM. NEITHER ARMY OR NAVY HAD PLANES UP AT THIS TIME. REPORTS OF BOMBING DOUGLAS & OTHER FACTORIES AS WELL AS REPORTS OF PLANES FALLING IN PALOS VERDES AREA NOT CONFIRMED. BLACK-OUT OVER SOUTHERN CALIF. INCLUDING RADIO STILL PREVAILED & MILITARY UNITS ON RED ALERT. DARK HERE SHORTLY AFTER 7:00 AM PWT. OTHER DETAILS INCLUDING IDENTIFICATION OF PLANES WILL BE REPORTED LATER.

Filed: 10:55 AM 2/25/42

Journal #20, 2/25

From: G-2 WDC (GMC) STROM

A RED STATUS INDICATES A STATUS OF READINESS & UPON POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OF HOSTILE AIRCRAFT TO OPEN FIRE.

Filed: 9:42 AM PWT, 2/25

Journal 35, 2/25/42

From: G-2 WDC

REPORTS FROM VARIOUS SOURCES WERE RECEIVED INDICATING THAT "STAINS" OF PLANES AND AT LEAST ONE BALLON WERE OVER LOS ANGELES, THAT THE DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT FACTORY HAD BEEN BOMBED, THAT FOUR PLANES HAD BEEN BROUGHT DOWN IN THE STREETS OF LOS ANGELES AND THAT ANOTHER HAD BEEN SEEN IN PLANES. IN ADDITION, REPORTS OF PLANES BEING DROPPED TO ILLUMINATE THE DOUGLAS PLANT AND DETONATIONS INDICATING BOMBING WERE ALSO RECEIVED. UNTIL THESE REPORTS WERE CONFIRMED OR DENIED EITHER PARTIALLY OR COMPLETELY, IT WAS NOT BELIEVED WISE TO ACCEPT THEM AT FACE VALUE AND JUMP TO HASTY CONCLUSIONS, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT ALL MILITARY PRECAUTIONS HAD BEEN TAKEN IN THIS AREA. ABOUT 5:00 A.M. THE CREDIBILITY OF

Journal 35, 2/25/42/ continued

THESE REPORTS WAS BEGINNING TO BE SHAKEN. WHEN THE FACT THAT NO ATTACK HAD BEEN REASONABLY ESTABLISHED, THE REPORT RECEIVED BY YOU AT 6:21 STARTED. DEVELOPMENTS TO THIS HOUR INDICATE THAT MOST PREVIOUS REPORTS HAVE BEEN GREATLY EXAGGERATED. ALTHOUGH CONTINUING INVESTIGATION THE 4th AIR FORCE NOW BELIEVES THERE WERE NO ENEMY PLANES. REPORTS FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SECTOR HOWEVER INDICATE DEFINITE PRESENCE LOS ANGELES AREA LAST NIGHT OF AS MANY AS 20 TO 30 PLANES, IDENTITY STILL UNDETERMINED. NO BOMBS DROPPED. EVERY EFFORT BEING MADE TO ADJUST DISCREPANCY. FULL REPORT LATER.

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Journal 30, 2/25/42

From: ABDA Com

MAJ. GEN. SITWELL WILL BE COMMANDER BRITISH ARMY IN JAVA: A.V.M. MOLLOY WILL HEAD AIR: COMMADORE COLLINS WILL REMAIN CCMF. A.V.M. MOLLOY, AS SENIOR, WILL DIRECT ON MATTERS OF POLICE INVOLVING MORE THAN ONE SERVICE.

4:00 PM 2/24/42
to

4:00 PM 2/25/42

ABDA COM HEADQUARTERS WILL TERMINATE OPERATING 0450 GMT 25 FEB. OPERATIONAL COMMAND OF BRITISH FORCES WILL BE UNDER DUTCH COMMANDERS AT THAT INSTANT.

TELEGRAPH ADDRESSES: MAJ GEN. SITWELL, BRITAIN, JAVA: A.V.M. MOLLOY, BRITAIN, JAVA: REAR ADMIRAL PALLISER, BRITADIRAL, JAVA.

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Journal 32, 2/25

From: ABDA COM, Java

1. FOLLOWING AIR ATTACKS BY ENEMY REPORTED TODAY:

a. BATAVIA, NO DETAILS

b. ANDIR BY 21 BOMBERS. ONE FIGHTER DESTROYED ON GROUND, A B-17 BADLY WRECKED, 2 B-17s SLIGHTLY DAMAGED.

c. SOERABAYA BY 40/60 BOMBERS AND 30/40 FIGHTERS. WE LOST NO AIRCRAFT. ENEMY = 1 BY AIRCRAFT, 2 BY ACK ACK. BELIEVED DAMAGES LIGHT, NO DETAILS.

d. KALPAJATI: 2 GLEN MARTINS AND 2 BLENHEIMS DESTROYED ON GROUND WHEN ENEMY RAIDED WITH 6 FIGHTERS AND 15 BOMBERS.

II. TODAY, 6 B-17s SANK 2 TRANSPORTS AT MOUTH OF MAKASSAR RIVER. NO DEFINITE RESULTS KNOWN OF YESTERDAY'S ATTACK BY US ON 2 OR 3 ENEMY SUBS NORTH OF WEST JAVA. WE USED 3 BLENHEIMS.

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III. ATTACKING ENEMY CONVOY NORTH OF LOMBOK LAST NIGHT AND THIS MORNING, USA "MISSION" CLAIMS TO HAVE HIT ENEMY SUPPLY SHIP AND ENEMY AUXILIARY EACH TWICE.

Filed: Feb. 25

Journal 29, 2/25

From: ABDA COM

1. FIVE TRANSPORTS AND 15 WAR VESSELS AT MACASSAR, FEB. 22
2. JAPANESE CLAIM SELF DEFENSE IN ADMITTING THEIR LANDING ON PORTUGUESE TIMOR. WHEN THE ALLIES ARE CAST OUT, THE JAPS WILL WITHDRAW, THEY SAID, IN A RADIO BROADCAST.
3. MUNTOK SHIPPING 4 BOATS UNDER YESTERDAY'S FIGURE. UPRIVER MOVEMENTS SLOWED THIS SHIPPING. NO CHANGE AT ANAMBAS.

4. PALEMBANG I AIR FIELD HOUSES 40 PLANES, PALEMBANG NOT IN USE. LAHAT NOT OBSERVED, BUT BELIEVED UNUSED.

5. BALI-SOEMERAWA REPORTS NOTHING FURTHER.

6. CANNOT FORECAST TIMING BUT SUSPECT ENEMY PLAN FOR ENEMY FORCES IN PALEMBANG. THE LULL IS LIKELY CONNECTED.

Filed: 2/25/42

Journal 33, 2/25

From: Chiefs of Staff

PACIFIC WAR COUNCIL MET THIS EVENING. ALL ABDA POWERS REPRESENTED. DR. WELLINGTON KOO PRESENT FOR FIRST TIME. SALIENT FEATURES OF MEETING INCLUDE:

1. DUTCH BELIEVE BRITISH AND AMERICANS WRONGLY PESSIMISTIC ON GIVING JAPS SOME STOUT BLOWS AND MAKING A PROLONGED DELAYING ACTION. DUTCH THINK SITUATION BY NO MEANS HOPELESS. THE DEFENSE OF JAVA WAS MAIN THEME OF DISCUSSION.

4:00 PM 2/24/42

to

4:00 PM 2/25/42

2. ALL AGREED TO SUSTAIN JAVA RESISTANCE. NO ADDITIONAL LANDING FORCES SHOULD BE SENT TO JAVA. OTHER VITAL POINTS, PARTICULARLY CEYLON, SHOULD NOT HAVE THEIR SECURITY THREATENED.

3. DUTCH ASKED FOR MAXIMUM POSSIBLE AIR REINFORCEMENTS TO JAVA. AMERICAN PLANES AND PERSONNEL IN AUSTRALIA

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OFFER BEST SOURCE.

4. DESTINATION OF PLANES ON H.M.S. INDOMITABLE NEED NOT BE NAMED BEFORE 3 MARCH.

5. AUSTRALIA, INDIA AND CEYLON WERE NAMED AS PROBABLE BASES FOR FUTURE OFFENSIVE ATTACKS ON JAPAN.

6. CLOSING OF ABDA HEADQUARTERS AGREED UPON. NO PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR PRESENT.

7. THE 1st SEA LORD ASKED THAT, WHEN AND IF OUR NAVAL FORCES CAN NOT REMAIN IN JAVA, DUTCH NAVAL FORCES SHOULD COOPERATE WITH OUR EASTERN FLEET AND CONCENTRATE ON CEYLON.

8. FREE FRENCH HAVE ASKED TO PLACE REPRESENTATIVE ON PACIFIC WAR COUNCIL IN LONDON. REPLY WAS THAT IF MATTERS AFFECTING FREE FRENCH PACIFIC TERRITORY WERE INVOLVED, IN DISCUSSION, THE FREE FRENCH COMMITTEE SHOULD

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BE INVITED TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE. GENERAL AGREEMENT THAT FREE FRENCH TERRITORY IN PACIFIC IS IN AMERICAN SPHERE.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

LATIN AMERICA # 1

10:00 AM

2/23/42

TO

10:00 AM

2/24/42

From: Kirkwood - CDC

Journal #63, 2/23/42

Filed: 2/23/42, 8:22 P

KIRKWOOD

CDC

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY OF SUBS

POSITIONS 1 - 14°27' N - 61°33' W

1 - 5 MILES OFF LA OLIVA

TANKER TAHITI TORPEDOED NEAR MONGES ISLAND.

3 OFF LOS FRANKLES (N OF ISLA MARGARITA)

NUMOR IN CARACAS STATES MORE SUBS WILL BE PRESENT IN 15 DAYS AND MOTHER SHIP HIDDEN IN LESSER ANTILLES.

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6:00 p.m.
2/23
TO
4:00 p.m.
2/24

FROM: G-2 GDC Journal # 48 2/23
FILED: 12:32 P 2/23
REPORT FROM CURAGAO STATES ENEMY SUB WAS SIGHTED NEAR
LA GUAIRA AT 8:23 P.M., AGAIN AT 9:15 P.M. ON FEB. 22.

G-2 CD
VIA GHQ

FROM: ETO, VIA GHQ Journal # 56 2/23
FILED: 541 P.M. 2/23
AT 2012 GMT, ESY REPORTED FROM RADIO INTERCEPT THAT AT
44°14' N - 63°54' W, A SUB WAS ON THE SURFACE.

ETO VIA
GHQ

FROM: G-2 GDC VIA GHQ Journal # 49 2/23
FILED: 12:25 P.M. 2/23
1. TWO ENEMY SUBS SIGHTED 10:00 P.M. FEB. 21, ABOUT
50 MI DUE WEST OF FORT DE FRANCE.
2. A SMALL SUB TRAVELING WEST AT 6 KNOTS WAS SIGHTED
BY PAN AIR PILOT AT 13:55 GMT., LOCATION 15°50' N - 64°25' W.

G-2 CD
VIA GHQ

FROM: AMCON ARUBA VIA OPNAV Journal # 54 2/23
FILED: 0230 2/23
GOVERNOR ARUBA PERSONALLY INTERCEPTED FOLLOWING MESSAGES
ON NIGHTS OF FEB. 20 & 21st: ON ABOUT 30 METERS 9700 7000
KCY5, DCD, A COASTAL STATION AUS SKEIDER FUERSCHIFF RADIO
IN CONSTANT COMMUNICATION WITH SHIPS AND PLANES, DCH ELBE
FUERSCHIFF KINS RADIO. BOTH DCH & DCH WERE IN CONTACT WIT
WITH UT7A, K3H, UHS, ZL1, BGA. AFTER THAT K3E CONTACTED ZL1.
THEN UHS CONTACTED UT7. THEN K3 HJLLEQ (UNPLIED?) WITH
LONG SERIES OF UNINTELLIGIBLE LETTERS. CONTER INFORMED.

AMCON
ARUBA
VIA OPN
AV

From: Drum - ETO Journal #3, 2/24/42
Filed: 2/24/42, 1203
GUNFIRE SIGHTED OFF SEQUIN ISLAND 213°44' N - 69°54' W
AT 0034 GMT.
COMMENT: SEQUIN ISLAND IS SOUTH OF BOOTHBAY HARBOR,
MAINE.

DRUM
ETO

4:00 p.m.
2/23
TO
4:00 p.m.
2/24

FROM: MAXWELL
FILED: 1250 2/23
JOURNAL # 60 2/23
VESSELS IN RED SEA: WEEKLY REPORT.

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO
FILED: 2123 P.M. 2/23
I.B. # 30 2/23
JOURNAL # 58 2/23
THE BATTLE PERFORMANCE OF AMERICAN M-3 LIGHT TANKS HAS
PROVEN SUPERIOR TO THAT OF THE BRITISH CRUISER TANKS IN
THE PRESENT LIBYAN CAMPAIGN.

FELLERS,
CAIRO

From: Fellers - Cairo
FILED: 2/23/42, 2205
JOURNAL #12, 2/24/42
I.B. #12, 2/24/42

FELLERS
CAIRO

GERMANS IN LIBYA HOLDING GROUND WITH INFERIOR FORCES.
CAN EASILY BE QUICKLY AUGMENTED AND A PUSH ORGANIZED WHICH
COULD NOT BE STOPPED SHORT OF SUKZ OR IRAQ WITHOUT HEAVY
IMMEDIATE REINFORCEMENT OF BRIT. FORCES.

SUMMARY IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

WESTERN BUREAU

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4:00 p.m.

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TO

4:00 p.m.

2/24

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON

JOURNAL # 55 2/23

FILED: 4:52 2/23

TECHNICAL DATA AND SUGGESTIONS RE: AMERICAN AIRCRAFT
AND EQUIPMENT. (1600 WORDS)

CHANEY
LONDON

From: Chaney - London

Journal #5, 2/24/42

Filed: 2/23/42, 6:35 P

DETAILS AGREED UPON IN CONSTRUCTION OF LOCKHEED
PROJECT #1, N. IRELAND. (HOSPITALS AND EQUIPMENT THERE OF)

CHANEY
LONDON

From: Chaney - London

Journal #6, 2/24/42

Filed: 2/23/42, 7:46 P

DETAILED REPORT OF CHARACTERISTICS AND LOCALITY OF AIR
BOMBS AVAILABLE FOR SUPPORT OF U.S. TROOPS IN N. IRELAND.

CHANEY
LONDON

From: Edwards - Tanger

Journal #7, 2/24/42

Filed: 2/23/42, 1800

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I.B. #11, 2/24/42

EDWARDS
TANGER

From: Eager - Madrid

Journal #8, 2/24/42

Filed: 2/23/42, 1930

SITUATION UNCHANGED.

I.B. #10

EAGER
MADRID

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EASTERN EUROPE #1

10:00 AM

2/23/42

TO

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2/24/42

From: Waddell - Stockholm Journal #9, 2/24/42

Filed: 2/23/42, 1755 I.R. #8, 2/24/42

WADDSELL
STOCKHOLM

LIMITED NO. OF TRAINED CONSCRIPTS ORDERED TO ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY NOT DUE TO EXTERNAL PRESSURE. REPLACEMENTS OF 30 BMS. POLICING NORWEGIAN BORDER AND FILLING COMPLEMENT OF 10 OTHER BMS. APRIL 1 DAY FOR 1942 RECRUITS TO REPORT. SEPT. 1 SCHEDULED FOR END OF SERVICE CLASS OF 1941. MAR. 31 TOTAL OFFICERS AND MEN UNDER ARMS 100,000

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ATLANTIC THEATER

Filed: 4:25 A. 2/23

Journal 17, 2/23

From: Danielson

G-2 ETO

SS DEYLCA EVERAGRA, radiced a sub was following at 34°43N 76°13 W. Information recd 305 AM 2/23. CG cutter searching the area near Jupiter Light, Fla, sighted large sub on surface at 2700 N 8000 W. 0143 GCT, 2/23. Sub kept under observation for 10 min then submerged as CG cutter proceeded toward W. Palm Beach signals like Very pistols were seen indicating presence of 2 subs in area. Cutter did not attack sub as it had mg aboard. (ONI says a later message says CG cutter followed another sub in same area. Comment also that CG cutter referred to in body of message was really only a small patrol boat. De is code for "concerning." YLCA call letters. SS EVERAGRA is of Latvian registry.

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Filed: 1:45 PM, 2/23/42

Journal 35, 2/23/42

From: U.S. Navy War Plans

22 FEB: "GNEISSNAU" IN DRYDOCK AT KIEL
"MUNNBERG" ALONGSIDE
"TIRPITZ" AT TRONDHEIM
near BERGEN: 1 pocket battleship, 1 cruiser,
(Hipper class), 2 merchant vessels

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2/23
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FROM: THORPE, JAVA I.B.# 41 Journal # 41 2/23
FILED: 10:40 2/23
MALANG, MADALANG & SOURABAYA SUFFERED AIR RAIDS ON 2/23.

THORPE, JAVA

MORALE OF DUTCH LAND FORCES IS LOW. WHILE I HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO VERIFY IT AS YET, RUMORS PERSIST THAT JAVA WILL CAPITULATE.

MORE HOSTILE TROOPS HAVE BEEN LANDED ON TIMOR. IT IS REPORTED THAT A WOMAN WAS PILOTING AN ENEMY PLANE DOWNED AT MAKASHER.

FROM: CHIEFS OF STAFF TO ARDA COM I.B.# 26
FILED: 2/21 JOURNAL # 39 2/23
MAIN OBJECTIVE IS TO KEEP CHANNEL OF SUPPLIES OPEN TO CHINA, IF POSSIBLE VIA RANGOON & IF NOT, THEN VIA ASSAM, BY HOLDING A LINE IN BURMA. IT IS MOST IMPORTANT TO KEEP RANGOON, FIRST TO SEND SUPPLIES TO CHINA & BURMA & SECONDLY, SINCE IT IS DOUBTFUL IF RANGOON BOUND CONVOYS CAN GET THROUGH MUCH LONGER IN VIEW OF POTENTIAL MALACCA STRAIT THREAT, TO PROTECT ASSAM ROUTE. HOWEVER, ONCE THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF SECURITY OF ROUTES HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED IT IS FELT THAT THE LOSS OF FURTHER TROOPS IN DEFENSE OF RANGOON, ONCE IT IS ISOLATED, WOULD NOT BE FORTIFIED. FINALLY, THE LOSS OF RANGOON MEANS OUR EFFECTIVE FIGHTING STRENGTH IN BURMA WILL BE COMENSURATE ONLY WITH THE CAPACITY OF THE LAND ROUTE.

FROM: ARDA COM JOURNAL # 2/23
FILED: 0656 2/23
WILL DISPERSE ARDA COM MAINLY TO COLOMBO. BRIG SETWELL TO BE LEFT WITH SUITABLE STAFF IN CHARGE OF BRIT & AUSTRALIAN LAND FORCES.

FROM: RTO VIA G HQ JOURNAL # 57 2/23
FILED: 3:20 P.M. 2/23

U.S. TANKER BALD BUTTE & W.D. ANDERSON TORPEDOED IN AREA PALM BEACH, FLA., JUPITER INLET; WEST ZEDA & LINEA REPORTED BY STAFF DUTY OFFICER AS TORPEDOED LAST NIGHT; SHIP IDENTITY UNKNOWN TORPEDOED AT 44°22' N - 63°20' W AT 2000 GMT, FEB. 22. MESSAGE FROM MIAMI, CAPT HARNEL, BELIEVED TO BE A PAA PILOT, THAT AT 3:45 GMT, FEB. 22, AN ENEMY SUB SURFACE WAS ON SURFACE AT 26°10' N - 79°53' W. ONE SUB SIGHTED AT 0715 GMT, FEB. 22 AT 34°43' N - 76°13' W.

ENEMY SUB SEEN AT PALM BEACH PAL, JUPITER INLET AREA. USS MONVANA IS BELIEVED BY NAVY TO HAVE BEEN LOST DUE TO ENEMY ACTION OFF N. CAROLINA COAST. LIFE PRESERVERS, OARS & LIFEBOATS WASHED ASHORE NEAR COAST GUARD STATION # 179 IN JANUARY. REPORT FROM NORFOLK, FORWARDED BY CHESAPEAKE BAY. SURFACE VESSELS OF U.S. NAVY, ACCORDING TO ESP, REPORTS, HAVE ON FEB. 22, MADE AT LEAST 12 ATTACKS ON

JOURNAL # 57 2/23 continued
SOUND CONTACTS FROM POINT 4 MI OFF THE ENTRANCE TO AMBROSE CHANNEL, NEW YORK TO 40°15' N - 73°45' W, WITH POSSIBLE SINKINGS OF ONE ENEMY SUB. OIL WAS OBSERVED ON THE SURFACE. ACTION STOPPED AT 19:30 GMT.

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2/23
TO
4:00p.m.
2/24

FROM: ABDACOM
FILED 2/22

Journal # 44 /23

IT REPORTED THAT ON 2/22 THERE WERE IN ALL 6 VESSELS APPROACHING THE NORTH, WEST AND EAST COAST OF SOMERAWA. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A TANKER AND A TROOPSHIP THE JAP FORCE REPORTED AT ANAMBAS ISLANDS CONTINUES THERE, AS DO THE VESSELS SOUTH OF MUSTOK. THE MUSTOK FORCE APPEARS TO BE HELD THERE FOR SOME DEFINITE OPERATION IN THE NEAR FUTURE (PERHAPS TO REEMBARK A PORTION OF THE TROOPS AT PALEMBANG) SINCE THEY EXPOSED TO AIR RAIDS. IT APPEARS THAT JAP AIR POWER HAS BEEN MOVED SOUTH. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE LOCATION OF HEAVY BOMBERS IS AS FOLLOWS: ~~REMBANG~~ THREE AT AMBON, ONE AT BALI, FOUR AT KENDARI AND ONE AT MABAU. THE AIRCRAFT STRENGTH BASED ON THE PALEMBANG AREA IS NOT KNOWN. IT IS LIKELY THAT BALIK PAPAN WUFFLING BALI, AMBON AND KENDARI WITH

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ONE ADDITIONAL SQUADRON EACH.

FROM: ABDACOM
FILED: 1730 2/22

JOURNAL # 2/23

ABDACOM

JAP SUCCESS largely due to long range fighters which CAN ESCORT BOMBERS OVER DISTANCES IMPOSSIBLE FOR US AND THUS ATTACK BY DAY-LIGHT & DESTROY OUR AIRCRAFT ON GROUND FROM LONG RANGE. SHORT RANGE OF OUR FIGHTERS ALSO COMPLICATES OUR REINFORCEMENT PROBLEM.

WHAT ARE WE DOING TO DEVELOP LONG RANGE MODELS?

FROM: GHQ, JAVA
FILED: 2050 2/23

JOURNAL # 2/23

GHQ, JAVA

BLENHEIMS ATTACKED ENEMY SHIPPING IN RIVER PALEMBANG. B-17s ATTACKED KEMPASAR AIRDROME, BALI 6 ENEMY BOMBERS BELIEVED DESTROYED.

20 ENEMY FIGHTERS DESTROYED, 6 HUDSONS ON GROUND AT SEMELAK AIRDROME.

ENEMY LOSSES BALI SEA BATTLE: 1 CRUISER PROBABLY SUNK, 2 CRUISERS & 2 DESTROYERS CONSIDERABLY DAMAGED.

FROM: RADIO CAVITE (UNSIGNED) I.B.# 22 2/23
FILED: 12:50 p.m. 2/23 Journal # 53 2/23
ROSTER OF MEN ORDERED TO MINDANAO-VISAYAN AREA.

RADIO CAVITE
UNSIGNED

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2/24

FROM: ABDACOM JOURNAL # 43 2/23
FILED: 2/22

IN THE EVENT OF EVACUATION OF JAVA BY ABDA HQS, IT COULD BE EASILY REPLACED BY THE ORIGINAL DUTCH HQ. WOULD BE BETTER TO DISCONTINUE ABDA HQS RATHER THAN WITHDRAW IT, & THEN NEW AUSTRALIA SHOULD GO BACK TO AUSTRALIAN CONTROL, PHILIPPINES TO U.S., JAVA TO DUTCH. (BURMA CO CONTROL ALREADY IN INDIA). THIS PROCEDURE WOULD CUSHION THE WHOLE AFFAIR FROM A MORALE POINT OF VIEW. IF WITHDRAWAL IS TO BE MADE IT SHOULD BE MADE BEFORE ATTACK REALLY GETS GOING & SHOULD NOT ENTAIL CESSATION OF SHIPMENT OF WAR MATERIALS TO JAVA. UNTIL THIS QUESTION HAS BEEN DECIDED UPON, PREPARATION FOR WITHDRAWAL WILL BE MADE BUT NO POSITIVE ACTION TAKEN.

FROM: BARNES, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 46 2/23
FILED: 0300 2/24

REQUEST HIGH SPEED OPERATIONS RADIO STATIONS & MANUALLY OPERATED WITH PERSONNEL.

FROM: MACMORLAND, CHUNGKING JOURNAL # 45 2/23
FILED: 9045 2/23 I.B.# 44

SUMMARY PHILIPPINES INAUGURATION.

SMALL ACTION SE OF KENTUNG, ONE CHINESE COMPANY. ACTIVITY PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS LARGE CHINESE COUNTER-OFFENSIVE ACTUALLY ONLY SMALL PATROL ACTION.

FROM: M/A LONDON, MCCLURE I.B.# 37 2/23
FILED: 4:40 p.m. 2/23

MCCLURE,
LONDON

GENERAL WATKINS'S INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO. 21, WHICH WAS RECEIVED LATE ON FEB 22, HAD ONLY THE FOLLOWING FRESH NEWS: THE ENEMY WARSHIPS ESCORTING THE PALEMANG EXPEDITION REMAINS AT THE ANAMBAS ISLANDS. ANOTHER CONVOY IS THOUGHT TO BE EXPECTED BY THESE UNITS. NO ADDITIONAL REPORTS ABOUT THE JAPS LANDING NEAR KOMPANG, TIMOR, HAVE COME IN. AS LATE AS THE MORNING OF FEB 22, THERE WERE NO JAP VESSELS AT BALI.

2 ENEMY TRANSPORTS ESCORTED BY FOUR DESTROYERS AND A SUBMARINE WERE APPROACHING CHRISTMAS ISLAND, ROUGHLY 300 MI S. OF SUNDA STRAIT, ORZED.

ON FEB 21, BRIT FORCES ALONG THE BILIN RIVER IN BURMA WITHDREW TO POSITIONS ALONG THE SITANG RIVER. UP TO THE NIGHT OF FEB 22 THERE WAS NO TRUTH IN JAP CLAIMS OR PRESS DISPATCHES TO THE EFFECT THAT PEGU WAS IN ENEMY HANDS. RANGOON IS BEING EVACUATED BY GOVT. RAF AND U.S. AIRCRAFT WERE VERY SUCCESSFUL AGAINST ENEMY GROUND & TRANSPORT CONCENTRATIONS NEAR KYAIKTO ON FEBRUARY 20.

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PACIFIC # 4

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2/24

From: Brink - Java Journal #2, 2/24/42
Filed: 2/23/42, 2335 I.B. #63
SUMMARY OIL SITUATION EAST INDIES.
PREMAN FIELD PRODUCTION 85 50,000 MT TONS
REFINERY CAPACITY 79 75,000
DUTCH STILL OPERATING E HAVE FIELD.
PRODUCTION 600,000. REFINERY 475,000 CAPACITY

JAPS SEIZED INTACT
SERIA PRODUCTION 275,000 WELLS REQUIRING COMPRESSED
AIR OR GAS LEFT (NONE LEFT AVAILABLE)
PIADJOE REFINERY 200,000 CAPACITY POSSIBLE REDUCED
BY LATER BOMBINGS.
SERIA DRILLING EQUIPMENT SENT SINGAPORE NOW PROBABLY
CAPTURED.

JAPS CAN RESTORE HIGH PRODUCTION ONLY BY EXTENSIVE NEW
DRILLINGS. IF 12 SETS DRILLING EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE MAX.

(Journal #2, 2/24/42, Cont'd)

REACHED WITHIN 6 MOS. 2,000,000 (MAY BE DOUBLED BY SPEND-
THRIFT ACTION) ACTUAL PROBABLY WILL BE LESS DUE TO LACK OF
DETAILED KNOWLEDGE OF HISTORY AND GEOLOGICAL STRUCTURE EX-
CEPT SHEL FIELD IN S. SUMATRA WHERE CONFIRMATION OF REC-
ORD DESTRUCTION HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED. THESE LAST TWO OB-
JECTIVES HAVE PRIORITY FOR ATTACK BY SABOTAGE, BOMBING, OR
COUNTER OFFENSIVE.

From: Stroh - WDC Journal #1, 2/24/42
Filed: 2/23/42, 9:30 P

STROH
WDC

A SUB APPARENTLY JAP I SERIES, GUNS FORE AND AFT,
SHELLED ELLWOOD, CALIF. (12 MILES WEST OF SANTA BARBARA)
FROM A POSITION 1/4 MILE OFF SHORE - 25 ROUNDS OF 5 INCH
SHELLS WERE FIRED AT A REFINERY DAMAGING SLIGHTLY 2 OIL
WELLS. NO CASUALTIES. SUBMERGED AND IS BEING SOUGHT.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #4, 2/24/42
Filed: 2/24/42, 0215

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

SITUATION UNCHANGED.

From: McClure - London Journal #10, 2/24/42
Filed: 2/23/42, 11:00 P I.B. #9, 2/24/42

McCLURE

DETAILED ESTIMATE OF INDIA:
MILITARY
SOCIAL
POLITICAL

From: Emons - Ft. Shafter Journal #11, 2/24/42
Filed: 2/23/42, 6:49 P

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

12 B-17'S BASED AT TOWNSVILLE, AUS. RAIDED WITH RAF
ON PARAU-CHAMATA DAYLIGHT. ONLY 2 REACHED OBJECTIVE
DUE TO WEATHER AND OPERATIONAL DIFFICULTY. RESULTS NOT
OBSERVED. 1 FORCED DOWN AT MUNA NE OF PORT MORESBY.

From: Emons - Ft. Shafter Journal #14, 2/24/42
Filed: 2/23/42, 5:07 P

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

REQUEST PERMISSION TO CONSTRUCT UNDERGROUND STORAGE
FOR DEFENSE RESERVE OF AMMUNITION.

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~~SECRET~~

Filed: 131 /24
From: Brett, Java

Journs 32, 2/23

PACIFIC
#8

DESTRUCTION OF PLANES ON GROUND DUE CHIEFLY TO LACK OF ANTIAIRCRAFT MATERIEL AND AN ADEQUATE WARNING SYSTEM RATHER THAN LACK OF EXPERIENCE OR FAILURE TO TAKE PROPER PRECAUTION. A PASSIVE DEFENSE ALONE FOR PROTECTION OF GROUND AIRCRAFT IS FUTILE AGAINST WELL OPERATED RAID BY PURSUIT AND ATTACK BOMBERS. JAPS HAVE BEEN PRACTICALLY UNMOLESTED, DUE TO OUR LACK OF PLANES WHILE MAKING AIR PHOTOS OF OUR ESTABLISHMENTS, OF WHICH, AS JAP RAID TECHNIQUE SHOWS, THEY HAVE FULL INFORMATION. SAME THING HAS HAPPENED TO THE BRITISH. WHEN THE ENEMY HAS GREAT SUPERIORITY BEST DEFENSE IS TO KEEP BOMBERS IN OPERATION BUT THIS DIFFICULT BECAUSE OF LACK OF MAINTENANCE FACILITIES. LOSSES HAVE NOT BEEN CAUSED BY FAILURE

4:00 PM 2/22/42

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OF PERSONNEL, BUT BY FAILURE TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A PROPERLY ROUNDED AIR FORCE.

Filed: 2/22/42

I.B. 24, 2/23

From: Combined Chiefs of Staff

SUBJECT: PERSONNEL AND EVACUATION FROM JAVA.

MEN OF FIGHTING UNITS WHO HAVE ARMS TO FIGHT WITH, NO THOUGHT OF EVACUATION: AIR FORCES MORE USEFUL FOR OPERATIONS FROM BASES OUTSIDE JAVA AND AIR PERSONNEL HAVING NO PLANES, TROOPS AND TECHNICIANS NOT ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO DEFENSE SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN. U.S. AND AUSTRALIAN PERSONNEL SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN TO AUSTRALIA

Filed: 2/22/42

I.B. 25, 2/23

From: ABRACOM, Batavia

ADDITIONAL FIGHTERS ESSENTIAL AT ONCE FOR CONTINUED RESISTANCE IN JAVA. LANGLEY ORDERED TO JAVA TO UNLOAD FIGHTER AIRCRAFT. THIS MAY KEEP THINGS GOING UNTIL ARRIVAL OF AIRCRAFT FROM INDOMITABLE.

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PACIFIC THEATER

#9

Filed: 1:45 PM, 2/23

Journal 35,2/23

From: U.S. NAVY WAR PLANS

Enemy losses at Bali, 2/19/21 believed to be 2 cruisers,
4:00 PM 2/22/42 1 destroyer, 2 transports. Reconnaissance 2/21 sighted
to enemy force in Anambas Is. consisting of 3 armored
4:00 PM 2/23/42 cruisers, 2 light cruisers, 12 destroyers. Another force
in Flores Sea 21 Feb. consisting of 4 cruisers, 4 destroy-
ers. 20 Feb, 1 cruiser, 6 destroyers, in St. Georges
Channel off Rabaul.

Filed: 2025,2/23

I.B. 38,2/23

From: Gurnee, Melbourne

Journal 34,2/23

SS DON ISIDORO RUN AGROUND (TOTAL LOSS) 7 MILES NORTH OF
CAPE FOURCROY, BATHURST ISLAND, AS RESULT BEING ATTACKED
OFF THE ISLAND WHILE ATTEMPTING TO RUN BLOCKADE TO
PHILIPPINES. MAJORITY OF PERSONNEL SURVIVED AND TAKEN TO
DARWIN.

ENEMY PURSUITS THOUGHT TO BE WORKING OUT OF BALI AIR
FIELD. JAPS LANDED APPROXIMATELY 3400 EFFECTIVES ON THE
ISLAND, IT IS NOW KNOWN. ALSO KNOWN THAT 6 TROOP SHIPS
LANDED ENEMY FORCES 12 MILES SE KOEPANG.

DARWIN COMMUNICATIONS REMAIN POOR. THERE IS A LACK OF
WATER AND ELECTRICITY. 73 VEHICLES AND 12 AMERICAN
75s WITH AMMUNITION HAD BEEN LOADED ON DECK. CASUALTIES
MISSING, 16 OFFICERS AND MEN: KILLED, 4 MEN, 2 OFFICERS

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

LATIN AMERICA

2/22

Journal #39

Filed: 10:45A

From: British Guiana Base (Matthews)

REQUEST ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE PERMIT FLIGHT THRU PARAGUAY, ECUADOR AND BOLIVIA.

FROM

4:00 PM 1/21/43

TO

4:00 PM 1/22/43

FROM M/A MONTEVIDEO,
FILED: 1:04P 2/21/43

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M/A

MONTEVIDEO

IN A COUP D'ETAT CAUSED BY CONSTITUTIONAL RESPONSE QUEST-
ION, TROOPS OCCUPIED THE LEGISLATIVE HALL & COURTS ON FEB
21, 1943. IT IS THIS ACTION WILL CAUSE MARCH ELECTIONS TO BE
BE CANCELLED & MORE ACTIVE DECISIVE DEFENSE MEASURES TO BE
ADOPTED. UNCONFIRMED REPORTS STATE THE ARMED FORCES ARE
UNDER THE COMMAND OF BERGALLI. VIOLENCE IS NOT EXPECTED.

G-2 COMMENT: 1. PRES BALDOMIR HAS CONSISTENTLY CONTENDED
THAT HE WOULD DISSOLVE THE CONGRESS & RULE BY DECREE IF
SUCH MEASURES BECAME NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN HIS STAND OF
HEMISPHERE DEFENSE BY COMPLETE COOPERATION WITH THE U.S.
THE ACTION SATURDAY WAS A BOLD STROKE BY THE ADMINISTRATION
TO PREVENT ANTI-UNITED STATES OPPOSITION IN CONGRESS, THE
MILITARISTA GROUP, FROM GAINING CONTROL. CERTAIN AMENDMENTS
TO THE CONSTITUTION WERE TO BE VOTED ON AT THE PRESIDENTIAL
ELECTION IN MARCH.

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G-2 COMMENT CONTINUED

2. GENERAL BERGALLI IS INSPECTOR GENERAL (CHIEF OF STAFF) &
A STRONG SUPPORTER OF PRESENT REGIME.

FROM: G-2 CBC VIA GHQ Journal # 67 2/22

FILED: 5:43 p.m 2/22

PREVIOUSLY THROUGHT TORPEDOED, IT IS NOW REPORTED THAT
THE NORWEGIAN SHIP "KONGSGARD" BLEW UP 7 MILES OFF WEST
SIDE OF CURACAO ABOUT 1330 OCT 2/21.

CBC VIA GHQ
KIRKWOOD

4:00 p.m.
2/22
TO
4:00 p.m.
2/23

FROM: CG BERMUDA Journal # 66 2/22
FILED: 1:52 p.m. 2/22
NO AIR PATROLS 2/21 DUE TO WEATHER & SEA CONDITIONS.

C.G. BERMUDA

FROM: G-2 ETO VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 65 2/22
FILED: HMX 4:10 p.m.
SUBS REPORTED AS SIGHTED AT 1527 GMT LOCATION 2541 N - 7953 W AND AT 0132 GMT LOCATION 2744N - 8010 W; BOTH ON FEB. 22.

G-2 ETO
VIA GHQ
WATKINS

UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL REPORTED BEING SHELLED BY SURFACE RAIDER AT 4035 N - 8015 W; REPORT RECEIVED 1208 GMT FEB. 22.
THE SS SWIFT SURE, WHICH WAS REPORTED ATTACKED BY A SUB ON FEB 21, HAS ESCAPED & ARRIVED SAFELY AT CHESAPEAKE BAY.
CITIES SERVICE EMPIRE REPORTED TORPEDOED BEFORE 1135 GMT FEB. 22, OFF JUPITER INLET, FLORIDA.
SS REPUBLIC REPORTED TORPEDOED AT 0345 GMT FEB. 22 INT OFF PALM BEACH, FLORIDA.

Filed: 2/23/42, 12:42 A.M. Journal #11, 2/23
From: G-2 CDC Thru GHQ
AT 1815 FEBR 21 SUBS WERE MOORED AT PIERS IN FT. R. FRANCE ACCORDING TO ST. LUCIA REPORT, ALSO SUB SIGHTED OUTSIDE SAN NICOLAS HARBOR.

CDC

ANDREWS.

Filed: 2/22/42, 10:34 P.M. Journal #12, 2/23
From G-2, E.T.O. Thru GHQ
RADIO INTERCEPTOR AT 6:22 PM FEBR. 22 FROM SHIP REPORTING SUB ON SURFACE 7 MILES EAST OF MONA ISLAND 15°05' N - 67°51' W. SS WALTER T. JENNINGS REPORTS SHIP TORPEDOED 10 MILES EAST OF JUPITER LIGHT.
DANIELSON

E.T.O.

Filed: 2/23/42, 2:17 AM. Journal #14, 2/23
From: G-2 E.T.O. Thru GHQ
AT 12:58 A.M. FEBR 23 THE SS LINNE WAS REPORTED TORPEDOED AND SINKING AT 14°30' N. - 64°45' W.
DANIELSON

E.T.O.

Filed: 2/23/42, 2:17 A.M. Journal #13, 2/23
From: G-2 E.T.O. Thru GHQ
A WRECKED STEAMER WAS REPORTED LYING ON HER SIDE AND ADRIFT 7 MILES N NE OF JUPITER LIGHT, KEY WEST, FLORIDA. THIS IS APPARENTLY SAME SHIP REPORTED EARLIER BY STEAMER JENNINGS.

E.T.O.

GERMAN SUB CHARGING BATTERIES 17 MILES NORTH BY EAST OF JUPITER LIGHT ACCORDING TO SOUTHERN SECTOR REPORT.
THE 5,000 TON FREIGHTER WEST ZEBA REPORTED TORPEDOED 9°13' N. - 99° 04' W. AT 0306 GMT.
DANIELSON

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FROM: M/A LISBON, PORTUGAL

I.B.# 37 2/22

M/LISBON

FILED: 7:55 p.m. 2/21

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JAP INVASION OF TIMOR UNEXPECTED BY PORTUGUESE OFFICERS
AS IT IS CONSIDERED A CONSEQUENCE OF PRIOR ANGLO-DUTCH IN-
VASION.

SHIPP

ALONG PORTUGUESE FRONTIER MILIT ZONE OF SPAIN HAS BEEN
EXTENDED NORTH OF CIUDAD RODRIGO TO ZAMORA, SALAMANCA,
LEONORIN & SEVIGO. IN ALL THESE CENTERS & AT LA BANEZA,
LEDESMA, ASTORGA, BENAVENTE & VERIN THERE ARE STRONG GAR-
RISONS. TWO REGIMENTS IN ZAMORA; ABOUT 5,000 IN SALAMANCA.
AY BESMILLO, VITIGUDINO, PUEBLA DE SAMABRIA, GUARDIA &
ALCANICES THERE ARE SMALL GARRISONS.

BETWEEN U.S. & SPAIN THERE EXISTS A RUMORED DIFFICULTY.

G-2 COMMENT: AS THERE EXISTED DUTCH & AUSTR GARRISONS
ON TIMOR AT TIME OF JAP INVASION, THIS REASONING IS IN
CONSONANCE WITH PORTUGUESE MINE. TROOPS MOVEMENTS ALONG
FRONTIER HAVE CONTINUED FOR SOME TIME; MEANING NOT CLEAR.

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THE DIFFICULTY BETWEEN U.S. & SPAIN MIGHT RELATE TO PRESENT
DELAY IN OIL NEGOTIATIONS & COMMERCIAL AGREEMENTS.

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From: Eager, Madrid

NO CHANGE.

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Journal #71, 2/22

ANKARA

From: Kelley, Ankara thru St. Dept.

INFORMATION HOLDS THAT IT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED THAT
GEN. ROMMEL HAS LEFT NORTH AFRICA. BELIEVED BUT NOT YET
CONFIRMED HE IS ENROUTE TO RUSSIAN FRONT.

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VICHY

From: Lasky, Vichy thru St. Dept.

INFORMATION INDICATES ROMMEL PLANS LARGE SCALE OFFENSIVE SOON ON MEDIT. ADDITIONAL REINFORCEMENTS AND SUPPLIES WILL BE TRANSPORTED BY SEA. APPARENTLY ROMMEL FEELS ATTACK FROM THE DIRECTION OF MESSINA AGAINST HIS RIGHT FLANK. HIS ATTACK PROBABLY WILL NOT BEGIN UNTIL THE SITUATION IN THE TUNIS IS CLARIFIED. HIS RECENT WITHDRAWAL IS SEEN AS A MEANS OF PREVENTING IDENTIFICATION OF UNITS.

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From: Salley, Ankara thru St. Dept.

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SUMMARY OF INSTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

PACIFIC # 2

FROM: ABRACOM, RANDONNO

I.B.# 39 2/21

FILED: 4:45 a.m.

Journal # 51 2/22

THE SW PACIFIC AREA ESTIMATE FOLLOWS:

IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH A DEFENSIVE LINE EXTENDING ALONG NEW ZEALAND & NORTHERN AUSTRALIA BECAUSE THE REINFORCEMENTS TO DUTCH E. INDIES WILL NOT ARRIVE ON TIME.

IT IS PROBABLE THAT TIMOR WILL BE LOST THROUGH THE LACK OF DECISION & PROMPTNESS. AT FIRST, AUSTR. WOULD NOT DISPATCH FORCES TO TIMOR WHICH SLOWED UP PREPARATIONS FOR A FIRM DEFENSE OF THE ISLAND WHICH IS A NECESSARY STAGING AREA FOR FIGHTER CRAFT BETWEEN AUSTR. & JAVA. ON 19th 3 TRANSPORTS WERE SUNK AT DARWIN BY STRONG JAP AERIAL ATTACK. THESE SHIPS WERE PART OF FORCE WHICH FINALLY SET OUT TO REINFORCE TIMOR, WERE BOMBED & RETURNED TO PORT.

I AM OF OPINION THAT AN OFFENSIVE SHOULD BEGIN AT ONCE FROM THE CHINA-BURMA AREA WITH THE MISSION OF TAKING COCHIN-CHINA, CAMBODIA & SOUTHERN THAILAND. THE JAPANESE

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HAVE COMMITTED THE MASS OF THEIR USABLE GROUND & AIR FORCES IN FORWARD ZONE OF SOUTHWESTERN AREA. THE OFFENSIVE MENTIONED ABOVE WOULD:

a. DIVERT JAP GROUND & AIR TROOPS INTO SIAM & FRENCH INDO-CHINA.

b. CAPTURE INDO-CHINA & SOUTHERN SIAM.

c. HASE THE JAPANESE ATTACKS ON JAVA.

d. PREVENT THE YUNNAN-BURMA HIGHWAY FROM FALLING INTO JAP HANDS.

e. GI VE US AIRBOMES FOR FUTURE AIR OFFENSIVES AGAINST JAP OCCUPIED DUTCH E INDIES, MALAYA, CHIP ISLANDS & JAP MARITIME COMMUNICATION LINES.

SUGGESTED OPERATION WOULD CONSIST OF FOLLOWING:

A COORDINATED ATTACK FROM NORTH BY THE 6th & 5th CHIN ARMIES GENERALLY TOWARDS CHIENGMAI WITH ATTACK TO SOUTH-EASTWARD & EASTWARD IN GENERAL DIRECTION OF BANNAK, SIAM.

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BY BRIT TROOPS.

FROM GENERAL LOCALITY OF YUNNAN, RANDONNO, CHITTAONG, LASHIO LASHIO & KWEILIN, THE BRIT & U.S. AIR FORCES COULD SUPPORT ABOVE OPERATIONS.

LINE OF COMMUNICATION TO THEATER MENTIONED ABOVE ARE PROTECTED TO BURMA FROM EGYPT, WITH NEW ROUTES OF SUPPLY BEING BUILT AS FOLLOWS:

YEO HIGHWAY FROM LADO RAILHEAD - MYITKYINA - SE TO LUNGLEIN & BURMA - YUNNAN HIGHWAY.

MANIPUR ROAD RAILHEAD - KALEWA ON CHINDIN RIVER - MANDELAY BY WATER.

G-2 COMMENT: MANIPUR-KALEWA ROAD IS MORE USEFUL, SHORTER LEADS TO THE NAVIGABLE IRRRAWADDY RIVER. THIS ROAD IS NOW IN OPERATION.

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FROM: BRINK, JAVA I.B.# 56 2/22
FILED: 5:50 ? 2/22 JOURNAL # 58 2/22

WELLS, EQUIPMENT & STOCK IN SUMATRA AT PANGKALANBRIND
(PANGKALANBRAND?) PANGKALANISOISOE & SUNGERGERONG COM-
PLETLY DESTROYED, BUT DUE TO ERROR OF DUTCH MILIT COM-
MANDER, THEREFINERY AND STOCK OF 2000,000 TONS AT PLADJOR
FELL INTO ENEMY HANDS. ATTEMPTS ARE BEING MADE TO DESTROY
IT BY BOMBING.

FROM: M/O BANDOENG, JAVA I.B.# 38 2/22
FILED: 10:45 a.m. 2/22 JOURNAL # 57 2/22

M/O BANDOENG
JAVA, BRINK

IN COMMUNIQUE DATED FEB 22, DUTCH MILIT AUTHORITIES
STATED THAT NUMERICAL INFERIORITY IN TROOPS WILL LIMIT
THEIR DEFENSE TO SURABAYA AREA & TO WESTERN PORTION OF JAVA.
IN ATTACK ON KALIDJATI, FIVE JAP BOMBERS DOWNED.
MALANG WAS TWICE ATTACKED, BUT DETAILS LACKING.
I HAVE NO FURTHER INFORMATION ON FIGHTING ON BALI.
IT IS MY ESTIMATE THAT THE DEFENSE OF JAVA WILL BE OF
SHORT DURATION.

1. IN WESTERN JAVA, ABOUT 7 MI WNW OF SOEBANG AT 6°30'S,
107° 40' E.
2. ABOUT 60 MI S. OF SURABAYA.

FROM: ABDACOM I.B.# 53 2/22
FILED: 2/21 JOURNAL # 55 2/22

ENEMY IN BANI AREA ATTACKED BY B-17's & LB-30's; BANKA
AREA ALSO ATTACKED, 4 TRANSPORTS HIT. ENEMY ATTACKED
KALIDJATI AERODROME 20th & 21st, 3 ALLIED PLANES LOST; 1
ENEMY.

FROM: ABDACOM I.B. 54 2/22
FILED: 2/21 JOURNAL # 56 2/22

ENEMY LANDED E OF KOPKANG DAWN FEB. 20.
NO SHIPPING SEEN AT BALI, YET.
ENEMY ESCORT STILL AT ANAMBAS ISLAND, HEADING PALEMBANG.

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G-2 WORKSHEET SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

PACIFIC

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FROM: BMTT, JAVA JOURNAL # 61 2/22
FILED: 1856 2/21

ONE-AND-HALF PAGE MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO SIGNAL PERSONNEL, INSTALLATIONS AND EQUIPMENT.

FROM: BUCKNER, FT. RICHARDSON, AL JOURNAL # 62 2/22

FILED: 0257 GMT 2/22

BUCKNER'S COMMAND EMPLOYE NO PERSONS OF JAPANESE DESCENT IN CIVILIAN JOBS.

BUCKNER,
FT. RICH. AL.

FROM: BUCKNER, FT. RICHARDSON, AL. JOURNAL # 64 2/22

FILED: 1855 2/22

AIR STATUS REPORT.

BUCKNER

FROM: M/A LEBRON, PORTUGAL I.R. # 57 2/22

FILED: 1:05 p.m. 2/21 JOURNAL # 63 2/22

JAP INVASION OF TIMOR PRESENTED BY PORTUGUESE OFFICERS AS IT IS CONSIDERED A CONSEQUENCE OF PRIOR ANGLO-DUTCH INVASION.

ALO

FROM: G-2 WDC JOURNAL # 60 2/22

FILED: 1252 p.m. 2/22

SUB PREVIOUSLY REPORTED OFF UNALASKA ISLAND ON 2/21 IS NOW REPORTED 17 MI OFF CHERNOFSKI (ON UNALASKA ISLAND) BEING 44°. INVESTIGATION CONTINUES. NO RESULTS YET.

G-2 wdc
stroh

FILED: 2/22/42, 1551

FROM: BMTT, JAVA

JOURNAL #73, 2/22

JAVA

MISSING ON FLIGHT FROM LUBON TO MINDANAO DEC. 15, RE. COL. DAVID R. GIBBS IN M-36. SEAT CUSHIONS FROM B-26 FOUND NEAR COORSE ONLY WRECKAGE DISCOVERED.

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FROM: MOCLURE, LONDON I.B.# 52 Journal # 54 2/22
FILED: 2:50 p.m. 2/22

ENEMY AROUND BOTH BRIT PLANES ON BILIN RIVER & PENETRATED SOUTH OF BILIN. LARGENUMBERS ENEMY AIRCRAFT CONCENTRATED N NORTH THAILAND. BRIT CASUALTIES HEAVY. SERIOUS ATTACK N. SUMBA EXPECTED.

ATTACKS ON DARWIN SANK U.S. DESTROYER AND 6 MERCHANT SHIPS, BADLY DAMAGED RAF FACILITIES AND DOCKS.

5 JAP PLANES DOWN, 18 ALLIED FIGHTERS LOST IN AIR, 12 ON GROUND.

3 LIGHT CRUISERS; 1 SHAPLANE CARRIER & 14 OTHER SHIPS, & 36 ENEMY AIRCRAFT REPORTED AT NEW BRITAIN.

WALLANG, JAVA RAIDED ON 20th; 5 PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND. WARELL COMMENTS & RMI STATE: ONE REGT OF ENEMY LANDED BALI ON 19th, BELIEVED BALI AIRBORNE USED BY JAP FIGHTERS. LARGE CONVOY SAILED FROM SINDJAI FOR BALI OR TIMOR.

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19 JAP SHIPS AT PALEMBANG; 12 SOUTH OF HUNTOR, SEVERAL IN BANKA STRAIT.

WALLANG COMMENTS ENEMY PLAN POSSIBLY OCCUPY KODIANG OR DILLI & REINFORCE BALI. HE BELIEVES NORTH COAST JAVA SCENE MAIN ATTACK; DIVERSIONS AT EACH END. ALSO STATES JAVA ATTACK MAY HAVE BEEN DELAYED BY ALLIED AIR ATTACKS.

FROM: CAFFE, PORT MILLS I.B.# 21 2/19
FILED: 6:25 a.m. 2/19 Journal # 68 2/22

THE FOLLOWING LIST, SIGNED BY PRES QUEZON, CONSTITUTES HIS WAR CABINET. THE PORTFOLIOS HELD BY EACH FOLLOW THEIR NAMES:

1. VICE PRES OSMEÑA; DEPT. OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION & HEALTH DEPT.
2. CHIEF JUSTICE JOSE ABAD SANTOS; FINANCE DEPT., THE DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE, & DEPT. OF COMMERCE.
3. GENERAL BASILIO VALDES; DEPT. OF NATIONAL DEFENSE, DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS, DEPT. OF COMMUNICATIONS, LABOR DEPT., & SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT.

THE TREASURER OF THE PHILIPPINES IS ANDRES SORIANO.

Filed: 2/22/42, 11:30
From: Brett, Java

Journal #3, 2/23

JAVA

REQUEST INFORMATION REGARD B-25 H PLANES, (1) FERRYING AND WHEN (2) RATE (3) EAST OR PACIFIC ROUTE (4) CONDITION (5) TIME TO MAKE READY FOR ACTION ON ARRIVAL. AIR CREWS READY TO FERRY AUSTRALIA TO JAVA.

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FROM: BRETT, JAVA JOURNAL # 69 2/22

FILED: 2/22

BALI AIRPORT RAIDED BY 6 B-17's, WHICH DROPPED HEAVY BOMBS. FINDING NO VESSELS AT BALI, 2 LB-30'S RAIDED THE BALI AIRFIELD AND ENEMY ENCAMPMENT THERE.

BRETT, JAVA

ENEMY BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS OVER SOURABAYA ATTACKED BY 6 P-40's, RESULTING IN DAMAGE TO ONE ENEMY BOMBER AND LOSS TO US OF 2 PILOTS AND 2 P-40's.

STATUS OF PLANES AS OF 1200 GMT 2/21

A-24	8 on hand	4 in commission
B-17	19 "	4 "
P-40	18 (?) "	17 "
LB-30	8 "	4 "

10 P-40's KNOCKED OUT IN AIR, AND 2 P-30's (?) ON THE GROUND WHEN DAWN WAS ATTACKED ON 2/20.

NOTICE AND THOSE ACCOMPANYING HIM GOT TO JAVA ON 2/20 in THE A.M. IN A B-24.

Filed: 2/23/42, 10:50

Journal #7, 2/23

MELBOURNE

From: Barnes, Melbourne

NO RECORD YOUR REQUEST FOR STRENGTH REPORT.

Filed: 2/23/42, —

Journal #9, 2/23

FT. MILLS

From: Fort Mills

PRESIDENT FOR FEB 23 ON WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY AS IF BY MUTUAL CONSENT, FIGHTING DIED DOWN ON ALL FRONTS SAID GEN. MACARTHUR "IT WAS A CHIVALROUS ACT ON THE PART OF ENEMY AND SHOWS WORLD WIDE VENERATION THAT THIS MORTAL MAN COMMANDS".

UPON RECOMMENDATION GEN. MACARTHUR THE COMMONWEALTH OF PHILIPPINES HAS RESTORED ITS HIGHEST DECORATION UPON GEN. MACARTHUR CH. OF STAFF MAJ. GEN. RICHARD K SUTHERLAND & HIS DEPUTY CH OF STAFF BRIG GEN RICHARD J MARSHALL THE CITATIONS WERE AS MEMBERS OF THE AMER MILITARY MISSION WHICH "DEvised ORIGINAL PLANS AND METHODS TO DEVELOP THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND THROUGH BRILLIANCE IN CONCEPTION & EXECUTION CREATED THE ARMY THAT IS NOW STRIKING BLOWS ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE THAT HAVE BEEN EARNED FOR THE PHILIPPINES THE PRICELESS RIGHT TO BE RE-

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COGNIZED ON ITS OWN MERIT AS AN EQUAL IN THE BROTHERHOOD OF ARMS BY THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD. LATER, AS CHIEF OF STAFF & DEPUTY CH. OF STAFF OF US ARMY FORCES OF THE FAR EAST, THEY WERE THE PRINCIPAL ASSISTANTS TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL IN THE MAGNIFICENT DEFENSE THAT HAS CALLED FORTH THE PLAUDITS OF THE WORLD". THE MEDALS WERE PRESENTED BY GEN. MACARTHUR IN THE FIELD THIS MORNING, WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY, GEN MACARTHUR SAID "THERE ARE TWO OF FINEST OFFICERS I HAVE EVER COMMANDED. COOL & RESOURCEFUL, COURAGEOUS & DETERMINED, RESOLUTE AND DEVOTED, THEY ARE EMBODING OF THE EARNED IMMEDIATE DECORATION. TOMORROW THEY MIGHT WELL BE CASUALTIES, TOO LATE TO KNOW OF A NATIONS MILITARY HONOR TO THEM".

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From: Brett, Java

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JAVA

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF MESSAGE NO. 185.

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Journal #5, 2/23

MELBOURNE

From: MERIE SMITH, MELBOURNE

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE, DETAILED REPORT AUSTRALIAN
COAST. CHRISTMAS ISLAND REPORTS FEER RE APPROACH OF
4 DESTROYERS, 2 TRANSPORTS, 1 SUBMARINE PRESUMED TO BE
JAP.

Filed: 2/22/42, 3:48 P.M.
From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter

Journal #6, 2/23

FT SHAFTER

TANKER EDWIN B DE OOLIA LEAVING COAST ABOUT FEER. 27
FULL LOAD MOTOR VEHICLE GASOLINE. NO SPECIAL UNLOADING
EQUIPMENT NEEDED.

Filed: 2/22/42, 2330
From: Brink, Java

Journal #10, 2/23
L.B. #11, 2/23

JAVA

HOSTILE PRESSURE CONTINUED IN BURMA ON THE 17th & 18th
FEER ALONG BILIN RIVER SECTOR BETWEEN PAYASHIK AND
LEIKKON. ALLIED LINES ONLY HELD BY FREQUENT COUNTER
ATTACKS. GREATEST ACTIVITY AT DANINGON. ENEMY HAVE
SECURED POSITION ON RIGHT SIDE OF RIVER BELIN AND EFFORT
TO DRIVE HIM OUT NOW BEING MADE. ENEMY HAVE DROPTED
PAMPHLETS TELLING OF CAPTURE OF SINGAPORE. MOUNTAIN
MARTIAN BOMBED BY OUR PLANE AND OUR GROUND TROOPS
SUPPORTED. QUIET ON FRONT IN NORTH. CHINKORAI IS SUPPOSED TO BE
TO BE CENTER OF PLANE AND TROOP CONCENTRATIONS. HOSTILE
INFANTRY IN RETROGRADE MOVEMENT AT PHAN AFTER THEIR ATTACK
WAS STOPPED TOOK UP NEW ADVANCE STRONGLY SUPPORTED BY
DIVE BOMBERS AND ARTILLERY FIRE. THEIR SUPPORT WAS TROGO
AND WELL WORKED OUT WITH JAP INFANTRY.

Filed: 2/23/42, 6:30 P.
From: MacArthur, Ft. Mills.

Journal #15, 2/23

MACARTHUR

FRONTS SHOW LITTLE ACTIVITY.

Filed: 2/23/42, 1110
From: Brett, Java

Journal #16, 2/23

JAVA

HEWITON'S EXPERIENCE AND PRESTIGE CAUSE ME TO URGE HE
GO TO INDIA UPON JAVA EVACUATION AMER. CONTROL MUST BE
EMPHASIS UPON IN ORGANIZING A NEW THEATER. HAVE DIRECTED
HIM TO PROCEED WITH MAIDEN TO INDIA TO ORGANIZE, DEVELOP
AND INSTAUTE INSTALLATIONS LINES OF COMMUNICATION. AT
CONCLUSION OF PRESENT IMPORTANT WORK IN AUSTRALIA I PLAN
TO GO TO INDIA.

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Journal #59, 2/24

From: Captain on Staff, Colombo

IN JALIA AREA IS THE 6th JAP FLEET C-IN-C. MATORI, A CRUISER, MAY BE IN TAKHO AREA. JAPS' SOUTHERN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE FLAGSHIP AND A CARRIER (PERHAPS THE KIJUJO) ARE IN SAIGON AREA.

PAIAO IS ROUTING POINT FOR MOST OF THE TRAFFIC OF 2ND FLEET, 3rd FLEET, AND COMBINED AIR FLEET.

AT KENDARI IS A SECTION OF KANOKA AIR FORCE.

14:00 PM 2/23/42

to

4:09 PM 2/24/42

CORRECTION

CORRECTED COPY OF I.B. 65, JOURNAL 2, 2/24/42

From: Brink-Java

Journal #2, 2/24/42

Filed: 2/23/42, 2335

I.B. 65

SUMMARY ANNUAL OIL PRODUCTION AND CAPACITIES, EAST INDIES.

PREWAR FIELD PRODUCTION: 8,560,000 TONS

REFINERY CAPACITY: 7,976,000 TONS

DUTCH STILL OPERATING EAST JAVA FIELD.

PRODUCTION, 600,000 TONS. REFINERY, 475,000 TONS, CAPACITY.

JAPS SEIZED IN FACT:

1. SERIA: PRODUCTION 275,000 TONS. WELLS REQUIRING COMPRESSED AIR OR GAS LIFT (NONE LEFT AVAILABLE)
2. PLADJOE REFINERY, 2,200,000 TONS, ANNUAL CAPACITY. POSSIBLY REDUCED BY LATER BOMBINGS.

SERIA DRILLING EQUIPMENT SENT SINGAPORE: NOW PROBABLY CAPTURED. JAPS CAN RESTORE HIGH PRODUCTION ONLY BY EXTENSIVE NEW DRILLINGS. IF 12 SETS DRILLING EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE MAX. REACHED WITHIN 6 MOS. 2,000,000 (MAY BE DOUBLED BY SPEND-THRIFT ACTION) ACTUAL PROBABLY WILL BE LESS, DUE TO LACK OF DETAILED KNOWLEDGE OF HISTORY AND GEOLOGICAL STRUCTURE EXCEPT S.W. FIELD IN S. SUMATRA, WHERE CONFIRMATION OF RECORDS--DESTRUCTION HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED. THESE LAST TWO OBJECTIVES HAVE PRIORITY FOR ATTACK BY SABOTAGE, BOMBING, OR COUNTER OFFENSIVE.

(G-2 NOTE: CABLE USED TERM "KILOGRAM TONS.")

BELIEVED METRIC TON OF 2264.6 LBS. IS MEANT.)

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Filed: 1425 2/24
From: Brett, Melbourne

Journal 18, 2/24

TAKING OVER COMMAND OF ALL U.S. TROOPS IN
AUSTRALIA AND CONTROL AREA OF ABDA INCLUDED IN
THIS PART AUSTRALIA

Filed: 2/24
From: Intelligence Section
Planning Div
Cominch, U.S. Navy

Journal 26, 2/24

a. 2 ENEMY CRUISERS, 5 DESTROYERS, 5 AIRPLANES CARRIERS
DUE TO ARRIVE BALI ON 26 FEB. FROM LATER INFORMATION IT
APPEARS THAT ENEMY TASK FORCE IS BEING DELAYED IN ITS
ARRIVAL IN LOMBOK STRAIT UNTIL 26 FEB BY AIR OPPOSITION.

b. AUSTRALIAN AIR MINISTER SAYS 2 WAVES OF ENEMY BOMBERS
ATTACKED PORT MORESBY, NEW GUINEA, ON 24 FEB. DAMAGE NOT
VITAL.

Filed: 2/23/42
From: Comb. Chiefs of Staff

Journal #35, 2/24/42

1. WE AGREE WITH YOUR DECISION TO CLOSE YOUR HEADQUARTERS
AND PASS COMMAND OF ABDA TO DUTCH. PROCEED WITH YOUR ARRANGE-
MENTS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS.
2. LEAVE THE DUTCH ENOUGH PERSONNEL AND MATERIEL TO ENABLE
THEIR PERFORMING THIS COMMAND.
3. NO STOPPAGE WILL BE TOLERATED OF AIRPLANE AND OTHER
MATERIEL REINFORCEMENTS NOW ALLOCATED TO ABDA AREA.
4. WIRE CONCURRENCE OR PROPOSED CHANGES IMMEDIATELY.

Filed: 2/23/42
From: Comb. Chiefs of Staff

Journal #36, 2/24/42

1. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE NORTH END OF MALACCA STRAIT
BE SCRUTINIZED CLOSELY AND CONTINUOUSLY TO LEARN OF ANY JAP
SURFACE MOVEMENTS WHICH MIGHT BE AIMED AT BAY OF BENGAL
AND HENCE TO BURMA.
2. THERE ARE NO SUBMARINES AVAILABLE TO C. IN C. EASTERN
FLEET.
3. YOU ARE TO TRANSFER 2 BRITISH SUBMARINES FROM YOUR
PRESENT COMMAND TO C IN C, EASTERN FLEET, FOR THIS PURPOSE.

Filed 2/23/42
From: Joint Staff Missions

Journal #34, 2/24

1. NO CHANGE IN PRESENT PLANS FOR GENERAL TEAMWORK IN
STRATEGIC POLICY IN FIGHTING JAPANESE.
2. BURMA AND N.E.I. SEPARATED DUE TO ENTRY OF JAPANESE INTO
SUMATRA AND OUR LOSS OF MALAYA.
3. BECAUSE OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS, THE COMMAND OF LAND, AIR, AND
SEA FORCES IN THE N.E.I. SHALL PASS TO THE DUTCH. THE DUTCH
WILL RECEIVE ALL ASSISTANCE THAT THE UNITED NATIONS CAN
SUPPLY IN THIS OPERATION.
4. WAVELL WILL AGAIN BECOME COM. IN CHIEF, INDIA, AND THIS
WILL INCLUDE RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATIONS IN BURMA AND
COOPERATING CLOSELY WITH THE CHINESE.

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PACIFIC # 5

From: PRO - Ft. Mills Journal #16, 24/42
Filed: 2/24/42, 0520

PRESS RELEASE FOR FEB. 24. NORMAL ACTIVITIES PREVAILED ON ALL FRONTS. THE ENEMY HAS INTENSIFIED HIS USE OF WHITE PHOSPHORUS INCENDIARY BOMBS.

"REMEMBER ERLINDA" OVER THE DIN AND ROAR OF BATTLE MIXED OVER THE STACCATO RATTLE OF MACHINEGUN FIRE, THE CRACK OF SNIPERS BULLETS AND THE HUMBLE OF ADVANCING TANKS THAT CRY REVERBERATED THROUGH THE HILLS OF BATAN AS THE FIGHTING PORTY FIRST DIVISION GRIM AND DETERMINED PUSHED AHEAD AND REPULSING THE ENEMY ATTACK STRAIGHTENED ITS LINE AND PRESSED FORWARD. FOR THE DAY THEY HAD FOUNDED IN THE FOX-HOLES OCCUPIED THE NIGHT BEFORE BY THE JAPANESE THE DAVISHED BODIES OF TWO FILIPINO GIRLS AND IN THE TATTERED CLOTHING OF ONE WAS EMBROIDERED THE NAME ERLINDA. REMEMBER ERLINDA WAS SHOUTED FROM THROAT TO THROAT

(Journal #16, 2/24/42, Cont'd)

ROARSE WITH MUFFLED ANGER AND HATE AND WITH THAT CRY IN WHICH WAS EXPRESSED THE OUTRAGED MANKHOOD OF HUNDREDS OF FILIPINO SOLDIERS THE PORTY FIRST DIVISION WENT UNHINDERED AND UNAFRAID THROUGH BOMB AND SHELL AND THROUGH A RAIL OF CRASHLESS FIRE TO WIN THE DAY AND AVENGE THE NAMELESS CRIME COMMITTED BY THE LUSCIVIOUS INVADERS ON ERLINDA AND HER UNIDENTIFIED FRIEND.

PRO

Filed: 2/25 Journal 19, 2/24
From: McGeorge Walden Phillips, Pres. Standard Vacuum Co.

- PETROLEUM PRODUCTS DESTROYED--DUTCH EAST INDIES
1. STANDARD VACUUM LOST 2,500,000 BARRELS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS DESTROYED IN MALAYA AND DEI (NOT TO EXCEED 100,000 BARRELS, AVIATION GAS).
 2. 900,000 BARRELS PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, SOME AVIATION GAS, DESTROYED AT SINGAPORE.
 3. TOTAL REFINING CAPACITY OF AVIATION GASOLINE IN ALL REFINERIES IN DEI, MAXIMUM OF 175,000 TONS PER ANNUM.
 4. NO POSSIBILITY OF 2,000,000 TONS, AVIATION GAS, CAPTURED. MIGHT HAVE BEEN 20,000 TONS AS OUTSIDE FIGURE. WALDEN BELIEVES EVERY BARREL OF GAS IN EVERY INSTALLATION HAS BEEN DESTROYED.
- STANDARD VACUUM NO LONGER IN CABLE COMMUNICATION WITH

continued Journal 19, 2/24

BATAVIA.

Filed: 2/22/24

Journal 20, 2/24

From: COM SW PAC

DARWIN NOW DEFINITELY UNSUITABLE NAVAL BASE. HOLLAND AND BLACKHAWK EN ROUTE AND WILL INVESTIGATE EXMOUTH GULF AND SHARKS BAY FOR TEMPORARILY OVERHAULING DESTROYERS AND SUBS. IF NEITHER PLACE SUITABLE MAY CONTINUE FREEMANTLE. MEANTIME CONTINUING ENERGETIC OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS AGAINST ENEMY, BASING JAVA PORTS ALL OF WHICH ARE NOW EXTREMELY PRECARIOUS. MORALE CONTINUES SUPERB.

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From: Maxwell

Journal #60,2/23

VESSELS IN RED SEA: WEEKLY REPORT.

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Filed: 10:05 PM, 2/23/42
From M/A Cairo

I.B. 20, 2/24/42
Journal 29, 2/24/42

CONCLUSION FROM IMPRESSIONS GAINED ENROUTE---FIRST PRIORITY MUST BE GIVEN IMPROVEMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS ALONG FERRY ROUTE. REPORTS INDICATE GOOD COOPERATION FROM B.O.A.C. AND R.A.F. PAN AMERICAN PERSONNEL EFFICIENT. CONTROL OF AMERICAN ENLISTED MEN DRIFTING ALONG ROUTE INSUFFICIENT. PARTIES TRAVEL WITHOUT OFFICER IN CHARGE. MEN OFTEN IGNORANT OF THEIR DESTINATION. GENERAL LACK OF INFORMATION UNIVERSAL, NO MEANS OF DISSEMINATION APPARENT. DISCIPLINE AMONG U.S. PERSONNEL TRAVELLING AS CASUALS POOR DUE TO LACK OF TRAINING. EACH STAGING AREA SHOULD HAVE WELL-INFORMED OFFICER, PREFERABLY OF FIELD GRADE. DELAYS IN COMMUNICATION WORRY ALL PERSONNEL

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From: M/O ACCRA

I.B. 66, 2/23/42
Journal 30, 2/24/42

REFERENCE I.B. 47, 2/13 (ORIGINAL 4 40-mm. BOPORS DUE AT ACCRA, 2/20, FOR INSTALLATION---BEING TRANSFERRED FROM TAKORADI TO DEFEND ACCRA AIRDROME---APPROVED BY BRITISH--GUNS FROM ENGLAND WILL REPLACE GUNS REMOVED FROM TAKORADI--30 NATIVES AND 30 BRITISH NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS COMMANDED BY CAPTAIN AND LIEUTENANT TO BE SENT WITH GUNS TO INSTALL AND MAN THEM)

4 BOPORS HAVE BEEN EMPLACED. 400 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION PER GUN ARE ON HAND. GUNS HAND OPERATED; PERSONNEL, 10 MEN PER GUN. GUN CREWS QUARTERED IN VARIOUS CAMPS. UNDER FAVORABLE CONDITIONS ESTIMATED TIME TO ASSEMBLE CREWS IN ONE TO TWO HOURS. GUNS MANNED DURING DAYLIGHT ONLY. "I CONSIDER THIS INSTALLATION INADEQUATE BOTH AS REGARDS HOURS AND ARMAMENT."

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From: M/A London

I.B. 53, 2/23/42

AT 8:30 AM, GMT, 2/22, AXIS CONVOY ON SOUTH COAST, PROTECTED BY STRONG FORCE OF ESCORT VESSELS, OBSERVED BY AIRCRAFT ON RECONNAISSANCE AT POINT 270 MILES NE OF MISURATA. EIGHT MERCHANT SHIPS IN CONVOY. AIR ACTIVITY, ESPECIALLY AXIS, INCREASED IN BATTLE AREA AS RESULT OF BETTER WEATHER CONDITIONS. GROUND PATROLS ACTIVE ON BOTH SIDES SOUTH OF THIMIMEKILI ROAD. AXIS INFANTRY AND ARTILLERY ENGAGED TEN MILES NORTH OF BIR TEMAD BY BRITISH PATROL HEADING TOWARD THIMI. ENEMY FORCES RETREATED.

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0015 FEB. 23 SS LINPE TORPEDOED AND SINKING
14-30 N 64-45 W.
0415 FEB. 24 SS INVERAMOR TORPEDOED AND
SINKING 44-25 N 42-29 W.
TINPITZ AND SCHREER IN TROSDURHEIM 1415 FEB. 23

Filed 1230 P. 2/24
From ETO

Journal 40, 2/24

AIR ACTIVITIES REPORTS: NEGATIVE---MISSIONS:
OBSERVATIONS 76 RECONNAISSANCE 32
WEATHER: GOOD EXCEPT RAIN AND SNOW 100 MILES
OFF SHORE. FROM CHESAPEAKE TO GEORGIA VISIBILITY
POOR TO ZERO.
PERIOD OF REPORT: TO NOON GMT 2/24

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From ETO

Journal 41, 2/24

REPORT OF AIR ACTIVITY NEWFOUNDLAND FOR 2/23(to noon
GMT)---NO MISSIONS
WEATHER: VISIBILITY 6 MILES, CEILING 4500 FEET

Filed: 1215 P. 2/23
From ETO

Journal 42, 2/24

REPORT OF AIR ACTIVITY TO NOON GMT, 2/2 3:
MISSIONS: OBSERVATIONS 69
RECONNAISSANCE 29
WEATHER: CALM WITH BUT FEW EXCEPTIONS.
NEWFOUNDLAND SAME DATE, CEILING, ZERO, VISIBILITY, ZERO

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1300 Feb. 23 SS THALIA TORPEDOED AND SUNK 60
MILES NW OF CURACAO.

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I.B.46, 2/23/42

From: M/A, San Jose, Costa Rica

Journal 32, 2/24

COLONEL RODRIGUEZ STAYS ON PRESENT JOB AS RESULT OF
PRESIDENT'S REFUSAL TO ACCEPT HIS RESIGNATION.

G-2 NOTE---COLONEL RODRIGUEZ HAS BEEN MENTIONED SEVERAL
TIMES IN CROOKED DEALS: IN ONE OF THEM THE PRESIDENT'S
BROTHER WAS INVOLVED. HE IS REPORTED TO BE CORRUPT,
RATHER THAN PRO-NAZI

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From: Baker - Baghdad
Filed: 2/22/42, 2115

Journal #13, 2/24/42

BAKER
BAGHDAD

SHIPMENT OF AIRCRAFT ASSEMBLY PLANT REQUESTED. RAF
NOW ASSEMBLING RUSSIAN PLANES AT RATE OF 1 1/2 PER DAY.
DETAILS ON FUTURE SET UP.

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Journal # 12

From: Shipp Lisboa

I.B. # 69 1/25/42

ORGANIZATION UNDERWAY OF 3 ADDITIONAL BATTERIES 3RD
F A, EQUIPPED WITH 105MM HOW FOR AZORES. CONVERSION OF
1ST HORSE ARTY GROUPS TO A A ARTY IN PROGRESS. ABOUT
MARCH 15, 2 A A BTRYS ORDERED TO MADEIRA. ARMAMENT FROM
GERMANY: 74 105 MM HOWS AND TUBES FOR 12 155 MM HOWS.,
60,000 RIFLES IN 1941, 30,000 RIFLES IN 1942, 20,000
KRUPP 105 MM SHELLS, 20,000 RHUIN METALS, 12,000 155 MM
SHELLS, BUT NONE ARMOR PIERCING GOODS. BRITISH SOURCE.
14 105 MM BTRYS IN PORTUGAL.

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Press Release
From: MacArthur

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MACARTHUR
Press Release

THE ENEMY HAS DEFINITELY RECOILED FROM THE BLOODY FRONT WHICH HE SO DESPERATELY ASSAILED DURING THE LAST THREE WEEKS IN HIS FRANTIC ENDEAVORS TO BREAK OUR BATTLE POSITION IN BATAN. YESTERDAY OUR LIGHT FORCES ~~W~~ SWEEP THROUGH HIS SCREEN AND TOOK COMMAND OF THIS BLOODY STRIP OF TERRAIN. THE ENEMY HAS WITHDRAWN FROM ONE TO EIGHT KILOMETERS TO FIXED POSITIONS. THERE IS EVERY INDICATION THAT TEMPORARILY THE FURY BATTLE OF THE GORY BATTLE OF THE MOBILE FORCES IN BATAN HAS COME TO AN END, WITH VICTORY ~~W~~ FOR OUR ARMS. THE ENEMY IS IN POSITION EITHER TO ENGAGE IN SIEGE OPERATIONS OR TO BUILD UP ANOTHER ATTACK, BUT WHATEVER HIS DECISION HIS DEATH ROLL HIS CASUALTIES AND HIS SICK LIST INCREASE AND MOUNT DAY BY DAY.

DURING THE VICTORY PARADE HELD BY THE JAPANESE ~~W~~

Journal #23 2/26/42

FORCES OF OCCUPATION IN MANILA RECENTLY EVERY EFFORT WAS MADE TO DRAW THE FILIPINOS TO THE STREETS AND IMPRESS THEM WITH THE MILITARY STRENGTH OF THE JAPANESE IN THE CITY AND THE SUBURBS. PARADES ALWAYS ATTRACT CROWDS BUT VERY FEW FILIPINOS WERE SEEN LINING THE STREETS. A GROUP ~~W~~ OF FOUR YOUNGSTERS BETWEEN THE AGES OF FIVE AND ELEVEN IN MOURNING WERE SEEN INTENTLY WATCHING THE PARADE. AN ELDERLY FILIPINO WHO HAPPENED TO PASS BY REMARKED THEM FOR WITNESSING A PARADE OF THE INVADERS. THE ELEVEN YEAR OLD BOY WHO WAS APPARENTLY THE LEADER OF THE GROUP ~~W~~ EXPLAINED "WE WANT TO TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT THE FACES OF THE MURDERERS OF OUR FATHER AND MOTHER WHO WERE KILLED WHEN PARANQUE WAS BOMBED. SOME DAY THEY WILL PAY US." AND THAT IS HOW THE JAPANESE HAVE PLANTED HATRED IN THE FILIPINO HEART AND THEY WILL ~~W~~ REAP NO LOVE FROM THEIR SOWING BUT ONLY BITTER RAGE AND A PASSIONATE DESIRE

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FOR VENGEANCE. IN THE OCCUPIED AREAS THERE IS A VAST SURGING TIDE OF RESISTANCE WHICH HAS BEEN MERELY DAMMED UP BUT WHICH WILL RUSH DOWN IN A TORRENT OF DEFIANCE WHEN THE OPPORTUNE MOMENT COMES.

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7 ENEMY TRANSPORTS SEEN IN MACASSAR FEB. 24TH. 2 SUNK BY BOMBS. ABOUT 100 VARIOUS SHIPS REPORTED TO JOLO FEB. 20. AIR RECON REPORTED FLEET TO THE NORTH. 4 SUBS, 6 TRANSPORTS, 7 DESTROYERS, AND 1 LIGHT CRUISER AT 06° 33 SOUTH 117° 45' EAST THE 24TH OF FEB. ONE CERTAINLY AND ONE PROBABLY SUNK IN THIS PARTY BY SUBMARINE WHICH ATTACKED THEM.

2. ASSUME THESE TRANSPORTS TO BE TROOPSHIPS. ALSO BELIEVE THE FLEET CAME FROM JOLO.

3. HAVE CONCLUDED THAT 1 REGIMENT CAN ARRIVE AT BALI FEB 25TH AT DAWN. ANOTHER REGIMENT MIGHT FOLLOW. POSSIBLE FOR MAIN BODY OF 2 DIVISIONS TO BE OFF CENTRAL JAVA FEB 27 AT DAWN.

4. ESTIMATE OF ENEMY PLAN IN MY EARLIER MESSAGE.

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5. VERY SLIGHT CHANGE MENTION SHIPPING. WEST OF POTIANAK, 5 MERCHANT SHIPS SIGHTED UNSCORTED FEB. 24 TH.

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FROM: G-2 ETO VIA GHQ Journal # 41 2/25

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USS EMERALD ATTACKED SUB SITED AT 28:55 N 80:12 W,
TIME 1700 GMT., FEBRUARY 24. RESULTS UNKNOWNETO VIA GHQ
WATKINS.

FROM: CG IBC VIA GHQ

Journal # 61 2/26

FILED: 9:10 p.m. 2/26

FOR THE PERIOD ENDING AT MIDNIGHT FEB. 24-25, 1942:
EASTERLY TO NORTHERLY WINDS MODERATE UNRESTRICTED VISIBIL-
ITY; CEILING 800 FEET TO UNLIMITED; LIGHT SNOW; TRAINING
FLIGHTS AND OTHER FLIGHTS 16 HOURS.DECLASSIFIED
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FROM: G-2 WDC VIA CHQ JOURNAL # 42 2/25
FILED: 12:40 pwt 2/25

FROM WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND -CAME IN THE CLEAR - UN-CLASSIFIED. EVALUATION OF FACTORS RELATIVE TO AIR ALERT LOS ANGELES AREA THIS DATE LEADS TO FOLLOWING CONCLUSIONS:

- 1) UNIDENTIFIED AIRPLANES OTHER THAN AMER ARMY OR NAVY PLANES WERE POSSIBLY IN AIR OVER THE AREA & WERE FIRED ON BY ELEMENTS OF THE 37TH COAST ARTY BRIG BETWEEN 3:12 & 4:15 A.M. THESE UNITS EXPENDED 1,450 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION WITHOUT KNOWN HITS.
- 2) AS MANY AS 15 AIRPLANES MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED FLYING AT VARIOUS SPEEDS FROM WHAT IS OFFICIALLY REPORTED AS BEING "VERY SLOW" TO AS MUCH AS 200 MPH & AT ELEVATIONS FROM 9,000 TO 18,000 FEET.
- 3) NO BOMBS WERE DROPPED.
- 4) NO CASUALTIES AMONG OUR TROOPS.
- 5) NO PLANES SHOT DOWN.

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6) NO AMERICAN ARMY OR NAVY PLANES IN ACTION. FROM DETAILS AVAILABLE AT THIS HOUR (INVESTIGATION CONTINUING) IT SEEMS REASONABLE CONCLUSION THAT IF UNIDENTIFIED AIRPLANES WERE INVOLVED, THEY MAY HAVE BEEN FROM COMMERCIAL SOURCES OPERATED BY ENEMY AGENTS FOR PURPOSE OF SPEEDING UP ALARM DISCLOSING LOCATIONS OF ANTI AIRCRAFT POSITIONS & SLOWING PRODUCTION THROUGH BLACKOUT. SUCH CONCLUSION IS SUPPORTED BY VARYING SPEED OF OPERATIONS & FACT THAT NO BOMBS WERE DROPPED.

FROM: BUCKNER, FT RICHARDSON, AL JOURNAL # 63 2/25
FILED: 1718 2/25

STATION LIST ALASKAN AIRCRAFT. ELMENDOR: AO 4; B 5; A 4; BOB; CO 3; C 8; DOB; D 12; F SINGLE; G TRIO;
MODIAK: AO 1; A 2; B 8; JUNEAU: E DUET; FAIRBANKS E SOLO;
HAMILTON FIELD, CALIF. EMS NO EN ROUTE OR IN U.S.; NO ONE G DOUBLE TANANA (APPARENTLY CODED).

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From: Navy War Plans

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE OF FRENCH GUINEA FAILED TO DISCLOSE
ANY INDICATION OF ENEMY SUBMARINE ACTIVITY OR SUPPLY
SHIPS BASING IN THAT AREA.

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LATIN AMERICAN # 1

From: Braden - Bogota Journal #4, 2/26/42
Filed: 2/25/42, 5:00 P
1,000,000 BARRELS DIESEL AND CRUDE OIL NOW STORED AT COVENAS.

BRADEN
BOGOTA

PROBABLY EQUIVALENT AMOUNT NOW STORED AT CARTAGENA.
PROTECTIVE MEASURES NOW IN FORCE
1 COLUMBIAN DESTROYER ON WATCH AT CARTAGENA
GUNS AND CREWS AT BOCA CHICA (EFFICIENCY NIL)
1 COLUMBIAN DESTROYER TO BE SENT TO COVENAS
PROVIDED PERMISSION IS OBTAINED FROM COLUMBIAN GOVERNMENT
MEASURES MAY INCLUDE THE MOUNTING OF 37 MM GUNS ON
LOCALLY AVAILABLE SEA GOING LAUNCHES.

From: Corrigan - Caracas Journal #5, 2/26/42
Filed: 2/25/42, 1200

CORRIGAN
CARACAS

PERMISSION HAS BEEN REQUESTED OF THE VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT FOR PLACING A SERVICING DETACHMENT PLUS AMMUNITION AT MARACAIBO.

PATROL FROM DUCH ISLAND ALONG COAST TO BE BROADENED.
GOVERNMENT AGREEABLE.

From: Proctor - Quito Journal #6, 2/26/42
Filed: 2/25/42, 9:00 P I.B. #3, 2/26/42

PROCTOR
QUITO

AGREEMENT FOR THE GALAPAGOS BASES WILL NOT BE SIGNED WITHOUT EVIDENCE OF LEND LEASE, SAYS MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENSE. GOVERNMENT HAS NOT BEEN NOTIFIED OFFICIALLY THAT GALAPAGOS WAS IN USE.

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FROM: CHENEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 56 2/26
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GENERAL EAKER AUTHORIZES CLASS X ALLOTMENT FOR HIS WIFE.

FROM: CHENEY, AMEMBASSY, LONDON JOURNAL # 55 2/26
FILED: 2/26

REQUEST INFORMATION OF NUMBERS AND BAGGAGE TONNAGE
ACCOMPANY UNITS SENT ABROAD. ALSO, CABLE ADDRESS IS
CG, USAF BI. (JOURNAL # 52)

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 52 2/26
FILED: 7:30 P 2/26

REQUEST CG NEW YORK PORT OF EMBARKATION DIRECT CABLES
TO CG, USAF BI, NOT CG, AMERICAN FORCES, BELFAST.

From: Madrid - Eager Journal #1, 2/26/42
Filed: 2/25/42, 2000 I.B. #70, 2/25/42

EAGER
MADRID

HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY CREDIBLE SOURCE IN PARIS THAT
98% OF ALL AUXILIARIES AND CIVILIANS IN OCCUPIED FRANCE
BETWEEN 17 AND 34 ARE BEING CALLED TO ACTIVE SERVICE. UP
TO JANE, SUMORED GERMAN CASUALTIES IN RUSSIA 2,600,000
KILLED OR PERMANENTLY INCAPACITATED. OCCUPATION FORCE NOW
REDUCED TO 350,000.

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From: Navy War Plans

PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE OF TRONDHEIM AT 1115 ON 24 FEB.
DISCLOSED THE TIRPITZ IN HER USUAL BERTH. THE ADMIRAL
SCHEER AND PRINCE HUGHEN ARE BELIEVED TO BE IN THE LO FJORD.
H.M.S. TRIDENT (SUB) CLAIMS ONE POSSIBLE TORPEDO HIT ON
THE ADMIRAL SCHEER.

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Journal # 29

From: Navy War Plans

1. EIGHTY TO ONE HUNDRED ENEMY SHIPS WERE REPORTED AT
JOLO ON 20 FEB.

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2. AN ALLIED RECONNAISSANCE PLANE REPORTED HAVING
SIGHTED A LARGE ENEMY FORCE IN MACASSAR STRAIT ON 24 FEB.
AN ENEMY FORCE, CONSISTING OF ONE CL, SEVEN DD, AND SIX
AT WERE SIGHTED ABOUT 200 MILES NORTHWEST OF PALI AT 0350, OCT,
OCT, 24 FEB, ON COURSE 260.

3. ON 20 FEB., TWO GROUPS OF NINE ENEMY HEAVY BOMBERS
EACH, MADE UNSUCCESSFUL ATTACKS ON A U.S. NAVAL FORCE
NORTH OF THE SOLOMON ISLANDS. SIXTEEN AND POSSIBLY
SEVENTEEN OF THE ENEMY PLANES WERE DESTROYED. LOSSES
SUSTAINED BY OWN FORCE AMOUNTED TO TWO FIGHTER PLANES

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AND ONE PILOT. NO SHIPS WERE HIT.

4. FIGHT RECONNAISSANCE OF 7

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To
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FROM: WDC, 0-2 VIA GHQ Journal # 57 2/25

FILED: 6:30 p.m. 2/26

HOSTILE SUB OFF ELWOOD ON FEB. 25 BELIEVED TO BE ONE OF NUMBERS 5 TO 8, WHICH ACCORDING TO DESCRIPTION ON PAGE 85 OF ONE NUMBER 41 SURFACE VIEWS OF JAP SHIPS CARRIES ONE AIRPLANE. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THIS SUB MAY HAVE STOOD OFF COAST AND ASSEMBLED PLANE WHICH FLEW OVER LOS ANGELES LAST NIGHT.

WDC, 0-2
VIA GHQ
STROH

DOES THE NAVY HAVE ANY INFORMATION AS TO WHETHER ENEMY NAVY IS STILL CARRYING PLANES IN THIS CLASS OF SUBS?

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OAG Letter, 6-3-72

FROM: COL BRINK ABDA COM, JAVA

I.B. # 38 2/25

FILED: 1225 2/26

Journal # 47 2/26

ENEMY LANDED FRESH TROOPS ON BALI. THOMP HAS DEPARTED. THERE WILL BE A LAPSE OF 5 DAYS ON REPORTS. ABDA IR(?) WILL NOTIFY WHENEVER WE GO.

ATTACK BY 27 BOMBERS (MESSAGE GARBLED HERE) -- CAUSED ONLY SLIGHT DAMAGE.

**(REPEAT REQUESTED BY FE SECTION)

CANCELLED

** LT. COLONEL MCKNIGHT, BE SECTION, BELIEVES ABDA IR MEANS AIR HQ. MESSAGE WOULD READ:

"ATTACK BY 27 BOMBERS ABDA AIR HQ 24th AT 1500 FEET CAUSED ONLY SLIGHT DAMAGE."

From: Ent - Lima

Journal #3, 2/26/42

Filed: 2/25/42, 7:05 P

I.B. #2, 2/26/42

ENT
LIMA

BELGIAN MINISTER BELIEVES JAPS WORKING UNDER OLD AND LONG PRACTICED WAR PLANS OF 1932 PERIOD PROBABLY WITH HAWAII FIRST OBJECTIVE AND PANAMA SECOND. I FEEL HE KNOWS NOTHING OF IMPORTANCE, HOWEVER.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills

Journal #7, 2/26/42 *

Filed: 2/26/42, 0400

IN SECTOR NORTH OF DAVAO SMALL GROUP ACTIONS ARE MORE FREQUENT BUT JAPS DO NOT SEEM TO BE PREPARED TO TAKE STRONG OFFENSIVE. ON THE BATAAN FRONT THE JAP TROOPS IN FRONT OF OUR LINES HAVE BEEN DISSIPATED BY OUR ADVANCES. THIS ENTIRE AREA SECURED BY MACARTHUR. JAP FORCES HAVE WITHDRAWN AND THEIR LEFT FLANK REPULSED 6 TO 10 KILOS. WE HAVE MADE SMALLER ADVANCES IN OTHER SECTIONS OF THE LINE. MACARTHUR IS FORCING HIM TO TAKE UP A DEFINITE LINE OF DEFENSE. HOSTILE FORCES DO NOT GIVE EVIDENCE OF ANY COUNTER MOVEMENT AT AN EARLIER DATE. SUBIC BAY APPEARS TO BE SECONDARY BASE FOR JAP CONVOY SYSTEM. LIGHT UNITS OF JAP NAVY ARE OBSERVED TRYING TO ENTER OR DEPART. THIS IS ALSO THE BASE FOR OPERATIONS IN THIS SECTOR. HOSTILE FORCES IN HIGH LAND SECTION OF NW LUZON WILL SOON

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HAVE TO BE REINFORCED OR GET OUT DUE TO SUCCESS OF OUR SMALL GROUP TACTICS WHICH ARE PERSECUTING JAPS BADLY.

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OAG Letter, 6-3-72

Filed: 2/21/42, 2029
From: ABDACOM.

Journal #55, 2/21

MELBOURNE

MY FEELING IS REAL THREAT FOR US FORCES IN THROUGH BURMA INTO CHINA. GROUND WORK WILL BE LAID BY BRERSTON. SUFFICIENT PERSONNEL DUE OR NOW PRESENT IN AUSTRALIA TO HANDLE PROBLEM THERE.

ALL FORCES BEING SENT BOMBAY AS NUCLEUS FOR US FORCES. PLANS COMPLETE FOR EVACUATION INCLUDING TRANSPORT FOR ARTY. UNIT.

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2/21/42
TO
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2/22/42

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From Admiralty

Journal -----

ADMIRALTY

WAVELL HAS INDICATED HE WILL RETAIN HIS HDQ IN JAVA UNTIL INSTRUCTED TO MOVE IT.

IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFFS ADVISE WAVELL OF NECESSITY FOR HIM TO MOVE HIS HQ AND HIMSELF FROM JAVA, BUT HE SHOULD FIX THE EXACT TIME OF DEPARTURE.

FREMANLYE IS RECOMMENDED AS HDQ ABDACOM. THE DUTCH SHOULD RETAIN INITIATIVE AS TO INDIVIDUAL DUTCH REPRESENTATIVES TO MOVE.

Filed: 2/21/42, ---
From: ABDACOM, Java

Journal #38, 2/21

JAVA

ALL AIR REINFORCEMENTS DISCONTINUED TO M.E.I. PRESENT AIR STRENGTH AS OF FEBR 20: 19 B-17's, 8 IN; 9 LB-30's, 5 IN; 9 A-24's, 5 IN. PURSUITS: 19 ON HAND, 16 IN. TWO CRUISERS ATTACKED BY B-17'S OFF BALI, MANY NEAR MISSES. 5 B-17'S ON GROUND WERE ONLY LOSSES.

AIR HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF WITHOUT (1) AWS, (2) PURSUIT PROTECTION, (3) AA FIELD PROTECTION AGAINST FIELD STRAFING AIRPLANES, USE OF HEAVY BOMBARDMENT IS SUICIDAL.

BRET

Filed: 2/21/42
From: ABDACOM, Batavia

Journal -----

ABDACOM
BATAVIA

ON FEBR 19, 9:00, THE JAPS LANDED FROM 6 TRANSPORTS ON THE S. COAST OF TIMOR NEAR BACEN, 12 MILES SW OF KOEPANG.

Filed: 2/21/42, 0708
From: ABDACOM, Java

Journal #36, 2/41

ABDACOM JAVA

TECHNICAL ORDERS SHOULD BE EXPEDITED TO AUSTRALIA AND INDIA AS NONE ARE HERE.

Filed: 2/21/42, 0959

Journal #37, 2/21

ABDACOM JAWA

From: ABDACOM, Java

PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS AND 3 CRATED P-40'S HAVE BEEN
ARRANGED FOR IMMEDIATE SHIPMENT TO MACARTHUR.

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COM. 16th

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Journal #34, 2/21

From: Com. 16th

4:00 P.M.
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EQUIPMENT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR JUNGLE WARFARE; 105 &
155 mm GUNS EXCELLENT AGAINST JAPS. JAP LOSSES SINCE
DEC. 8, 4,000 KILLED; OURS 1,000 KILLED, 4,000 WOUNDED.
EST. PRESENT STRENGTH: OURS, BATAAN 35,000; ENEMY PRO-
BABLY 40,000 LUZON.

BOTH AMERS & FILIPINOS HIGHLY CONFIDENT OF ARRIVAL
OF AID FROM OUTSIDE. JAP PROPAGANDA DIRECTED TO CONVINCE
FILIPINOS HELP WILL NOT ARRIVE.

NO ENEMY INFILTRATION AT PRESENT SINCE 2,000 KILLED
WITHIN OUR LINES DURING 3 WEEKS ENDING 17TH FEER. OUR
MORALE HIGH ON BATAAN. ENEMY APPARENTLY WAITING RE-
INFORCEMENTS FOR NEW THRUST.

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ABDACOM

From: ABDACOM

19 SHIPS INCID. 7 BARGES S. OF MUNTOK AND SEVERAL IN
BANK STRAIT ARE IN THE RIVER NEAR PALEMBANG.

2 CRUISERS HAVE BEEN SEEN S. OF ATOR 7:35 FEER 19.
THEY MAY HAVE BEEN ESCORT FOR CARRIER AND DETACHED WEST-
WARD UPON LEARNING OF OUR STRIKING FORCE OFF BALI. THERE
IS AN UNCONFIRMED DUTCH REPORT OF LANDING EARLY FEER 20
W. OF (DILI?) BUT THIS NOT CONFIRMED.

ANCONVOY ESTIMATED 17 SHIPS AND INCID. 2 CRUISERS SAILED
S. FROM VICINITY SINDJAI (CELEBES) ABOUT 7:00 FEER 20.
EITHER BALI OR TIMOR COULD BE DESTINATION.

ON FEER 20 ALL SHIPS IN VICINITY OF BALI WERE WITH-
DRAWN BY THE ENEMY. PRESUMED DUE TO AIR ATTACKS. JAPS
HAVE LANDED ONE BEOT AND IT IS THOUGHT THAT FIGHTERS ARE
OPERATING FROM AIRDROME.

CONTD.

FROM: ABDACOM CONTD.

ESTIMATE AS TO ENEMY PLAN:

- (a) EITHER DILI OR KOPANG TO BE OCCUPIED.
- (b) COLLECTION OF A SMALL FORCE AT OOSTHAVEN AND RE-
INFORCEMENT OF BALI.
- (c) DIVISIONS AT BOTH ENDS JAVA.
- (d) THE MAIN ATTACK TO BE ON NORTH CENTRAL COAST OF
JAVA.
- (a) MAYBE OMITTED AND THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF THE FORCE
FOR (d). POSSIBLE THAT (b) MAY HAVE BEEN DELAYED BY
RESULTS OF OUR AIR ATTACKS.

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Journal #39, 2/21

G-2 WDC
THRU GHQ

From: G-2 WDC thru GHQ

PERIODIC REPORT NOON FWT FEBR. 21. SEARCH CONTINUES FOR ENEMY SUB REPORTED BY NAVY PLANE AT 0845 OCT OFF UNALASKA IS. FEBR. 20. AIR SEARCH IN AREA SEANAND TO JUVILE (JUNEAU) FOR HOSTILE SUB REPORTED BY SS DOWNRY OFF CAPE SPENCER. SIGHT IS NEGATIVE.

STROM

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2/21/42

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Journal #43, 2/21

MELBOURNE

From: Barnes, Melbourne

THE INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE SHOWS THE FOLLOWING DAMAGE RESULTING FROM DARWIN RAID: SUNK US DESTROYER PEARY, USA TRANSPORT MEIOS, US FREIGHTER MAUNA AHA, BRIT & AUSTRALIAN MERCHANTMEN ZEALANDIA, BRITISH MOTORIST, & NEPCUNA AND MAVIRI; EXTENSIVELY DAMAGED: US FREIGHTER PORTWAR ASHORE WITH GREAT DAMAGE AND CANNOT BE REFLOATED AT PRESENT. AUSTRALIAN FREIGHTER BARRASSA BEACHED BUT FIRE EXTINGUISHED; MINOR DAMAGE: AUSTRALIAN NAVAL CRAFT SWAN PLATIPUS, GUMBAR, COCOOOLA, TULAG, MANUNDA, HOSPITAL SHIP WHICH LEFT DARWIN FOR FREMANTLE. US FREIGHTER ADMIRAL HALSTED UNDAUNTED AND NOW BEING UNLOADED DESPITE DAMAGE TO WHARF. THERE IS NO KNOWN DAMAGE TO OTHER SHIPS IN DARWIN HARBORS: AUST. NAVAL CRAFT WARREGO, TOWNSVILLE, DELCRAINE, WARRANJCOL. DAMAGES TO US AIRCRAFT ARE BELIEVED: PNE 12-30, 10 P-40'S, LIGHT CASUALTIES REPORTED. THERE WERE NO AMER. AIRCRAFT

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IN COMBAT. NOW TRYING TO GET AUTHENTIC DATA AS TO MILITARY AND NAVAL LOSSES.

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Journal #52, 2/21

MELBOURNE

From: Merle Smith, Melbourne

I.B. #71, 2/17

STATIC DEFENSE COMPLEX SEEMS TO LIMIT RAAF STRATEGIC CONCEPT EVEN IN FUTURE PLANS WITH MANY PLANES AVAILABLE. MOBILE TASK FORCES - NAVY, ARMY AIR AND MARINE LANDING FORCES, WITH SINGLE COMMAND INDEPENDENT OF LOCAL COMMANDS URGENTLY NEEDED TO STRIKE AT JAP DISPOSITIONS.

ADEQUATE TRANSPORT PLANES NEEDED WITH OTHER AIRCRAFT SO ADVANCE ECHELONS MAY BE MOVED RAPIDLY WHERE NEEDED.

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Journal #51, 2/21

London

From: McClure, London

I.B. #55, 2/21

2 JAP DIVS BELIEVED IN SUMATRA.

SEVERE FIGHTING CONTINUES ON BILIN RIVER.

PTINGAMA & MANDALPT BOMBED WITH CONSIDERABLE CIVILIAN CASUALTIES. ENEMY CONCENTRATIONS AT PANTAGOK, DAUKYAT & TRITINADAUNG.

ENEMY ADVANCING ON COSTHAVEN IN SUMATRA; DUTCH DESTROYED ALL STORES AND INSTALLATIONS.

SOURABAYA AND AIRDROMES AT BUITZENORG & BANDOENG HEAVILY BOMBED. 5 ENEMY PLANES DOWNED TO 10 ALLIED.

ENEMY LANDINGS ON NE COAST OF BALI. ENEMY GARRISON AT SAMARINDA EST. 2,000 HEAVILY ARMED.

KENDAH NOW PRINCIPAL ENEMY BASE INSTEAD OF DAVAO.

ENEMY LANDING ON TIMOR NEAR KOSPANG, BELIEF IS ENEMY

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I.S. #55, 2/21 CONTD.

INTENDS OCCUPY ENTIRE ISLE.

CHINESE 147th REGT. HAS ARRIVED MONIPAN, BURMA.

Filed: 2/21/42, 0100

Journal #54, 2/21

MELBOURNE

From: Earle Smith, Melbourne

REPORT ON DAMAGE & AIR ACTIVITIES AT DARWIN: 4 SHIPS SUNK, IN ADDITION TO 3 US, INCL. A DESTROYER AND ARMY TRANSPORT.

EMERGENCY AIRFIELD SOUTH OF DARWIN ORDERED DESTROYED AND PREPARED DEMOLITION 3 AIR FIELDS ON COAST EAST OF DARWIN.

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Journal #56, 2/21

FT. RICHARDSON

From: Buckner, Ft. Richardson

39 PLANES AT ELMENDORF; 3 AT JUNEAU, 1 AT KODIAK.

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Journal #57, 2/21

MELBOURNE

From: Barnes, Melbourne

ACTIVATION OF A TRANSPORT SQUADRON AND ALLOTMENT TO USAFIE FROM TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT IS RECOMMENDED.

OTHER TYPES THAT ARE UNFIT FOR COMBAT ARE NOW BEING UTILIZED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PILOTS AND CREWS NOW ASSIGNED AND OPERATING BUILT UP FROM CASUAL FILLER AIR CORPS TROOPS ARRIVING FROM US WILL BE INITIAL PERSONNEL.

Filed: 2/21/42, 0908

Journal #55, 2/21

JAVA

From: ABDACOM, Java

APPROX. 120 PLANES ENROUTE BOMBAY. BURMA NOW UNDER INDIA GOVT. 160 PLANES WILL REMAIN IN AUSTRALIA, BELIEVED ENOUGH FOR HER PRESENT NEEDS. AMERICAN CONTROL OF INDIAN AIR FORCES CONSIDERED ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL.

Filed: 2/21/42, 2130

Journal #1, 2/22/42

BARNES

From: Barnes - Melbourne

MELBOURNE

REQUEST FOR SHIPMENT OF BANDS FOR BRITISH BOMBS IN THREE SIZES BY FIRST AVAILABLE TRANSPORT.

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Journal #2, 2/21/42

From: Brett - Java

BRET
JAVA

SINCE JAN. 1 SHIPS DAMAGED: 1 BATTLESHIP, 2 CRUISE, 1 AIRCRAFT CARRIER, 2 DESTROYERS, 8 TRANSPORTS. SHIPS SUNK: 1 DESTROYER, 6 TRANSPORTS, 2 TANKERS, SIX 35 FIGHTERS SHOT DOWN, 7 BOMBERS SHOT DOWN, 2 OTHER FIGHTERS PROBABLY DESTROYED.

Filed: 2/22/42, 0040

Journal #10, 2/22/42

From: MacArthur - Fort Mills

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

DEVELOPMENTS INDICATE THAT ENEMY CANNOT MOUNT VICTORIOUS ATTACK WITH PRESENT FORCES BECAUSE SO BADLY MAULED DURING BATAAN FIGHTING. THE WAY HE HAS ORGANIZED HIS ARTILLERY MAY BE BECAUSE OF HIS WEAKNESS. SOME OF HIS INFANTRY REGIMENTS HAVE ENTIRELY DISAPPEARED. PRACTICALLY EVERY REGIMENT HAS REORGANIZED LESS ONE BATTALION. THIS SITUATION MAY GIVE ME THE LULL SO BADLY NEEDED. KEEP ALL THIS IN STRICTEST SECRET. YESTERDAY'S ACTIVITIES WERE VERY LIGHT EXCEPT FOR HOSTILE AVIATION. FOR THE TIME BEING AT LEAST OUR GUNS HAVE SILENCED HIS CAVITE SHORE BATTERIES. OTHER AREAS UNCHANGED.

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Journal #13, 2/22/42

From: Barnes - Melbourne

BARNES
MELBOURNE

REPORT FROM AUSTRALIAN SOURCE IN RE AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ACTION, DARWIN RAID 2-19: "THE FLIGHT OF 9 P-40'S TOOK OFF AT DARWIN FOR KOEPANG IN A.M., BECAUSE OF BAD WEATHER RETURNED, LEAVING TWO ON PATROL AT 15,000 FEET. 7 LANDED. THE APPROACH OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT REPORTED BY BATHURST ISLAND. THE FREQUENCY JAMMED. ONE HIGH PATROL AND THESE 7 SHOT DOWN. SLIGHT DAMAGE TO OTHER HIGH PATROL AFTER ACTION IN WHICH HE SHOT DOWN ONE CONFIRMED AND ONE PROBABLE. FOUR PILOTS MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED, INCLUDING SQUADRON LEADER.

From: Barnes - Melbourne

Journal #22, 2/22/42

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BARNES
MELBOURNE

TOWNSVILLE ARRIVALS FIVE B-17'S.

From: Magruder - Chungking

Journal #14, 2/22/42

Filed: 2/19/42, 0050

MAGRUDER
CHUNGKING

ST. JOHN UNCOMFORTABLE UNDER ORDER EVACUATE RANGOON. WILSON USING ALL POSSIBLE CHINESE FACILITIES EFFICIENTLY PUSHES MATERIAL TOWARD NORTH. TOTAL TONNAGE IN AREA CAN NOT BE EVACUATED UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS EVEN WITH ALL R.R. AND MOTOR TRANSPORT OPERATING UNLESS SOUTH BURMA IS HELD BY BRITISH. I TRUST WILSON'S ABILITY TO HANDLE TRAFFIC MORE THAN ST. JOHN'S. IT IS CLEAR THAT WITHOUT CHINESE TRUCKS AND DRIVERS AND AMERICAN MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC MEN TONNAGE COULD NOT BE MOVED. THESE ARE ALL UNDER WILSON'S CONTROL.

From: PRO - Ft. Mills

Journal #26 2/22/42

Filed: 2/22/42, 0320

PRO
FT. MILLS

PRESS RELEASE FOR FEB. 22. THERE WERE NO DEVELOPMENTS IN BATAAN. THE FIGHTING HAS TEMPORARILY AT LAST BECOME POSITIONAL. ARTILLERY DUELLING CONTINUES BETWEEN OUR HARBOR FORTS AND THE ENEMY'S CAVITE SHORE BATTERIES.

WAR IS THE GREAT EQUALIZER OF MEN. FILIPINO AND AMER., BANKER AND FARMER, SCHOLAR AND LABORER WILLINGLY RISK THEIR LIVES FOR THE CAUSE OF FREEDOM AND DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES. FRONT LINE AND REAR AREA ARE EQUALLY EXPOSED TO THE DEVASTATION OF ENEMY AIR BOMBARDMENT. EACH MAN RESISTS THE ENEMY WITH LOVE OF FATHERLAND AND HATRED OF THE AGGRESSOR IN HIS HEART AND WITH NO THOUGHT OF SPECIAL REGARD. THE GRIM REAPER, EVER PRESENT ON THE BATTLE FIELD, CLOSES THE EYES OF HEROES WITHOUT RESPECT TO POSITION OR BIRTH.

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Journal #49, 2/21

LONDON

From: Chaney, London

AIR MINISTRY STATES DATA OF PURSUIT PLANE ALLOCATIONS AND COMMITMENTS CANNOT BE SENT BY CABLE. WILL BE FORWARDED BY POUCH.

4:00 PM

2/21/42

TO

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Journal #46, 2/21

IBC thru GHQ

From: CG IBC thru GHQ

5TH GERMAN MTN. DIV. FORMERLY AT CRETE IS NOW IN FINLAND
3D GERMAN MTN. DIV. HAS BEEN MOVED FROM ROVANIEMI, FINLAND
TO NORWAY, BELIEVED VICINITY NARVIK FOR REST PURPOSES ONLY.
THIS INFORMATION FROM BRIT. W.O.

BONESTEEL

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Journal #44, 2/21

IBC thru GHQ

From: CG IBC thru GHQ

AIRPLANE OBSERVATION DISCLOSES 2 CRUISERS AND 2
BATTLESHIP STEAMING IN THE NORTH SEA AT 55°50' N. and
5° E. THIS MORNING FEBR. 21, ACCORDING TO REPORT OF BRIT.
AIR MINISTER.

BONESTEEL

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Journal #48, 2/21

IBC thru GHQ

From: CG IBC thru GHQ

66 JUNKER AIRPLANES MODEL 88 ARE IN NORWAY NOW TO
REINFORCE GERMAN AIR FORCES THERE. THEIR SPECIFIC
LOCATION IS NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME. THIS INFORMATION
IS FROM AIR MINISTRY.

BONESTEEL

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Journal # 62, 2/21

VICHY

From: Leahy, Vichy thru St. Dept.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT BELGIUM AND HOLLAND ARE OCCUPIED
BY A MAXIMUM OF 6 DIVS. THE ENTIRE BELGIAN COAST IS HELD
BY 327TH DIVISION.

THERE NO CHANGE TO REPORT IN MILITARY SITUATION IN
FRANCE.

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Journal #4, 2/22/42

From: Chaney - London

CHANAY

DUTIES ASSIGNED TO MEMBERS OF THE STAFF AND PERSONNEL
NEEDED.

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From: Eager - Madrid

NOTHING TO REPORT.

Journal #12, 2/22/42

I.B.#10

EAGER

MADRID

From: Leahy - Vichy

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THE BATTLESHIP DUNKIRKE HAS ARRIVED AT TOULON FOR
REPAIRS. ANNOUNCEMENT BY DARLAN.

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LEAHY

VICHY

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From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

ORIGINAL TEXT:

FOR COORDINATION OF INFORMATION FOR THIS AGENCY FOR PUBLICATION RUSSIAN NEWSPAPERS: I AM ACQUAINTED WITH ALL OF THE GREAT MILITARY CAMPAIGNS OF THE PAST; I HAVE FOUGHT IN MANY WARS AND PERSONALLY OBSERVED MANYMORE, BUT NEVER HAVE I KNOWN OF SO MONUMENTAL A MILITARY EFFORT AS THE ONE WHICH IS NOW BEING MADE BY THE RUSSIAN ARMY AND PEOPLE. THERE IS THE OUTSTANDING MILITARY EFFORT OF ALL TIME. THEIR ABILITY TO WITHSTAND THE MOST POWERFUL ATTACK THAT COULD BE DELIVERED BY GERMANY, AND THEN IN TURN TO INITIATE AN IRRESISTIBLE COUNTEROFFENSIVE ON A SCALE NEVER BEFORE ATTEMPTED MAKES THIS ARMY AS PHENOMENAL. ON THEIR BANNERS WIDE THE HOPES OF THE CIVILIZED WORLD.

MACARTHUR

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From: Baker - Baghdad

BAKER
BAGHDAD

ORD. BASE SHOP BN. SATISFACTORY IN PLACE OF ORD. BN. OF MAINTENANCE RECOMMENDED. SHOP SERVICE MEDICAL INCLUDED FOR KARACHI IN TROOPS REQUESTED.

Filed: 2/21/42, 1425 Journal #8, 2/22/42

From: Kluss - Ankara

KLUSS
ANKARA

GERMANS NOT PLANNING SPRING CAMPAIGN AGAINST TURKEY ACCORDING TO ALMOST POSITIVE INFORMATION. RELIABLE TRAVELER RECENTLY FROM BULGARIA STATES NO GERMAN ACTIVITY THERE AND CONFIRMS WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS FROM YUGOSLAVIA AND GREECE TO THE NORTH. MULDavia DESTINATION OF THESE, BRITISH BELIEVE. GENERAL ROMEL ORDERED TO RUSSIAN FRONT.

From: Magruder - Chungking Journal #14, 2/22/42

Filed: 2/19/42, 0050

MAGRUDER
CHUNGKING

ST. JOHN UNCOMFORTABLE UNDER ORDER EVACUATE RANGOON. WILSON USING ALL POSSIBLE CHINESE FACILITIES EFFICIENTLY PUSHES MATERIAL TOWARD NORTH. TOTAL TONNAGE IN AREA CAN NOT BE EVACUATED UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS EVEN WITH ALL R.R. AND MOTOR TRANSPORT OPERATING UNLESS SOUTH BURMA IS HELD BY BRITISH. I TRUST WILSON'S ABILITY TO HANDLE TRAFFIC MORE THAN ST. JOHN'S. IT IS CLEAR THAT WITHOUT CHINESE TRUCKS AND DRIVERS AND AMERICAN MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC MEN TONNAGE COULD NOT BE MOVED. THESE ARE ALL UNDER WILSON'S CONTROL.

See Pacific

From: Amer. Minister - Helsinki Journal #19, 2/22/42

Filed: 2/21/42, 11:00 A

AMER. MIN.
HELSINKI

TELEGRAM #137 REPORTS TREATMENT OF RUSSIAN PRISONERS BY FINNS. STATE DEPARTMENT.

From: Amer. Minister - Helsinki Journal #20, 2/22/42

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AMER. MIN.
HELSINKI

TELEGRAM #136 REPORTS ON PUBLIC OPINION IN FINLAND. STATE DEPARTMENT.

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2/22/42

From: Schoenfeld - Helsinki Journal #24, 2/22/42

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SCHOENFELD
HELSINKI VIA
STATE DEPT.

OFFENSIVE IN NORTH INDICATED TOWARD END OF MARCH. 600
METER FRONT WITH CENTER AT KIESTINKI. REPORTS INDICATE 2
ARMIES (200,000 TROOPS)

STRENGTHS 2/17 PETSAMO 9,000 GER., ROUANIEMI 8,000 GER
INARI 6,500 GER. IN ADDITION TO FRONT LINE UNITS.

A ROAD HAS BEEN BUILT FROM SALLA AND LIINAHAMARI.

EASTERN KARELIANS FORMIDABLE OPPONENTS OF FINNS AND
HAVE USED SUBTERFUGE SUCCESSFULLY. RUSSIANS USING POWER-
FUL PATROLS ON RECONNAISSANCE (SOMETIMES AS LARGE AS
2,000 MEN) CAUSING HIGH CASUALTIES IN LIGHTLY HELD SECTORS.
17-18 YEAR AGE GROUP INEXPERIENCED AND PROBABLY INEFFECTIVE.

G-2 WORK SHEET

10:00 AM

2/21/42

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

UNITED STATES #1

From: Miles - Boston

Journal #23, 2/22/42

MILES

Filed: 3:01 P, 2/21/42

BOSTON

REQUEST FOR 28,000 ODD DOLLARS PAYMENTS FOR INVESTI-
GATIONS M.I.D. POLICE.

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Journal #47, 2/21

LONDON

From: Chaney, London

REPORT OF B-17 CRASH OFF FREETOWN, 7 OF CREW RESCUED,
2 KILLED.

4:00 P.M.

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I.S. #53, 2/21

From: Fellers, Cairo

CAIRO

RECENT BOMBING OF FORT LAMU INDICATES AXIS IS TAKING NOTICE OF THIS ROUTE ACROSS AFRICA. ATTACKING PLANES MUST HAVE COME FROM LIBYA OR FRENCH W. AFRICA. THIS RAID SERVES NOTICE THAT ALL OUR INSTALLATIONS IN AFRICA WILL HAVE TO BE PROTECTED BY MEN AND EQUIPMENT AT SOME FUTURE TIME. DECISIONS ON ALTERNATE ROUTES SHOULD NOT BE DELAYED.

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Journal #63, 2/21

BERN

From: Biddle, Bern thru St. Dept.

THIS MORNING ALL OF GERMAN FORCES IN MED. AREA WERE ORDERED INTO A "HIGH STATE OF READINESS". THE FORCES IN GREECE, DODECANESE AND CRETE WERE INCLUDED. ON ISLANDS IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN PARACHUTE AND AIR LANDING TROOPS WHICH MAY TOTAL FIVE DIVISIONS ARE READY TO MOVE. MANY GLIDERS CAPABLE OF CARRYING 8 TO 10 MEN ARE A PART OF THESE FORCES. THE AXIS HAS ALREADY PARTIALLY COMPLETED THE MOVEMENT TO NORTH AFRICA FROM SOUTH ITALY OF THE ONE PANZER DIVISION AND THREE MOTORIZED DIVISIONS. THERE ARE PERHAPS TWO ITALIAN PANZER DIVISIONS IN THE DODECANESE AND APPROXIMATELY 2/3 OF A GERMAN PANZER DIVISION IN CRETE.

HUDDIE

Filed: 2/21/42, 6:25 P

Journal #9, 2/22/42

From: McClure - London

MCCLURE
LONDON

ON LIBYAN FRONT HOSTILE FORCES HAVE RENEWED ACTIVITY IN UNOCCUPIED ZONE SOUTHWEST OF GAZALA AND ROMMEL'S ADVANCE LINE MEKILI-TMINI. BRITISH LIGHT ARMORED FORCES REPULSED ADVANCE OF THREE NAZI COLUMNS. IN SECTOR SOUTH OF BIR HALEGH OPERATIONS NEAR ENEMY POSITIONS ARE BEING EXECUTED BY BRITISH MECHANIZED PATROLS WITHOUT OPPOSITION. UNITS ON BRITISH FRONT: FREE FRENCH BRIGADE NOW OCCUPIED FORMER POSITION OF 115TH INF. BRIG. GROUP. FIFTH NEW ZEALAND BRIGADE AT EL ADEM. BETWEEN TOBRUK AND EL ADEM 2 REGTS 1ST ARMY TANK BRIGADE. BELIEVED THAT ROMMEL'S EXTENDED SUPPLY LINE AND LACK OF BENGHAZI AS AN ORGANIZED BASE PREVENT OFFENSIVE ACTION. BRITISH CHECKED ALSO BECAUSE THEY LACK ARMORED AND AIR STRENGTH WITH NECESSARY SUPPLIES AND MECHANIZED MAINTENANCE ECHELONS TO PERMIT

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SUCCESSFUL SUSTAINED OFFENSIVE.

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Filed: 2/21/42, 1800
From: Bentley - Tanger
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~~SECRET~~
BENTLEY
TANGER

From: Leahy - Vichy Via St. Dept. Journal #15, 2/22/42
Filed: 2/21/42, 6:00 P

ADMIRAL DARLAN HAS ADVISED THAT FRENCH SHIPS ARE NO LONGER CARRYING ITALIAN TRUCKS TO TUNIS FOR MARSHAL ROMMEL'S FORCES. AMBASSADOR LEAHY UNDERSTANDS THAT SHIPMENT OF FOODSTUFFS CONTINUES.

ADMIRAL DARLAN HAS ADVISED THAT FRENCH MERCHANT SHIPS IN INDO-CHINA HAVE BEEN REQUISITIONED BY JAPAN BUT THAT THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS AGREED NOT TO USE THE FRENCH SHIPS FOR MILITARY PURPOSES. MARSHAL PETAIN ADDED THAT HE HAD NOT SIGNED ANY AGREEMENT FOR THE USE OF FRENCH SHIPS BY JAPAN.

LEAHY

LEAHY
VICHY VIA
ST. DEPT.

From: Henry - Malta
Filed: 12 Noon, 2/21/42

Journal #18, 2/22/42

HENRY
MALTA

36 AIR WARNINGS DURING WEEK. CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE.
MORE THAN 70 CIVILIAN CASUALTIES.

Filed: 2/21/42, 1:55 P.

Journal #35, 2/21

E.T.O.

From: C-2 E.T.O. THRU GHQ

Thru GHQ

SS EULINA TORPEDOED AT 41°42' N - 52°16' W. REPORT
RECEIVED 1300 GMT FEBR 21.

COMMANDANT 10th NAVAL DIST PANAMA REPORTED TO HAVE SENT
WARNING TO AMER. VESSELS IN CARIBBEAN, ATLANTIC AND GULF
OF MEXICO "GERMAN SUB. OFF FORT DE FRANCE, MARTINIQUE."

SS SWIFT SHORE ATTACKED 12 MI N OF NEWICK BUOY ABOUT
10 MI SE OF CAPE HENLOPEN AT 0451 GMT, FEBR. 21.

ONE SUB SIGHTED AT 0149 GMT, FEBR. 20 AT 32°10' N -
80°25' W.

WATKINS.

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Journal #45, 2/21

CG BBC thru

3:00 P.M.

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From: CG BBC thru GHQ

NO CHANGE ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY FEBR. 20.

STRONG.

Filed: 2/21/42, 3:55 P.

Journal #41, 2/21

LONDON

From: McClure, London

I.B. #51, 2/21

KNAPSACK TYPE ITEMS WITH CAPACITY IN LITERS AND RANGES
IN METER.

Filed: 2/21/42, 4:25 P.

Journal #53, 2/21

IBC THRU GHQ

From: CG IBC thru GHQ

NO ENEMY OPERATIONS REPORTED FOR FEBR. 19.

OUR ROUTINE AIR MISSIONS: 28 hrs. 10 min.; AIR ALERT
PATROL, 8 HRS, 50 MIN.; MISC. MISSIONS, 4 HRS; LOCAL
OBS. 1 HR, 45 MIN.

VISIBILITY UNLIMITED WITH MILD EASTERLY WINDS, 43°
temp.; CEILING 2500 FT. TO UNLIMITED AND CLOUDS BROKEN
TO OVERCAST.

BONESTREEL

Filed: 2/21/42, 5:31 P.

Journal #58, 2/21

IBC THRU GHQ

From: CG IBC thru GHQ

AT POSITION 11°03' N. - 62°03' W., COURSE 32°, & 28 MI
FROM CHACA-CHACARE(?) ISLAND, CHARTERED OIL TANKER CIRCE
WAS SHELLED AND TORPEDOED. AIRCRAFT AND SURFACE SHIP
HAVE BEEN SENT TO SCENE BY LOCAL NAVAL OFFICIALS. THIS
INFORMATION FROM BRIT. NAVY AND HAS BEEN FURNISHED TO
CG, B.D.C.

PRATT

Filed: 2/21/42, 9:15P. Journal #60, 2/21
From: Paa Radio Station, Florida
thru WP

"OUR LAQUAIRA STATION REPORTS SUB. HEARING UP (2400 OCT) AT 22° NW OF CARACAS. FLORIDA

RADIO D A M (?) (MCKENZIE REQUESTED CO. 15TH NAVAL DIST. PANAMA BE INFORMED).

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Filed: 2/22/42, 8:15 Journal #30
From Drum (CGETO) Thru GHQ

ENEMY SUBMARINE FIRES TORPEDO BUT MISSED SS OLENY AT 27° 44' N 80° 10' W at 0132 GMT ACCORDING TO REPT. RECEIVED THRU FCC.

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CGETO

Filed: 8:15A Journal # 29
From : Drum (CGETU)
thru GHQ

CGETU

AT POSITION 25° 31' N - 79° 16' W A CONNING TOWER WAS SIGHTED IN GUN CAY THIS AFTERNOON BY NAVAL PATROL BOMBER. REPT. NOT CONFIRMED.

From: Russell - Casablanca Journal # 16, 2/22/42
Filed: 2/19/42

3 SUBMARINES, ANPHITHITE, SYRILLE AND AMAZONE AND THE DEPTH CHARGE THROWER GRACIEUSE LEFT FOR DAKAR 2-17. SUB ANTIOPE DID NOT LEAVE BECAUSE OF MOTOR TROUBLE.

RUSSEL
CASABLANCA

Filed: 2/20/42, 23:25

Journal #42

CURACAO

From: ALUSMOB at Willemstad (Curacao)
Thru ONI

DURING PAST 12 HRS THE INCREASING NO OF SUB SIGHTINGS POINT GEOGRAPHICALLY TO REMOTE FUEL BASE VENEZUELAN COAST OR POSSIBLY FRENCH GUIANA. CRYING NEED LOCAL PROTECTION INDISPENSABLE LAKE TANKERS OF WHICH NEARLY 10% GONE FIRST 4 DAYS WARFARE. COM. 10TH NAVAL DIST, IN VISIT HERE, INDICATED DIFFICULTY PROVIDING ADEQUATE DESTROYER ESCORT. ALUSMOB BELIEVES IF FEASIBLE 2PBY'S WITH SUPERIOR RANGE ENDURANCE OVER SMALLER ARMY BOMBERS & OPERATING FROM ALREADY ESTABLISHED BASE COULD DO WONDERS TO ALLEVIATE ZONE SITUATION. SUMMING UP, PRESENT OVERTURES COMBINED WITH COM. 15TH NAVAL DIST. MARTINIQUE WARNING SEEM TO INDICATE AXIS THREAT TO OPEN NEW MAJOR THEATER.

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Journal #59, 2/21

G-2 CBC

From: G-2 CBC thru GHQ

Thru GHQ

VENEZUELA HAS GRANTED PERMISSION US AIRPLANES AND SURFACE VESSELS TO FLY OVER AND TO ENTER TERRITORIAL WATER FOR PROTECTION AND HEMISPHERE DEFENSE. BRIT AND DUTCH ARE GIVEN SAME PRIVILEGE, BUT UNDER US NAVY DIRECTION.

KIRKWOOD

Filed: 2/20/42, 4:15 P.

Journal #40, 2/21

COSTA RICA

From: M/A COSTA RICA

I.B. #33, 2/21

COL RODRIGUEZ, ASST. CH OF STAFF HAS RESIGNED UNDER PRESSURE.

G-2 COMMENT: RODRIGUEZ IS ACCUSED OF BEING PRO-NAZI. PRO-AMERICAN OFFICIAL DESIRABLE IN HIS PLACE DUE TO COSTA RICA'S PROXIMITY TO CANAL.

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GEN. MACARTHUR HAS RECOMMENDED TO THE WAR DEPARTMENT THAT ALL OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS WHO HAVE BEEN INDUCTED INTO THE SERVICE OF THE U.S. RECEIVE THE SAME PAY AS THE AMERICAN ARMY FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR. AT PRESENT THE SCALE OF PAY OF THE AMERICAN AND PHILIPPINE ARMY OFFICERS AND THE SCALE OF PAY ON NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS OF THE AMERICAN, SCOUT AND THE PHILIPPINE ARMY ALL DIFFER. IN HIS RECOMMENDATION THE GENERAL SAID, "THE EQUALIZATION ON BATTLE OR SOLDIERLY NEEDS NO FURTHER ELABORATION OF ARGUMENT TO SUPPORT SUCH ACTION."

From: Merlesmith - Melbourne Journal #28, 2/22/42
Filed: 2/22/42, 0015

MERLESMITH
MELBOURNE

PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE SHOWS GASHATA, ONE LARGE TRANSPORT, TWO DESTROYERS.

JAP CONVOY 15 MILES SSE KOEPANG (3 TRANSPORTS, 2 CRUISERS, 3 SUBS, 8 DESTROYERS)

39 MILES SSE KOEPANG 1 CRUISER

27 MILES S KOEPANG, 1 LARGE AIRCRAFT CARRIER

SMOKE VICINITY OF KOEPANG AND AIRDRONE.

LANDING STILL IN PROGRESS IS BELIEF. DARWIN REPORTING NO COMMUNICATION.

ONE CRUISER, SIX DESTROYERS SEEN ST. GEORGES CHANNEL BETWEEN NEW IRELAND AND NEW BRITAIN STEAMING SE.

G2 WAR DEPARTMENT DISPATCH

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Rec. 2:50 P - 2/22/42 Journal # 46
From Col. Weigerman thru FE Meth. N/A
TWO DUTCH DESTROYERS, VAN NESS AND PIET HEIN, WERE
SUNK. FIGHT CRUISER, THAMP, WAS SO DAMAGED THAT HAD TO
BE DISPATCHED FOR REPAIRS TO FREMANTLE, AUS.

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Filed 6:05 2/22/42 Journal # 50
From: ABNACOM (JAVA)
BRETT HAS LEFT FOR TEMPORARY DUTY IN AUSTRALIA.
ADDRESS CABLES MELBOURNE.

Rec. 1:41P 2/22/42 Journal # 49
From ABNACOM, BATAVIA I.B. # 36 2/21/42
1. THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT PREPARATIONS ARE BEING
COMPLETED BY THE JAPANESE TO INVADE JAVA. THERE IS NOT
MUCH WE CAN DO TO PREVENT THESE PREPARATIONS OR TO CHECK THE
ADVANCE OF GROUND FORCES ONCE THEY HAVE MADE A LANDING ON
THE ISLAND.
2. AMERICAN AND IMPERIAL TROOP STRENGTHS ON JAVA ARE AS
FOLLOWS: IN ADDITION TO FIGHTING UNITS THERE ARE APPROX
1400 AMERICANS AND ABOUT 6000 AUSTRALIAN AND BRITISH AIR
FORCE PERSONNEL, WHO ARE UNARMED AND WHOM I AM TRYING TO
EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY. THE BALANCE REMAINING CONSISTS OF
ARMA HEADQUARTERS (APPROX 250 OFFICERS AND 400 OTHER RANKS),
3 TO 4 THOUSAND PERSONNEL OF THE R.A.F., ABOUT 700 AMERICANS,
MOSTLY ARTILLERY, PART OF THE 7TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION
NUMBERING 3000 WHICH INCLUDES 1 PIONEER AND 1 MACHINE GUN
BATTALION, 5500 BRITISH (MISCELLANEOUS AND ANTI-AIRCRAFT UNITS

Journal # 49 I.B. #36 2/22/42
UNITS AND SQUADRON 3 (GROUP INDECIPHERABLE).
3. AN INVENTORY OF AVAILABLE SHIPS IS BEING MADE IN
THE EVENT THAT YOU ORDER TROOPS TO EVACUATE. DOUBTFUL IF
ENOUGH SHIPS.

AIR STRENGTH IN JAVA: 10 HEAVY BOMBERS, LESS THAN 40
FIGHTERS, AND ABOUT 30 DIVE BOMBERS. THE REDUCTION IN FIGHT-
ERS IS DUE TO THE LARGE LOSSES SUSTAINED YESTERDAY. IT IS
APPARENT THAT THIS FORCE CAN LAST AT BEST ONLY FOR A FEW
MORE DAYS. WASHINGTON HAS STOPPED AMERICAN HEAVY BOMBER
REINFORCEMENTS FROM INDIA, WHICH WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ENOUGH.
THE FIGHTERS FROM THE INDEMITABLE CANNOT REACH JAVA SOON
ENOUGH, AND FIGHTERS CANNOT BE FURNISHED FROM THE EAST.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

PACIFIC

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Filed: 10:45 A 2/22/42 Journal #38
 From Ft. Shafter TH (Emmons)
 LAND ACTION WILL, REPORTS OF SUB CONTACTS DECREASE;
 OUR CONCLUSION IS SAME.

Filed: 8:02P 2/22/42 Journal #43
 From Ft. Shafter (Emmons)
 OPERATION OF HAWAIIAN AIRFORCE HANDICAPPED DUE TO
 PERSONNEL BEING 450 OFFICERS BELOW TABLES OF
 ORGANIZATION. REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL OFFICER PERSONNEL.

Filed: 14:30 2/22/42 Journal #44
 From: Chungking (Macmorland)
 PROPERTY DESTRUCTION TO BE CARRIED OUT BY 3 OFFICERS,
 1 KM; ALL OTHER MISSION PERSONNEL HAVE RETIRED
 NORTHWARD. PROPERTY WHICH COULD NOT BE EVACUATED FROM
 MANOON. NOT YET KNOWN. HAVE DESTROYED ALL CODES IN
 MANOON. MACGRUDER BELIEVED EN ROUTE TO OUR PARTIES;
 BELIEVED NOW IN MANDALAY.

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ONE CONVICTION IN YEAR
 TWO VICTIMS KILLED OR SERIOUSLY INJURED
 BLOW UP SUPPLIES IN (SOURCES)
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Filed 2:52P Journal #48 2/22/42
 From Admiralty, London I.B. #40 2/21/42

GENERAL WAVELL HAS INDICATED IN A PERSONAL WIRE TO THE CHIEF IMPERIAL GENERAL STAFF THAT UNLESS HE IS ORDERED TO THE CONTRARY, HE WILL CONTINUE HIS HQS IN JAVA.

IT IS OUR SUGGESTION THAT WAVELL SHOULD AT ONCE BE GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS BY THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF THAT THE TIMELY WITHDRAWAL OF THE SUPREMACY COMMANDER AND HIS HQS FROM JAVA IS OF PRIME IMPORTANCE. HOWEVER, THE PROPER MOMENT TO REMOVE HIS HQS MUST BE LEFT TO WAVELL'S DECISION.

IT IS OUR SUGGESTION THAT UNTIL FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS THE HQS FOR THE ARDACOM SHOULD BE AT FERNANTILE. THE DUTCH SHOULD DECIDE WHICH OF THEIR OWN REPRESENTATIVES WILL REMAIN AND THOSE WHO WILL GO WITH THE HQS.

PROBABLY "LOCATED".

Filed: 3:55 PM 2/21/42 Journal # 51 2/22
 From: M/A London I.B. 55 2/21/42

1. BURMA. OPERATIONS ON THE BILLIN RIVER ARE MAINTAINED BY BOTH SIDES WITH ONLY MINOR TERRAIN GAINS AND LOSSES THOUGH WITH HAND-TO-HAND FIGHTING OF GREAT INTENSITY. PYINNA, AND MANDALAY WERE SUBJECTED TO JAPANESE BOMBING WITH NUMEROUS CASUALTIES AMONG THE CIVIL POPULATION. OBSERVATION FLIGHTS REVEALED JAP CONCENTRATIONS IN PANTOOK, THITHADAUNG, AND DAUKYAT. HORSE DRAWN AND MOTOR CO MOTOR COLUMNS WERE OBSERVED PROCEEDING NORTHWARD ON THE BILLIN-THATON ROAD. NUMEROUS SMALL SURFACE CRAFT WERE OBSERVED ON THE BILLIN RIVER.

THE CHINESE 147TH REGIMENT HAS BEEN REPORTED IN MONGPAN.

2. SUMATRA. THE JAPANESE ARE PROCEEDING IN THE DIRECTION OF COSTHAVEN and the DUTCH HAVE DEMOLISHED ALL PORT FACILITIES AND SUPPLIES. INDICATIONS HAVE BEEN

Journal # 51 I.B. 55 2/22/42

RECEIVED WHICH LEAD BRITISH MILITARY INTELLIGENCE TO BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE TWO ENEMY DIVISIONS ON THE ISLAND, THE SECOND OF WHICH WAS TRANSFERRED FROM MALAYA.

3. JAVA. SOUMARAYA, AND THE ALPINE AT NUTZENWOD AND SANDOENG WERE SUBJECTED TO SEVERE AERIAL BOMBARDMENT. ONLY FIVE JAPANESE PLANES WERE SHOT DOWN AS AGAINST DOUBLE THAT NUMBER OF ALLIES.

4. DUTCH BORNEO. THERE IS AN ESTIMATED FORCE OF 2000 JAPS IN OCCUPATION OF SAMARINDA WELL EQUIPPED WITH LIGHT AND HEAVY MACHINE GUNS AND LIGHT INFANTRY CANNON.

5. CELEBES. IT IS THOUGHT THAT THE CHIEF JAPANESE BASE FOR BOMBING OPERATIONS HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM DAYAO TO KINEMANI.

6. TIMOR. THE JAPANESE SUCCEEDED IN MAKING GOOD THEIR LANDING OPERATIONS AT DAYLIGHT ON FEB. 20 IN THE VICINITY

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OF KOEPANG AND DILLI AND SEEM TO BE INTENT ON SECURING THE WHOLE ISLAND.

7. BALI. JAPANESE FORCES MADE SUCCESSFUL LANDINGS SOUTH OF DEN PASAR AND ON THE NORTHEAST SHORE OF THE ISLAND.

0-2 Notes:

1. PYINNA on the railroad between YOUNGOO AND MANDALAY
2. PANTOOK this village not located.
3. THITHADAUNG this village not located
4. DAUKYAT this village not located
5. MONGPAN Burmese southern Shan State N from Chienmai

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1. IT IS IN OUR OPINION THAT THE JAPANESE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE
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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

PACIFIC

G-2 WORK SHEET
 4:00 p.m.
 2/22
 TO
 4:00 p.m.
 2/23

FROM: ABRACOM, BANDOENG I.B.# 39 2/21
 FILED: 4:45 a.m. Journal # 51 2/22

THE SW PACIFIC AREA ESTIMATE FOLLOWS:
 IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH A DEFENSIVE LINE EXTENDING ALONG NEW ZEALAND & NORTHERN AUSTRALIA BECAUSE THE RE-IMPROVEMENTS TO DUTCH E. INDIES WILL NOT ARRIVE ON TIME.

IT IS PROBABLE THAT TIMOR WILL BE LOST THROUGH THE LACK OF DECISION & PROMPTNESS. AT FIRST, AUSTRALIA WOULD NOT DISPATCH FORCES TO TIMOR WHICH SLOWED UP PREPARATIONS FOR A FIRM DEFENSE OF THE ISLAND WHICH IS A NECESSARY STAGING AREA FOR FIGHTER CRAFT BETWEEN AUSTRALIA & JAVA. ON 19th 3 TRANSPORTS WERE SUNK AT DARWIN BY STRONG JAP AERIAL ATTACK. THESE SHIPS WERE PART OF FORCE WHICH FINALLY SET OUT TO REINFORCE TIMOR, WERE BOMBED & RETURNED TO PORT.

I AM OF OPINION THAT AN OFFENSIVE SHOULD BEGIN AT ONCE FROM THE CHINA-BURMA AREA WITH THE MISSION OF TAKING COCHIN-CHINA, CAMBODIA & SOUTHERN THAILAND. THE JAPANESE

I.B.# 39 2/21 JOURNAL # 51 2/22 continued
 HAVE COMMITTED THE MASS OF THEIR USABLE GROUND & AIR FORCES IN FORWARD ZONE OF SOUTHWESTERN AREA. THE OFFENSIVE MENTIONED ABOVE WOULD:

- DIVERT JAP GROUND & AIR TROOPS INTO SIAM & FRANCE INDO-CHINA.
- CAPTURE INDO-CHINA & SOUTHERN SIAM.
- EASE THE JAPANESE ATTACKS ON JAVA.
- PREVENT THE YUNNAN-BURMA HIGHWAY FROM FALLING INTO JAP HANDS.

5. GI VE US AIRBOMES FOR FUTURE AIR OFFENSIVES AGAINST JAP OCCUPIED DUTCH E INDIES, MALAYA, PHIP ISLANDS & JAP MARITIME COMMUNICATION LINES.

SUGGESTED OPERATION WOULD CONSIST OF FOLLOWING:

A COORDINATED ATTACK FROM NORTH BY THE 5th & 5th CHINA ARMS GENERALLY TOWARDS CHINGMAI WITH ATTACK TO SOUTH-EASTWARD & EASTWARD IN GENERAL DIRECTION OF BANGKOK, SIAM.

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BY BRIT TROOPS.

FROM GENERAL LOCALITY OF YUNNAN, BANDOENG, CHITTAGONG, LASHI LASHIO & KWEILIN, THE BRIT & U.S. AIR FORCES COULD SUPPORT ABOVE OPERATIONS.

LINES OF COMMUNICATION TO THEATER MENTIONED ABOVE ARE PROTECTED TO BURMA FROM EGYPT, WITH NEW ROUTES OF SUPPLY BEING BUILT AS FOLLOWS:

- YEO HIGHWAY FROM LAO RAILHEAD - MYITKINA - SE TO LUNGKINE & BURMA - YUNNAN HIGHWAY.
- MANIPUR ROAD RAILHEAD - KALEWA ON CHINDIN RIVER - MANDALAY BY WATER.

G-2 COMMENT: MANIPUR-KALEWA ROAD IS MORE USEFUL, SHORTER & LEADS TO THE NAVIGABLE IRRRAWADDY RIVER. THIS ROAD IS NOW IN OPERATION.

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LINE: 4:00 b.m.
FROM: VICTORIAN, SYDNEY
JOURNAL # 47
I.B. # 37 2/21/42

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LIST OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MEMBERS

MIDDLE EAST

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TO
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Filed 5:10 P 2/22/42 Journal # 47
From: Fellers I.B. #37 2/21/42
1. BRITISH FORCES ON GAZALA - MACHIN LINE ARE AS
FOLLOWS: 11TH AND 5TH BRIGADES OF THE 4TH INDIAN
DIVISION AND 1ST ARMY TANK BRIGADE, GAZALA AREA. TO THE
SOUTHWARD UNITS ARE DISTRIBUTED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:
POLISH BRIGADE; 150TH BRIGADE (BRITISH); 1ST SOUTH
AFRICAN DIVISION. MACHIN AREA OCCUPIED BY FREE FRENCH
BRIGADE. 1ST ARMORED DIVISION (GUARDS BRIGADE ATTACHED)
LOCATED IN SQUARE 36-41. 22ND BRIGADE (1ST ARMORED
DIVISION) IS LOCATED ON THE EGYPTIAN - LIBYAN FRONTIER.
2. SALIN - HALPAYA - BARDIA TRIANGLE IS GARRISONED BY
2ND SOUTH AFRICAN DIVISION. GIARABUS OCCUPIED BY A SMALL
DETACHMENT. 5TH NEW ZEALAND BRIGADE IS NOW IN EL ADEN
AREA. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE ENTIRE NEW ZEALAND
BRIGADE

*Check with G-2 #47
RCS*

From Fellers Journal # 47 I.B. #37 2/21/42
DIVISION WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO SYRIA. 4TH INDIAN DIVISI
ON WILL BE RELIEVED BY 50TH BRITISH DIVISION (WHICH WAS ON
ONCE IN CYPRUS) UPON ARRIVAL OF THE LATTER.
3. LAST REINFORCEMENTS TO REACH BRITISH IN DESERT
AREA ARRIVED ABOUT 1 FEBRUARY. 4TH ARMORED BRIGADE
WILL DEPART FOR WESTERN DESERT NEXT WEEK. COMBAT
EFFICIENCY OF THE 1ST ARMORED DIVISION IS SUBJECT TO
CONSIDERABLE DOUBT. TANK STRENGTH OF BRITISH FORCES IN
WESTERN DESERT IS ESTIMATED TO BE: 100 INFANTRY TANKS
125 CRUISERS, 120 AMERICAN M-3 LIGHT.
1. G-2 Comment; 4TH ARMORED BRIGADE WAS RECENTLY
REPORTED TO BE REORGANIZING IN THE NILE DELTA AREA.

Filed: 2:50p 2/22/42 Journal # 53
From London (MCCLELLAN) I.B. #50
BRIT AIR RECONNAISSANCE OVER DERNA - CAMUSA AREA
SHOWS GOOD ENEMY VEHICLES.
BRIT PATROLS ACTIVE IN FORWARD AREA LIBYA, VICINITY
TUMI - MEKILI AND AS FAR AS MSUS.

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Filed: 9:11 PM 2/19

IB #26, 2/20

From: M/A Ankara, Turkey KLUS

Journal #35, 2/20

M/A ANKARA

1. AVAILABLE REPORTS SIGNIFY PRESENT PLANS CALL FOR CONSTRUCTION IN HARBORS OF GREECE OF CONCRETE VESSELS, EACH, IT IS JUDGED, WILL HAVE CAPACITY OF 200 SOLDIERS, RATE OF CONSTRUCTION BEING 60 EACH MONTH. INDICATED THAT BY LATTER PART OF NEXT SUMMER AIM IS TO HAVE BUILT 1,000; ASSUMED THAT THIS NUMBER FINISHED.

2/ ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE NAZI TROOPS BEING MOVED OUT OF YUGOSLAVIA & GREECE, ACCORDING ADVICE OF TURKS.

3. ON COASTS OF BULGARIA & ROMANIA ARE CAIQUES NUMBERING APPROX. 100, EACH CAN HOLD FROM 150 TO 200 SOLDIERS, & MORE BEING BUILT. ALSO 130 FERRIES OF SIBEL TYPE, EACH CAN CARRY 4 BIG TRUCKS. INFORMATION REPORTED BY DIFFERENT INFORMANTS.

G-2 NOTE: WE REQUESTED CARRYING CAPACITY OF GERMAN BARGE FLEET IN AEGEAN & BLACK SEAS.

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FROM: BENTLEY, TANGIER

I.B. 66 2/20

TANGIER

FILED: 1838 2/20

Journal # 57 2/20

SITUATION UNCHANGED.

FROM: KIRK, CAIRO VIA STATE JOURNAL # 61 2/20

CAIRO

FILED: 2/20

NO CHANGE IN CANAL SITUATION UP TO AND INCLUDING 2/18.

Filed: 2/20/42, 0155

Journal #51, 2/20

CAIRO

From: Fellers, Cairo

I.B. #56, 2/20

BRITISH HAVE 860 AIRCRAFT IN SQUADRONS OF 172 SERVICEABLE IN DEPOTS AND A TOTAL OF 953 IN DEPOTS. THE SERVICEABILITY OF AIRCRAFT IN SQUADRON IS 59%.

THE AXIS AVERAGED 55 AIRCRAFT DAILY OVER MALTA FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEB. 16TH. ATTACKS WERE CONCENTRATED ON AIRDROMES AND SHIPPING. H.M.S. MACRI WAS SUNK IN GRAND HARBOR DURING NIGHT RAIDS OF FEB. 11. LIXIA AIRDROMES WERE ATTACKED THREE TIMES FEB. 15 BY 123 ME 109'S AND JU 88'S AND FROM 800 THRU 1830 CONTINUOUS ALERT MAINTAINED HOURLY

THERE HAS BEEN SHARP INCREASE IN AXIS AIR ACTIVITY OVER MEDITERRANEAN AND SUCCESSION OF VICIOUS ATTACKS DURING DAYLIGHT ON A CONVOY BETWEEN EGYPT AND MALTA. ME 111'S, JU 88'S AND S 79 TORPEDO BOMBERS FROM GREECE, SICILY AND RHODES PARTICIPATED. TWO MERCHANT SHIPS

I.B. #56 CONTD.

AND THE CONVOY WERE BADLY DAMAGED AND SUBSEQUENTLY SUNK BY BRIT GUNFIRE. THIS SHIPS WERE CARRYING FOOD, AMMUNITION AND GASOLINE. ITALIAN TORPEDO BOMBERS HAD LITTLE SUCCESS AND WERE DRIVEN OFF. BRITISH DESTROYED TWO S 79'S AND DAMAGED A THIRD.

THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE REPORTED IN THE STRENGTH OF THE GERMAN AIR FORCE SINCE CABLE NO. 803. THE STRENGTH AND DISTRIBUTION OF ITALIAN AIR FORCES SHOWN AS: WEST SECTOR LIBIA: 24 BOMBERS, 6 TORPEDO BOMBERS, 84 SINGLE ENGINE FIGHTERS, 18 RECONNAISSANCE, 16 SEA RECON. 20 TRANSPORT. IN EAST LIBYAN SECTOR ITALIANS HAVE 6 TORPEDO BOMBERS, 120 SINGLE ENGINE FIGHTERS, 36 RECON. 12 DIVE BOMBERS. IN SAHARAN SECTOR HAVE 30 RECON BOMBERS

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CAIRO

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Journal #1, 2/21

From: Fellers, Cairo

I.B. #70, 2/20

GERMAN TANKS IN LIBYA EST. BY BRIT AS 106 MED. 27 LT.
1 SQ. GERM. TANK REINFORCEMENTS HAVE APPARENTLY JOINED
ROMMEL. IT IS EXPECTED HE WILL RECEIVE 4 SQ (OF 17 TANKS
EACH) WITHIN 2 MOS. ITALIANS HAVE 112 TANKS IN LIBYA
(EST) ALSO PROBABLY 27 UNIDENTIFIED TANKS AND ONE TANK
MOST EXPECTED FROM NAPLES.

15TH PANZER DIV REINFORCED BY 33 ANTITANK GUNS OF FR.
AND RUSS. MAKE.

21ST PANZER DIV. REINFORCED BY 12 FR. & 12 RUSS
ANTITANK GUNS.

AXIS TROOPS IN LIBYA:

	GERMAN	ITALIAN
ARMY & CORPS TROOPS	6000	3150
15TH PANZER DIV.	6000	
21ST PANZER DIV.	5000	
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90th LIGHT DIV.	2900	
ARIETE ARMORED DIV.		2650
TRIESTE-TRENTO DIV.		6200
PAVIA		1500
SABRATA		4000
BRESCIA		3000
BOLOGNA		1000

FEBR. 16 MECHILI-CARMUSA AREA 2 GER PANZER DIVS.
ROMMEL'S FORCE WITHDREW NW AND SW LEAVING COVERING FORCE
(SMALL) ALONG GAZALA-BACHHEIM LINE.

AXIS NOW (MASS) SOUTH AND SLIGHTLY WEST OF DERNA.

Filed: 2/20/42, —

Journal #64, 2/20

From: Huddle, Bern thru St. Dept.

SEE SUMMARY POSTED UNDER W.E. FROM HUDDLE, BERN
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IB #22, 2/20

From: M/A Buenos Aires Argentina Journal #37, 2/20

INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM RELIABLE SOURCE THAT POLICY OF STRICT NEUTRALITY AGREED UPON BETWEEN ARGENTINA & CHILE, TO BE MADE PUBLIC SIMULTANEOUSLY BY EACH AT A TIME SET BY ARGENTINA IN EVENT U.S. ATTEMPTS TO EXERT INFLUENCE IN ECONOMIC FIELD ARE DISCLOSED, BUT ANNOUNCEMENT NOT ANTICIPATED PRIOR TO ELECTIONS IN MARCH. AGREEMENT ALSO REACHED AS TO JOINT DEFENSE. POLITICAL TENSION ACUTE. O-2 Comment: SUCH AGREEMENT WOULD MATERIALLY STRENGTHEN ARGENTINA'S POSITION IN OPPOSITION TO U.S. POLICIES, PROVIDE A MEANS FOR HER WITHDRAWAL FROM ANY MORAL COMMITMENTS OF RIO CONFERENCE, ENABLE HER TO BRING PRESSURE ON WEAK NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES TO REVERSE THEIR RELUCTANT ACTION IN SUPPORTING U.S. SHE WOULD THUS INCREASE HER PRESTIGE & INFLUENCE IN SOUTH AMER, & WITH EUROPEAN POWERS OPPOSING THE U.S.

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FROM: FBI 2/18

JOURNAL # 45 2/20

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES AT CUBA TODAY REPORTS THAT GERMAN AGENTS IN CUBA ARE DISCUSSING THE FACT THAT 1500 AIRPLANES AND 50 SUBS ARE NEAR READINESS AT MARTINIQUE FOR AN ATTACK ON THE PANAMA CANAL, PUERTO RICO, FLORIDA, OR THE FLA. KEYS AND CUBA. IT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE TO VERIFY THIS INFORMATION BY INVESTIGATION.

(SITUATION SECTION NOTE: THIS INFORMATION WAS FIRST RECEIVED IN THE SITUATION SECTION ON NIGHT OF FEB. 18 FROM FBI, VIA CIB. WHILE IT IS ABOVE STATED THAT 50 SUBS ARE CONCENTRATED AT MARTINIQUE, THE INFORMATION FROM CIB WAS TO THE EFFECT THAT THERE WERE ONLY 15 SUBMARINES. CIB CHECKED THIS DISCREPANCY AND INFORMED SITUATION SECTION AT 7:15 P.M. 2/20, THAT FBI CONFIRMS THE FIGURE 50. ACCORDING TO MEMORANDUM TO GEN. LEE, NAVY HAS DIRECTED ITS

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OBSERVERS AT MARTINIQUE TO INVESTIGATE.)

FROM: A.E. GAFETTE, LEADER OF COUNCIL, CITY MONTREAL QUE
FILED: 2/14 9:00 a.m. JOURNAL # 44 2/20 BEC
VIA FBI

THE CONCENTRATION OF SUBMARINES ON BOTH SIDES OF PANAMA CANAL, IN LARGE NUMBER IS STILL INDICATED FOR A POSSIBLE ATTACK TOMORROW SUNDAY, LATE AFTERNOON.

4:00 p.m.

2/20

TO

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FROM: STANDISH, ARUBA

JOURNAL # 63 2/20

ARUBA

FILED: 2/20 VIA STATE

SS GIBBINS WILL PROBABLY BE ESCORTED TO CURACAO TODAY.

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Filed: 2/20/42, 2:55 P.

Journal #65, 2/20

From: CDC thru GHQ

CDC Thru GHQ

REPORT BY US SUB. S-21, ENEMY SUB WAS SIGHTED AT 1913
LOT FEBR. 19 AT 06°44'N 82° 54' W. WHEN S-21 ALTERED
COURSE TO ATTACK ENEMY DOVE - THIS WAS ONLY CONTACT.

Filed: 2/20/42, 3:00 P.

Journal #7, 2/21

From: Amer. Consul at Aruba Thru St. Dept.

ARUBA

AT 5:30 AM FEBR 19 DESTROYER WINSLOW TO ILLUMINATE
POSSIBLE SUB JUST OFF LAGO COLONY FIRED FIVE STAR SHELLS.
EMPTY SHELLS FELL IN COLONY CAUSING Hysteria UPON AMER
RESIDENTS, ONLY SLIGHT MATERIAL DAMAGE AND NO CASUALTIES.
NO SUBS OBSERVED. LATER IN MORNING SAME VESSEL DROPPED
DEPTH CHARGES IN ORDER TO CLEAR APPROACHES TO SANNICCLAAS
HARBOR, AS FIRST CONVOY OF 3 TANKERS WAS STANDING OUT TO
SEA. ON HEARING EXPLOSIONS CREW MEMBERS OF PANAMAN SHIP
TYPHOON PANICKED AND NUMBER ABANDONED THE VESSEL. NEWS
REPORT THAT SHIP SINKING IS UNFOUNDED.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON ADMIRAL HOOVER WAS IN ARUBA AND ADVISED
WE CANNOT EXPECT AN INCREASE IN DEFENSE FORCES.

DURING PAST 3 DAYS ENEMY HAS BEEN RELATIVELY INACTIVE
DUE PROBABLY TO INTENSIVE ALLIED NAVAL AND AIR OPERATIONS
IN THIS AREA. EXCEPT FOR CONVOYS ALL SHIPPING IS HELD IN
JOURNAL #7, 2/21 CONTD.

PORT.

BEGINNING AFTERNOON FEBR. 20 OR MORNING FEBR 21 WILL
BEGIN EVACUATING BY AIR BY WAY OF MARACAIBO AND
BARRANQUILLA TO MIAMI. IN NEXT THREE DAYS EXPECT TO
EVACUATE 150 PERSONS.

PLEASE ADVISE QUARTERMASTER GEN. THAT THE TRANSPORT
HANNAY ARRIVED FROM CURACAO AT 2 PM BRING ADDITIONAL
TROOPS.

STANDISH

Filed: 2/20/42, 553

Journal #9, 2/21

From: Bennett, LaPas

I.B. #12, 2/21

LA PAZ

BOLIVIAN GOVT OFFICIALS FRIGHTENED BY CONTINUED AXIS
SUCCESS, WEAKENING IN FORCING DEPARTURE OF AXIS
DIPLOMATS SCHEDULED FOR FEBR. 26.

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON

I.B.# 65 2/20

LONDON

FILED: 4:42 p.m. 2/20

Journal # 58 2/20

RUSS SITUATION TO 2/18 ACCORDING TO W.O.:

WHILE SOVIETS HAVE NOT ADVANCED ANY THIS WEEK OWING, PROBABLY TO WEATHER, CAUSING IN SOME PLACES A THAW & IN OTHERS A DEEP SNOW, & RESISTANCE OF GERMANS, IT IS STILL TOO SOON TO DETERMINE WHETHER GERMANS CAN HOLD RUSS TO PRESENT LINE.

PARTIALLY BECAUSE OF TEMPORARY THAW, GERM COUNTER THRUSTS IN DONETS AREA OF UKRAINE HAVE MET WITH SMALL SUCCESS.

THERE IS NO DEFINITE NEWS AS TO PROGRESS OF RUSS Pincer TO W. OF MOSCOW, BUT REPORTS OF PROGRESS IN NEWSPAPERS BELIEVED OVER OPTIMISTIC; IN ANY EVENT, IT IS KNOWN THAT CENTRAL SECTOR IS SCENE OF HEAVY FIGHTING.

KERCH AND SEVASTOPOL ARE STILL HELD BY RUSS, AND IT IS THOUGHT THAT THEY ARE BEING REINFORCED.

RUSS FEEL CONFIDENT OF CLEARING GERMANS FROM AROUND

I.B.# 65 Journal # 58 2/20 continued

LENINGRAD IN THE NEAR FUTURE BUT FOR THE PRESENT THE FIGHTING CONTINUES TO BE HEAVY.

ON THE FINNISH FRONT THERE ARE NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

FROM: LEAHY, VICHY VIA STATE

JOURNAL # 62 2/20

VICHY

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THERE ARE NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING MILITARY SITUATION

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BERN

From Huddle, Bern thru St. Dept.

SEE SUMMARY POSTED UNDER W.E. FROM HUDDLE, BERN JOURNAL #64.

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TO
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from: FREETOWN I.B. # 49 2/20
FILED: 2/18 JOURNAL # 40 2/20
REF. YOUR DESPATCH OF 16th:
MY RELIEF SHIPS FROM SOUTH ABOUT NOON 18th PLUS TWO OF
THE PATROL VESSELS COVERING PROTECTED SECTOR INTO FREE-
TOWN.

REFERENCE: PAA PILOT SEARCHING OFF LIBERIA COAST FEB. 6th
AFTER SPOTTING SS FOR BRIT CONVOY ESCORT LATER SIGHTED
SUSPICIOUS FAST SHIP APPARENTLY ENEMY SUBTENDER ABOUT
FIFTY MILES FROM CONVOY. ALSO SIGHTED VICHY THREE STACK
STEAMER UNDER ESCORT BELIEVED PROVIDENCE.

(I.B. NOTE: THIS FURTHER REPORT ON THE MESSAGE FORMING
BASIS OF I.B. # 22 FEB. 17, PREPARED BY AIR SECTION)

FROM: A ET. GAYETTE, LEADER OF COUNCIL, CITY MONTREAL, QUE
FILED: 2/14 9:00 a.m. I.B. SEC
VIA F B I JOURNAL # 44 2/20
RESEARCH AS OF FEB 14, 1942 - TIME 9: a.m.
SUBJECT: - ENEMY CHAPTS:

IT IS INDICATED THAT THREE MEN OF WAR THAT WENT THROUGH
THE STRAIT OF DOVER TWO DAYS AGO WERE NOT ALL GERM BOATS.
THE SCHARNHORST WAS ONE OF THEM, OF THE TWO OTHERS, IT
IS INDICATED THAT ONE WAS AN ITALIAN MAN OF WAR & THE OTHER
A FRENCH LARGE UNIT.

THE GNEISENEAU IS INDICATED AS HAVING CROSSED THE ATLANTIC
& IS INDICATED THIS MORNING AS BEING ABOUT 500 MI AT SEA
EAST OF PHILA ON NORTH LATITUDE, 40°.

AS TO PRINCE EUGENE, IT IS INDICATED AS BEING S. OF BREST
DISABLED. THIS IS SUBJECT TO FURTHER RESEARCH & POSSIBLE
REVISION.

Filed: 2/20/42, 12:25 P. Journal #43, 2/20
From: R.T.O. Thru GHQ

DESTROYER TRUITION AND SUPPLY SHIP POLLOCK HAVE 8
CASUALTIES ACCORDING TO NEWFOUNDLAND REPORT. DESTROYER
WILKINS HAS SENT NO REPORT.

WILKINS

WFO thru GHQ

From: WFO thru GHQ Journal #60, 2/20
Filed: 2/20/42, 9:38 P.

1ST INTERRUPTED COMMAND N.Y. SENT FOLLOWING MESSAGE
AT 8:15 FROM INTERCOMMAND ROOM: BOMBER COMMANDED AT
MONTPELL FIELD INTERCEPTED A RADIO AT 1910, WHICH SAID
AN EXPLOSION HAD BEEN SEEN 20 MI S VIRGINIA BEACH &
15 MI OFF SHORE. OBSERVATION PLANES DISPATCHED SIGHTED
A FREIGHTER PROCEEDING N. AT 64 KNOTS 55 WITH HER GUNS
MANNED BY CANNONERS IN LIFE BELTS & U.S. DESTROYER
PRESENT.

DET. ROOM NOTE: (GHQ CALLED BACK AT 2315 TO SAY THAT WFO
HAD BEEN INFORMED BY NAVY THAT NAVY DIVE BOMBERS WERE
PRACTICING IN THE VICINITY WHERE EXPLOSIONS OBSERVED
AND AT THE TIME THAT THE EXPLOSIONS WERE OBSERVED).

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Journal #46, 2/20

From: 0-2 E.T.O. thru GHQ

E.T.O. Thru GHQ

REPORT FROM CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR, ORIGINATING WITH
RUS NORFOLK, STATES THAT SCHOONER GEORGIANA SILVER SAW A
BIG SUBMARINE ON THE SURFACE AT 200 YARDS DISTANCE AT
0600 GMT FEB 20. LAT. 36°35' N. LONG 75°42' W., SUB PUT
SEARCH LIGHT ON SCHOONER AND THEN LEFT WITHOUT HOSTILE
ACTION. REPORT FROM SAME SECTOR GIVES RADIO INTERCEPT
FROM NEWBURN, N. CAROLINA, "SUB SEEN ABOUT 1650 GMT,
FEB. 20 AT LAT. 32°40' N & LONG. 0°30' W."

WATKINS.

0-2 COMMENT: LOCATION OF SUB IS IN ATLAS MOUNTAINS OF
ALGERIA, CORRECTION ASKED FOR)

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES #1

PACIFIC THEATER

Filed: 1:08 AM 2/20 IB #33, 2/20
From: BANDOENG, JAVA BRINK Journal #36, 2/20
JAPS REPORTED TO HAVE USED A TWO-MAN FLAME THROWER AT
TARAKAN. DETAILS LACKING, BUT APPEARS THAT BOX WHICH WAS
ABOUT 24" x 24" x 20", WAS CARRIED BY 1 MAN, WHILE THE
HOSE, APPROX. 6 FT LONG, WAS OPERATED BY THE OTHER.
RANGE OF FLAME SAID TO BE ABOUT 16 FT. REPORTS DID NOT
THROW ANY LIGHT ON EFFECTIVENESS OF DEVICE.
BRINK HAS NO INFORMATION ON USE OF FLAME THROWERS BY
JAPS AT SINGAPORE, AS REPORTED MENTIONED IN LONDON PRESS.

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FROM: BUCKNER, FR RICHARDSON JOURNAL # 41 2/20
FILED: 1115 2/20
REPORT OF STATUS OF PLANES.

FROM: ONI VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 39 2/20
FILED: 3:20 p.m.

ONI VIA GHQ

DEFINITELY INCREASED ACTIVITY IS NOTED IN THE EASTERN
THEATRE INDICATING NEW DEVELOPMENTS SOUTH OF THE TRUK-
JALUT AREA. JAP BOMBERS HAVE BEEN ISSUED ORDERS TO
PATROL SEA AREAS FROM A BASE IN THE MARSHALLS, EXTENDING
600 MILES IN THE NE AND SE QUADRANTS.

FROM: GHQ JAVA I.B.# 47 2/20
FILED: 0050 EWT 2/20 JOURNAL # 39 2/20
1. BALI ATTACKED BY GLEN MARTINS & BLENHEIMS.
2. 30 ENEMY FIGHTERS ATTACKED BUIT INORG (?) & BANDOENG.
5 ALLIED PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND, 5 FIGHTERS IN AIR. SCURAB
SCURABAYA ATTACKED; ENEMY LOST 4 FIGHTERS; ALLIED 3 P-40'S.
NO FURTHER DETAILS.
3. ENEMY FORCE (4 TRANSPORTS & ESCORT) OFF SE BALI AND
WERE ATTACKED BY ALLIED PLANES 5 DIRECT HITS CLAIMED ON
2 TRANSPORTS & DESTROYERS.
LANDINGS REPORTED SOUTH & N.W OF BEN SPIR (?).

GHO-Java.

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FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON I.B.# 50 2/20
FILED: 2:30 P 2/20 Journal # 42 2/20

A SENIOR BRIT OFFICER HAS EXPRESSED HIS PURELY PERSONAL OPINION THAT THE CAPTURE OF RANGOON IS THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF THE JAP PLAN AGAINST THE BURMA ROAD. NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT SO FAR AS IS KNOWN THE JAPS HAVE ONLY ONE DIVS ON THE RANGOON FRONT. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE CAPTURE OF RANGOON WOULD TERMINATE THE PRESENT SOURCE OF SUPPLY BURMA ROAD & FACILITATE FUTURE JAP PROGRESS TO THE NORTH MORE THAN ANY ADVANCES AGAINST THE BURMA ROAD NORTH FROM SIAM, WITH OPPOSITION OF CHIN ARMIES. WHEN CONSIDERED THAT THE JAPS NOW HAVE 2 DIVS, PLUS 1 TANK REGT & 1 TANK BN AVAILABLE IN SOUTH ASIA & AT LEAST 4 or 5 IN MALAYA THAT ARE NOW FREE, THIS OPINION SOUNDS REASONABLE. SHOULD ALSO BE CONSIDERED THAT JAPS COULD PROBABLY NOW GET NAVAL FORCE THRU MALACCA STRAITS FOR OPERATION AGAINST RANGOON & THE LAND FORCES S. OF THE CITY.

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NO DETAILS AS TO AIR RAID ON PORT DARWIN ON 2/19. JAPS LANDED DENPASAR, BALI 2/19 FROM 4 SHIPS.

PANDONG & BUTENZORG, WEST JAVA WERE ATTACKED 2/19 BY ENEMY BOMBERS OPERATING FROM PALEMBANG. CONSIDERABLE DUTCH NAVAL DAMAGE AT SOERABAYA FROM JAP BOMBING ATTACKS ON THAT PLACE & MALANG. THE ENEMY HAS NOT FOLLOWED UP THE CONTINUING ALLIED WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS TO JAVA FROM S SUMATRA.

THERE HAS BEEN NO ACTIVITY REPORTED IN N. BURMA. A LARGE ENEMY CONCENTRATION REPORTED ON BURMA COAST AREA KALITANGI-TAUNGOYIN. THE JAPS CROSSED TO WEST BANK OF BILIN RIVER N OF BILIN ON 2/17 ON THE SOUTHERN BURMA FRONT, & FIERCE CLOSE QUARTERS FIGHTING OCCURRED. NUMEROUS COUNTER-ATTACKS WITH HEAVY CASUALTIES TO BRIT., INDIAN DEFENDERS. LATER REPORTS TO WAR OFFICE THRU 8:)) A M 2/20 SHOW JAPS ARE ARE CONTINUING ATTEMPTS TO ENVELOP BRIT LEFT FLANK VICINITY

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OF DANYINGOON, WITH EXTREMELY HEAVY FIGHTING & THE RESULT IN DOUBT. FURTHER S. THE JAPS HAVE SUCCEEDED IN CROSSING THE BILIN RIVER S. OF BILIN & THE INDIAN 48TH BVDE WAS COUNTER-ATTACKING IN EFFORT TO FORCE ENEMY BACK. BETWEEN THE TWO PRECEDING POINTS BRIT TROOPS LAST REPORTED TO BE HOLDING THEIR OWN ALONG THE RIVER.

FROM: DRAPER, DELHI I.B.# 54 2/20
FILED: 2/15 JOURNAL # 54 2/20
REQUEST FOR SHIPMENT OF MACHINE TOOLS FOR INDIAN
ORDNANCE NOW ON ORDER IN U.S. BY EXPEDITED.

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FROM: A E GAYETTE, LEADER OF COUNCIL, CITY MONTREAL, QUE
FILED: 2/14 9:00 p.m. JOURNAL # 44 2/20 REC
VIA FBI

NO CHANGES ON THE NORTH PACIFIC COAST. ONLY ONE IS
INDICATED SOUTH OF LOS ANGELES.

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FROM: HAYER, CHUNGKING JOURNAL # 47 2/20
FILED: 0830 2/20

SOMETHING SHOULD BE DONE TO CURTAIL EXCESSIVE PRAISE OF
CHINESE MILIT PROWESS EMANATING FROM U.S. THERE IS A DEF-
INITE TENDENCY IN CHINA TO LOOK DOWN UPON THE MILIT ABILITY
OF THE BRIT AND TO A LESSER EXTENT OUR OWN, AND WHILE
MOST OF THE RESPONSIBLE CHIN BELIEVE THAT CHINA CAN BEST
BE SERVED BY STANDING WITH THE ALLIED, THE CRITICISM FOST-
ERED AS IT IS BY THE OPTIMISM OF THE FOREIGN PRESS AND
CHINESE AND FOREIGN SPOKESMEN, HAS NOTICEABLY GROWN SINCE
THE TAKING OF SINGAPORE.

FROM: THORPE, JAVA JOURNAL # 48 2/20
FILED 1245 A 2/21

EVERYTHING HAS BEEN DONE PREPARATORY FOR EVACUATION.
SINCE AUSTRALIA SHOULD BE ALREADY PROPERLY PROVIDED FOR,
PRACTICALLY ALL TROOPS WILL BE SENT TO INDIA.
BASED ON OBSERVATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS, I MAKE THE FOLLOWING
COMMENT: IF WE ARE TO UNDERTAKE FURTHER ACTION IN ANYTHE
OTHER THEATERS, IT IS QUITE CLEAR THAT A DIFFERENT VIEW POINT
MUST BE ADOPTED. IF THE WAR IS TO BE CARRIED TO A SUCCESS-
FUL CONCLUSION, ACTION MUST BE AGGRESSIVE.

(THIS IS CONCLUDED ON BOTTOM PARAGRAPH) SEE BELOW

FROM: HERTT, JAVA JOURNAL # 59 2/20
FILED: 2:95 2/20

240 WORD REPORT AS TO CERTAIN UNSATISFACTORY FEATURES
OF B-17(S WITH RECOMMENDATION FOR THEIR ELIMINATION.

See J.I. C
Rep. 2/1/42

FROM: ENT, LINA JOURNAL 52 2/20
FILED: 1008 A 2/20 I.B. # 57 2/20
JAPS USING 1932 PLAN OF OPERATIONS IS HELINF BELGIUM'S
MINISTER TO PRUS.

***** JOURNAL # 48 concluded

STAFF & COMMAND FUNCTIONS SHOULD BE PLACED IN HANDS OF
AMERICAN OFFICERS.

A DETERMINED CLINGING TO OUT-MODED PROCEDURE IS GIVEN PRECEDENCE
OVER AGGRESSIVE INITIATIVE, & STAFF FUNCTIONS ARE EXERCISED THRU
OBSTRUCTIVE & CUMBERSOME COMMITTEES.

FROM: BRETT, JAVA

JOURNAL # 50 2/20

BRETT, JAVA

FILED: 9020 2/20

REPORT OF AIR ACTIVITIES.

a. STATUS OF PLANES (2/19 at 1200 GMT)

20 B-17's	11 in commission
11 A-24	7 in commission
9 LB-30	5 in commission
26 P-40's	18 "

b. MISSIONS

SINGLE AIRCRAFT	4 missions	
4 AIRCRAFT	1 "	18P-40's 1 miss.
2 B-17's	1 "	
3 LB 30's	1 "	
2 A-24	1 "	

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c. RESULTS

ONE PILOT LOST AND 3 P-40'S DOWNED. 4 JAP PURSUITS ENOCKED OUT. JAP TRANSPORTS, DESTROYERS AND CRUISERS SUFFERED MANY NEAR MISSES AND A NUMBER OF DIRECT HITS. PRO INDIA THERE ARRIVED 3 B-17's. AT BANDOENG 2 MORE men MISSING, AND GUNNER KILLED WHEN A 2503 WAS SHOT DOWN. RAID ON BANDOENG RESULTED IN DESTRUCTION BY FIRE OF ONE 2493.

Filed: 2/20/42, 12:52 P.

Journal #55, 2/20

WDC Thru GHQ

From: WDC Thru GHQ

NO. 159 PERIODICAL REPORT NO. 197 NOON PWT, FEB. 20, REPORTED BY ALASKA THAT SEARCH OF AREA YAKUTAT - MIDDLETON ISLAND - CEWARD BY ARMY PLANES 19 FEB, LOOKING FOR SUB THAT SS DOWNED REPORTED SEEN ON 18TH FEB. WAS NEGATIVE. SEARCH WILL BE REPEATED TODAY FROM YAKUTAT. ALASKA ALSO REPORTS 2 RADIO BEARINGS AT LAT. 54°30' N. LONG. 136°30' W AT 0915 OCT 19TH FEB. ON 8348 KCS. ALASKA BELIEVES THESE TO BE JAP RADIO AND POSSIBLY ENEMY VESSELS SENDING IN INFORMATION ON PRINCIPAL ROUTE OF ALASKAN SEA TRAFFIC. THE CONCLUSIONS OF ALASKA C-2 EST FOLLOW: AS CONSEQUENCE OF VICTORIAN OPERATIONS IN NEI AND FMS AND IMPROVING METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS AROUND THE ALEUTS, THE CHANCES FOR ENEMY OPERATIONS IN THIS VICINITY ARE GREATER. IT IS BELIEVED THAT AN ASSAULT ON THE ALEUTS WILL PRECEED ANY ATTACK ON SIBERIA'S

MRITIME PROVINCES WITH THE PURPOSE OF CUTTING THEM OFF AND BLOCKING US AID TO RUSSIA. EVEN IF NO ASSAULT IS MADE BY JAP BY JAPAN ON EASTERN SIBERIA, A SEPARATE ATTACK ON THE ALEUTS IS PROBABLE BECAUSE OF THE DESIRE OF THE JAPS TO DESTROY THE LAST REMAINING LINK FOR OPERATING OFFENSIVELY AGAINST JAPANESE HOMELAND.

STROM.

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Journal #53, 2/20/42

From: Sharps, JAVA

I.B. #58, 2/20

Sharp - JAVA

SANDIR, KALIDATI AND MALANI HEAVILY BOMBED.

JAPS OCCUPIED BALI AND PROBABLY TIMOR. STRENGTH OF JAPS AT BALI BELIEVED 3000.

MUST CONCLUDE JAVA CANNOT BE DEFENDED UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES PREVAILING SINCE INSPECTION SHOWED LARGE AND CRITICAL AREAS WITHOUT ANY TROOPS AVAILABLE TO PROTECT THEM.

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Journal #56, 2/20

From: Barnes, Melbourne

MELBOURNE

TWO RAIDS ON DARWIN (ONE ON FEB 19 ALREADY REPORTED) CAUSED SEVERE DAMAGE.

NO DAMAGE AT BATCHELOR AIRFIELD. CIVIL AIRPORT & RAAF BASE BADLY HANDLED; 7 P-40S DAMAGED AND 2 DESTROYED ON GROUND; HANGARS ALL A TOTAL LOSS.

AMERICAN DESTROYER PEARY, MAUMA LOA AND 3 UNIDENTIFIED SHIPS ARE COMPLETE WRECKS; DOCK RUINED; 1 UNIDENTIFIED SHIP AND THE MENDS DAMAGED.

CASUALTIES BELIEVED NOT HEAVY.

OWING TO POOR COMMUNICATIONS DETAILS ARE NOT KNOWN.

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Journal #49, 2/20

From: G-2 CDC thru GHQ

G-2 CDC thru
GHQ

CDC 730 PARAPHRASE OF REPORT FROM COCSY TODAY WITH FACTS GATHERED ON MY VISIT TO CURACO AND ARUBA ON FEB. 19; (REPORT COVERS PRECEDING 24 HOURS)

PROJECTILES FALLING IN ARUBA TODAY WERE STAR SHELL CASES FROM DESTROYER WINSLOW. DEPTH CHARGES DROPPED NEAR CONVOY REPORTED AS SINKING TYPHOONS. MOVEMENT OF LAKE TANKERS WILL COMMENCE AGAIN VERY SOON UNDER AIR ESCORT AND CONVOY. A LESSENING OF VOLUME OF LAKE TANKER TRAFFIC IS TO BE LOOKED FOR; VOLUME OF OCEAN TRAFFIC IS BEING KEPT UP SATISFACTORILY, IT BEING UNCONVOYED AND AIR-ESCORTED IN THE VICINITY OF THE ISLANDS. THE SUCCESS OF LAKE TRAFFIC IS DUBIOUS BECAUSE OF LIMITS ON AVAILABLE SOURCES. LIGHT DRAFT TANKERS ARE NOT REPLACEABLE ACCORDING TO LOCAL INFORMATION.

SINKINGS IN TRINIDAD HARBOR CREDITED TO ENEMY SUBS.

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THIS CONSTITUTES THE LAST OFFICIAL INFORMATION RECEIVED.

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Journal #3, 2/21

From: ABDACOM

ABDACOM

SIG. CORPS PERSONNEL AVAILABLE FOR CODE AND MESSAGE CENTER: 1 COL, 1 LT. COL, 5 INEXPERIENCED OFFICERS. NO EQUIPMENT. LT. COL BOONMAN TO DETACH 5 OFFICERS AND SOME ENLISTED MEN FROM 52D SIG BN. ON ARRIVAL, AUSTRALIA TO HOLD 176TH SIG. REPAIR CO. TO OPERATE DEPOT.

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From: Shipp, Lisbon

Journal #2, 2/21

LISBON

COMPETENT AUTHORITY STATES IF ALLIES CONTINUE PRESENT POLICY (FAVORING ATLANTIC) JAPS WILL TAKE BURMA, N.E.I., NEW GUINEA, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND AND S. INDIA. WILL DOMINATE S. INDIAN OCEAN AND MAY ASSIST IN SEIZING SUEZ. ALL PACIFIC BASES WILL BE LOST AND CHINA WILL CAPITULATE.

RUMOR JAPS USING 90 TRANSPORTS WILL TAKE JAVA IN 2 WEEKS.

NORMAL REPLACEMENTS FOR MOZAMBIQUE SAILED 2/14
2 COS 6th INF. 500 MEN. 2/16 1 CO. 190 MEN.

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From: MacArthur, Ft. Mills

Journal #6, 2/21

MACARTHUR

INF ACTIVITY ONLY AT BATAAN. ARTY DUEL AND JAP AIR BOMBING. JAPS SHELLING MARCE PORTS. OUR COUNTER BATTERY FIRE RETURNED. SOUTH AS BEFORE.

Filed: 2/21/42, 0040
From: Brett, Java

Journal #4, 2/21

JAVA

A-24S ATTACKED AT DAWN JAP SHIPPING AT BALI WITH FIGHTER COVER. 2 A-24'S LOST, ONE SEEN DIVING INTO WATER. JAP CRUISER BADLY DAMAGED. 3 L-30S ATTACKED ANOTHER JAP CRUISER AT BALI. 3 HITS 8 CLOSE MISSES. 3 B-17S DESTROYED ON GROUND AT MALANG BY JAP FIGHTERS AND PURSUIT WHEN LANDING TO REFUEL. 1 P-40 TAKE OFF CRASH. 16 P-40S ATTACKED OVER BALI BY 24 JAP FIGHTERS, 2 LOST, JAPS LOST 3. BOTH PILOTS MISSING INCL. MAJ. SPRAGUE, 2 P-40S CRASHED LANDING ON E JAVA BEACH WITH WOUNDED PILOTS.

TOTAL LOSSES
2 A-24
5 B-17 E
5 P-40
4 PILOTS.

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From: Shipp, Lisbon

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LISBON

JAP DIPLOMAT PREDICTS ANOTHER SURPRISE ATTACK ON HAWAII IN CONVERSATION WITH PORTUGUESE OFFICER.

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Journal #10, 2/21

From: Brett, Java

I.B. #13, 2/21

JAVA

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Febr. 14 FIRST OFFICIAL USE PARATROOPS. 700 WERE DROPPED FROM 100 PLANES NEAR PALEMBANG (INCL SOME HUDSONS WITH BRIT. MARKINGS). 300 LANDED NW OF THE TOWN NEAR THE #1 AIRDROME, 300 AT PALDJOE & 100 E OF TOWN, AT SUNGIRONG REFINERIES.

OBJECTIVE SEIZURE OF REFINERIES AND AIRDROME BUT FAILED AS DUTCH GARRISON HAD BEEN DOUBLED TO 2 BNS JUST PREVIOUSLY. THIS WAS POSSIBLY UNKNOWN TO JAPS WHO HAD INSUFFICIENT STRENGTH THOUGH ARMED WITH SUBMACHINE GUNS AND LIGHT MORTARS. THE 2ND PARA LANDING OCCURRED BUT THE ACCOMPANYING LANDING FROM SEA DID NOT HAPPEN UNTIL THE FOLLOWING NIGHT. THE DELAY GAVE OPPORTUNITY TO MOP UP THE UNSUPPORTED PARATROOPS AND DEMOLISH THE REFINERIES EARLY FEBR. 15 THE AIRDROME WAS EVACUATED. IN THE FACE OF THE ADVANCE OF TROOPS LANDED FROM THE SEA POSSIBLY BEFORE

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COMPLETION OF DEMOLITIONS THEREFORE THE DELAY AND INTERFERENCE WITH SUCH WAS THE ONLY USEFUL RESULT OF THE LANDING BY PARACHUTE. FEBR 15 THE OIL FIELD AT SORDEB WAS ORDERED DESTROYED AND NO SERIOUS INTERFERENCE WILL OCCUR FROM ANY ENEMY ACTION YET REPORTED.

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Journal #11, 2/21

JAVA

From: Brett, Java

VERY CRITICAL SITUATION. COMBINATION OF BRIT. N.E.I & AN. AIRFORCES FACILITATED BY EVERY METHOD. STOP ORDER ISSUED ON FURTHER TROOP MOVEMENT TO JAVA. PLAN TO SEND BRERETON TO BURMA TO PREPARE FOR ANY FORCE ORGANIZED TO MEET THAT SITUATION. URGE IMMEDIATE BUILD UP OF THESE TWO FLANKS. URGE PREPARATION FOR OFFENSE. WILL SEND MAINT. CREWS TO INDIA OR BURMA TO HELP PREPARE FOR ARRIVAL OF COMBAT EQUIPMENT. REQUEST CONSIDERATION OF CONDITIONS WE ARE WORKING UNDER.

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Journal #2, 2/21

From: SHIPP, LISBON

I.B. #2, 2/21

LISBON

GIBRALTAR WEAK, GERMANY MAY FORCE SPAIN TO CAPTURE IT.
GOOD SOURCE SAYS SPAIN WILL AID GERMANY.

I PREDICT FRANCO-SALAZAR MEETING MEANS PORTUGAL
WILL COOPERATE WITH SPAIN AND AXIS LATER, MILITARILY
AXIS VICTORY EXPECTED BY PORTUGUESE.

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From: Huddle, Bern thru St. Dept.

BERN

FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPORTED BY M/A:

SOURCE X6A. FREIGHT TRAINS IMMOBILIZED IN GERMANY
CRITICAL SHORTAGE LOCOMOTIVES AND LACK ROLLING STOCK &
COAL HAS HINDERED SERIOUSLY TRANSPORTATION FROM FRANCE TO
GERMANY. FEB 2 THE GERMAN ORDER OF BATTLE WAS NORWAY 7;
BELGIUM 5; HOLLAND 4; BULGARIA, EQUIVALENT OF 2 BUT NO
LARGE UNIT; FINLAND 6; FRANCE 20; RUSSIA 180, OF WHICH
1/3 ARE IN RESERVE OR RECUPERATING; INTERIOR GERMANY 30;
DENMARK 2; GREECE 1; SPAIN, SAME AS BULGARIA; NORTH AFRICA
7, WITH 3 TO COME FROM SOUTHERN ITALY; THESE FIGURES
SIMILAR THOSE OF I-2. 1,600,000 METERS OF GAS PROOF KHAKI
WERE ORDERED NOVEMBER 1941 FROM ALSATIAN FACTORIES BY
GERMAN ARMY FOR DELIVERY FEBRUARY. CLOTH WILL HAVE A
CELLULOSE BASE. ORDER WILL NOT BE COMPLETED BEFORE APRIL.

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ON FEB 1, TWO 200 HORSE-POWER SUBMARINE MOTORS WERE
SENT FROM GERMANY TO ITALY AND 8 OF THE SAME ON JAN 14.
GERMAN INSTRUCTORS WILL BEGIN TRAINING SEVERAL HUNGARIAN
UNITS IN MARCH AT CAMP SENNELAGER PADERBORN. THESE UNITS
HAVE BEEN EQUIPPED FOR TROPICAL SERVICE. BECAUSE OF LACK
OF RAW MATERIAL, THE FACT THAT SPECIALISTS HAVE BEEN
CALLED INTO THE ARMY AND BECAUSE OF EXTENSIVE REPAIR
WORK ON PLANES, PRODUCTION OF AIRCRAFT IN GERMANY HAS
DROPPED APPROX. 30 PERCENT IN LAST THREE MONTHS.

SOURCE X2A (FRANCE) DOUBLE CREWS FOR TRAINING ARE
BEING CARRIED BY 2,000 FOM SUB CRUISERS AND NEW SUBS CAN
BE MANNED IN THE SPRING. IN AN OVERHAUL OF AIR FORCE
ONE OPERATIONS GROUPS IS BEING PREPARED FOR ACTION
AGAINST EGYPT IN THE SPRING AND ANOTHER FOR ACTION AGAINST
RUSSIA IN EARLY SUMMER. OF 6,000 TROOPS BORDEAUX HALF ARE
MARINES. TROOPS NEVER HAD BEEN EQUIPPED LIGHT CLOTHING

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PRESUMABLY FOR AFRICA. GERMAN CAVALRY DIVISION IS TO BE
SUPPRESSED. ROMANIA WILL FURNISH FIFTEEN DIVISIONS FOR SPRING
OFFENSIVE. HUNGARY WILL SEND AN ENTIRE ARMY. FOUR
HUNGARIAN DIVISIONS ARE IN SERBIA AT PRESENT AND FIVE MOTO
MOTORIZED DIVISIONS ON THE RUSSIAN FRONT. Huddle

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Journal #5, 2/21

From: Legge, Bern

I.B. #1, 2/21

BERN

LARGE MASSING SOLDIERS AND SHIPPING REPORTED IN
AREA FLENSBURG, STETTIN, LUBECK.

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From: ANDACOM, Batavia

1. 18 SHIPS ARE IN RIVER NEAR PALMBANO, INCLUDING 7 SOUTH OF MONTAN & OTHERS IN BANDA STRAIT.

2. 2 CRUISERS SEEN SOUTH OF ATON - POSSIBLY PART OF ESCORT FOR A CARRIER BUT SENT OUT ON NEWS OF ALLIED FORCE NEAR BALI.

3. 17 SHIPS INCLUDING 2 CARRIERS SEEN SAILING SOUTH FROM AREA OF SINDJAI (CELEBES) FEB 20TH ABOUT 0700. POSSIBLE DESTINATIONS TIMOR OR BALI.

4. ENEMY LANDED REGIMENT & OPERATING PLANES FROM AIRFIELD BALI. ENEMY SHIPS WITHDRAWN FROM BALI VICINITY FEB 20, PROBABLY ON ACCOUNT OF ALLIED AIR ATTACKS.

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Journal #17, 2/21

From: CG ETO, CG FF, GHQ DRUM

NEGATIVE REPORT FROM NEWFOUNDLAND. NO MISSIONS. CEILING 2 KRO. 1 1/2 MI. VISIBILITY. TO NOON GMT FEB 20, NEGATIVE AIR ACTIVITIES REPORT FEB ETO. WEATHER CANCELLED ALL MISSIONS SOUTHERN AREA, GENERALLY FAIR IN NORTH WITH 30 RECONNAISSANCE & 49 OBSERVATION MISSIONS.

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Journal #18, 2/21

From: CG ETO, G-2 GHQ, DRUM

RADIO INTERCEPTS INDICATE SHIP TORPEDOED 0902 AT 41° 29' N, 52° 30' W WITH CALL LETTERS EITHER S. OR H, BLANK, VMT.

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Journal #46, 2,20

From: G-2 E.T.O. thru GHQ

REPORT FROM CHESAPEAKE BAY SECTOR, ORIGINATING WITH NOB NORFOLK, STATES THAT SCHOONER GEORGIANA SILVER SA W A BIG SUB ON THE SURFACE AT 200 YARDS DISTANCE AT 0600 GMT FEBR. 20. LAT. 36°35' N. LONG. 75°42' W., SUB PUT SEARCH LIGHT ON SCHOONER AND THEN LEFT WITHOUT HOSTILE ACTION. REPORT FROM SAME SECTOR GIVES RADIO INTERCEPT FROM NEWBURN, N. CAROLINA, "SUB SEEN ABOUT 1650 GMT, Febr. 20, AT LAT. 32°40' N. & LONG. 0°30' W."

WATKINS

G-2 COMMENT: LOCATION OF SUB IS IN ATLAS MOUNTAINS OF ALGERIA, CORRECTION ASKED FOR)

E.T.O.

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

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MIDDLE EAST

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IS #40, 2/20

From: M/A Cairo FELLENS

Journal #25, 2/21

IN ANSWER TO QUESTIONS IN OUR CABLE #696 AS TO ADMINISTRATIONAL & SUPPLY FACILITIES IN MIDDLE EAST LAST FALL.

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From: M/A Cairo FELLERS

IB #39, 2/20
Journal #25, 2/21

1. INCREASED AXIS ACTIVITY IN AGEAN AREA PLUS ADDITIONAL AIR ACTIVITY AGAINST SHIPPING & CONTINUED NEUTRALIZATION OF MALTA ALL INDICATE DEVELOPMENT OF PLANS FOR AXIS OFFENSIVE IN LIBYA. AXIS EFFORTS AIMED AT DOMINATION OF MEDITERRANEAN & TRANSPORTATION OF ADDITIONAL FORCES TO LIBYA UNQUESTIONABLY INCREASING.

2. AIR ATTACKS ON MALTA SO SIMILAR TO PREPARATION FOR OPERATION IN CRETE THAT INVASION APPEARS IMMINENT. AMMUNITION CONVOY TO MALTA RECENTLY LOST, & THIS COUPLED WITH DEMANDS MADE ON MALTA ANTI-AIRCRAFT INDICATE SHORTAGE OF AMMUNITION THERE. RECENT ARRIVALS FROM MALTA REPORT LACK OF NECESSITIES

3. STRENUOUS EFFORTS BEING MADE BY BRIT TO REPAIR & PUT IN OPERATION AS MANY DISABLED TANKS AS POSSIBLE. THIS IS IN PREPARATION FOR RESUMPTION OF OFFENSIVE SHOULD SITUATION WARRANT. BELIEVED THAT BRIT WILL TAKE OFFENSIVE WITH CAP-

IB #39, 2/20 Cont't

TURE OF AGHDABIA AS FINAL OBJECTIVE SHOULD GEN. ROMMEL NOT BE REINFORCED WITHIN NEXT 6 WEEKS. SHOULD ROMMEL BE REINFORCED PRUDENT BRIT COURSE OF ACTION WILL BE TO RETIRE INTO STRONG AREA HALFAJA-SALUM-BARDIA WHILE STATIONING MOBILE FORCES IN VICINITY OF MADDALENA FOR PROTECTION OF RAILHEAD.

4. SHOULD AXIS OFFENSIVE NOT DEVELOP PRIOR TO APRIL 15, BELIEVED MORE WILL TAKE PLACE THIS SUMMER. THIS IN VIEW OF FACT THAT OPERATIONS COMMENCING ABOUT JUNE 1 AGAINST RUSS WILL OVERSHADOW EVERYTHING.

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Journal #12, 2/21

Ft. Mills

From: Ft. Mills

THERE WAS ACTIVE ARTILLERY FIRING AND INFANTRY PATROLLING IN BATAAN YESTERDAY. ENEMY BOMBERS WERE ACTIVE & USING INCENDIARY BOMBS. ARTILLERY DUELLING BETWEEN HARBOR PORTS AND ENEMY'S CAVE SHORE BATTERIES INCREASED.

FILIPINO MORALE AND HOPE AND UNDAUNTED. CIVILIAN RESISTANCE AGAINST JAP INVADER GROWING IN INTENSITY EVERY DAY. FILIPINOS TAKE ADVANTAGE EVERY OPPORTUNITY SHOW THEIR CONTEMPT FOR JAP AGGRESSOR. INFORMERS MYSTERIOUSLY DIS-APPEAR, CIVILIANS SUCH AS TRUCKDRIVER CUESTA VOLUNTEER FOR SUICIDE JOBS, AND ONLY A FEW DAYS AGO, THE JAP MILITARY WORK UP ONE MORNING FIND THEIR PROCLAMATION POSTERS ENUMERATING CRIMES PUNISHABLE BY DEATH AND WHICH ARE PROFUSELY DISPLAYED ALL OVER MANILA, ALTERED BY A SECRET SOCIETY KNOWN AS FFF (FIGHTERS FOR FREEDOM).

JOURNAL #12, 2/21 CONTD.

ONE OF FIRST ACTS OF JAP COMMANDER IN CHIEF WHEN JAP FORCES OCCUPIED MANILA WAS ISSUE PROCLAMATION WARNING FILIPINOS NOT TO HARM ANY JAP SOLDIER. THIS PROCLAMATION, PRINTED ON POSTERS, WAS DISPLAYED IN ALL PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY. RECENTLY IT WAS FOUND THAT THE POSTERS HAD BEEN MODIFIED SOMEWHAT AS UNKNOWN PERSONS SUBSTITUTED THE WORD FILIPINO FOR JAP AND VICE VERSA. STEAD OF THE ORIGINAL QUOTE FOR EVERY JAP SOLDIER KILLED TEN FILIPINOS WILL BE SHOT" THE ALTERED POSTERS IMPUDENTLY READ "FOR EVERY FILIPINO KILLED TEN JAP SOLDIERS WILL BE SHOT"

Filed: 2/20/42, 9:46 P.

Journal #14, 2/21

FT. SHAFTER

From: Emmons, Ft. Shafter

REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO REORGANIZE COAST DEFENSE COMMANDS AND FOR AN ADDITIONAL BRIG. GEN.

Filed: 2/21

Journal #22, 2/21

From: P-35, A-2 (GHQ)

FOLLOWING DETAILS ARE IN CONNECTION WITH BOMBING ON DARWIN: 2 MERCHANT SHIPS EXTENSIVELY DAMAGED, RAAF BLDGS HIT & DAMAGED, WHARVES BADLY DAMAGED, HOSPITAL HIT & DAMAGED.

5 ENEMY AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN, WITH 5 ADDITIONAL BELIEVED SHOT DOWN.

6 HUDSONS, 2 P-40s, & 1 LIBERATOR DESTROYED ON GROUND. LOST IN COMBAT, 1 HUDSON, 1 WHIRLAWAY, & 10 P-40s.

Filed: 2/21

From: ADDACOM, Batavia

FEB 19 AT 2300, TROOPS FROM 6 TRANSPORTS LANDED SOUTH COAST OF TIMOR NEAR BAOEN, SW OF KOEPANG ABOUT 12 MILES.

4:00 P.M.
2/20/42
TO
4:00 P.M.
2/21/42

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

#9

PACIFIC THEATER

Filed: 2/20

From: ANDACOM, Batavia

1. 19 SHIPS ARE IN RIVER NEAR PALEMBANG, INCLUDING 7 SOUTH OF MUNTAN & OTHERS IN BANDA STRAIT.
2. 2 CRUISERS SEEN SOUTH OF ATON - POSSIBLY PART OF ESCORT FOR A CARRIER BUT SENT OUT ON NEWS OF ALLIED FORCE NEAR BALI.
3. 17 SHIPS INCLUDING 2 CARRIERS SEEN SAILING SOUTH FROM AREA OF SINDJAI (CELEBES) FEB 20TH ABOUT 0700. POSSIBLE DESTINATIONS TIMOR OR BALI.
4. ENEMY LANDED REGIMENT & OPERATING PLANES FROM AIRFIELD BALI. ENEMY SHIPS WITHDRAWN FROM BALI VICINITY FEB. 20, PROBABLY ON ACCOUNT OF ALLIED AIR ATTACKS.

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LATIN AMERICA

#3

HEET

Filed: 0835, 2/21

Journal #19, 2/21

From: COM 10 Navy ONI

AT 0500 GCT FEB 21, NAVAL OBSERVER REPORTS GERMAN SS
LANDED A HOSPITAL CASE & WAS CHARGING BATTERIES IN PORT
DE FRANCE, MARTINIQUE. ALSO SS WILL DEPART SOON.

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Filed: 1320 2/23

Journal 19 /23

From: Brett, Java

WHILE LINED UP ON FIELD AT BALI ENEMY BOMBERS ATTACKED BY 2 B-17s. WHILE ON GROUND AT FIELD IN JAVA 4 B-17s WERE KNOCKED OUT.

PACIFIC
THEATER

AIR STRENGTH AS FOLLOWS:

ON HAND		IN COMMISSION
7-----	A-24 -----	4
18-----	P-40-----	16
18-----	B-17-----	8
8-----	LB-30-----	3

THE ABOVE AS OF 2/22, 1200 GMT

4:00 PM 2/22/42

to

4:00 PM 2/23/42

Filed: 12:00, 2-20

Journal 24, I.B. 46

From: ANDA COM

Attacks HAVE BEEN MADE ON JAP VESSELS SE OF BALI. ON 2-20 LB 30s & A-24s GOT IN 8 CLOSE ONES & 3 DIRECT HITS ON ONE CRUISER. A SECOND CRUISER WAS HIT ONCE AND A THIRD 3 TIMES. B-17s SENT ON SAME MISSION BUT NO REPORT AS YET. ESCORTING PURSUITS WERE ENGAGED BY JAP FIGHTERS RESULTING IN DOWNING OF 3 JAPS & LOSS OF 2 P-40s, ALSO 2 A-24s WENT DOWN.

THEIR ATTACK WAS PROCEEDED THE NIGHT BEFORE BY AN AMERICAN-DUTCH NAVAL FORCE WHICH GOT SHELL HITS ON 1 JAP CRUISER & TORPEDO HITS ON ANOTHER CRUISER & A DESTROYER. THE CRUISER TROMP RETURNED TO PORT IN A DAMAGED CONDITION & ONE OF OUR DESTROYERS IS MISSING.

ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN TO COLLECT 500 OFFICERS

Journal 24, I.B. 46

& MEN BELIEVED AT PADANG AFTER ESCAPING FROM SINGAPORE. EVACUATION OF FORCES FROM OOSTHAVEN HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

WHILE REFUELING 5 B-17s WERE DESTROYED ON 2-20 AT MALANG.

ON 2-19 THERE WERE 2 RAIDS ON DARWIN BY A TOTAL OF MORE THAN 50 PLANES. PROBABLY 9 P-40s & 1 LB-30 KNOCKED OUT ON GROUND. DAMAGE TO DOCK WAS SEVERE, AND A LARGE TROOPSHIP & THE PEARY (AMERICAN DESTROYER) WERE SENT TO THE BOTTOM.

Filed: 7:05, 2/23/42

Journal #25, 2/23/42

From: Com Anzac (via Air Section)

COMBINED RAID BAAF, CATALINAS AND B-17's WAS MADE RABAU, GASMATA, DAYLIGHT TODAY, MONDAY.

ACCOUNT OF BAD WEATHER AND OPERATIONAL DIFFICULTIES, ONLY TWO PLANES REACHED TARGET.

RESULTS UNOBSERVED.

ONE B-17 DOWN IN SWAMP NEAR BUNA: PERSONNEL SAFE.

4 U.S. PERSONNEL WOUNDED IN ACTION WITH ENEMY FIGHTERS OVER GASMATA.

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FROM: ABDACOM
FILED: 2/18

I.B. # 58 2/19
Journal # 54 2/19

MOVING IN DIRECTION OF BALI IS CONVOY OF 2 TRANSPORTS ESCORTED BY 4 CRUISERS, FIRST SEEN AT 0110, 2/18. MOST RECENTLY OBSERVED AT 0700, 2/18, SPEED, 15 KNOTS, LOCATION 7°30' S 116° 34' E. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE BALI AIRPORT IS THE OBJECTIVE OF THIS FORCE.

FROM: ABDACOM
FILED: 2/18

ILB. # 57 2/19
JOURNAL # 55 2/19

IT WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN INFORMATION NO 24 THAT NO PLANES HAD BEEN SIGHTED ON FIELD AT PALEMBANG, THIS IS INCORRECT; 3 PURSUITS AND 10 HEAVY BOMBING PLANES WERE ATTACKED WITH 50-POUND BOMBS DROPPED BY P-40's, WHICH, HOWEVER, WERE UNABLE TO OBSERVE THE EFFECT.

IN ADDITION, 3 MARTIN BOMBERS HIT A TROOPSHIP. MARTINS ALSO DOWNED 2 JAP PURSUITS.

JAPS HAVE MADE NO FURTHER ADVANCES IN S. SUMATRA FROM WHICH ALL FORCES ARE CONTINUING TO BE EVACUATED.

THERE HAS BEEN NO NEWS AS YET FROM DUTCH BOMBERS (MARTIN) WHOSE MISSION IT WAS TO ATTACK JAPS IN BANIERMASIN. POOR WEATHER CONDITIONS MADE IT NECESSARY FOR U.S. BOMBERS TO TURN BACK BEFORE ATTACKING BANKA AREA AND PALEMBANG.

ON 2/16, SEVERAL LOCALITIES IN HALMAHERA WERE STRAPPED WITH MACHINE GUN FIRE AND ON 2/17 25 JAP PLANES DID

I.B. # 57 JOURNAL # 55 2/19 continued

LITTLE DAMAGE IN RAID ON KOBANG.

ON 2/18, P-40'S GOT TO 30 JAP PLANES ATTACKING SOURABAYA AND MALENG, MAJORITY OF WHICH WERE BOMBERS, AND SUCCEEDED IN SHOOTING DOWN ONE PURSUIT AND 5 BOMBERS. (WITH ONLY THE LOSS OF ONE PLANE TO THEMSELVES). THE JAPS, HOWEVER, GOT TO OFFENSIVE BEFORE BEING INTERCEPTED, AND WHILE THE DAMAGE AT MALENG WAS SLIGHT, AT SOURABAYA A HIT WAS REGISTERED ON ONE MAN OF WAR. A DUTCH NAVAL SHIP WAS DAMAGED AND AN OLD SUB SUNK.

FROM: BRETT, JAVA
FILED: 1:55 A 2/19

JOURNAL # 52 2/19

ONE-PAGE MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO INITIAL PREPARATIONS FOR RECEIVING REINFORCEMENTS IN BURMA AND AUSTRALIA WITH VIEW TO FUTURE OFFENSIVE ACTION.

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TO
4:00 p.m.
2/20

FROM: BUCKNER, FT RICHARDSON ALS. JOURNAL # 56 2/19
FILED: 0627 2/19 (? 2/15)
AIR STATUS REPORT.

BARNES, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 57 2/19
FILED: 1610 2/19
ON 2/18 BRISBANE WAS POINT OF ARRIVAL FOR 6 B-17's.

BARNES,
MELBOURNE

FROM: ADMIRALTY (LONDON ?) I.B. # 56 2/19
FILED: 2/19 JOURNAL # 58 2/19
BMS INDOMINABLE CANNOT REACH A POSITION PERMITTING
HURRICANES TO TAKE OFF FROM THE SHIP FOR JAVA BEFORE
8th OF MARCH. WILL DECIDE ~~WH~~ ~~WH~~ LATER THAN MARCH 3
~~WHEN~~ TO UNLOAD HURRICANES AT CEYLON INSTEAD.

FROM: BARNES, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 61 2/19
FILED: 1941 2/19 ARE
IN THE ABDA AREA THREE/FOUR B-24 AIRPLANES WHICH WILL
COME TO AUSTRALIA FOR ENGINE CHANGES. WITH REFERENCE TO
OUR 2222, YOUR 347, THE B-24 ENGINE THAT IS DESIRED IS
PRATT AND WHITNEY NO 1830 -33 WITH 2 TO 1 GEAR ON PRO-
PELLER. NUMBER DESIRED IS AMENDED TO READ 25.

FROM: BUCKNER, FT RICHARDSON, AL JOURNAL # 64 2/19
FILED: 1039 2/19
AIR STATUS REPORT.

FROM: AUTREY, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 67 2/19
FILED: 2036 2/19
RADIO SETS DISTRIBUTION GIVEN.

AUTREY, MELBOURNE

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4:00 p.m.
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FROM: BARNES, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 73 2/19

FILED: 9440 2/20 (X)

TWO AIR RAIDS MADE ON DARWIN ON 2/19.

THE AIRFIELD WAS RAIDED, BUT DAMAGE DETAILS ARE NOT KNOWN, THOUGH IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE ONLY PLANE ON THE FIELD WAS ONE B-17.

IT IS ALSO REPORTED THAT BATCHELOR FIELD WAS RAIDED, AND WHILE NOTHING IS KNOWN AS TO DAMAGE, IF ANY, IT IS BELIEVED THAT AT THE FIELD THERE WERE THE FOLLOWING AMERICAN PLANES:

1 LB-30
11 P-40's
6 A-24
1 B-24

WHEN THE ATTACK CAME THE TRANSPORT MEIGS, ADMIRAL REEKER, HALSTEAD, PORT MAR, AND MOANA LOA WERE THERE, ALL BUT THE ADM HALSTEAD HAVING JUST RETURNED TO DARWIN AFTER BEING SUBJECTED TO ATTACKS AT SEA WHILE ON AN ABDACOM MISSION.

JOURNAL # 73 2/19 continued

THERE WERE NO AMERICAN PERSONNEL ON THE MOANA LOA. THE PORT MAR WAS LOADED WITH A PORTION OF ONE BATTALION OF THE 148 FA. AS TO WHETHER PERSONNEL WERE DISEMBARKED BEFORE THE RAID, THERE IS NO REPORT. GASOLINE WAS BEING TRANSPORTED BY THE HALSTEAD.

IT IS REPORTED THAT THE MOANA LOA WAS UNHURT ALONG WITH THE U.S. DESTROYER PEART.

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON JOURNAL # 78 2/19

FILED: 4:05 P 2/19 I.B. # 71 2/19

THE JAP EXTERNAL DISCIPLINE APPEARS SLOVENLY, BUT THERE IS A HIGH STANDARD OF INTERNAL DISCIPLINE. SALUTING, ETC., STRICTLY MAINTAINED. NO INTER-UNIT REVALRY OR COMPETITION ARMY HAS STRONG TRADITION BASES ON LOYALTY TO EMPEROR & THE OFFENSIVE SPIRIT THAT EXISTS IS IN HARMONY WITH THAT LOYALTY. THERE ARE NO INDUCEMENTS SUCH AS GOOD PAY & FOOD, BUT IT IS CONSIDERED AN HONOR TO BE IN ARMY & A HARD LIFE IS ENFORCED FOR MORALE & DISCIPLINE.

AS REPORTED BY GEN WAFELL, THE LESSONS LEARNED TO DATE ARE: TRAINING OBJECT OF JAPS IS THAT OF A FIGHTING ARMY; JAPS ARE NOT IMITATORS, BUT HAVE DEVELOPED NEW LANDING OPERATIONS & NEW DESIGN FOR LANDING CRAFT & ASSAULT BOATS; JAPS HAVE ALWAYS GIVEN PRIMARY INFANTRY VIRTUES OF MARCHING & FIGHTING PRECEDENCE OVER MOTOR TRANSPORT & THIS TOGETHER WITH EXPLORATION OF CAPTURED MOTOR

I.B. # 71 Journal # 78 2/19 continued

TRANSPORT AND COMMANDERED BICYCLES ETC., HAS BEEN ADAPTED TO EASTERN ASIA; JAPS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN QUICK TO ADAPT FOREIGN TECHNIQUE TO THEIR OWN REQUIREMENTS; THEY HAVE CLOSELY STUDIED GERMAN EXPERIENCE OF 1939 & APPLIED IT TO ASIATIC COUNTRIES; AS SHOWN BY CLOSE COOPERATION OF INFANTRY & SUPPORTING ARMS, ESPECIALLY MORTAR & LIGHT ARTILLERY & THE GOOD COOPERATION OF ARMY & AIR AND USE OF RADIOPHONE. COOPERATION SHOWN BY THE QUICK & EFFECTIVE AIR-SUPPORT AS FACILITATED BY ARMY POSSESSING OWN AIR ARM. THE FORWARD COMPANIES HAVE RADIOPHONE SETS FOR AIR GROUND COMMUNICATIONS. JAPS HAVE MADE USE OF NOISE AS A WEAPON OF WAR AND USE TREES AS FIRE POSITIONS. THEIR ABILITY TO MOVE OFF ROADS GIVES INCREASED MOBILITY, ESPECIALLY IN JUNGLE.

400 p.m.

2/19

TO

4:00 p.m.

2/20

FROM: MAGRUDER, CHUNGKING JOURNAL # 62 2/19
FILED: 0620 2/19RECOMMENDATION THAT BONDS BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST
IN AIR PROJECT IN CHINA.MAGRUDER,
CHUNGKINGFROM: MAGRUDER, CHUNGKING JOURNAL # 59 2/19
FILED: 0650 2/19BRIT MUST HOLD ON IN SOUTHERN BURMA IF ALL SUPPLIES
IN RANGOON ARE TO BE MOVED SUCCESSFULLY TO THE NORTH.
WILSON, AS OPPOSED TO ST. JOHN, RECOMMENDED AS MORE SUIT-
ABLE THAN ST. JOHN TO TAKE CHARGE OF GETTING SUPPLIES
MOVED.MAGRUDER
CHUNGKINGFROM: BRETT, JAVA Journal # 63 2/19
FILED: 1905 2/19REFERENCE YOUR NO. 42 OF 17th AND MY ABDA NO 375. BRETT-
TON & MYSELF HAVE DISCUSSED THE ENTIRE MATTER FREQUENTLY,
BECAUSE OF THE VERY LOW EXPERIENCE LEVEL OF OFFICERS &
CREWS BEING SENT TO US FROM U.S. NOT CONTEMPLATED AS A
LONG RANGE PERMANENT POLICY. THE WAR IS NOW BEING FOUGHT
ON AN HOUR TO HOUR BASIS, & WE ARE DOING OUR BEST TO GET
THE MAXIMUM INFILTRATION AS MIGHT TAKE PLACE. CONTROL
WOULD BE SUCH THAT NO FUNDAMENTAL NATIONAL POLICY VIOLATED.
BUT BECAUSE OF THE GREAT LACK OF EXPERIENCE, MANY OF THE
UNITS ARE NOW COMMANDED BY OFFICERS WITH PRACTICALLY NO
EXPERIENCE. WE HAVE HAD TO ACCEPT BRIT & AUSTR COMMANDING
OFFICERS BECAUSE WE HAVE NOT BEEN SENT OFFICERS OF SUITABLE
RANK & EXPERIENCE. IN THE MAJORITY OF INSTANCES THE BRIT
& AUSTR DO NOT COMMAND THE INDIVIDUAL UNIT.

BRETT, JAVA

FROM: BRETT, JAVA Journal # 75 2/19
FILED: 2:25 A 2/20
TYPE OF TURRET DESIRED FOR B-17.

Brett, Jav

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FROM: I.B. # 71 Journal # 78 2/19 continued
 HAVE SHOWN ABILITY TO REMOVE OBSTACLES FOR PASSAGE OF
 TANKS AND REPAIR BRIDGES - THOROUGH TRAINING OF ENGINEER
 UNITS.

AIR SUPERIORITY AND POSSESSION OF TANKS; HIGH STANDARD
 OF TRAINING; PREVIOUS WAR EXPERIENCE; GOOD DISCIPLINE &
 MORALE & ABILITY TO ADAPT TO MODERN FIGHTING TECHNIQUE
 ARE CHIEF FACTORS THAT UNDERLIE THE JAP SUCCESSSES IN
 MALAYA.

FROM: WDC VIA GHQ Journal # 69
 FILED: 12:53 p.m. 2/19

DESTROYER IN ACTION OFF SANTA CRUZ, FEB. 18 UNABLE TO
 REPORT ACTION OF DEPTH CHARGE ATTACK UNTIL RETURN TO PORT.
 FROM THIS CONCLUDE SUB'S PRESENCE QUESTIONABLE BECAUSE
 RADIO SILENCE WOULD HAVE BEEN BROKEN IF SUB HAD ATTACKED.
 BLIMP OBSERVED & REPORTED THIS ACTION.

FROM: BRETT, JAVA JOURNAL # 84 2/19
 FILED: 2:35 A 2/20

IN AS MUCH AS THE PISTOL IS NOT DEEMED AN ADEQUATE ARM
 FOR USE AGAINST PARACHUTISTS, TOMMY GUNS AND RIFLES (PART
 OF MESSAGE UNINTELLIGIBLE) ARE RECOMMENDED. IT IS ESSENTIAL
 THAT SMALL ARMS REQUISITIONED PREVIOUSLY BE ~~MADE~~ WITHOUT
 DELAY, IN AS MUCH AS THERE ARE NO SMALL ARMS IN AUSTRALIA
 WHICH CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE AIR CORPS PERSONNEL.

From: Brett - Java
 Filed: 2/19/42, 1:55 A

Journal #3, 2/20/42

BRETT
 JAVA

PRESENT SITUATION MOST CRITICAL IN MY OPINION AFTER DIS-
 CUSSING ENTIRE MATTER WITH WAVELL. BRIT., DUTCH AND AMER.
 AIR FORCES HAVE BEEN COMBINED AS FAR AS POSSIBLE AND BEST
 DISPOSAL MADE. PLAN TO SEND BREHETON TO BURMA IF YOU OR-
 GANIZE FORCE THERE. EFFORT MADE TO PREPARE FOR RECEIPT IN
 AUSTRALIA OF ANY REINFORCEMENTS. URGE BUILDING UP THESE
 TWO PLANES AND PREPARATIONS FOR OFFENSE. WILL MAKE EFFORT
 TO SEND MAINTENANCE CREWS FOR COMBAT EQUIPMENT TO BURMA OR
 INDIA. NECESSARY A THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING OF CONDITIONS
 UNDER WHICH WE ARE WORKING.

From: FBI thru CIB
 Filed: 2/19/42, 5:30 A, EWT

Journal #4, 2/20/42

FBI THRU CIB

TRANSLATION OF SPEECH BY KITARA WADA OF THE MINISTRY
 OF AGRICULTURE.

0-2 WORK SHEET
10:00 AM
2/19/42
TO
2/20/42

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PACIFIC # 5

From: Magruder - Chungking
Filed: 2/19/42, 0900

Journal #74, 2/19/42

MAGRUDER
CHUNGKING

WAR INTERRUPTED TONNAGE INCREASE DUE OVER BURMA ROAD IN LATE SPRING. YUPKI PING TRUSTS WILSON WHO IS DOING FINE WORK AND PREPARED TO USE AM. CIV. PERSONNEL, SPARE PARTS, NEW TRUCKS, AND MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT. THE ROAD SURFACE WAS BEING IMPROVED TO SOME DEGREE DESPITE SHORTAGE OF LABOR AND INERTIA. BRIT.-CHINESE CONTROVERSY OVER LEND LEASE MATERIAL MONOPOLIZED THE CHINESE ADMINISTRATIVE MINES; MOTOR TRANSPORT AND PERSONNEL IN EVACUATION OF MATERIAL ABSORBED BY THREAT TO RANGOON. TRANSPORT WILL BE FURTHER TAKEN BY THE MOVEMENT AND SUPPLY OF THE CHINESE TROOPS IN BURMA. UNSERVICEABLE TRUCKS WILL INCREASE THE ALREADY LARGE NUMBER. EVACUATION OF MATERIAL TO N. BURMA IS TAKING FULL ATTENTION OF WILSON AND ALL OTHER TRAFFIC AND MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL WHO HAVE RECENTLY COME. NORMAL

(Journal #74, 2/19/42, Cont'd)

OPERATION OF BURMA ROAD HANDICAPPED BY ABSENCE OF KEY ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL AND EMERGENCY TRUCKS. THE WORST OF THE BOTTLENECKS IN TRAFFIC IS FROM KUTSING EAST TO KWEIYANG-CHUNGKING--CHWEILIN. THIS IS OPERATED BY CHINA TRANSPORT CORP. LEMUEL K. TAYLOR HAS BEEN EMPLOYED TO ASSIST AND ADVISE ETC. AS NECESSARY TECHNICAL SUPERVISION AND MATERIALS FOR MAINTENANCE CANNOT NOW BE SUPPLIED THIS ROAD NET WILL CARRY LESS MILITARY TONNAGE THAN CAN BE FED TO IT.

From: McClure - London
Filed: 2/19/42, 4:05 P

Journal #87, 2/19/42
I.B. #73, 2/19/42

MCCLURE
LONDON

ON THE 17TH, THE CHINESE FIFTH ARMY BEGAN THEIR TRANSFER TO BURMA WHICH WILL TAKE ABOUT 20 DAYS TO ACCOMPLISH, ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM CHUNGKING. THIS ARMY IS COMPOSED OF THE 200TH, 96TH AND 22ND DIVISIONS, AND IS UNDER THE COMMAND OF GEN TU.

ON THE BOUNDARY OF THE SOUTHERN SHAN STATES IN NORTH BURMA, JAP FORCES HAVE BEEN STRENGTHENED. SEVERE AND CLOSE COMBAT ON THE ENTIRE BILIN LINE RESULTED FROM A STRONG JAP DRIVE ALONG THE BILIN-WARTABAN ROAD. THE BILIN RIVER HAS BEEN CROSSED BY A NUMBER OF JAP PATROLS. THIS INFORMATION IS FROM BURMA AS OF 1:00 P.M. ON THE 18TH.

THE EXPECTATION OF NEW ASSAULTS ON GROUND OBJECTIVES AT ANY MOMENT IS INDICATED BY THE MOVEMENT TOWARD THE

(Journal #87, 2/19/42, Cont'd)

SOUTH OF MOST OF THE JAP AIRCRAFT, ACCORDING TO A REPORT WHICH ARRIVED THIS MORNING FROM WARELL.

TWO JAP TROOPSHIPS AND 4 CRUISERS, APPARENTLY INTENDED FOR THE OCCUPATION OF THE BALI AIRFIELD, WERE REPORTED FROM THE DUTCH EAST INDIES AS MOVING TOWARD BALI AS OF 9:00 A.M., G.M.T., ON THE 18TH.

SOUTHERN SUMATRA HAS BEEN EVACUATED BY THE DEFENSE FORCES.

TROOP DISPOSITION ON BOTH SIDES IN THE FAR EAST HAVE REMAINED THE SAME SINCE OUR LAST REPORT.

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10:00 AM

2/19/42

TO
10:00 AM

2/20/42

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PACIFIC # 6

From: Brett - Java

Journal #7, 2/20/42

BRETT

Filed: 2/20/42, 2:45 A

JAVA

PURSUIT AIRCRAFT IN THIS THEATRE NEED GREATER RANGE. EACH SHOULD HAVE 75% INCREASE IN NORMAL GAS LOAD PROVIDED THROUGH 6 AUXILLIARY DROPPABLE TANKS. REQUEST DEVELOPMENT AUXILLIARY DROPPABLE TANKS FOR ALL FIGHTERS, DIVE BOMBERS AND MEDIUM BOMBERS. RAF INSTALLED ADDITIONAL TANKAGE IN A-20'S.

From: Barnes - Melbourne

Journal #12, 2/20/42

BARNES

Filed: 2/19/42, 2250

MELBOURNE

INFORMATION REGARDING REQUISITION FOR SOME KITS TAKEN FROM TECHNICAL ORGANIZATION TO EQUIP PURSUIT AND DIVE BOMBER SQUADRONS AND DIRECTION DEPOTS.

From: PRO - Ft. Mills

Journal #13, 2/20/42

FT. MILLS

Filed: 2/19/42, 2:22 P

PRO

PRESS RELEASE FOR FEB. 19TH. POSITIONAL FIGHTING CONTINUES ON THE FRONTS. WE CAPTURED THREE PIECES OF ENEMY ARTILLERY WHICH WE HOPE SHORTLY TO USE AGAINST HIM. ALSO A NUMBER OF FLAME THROWERS AND QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE AND SIGNAL SUPPLIES. THE ENEMY IS NOW USING WHITE PHOSPHORUS AS AN INCENDIARY FILLER IN HIS AIR BOMBS.

GEN. MACARTHUR HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO PRESENT THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR IN HIS NAME TO SERGEANT JOSE CALUGAS, A PHILIPPINE SCOUT ARTILLERYMAN. SOMEWHERE IN BATTLE ON JAN. SIX 1942 BATTERY A OF SERGEANT CALUGAS REGIMENT WAS HEAVILY SHELLED AND BOMBED. ONE PIECE WAS PUT OUT OF ACTION AND THE CASUALTIES WERE SUCH AS TO CAUSE THE REMOVAL OF THE REMAINING CANNONERS TO SHELTER. SEEING THIS SERGEANT CALUGAS WHO WAS THE MESS

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SERGEANT OF ANOTHER BATTERY VOLUNTARILY AND OF HIS OWN ACCORD PROCEEDED 1000 YARDS ACROSS THE SHELL SWEPT AREA TO THE GUN. MANNING THE GUN WITH A VOLUNTEER GUN SQUAD, HE CONTINUED FIRING EFFECTIVELY ON THE ENEMY ALTHOUGH HEAVY BOMBING AND SHELLING OF THEIR POSITION CONTINUED.

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FROM: MURPHY, (N/O #) ALGIERS, VIA STATE, VIA ONI
FILED: 2/19 I.B. # 55 JO KHAL # 53 2/19

IT IS REPORTED BY THE CONTROL OFFICERS AT ORAN THAT 2 DESTROYERS, 2 SUBMARINES & THE DUNKERQUE LEFT THE PORT OF MERS-EL-KEBIR FOR AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION AT FOUR ONECLOCK IN MORNING OF FEB 19, ALGERIAN TIME.

DURING THE NIGHT OF FEB 18-19 THE DESTROYERS KER SAINT, CID AND ALGON (X53, X51 & X53) DEPARTED FROM ALGIERS ALSO FOR AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION.

SINCE YESTERDAY EVENING, TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION WITH MOROCCO HAS BEEN INTERRUPTED.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS MESSAGE HAVE BEEN REPEATED TO VICHY AND ALGIERS.

FROM: BAKER, BAGHDAD JOURNAL # 60 2/19
FILED: 1930 2/18

REQUEST FOR INCOME TAX FORMS.

GENERAL MOTORS ASSEMBLY PLANT WILL BE PROVIDED WITH A R.R. SIDING.

From: McClure - London
Filed: 2/19/42, 6:35 P

Journal #86, 2/19/42
I.B. #74, 2/19/42

MCCLURE
LONDON

ALL BRIT. FIGHTER PLANES AT THE EL ADAM AIRDRONE HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO AIRFIELDS FURTHER EAST IN ORDER TO PROTECT THEM FROM AXIS NUISANCE AIR ATTACKS WHICH DAMAGE THE PLANES WHILE GROUNDED.

TROOP DISPOSITIONS ON BOTH SIDES HAVE REMAINED THE SAME.

BRITISH PATROLS WHICH OPERATED UNOPPOSED NEAR AXIS POSITIONS CONSTITUTED THE SOLE LAND ACTIVITY IN LIBYA UP TO THE MORNING OF THE 18TH.

From: Merlesmith - Melbourne
Filed: 2/19/42, 0245

Journal #85, 2/19/42
I.B. #80, 2/19/42

MERLESMITH
MELBOURNE

AIR PHOTO, MARAUL SHOWS IN HARBOR 6 TRANSPORTS, NO WARSHIPS, 9 FLYING BOATS; YUNAKANAU 3 BOMBERS, LARGE NUMBER OF BUILDINGS SINCE JAN.3; GASHATA 3 TRANSPORTS, 8 AIR CRAFT, LITTLE ACTIVITY.

FURTHER DETAILS RECONNAISSANCE AUSTRALIAN COAST. 2 RAIDS ON DARWIN, 1ST 0015 2/19 27 BOMBERS AND FIGHTER ESCORT. OBJECTIVES, WATERFRONT AND P.O. SEVERE DAMAGE 5 SHIPS TOTAL LOSS INCL. USS PEARY (DESTROYER), SS MAUNALOA, SS PORT MARANDA (BRIT.) DAMAGED, MAUNALOA & MARANDA FROM CONVOY ORDERED BY ADMACOM TO DARWIN WHILE ENROUTE TO KOPANG. WHETHER 147 PA HAD DISEMBARKED NOT KNOWN. 2D ATTACK, 0145 2/19. 20 BOMBERS, NO FIGHTERS, OBJECTIVE RAAF STATION. FURTHER DETAILS RECONNAISSANCE.

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From: Bentley - Tanger
Filed: 2/19/42, 1845

Journal #8, 2/20/42
I.B. #14, 2/20/42

BENTLEY
TANGER

SUGGEST USING CONSULATE STAFF FOR WEATHER OBSERVERS.
NOTHING FURTHER TO REPORT.

From: Maxwell - Cairo
Filed: 2/19/42, 1326

Journal #11, 2/20/42

MAXWELL
CAIRO

DUE TO DIFFICULTY IN SENDING UP AND AP FEATURES AND
PICTURES RELATIVE TO MIDDLE EAST AND FAR EAST SITUATION
RECOMMEND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT THIS MATERIAL AS MILI-
TARY INFORMATION TO WAR OR STATE DEPARTMENT FOR CENSOR-
SHIP BEFORE RELEASED TO WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVES.

(FOR ARNOLD FROM ADLER)

From: Baker - Baghdad
Filed: 2/18/42, 2210

Journal #14, 2/20/42

BAKER
BAGHDAD

ESTIMATES FOR FIVE MONTHS OF FISCAL YEAR IN DETAIL.

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FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON JOURNAL # 76 2/19

FILED: 4:06P 2/19 I.B. # 70 2/19

SPAIN IS WILLING TO COOPERATE WITH ANYONE WHO WILL
FEED HER, AS CONDITIONS ARE DIPLOMATIC.

GERM MORALE IS WAKENING RAPIDLY BECAUSE OF LOSSES AND
THE RUSS DEFEATS, TOGETHER WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THAT THE
WAR WILL NOT BE OVER IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THE JAP SUC-
CESSES & THE LIBYAN & CHANNEL SUCCESSES ARE STIMULANTS
ONLY, AND THEY DO NOT HAVE ANY PERMANENT EFFECT.

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OSD Letter: 6-8-72

FROM: MCCLURE, LONDON I.B. # 72 2/19

FILED: 4:05 P. 2/19 JOURNAL # 77 2/19

RE YOUR CABLE 604, CONCERNING GEMMELUS ONLY. THE
SUCCESS OF GEMMELUS AGAINST GERM TANKS DUE TO EQUALITY IN
NUMBER & EFFICIENCY OF OPPOSING TANKS, ACCORDING TO A
FRENCH OFFICER EYE-WITNESS WHO IS DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF OF
OF FREE FRENCH & A TANK EXPERT. ANTI-TANK DEFENSE NOT A
FACTOR.

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 83 2/19

FILED: 6:36 P.M. 2/19

DATA ON PERFORMANCE OF SOMMERFELD TRACK USED IN
SURFACING AIRFIELDS.

FROM: VICHY Via State

Journal # 79 2/19

FILED: 6:00 p.m. 2/19

260, 2/19, 6:00 p.m. -- NOTHING NEW TO REPORT.

From: Chaney - London

Journal #5, 2/20/42

Filed: 2/19/42, 7:47 P

DATA ON ORDNANCE MATERIAL.

VICHY, VYA
STATE
CHANEY
LONDON

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From: Reynolds - Dublin

Journal #9, 2/20/42

REYNOLDS

Filed: 2/19/42, 5:32 P

I.B. #15, 2/20/42

DUBLIN

IRISH STILL COOPERATING IN SECRET WITH BRITISH STAFF.

AMERICANS KEPT INFORMED BY THE BRITISH. SMALL SECRET

DELIVERIES OF ARMS TO IRISH. NOTHING ELSE NEW.

From: McClure - London

Journal #10, 2/20/42

MCCLURE

Filed: 2/20/42, 7:47 P

I.B. #13, 2/20/42

LONDON

SHIPMENT OF SHELLS TO BRAZIL 5,000 H.E., 1,000 A.P.

U.S. AIDS FOR ITEMS OF U.K. PRODUCTION SHOULD REACH ME

BEFORE FEB. 22. DETAILS.

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FROM: ETO, GHQ JOURNAL # 65 2/19
FILED: 5:47 P 2/19
STEAMSHIP EMPIRE SEAL TORPEDOED 22 MI S. OF LITTLE HOPE
ISLAND, 45° 14' N 64° 45' W. INTERCEPT COMMAND CONFIRMS
AND ADDS, NO SIGN LIVES EWT.

FROM: ETO, VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 70 2/19
FILED: 4:56 P 2/19
RADIO INTERCEPT RECEIVED FT. MACON, GA. 1751, STATES
SS ELIZABETH MASSEY, A BRIT CARGO VESSEL, WAS TORPEDOED
AT LATITUDE 28° 06' N LONGITUDE 80° W.

ETO
WATKINS
VIA GHQ

FROM: DIO 7th NAVAL DIST. Journal # 71 2/19
FILED: 1800 (at Navy) 2/19
SS ELIZABETH MASSEY SAW SS PAN MASSACHUSETTS EXPLODE AT
1351 EWT, POSITION 28° 06' N 80° W.

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FROM: IBC VIA GHQ Journal # 68 2/19
FILED: 2:10 p.m. 2/19
AIR REPORT ENDING MIDNIGHT FEB. 18:
I. WEATHER
WINDS EASTERLY 10 to 24 MPH; SOME RAIN & FOG;
TEMPERATURE 45° TO 46°.
OVERCAST HALF TO FULL
CEILING 1500 to 3500
II MISSIONS
PATROLS: 5 HRS 35 MIN.
OTHER FLIGHTS 22 HRS 55 MIN
REPORT OTHERWISE NEGATIVE.

ibo VIA
GHQ
BONESTEEL

From: ETO (Navy) thru GHQ Journal #1, 2/20/42
Filed: 2/19/42, 4:02 P
PAN AMERICAN PLANE SIGHTED SUB AT 24° 49' N 68° 14' W.
SS OKLAHOMA CANCELLED SOS CALL.
CASUALTIES UNKNOWN, BUT BELIEVED HEAVY DUE TO GROUNDING
PLACENTIA BAY DURING BAD WEATHER OF U.S. DESTROYERS TRUX-
TON, WILKES, & POLLOCK. MEDICAL SERVICE & HOSPITALIZATION
OF ARMY OFFERED.

WATKINS

ETO (NAVY)
THRU GHQ

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ATLANTIC # 2

From: Quarry Heights, CA
Interceptor Command P.R.
Thru OHQ

Journal #2, 2/20/42

QUARRY HEIGHTS
THRU OHQ

Filed: 2/19/42, 2:16 P

FOLLOWING SUBS LOCATED:

ONE AT 8° 26' N 50° 00' W

ONE AT 8° 23' N 58° 36' W

FIVE VICINITY OF ARUBA & CURACAO

TWO 10° 50' N 61° 30' W

KIRKWOOD

From: Chaney - London

Journal #6, 2/20/42

Filed: 2/19/42, 7:47 P

ALWAYS DESIRE EARLIEST POSSIBLE INFORMATION ON DISPATCH OF TROOPS AND SUPPLIES.

CHANNEY
LONDON

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FROM: KIRKWOOD, QUARRY HEIGHTS, CA JOURNAL # 66 2/19

FILED: 2:16 P 2/19 (via GHQ)

WHAT IS BELIEVED TO BE A HOSTILE SUB, AS YET UNLOCATED,
HAS DAMAGED ONE BRIT TANKER & ONE BRIT CARGO VESSEL IN
PAMIA GULF ON 2/19. AIR AND NAVAL UNITS ARE SEARCHING FOR
SUB.

KIRKWOOD
QUARRY H
A.A.
VIA GHQ

FROM: ANDREWS, QUARRY HEIGHTS JOURNAL # 72 2/19

FILED: 3:26 p.m. 2/19

HANDLING OF INTERNEES IN CANAL ZONE.

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Pacific Theater

Filed: 01:37 2/20

Journal #27, 2/20

From: Ft. Mills MACARTHUR

PORT FRANK SUBJECT TO ARTILLERY FIRE. LIGHT ACTIVITY
OF ALL KINDS ON FRONT. SITUATION SAME IN SOUTH. SUBMARINE
FROM SOUTH DELIVERED 1,000,000 BOUNDS OF 30 CALIBER
AMMUNITION TO MINDANAO ON FEB 16.

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From: MAGRUDER, Amer. Mss., Chungking Journal #20, 2/20

20,000 TONS BOMBS, INCENDIARIES & SHELLS - SOME FRENCH-OWNED - BEING MOVED BY JAPS TO THAILAND FROM SAIGON, ACCORDING TO CHIANG KAI SHEK'S HQS.

CHINESE INTELLIGENCE REPORT, THOUGHT RELIABLE: ENEMY'S 15TH DIV. PROCEEDING TOWARD HANKOW FROM CHINCOW, VICINITY OF ICHANG. 10,000 JAP TROOPS WITH ADDITIONAL CHEMICAL UNIT ORDERED FROM SHANGHAI TO HANKOW; OF THESE 2 or 3,000 HAVE ALREADY REACHED HANKOW, VIA RAIL & WATER. CIVILIAN TRAFFIC FORBIDDEN IN GULF OF HANGCHOW. FOREGOING MAY POINT TO ANOTHER CHANGSHA₂ DRIVE BY JAPS.

NORTH WAR ZONE HQS SAY 30,000 MORE ENEMY TROOPS, PLUS EXTRA CHEMICAL UNITS, IN NORTHERN HUMAN, & HQS SURE AN ASSAULT ABOUT TO BE LAUNCHED. CHINESE INTELLIGENCE DISCOUNTS REPORT AS TO AUGMENTATION OF JAP TROOPS.

C-2: 1. WOULD BE 4TH ATTACK ON CHANGSHA SINCE 1939.
2. PROBABLY 9TH WAR ZONE, NORMAL HQS AT CHANGSHA.

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Journal #22, 2/20

From: G-2 CBC (GHC) KIRKWOOD

TANKERS REPORTED BY MILITARY SOURCES AS DAMAGED OFF
ARUBA ARE AS FOLLOWS:

VESSEL	COUNTRY	TONNAGE	REMARKS
REDONALES	BRAZIL	3945	SUNK
MONAGAS	VENEZUELA	2650	SUNK
BUARQUE	BRAZIL	1	SUNK
ARKANSAS	U.S.	6987	DAMAGED(NOW DRYDOCK)
ORANGESTADT	BRAZIL	2396	SUNK

ACCORDING TO BRIT NAVY, 3 TORPEDOES HIT PANAMANIAN SS
BASRA OFF ENTRANCE TO ARUBA AT 9:25 AM. SHIP IS SINKING.

BEACHED TORPEDOES' WAR-HEAD EXPLODED WHILE BEING DIS-
MANTLED. 2 MEN & 2 OFFICERS, ALL DUTCH, KILLED. PROPULSION
MACHINERY & REST OF TORPEDO STILL ON BEACH.

DUTCH TANKER RAFAELA, ALTHOUGH DAMAGED, REACHED CURACAO
SAFELY; TANKER TIAJUANA DAMAGED; BRIT TANKER SAN NICHOLAS

Journal #22, 2/20 Con't

HIT BUT NOT SUNK. INFORMATION REFERENCE LAST 3 VESSELS
OBTAINED FROM NEWSPAPERS.

Filed: 6:30 AM 2/20

Journal #16 & 17, 2/20

From: Navy Radio N.Y. ETO

SOS SS DE PLATA (KGDE) PLEASE TAKE BEARING.*

NOTE: * NO POSITION GIVEN.

FROM PGDE SS----- 75 MILES OFF SAN LUCIA ABANDONING SHIP.

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Journal #18, 2/20

From: G-2 WDC (GHQ) STROH

TANKER SS G.F.DOWNEY RADIOS SIGHTING SUB AT 7:45 PM,
FEB 18 AT 58° 13' 30" W. 13TH NAVAL DIST. RECEIVED
REPORT. COAST GUARD REPORTED THAT G.F.DOWNEY HAD SIGHTED
A SUB WHOSE COURSE WAS WNW, 28 MILES, 303 DEGREES FROM
CAPE SPENCE LIGHT AT 7:30 PM, FEB 18TH. OTHER CONFIRMA-
TION NOT YET RECEIVED.

Filed: 4:52 AM 2/20

Journal #19, 2/20

From: 1st Army thru G-3 (GHQ)

SSS INTERCEPT BY W.S.C. FROM WTON (WILLIAM C ATWATER)
26° 45' N 79° 55' W -- SUSPICIOUS LOOKING CRAFT -- COURSE
185, SPEED 10 KNOTS -- 04:22 EDT. LOCATED ON MAP AS OFF
COAST OF FLORIDA, VICINITY WEST PALM BEACH.

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From: Benedict, Ft. Douglas, Utah Journal #8, 2/19/42
Filed: 2/18/42, 6:20 P

~~SECRET~~
FT. DOUGLAS,
UTAH

FACILITIES FOR ENEMY ALIENS, 2500, AT SCATTERED CAMPS,
REQUIRING SEPARATION OF FAMILIES, EXCESSIVE ADMINISTRATIVE
REQUIREMENTS, DRASTIC CLIMATIC CHANGE. SEE PREVIOUS
COMMUNICATIONS OF CG WDC RE INITIAL EVACUATION OF ADULT
MALES ONLY UNTIL RESETTLEMENT CAN BE PERFECTED.

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LATIN AMERICA #1

FROM: CONGDON, MONTEVIDEO I.B. # 40 2/18
FILED: 3:10 P.M. 2/18 Journal # 40 2/18
BEGINNING THE 18th, A 3-VESSEL PATROL HAS BEEN PUT
INTO EFFECT BY URUGUAY.

CONGDON,
MONTEVIDEO

FROM: PRATT, PORT OF SPAIN, BWI JOURNAL # 50 2/18
FILED: 2:57 P.M. 2/18
PLANS FOR BARBOUR, JULIAN, CAN NOT BE MADE BY GENERAL
PATCH.

PRATT, PORT
OF SPAIN

FROM: CG CDC VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 55 2/18
FILED: 1030 2/18

CG CDC
ANDREWS
VIA GHQ

PERERNALESAND ORANJESTAD, TANKER, SUNK AND DESTROYED
AT 6:00 A.M. ABOUT ONE-HALF MILE S. OF SAN NICHOLAS, ARUBA.
THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY A SHELLING OF THE REFINERY
AT LAGO. APPROXIMATELY 37 MM TRACER AMMUNITION WAS USED
AND ABOUT 10 TO 15 SHOTS WERE FIRED. THE SHELL FIRE
CAUSED NO DAMAGE.

AN UNIDENTIFIED TANKER SUNK AND DESTROYED 745 OCT.,
ABOUT ONE MILE TO S. OF EAGLE DOCK, ARUBA. USAF AIR
PATROL CONFIRMED SINKING OF TWO OTHER UNIDENTIFIED SHIPS
12° 3' N AND 70° 25' W AND ONE AT 2° 01' N AND 75° 30' W.
(THESE BARINGS LOCATE A POINT ON DRY LAND, BUT ARE AS
RECEIVED BY HQ). LIFE BOATS WITH SURVIVORS ARE APPROACH-
ING VENEZUELAN SHORE. OTHER TANKER PROBABLY ENROUTE TO
MARACAIBO, ARUBA. AT 8 OCT, SUB WAS ATTACKED BY AIRFORCE
ABOUT 20 MI S. OF ARUBA WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

JOURNAL # 55 2/18 continued

COMMANDANT CARRIBBEAN YEA FRONTIER HAS ABOVE INFORMATION
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE WILL MAINTAIN COMMAND POST TEMP.
ORARILY AT SAN NICHOLAS.

From: CIB - Capt. Willman Journal #60, 2/18/42
Filed: 2/18/42

CIB

INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THIS DIVISION BY
TELEPHONE FROM FBI TO THE EFFECT THAT A CONFIDENTIAL
SOURCE IN CUBA HAD REPORTED TO THEM THAT GERMAN AGENTS
IN CUBA ARE TALKING ABOUT 1500 AIRPLANES AND 15 SUB-
MARINES NEARLY READY AT MARTINIQUE TO ATTACK THE PANAMA
CANAL, PUERTO RICO, FLORIDA OR THE FLORIDA KEYS, AND CUBA.
NO DETAILS AS TO DATES WERE GIVEN.

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From: ETO

Journal #9, 2/19/42

ETO

Filed: 2/19/42, 1:15 A

REPORT THAT US STEAMER MCKINNA (KIDUK) HAD SENT SOS
AND WAS PREPARING TO ABANDON SHIP. SOS FORWARDED VIA
NAW, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA. POSITION 23°40' N, longitude
UNKNOWN. REPORTED AS BEING 2800 YARDS OFF BEACON NR 2

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FROM: ETO (DUTY OFFICER) JOURNAL #41 2/18
FILED: 6:15 P.M. 2/18

VIA GHQ

NAVY REPORTED SUBMARINE REPORTED BY MINE SWEEPER AT 5:35 P.M. POSITION 38 26 N 74 35 W, JUST OFF DELAWARE CAPE. WE HAVE SUB IN THAT VICINITY, BUT NOT DUE TO LEAVE DELAWARE CAPE UNTIL 1900 TODAY. BELIEVED TO BE ENEMY SUB. BOMBER COMMAND NOTIFIED 5:55 P.M.

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FROM: G-2 ETO VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 42 2/18

FILED: 1250 p.m. 2/18

U.S. MINE SWEEPER PARAMOUNT GROUNDED & ABANDONED ABOUT 11:15 GMT, FEB. 17, 25 MI SW CAPE MATTHEAS. CREW RESCUED BY C.O. CUTTER "DIONE".

FIRST NAVAL DIST. REPORTS USS DETECTOR AND 75 SUNK AT 0355 GMT, FEB. 18, RESULTING FROM COLLISION WITH STANDARD OIL TANKER "ARSWEGO" AT ENTRANCE TO NORTH CHANNEL, BOSTON

NORWEGIAN TANKER SS BLINK TORPEDOED AT 0150 FEB. 12, APPROXIMATELY 3500 N 72 27 W. 6 SURVIVORS RESCUED BY SS MONROE AND LANDED AT BALTIMORE, MD., FEB. 17th.

THE CIUSCOROM AT 0437 GMT, FEB. 15, REPORTED 2 SUBS SIGHTED ON SURFACE HEADED E AT 5442 N 3855 W. DELAY IN TRANSMISSION CAUSED BY RADIO RESTRICTION.

USS WILKES DESTROYER REPORTED 0841 GMT AGROUND AT ENE TRANCE TO PLACENTIA BAY, NEWFOUNDLAND.

DESPATCH RECEIVED 1130 GMT, FEB. 18 FROM USS PALLOX,

~~REMARK~~ JOURNAL # 42 2/18 CONTINUED

STATING, "REQUIRE IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE, AGROUND LANCE POINT, NEWFOUNDLAND."

FROM: ETO VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 43 2/18

FILED: 6:55 P.M. 2/18

NAVY REPORTED AT 6:30 P.M. THAT SS BRAZILIAN, S. AMERICAN TANKER, WAS TORPEDOED ABOUT 5:00 P.M. AND WAS AFIRE WITH 3 LIFE BOATS CONTAINING 10 PEOPLE EACH, NEARBY. REPORT CAME FROM AN ARMY PLANE WHICH LANDED AT MITCHEL FIELD AND REPORTED TO THE NAVY THAT AN ARMY PLANE WAS CIRCLING THE LIFE BOATS. NAVY REPORTEDLY SENT DESTROYER ASSISTANCE. POSITION GIVEN 3755 N 7400 W, ABOUT 75 MI OFF DELAWARE CAPE.

ETO

VIA GHQ

4:00 p.m.

2/18

TO

4:00 p.m.

2/19

FROM: G-2 ETO, VIA GHQ

JOURNAL # 44 2/18

FILED: 7:15 p.m. 2/18

Correction on report of sinking of SS Brazilian. NAME of ship not known due to smoke, but known to be Brazilian tanker. Sank 4:06 p.m. 2 life boats with about 15 men in each, nearby. First sighted by a DB-7, which left a B-17 circling the life boats. Due to a weak radio on DB-7 and failure on B-17, unable to make land-to-plane radio contact. Navy intercepted a destroyer which is proceeding to scene. Correct position 37 38N 7400 W.

G-2 ETO

Via GHQ

FROM: CG INC GHQ

JOURNAL # 56 2/18

FILED: 7:00 pm 2/18

ARRIVAL OF FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL GERM AIRCRAFT IN NORWAY IS REPORTED BY AIR MINIS:

1. FOCKE-WULFE 200 (CONDOR) 6 TO 9 IN S. NORWAY.
2. A GROUP CONSISTING OF 36 MESSERSCHMIDTS 190's. NO REPORT ON LOCATION.
3. A GROUP CONSISTING OF 36 MESSERSCHMIDTS 11 10. NO REPORT ON LOCATION.

THE PLANES OF ITEM 2 AND 3 ESCORTED GERM SHIPS ON THEIR MOVE FROM BREST & CAME FROM THE BREST REGION. ITEMS 2 & 3 INDICATE POSSIBLE MOVE UP NORWAY COAST OF GERM UNITS. ITEM 1 CARRIES IMPLICATION OF AIR RAID ON ICELAND.

4:00 p.m.
2/18
TO
4:00 p.m.
2/19

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO I.B.# 42 2/18
FILED: 1440 2/18 Journal # 46 2/18
HAS AVAILABLE DATA (AS OF MARCH 1941) ON RUSSIAN TACTICS,
INFANTRY DIVISION, WAR INSTALLATIONS AND FULL T.O. MUST BE
TRANSLATED & WANTS TO KNOW IF W.D. ALREADY HAS SUCH INFORMATION.

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From: McClure - London
Filed: 2/18/42, 5:50 P

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MCCLURE
LONDON

✓ GERMANY HAS REINFORCED HER AIR SERVICE ON THE CENTRAL FRONT BY 160 PLANES, 60 OF WHICH ARE LONG RANGE BOMBERS. GENERAL OPERATIONS ARE ON SMALL SCALE. INCREASED ACTIVITIES IN THE SMOLENSK AREA DUE PARTLY TO REINFORCEMENTS. ACTIVITY TO THE SOUTH HAVE BEEN CONSIDERABLY DECREASED DURING PAST TWO WEEKS; UNSERVICEABLE AIR DROMES BECAUSE OF BAD WEATHER MAY BE THE CAUSE. SEVERE WEATHER UNDOUBTEDLY HAS HELD UP RUSSIAN ADVANCE.

THERE HAVE BEEN INCREASED AIR ACTIVITIES IN FINLAND. GERMAN AIR DROMES ON FINNISH FRONTIER MAY POINT TOWARD AIR OPERATIONS AGAINST SUPPLY LINE THROUGH ARCHANGEL AND MERMANSK.

A PERIOD OF INACTIVITY LASTING 4 TO 6 WEEKS DURING THE SPRING THAW WILL GIVE THE GERMAN AIR FORCE A CHANCE TO

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REHABILITATE CREWS, PLANES, AND AIR SERVICE GENERALLY.

4:00 p.m.

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TO

4:00 p.m.

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FROM: CHANEY, LONDON

JOURNAL # 45 2/18

FILED: 4:00 p.m. 2/18

TWO PAGE MESSAGE DEALING WITH CHANNELS OF & PROCEDURE FOR COMMUNICATIONS.

CHANEY
LONDON

FROM: CG IBC VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 49 2/18

FILED: 7:00 p.m. 2/18

REPORT FROM ADMIRALTY STATES IT IS BELIEVED THE AIRCRAFT OF VICHY FRENCH HAVE RECOGNIZING MARKS AS FOLLOWS:

1. BLUE, WHITE AND RED ROUNDDALLS ON WINGS WITH BLUE IN CENTER;
2. LONGITUDINAL WHITE STRIPES ON FUSELAGE SEVERAL FEET LONG AND IN CENTER A ROUNDDALL;
3. VERTICAL BLUE, WHITE AND RED STRIPES ON RUDDER, RED AFT;
4. TAIL FIN AND ENGINE COWLING HAVE YELLOW AND RED STRIPES IN SERIES.

CG IBC
BONSTEEL
VIA GHQ

From: McClure - London

Journal #62, 2/18/42

Filed: 2/18/42, 7:05 P

I.B. #58

BRITISH RDF WAS JAMMED BY GERMANS WHILE SHIPS WERE ESCAPING FROM BREST.

CHANNEL STATIONS ON 1 1/2 METERS WERE MOST EFFECTIVELY JAMMED. STRAIGHT JAMMING APPARENTLY USED. PRIME MINISTER WILL MAKE INQUIRY AND ONLY THEN WILL AIR MINISTER COMMENT. MORE DETAILS WILL BE SENT LATER.

MCCLURE
LONDON

From: Eager - Madrid

Journal #6, 2/19/42

Filed: 2/18/42, 1950

I.B. #2, 2/19/42

SITUATION THE SAME.

EAGER
MADRID

From: Legge - Berne

Journal #7, 2/19/42

Filed: 2/18/42, 2006

I.B. #1, 2/19/42

SITUATION UNCHANGED.

LEGGE
BERNE

From: Leahy - Vichy

Journal #12, 2/19/42

Filed: 2/18/42, 2200

I.B. #11, 2/19/42

6 FLYING BOATS READY FOR TEST; 5 OTHERS UNDER CONSTRUCTION; FRANCE HAS NO PASSENGER FLYING BOATS.

LEAHY
VICHY

From: Shipp - Lisbon

Journal #17, 2/19/42

Filed: 2/18/42, 2224

I.B. #12, 2/19/42

CAPE VERDE TROOPS LEFT FEB. 16, ABOUT 90, WITH HEAVY WEAPONS. GERMANY COULD OBTAIN 100-200,000 MEN FROM SPAIN FOR RUSSIA BUT DOUBT GERMANY WANTS THEM. BELIEVE SPAIN WILL OPERATE AGAINST GIBRALTER. JAPS (HERE) TALK ABOUT SURPRISING HAWAII AGAIN. MILITARY ESTIMATES PLACE 120 (DIVISIONS) AT LEAST ON RUSSIAN FRONT, 80 IN RESERVE, 45-50 IN OCCUPIED COUNTRIES. EFFECTIVES FOR MAJOR OFFENSIVE LACKING. DO NOT THINK SPAIN PLANS IMMEDIATE HOSTILITIES.

SHIPP
LISBON

4:00 p.m.
2/18
TO
4:00 p.m.
2/18

FROM: MCCLURE, M/A LONDON
FILED: 3:09 P.M. 2/18

I.B. # 34 2/18
Journal # 38 2/18

MCCLURE
M/A LONDON

THERE HAVE BEEN NO REVISIONS OF DISPOSITIONS OR PERSONNEL BY BRIT OR AXIS FORCES IN LIBYA SINCE OUR LAST CABLE, EXCEPT EXCEPT THAT THE LOCATION INTRIPOLI OF A PORTION OF THE ITALIAN 133RD (LITTORIA) ARMORED DIV HAS BEEN VERIFIED. IT IS THOUGHT THAT THE SEA BATTLE ON JAN 23RD RESULTED IN LOSS OF THIS DIV'S INFANTRY & THAT THE PORTION IN TRIPOLI IS COMPOSED ALMOST ENTIRELY OF ARMORED ELEMENTS. THESE ARE PRESUMED TO BE EQUIPPED WITH MARK XIV TANKS (AN IMPROVED VERSION OF THE 13-TON MARK XIII). IT IS NOT ESTABLISHED WHETHER THERE ARE THREE OR FIVE BATTALIONS IN THIS DIV, SINCE THIS KIND OF ITAL ARMORED DIV MAY CONSIST OF EITHER NUMBER. EACH BATTALION IS EQUIPPED WITH 46 TANKS.

THERE HAVE BEEN NO LAND OPERATIONS SINCE THE RETURN TO THE BRITAIN MAIN POSITION OF EVERY AXIS COLUMN WHICH HAD

I.B. # 34 Journal # 38 2/18 (continued)

ADVANCED TOWARD THE BIRNACHIM-GAZALA LINE HELD BY THE BRIT.

THERE HAS BEEN NO SUBSEQUENT REPORT CONCERNING THE CONVOY, WHOSE MOVEMENT WAS PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN PROTECTED BY THE ITAL WARSHIP'S WHICH WERE ENGAGED BY BRIT PLANES ON NIGHT OF 15th SW OF SICILY.

AT LEAST 148 TANKS ARE IN FRONT AREAS, ACCORDING TO THE WAR MINISTRY'S ESTIMATE BASED ON ALL DEPENDABLE REPORTS.

From: Fallers - Cairo
Filed: 2/18/42, 1515

Journal #2, 2/19/42
I.B. #59, 2/18/42

FALLERS
CAIRO

BRIT. HAD NUMERICAL SUPERIORITY IN TANKS, FIELD PIECES AND AIRCRAFT WHEN THEY STARTED NOV. 18 OPERATIONS. ARTILLERY SUPPORT WAS POTENTIALLY ALWAYS AVAILABLE, BUT IT WAS SHOWN ONLY RARELY. MANEUVERS AND TIMING WERE CORRECT. BRIGADES WERE SPLIT AND THUS DEFEATED IN DETAILS. A CO-ORDINATED ATTACK WAS NOT EFFECTED. UNITS WERE NOT DESERT-WORTHY DUE TO LACK OF SUFFICIENT TRAINING. SUPPLIES FOR BRIGADES BROKE DOWN, THERE WERE INSUFFICIENT TROOPS IN FORWARD AREAS TO GIVE WARNINGS AND TEMPORARY RESISTANCE TO ENEMY, UNITS OFTEN RAN OUT OF GASOLINE.

THERE WERE FEW OFFICERS OR MEN ASSIGNED WITH DESERT EXPERIENCE, TANKS UNDERWENT MODIFICATION FOR DESERT.

ABOVE ARE MY COMMENTS. WILL GIVE FURTHER DETAILS BY CABLE.

From: Bentley - Tanger
Filed: 2/18/42, 1850
SITUATION UNCHANGED.

Journal #61, 2/18/42
I.B. #47, 2/18/42

BENTLEY
TANGER

From: Baker - Baghdad
Filed: 2/17/42, 1930

Journal #10, 2/19/42
I.B. #9, 2/19/42

BAKER
BAGHDAD

PART I OF A 2-PART MESSAGE.

(PERSONNEL REQUIRED FOR OPERATION OF MISSION IN DETAIL.)

4:00 p.m.
2/18
TO
4:00 p.m.
2/19

FROM: MOCLURE, M/A LONDON I.B. # 33 2/18
FILED: 3:09 P.M. 2/18 Journal # 37 2/18
IT IS BELIEVED BY WAR OFFICE THAT OF ENEMY DIVS FORMERLY REPORTED IN CHENERE REGION, ONE WAS EMPLOYED AGAINST MACASSAR & AMBOINA. IF ASSUMPTION THAT A DIV WAS ALSO USED AGAINST SUMATRA IS CORRECT, IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THERE ARE STILL 2 JAP DIVS AFLOAT IN CHENERE-ANAMRAS AREA.

THERE IS NO CONFIRMATION AT WAR OFFICE FROM OFFICIAL SOURCES OF NEWSPAPER STORY DATED TODAY WHICH QUOTES A SPOKESMAN FOR CHINESE ARMY THAT ON FEB. 6th 30,000 JAP SOLDIERS LANDED AT HAIPHONG, INDO-CHINA, DESTINED FOR THE BURMA THEATER.

THERE IS NO NEW REPORT FROM THE FAR EAST EXCEPT THAT SALWEEN RIVER WAS CROSSED AT YINBAING¹ BY ENEMY FORCE ESTIMATED TO BE BETWEEN 300 & 1,000 STRONG. ALL OF THE 17th INDIAN DIV IS NOW SET ALONG THE W BANK OF THE BILLIN RIVER WITH MISSION OF COVERING RANGOON. THE CONCENTRATION

I.B. # 33 Journal # 37 2/18 (continued)

OF ELEPHANTS REPORTED AT KANAMAUNG² WAS NOT LOCATED BY BRIT AIRCRAFT SENT TO ATTACK THEM. THROUGHOUT BURMA BRIT AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN VERY ACTIVE AGAINST THE JAPS.

G-2 NOTES:

1. YINBAING: ON SALWEEN RIVER, ABOUT 80 MI N OF MOULMEIL
2. KANAMAUNG: ON SALWEEN RIVER, ABOUT 70 MI N OF MOULMEIL

FROM: BRETT, JAVA I.B. #
FILED: 4:15P 2/18 JOURNAL # 39 2/18

THE WORSE POSSIBLE SITUATION, NAMELY A JAP ATTACK ON JAVA BEFORE END OF FEBRUARY, MUST NOW BE CONSIDERED FOR THESE REASONS:

1. EVENTS PRESENTLY INDICATE A POSSIBLE INVASION OF BRLI, WHICH, WHILE IT IS WITHIN AIR RANGE OF EAST JAVA, IS NOT WELL DEFENDED & COULD BE USED IN FURTHERANCE OF AN ATTEMPT TO GET EAST JAVA.
2. JAPS NO DOUBT SUFFERED VERY HEAVY CASUALTIES IN TAKING PALEMBANG AREA, AND WHILE THIS MAY HOLD UP FOR THE TIME BEING IMMEDIATE ADVANCE TO THE SOUTH, EVERYTHING WAS THROWN IN AGAINST THEM IN THIS OPERATION & THERE IS LITTLE LEFT TO OPPOSE AN ADVANCE DOWN TO SUNDA STRAIT.

AS TO JAVA ITSELF: THE ISLAND CANNOT BE DEFENDED PROPERLY BEING 500 MI LONG & HAVING ON ITS NORTHERN COAST NUMEROUS PLACES FOR LANDING. FROM BASES NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

JOURNAL # 39 2/18 (continued)

TION IN SOUTHERN BORNEO AND FROM VICINITY KENDARI & MACASSAR & FROM SOUTHERN SUMATRA CAN RAID JAVA BY AIR. SUCH RAIDS WILL NO DOUBT BEGIN WITH ATTACKS ON BATAVIA & SOERABAYA & RESULT IN SERIOUS HINDERANCE ON IMPORTANT WORK THERE SINCE THEY DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT AIR SHELTER OR AA PROTECTION.

THEREFORE THE FOLLOWING MUST BE DECIDED UPON AT ONCE .

1. GREATER STRENGTHENING OF AUSTRALIA AS A BASE FOR CARRYING DEFENSIVE OPERATIONS TO THE NORTH.
2. REINFORCEMENTS FOR JAVA.
3. AIR AND GROUND REINFORCEMENTS FOR BURMA SUFFICIENT NOT ONLY FOR ITS DEFENSE BUT FOR AN OFFENSIVE.

BRETT, JAVA

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TO
4:00 p.m.
2/19

FROM: BARNES, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 48 2/18
FILED: 0221 2/19
CORRECTION OF PREVIOUS MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO SS CO-
CLIDGE AND MANIPOSA'S LIFE SAVING EQUIPMENT.

BARNES
MELBOURNE

FROM: ABDACOM I.B.# 44 2/18
FILED: 0030 3/18 JOURNAL # 52 2/18
WEATHER PREVENTED BOMBER ACTIVITY TODAY. 4 JAP FIGHTERS
DOWNED BY B-40 SQUADRON WHILE ON MISSION TO ATTACK PALEM-
BANG (I. I) WHERE NO PLANES WERE SEEN ON THE GROUND.
JAPS CONSOLIDATED AIRFIELD IN S. SUMATRA. S. SUMATRA NOW
BEING EVACUATED BY ALLIED FORCES.
RESULTS OF PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AIR RAID ON BANKA AREA:
3 JAP PURSUITS, NOT 2 AS HERETOFORE STATED, SHOT DOWN.
2 OF OUR MARTIN BOMBERS ARE MISSING. B-17's DESTROYED
MANY BARGES, SANK A LARGE TROOPSHIP AND HIT ANOTHER.
MARTIN BOMBERS GOT NEAR MISSES ON ONE TROOPSHIP AND A
DIRECT HIT ON ONE.

ABDACOM

FROM: BARNES, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 58 2/18
FILED: 0215 2/19
TWO BUILDINGS AVAILABLE IN DARWIN FOR RED CROSS DETAILS
OF COSTS. (150 WORDS)

BARNES
MELBOURNE

From: Brett - Java JOURNAL #47, 2/18/42
FILED: 2/18/42, 1042

BRETT
JAVA

PLANS NOW IN PREPARATION FOR DIVERSION OF B-17'S, THAT
ARE IN TRANSIT TO NEI TO AKYAB FOR OPERATIONS, IF THE SIT-
UATION WARRANTS IT, BY EVACUATION OF THE HEAVY BOMBERS
NOW IN JAVA TO BURMA, DEPENDENT ON DECISION BY CCOS AS TO
DIVERSION AUSTRALIAN COMPS FOR THE DEFENSE OF BURMA.

AMERICAN TROOPS NOW IN CONVOY EXPECTED TO ARRIVE ABOUT
MARCH 15TH. FIGHTER PROTECTION, ANTI AIR CRAFT ARTILLERY
FOR DEFENSE OF BASE AT AKYAB AND SUFFICIENT GROUND PERSON-
NEL FOR MAINTENANCE TO BE FURNISHED BY BRITISH WITH ARRIV-
VAL OF U.S. TROOPS. SUFFICIENT BOMBS AND AMMUNITION, GAS
AND OIL FOR OPERATIONS OVER PERIOD OF FOUR DAYS WILL BE
ON HAND BY FEB. 20TH.

WITH ADVANCE BASES VICINITY TONGO AND MAGNE ONE SQUAD-

(JOURNAL #47, 2/18/42, Cont'd)

RON OF HEAVY BOMBERS CAN OPERATE FROM BASE AT AKYAB.

THE ABOVE REPORTED BY A. BRADY SENT TO BURMA ABOUT
FEB. 5.

G-2 WORK SHEET
10:00 AM
2/18/42
TO
10:00 AM
2/19/42

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PACIFIC # 3

From: Barnes - Melbourne
Filed: 2/18/42, 2121

Journal #51, 2/18/42

BARNES
MELBOURNE

RECOMMENDED THAT 100 ARMING WIRES AND EXTRA CLIPS BE PUT IN A UNIT CARTON AND SEVERAL CARTONS PUT IN AN EXPORT BOX; THAT THERE BE MORE CAREFUL PACKING AND MARKING OF THE ARMING WIRES AS A NUMBER OF CARTONS WERE BURSTED DURING TRANSHIPMENT AND THE CONTENTS SPILLED; THAT ONLY FULL ORIGINAL BOXES OF FUZES AND AMMUNITION COMPONENTS BE SHIPPED OVERSEAS. IT IS INDICATED THAT MOST REPACKED OR SHORT BOXES OF AMMUNITION COMPONENTS ARE NOT PROPERLY PACKED AND MARKED SO AS TO GUARANTEE SAFETY AND EASY IDENTIFICATION.

From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter
Filed: 2/18/42, 10:30 A

Journal #54, 2/18/42

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

RESTRICTIONS ON THE TIME OF ARRIVAL OF AIRPLANES IN HAWAII HAVE BEEN LIFTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH RADIOGRAM #1428 OF FEB. 16TH. A COPY OF LOST PLANE PROCEDURE HAS BEEN SENT BY AIR MAIL TO CO HAMILTON AND ALL PILOTS SHOULD BE FAMILIAR WITH SAME. FT. SHAFTER HEADQUARTERS SHOULD BE INFORMED AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AS TO ANY PLANES THAT ARE EN ROUTE SO THAT NECESSARY NAVIGATIONAL AIDS CAN BE AVAILABLE. THE ISLAND SHOULD BE APPROACHED WITH EXTREME CAUTION DURING HOURS OF DARKNESS BECAUSE OF BLACKOUT.

From: ANDA COM
Filed: 2/16/42

Journal #53, 2/18/42
I.B. #43

ANDACOM

IT IS INDICATED THAT KENDARI'S IMPORTANCE AS A BASE IS GROWING IN VIEW OF MOVEMENT OF JAP AIR POWER TO THE SOUTH. COMMENT: OPERATIONS TO SOUTH AND SOUTH (704816) WILL LIKELY SPRING FROM KENDARI AND LESGER BASES AT RENDJEMASIN. AMBON IS USED FOR THE MOST PART AS A BASE FOR RECONNAISSANCE OVER TIMOR AND BANDA SEAS.

JAP OPERATIONS OVER ISLES IN SOUTHERN CHAIN ARE INCREASING. THIS INDICATES THE NEXT ACTION WILL TAKE PLACE SHORTLY.

From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter
Filed: 2/18/42, 1:59 P

Journal #57

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT A NON INFLAMMABLE SOLVENT BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE MILDLY INFLAMMABLE MOSQUITO SPRAY (ASCR 600-11") NOW IN THE PLANES ARRIVING FROM U.S.

From: Thropp - Java
Filed: 2/19/42, 0335

Journal #63, 2/18/42
I.B. #57, 2/18/42

THROPP
JAVA

NATIVES AVOID BOMBING BY FLEEING TOWN, CAUSING SERIOUS LABOR PROBLEM. SOURABAYA NAVAL BASE ATTACKED BY 40 JAP PLANES; ALSO T J E POE OIL FIELD. UNKNOWN DAMAGE. PROBABLE LANDING ON LOMBOK OR TIMOR. KOEPANG BOMBED. 5 JAP BOMBERS SHOT DOWN.

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2/18/42
TO
10:00 AM
2/19/42

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES PACIFIC # 5

From: Thorpe - Java
Filed: 2/18/42, 0345

Journal #5, 2/19/42

THORPE
JAVA

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARIES STATE JAPS HAVE MOVED ALL MAIN FORCES, EXCEPT THOSE IN BURMA SOUTH OF LINE NEW GUINEA, MENADO IN CELEBES, BORNEO AND MALAY PENINSULA AND HAVE MASSED FORCES IN SOUTH. WARELL IS TAKING NO DEFINITE STEPS ON EVACUATION AT PRESENT DUE TO POSSIBLE DUTCH REACTION. HE BELIEVES DUTCH WILL FIGHT AS LONG AS THERE IS A CHANCE, AND BELIEVES BURMA AND INDIA MUST BE FIRMLY SECURED AND OFFENSIVE ACTION BUILT UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. AUSTRALIA, HE FEELS, SHOULD BE BUILT INTO MAJOR BASE FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS.

OPERATIONS IN BURMA ARE IMMEDIATELY DESIRABLE AND MIGHT LESSEN PRESSURE ON JAVA. MY BELIEF IS THIS ACTION MUST BE TAKEN, BUT HIS POSSIBILITIES ARE SLIGHT DUE TO HIS SMALL DEFENSIVE POWER AND EXTENDED COAST LINES.

JAPS ARE ABLE TO STRIKE IN SEVERAL PLACES. FROM SUMAT-

(Journal #5, 2/19/42, Cont'd)

RA, WEST JAVA, BATAVIA AND BANDOENG ARE VULNERABLE AND FROM MACASSAR AND SOUTH BORNEO, EAST JAVA IS OPEN TO ATTACK.

ATTACK ON HALI DAILY EXPECTED, AS WELL AS ON TIMOR. THIS IS LAST DITCH DEFENSE IN REALITY, ONLY AN ALLIED OFFENSIVE ELSEWHERE CAN DIVERT JAP STRENGTH AND MAKE DEFENSE SUCCESSFUL. BURMA IS BEST AREA FOR SUCH AN OFFENSIVE. HOWEVER, STRENGTH OF BURMA QUESTIONABLE DUE TO JAP REINFORCEMENTS FROM MALAYA.

INTELLIGENCE INDICATES MAJOR JAP FORCES CONCENTRATED FOR SUMATRA OFFENSIVE.

RUMORS EXIST OF JAP PRESSURE BY PROPAGANDA FOR PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT TO SAVE PROPERTY FROM DESTRUCTION. I CANNOT YET FORECAST THEIR REACTION. EVACUATION OF CIVIL EMPLOYEES SUGGESTED. IMMEDIATE ACTION IN BURMA AND LONG RANGE OPERA-

(Journal #5, 2/19/42, Cont'd)

TIONS FROM AUSTRALIA ARE VITAL TO OUR CAUSE. PRICELESS TIME HAS BEEN LOST. THORPE (BRETT)

(NOTE: This important message must be read in the original to comprehend the urgency of Gen. Brett's appeal. Morgan.)

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #15, 2/19/42
Filed: 2/19/42, 0156

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

JAPANESE BUILD-UP OF ARTILLERY CONTINUES PARTICULARLY ON MY RIGHT. HIS FORCES APPARENTLY ARE BEING REGROUPED. HAVE CAPTURED 3 GUNS, FLAME THROWERS, ORDNANCE AND SIGNAL EQUIPMENT. DAMAGE IS MOUNTING ON FT. FRANK WHICH CONTINUES TO BE BOMBARDED. NO CHANGE IN SOUTH.

MINDANAO IS BEING BUILT UP BY KEY OFFICERS I AM SENDING FROM HERE. 2.59 HOW. AMMN. IS GONE. THESE WHILE OBSOLETE HAVE HANDLED WELL AND PROVED THEIR EFFICIENCY UNDER FOREST CONDITIONS. CAN I GET MORE AMMUNITION FOR THESE (24) AND 84 MM MORTARS (40). A STEP-UP IN BLOCKADE RUNNING SERVICE AS TO SPEED AND TONNAGE IS NECESSARY TO DO ANY REAL GOOD.

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10:00 AM

2/18/42

TO

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PACIFIC # 4

From: Merrill - Rangoon

Journal #3, 2/19/42

Filed: 2/17/42, 1850

I.B. #4, 2/19/42

MERRILL
RANGOON

FRESH DRIVE IN WEST IMMINENT, JAP ACTIVITIES INDICATE. LOSS OF BURMA ROAD AND PEGU APPEARS INEVITABLE. BELIEF IS BRIT. CANNOT WITHSTAND NEW JAP OFFENSIVE. SITUATION ABOUT THE SAME FOR FEB. 16. JAP TROOPS SUBJECTED TO CONSTANT ATTACK BY RAF BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS. NO ENEMY ACTIVITY.

From: McClure - London

Journal #4, 2/19/42

Filed: 2/18/42, 55 P (1)

I.B. #3, 2/19/42

MCCLURE
LONDON

REPORT RECEIVED THAT JAP FIGHTERS AND BOMBERS ARE BEING OPERATED FROM ISLAND REPORTED IN RIO MARSHALL GROUP. INFORMATION AS TO LAND AND SEAPLANE BASES IN THAT ISLAND REQUESTED BY AIR MINISTER.

From: Barnes - Melbourne

Journal #11, 2/19/42

Filed: 2/19/42, 0420

BARNES
MELBOURNE

HOLBROOK HAS NOT BEEN SUNK.

From: State Department

Journal #18, 2/19/42

Filed: 2/18/42, 5:00 P

STATE DEPT.

U.S. CONSULATE IN RANGOON CLOSED.

From: Barnes - Melbourne

Journal #16, 2/19/42

Filed: 2/19/42, 0327

BARNES
MELBOURNE

SUGGESTS WAR SHIPPING REPRESENTATIVE HQ. BE IN MELBOURNE, NOT IN BRISBANE.

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Filed: 7:00 PM 2/18

IN #29, 2/19

From: W/A Mexico City WEEKS

Journal #37, 2/19

REPORT RECEIVED THAT JAP WAR MATERIALS WERE LANDED AT TUMACO, COLOMBIA, PREPARATORY TO ATTACK ON CANAL. ALSO THAT AN AXIS AGENT WILL ATTEMPT SABOTAGE OF CHILEAN GOV'T SHIP BANCAGUA IN MEXICAN WATERS OR AT TAMPICO & MAKE THE ACTION APPEAR TO BE INSPIRED BY U.S. CG, CDC HAS BEEN NOTIFIED. INFORMATION WAS FURNISHED BY CHIEF, MEXICAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE WHICH USUALLY HAS BEEN RELIABLE. DETAILS & ORIGINAL SOURCE UNKNOWN.

Filed: 4:26 AM 2/19

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From: MEMQ, OPNAV (ONI)

Journal #50, 2/19

DETECTORS INDICATE PRESENCE OF SUB APPROX. 90 MI. NW OF SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO AT 21:20 & 22:36 Feb. 18.

Filed: 16:05 2/19

Journal #47, 2/19

From: OPNAV CGCSP (ONI)

LAGO REFINERY ARUBA SHELLED 10:15 GCT TODAY. NO SERIOUS DAMAGE.

Filed: 2/19

Journal #45, 2/19

From: OPNAV (GHQ)

SHELLED ARUBA & REFINERY. ANOTHER BOAT SUNK. NO FURTHER DETAILS.

From: Magruder - Chungking Journal #19, 2/19/42

Filed: 2/19/42, 0330 I.B. #16, 2/19/42

MACGRUDER
CHUNGKING

JAPS DECIDED SINGAPORE SHOULD NOT BE "ANOTHER HANKOW" AND TO CONTINUE MILITARY OPERATIONS VIGOROUSLY AGAINST AUSTRALIA AND INDIA. BE PREPARED. REFERENCE TO "HANKOW" MEANS LIMITED OBJECTIVES DID NOT END CHINESE RESISTANCE, HENCE NO LIMITS IN THIS WAR.

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Filed: 2/19/42, 0625

Journal #20, 2/19

From: MacArthur, Ft. Mills

NAMES AND PORTFOLIOS OF CIVILIANS IN MACARTHUR'S WAR CABINET.

MACARTEUR

From: ABDACOM

Journal #21, 2/19/42

ABDACOM

Filed: 2/19/42, 0325

ASKS DETAILED INFORMATION ON DIVERSION OF 12 B-17'S TO AUSTRALIA. (2 PAGES RE DETAILS, COMMANDERS, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND COMMUNICATION PROCEDURES.)

From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter

Journal #22, 2/19/42

EMMONS

Filed: 2/18/42, 8:50 P

FT. SHAFTER

SOLENOIDS AND MOUNTS FOR FIVE GUNS FOR FANTAN.

Filed: 0125, 2/19

Journal #29, 2/19

From: Ft. Mills MACARTHUR

INCENDIARY BOMBS NOW BEING DROPPED BY THE ENEMY ARE FILLED WITH WHITE PHOSPHORUS.

Filed: 3:20 AM 2/19

IB #20, 2/19

From: MAGRUDER Ch. Amer Mission

Journal #30, 2/19

BEIT ASKED NO PUBLICITY BE GIVEN TO FOLLOWING REPORT ON HONGKONG, WHICH WAS OBTAINED FROM A MEDICAL OFFICER WHO ESCAPED FROM THE CITY ON JAN 10.

MAJORITY OF CIVILIANS INTERNED IN NATIVE HOTELS & HAVE NO FREEDOM. ARE TREATED FAIRLY WELL, BUT LIVING CONDITIONS BELOW NORMAL. JAPS TRYING TO DRIVE CHINESE OUT OF HONGKONG. VERY LITTLE NEWS CONCERNING AMERICANS. LOCATIONS OF CONCENTRATION CAMPS: ARGYLE STREET BARRACKS, KOWLOON - 1200; NORTH POINT, VICTORIA - 2500; SHAM SHUI PO BARRACKS, KOWLOON - 5600.

G-2 Notes: 1. ON MAINLAND

2. ON HONGKONG ISLAND.

3. ON MAINLAND.

4. FIGURES AFTER EACH NAME ARE BELIEVED TO BE NUMBER OF PERSONS CONFINED IN EACH CAMP.

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From: CG WDC (OHQ) STROM

Journal #23, 2/19

DESTROYER ATTACKED SUB BY DROPPING 11 DEPTH CHARGES
WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. ATTACK TOOK PLACE 100 MILES WEST OF
SANTA CRUZ. MORE DETAILS TO BE FURNISHED LATER.

Filed: 1831. 2/19
From: CG ETO (OHQ) ~~SEEN~~ DRUM

Journal #28, 2/19

NOTHING TO REPORT TO NOON GMT FEB 18.
UNFAVORABLE FLYING WEATHER NORTHERN AREA, UNLIMITED
SOUTHERN AREA.

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EAS 210 JUL 1947

4:00 p.m.

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From: Huthsteiner - Helsinki Journal #70, 2/17/42

Filed: 2/16/42, 1805 I.B. #63, 2/17/42

HUTHSTEINER
HELSINKI

GERMANS WITH SMALL NUMBER OF TROOPS LEASE BUILDING IN
HANGO. OPINION HOLDS GERMANS TO HAVE BASE FACILITIES.
FINNISH PEOPLE DESIRE EARLY PEACE, ADDITIONAL LOSSES
CANNOT BE BORNE, GERMAN PRESSURE MAKES PROBABLY COOPERA-
TION IN SPRING OFFENSIVE OR FINNS WILL STARVE. GERMAN
REPLACEMENTS EXCEED THOSE UNITS RELIEVED.

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I.B.# 59 JOURNAL # 65 2/17 CONTINUED

THE BEST WAY TO BEAT JAPAN IS BY TAKING KOREA, AND THIS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED IF ALLIED PRESSURE IS BROUGHT TO BEAR ON GERMANY, THEREBY PERMITTING RUSSIA TO TAKE A HAND AGAINST JAPAN, WHICH SHE IS SURE TO DO ONCE SHE CAN FREE HERSELF OF GERMANY.

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FROM: BAKER, BAGHDAD

JOURNAL # 72 2/17

FILED: 1536 2/17

I.B. # 64 2/17

MISSION FROM RUSSIA LEAVING BAGHDAD AND THE ONE FROM BRITAIN LEAVING

BAKER, BAGHDAD

From: Ondrick - Teheran

Journal #4, 2/18/42

Filed: 2/16/42, 1930

IN VIEW OF M.E. SITUATION IS MY MISSION DESIRED IN USSR I RECOMMEND MISSION MOVE TO NEAR EAST AREA. BELIEVE M.E. POSITION THREAT POSSIBLE WITHIN 2 MONTHS.

ONDRICK
TEHERAN

From: Chaney - London

Journal #10, 2/18/42

Filed: 2/17/42

WAR OFFICE SUMMARY OF LIBYAN SITUATION 2/15. GROUP ACTIVITY SLIGHT. 3 GERMAN COLUMNS REPT 2/16 ADVANCED TOWARD FORWARD BRIT LINE BETWEEN QAZALA AND BIR HAKEID. BY 11:00 AM 2/16 ALL ENEMY COLUMNS SEEMED WITHDRAWING. OPINION ENEMY PURPOSE 1. RECONNOITRE IN FORCE TO ESTIMATE BRIT STRENGTH AND POSITION. 2. TO DIVERT AIR FORCE FROM CONVOY REPTED GREEK ISLES - LIBYA OR TRIPOLI. IF (1) UNSUCCESSFUL, AS CONTACT MADE WITH PATROLS ONLY. THE THREE COLUMNS INCLUDED 108 TANKS (28 ITALIAN).

CHANAY
LONDON

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4:00 p.m.
2/18

FROM: ONDRICK, TEHRAN I.B. # 51 2/17
FILED: 1930 2/16 Journal # 51 2/17

ONDRICK
TEHRAN

FEAR EXPRESSED THAT ALLIED SET-UP IN IRAN IS NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO OFFER PROPER PROTECTION FOR FUTURE INSTALLATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS PLANNED FOR THE MIDDLE EAST.

TURKS ARE AFRAID THAT THERE IS A STRONGER PRO-AXIS ATTITUDE THAN HERETOFORE, AND THAT THERE HAS BEEN A CORRESPONDING LESSENING OF PRESTIGE FOR THE ALLIES.

SOVIETS AND BRITISH ARE CHIEFLY CONCERNED WITH THE DOMINATION OF IRANIAN POLITICS AND TRADE, AND THE ALLIED TROOPS LOCATED THERE ARE TOO FEW FOR PROPER PROTECTION.

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FROM: BAKER, BAGHDAD JOURNAL # 53 2/17
FILED: 2105 2/16

BAKER
BAGHDAD

MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS.

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO I.B. # 59 2/17
FILED: 0145 2/17 Journal # 65 2/17

FELLERS
CAIRO

U.S. REINFORCEMENTS MUST BE HAD IN THE EVENT THAT AXIS SHOULD UNDERTAKE A MAJOR OFFENSIVE AGAINST SYRIA, & PALESTINE FROM MEDITERRAN AND AGAINST EGYPT FROM THE DESERT. THE BRIT, WITH THEIR PRESENT FORCES WEAKENED AS THEY ARE BY TRANSFER TO THE FAR EAST AND THE SEVERE TANK LOSSES SUFFERED IN CYRENICA DEFEAT, COULD NOT WITHSTAND SUCH AN AXIS OFFENSIVE.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT TURKEY WOULD COME OVER TO THE ALLIED SIDE IF AN ARMY WERE PUT IN SYRIA. THIS WOULD PERMIT AIR OPERATIONS FROM N. WESTERN ANATOLIA AGAINST GERMAN COMMUNICATIONS AND REAR INSTALLATIONS IN S. RUSSIA. WHILE SUCH AIR ATTACKS WOULD BE EFFECTIVE, AN ACTUAL INVASION OF THE BALKANS BY THIS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, MIGHT POSSIBLY BRING THE WAR TO AN END DURING THE WINTER OF 1942 - 43. EVEN

I.B. # 59 Journal # 65 2/17 (CONTINUED)

NOW GERMANY HAS ONLY 8 DIVS IN THE BALKANS, AND A FURTHER REDUCTION IN THIS AREA MAY BE CAUSED BY THE HEAVY GERM LOSSES ON THE S. RUSS FRONT. FURTHERMORE, IN THE EVENT THAT THE GERM SHOULD DURING THE SUMMER GET FURTHER INTO S. RUSS, THE MORE VULNERABLE WILL BE THEIR REAR.

AN AMERICAN MOVE INTO THE BALKANS WOULD BE THE SIGNAL FOR UPRISING IN YUGOSLAVIA & GREECE. FINALLY SUCH A MOVE INTO BALKANS WOULD HAVE AN ELECTRIC EFFECT ON RUSSIA AND IN THIS CONNECTION IT MUST NOT BE FORGOTTEN THAT RUSS MIGHT, ONCE THE GERM HAVE BEEN PUSHED BEYOND HER BORDER, MAKE A SEPARATE PEACE UNLESS AN ALLIED OFFENSIVE IS LAUNCHED AGAINST GERMANY.

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FROM: BRETT, JAVA Journal # 63 2/17
FILED: 2:33 (f) 2/18
✓ REQUEST FOR SETS OF TECHNICAL ORDERS OF AIR CORPS AND
THE PROPER POWER SETTINGS FOR P-40's AND B-24's TO GIVE
THEM THE GREATEST POSSIBLE CRUISING RANGE.

BRETT, JAVA

FROM: BARNES MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 62 2/17
FILED: 2058 2/17
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION AS TO WHETHER U.S. GOVT POLICY
IS TO INSURE SHIPS OF FOREIGN REGISTRY CARRYING OUR
SUPPLIES AND MEN.

FROM: BRETT, BANDOENG JOURNAL # 61 2/17
FILED: 2310 2/17
REFERENCE A.G.O. # 133 2/16. BRETT GOING TO AUSTRALIA
TO ATTEMPT TO EFFECT SHIPMENT OF P-40's FROM THERE. JAVA
REQUIRES FOR ITS OWN DEFENSE ALL THE PLANES PRESENTLY THERE,
BUT WILL TRY TO SHIP FROM THERE IF ANY CAN BE
SPARED.

BRETT, JAVA
BANDOENG

✓ FROM: BUCKNER, FT. RICHARDSON, ALS JOURNAL # 69 2/17
FILED: 1846 2/17
REPORT ON LOCATION OF PLANES.

BUCKNER,
FT. RICHARD-
SON, ALS.

FROM: COM. 11th NAVAL DIST ONI Journal # 67
FILED: REG'D 2220 2/17
✓ SITUATION OF JAPS IN SOUTHERN CALIF IS VERY CRITICAL.
MANY ARE FORCED TO MOVE WITH NO PROVISION AS TO SUBSEQUENT
HOUSING OR MEANS OF LIVELIHOOD. MANY FAMILIES ALSO DESTI-
TUTE. ALL LOCALITIES OBJECT TO MOVEMENT OF EVACUEES INTO
THEIR AREA. RECOMMEND THAT DEPARTMENTS CONCERNED MAKE
IMMEDIATE PLANS FOR EVACUATION & RESETTLEMENT OF ALIENS
REMOVED FROM AREAS DESIGNATED BY MILIT AUTHORITIES.

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FROM: MERLE SMITH, MELBOURNE I.B. # 60 2/17
FILED: 2303 2/17 Journal # 66 2/17

55 BOMBERS AND 9 FLYING BOATS MADE A FURTHER ATTACK ON THE HOUSTON CONVOY FOR ONE HOUR, ALTHOUGH MORE THAN HALF THE ATTACK WAS DEVOTED TO THE HOUSTON, IT WASN'T HIT, ONE SHIP SUFFERED SMALL DAMAGE. THE CONVOY IS RETURNING TO DARWIN. 3 SCHOMBERS, IDENTITY UNKNOWN, WERE SEEN OFF TRABIND ISLANDS.

VARIOUS JAP RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS FOR FEB. 17 LISTED.

JAP AIR ACTIVITY AS FOLLOWS:

2/13, THREE JAP PLANES RECONNOITERED DOBO ISLAND, S. DUTCH NEW GUINEA.

2/14, ONE JAP PLANE RECONNOITERED BOUGAINVILLE.

2/15, KALABAH, ALOR ISLANDS, ATTACKED, RESULTING IN 4 KILLED, 8 HURT, MARKET PLACE AND SEVERAL HOUSES DESTROYED.

2/16, JAP PLANE RECONNOITERED PORT MORESBY, DAMAGE BY

I.B. # 60 Journ. # 66 2/17 CONTINUED

AA FIRE.

2/16, WHAT IS THOUGHT TO BE JAP PATROL HEARD OVER BESIKAMA AND NONKOLO, 70 MI E OF KOEPANG.

2/16, DARWIN RECONNOITERED BY ONE PLANE.

2/16, RECONNAISSANCE AND FIGHTER PATROL OVER TENAI NEAR KOEPANG.

2/17, ABOUT 17 PLANES PAST OVER BATOEPORTIH.

From: Brink - Sandoeng Journal #69, 2/17/42
Filed: 2/17/42, 12:30 I.B. #62, 2/17/42

BRINK
SANDOENG

ON 2/14 THE ONLY ACTIVITY WAS PATROLLING AT DUYINZEIK. ON 2/15/42 BRIT. PLANES BOMBED FERRY AT DUYINZEIK AND R.R. STATION AT THATON AND ON THE SAME DAY THEIR TROOPS MOVED BACK TO THE BILIN RIVER WITHOUT HINDRANCE. 60 JAP PLANES SEEN AT CHINGMAI AIRPORT AND IT IS REPORTED THAT FROM THIS TOWN A STRONG JAP-SIAMESE FORCE IS MOVING TO THE N. ELEPHANTS AND OX CARTS ARE REPORTED TO BE USED BY JAPS FOR TRANSPORT PURPOSES.

From: Merlesmith - Melbourne Journal #2, 2/18/42
Filed: 2/17/42, 2300 I.B. #71, 2/17/42

MERLESMTIH
MELBOURNE

AUSTRALIAN AND ADJOINING THEATRES HOLD LITTLE CHANCE OF SUCCESS IN VIEW OF PRESENT CONCEPT OF STATIC DEFENSE DUE TO JAP STRATEGY IN MASSING SUPERIOR FORCES AT SUCCESSIVE OBJECTIVES. CONTINUANCE OF COMPLETE INITIATIVE IN JAP HANDS MEANS EVENTUAL DEFEAT IN DETAIL DUE TO GREAT DISTANCES AND INADEQUATE INTERIOR LINES OF COMMUNICATION.

SPECIAL FORCES MUST BE TRAINED AND EQUIPPED FOR LANDINGS AND JUNGLE. STRONG ENGINEER FORCES USEFUL. JAP AIR FORCE GROUND SERVICE MUCH MORE MOBILE AND CAN REPAIR AND IMPROVE LANDING FIELDS. PROMPT NAVAL RAIDS AND LAND BASED AIR ATTACKS ONLY ANSWER TO CONTINUING WARFARE.

From: Barnes - Melbourne Journal #5, 2/18/42
Filed: 2/18/42, 0320

BARNES
MELBOURNE

REQUEST FOR EQUIPMENT IN DETAIL FOR 20,000 TROOP EM-BARKATION CENTER.

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PACIFIC # 5

From: Marriott - London Journal #12, 2/18/42
Filed: 2/17/42, 5:20 P I.R. #7, 2/18/42

MACARTHUR
LONDON

BELIEVE 1 SEP REGT IN PARA, 1 IN MANTARAN TOTAL IN
BURMA 3 REGT. NO DIV. ARTY INDICATED. 1500 JAP PARA
TROOPS MEMONGSHONG MAY ATTACK TOUNGOO. BRIT WITHDREW
2/15 FROM DUYIN SIK AND THATON TO NEW POSITIONS BEHIND
BILIN RIV. AT RABUL NEW BRITAIN, 1 AC, 3 CRUISERS, 2
DESTROYERS, 11 TRANSPORTS INCL. 1 VERY LARGE (IDENTIFIED
2/14) W.O. CONSIDERS CONFIRMED, ESTIMATE OF 1 DIV. IN
NEW GUINEA. SUMATRA, JAP OCCUPY DJAMBI. DEMOLITIONS COM-
PLETE. PALEMBANG AT 7 GMT CLEAR OF ENEMY. BANDJERMASIN
OCCUPIED BY JAPS ON 16TH.

BRIT. UNITS IN SINGAPORE AT SURRENDER 18TH BRIT (3 INF
BRIG) 6TH AUST. DIV. (2 INF BRIGS) 9TH INDIAN DIV. (2 BRIG-
ADES) 11TH INDIAN DIV. (3 BRIGS) 1ST & 2D MALAYAN INF.

(Journal #12, 2/18/42, Cont'd)q

BRIGS. 44IND. INF BRIG., 12 IND. INF. BRIG. BESIDES EN-
GINNERS, ARTY., FIELD, COAST, AA, TANK REGTS AND SEARCH
LIGHT, SERVICE ORDNANCE, MEDICAL TO TOTAL 100,000 MEN.
NO EVIDENCE OF CONSIDERABLE EVACUATION.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #13, 2/18/42
Filed: 2/18/42, 0030

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

✓ ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE INCREASING IN INTENSITY. AIR
BOMBING ATTACKS ARE INCREASING IN NUMBER, AND ADDITIONAL
UNITS ARE BEING EMPLOYED. FORTIFIED ISLANDS CONTINUE
TO RECEIVE HOSTILE ARTILLERY FIRE. A NUMBER OF TROOP
SHIPS HAVE APPEARED IN SUBIC BAY AND OLONGAPO IS IN USE
AS AN ENEMY BASE. IN SOUTH, NOTHING NEW.

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Journal #44, 2/17

From: Bandoeng BRETT

✓ OPERATIONAL MESSAGE REGARDING USE OF AIR FORCES IN
BURMA & JAVA. GROUND TROOPS & BASES BEING MADE READY FOR
FUTURE AIR OPERATIONS.

Filed: 2030 2/16

IB #43, 2/17

From: ABDACOM

Journal #46, 2/17

DJAMBI ATTACKED AT SAME TIME AS PALEMBANG FEB 16TH.
ENEMY NOW HAS USE OF AIRFIELDS AT PALEMBANG, LAHAT &
DJAMBI PALEMBANG, LAST 2 NOT OCCUPIED AS YET.

✓ CONVOY DAHWIN KOPANG WAS SIGHTED FEB 16TH BY FLYING
BOAT & BOMBED FEB 16 BY ONE SQUADRON FLYING BOAT, THREE
SQUADRONS BOMBERS. PRESUMED AIRCRAFT CAME FROM AMBON.
EXCELLENCE OF RECONNAISSANCE & SPEED IN MOUNTING ATTACKS
FURTHER EVIDENCED BY THIS ATTACK.

FROM: BARNES, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 57 2/17

FILED: 0030 2/18

✓ ARMY AND NAVY STORES WILL NOT HEREAFTER BE SUBJECTED TO
QUARRENTINE.

FROM: BRETT, JAVA JOURNAL # 58 2/17

FILED: 1255 2/18

✓ REQUEST FOR SHIPMENT OF TOOL AND SPARE PART KITS FOR
PLANES.

FROM: BARNES, MELBOURNE Journal # 59 2/17

FILED: 2358 2/17

REQUEST FOR ADAPTERS FOR BOMBERS.

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From: Harriott - London

Journal #1, 2/18/42

MARRIOTT
LONDON

Filed: 2/17/42, 7:00 P.M.

BRITISH ATA CIVILIAN FERRY PILOTS AMERICAN CITIZENS
DUTY FINISHED. REQUEST INFORMATION ON PAY, PHYSICAL
STANDARDS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS AMERICAN FERRY COMMAND.
POSITION SO RENT OUT SUBMARINE.

From: Eager - Madrid

Journal #9, 2/18/42

EAGER
MADRID

Filed: 2/17/42, 1930

I.B. #8, 2/18/42

BRIT. AIR MINISTER HAS MADE RECENT STUDY GERMAN AIR
STRENGTH. SEE SECRET PAPERS. THE RECENT FRANCO-
SALAZAR MEETING, IT IS RUMORED, WAS HELD AGAINST WISH
OF SUMER AND THE FORMATION OF A SPANISH-PORTUGUESE
NEUTRALITY FRONT WAS THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

From: Chaney - London

Journal #10, 2/18/42

CHANEY
LONDON

Filed: 2/17/42

WAR OFFICE SUMMARY OF LIBYAN SITUATION 2/15. GROUP
ACTIVITY SLIGHT. 3 GERMAN COLUMNS REPT 2/16 ADVANCED
TOWARD FORWARD BRIT LINE BETWEEN QAZALA AND BIR HAKRID.
BY 11:00 AM 2/16 ALL ENEMY COLUMNS SEEMED WITHDRAWING.

OPINION ENEMY PURPOSE 1. RECONNOITRE IN FORCE TO ESTI-
MATE BRIT STRENGTH AND POSITION. 2. TO DIVERT AIR FORCE
FROM CONVOY REPTED GREEK ISLES - LBYA OR TRIPOLI. IF
(1) UNSUCCESSFUL, AS CONTACT MADE WITH PATROLS ONLY. THE
THREE COLUMNS INCLUDED 108 TANKS (26 ITALIAN).

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FROM: CG IBC VIA GHQ JOURNAL # 52 2/17

FILED: 6:00 p.m. 2/17

SUBMARINE ATTACKED BY U.S. CATALINA AIRCRAFT AT 63° 57'N CG IBC VIA GHQ
23° 46' W. AT 0950 HOUR ICELAND TIME 2/17. SEVERAL BONESTEEL
DESTROYERS OF ROYAL NAVY HAVE BEEN DIRECTED TO THE
POSITION TO HUNT OUT SUBMARINES.

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From: Uhl - Omaha, Neb.

Journal #14, 2/18/42

Filed: 2/17/42, 5:25 P

FACILITIES FOR HOUSING EVACUEES IN WYOMING AND
ARIZONA.

UHL
OMAHA, NEB.

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FROM: PAN AMERICAN IN CAYENNE VIA LETTER FROM OFFICE
CHIEF OF ENGINEERS JOURNAL # 54 2/17
FILED: 2/17

PAN AMERICAN
IN CAYENNE VIA
LETTER FROM
OFFICE CHIEF
ENGINEERS

PAN AMERICAN SUPERINTENDENT IN CHARGE OF CONSTRUCTION OF
AIRFIELD AT CAYENNE, FRENCH, GUIANA, SENT THIS INFORMATION:
" A SHIP LEAVES HERE EVERY NIGHT AND IS BACK IN MORNING.
THAT IT TAKES OUT A MONTHS' SUPPLY OF FOOD AND OIL."

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FROM: STANDISH, AROBA, VIA STATE JOURNAL # 60 2/17
FILED: 2/18

THE TRANSPORT "GIBBINS" WAS FULLY LOADED ON THE 16th, &
ABOUT TO DEPART FROM CURACAO WHEN ENEMY ACTION BEGAN, AND
IT IS NOW TO REMAIN AT AROBA UNTIL ARRIVAL OF ESCORT, WHICH
IS EXPECTED FROM PUERTO RICA ON 2/17.

GEN. ANDREWS ARRIVED AT AROBA ON 16th FOR INSPECTION
VISIT. HE SET UP TEMPORARY COMMAND POST AND DIRECTED ACTION
OF U.S. FORCES. LIGHT BOMBERS HAVE ARRIVED FROM CURACAO
AND 6 HEAVY BOMBERS FROM TRINIDAD. AIRFORCE BELIEVED ONE 4
SUB WAS SUNK EARLY IN AFTERNOON OF 16th OFF VENEZUELA.
SINCE TWO SINKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED OFF COAST OF COLOMBIA
AS WELL, IT IS BELIEVED THAT SUBS ATTACKED THESE WATERS IN
FORCE. ALL VESSELS IN AROBA HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO REMAIN
THERE.

FROM: HQ. 1st ARMY (COL. SMITH) JOURNAL # 64 2/17
FILED: 6:30 P 2/17 XXX CIB

NAVY RADIO STATION WCC, 67 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, INTER-
CEPTED A COMMUNICATION AT 6:30 P.M. AS FOLLOWS: " ENEMY
SUB SIGHTED BETWEEN ORANG STAD AND SAN NICOLAS. SIGNED
COAST GUARD STATION - AROBA."

HQ 1st ARMY
VIA CIB

From: Strong - Bogota JOURNAL #71, 2/17/42
FILED: 2/17/42, 1:17 P I.B. #61, 2/17/42

STRONG
BOGOTA

CUTTING OF BARRANQUILLA WIRE COMMUNICATIONS THOUGHT TO
BE SABOTAGE.

ARMY HAS TAKEN OVER PACIFIC AND ATLANTIC LINES. ARMY
OFFICER HAS TAKEN PLACE OF BUENA VENTURA MAYOR, AND RE-
LIEVED THAT THERE IS TENSE OF BARRANQUILLA'S PRO-NAZI MAYOR.

IN PLANNING TO LEAVE COLOMBIA APPROXIMATELY 500 OF THE
RICHER GERMANS ARE TRYING TO LIQUIDATE THEIR PROPERTY INTO
U.S. MONEY BUT THEIR CHANCES OF SUCCESS NOT THOUGHT GOOD.

ALL GOVERNORS OF PROVINCES ON ATLANTIC HELD A MEETING
AT BARRANQUILLA TO CONSIDER ACTION TO BE TAKEN AGAINST DAN-
GEROUS LOCAL NAZIS.

From: FBI Via CIB JOURNAL #6, 2/18/42
FILED: 2/18/42, 1:37 A

FBI VIA CIB

DRUNKEN JAP IN MEXICO CITY STATED JAPS WERE STORING
SUPPLIES AND MUNITIONS IN COLOMBIA FOR AN ATTACK ON SOUTH
OR CENTRAL AMERICA.

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From: M/A Melbourne MERLE-SMITH Journal #28, 2/18

COMMUNICATIONS WITH BABO, WEST COAST OF NEW GUINEA HAVE
CHANGED; BELIEF IS JAPS HAVE OCCUPIED TOWN.

INCREASE IN NUMBER OF SHIPS AT RABAUH HARBOR REPORTED BY
HUDSON RECONNAISSANCE PLANE. MAY INDICATE FORCE OF ABOUT
1 DIV. MAY BE CONCENTRATING FOR OCCUPATION OF FURTHER
OBJECTIVES. DOUBTFUL THAT FORCE WILL BE USED AGAINST PORT
MORESBY UNTIL FIGHTER PLANES HAVE BEEN BASED AT LAE &
SALAMAU.

LITTLE RECONNAISSANCE & BOMBING IN BISMARCK ARCH. & NEW
GUINEA AREA MAY SUGGEST JAPS CONSERVING GASOLINE. 8 JAP
SQUADRONS MAY BE BASED AT PORT MORESBY.

JAP AIR ACTIVITY: SEVERAL ENEMY PLANES RECONNOITERING AREA
NORTH OF DARWIN & VICINITY PORT MORESBY.

ALLIED AIR ACTIVITY: PBY'S EXTENSIVELY RECONNOITERING
SOUTHERN POSITION OF INDIES. NO ENEMY ACTIVITY REPORTED.

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Journal #32, 2/18

From: CG, ICELAND (GHQ) BOWESTEEL

SUB AT 65° 53' N 23° 21' W WAS ATTACKED BY ROYAL NAVY
DESTROYER THAT DROPPED 3 DEPTH CHARGES & REPORTS SOLID
CONTACT, 23:05 FEB 17.

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From: Tangier BENTLEY

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Journal #18, 2/18

CHARACTERISTICS OF AIRFIELD UNCOMPLETED AT MEDIONUMA.

✓ Filed: 1:45 AM 2/17
From: M/A Cairo FELLERS

IB#38, 2/18
Journal #22, 2/18

ESTIMATE SITUATION IN LIBYA: TANK FORCES OF GENERAL KUMMEL MOVING EASTWARD FOR PAST SEVERAL DAYS. RECONNAISSANCE FORCES OF BRIT HAVE BEEN VERY ACTIVE & SUCCEEDED IN DRAWING OUT GENERAL KUMMEL'S ARMORED FORCES.

BRIT SCREEN PIERCED BY 3 HOSTILE COLUMNS. COLUMN TO SOUTH (26 TANKS) MOVED TO LOCATION ABOUT 42 MILES SE OF MECHILLI. COLUMN ON NORTH (40 TANKS) AT LINE 9 MILES WEST OF GAZALA. CENTRAL COLUMN (40 TANKS) 7 MILES SOUTH OF TENRED. KUMMEL, ACCORDING TO MOST RECENT REPORTS, WAS WITHDRAWING ALONG WHOLE FRONT. IT APPEARS THAT HIS ADVANCE WAS A RECONNAISSANCE IN FORCE FOR PURPOSE OF LOCATING POSITION OCCUPIED BY BRIT. SOME EXCHANGE OF ARTILLERY FIRE IN ABOVE MENTIONED MOVEMENTS.

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From: M/A Lisbon SHIP

Journal #27, 2/18

REGION FROM HUELVA TO CIUDAD RODRIGO DESIGNATED BY
SPANIARDS AS AREA WHICH REQUIRES SAFE CONDUCTS FOR PER-
SONS ENTERING THEREIN.

G-2 Comment: CIUDAD RODRIGO IS IN SPAIN, WEST OF
MADRID & NEAR PORTUGUESE FRONTIER. HUELVA IS IN EXTREME
SOUTHWESTERN PART OF SPAIN NEAR PORTUGAL.

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Journal #21, 2/18

From: Ft. Mills Press Release

CABCAHEN SAVAGELY BOMBED AGAIN TODAY. INTERVENTION OF NEW AIR UNITS OF ENEMY & DENSITY OF ENEMY ARTILLERY INCREASED TEMPO OF FIGHTING.

ALL GROUPS & COMMUNITIES OF ISLANDS HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO MAKE PHILIPPINE ARMY INTO A CITIZEN-SOLDIER ARMY. UNITS ARE LOCALIZED.

THE IGOROTES IS ONE OF THE MOST PICTURESQUE UNITS. THEIR MEN ARE ALL EXCELLENT FIGHTERS. IN RECENT DESPERATE ATTACK IGOROTE SOLDIERS DIED IN FOX HOLES WITHOUT A WHIMPER. OUR HIGH COMMAND ORDERED A TANK ATTACK, SUPPORTED BY INFANTRY, TO RESTORE SITUATION. EAGER TO EVEN THE SCORE OF THEIR EARLIER LOSS, IGOROTE TRIBESMEN USED THEIR LIMITLESS RESOURCEFULNESS TO ENABLE OUR TANKS TO OPERATE IN ALMOST IMPENETRABLE JUNGLE. IGOROTE COMMANDER ORDERED HIS MEN TO MOUNT TANKS & ACT AS GUIDES. WERE EYES OF U.S. TANKS. AFTER BATTLE IGOROTES & TANKS INTACT, ENEMY BOTH REGT. DESTROYED.

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Journal #26, 2/18

From: ABDACOM Java

REPORT OF U.S. AIRCRAFT IN NEI. PALEMBANG BOMBED BY ALLIED FORCES; SMALL BOMBS ON INSTALLATIONS. ALL B-40'S RETURNED SAFELY. WEATHER PREVENTED 5 B-17'S FROM REACHING PALEMBANG.

✓ Filed: 7:20 PM 2/17

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From: Costa Rica ANDINO

Journal #17, 2/18

FEAR OF ORGANIZED 6TH COLUMN. WEALTHY GERMANS CONSTRUCT-
ING UNDERGROUND SHELTER. OFFERS U.S. A PATROL BOAT. RE-
QUEST ARMS, AMMUNITION & \$400,000 LOAN TO PAY ARMY.

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 From: Baker, Chile I.B. #11, 2/17
 DETACHMENT MESSING ARRANGEMENTS POSSIBLE; MOSQUITO
 BARS, WOOLLEN CLOTHING. SINKY STOVES TENTAGE REQUIRED.

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 From: State Dept.
 ARGENTINE CONSUL AT CASABLANCA HAS ORDERED ALL HIS OWN
 PEOPLE (NATIONALS) TO LEAVE.

STATE DEPT.

From: Quarry Heights via GHQ 2/17/42
 Journal #18
 CORRECTED CONSOLIDATED SUMMARY ARUBA.
 BRITISH TANKER PEDERNALES LOADED TORPEDOED 0603 OCT
 BURNED. BRIT TANKER ORANJETAD LOADED TORPEDOED 0606 EX-
 PLODED. AMER TANKER ARKANSAS EMPTY TORPEDOED 0745 DAMAGED.
 ONE UNIDENTIFIED TANKER TORPEDOED AT WILLENSTAD LAGO
 REFINERY & TANK FARM SHELLED - NO DAMAGE.

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Filed: 10:18 PM 2/16 Journal #16, 2/26
 From: CG CDC (GHQ)
 RELIABLE SOURCE TELLS BRIT INTELLIGENCE IN TRINIDAD
 ENEMY SUBS NEAR FRENCH GUIANA COAST REFUELING AT MANA,
 PORT 8 MI. UP RIVER FROM COAST, ON MANA RIVER.

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Journal #55, 2/16 LATIN AMERICA

From: AMCON, Curacao (ONI)

AT ARUBA ACTION CEASED. REFINERY DEFINITELY UNDAMAGED
ARUBA NOW CALM.ALL SHIPPING MOVEMENTS CURACAO & ARUBA NOW SUSPENDED FOR
24 HOURS.1 SHALLOW DRAFT TANKER BEING TOWED INTO PORT HERE BADLY
BUCKLED. 1 CASUALTY ABOARD.DECLASSIFIED
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ATLANTIC 1

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From: CG Iceland, CG FF (GSH) BOMESTEEL
REPORT NEGATIVE FOR FEB. 16. VISIBILITY LOW & OVERCAST
FROM 1000 FT. TO 2500 FT. LIGHT FOG & RAIN. MODERATE
SOUTHERLY WINDS.

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Filed: 12:50 AM 2/17 Journal #37, 2/17
From: CG ETO CG FF (GSH) DEUM
NEWFOUNDLAND 16TH VISIBILITY 3 MILES, & REPORT NEGATIVE
EXCEPT FOR 3 RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS.
NEGATIVE AIR ACTIVITY TO NOON GMT 16TH.
WEATHER GENERALLY CLEAR EXCEPT FOR LIGHT SNOW NEW YORK
& PHILADELPHIA AREA. VISIBILITY 3 MILES TO ZERO. 69
OBSERVATION & 18 RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS.

Read Office Chief of Staff 2/16

Journal #26, 2/27

From: abdacom ABDACOM

1. SITUATION ENEMY TRANSPORTS FEB 15TH PM MAIN PORTION WEST OF LINE SINGKEP-BANGKA COVERING FORCE VICINITY TORDJOEN IS. REPORTS CONFUSED OWING PRESENCE IN BANGKA STRAITS AREA OF CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF OWN SHIPPING EX-SINGAPORE.

2. PARACHUTISTS PALEMBAH AREA FEB 14 NOW ESTIMATED 700 DROPPED IN 3 GROUPS, 100, 300, & 300 ON REFINERY AREA & AIRDROME. MAIN LANDING FROM DAWN FEB 15 FROM MOTOR BOATS & SMALL CRAFT MOVING BY RIVER APPROACHES.

3. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ PRELIMINARY COMMENT: PARACHUTE OPERATION APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN BADLY TIMED OR DEFENSED UNDERESTIMATED? PARACHUTISTS ABOUT 24 HOURS WITHOUT SUPPORT DID NOT GAIN ANY OF THEIR OBJECTIVES & LARGELY MOPPED UP.

Filed: 11:17 AM 2/17

Journal #34, 2/17

From: Java, BRETT, ABDACOM

CONTACT ESTABLISHED WITH ALL ARMY & NAVY ELEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH PLANS FOR RELIEF OF PHILIPPINES & ALL ARE IN CLOSE COOPERATION. HAVE DETAILED UNDERSTANDING OF SAID PLANS. HAZARD INCREASING FOR SERVICE BY SURFACE CRAFT. MOVEMENTS ARE UNDERWAY, AS SMOOTHLY AS CAN BE EXPECTED. CHANGES IN METHODS AND ROUTES ARE MADE WITH COMPLETE CO-OPERATION & UNDERSTANDING OF ALL INTERESTED BRANCHES.

Filed: Feb. 16

IB #19, 2/17

From: Batavia ABDACOM

Journal #38, 2/17

HAVE ADVISED AUSTRALIAN AUTHORITIES THAT, BASED ON INTELLIGENCE ARRIVING HERE THIS DATE, HAVE DIRECTED CONVOY THAT WAS ON ITS WAY TO KOPANG FROM DARWIN TO RETURN TO DARWIN. THE CONVOY CONTAINS A BATTALION OF AMER ARTILLERY & A BATTALION OF AUSTRALIAN TROOPS.

Filed: 0420, 2/17

Journal #40, 2/17

From: Chungking MAGRUDER

MISSIONS USING CHINESE SUPPLIES & BASES CONTEMPLATED SUBJECT TO CHIANG KAI SHEK'S APPROVAL. CONSIDER FEASIBLE USE OF INDIAN BASES UNTIL SUPPLIES AGAIN ACCUMULATE, USING 10 SHIPS FROM BRETON'S COMMAND.

Filed: 10:10 1/17

Journal #41, 2/17

From: Chungking MAGRUDER

REPORT THAT JAPS ARE PRACTICING WITH 4-MAN PLANE THROWERS NO OTHER DETAILS.

AT CHINTUNG, MANCHUKUO, JAPS REPORTED HURRYING COMPLETION OF LARGE UNDERGROUND AERODROME.

DETAILS OF INAUGURATION OF PUPPET PHILIPPINE GOV'T WILL BE FURNISHED IF REQUESTED.

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From: Ft. Mills PRO

Journal #29, 2/17

INDISCISIVE FIGHTING CHARACTERIZED ALL FRONTS.

CONSTANT JAP PROPAGANDA DIRECTED AGAINST OUR TROOPS.
ADAPTATION OF AMERICAN CARTOONS, REFERENCES TO SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR, POLITICAL REFERENCES EMPHASIZING ISOLATION OF PHILIPPINES GEOGRAPHICALLY ARE BEING USED.

FORMAL MILITARY SURRENDER CARDS OR PASSES HAVE PICTURES OF ATTRACTIVE WOMEN ON BACK - SHOWING EXPLOITATION OF SEX BY JAPS. OTHER LEAFLETS IN TAGALOG OPENLY INCITE FILIPINOS TO KILL AMER OFFICERS & COMRADES-IN-ARMS & THEN SURRENDER. CHIVALRY OF ENEMY SEEMS TO HAVE YIELDED TO A MORE SINISTER PSYCHOLOGY.

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From: Bern LEOGE
SITUATION UNCHANGED.

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From: Madrid EAGER
NO CHANGES.

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Filed: 2/16/42, 1715
From: Tellers, Cairo

Journal #15, 2/16

CAIRO

HE SUBMITS A PLAN (a) WITH GREAT BRITAIN ACTING ALONE;
TO HOLD HER PRESENT POSSESSIONS SINCE FORCES DO NOT
PERMIT OTHERWISE. (b) WITH U.S. ASSISTANCE. 1. C-b-a
OCCUPATION OF NORTH AFRICA UNITING WITH BRITISH AND
INVADING EUROPE. 2. SECURING PRESENT OBJECTIVES BY
SUCCESSIVE FULL REINFORCEMENTS OF BRITISH. 3. BRITISH TO
HOLD WESTERN FRONTIER AND BUILD UP AN AMERICAN FORCE IN
SYRIA THEN LAUNCH OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE BALFANE THROUGH
TURKEY TO STRIKE DEEPLY INTO SOUTHERN FLANK OF ENEMY.

OBJECTIONS TO U.S. OCCUPATION OF NORTH AFRICA: SEA
ROUTE TO NORTHWEST AFRICA IS NOT WITHOUT DANGER. LAND
BASED AIRCRAFT WOULD CERTAINLY OPERATE IN FORCE AGAINST
LANDINGS.

OCCUPATION OF THIS AREA IS NOT IN ITSELF DECISIVE.

Journal #15, 2/16 Contd.

THE SAFETY OF TWO-WAY TRAFFIC THROUGH MEDITERRANEAN
IS NOT ASSURED BY OUR HOLDING THE NORTH AFRICAN COAST.

MOVEMENT FROM NORTH AFRICA TO EUROPE WOULD REQUIRE THE
FORCING A SECOND LANDING ON HOSTILE SHORES.

SOUTHERN EUROPEAN COUNTRY IS DIFFICULT GOING NOT
DIRECTLY A DECISIVE OBJECTIVE.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

UNITED STATES # 1

From: DeWitt - Pres. of S. Francisco. Journal #3, 2/17/42

Filed: 2/16/42, 2:27 P

CAMP SEELEY, CALIF. ABLE TO PROVIDE MESS AND SHELTER
FOR 90 MAN DETACHMENT TESTING DESERT OPNS. NEAR SALTON
SEA.

DEWITT
PRES. OF SAN
FRANCISCO

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TO

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FROM: GLENDENNE, CARACAS I.B. # 64 2/16
 FILED: 1:08P 2/16 Journal # 59 2/16

USE OF VENEZUELAN AIRPORT AS BASES OF OPERATION BY U.S. AIR FORCE HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY VENEZUELAN GOVT.

TWO UNIDENTIFIED SHIPS WERE ATTACKED 14 MI NW OF CAPE MCCOLLA, LATITUDE 12°12' N, LONGITUDE 70°27' W, AT 2:00 A.M. SURVIVORS PICKED UP BY VENEZUELAN GUNBOATS AT 7:00 A.M.

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FROM: CG QUARRY HEIGHTS, ONR Lt. Martin
 FILED: 3:58 p.m. 2/16 Journal # 62 2/16

FOLLOWING INFORMATION RECEIVED BY CAP FROM COINTECHROOM SIXTH, RE ARUBA, PARAPHRASE: AT 6 O'CLOCK GCT, A SHORT DISTANCE SOUTH OF OIL INSTALLATION, 2 TANKERS SUNK, APPARENTLY 37 MI TRACERS INEFFECTUALLY FIRED ON REFINERY, AT 7:55 GCT TANKER DESTROYED MILE SOUTH ORANG STADT, TANKER AT 1203 N, 7025 W AND ONE 1201 N 7030 W ALSO REPORTED SUNK. SUBMARINE BOMBED AND REPORTED APPARENTLY SUNK WEST OF WILLEMSTADT, ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROLS BEING OPERATED. ALL AVAILABLE AIRCRAFT, 6 B-16 PLANES DISPATCHED FROM BORINQUEN FIELD TO ARUBA EARLY TODAY. (END MESSAGE)

CG QUARRY
 HEIGHTS
 PHILOON

RECEIVED PANAMA 1800 GCT, SAME SOURCE STATES SHIP BOMBED AT 1500 OCT 1215 N, 69 45 W, OIL AND AIR SHOWING

FROM: CG PONT OF SPAIN BHI Journal # 64 2/16
 FILED: 7:45 p.m. 2/16

FOLLOWING RADIOGRAM RECEIVED FROM CUBACAO: " 4 TANKERS SUNK OR DAMAGED ARUBA 1:30 A.M.; 1 TANKER TORPEDOED CURACAO 4:30 A.M.; SUBMARINE BELIEVED DESTROYED OFF CURACAO 6:45 AM NO DAMAGE TO REFINERIES REPORTED."

From: DeWitt - Pres. San Francisco Journal #2, 2/17/42
 Filed: 2/16/42, 2:15 P

DEWITT
 PRES. SAN
 FRANCISCO

HAVE REQUESTED MEXICAN AUTHORITIES PERMISSION TO HAVE RECONNAISSANCE MADE BY COL. McNAB.

From: Miller - Rio de Janeiro Journal #4, 2/17/42
 Filed: 2/16/42, 6:07 P I.B. #3, 2/17/42

MILLER
 RIO DE JANEIRO

CANDER SENDS THIS: WITH CONCURRENCE OF MIL ATTACHE, AND UNLESS YOU DIRECT DIFFERENTLY, CLAY WILL LEAVE BY FIRST AVAILABLE AIR TRANSPORT AFTER FEB. 20 TO OBTAIN DIRECTIONS ON URGENT QUESTIONS AND DISCUSS THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THIS MISSION, RENDERED ESSENTIAL BY SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AND BY RECENT TALKS WITH PRESIDENT OF JOINT PLANNING BOARD.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

WESTERN EUROPE #1

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 57 2/16
FILED: 7:55 p.m. 2/16

BRIEF MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO EQUIPMENT FOR PROTECTION
AGAINST GAS.

CHANEY,
LONDON

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON Journal # 60 2/16
FILED: 7:55 p.m. 2/16

MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO GOLD STORAGE FACILITIES IN
ENGLAND AND N. IRELAND AND SHIPMENT OF BEEF FROM THIS
COUNTRY.

CHANEY
LONDON

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON Journal # 61 2/16
FILED: 7:55 p.m. 2/16

CLARIFICATION REQUESTED ON MANNER OF SETTING FORTH
PROCUREMENT AUTHORITIES.

CHANEY
LONDON

FROM: LEGGE, BERN
FILED: 1855 2/16
NOTHING TO REPORT.

I.B.# 71 2/16
Journal # 68 2/16

From: Chaney - London Journal #1, 2/17/42
Filed: 2/16/42, 9:30 P

CABLES SECURITIES RECOMMENDATIONS. SECURITIES CON-
SIDERED ADEQUATE IF AN OFFICER IS PRESENT AT EACH TERMINI-
NAL, TO SECURE ALL COPIES MADE.

CHANEY
LONDON

4:00 p.m.

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FROM: MAXWELL, CAIRO (FOR ARNOLD MAIDEN)

FILED: 1120 2/16

Journal # 54 2/16

MAXWELL
CAIRO

COMMUNICATIONS ARE NOW DIFFICULT AND SLOW. SITUATION
MUST BE REGRDED IF W. AFRICA TO INDIA PROJECT IS TO BE
SUCCESSFUL.

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FROM:

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO

I.B.# 31 2/16

FILED: 9:50 p.m. 2/16

Journal # 66 2.16

Fellers, Cairo

SUBSTANTIATING EVIDENCE OF AN AXIS ATTACK IN MIDDLE EAST
IS FURNISHED BY FOLLOWING: INCREASED SHIPPING TO TRIPOLI;
THE RESOLUTE DEFENSE OF LIBYA; THE REPLACEMENT OF AIRCRAFT
LOSSES IN LIBYA AMOUNTING TO OVER 500 PLANES; THE ARRIVAL
OF REINFORCEMENTS FOR GEN BOMMEL IN LIBYA; THE CONTINUOUS
AERIAL BOMBARDMENT OF MALTA; THE RETENTION OF A LARGE
AMOUNT OF AIRCRAFT IN EASTERN MEDITERRANESSE DESPITE REVERSES ON
EASTERN FRONT IN RUSS; LANDING EXERCISES PRACTICED IN
AEGEAN AREAS; THE CONCENTRATION OF AIR FORCES IN PELOPONNESE;
THE CONSTRUCTION OF LANDING BARGES IN GREECE & PLANS FOR AN
INCREASED EASTERN MEDIT AIR FORCE WHICH ALREADY NUMBERS
OVER 900 PLANES.

THE EXTENT OF ANY AXIS OPERATIONS IN MEDIT WILL BE DE-
PENDENT UPON AMOUNT OF TROOPS HITLER FEELS CAN BE SPARED

I.B.# 31 Journal # 66 2/16 (continued)

FROM THE GERM OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE RUSS ARMY. HOWEVER,
THE CONQUEST OF IRAQ & IRAN OFFERS FOLLOWING RICH REWARDS:
THE SEVERANCE OF LINE OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN CASPIAN SEA
& PERSIAN GULF; THE RICH OIL FIELDS OF IRAN & IRAQ; & AN
AXIS CONTROLLED RED SEA.

THE ENTRANCE OF U.S. INTO ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE
WAR & THE FAILURE OF GERM ARMY TO DECISIVELY DEFEAT THE
RUSS FORCES MUST BRING TO HITLER REALIZATION THAT HE WILL
EVENTUALLY LOSE THE WAR. THIS IS LIKELY TO PRODUCE A
DECISION TO ASK FOR PEACE TERMS AT FULL TIDE OF CONQUEST
WHEN HE WILL HOLD THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF CONQUERED TERRITORY
& HIS ARMED FORCES STILL REMAIN INTACT. THIS DECISION
MAY CAUSE HIM TO DECIDE UPON HOLDING ORIEL-LENINGRAD LINE
WITH A RELATIVELY LIGHT FORCE SIMULTANEOUSLY STRIKING
HEAVILY FROM UKRAINE WITH ROSTOV, STALINGRAD, & FINALLY

I.B.# 31 Journal # 66 2/16 (continued)

THE CAUCASUS AS OBJECTIVES. TO STRENGTHEN HIS HAND AT THE
PEACE TABLE HE MAY STAGE AN INVASION OF EGYPT, ATTACK IRAQ
& IRAN & THUS THREATEN CAUCASIA WITH A SOUTHERN ENVELOPMENT.

JUNE 1st IS EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE FOR GERM DRIVE AGAINST
THE RUSS ARMY. WHILE THE OPERATIONS IN MEDITERRANEA CAN
BE ARRANGED TO BEGIN BY APRIL 1st. THUS IT WOULD BE POS-
SIBLE TO USE THE SAME AIR SUPPORT FOR BOTH OFFENSIVES.

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TO

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON JOURNAL # 67 2/16

4:00 p.m.

FILED: 9:50 p.m. 2/16

CHANEY, LONDON

2/17

MESSAGE DIVING FIGURES ON STORAGE FACILITIES IN MIDDLE
EAST FOR GASOLINE (EXCLUSIVE OF 100-OCTANE)

FROM: MARRIOTT, LONDON I.B. # 51 2/16
 FILED: 2:30 p 2/16 Journal # 54 2/16
 W.O. BELIEVES A SMALL NUMBER OF MEN AT MOST WERE EVACUATED FROM SINGAPORE.

BRIT COMMANDER IN MALAYA GIVES FOLLOWING AS REASONS FOR SURRENDER OF SINGAPORE; EXHAUSTION OF MOTOR FUEL, RATIONS & WATER & LOSSES SUFFERED.

DUTCH ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE DESTROYED PALEMBANG REFINERY. TOWN & AIRPORT WERE TAKEN ON 2/15 BY FORCES BROUGHT BY WATER IN FOLLOW-UP OF PARATROOPS ATTACK BY BOO WHICH WAS LARGELY INEFFECTIVE. THE ATTACK BY WATER BEGAN AT DAWN OF 2/15 ALONG RIVER APPROACHES WITH MOTOR BOATS & OTHER SMALL CRAFT BEING USED.

JAPS NOW HOLD AMAMBAS ISLANDS.

JAPS HAVE ABOUT 300 ELEPHANTS ON HAND APPROX 35 MI NORTH OF PAAN ON RIVER & ARE EMPLOYING OX CARTS IN S. BURMA.

IN BURMA A LARGE FORCE IN MOVEMENT TO MONFANG FROM CHING-

I.B. # 51 Journal # 55 continued 2/16

MAI COMPOSED MOSTLY OF SIAMESE. ONLY A SMALL NUMBER OF JAPS PRESENTLY AT PAAN. BRIT PATROLS HAVE CONTACTED ENEMY NEAR DUYINLIK.

JAP TROOPS DISPOSITIONS ACCORDING TO W.O.; NORTH & CENTRAL

CHINA	12 DIVS
SE ASIA	29 "
KOREA, MANCHURIA,	
SAKHALIN	22 "
JAPAN	9 "

FROM: PRO, FT. MILLS Journal # 55 2/16
 FILED: REC'D I.B. 2:48 P 2/16

PRESS RELEASE FOR FEB 16: INTERMITTENT FIGHTING FLARED ALONG THE FRONT.

AFTER A SHOWER OF POORLY PRINTED PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS IN TAGALOG, SPANISH & ENG EXHORTING THE FILIPINOS TO JOIN IN THE GREATER ASIA COPROSPERITY SPHERE, THE JAPS HAVE SHIFTED TO MORE EFFECTIVE DROP MESSAGES IN FORM OF INCENDIARY BOMBS THAT STRUCK WITHOUT WARNING, THE DEFENSELESS VILLAGE OF CASCAREN AND A NEARBY REFUGEE CAMP, KILLING EIGHTEEN WOMEN AND FIVE CHILDREN AND WOUNDING THIRTEEN WOMEN & NINE CHILDREN.

PRESS RELEASE
 PRO, FT. MILLS

FROM: ONI VIA A-2 JAP DESK RADIO INTELL.
 FILED: REC'D I.B. 3:48P 2/16 Journal # 56 2/16

JAP AIR INTELLIGENCE OVER SPATE ISLAND EMPHASIZES HER PREPARATION FOR MOVE INTO NEW HEBRIDES GROUP. HOWEVER, MAIN INTEREST IS IN WEST. IT IS NOT THOUGHT THAT JAPS HAVE SUFFICIENT FORCES TO ENGAGE IN LARGE SCALE OPERATIONS IN EAST SIMULTANEOUSLY. FURTHERMORE, IT IS BELIEVED THAT OTHER OCCUPATIONS MAY BE MADE IN SOLOMONS BEFORE ATTACKING NEW HEBRIDES.

CONI VIA A-2
 JAP DESK RADIO
 INTELLIGENCE

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FROM: BARNES, MELBOURNE JOURNAL # 65 2/16
 FILED: 2041 2/16
 REQUEST FOR MAILING LIST MATERIAL FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS
 PERSONNEL.

BARNES,
 MELBOURNE

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FROM: MERRILL, RANGOON I.B. # 63 2/16
 FILED: 1625 2/16 Journal # 66 2/16

MERRILL
 RANGOON

JAP AVIATION GAS SHOWN TO BE MOTOR GAS HEAVILY LEADED
 SO THAT IT APPROXIMATES 86 OCTANE.

BOMBING AND ATTACK MISSIONS IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH
 GROUND FORCES IS THE ALLIED AIR EFFORT, AND THE JAPS DOING
 SAME.

ENEMY FIGHTERS AT LAMPANG AND FIGHTERS & BOMBERS AT
 CHINGMAI; THEN AIR UNITS RETURNING TO THE FIELDS IN NORTH
 THAILAND. CONTINUATION OF JAP REINFORCEMENTS MAKE
 SITUATION CRITICAL.

ALLIED TROOPS HAVE RETREATED TO LINE OF SILIN RIVER, &
 AN ESTIMATED ENEMY FORCE OF ONE INFANTRY DIV. HAS OCCUPIED
 THATON.

FROM: M/O BANDOENG THORPE I.B. # 40 2/16
 FILED: REC'D I.B. 2:08 p.m. 2/16 Journal # 65 2/16
 IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT OIL FIELDS AT TARAKAN HAVE
 BEEN RESTORED & PUT TO USE BY JAPS.*
 THE RESULTS ARE UNCERTAIN FROM BOMBING OF JAP VESSELS N.
 OF BANKA ISLAND ON 15th.

M/O BANDOENG
 THORPE

THERE HAVE BEEN NO COMMUNICATIONS FROM SUMATRA TODAY.
 UP TO NOW THERE HAVE BEEN NO LANDINGS MADE BY JAPS ON
 DUTCH NEW GUINEA.

THE PRESENT JAP LINE RUNS GENERALLY PALEMBANG-BANDJERBAS-
 IN MAKASSAR-AMBON.

G-2 COMMENT: THE ISLAND OF TARAKAN (CLOSE TO COAST
 OF N.E. DUTCH BORNEO) WAS TAKEN BY JAPS JAN. 13. WAS OF-
 FICIALLY REPORTED AT TIME THAT OIL WELLS HAD BEEN MINED &
 THE INSTALLATIONS DESTROYED ACCORDING TO PREARRANGED PLANS
 PRIOR TO JAP OCCUPATION. MUCH DEPENDS UPON TYPE AND DEGREE OF
 DESTRUCTION CARRIED OUT, BUT IN OVER MONTH JAPS COULD
 HAVE REASONABLY GOT A NUMBER OF WELLS IN PRODUCTION &
 I.B. # 40 JOURNAL # 65 2/16 continued

MACHINERY IN OPERATION. THE DAILY AVERAGE PRODUCTION HAD
 BEEN ABOUT 15,000 BBL. THE KNOWN SUB-SOIL RESERVES ARE
 OVER 30,000,000 BBL. CRUDE OIL HERE IS OF SUCH GRADE THAT
 CAN BE PUMPED DIRECTLY INTO SHIPS AND USED FOR DIESEL
 ENGINES WITHOUT PROCESSING.

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PACIFIC

From: Macruder - Chungking Journal #6, 2/17/42
Filed: 2/15/42, 2200

MACRUDER
CHUNGKING

ESSENTIAL TO SEND 5 DC-3 PLANES IMMEDIATELY TO SAVE VITAL AIR COMMUNICATIONS, PRESERVE PRICELESS NAVIGATIONAL EXPERIENCE, MAINTAIN PRESENT EXPERT PERSONNEL FOR AIR LINE WITHIN CHINA AND BURMA. ONLY 2 PLANES LEFT. I WILL HELP OVER EMERGENCY WITH PROMISED C-31 PLANES BUT AS A MILITARY MEASURE A MAJOR EFFORT TO GET THE PLANES ABOVE REQUESTED MOVING OUT HERE IS IMPERATIVE. RADIO SITUATION MUST BE HELPED. (REFERS TO NUMBERS OF PREVIOUS MESSAGES.)

From: MacArthur - Fort Mills Journal #7, 2/17/42
Filed: 2/17/42, 0148

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

IN ADDITION TO INCREASED AIR ACTIVITIES, HEAVY BOMBERS ARE REAPPEARING AND ENEMY ARTILLERY IS BEING BUILT UP ALL ALONG THE FRONT. GROWING INTENSITY OF ARTILLERY FIRE ON THE HARBOR DEFENSES WITH INCREASING CASUALTIES AND DAMAGE FROM CAVE EMPLACEMENTS. ENEMY HAS BLOWN OUT COLUMBON DAM WHICH SUPPLIED FT. FRANK WITH FRESH WATER AND I AM NOW SENDING WATER BARGES. THE LACK OF AIR OBSERVATION PREVENTS ESTIMATING ENEMY INTENTIONS AND DETERMINING REINFORCEMENTS FROM SEA. THIS WILL PREVENT ANTICIPATING HIS THROUSTS AND SHIFTING OUR FORCES TO MEET ATTACKS WHICH HAS PROVEN BASIS FOR PAST SUCCESSES. LITTLE ACTIVITY REPORTED ELSEWHERE.

From: Emons - Ft. Shafter Journal #9, 2/17/42
Filed: 2/16/42, 2:19 P

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

CINCPAC ADVISES THAT TASK FORCE BROADENS ITS COMBAT OPERATIONS AGAINST ENEMY, FROM AUSTRALIA. GROUND ECHELON OF AIR SERVICE MOVES FROM NANTI TO TOWNSVILLE DEPRIVING ME OF 100 EXPERIENCED CREW CHIEFS AND TECHNICIANS. HAWAIIAN AIRFORCE LACKS 4000. REPLACEMENTS URGENTLY NEEDED FOR DEFENDING OAHU, SUPPLYING TASK FORCES AND MANY OTHER EXTENSIVE FUNCTIONS CONNECTED WITH FERRYING THROUGH THIS AREA. EXPERIENCED REPLACEMENTS ARE NEEDED BUT IF UNAVAILABLE WE WILL TRAIN HERE.

From: MacArthur - Ft. Mills Journal #8, 2/17/42
Filed: 2/17/42, 0200

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

AM SENDING TO AUSTRALIA BY BLOCKADE RUNNER 130 TONS PIG IRON DISCOVERED UNLOADED AT CEBU FROM FREIGHTER ADMIRAL WILLIAMS. OWNER UNKNOWN BUT ASSIGNED TO U.S.

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SUMMARY OF COMMUNICATION
TELEPHONE, ORAL, RADIO OR CABLE
(Strike out all but one)

I. B. Journal

NO. 27

Source Aruba Date of message 2/16/42
Sent to Com. Field Forces Time of message 6:58 A.
Received from OMQ Date received 2/16/42
Time received 7:55 A.

~~At least 2500 tons destroyed off ARUBA 600 OCT 16th. Apparent sub
action. Details to follow.~~

~~AMERICAN~~

Action taken:

Signature of I. B. Recorder

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FROM: MARRIOTT, LONDON I.B. # 25 2/15
FILED: 3:25 p.m. 2/15 Journal # 29 2/15
THE WAR OFFICE REPORTS THAT AS OF THE MORNING OF FEB. 13, POSITION AND COMPOSITION OF BRITISH AND AXIS TROOPS WAS UNCHANGED IN N. AFRICA. AXIS ATTACK IS STILL EXPECTED BY THE WAR OFFICE, WHICH IT THINKS MIGHT HAVE BEGUN TODAY. THE ARIETE DIV. IS A MECHANIZED DIV., NOT MOTORIZED, AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

MARRIOTT,
LONDON.

FROM: MAXWELL, CAIRO JOURNAL 33 2/15
FILED: 12:11 p.m. 2/15
MANY MESSAGES DELAYED AND GARBLED DUE TO BLOCK IN COMMUNICATION SYSTEM. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT HIGH PRIORITY MESSAGES BE MARKED TO CLEAR BLOCK.

MAXWELL
CAIRO

FROM: BENTLEY, TANGIER Journal # 42 2/15
FILED: 1800 2/15 I.B. # 32 2/15
NOTHING TO REPORT.

BENTLEY,
TANGIER

FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO I.B.30 2/15
FILED: 0054 2/15 Journal # 40 2/15
NAVAL BASES AND SUEZ THE FIRST OBJECTIVES, AND IRAQ & IRAN THE SECOND OBJECTIVES OF ATTACK FROM LIBYA. THAT AXIS FORCES IN LIBYA CAN BE SUPPLIED BY WATER ROUTE IS NOW PROVED. ROMMEL NOW HAS 2 PANZER & ARIETE DIVS BUT NEEDS TANK REPLACEMENTS & A FRESH ITAL ARMORED DIV & 3 ITAL, & 3 GERMAN MOTORIZED INFANTRY DIVS. SUCH REINFORCEMENTS COMBINED WITH GERM AIR FORCE NOW IN MEDIT AREA WILL ENABLE ROMMEL TO TAKE EGYPT. THIS PLAN OFFERS HITLER MOST GAINS WITH LEAST EXPENDITURE AS COMPARED TO OTHER PLANS.

AN ALTERNATIVE PLAN IS OVERSEA EXPEDITIONS TO PALESTINE OR SYRIA, AND FROM THERE TO IRAQ AND IRAN. CONCENTRATION OF GERM AIR FORCE NOW IN GREECE ON BRIT FLEET WOULD JUSTIFY ATTEMPT BY ITALIAN FLEET TO CONVOY TROOPS TO PALESTINE OR SYRIA FROM AEGEAN. THE RAF IS ONLY ARM THAT COULD OFFER RESISTANCE WITH BRIT FLEET OUT, & BULK OF BRIT TROOPS IN

ILB. # 30 Journal # 40 continued

WESTERN DESERT. ITALIAN TROOPS COULD LARGELY PERFORM THE OPERATIONS AND MUST BE CONSIDERED A POSSIBILITY. BOTH OF THESE PLANS MIGHT BE ATTEMPTED SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH BUT LITTLE ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE OF GERMAN MEANS WITH A BETTER THAN FAIR CHANCE OF SUCCESS.

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FROM: FELLERS, CAIRO I.B. # 31 2/15
FILED: 0100 2/15 Journal # 46 2/15ESTIMATE OF SITUATION IN MIDDLE EAST:1. AXIS INVASION OF TURKEY.

a. TO OPEN SEA ROUTE INTO CAUCASIA & CONTROL THE DARDANELLES & BOSPORUS BY ATTACK THROUGH BLACK SEA ON CAUCASIA WOULD REQUIRE THREE OPERATIONS (1) LAND ON WIZDI SIDES OF DARDANELLES & BOSPORUS TO BE CONTROLLED (2) NAVAL SUPERIORITY TO BE ATTAINED (3) LANDING IN CAUCASIA. THE FIRST OBJECTIVE WOULD RESULT IN WAR WITH TURKEY & WOULD RESULT IN A HEAVY DRAIN ON GERMAN TROOPS. SECOND OBJECTIVE WOULD REQUIRE ENTIRE ITALIAN FLEET TO DEFEAT SOVIET BLACK SEA FLEET & THE THIRD OBJECTIVE WOULD HAVE TO BE ATTAINED AGAINST A WELL EQUIPPED RUSS ARMY WITH AMPLE AIR SUPPORT. CONTROL OF CHIMEA ESSENTIAL BEFORE AXIS UNDERTAKES BLACK SEA OPERATIONS & SUCH AN EXPEDITION WOULD BE VERY COSTLY TO AXIS.

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THEREFORE POSSIBLE BUT IMPROBABLE.

b. INVASION OF SYRIA, MESOPOTANIA, IRAQ BY CROSSING TURKEY. THIS WOULD NECESSITATE AXIS TAKING THE PASS THRU TAURUS MOUNTAINS & THIS EASY FOR BRIT & TURKS TO HOLD. AGAIN POSSIBLE, BUT IMPROBABLE.

c. INVASION SYRIA, MESOPOTANIA, EGYPT. SAME DIFFICULTIES MAKE THIS IMPROBABLE THROUGH POSSIBLE.

2. ATTACK ON MALTA

CAPTURE IS UNNECESSARY BECAUSE 89% OF AXIS SHIPPING TO TRIPOLI FROM ITALY HAS ARRIVED SAFELY SINCE JANUARY.

3. ATTACK ON GIBRALTAR

AS AXIS HAS ALREADY CLOSED THE MEDIT TO EAST, WEST NAUTIC TRAFFIC, SUCH AN OPERATION WOULD BE INDECISIVE. & IS UNLIKELY UNLESS U.S. GOES INTO SPAIN OR N. AFRICA.

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4. INVASION OF ENGLAND

WHILE HITLER STATED THAT HIS ATTACK ON RUSS WAS FOR PURPOSE OF ENABLING HIM TO ATTACK ENGLAND, HE CANNOT GET A DECISION ON RUSS FRONT IN 1942 & GERMANS CANNOT RELY ON AIR SUPERIORITY OVER ENGLAND. THE FAILURE OF ANY GERM ATTACK ON ENG WOULD MEAN THAT WAR WAS OVER TO GERM PEOPLE, THEREFORE ATTACK ON ENGLAND IS ~~INTERMEDIATELY~~ IMPROBABLE.

5. SPRING OFFENSIVE AGAINST RUSS.

SUCH AN OFFENSIVE IS A CERTAINTY BECAUSE HITLER HAS PROMISED THE GERM PEOPLE THAT WINTER DEFEATS WILL BE REVERSED.

*NOTE: FOR PART III(2) THIS MESSAGE SEE JOURNAL 40

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TO

Vichy PM.

10:00 AM

2/16/42

Dated: 2/15/42 10:00 AM

Journal #49, 2/15/42

From: Algiers-Cole Via State

COLE
ALGIERS
VIA STATE

THE FOLLOWING SHIPS HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN ORAN HARBOR AS OF FEB. 6: THE SUBS DANAE, DIANE, ARIANE AND ARROCHAUTE; THE DESTROYER FRODEUR (T-22); THE ARMED TRAWLER VICTORIA; THE CHAMOIS CLASS AVISO (A-73); THE AVISO ESTAFETTE (M-43) AND ENGAGEANTE (M-41); THE SMALL NAVY TANKERS LADROME AND BERLNE.

THE BATTLESHIP DUNKERQUE WAS REPORTED AS BEING AT MERS-EL-KEBIR.

THE FOLLOWING MERCHANT SHIPS WERE REPORTED AT ORAN: THE STEAMERS BRESCOU, SAINTE MONIQUE, ANJOU, MONT SAINT CLAIR, REMOIR AND CONTROCIRO; THE TANKER FRIMAIRE AND THE TANKER BACCHUS. THE DJSSEL NADOR DEPARTED FEB. 6 FOR FRANCE.

(Journal #49, 2/15/42, Cont'd)

DURING THE LAST WEEK IN JANUARY FIRE WAS REPORTED ON THE DUNKERQUE IN WHICH THE ELECTRIC SYSTEM OF THE BATTLESHIP WAS EXTENSIVELY DAMAGED. THE DUNKERQUE AT THAT TIME WAS UNDER ORDERS TO BE PREPARED TO DEPART AT ANY TIME. THE FIRE WAS REPORTED BY AN EXCELLENT SOURCE. HOWEVER IT HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED AND A REPORT MAY HAVE BEEN ORIGINATED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONCEALING PREPARATIONS FOR DEPARTURE.

IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT THE SUBS ARROCHAUTE AND DIANE HAVE RECENTLY BEEN SUPPLIED WITH TORPEDOES AND COMPLETE WAR EQUIPMENT. THE ARIANE AND DANAE ARE SEAWORTHY BUT IT IS REPORTED THAT THEIR BATTERIES ARE NOT IN GOOD CONDITION AND THAT THE UNDERWATER RANGE OF THESE SHIPS IS ONLY 20 KILOS.

IT HAS BEEN RELIABLY REPORTED THAT ABOUT A MONTH AGO ALL RADIO SETS ON ALL WARSHIPS WERE PLACED IN WORKING ORDER.

COLE

Dated: 2/15/42, 6:00 PM

Journal #48, 2/15/42

From: Leahy - Vichy Via State

LEAHY
VICHY VIA ST.

IN THE OPINION OF A MOST RELIABLE SOURCE LARGE SCALE OPERATIONS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AREA MAY BE EXPECTED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THIS OPINION IS BASED UPON REPORTS OF CONCENTRATIONS IN SICILY OF GERMAN AND ITALIAN ARMORED UNITS AND ALSO THE FACT THAT NUMEROUS TROOPS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM ITALY TO CRETE, GREECE AND RHODES.

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGE

PACIFIC # 1

FROM: ARNOLD, MELBOURNE
FILED: 7:46 P 2/14

Journal # 25, 2/15

52nd SIGNAL BATTALION ARRIVAL; NO PERSONNEL AT ARMY
SIGNAL SERVICE DIVERTED FROM PHILIPPINES; EQUIPMENT FOR
RADIO DETACHMENT NOT RECEIVED; REQUEST REMAINING SHIPMENTS
BE EXPEDITED.

ARNOLD,
MELBOURNE

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FROM: G-2 WDC, GHQ Lt. Todd
FILED: 1247 p.m. 2/15 STROH

Journal # 26 2/15

POSSIBLE PRESENCE OF HOSTILE VESSEL IN VICINITY 42°N,
165°W, REPORTED BY INTERCEPTION AT 2:20 A.M., P.W.T ON
2/15/42 WITH OVER 100 BEARINGS TAKEN BY 4 STATIONS.

ALASKA REPORTS RADIO FIX ON FREQUENCY 8348 KILOCYCLES AT
1535 G.C.T. ON 2/14, LOCATION 46°N, 132°W — CREDIBILITY
EXCELLENT ON BOTH REPORTS.

G-2 WDC GHQ
Lt. Todd Stroh

FROM: BRETT, JAVA
FILED: 1610 2/15

JOURNAL # 27 2/15

REPORT ON STATUS OF PLANES.

ACUTE SITUATION HAS ARISEN. THERE ARE INDICATIONS OF
STRONG ATTEMPT BY JAPS TO TAKE SOUTHERN SUMATRA, WHICH IF
SUCCESSFUL, WOULD BE A SERIOUS MENACE TO JAVA.

ALSO IN NEAR FUTURE THE THRUSTS FROM KENDARI & MAKASSAR
MUST BE MET. ALL ELEMENTS OF AIR FORCES ARE BEING USED
TO THE MAXIMUM. IMMEDIATE AID WOULD BE HIGHLY APPRECIATED.

BRETT, JAVA

FROM: MARIOTT, LONDON I.B. # 27 2/15
FILED: 3:25P 2/15 Journal # 31 2/15

WAVELL SENT FOLLOWING: ON FEB. 14, 60 to 80 JAP PLANES
LET GO 400 TO 800 PARATROOPS AS THEY FLEW OVER PALEMBANG
REFINERY & AIRPORT. SOME OF MEN DROPPED STILL AROUND
THESE TWO OBJECTIVES. BRITISH INSIGNIA USED ON SOME OF
PLANES.

ON 2/15, JAPS IT IS THOUGHT CONVOY FROM ANAMBAS, SEEN ON
EVENING OF 14th OFF BANGKA, WILL TRY TO FORCE WAY TO
PALEMBANG BY RIVER APPROACHES OR POSSIBLY ATTACK DJAMBI.
THOUGHT THAT WAINGAPU (SUMBA) OR HIMA (SUMBAWA) ~~W~~ *were possible objectives*
~~WAINGAPU~~ *WAINGAPU* OF 7 TROOPSHIPS WITH ESCORT OF WARSHIPS
SEEN AT ANCHOR IN VICINITY OF KENDARI ON 2/14.

W. OFFICE BELIEVES IT PROBABLE JAPS ARE REINFORCING
THEIR SINGLE DIV IN BURMA WITH A DIV FROM THAILAND WHICH
IN TURN WILL BE REPLACED BY ONE FROM INDO CHINA.

4:00 p.m.

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FROM: HARRIOTT I.B. # 27 Journal # 31 2/15 continued

ON 2/13, JAP FORCE, ESTAMATED AT 2 BMS MOVED NW FROM PAAN & 10 MI NE OF THATON AT DULINEIE, ATTACKED A BRIT BN. NO OTHER MOVEMENT FROM S. ON THATON.

RESULTS OF AIR ATTACK ON APPROXIMATELY 20 JAP BOATS CROSSING SALWEEN NEAR MOULMEIN NOT KNOWN.

JAPS FAILED TO CARRY CAUSEWAY AT SINGAPORE ON NIGHT OF 2/13 & BRIT STILL HELD RESERVOIRS ACCORDING TO MOST RECENT NEWS RECEIVED AT W.O. WHICH GOT IT BY RADIO BROADCAST ON 2/14 AT 1800 GMT.

FROM: BUCKNER, FT. RICHARDSON, ALASKA
FILED: 2135 2/14(?)

Journal # 36 2/15

REPORT OF LOCATION OF AIRCRAFT.

BUCKNER
FT. RICHARDSON
ALASKA

FROM: MERLE-SMITH, MELBOURNE I.B. # 29 2/15
FILED: 2030 2/15 Journal # 39 2/15

JAPS MADE RECONNAISSANCE KOPANG WITH ONE TYPE O FIGHTER ON THE 14th.

THE U.S.S. PERRY WAS ATTACKED ON THE 14th, 65 MI NW DARWIN BY ONE TYPE 97 FLYING BOAT, BUT BOMBS MISSED.

SEARCH 100 MI WIDE TO 180 MILES SOUTH OF BASE MORESBY ON 14th BY ONE HUDSON NEGATIVE.

RECONNAISSANCE ROTI ISLAND, SOUTH KOPANG ON 13th. ONE HUDSON FROM KOPANG CRASHED ON 14th.

ONE AIRCRAFT CARRIER AND THREE CRUISERS, TWO DESTROYERS & ELEVEN TRANSPORTS REVEALED BY RECONNAISSANCE RABAU.

MERLE-SMITH
MELBOURNE

FROM: G-2 WDC GHQ COL. CARTER (STROH)

FILED: 2255 OCT 2/15

JOURNAL # 32 2/15

RECEIVED SOS FROM S S TAFT 2255 OCT "USAT TAFT TORPEDGED BY SUB, SINKING FAST 104 -66/ 702 - 1."

**NOTE - THE FIGURES AT END OF THIS MESSAGE ARE BELIEVED BY GHQ AND ONI TO HAVE REFERENCE TO CODED MAP GRID - THE KEY TO WHICH IS NOT KNOWN. CAPT. MEYER, G-4, WATER TRANSPORT, INFORMED CAPT., HARRIS OF GIB, THAT THIS SHIP WAS NOW CALLED THE "WILLARD A HOLMBROOK" THAT IS SAILED FROM MELBOURNE ON FEB. 12 FOR FREMANTLE, AUSTR & THAT AS OF MORNING OF 2/15, G-4 ESTIMATED ITS POSITION AT 126.0E - 34.0 S.

G-2 WDC
GHQ STROH

4:00 p.m.
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FROM: EMMONS, FT. SHAFTER JOURNAL # 44 /215
 FILED: 9:40 P 2/15
 MESSAGE CONCERNING CENSURSHIP INSPECTION OF CLIPPER AND
 SHIP PASSENGERS.

Filed: 2/15/42, 9:43 P Journal #47, 2/15/42
 From: MacArthur - Port Mills
 REQUESTS ACTION ON HIS MESSAGE #205.

MACARTHUR
 FT. MILLS

Filed: 2/15/42, 9:00 P Journal #43, 2/15/42
 From: Thorpe - Bandoeng I.B. #17, 2/15/42

THORPE
 BANDOENG

JAP TROOPS NOW IN SUMATRA ARE ESTIMATED TO BE AT LEAST
 ONE DIVISION.

FROM A CONVOY OF APPROXIMATELY 40 VESSELS JAP FORCES
 SEIZED PALEMBANG WITH THE AIRDROME UNHARMED. BY TAKING
 PALEMBANG THE ENEMY HAVE, WITH THE FORCES AT THEIR COMMAND,
 NOW A STRONG SUPERIORITY IN SUMATRA.

THORPE

0-2 COMMENT:

THE PALEMBANG AIR FIELD IS FIRST CLASS, 260 AIR MILES
 TO BATAVIA, 675 MILES TO SURABAYA. ENEMY OCCUPATION
 OF PALEMBANG, BANDJERBASIN AND MACASSAR WILL ENABLE HIM TO
 DRIVE FROM 3 DIRECTIONS. STRENGTH OF OUR FORCES ON SUMA-
 TRA NOT KNOWN, BUT IN ANY CASE THE UNITED NATIONS' FORCES
 ARE NO MATCH FOR THOSE JAPS TROOPS ALREADY LANDED.

Filed: 2/15/42, 9:26 P Journal #50, 2/15/42
 From: Emmons - Fort Shafter

EMMONS
 FT. SHAFTER

AGROUND AT HOLLY*THE USAT TAYLOR. UNLOADING IS DELAYED
 BECAUSE OF LACK OF FACILITIES, HIGH WINDS, HEAVY RAINFALL.
 TWO TANKS FOR FUEL OIL BROKEN IN. ABOUT FEB. 18 THE U.S.
 COAST GUARD CUTTER TARAY WILL ARRIVE AT HOLLY AND I AM
 SENDING A NAVY SALVAGE VESSEL FROM HERE. THE TAYLOR'S
 NAVAL ESCORT REMAINS WITH HER. FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE
 REPORTED.

Filed: 2/15/42, 2:06 P Journal #1, 2/16/42
 From: Emmons - Fort Shafter

EMMONS
 FT. SHAFTER

SUMMARY OF JAP ACTIVITIES MIDNIGHT 6 FEB - MIDNIGHT
 14 FEB. ACTIVITY ON CANAL ZONE. CONTINUING SUB ACTIVI-
 TY. POSITIVE RESULTS FROM CONTACTS LACKING. CONCLU-
 SIONS AS IN PREVIOUS REPORT.

*NOTE: HOLLY IS THE CODE DESIGNATION FOR ONE OF A CHAIN
 OF ISLAND AIR BASES.

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Filed: 2/16/42, 01 P Journal #2, 2/16/42
From: MacArthur - Fort Mills
INFANTRY FIGHTING FLARING SPORADICALLY. VERY HEAVY
ARTILLERY FIRE. JAP AIR ACTIVE. IN THE SOUTH NO CHANGE.

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

Filed: 2/16/42, 12:55 P Journal #4, 2/16/42
From: AEDACOM - Java
ALL LOCAL FACILITIES IN AUSTRALIA AND NEI ARE BEING
USED TO THE FULLEST, INCLUDING BOTH COMMERCIAL AND GOV-
ERNMENTAL. COMMONWEALTH CORPORATION EMPLOYED BY US FOR
PAST MONTH.

AEDACOM
JAVA

Filed: 2/16/42, 2:10 P Journal #5, 2/16/42
From: Emmons - Fort Shafter
LETTER SUBJECT SUPPLIES OVERSEAS NOT YET RECEIVED
HERE. REQUEST COPY.

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

Filed: 2/16/42, 1:05 A Journal #6, 2/16/42
From: Brett - Java
AIR CRAFT MAKING EXTENSIVE USE OF SIDE WINDOW GUNS.
EVEN WITH IMPROVED UNDER TURRET URGE THEIR ATTENTION.

BRETT
JAVA

Filed: 2/16/42, 0220 Journal #7, 2/16/42
From: MacArthur - Fort Mills
ACTION REGARDING MEDAL OF HONOR FOR SGT. JOSE CALUGAS.

MACARTHUR
FT. MILLS

Filed: 2/15/42, 3:45 P Journal #8, 2/16/42
From: Emmons - Fort Shafter
REQUEST INFORMATION ON SHIPMENT OF 2800 ROUNDS RE
SHELL TIME AND QUANTITY TO BE SHIPPED.

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

Filed: 2/16/42, 0330 Journal #9, 2/16/42
From: Magruder - Chungking
REQUEST A SUMMARY OF STATUS OF ALL LEND LEASE REQUISI-
TIONS FOR CHINA. POUCHES NOW CARRY INADEQUATE INFORMATION.
CALCUTTA BRANCH ORDERED HERE FOR CONFERENCE.

MAGRUDER
CHUNGKING

Filed: 2/15/42, 3:45 P Journal #10, 2/16/42
From: Emmons - Ft. Shafter
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE FIELD RATIONS BY 50% FOR PER-
SONNEL ON ISOLATED O.P.'S IN MOUNTAINS.

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

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FROM: CHANEY, LONDON
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JOURNAL # 38 2/15

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CHANNEY, LONDON

THIS MESSAGE HAS REFERENCE TO PERSONNEL PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED.

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON
FILED: 3:25 p.m. 2/15

JOURNAL # 37 2/15

AG MESSAGE NO. 533, 2/14 RECEIVED.

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ON

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON
FILED: 3:25 p.m. 2/15

JOURNAL # 35 2/15

IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR 8 ELECTRONICS TRAINING OFFICERS TO RETURN BY BOAT UNLESS STATE DEPT. RESTRICTIONS ON TRAVEL OF MILITARY PERSONNEL BY AIR, VIA LISBON ARE OVIATED.

CHANNEY, LONDON

FROM: CHANEY, LONDON
FILED: 12:10 p.m. 2/15

JOURNAL # 34 2/15

CHANNEY, LONDON

WHEREVER POSSIBLE, 87 OCTANE GASOLINE BEING USED BY R.A.F., AND SUCCESSFULLY USED IN U.S. TANKS. THE BRITISH ARE ADVERSE TO USING 100 OCTANE IN TANKS.

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FROM: MARRIOTT, LONDON

I.R. # 26 2/15

FILED: 3:25P 2/15

Journal # 30 2/15

MOVEMENT OF GERMAN SHIPS WHICH GOT THROUGH DOVER STRAITS
DISCOVERED DURING COURSE OF ORDINARY PATROL. BRIT HAD
PREPARED FOR AN ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE BY PASSING TO THE WEST
OF BRITISH ISLANDS— CAUGHT BY SURPRISE, IT TOOK THEM 3
hours to get their bombers underway; THEIR ATTACKS WERE
LATE & WITHOUT COORDINATION BETWEEN AIR, SEA & LAND FORCES
AN OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION WILL BE MADE. PRESS & PUBLIC
ARE INDIGNANT & DEMAND REORGANIZATION.

MARRIOTT,
LONDON

FROM: BONESTEEL, ICELAND

Journal # 45 2/15

FILED: 2:10 P.M. 2/15

BONESTEEL

IN ANSWER TO AG RADIO OF FEB. 13, STATES HAS NO DATA AS
TO COMPOSITION OF SHIPMENT 0102.

luclh

Filed: 2/15/42, 10:25 EWT

Journal #3, 2/16/42

From: ONI

ONI

TELETYPE FROM 6TH NAVAL DISTRICT.

REPORT FROM ARMY DIRECTION APPARATUS AT FORT FISHER,
N. C. (CAPE FEAR) STATES THAT THERE ARE SEVERAL SHIPS
STANDING OFF SHORE ABOUT 9 MILES PROCEEDING IN DIRECTION
DUE WEST UNTIL LAST REPORTED ABOUT 4 MILES OFF SHORE.

THIS APPARATUS IS SET UP TO DETECT PLANES BUT IS ALSO
CAPABLE OF DETECTING SHIP MOVEMENTS. IT IS UNDERSTOOD
THAT THIS MESSAGE DEFINITELY REFERS TO SHIPS.

SENTRY AT DIRECTION POST 100 REPORTED SEVERAL PERSONS
CRAWLING ON BEACH IN VICINITY OF DIRECTION EQUIPMENT. ONE
WAS CARRYING A SMALL BOX. HE REFUSED TO ANSWER SENTRY'S
CHALLENGE AND WAS SHOT BY SENTRY.

SITUATION ESTIMATED AS SERIOUS. ALERT ORDERED. COM-
MANDING OFFICERS OF 6TH, 7TH AND 8TH NAVAL DISTRICTS IN-
FORMED. REPORT DATED AT 22:25 EWT.

NOTE: FURTHER MESSAGES SAY MEN WERE RETURNING FROM FISHING
PARTY. NONE SHOT. VESSELS, FISHERMAN, NORMAL BEHAVIOR.

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FROM: BAKER, BAGHDAD

Journal # 28 2/15

BAKER, BAGHDAD

FILED: 1:15 p.m. (P) 2/14

ONE-PAGE MESSAGE WITH REFERENCE TO MOVEMENT DELIVERY
POINTS, REPAIR AND INSPECTION FACILITIES FOR TRUCKS.

ALSO REFERS BRIEFLY TO WATER PUMP REQUIREMENTS AND
POWER GENERATING EQUIPMENT.

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FROM:

Dated: 2/15/42, 6:00 P

Journal #48, 2/15/42

LEAHY

From: Leahy - Vichy Via State

VICHY VIA STATE

IT IS UNDERSTOOD BY OFFICIALS HERE THAT ALL SS ARMORED
BRIGADES ARE NOW BEING REORGANIZED AS DIVISIONS. IT IS
UNDERSTOOD THAT BY THE END OF MARCH REORGANIZATION WILL BE
COMPLETED OF SEVEN NEW SS DIVISIONS AT KRAKOW.

LEAHY

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SUMMARY OF COMMUNICATION
TELEPHONE, ORAL, RADIO OR CABLE
(Strike out all but one)

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Source Com. Caribbean Sea Front Date of message 2/16/42
Sent to OP NAV Time of message _____
Received from CHQ Date received 2/16/42
Time received 3:40 P.M.

At 600 GWT, two (2) tankers destroyed and sunk 1 mile South
of LAGO Refinery, ARUBA, followed by brief shelling of Lago Refinery.
Ten to 15 shots fired, apparently by a 57 mm caliber, using tracer
ammunition used. No damage by shellfire. 1 Tanker sunk 1 mile
South of Eagle Bank (Oranjestad) Aruba at 0745 GWT. One (1)
unidentified tanker sunk 12° 03' North 70° 25' West. One (1) tanker
sunk 12° 01' North 70° 30' West.

Reported submarine bombed and sunk apparently sunk 8 miles
West of WILLENSTEAD, Curacao. Anti-submarine patrols being
operated with all available aircraft.

Action taken:

CHQ

VP

WH

A-3 and AFOS thru CHQ

Distribution:

Lt. A. L. Jorgensen

Signature of I. B. Recorder

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Confirmed submarine attacks vicinity ANURU. 5 tankers sunk.

Details follow.

VP

QUESTIONS

Lt. A. L. JOrgenson

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SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT OFFICIAL MESSAGES

PACIFIC # 4

Filed: 2/16/42, 0330

Journal #9, 2/16/42

From: Magruder - Chungking

MAGRUDER
CHUNGKING

REQUEST A SUMMARY OF STATUS OF ALL LEND LEASE REQUISITIONS FOR CHINA. POUCHES NOW CARRY INADEQUATE INFORMATION. CALCUTTA BRANCH ORDERED HERE FOR CONFERENCE.

Filed: 2/15/42, 3:45 P

Journal #10, 2/16/42

From: Emons - Ft. Shafter

EMMONS
FT. SHAFTER

AUTHORITY TO INCREASE FIELD RATIONS BY 50% FOR PERSONNEL ON ISOLATED O.P.'S IN MOUNTAINS.

#5

PACIFIC THEATER

Filed: 1515 2/16

IB #16, 2/16

From: Bandoeng THORPE

Journal #19, 2/16

ACTIONS OF BRIT IN NEI NOT DECISIVE NOR DETERMINED.
NEI FEELS BITTER ON SINGAPORE DEVELOPMENTS. NAV DISCIPLINE
MEDIOCRE.

RESISTANCE BY DUTCH MAY DISAPPEAR BECAUSE OF ABSENCE OF
AIR FIGHTER SUPPORT.

Filed: 1:10 AM FEB 16

IB #7, 2/16

From: US Mil Lia. Off. BRINK

Journal #28, 2/16

SITUATION IN BURMA TO FEB 15: DUYINZAIK LOCATED NE OF
THATON RECEIVED HEAVY ATTACK ON 13THS UP TO PRESENT TIME
NO ENEMY MOVEMENT TOWARD THATON FROM SOUTH. PAAN AREA
ENEMY RESISTED ATTACK. 1 BRIT BATTALION ENGAGED BY ESTIMATED
2 BATTALIONS OF ENEMY. BRIT FINALLY SURROUNDED AND AS YET
ONLY 100 SURVIVORS ABLE TO WITHDRAW.

G-2 Comments:

1. DUYINZAIK: TOWN IN BURMA ABOUT 35 MI. NW OF MOULMEIN
2. THATON: TOWN IN BURMA ABOUT 35 MI NW OF MOULMEIN, ON
HIGHWAY CONNECTING MOULMEIN & RANGOON.
3. PAAN: TOWN IN BURMA ABOUT 30 MI N. OF MOULMEIN ON
SALWEEN RIVER.

Filed: 2/16

Journal #22, 2/16

From: ABDACOM

SINGAPORE REPORTS CAN NO LONGER FIGHT BECAUSE OF
SHORTAGE OF SUPPLIES DUE TO ENEMY OFFENSIVE. MEN GRATEFUL
FOR AID RECEIVED. THEY DID THEIR BEST.

Filed: 0838 2/16

Journal #29 2/16

From: Ft. Mills MACARTHUR

SINGAPORE'S SUDDEN SURRENDER STRESSES FACT THAT CHANCES
ARE DIMINISHING FOR A SUCCESSFUL ATTACK ON JAP LINES OF
COMMUNICATION. IN ENEMY ENJOYS FURTHER SUCCESSES IN NEI,
WILL BE ABLE TO CONSOLIDATE SOUTHERN POSITIONS & THUS
REDUCE SENSITIVENESS OF LINES OF COMMUNICATION.

HELP OF RUSSIA WOULD PROBABLY BE ATTRACTED BY A DETER-
MINED ALLIED EFFORT, BUT RUSSIA WILL NOT MOVE UNTIL SHE
SEES POSITIVE ALLIED EFFORT.

SITUATION CAN STILL BE REVERSED, BUT IT MAY SOON BE TOO
LATE.

Filed: 6:54 AM 2/16

Journal #30, 2/16

From: Ft. Mills MACARTHUR

DESIRE TO ESTABLISH NEW SEAT OF COMMONWEALTH GOV'T IN
UNOCCUPIED PHILIPPINES EXPRESSED BY PRES. QUEZON & HIS
WAR CABINET. THIS THEY FEEL WILL HELP THEM IN THEIR
MISSION OF BUOYING MORALE OF PHILIPPINES IN UNOCCUPIED
AREAS & ENCOURAGING THEM TO FURTHER RESISTANCE TO JAPS.
MACARTHUR PREPARED TO EXECUTE A PREPARED PLAN FOR EVACUA-
TION OF THIS PARTY FROM APPARENTLY DOOMED CORREGIDOR UNLESS
OTHERWISE ORDERED. REQUEST AUTHORITY TO USE EXPECTED SUB
TO MOVE THE PRESIDENT & LATER ALSO THE HIGH COMMISSIONERS
RETINUE. AUTHORITY SHOULD BE SENT TO CINC ASIATIC FLEET.

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Journal #40

#6

From: BARNES Melbourne

PURCHASE OF 100 TONS OF QUININE FROM NEI BY AUSTRALIAN AUTHORITIES BEING ARRANGED NOW. SITUATION MAY STOP SUPPLY IN NEAR FUTURE. IF TON BULK LOTS OF QUININE ARE DESIRED, REQUEST AUTHORITY TO PURCHASE SAME.

U.S. RESERVES OF QUININE IN AUSTRALIA ARE VERY LIMITED.

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Journal #16, 2/16

From: 4th ARMY (OHQ) STROM

ALLEGED POSITION TRANSPORT TAFT TORPEDOING NOW GIVEN
BY ALASKA 104.66 - 27.02 CAN BE UNDERSTOOD AS 104° 55'S.
HOLBROOK (FORMERLY TAFT) IN THAT AREA 2 DAYS AGO & MIGHT
HAVE BEEN AT ABOVE POSITION TODAY.

ABOVE MENTIONED SIGNALS RECEIVED BY ALASKA ON 4020
KILOCYCLES & NOT ON REGULAR DISTRESS FREQUENCY #191
SPECIAL.

NAVY THINKS MESSAGE A FALSE & CONSIDERS INCIDENT
CLOSED.

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From: ARUBA ANDREWS

2500 TONS DESTROYED OFF ARUBA 600 GGT, 2/16
APPARENT SUB ACTIVITY.

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From: AMCON, Curacao (ONI)

AT ARUBA ACTION CEASED. REFINERY DEFINITELY UNDAMAGED
ARUBA NOW CABLES.

ALL SHIPPING MOVEMENTS CURACAO & ARUBA NOW SUSPENDED FOR
24 HOURS.

1 SHALLOW DRAFT TANKER BEING TOWED INTO PORT HERE BADLY
BUCKLED. 1 CASUALTY ABOARD.

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