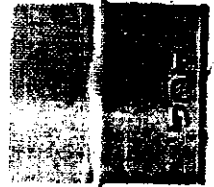


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August 1, 1942.

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1201 0001 steaming as before on course 225-T, convoy speed 11.25 (NAPA LUCHERWAGE), enroute Pearl Harbor, U.S.A., Wake, Fiji Islands, in accordance with available Sea Frontier Operation Order No. 31-42, Convoy No. 4120. Ships present: USS WASHINGTON (11), SS PRINCE OF WALES (12), USS SCHEM (13), USS WYOMING (14), USS ALABAMA (15), USS ARIZONA (16), USS CALIFORNIA (17), USS TEXAS (18), USS MISSISSIPPI (19), USS IOWA (20), USS MISSOURI (21), USS WYOMING (22), USS ALABAMA (23), USS ARIZONA (24), USS CALIFORNIA (25), USS TEXAS (26), USS MISSISSIPPI (27), USS IOWA (28), USS MISSOURI (29), USS WYOMING (30), USS ALABAMA (31), USS ARIZONA (32), USS CALIFORNIA (33), USS TEXAS (34), USS MISSISSIPPI (35), USS IOWA (36), USS MISSOURI (37), USS WYOMING (38), USS ALABAMA (39), USS ARIZONA (40), USS CALIFORNIA (41), USS TEXAS (42), USS MISSISSIPPI (43), USS IOWA (44), USS MISSOURI (45), USS WYOMING (46), USS ALABAMA (47), USS ARIZONA (48), USS CALIFORNIA (49), USS TEXAS (50), USS MISSISSIPPI (51), USS IOWA (52), USS MISSOURI (53), USS WYOMING (54), USS ALABAMA (55), USS ARIZONA (56), USS CALIFORNIA (57), USS TEXAS (58), USS MISSISSIPPI (59), USS IOWA (60), USS MISSOURI (61), and USS WYOMING (62) and USS ALABAMA and USS ARIZONA 11 1/2 yards in view. Maritime speed of convoy 11.25 (NAPA LUCHERWAGE), steaming at 11 knots since 2250 July 31, 1942, on course North of Wake Island 0700 August 1, 1942.

0045 Ceased zig-zag. Resumed same course.

0100 Changed course to 070 by heading.

0130 Resumed zig-zag course.

0145 Reached Wake Island at 0145. Steaming at 11 knots.

0200 Ceased zig-zag. Resumed same course.

0300 Changed course to 070 by heading.

0400 Resumed zig-zag course.

0430 USS SAN FRANCISCO proceeded to Wake Island to contact with USS 61.

0500 Ceased zig-zag. Resumed same course.

0600 Changed course to 070 by heading.

0700 Resumed zig-zag course.

0800 Ceased zig-zag. Resumed same course.

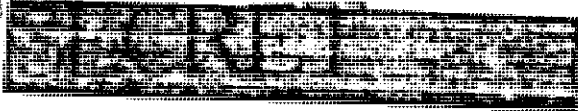
0900 Changed course to 070 by heading.

1000 Resumed zig-zag course.

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From: August 1, 1942 to August 3, 1942

OPERATING UNDER COMMANDER TASK FORCE 62.

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SECRETS E C R E TAugust 1, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1201	0001	Steaming as before on mean course 225-T, convoy speed 11 knots (79 RPM), enroute Pearl Harbor, T.H. to Suva, Fiji Islands, in accordance with Hawaiian Sea Frontier Operation Order No. 34-42, Convoy No. 4120. Ships present: USS BETELGUESE (11), SS PRES TYLER (12), USS ZEILIN (Flag)(21), USS KASKASKIA (22), USS TALMANEA (31), SS NIRA LUCKENBACK (32), escort USS SAN FRANCISCO (Flag)(01), and USS BALLARD and LAFFEY 1500 yards in van. Maximum speed of convoy 12.25 (NIRA LUCKENBACK). Steaming at 11 knots since 2250 July 31, 1942, to arrive North of Koro Island 0700 August 1, 1942.
1243	0043	Ceased zig-zag. Resumed mean course.
1250	0050	Changed course to 247-T by wheeling.
1300	0100	Resumed zig-zag plan as before.
1320	0120	Yathata Island abeam, bearing 157-T, distance 6.0 miles.
1543	0343	Ceased zig-zag. Resumed mean course together.
1550	0350	Changed course to 260-T by wheeling.
1600	0400	Resumed zig-zag plan as before.
1630	0430	USS SAN FRANCISCO proceeding to North End Koro Island to contact Task Force 62.
1713	0513	Ceased zig-zag. Resumed mean course.
1715	0515	Changed course by wheeling to 285-T.
1723	0528	Changed course by wheeling to 305-T.
1733	0533	Adjusted mean course to 310-T.
1740	0540	Resumed zig-zag plan as before.

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1850	0650	Ceased zig-zag. Position: 8 miles North of Koro Island. USS SAN FRANCISCO returned and reported no task force contacted.
1905	0705	Changed course by wheeling to 270-T.
1918	0718	Changed course by wheeling to 230-T.
1925	0725	Changed course by wheeling to 190-T.
1935	0735	Changed course by wheeling to 165-T.
1946	0746	Increased convoy speed to 12.5 knots.
1955	0755	Changed course by wheeling to 180-T.
2000	0800	Position: 17-17-30 S., 179-31-30 E.
2015	0815	Changed course by wheeling to 200-T.
2045	0845	Changed course by wheeling to 214-T.
2050	0850	Resumed zig-zag plan No. 11.
2150	0950	Ceased zig-zag.
2215	1015	Changed course to 219-T.
2314	1114	Changed course by wheeling to 225-T.
2320	1120	Resumed zig-zag plan No. 11.
2400	1200	Position: 17-57 S., 179-05 E. Weather: Wind SWxS, force 2. Barometer 29.95. Temperature 79. Sea 78. Cloudy. Passing rain showers.
0122	1322	Sighted Masiki Reef Light bearing 270-T.
0142	1342	Sighted 5 ships bearing 177-T.
0152	1352	Ceased zig-zag. Remained on present course 235-T.
0157	1357	Convoy changed course to 260-T by wheeling.

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0215	1415	Resumed zig-zag plan as before.
0230	1430	Sighted 2 ships bearing 211-T.
0242	1442	Ceased zig-zag. Resumed mean course.
0300	1500	Convoy changed course to 290-T.
0306	1506	Full speed proceeding independently to Suva Harbor, Fiji Island. Detached by commander escort.
0350	1550	Various courses and speeds proceeding into harbor.
0426	1626	Passing through harbor nets.
0457	1657	Anchored in Berth E, Suva Harbor, Fiji Is.
0505	1705	Transferring naval officer and enlisted passengers.
0520	1720	After a conference with Port Director and Commanding Officer USS SAN FRANCISCO all all naval passengers were retained on board for further transportation except 3 officers for Samoa.
0620	1820	Transferred 1 naval officer and 1 enlisted passenger to American Military Hospital Suva.
1020	2230	Anchor aweigh on various courses and speeds leaving harbor and proceeding to join Comdesdiv One as escort for ZEILIN and BETELGEUSE to join Task Force 62.
1114	2314	Set course 190-T, full speed.
1145	2345	Joined USS BETELGEUSE and escort (DENEY and MUGFORD), standard speed 16 knots, base course 192-T.

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SECRET**U. S. S. ZEILIN**August 2, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1201	0001	Steaming on base course 192-T, convoy speed 16 knots, ZEILIN (11), BETELGUESE (12), USS DEWEY and MUGFORD escorts.
1250	0050	Changed course to 240-T.
1300	0100	Commenced zig-zag plan No. 11, U.S. 1940.
1430	0230	Reduced speed to 15 knots.
1550	0350	Ceased zig-zag. Resumed mean course.
1555	0355	Changed course to 275-T.
1600	0400	Resumed zig-zag as before.
2000	0800	Position: 18-52-30 S., 176-40 E.
2005	0805	Sighted British patrol plane bearing 110-T.
2145	0945	Increased convoy speed to 15.5 knots.
2358	1158	USS BETELGEUSE forced to stop and drop out of formation for at least 1 hour; repairs to exhaust trunk, carbon monoxide gas in engine room, lagging on fire but under control. DEWEY escorting. MUGFORD with ZEILIN.
2400	1200	Position: 18-52 S., 175-38 E. Miles from Suva - 186. Weather: wind ESE, force 3. Barometer 30.09. Air 74. Sea 76. Clear sky. Moderate S'ly swell.
0020	1220	Increased speed to 15.75 knots.
0710	1910	Ceased zig-zag. Resumed base (mean) course.
0800	2000	Position: 18-41 S., 173-35 E.
0805	2005	Increased speed to 16 knots.
1140	2340	Resumed zig-zag plan No. 11.

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August 3, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1201 0001 Steaming as before.

1300 0100 Retarded clocks 1 hour to Zone minus 11.

1850 0550 Sighted ships of Task Force 62.

1900 0600 Adjusted course to 280-T.

1955 0655 Adjusted course to 287-T.

2018 0718 Adjusted course to 297-T.

2100 0800 Position: 18-22 S., 170-07 E.

2214 0914 Various emergency changes of course following movements of Task Force 62.

2335 1035 In position in accordance with ComTaskFor 62 orders, astern of USS HEYWOOD, column five, base course 270-T, fleet axis 280-T, speed 12 knots, zig-zag plan No. 11, fleet disposition plan AC3.

0100 1200 Position: 18-10 S., 169-12 E. Distance since noon - 360 miles. Weather: Wind ESE, force 2. Barometer 30.04. Temperature 77. Sea 78. Partly cloudy. Fine.

0157 1257 ERMANCA Is. abeam to port, distance 23.0 miles.

0402 1502 Ceased zig-zag. Increased speed to 13.5 knots.

0420 1520 Changed course to base course 280-T. Resumed zig-zag.

0425 1525 USS BETELGEUSE joined convoy.

0555 1655 Ceased zig-zag.

0607 1707 Changed base course to 260-T.

0900 2000 Position: 18-02 S., 167-30 E.

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0905 2005 Convoy changed base course to 285-T.

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August 4, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301 0001 Steaming as before in company with Task Force 62, column No. 5, No. 4 position, USS McCAWLEY (SOPA), USS HUNTER LIGGETT Fleet Guide, USS NEVILLE guide of column No. 5.

1945 0645 Changed base course to 280-T.

2005 0705 Reduced convoy speed to 10 knots.

2100 0800 Position: 17-23 S., 164-47 E.

2140 0840 Commenced fueling USS LITTLE starboard side.

2245 0945 Transferred Ens. B.M. Bell, USN. (passenger) to LITTLE.

2320 1020 USS GREGORY on port side to fuel.

0013 1113 Convoy reduced speed to 8 knots.

0100 1200 Position: 17-17 S., 164-06 E. Distance made good since noon - 300 miles. Weather: Wind SSE, force 2. Barometer 29.94. Temperature 77. Sea 76. Clear and fine.

0105 1205 USS LITTLE cast off having received 39,774 bbls fuel oil.

0100 1211 Transferred Ens. R.M. Adrian, USN. (passenger) to GREGORY.

0203 1303 USS CALHOUN alongside starboard side to fuel..

0215 1315 Transferred Ens. J.A. Naylor, USN. (passenger) to CALHOUN.

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0225 1325 USS GREGORY cast off having received 38,083
gals fuel oil.

0302 1402 Changed course to 280-T.

0310 1410 USS MCKEAN alongside portside to fuel.

0330 1430 Increased convoy speed to 10 knots.

0339 1439 Transferred Ens. W.G. Olson (passenger) to
USS MCKEAN.

0450 1550 Stopped pumping fuel to USS COLHOUN forward.
Rigged hose aft.

0505 1605 Resumed fueling USS COLHOUN aft.

0554 1654 USS MCKEAN cast off having received approximately
40,000 gallons fuel oil.

0633 1733 USS COLHOUN cast off having received 39,488
gallons fuel oil.

0634 17 34 Changed base course to 275-T.

0753 1853 Resumed station in convoy.

0755 1855 Convoy increased speed to 13.5 knots.

0900 2000 Position: 17-02 S., 162-35 E.

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August 5, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301 0001 Steaming as before.

1924 0624 Sighted ships bearing 192-T, Task Force #61.

2025 0725 Changed course to 280-T.

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2100 0800 Position: 16-48 S., 159-20 E.

2103 0803 Convoy stopped to transfer USS ZEILIN passengers.

2120 0820 Transferred 17 officers passengers and 8 enlisted personnel to various ships of Task Force 162.

2210 0910 On various courses and speed to station in convoy.

2300 1000 Rotated fleet axis to 325-T.

0032 1132 Rotated fleet axis to 00-T.

0100 1200 Convoy speed 12 knots. Position: 16-33 S., 158-55 E. Distance made good since noon - 314 miles. Weather: Wind SExE, force 3. Barometer 30.07. Temperature 76. Sea 78. Part cloudy. Small SE'ly sea and swell.

0110 1210 Resumed zig-zag plan No. 16.

0200 1300 Ceased zig-zag. Ships take stations for approach ~~of~~ disposition AR3.

0543 1643 Resumed convoy formation AR3.

0545 1645 Convoy speed 11 knots.

0555 1655 Resumed zig-zag plan No. 16.

0730 1830 Ceased zig-zag and resumed base course.

0900 2000 Position: 15-30 S., 158-53 E.

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S E C R E TAugust 6, 1942.

G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Steaming as before. Passing rain squalls.
1945	0645	Resumed sig-zag plan No. 11.
1949	0649	Speed 13 knots.
2100	0800	Position: DR 12-45 S., 158-50 E.
2257	0957	Ceased zig-zag.
0100	1200	Position: 11-53 S., 158-50 E. Distance since noon - 285 miles. Weather: Wind NE, force 1. Barometer 29.98. Air 82. Sea 80. Cloudy. Hazy. Visibility 8-10 miles.
0233	1333	Changed base course to 008-T.
0513	1613	Changed formation to attack approach disposition AR3.
0555	1655	Speed 10 knots.
0700	1800	Changed course by head of column to 000-T. Changed speed to 12.5 knots.
0900	2000	Position: 10-29 S., 159-03 E.
1143	2248	Changed speed to 12 knots.
1205	2305	Changed course by head of column to 40-T.

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S E C R E TAugust 7, 1942.

G.C.T.	L.C.T.	
1301	0001	Steaming as before.
1450	0150	West end of Guadalcanal Island bearing 65-T. Approximate distance - 12 miles.
1540	0240	Changed course by head of column to 58-T.
1750	0450	Savo Island abeam to starboard. Distance - 4.5 miles.
1817	0517	Changed course to 115-T and various as approaching transport area in company with transport group Yoke 62.2.
1850	0550	Stationed phase one of landing operations.
1910	0610	Bombing and aircraft sighted over Tulagi area.
1943	0643	Moved to 3.5 miles SxW off Vatururu point, Florida Island. Transport group Yoke commenced landing operations. "H" hour, 0800 Love.
1946	0646	Hoisting all boats out.
2023	0723	All surf boats and tank lighters in water and pro- ceeding to transports assigned for landing operations.
2024	0724	First wave of surf boats left departure point for landing.
2027	0727	Fire support group Mike 62.4 shelling assigned areas.
2039	0739	First surf boats transport group Yoke landed left of beach Blue.
2045	0745	First wave of surf boats returning.
2050	0750	Second wave of surf boats left line of departure for beach Blue.
2150	0850	Third wave surf boats left line of departure for beach.

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August 7, 1942.

<u>G.C.T.</u>	<u>L.C.T.</u>	
2215	0915	Zeilin boats returning to ship. Commenced loading special weapon group of 3rd Defense Battalion into boats.
2221	0921	Planes of Task Force #61 continue bombing Gavutu Island, Tenabogo, and various objectives in the Tulagi area.
2359	1059	Zeilin tank lighters returning. Commenced unloading deck cargo to lighters.
0010	1110	USS HEYWOOD underway for Guadalcanal area.
0100	1200	Position: Transport area off Tulagi, Island. Weather: Wind ESE, force 2. Temperature 82. Barometer 29.89. Cloudy. Slight ESE'ly sea.
0103	1203	Received signal to stand by to repel aircraft attack.
0215	1315	Received report of Radar contact with aircraft.
0216	1316	Full ahead at various courses off transport area. Screening and fire support groups standing by to repel attack.
0220	1320	Screening group firing anti-aircraft guns to south.
0225	1325	Commenced firing 3"/50 anti-aircraft guns.
0230	1330	One enemy plane down in flames over Guadalcanal area.
0248	1348	US Navy Graumann fighter bomber made forced landing near transport area. Pilot rescued.
0320	1420	Ceased firing anti-aircraft guns. No casualties. No strafing.
0358	1458	Enemy aircraft dropping bombs on Guadalcanal area. One enemy plane down.

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SECRETAugust 7, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

0440	1540	Hove to off transport area, Tulagi, Island. Surface vessels continue shelling objectives in Tulagi area. Carrier planes continue bombing targets in same area. Awaiting orders to land 3rd Defense Battalion and material.
0720	1820	Underway to swept channel areas - A and B.
0815	1915	Anchored in swept area. Bungana Island bearing 100-T. Distance 3 miles. Several fires on Gavutu, Tanambogo on Tulagi Island during night. Intermittent machine gun and small arms firing.

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G.C.T. L.C.T.August 8, 1942.

1301	0001	Anchored as before.
1845	0545	Anchor aweigh hove to.
1915	0615	Transports USS ADAMS and USS HAYES arrived from Guadalcanal area.
2255	0955	Carrier planes resumed intermittent bombing of Tanambogo Island and Tulagi Island.
2250	1044	Received warning enemy aircraft approaching.
2357	1057	Underway and forming circle formation outside 100 fathom curve off Tulagi Island. USS NEVILLE, USS HAYES, USS JACKSON, USS ADAMS, and USS ZEILIN. Cruisers USS SAN JUAN, USS CHICAGO, and HMAS CANBERRA screening vessels with destroyers and transport division 12.
0059	1159	Estimated twenty-one Japanese twin engine torpedo planes rounded Mandoliana Island approaching vessels of Task force No. 62 at very low altitude.

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SECRETAugust 6, 1942.G.C.T.L.C.T.

0100	1200	U.S. Naval vessels firing low angle anti-aircraft fire on approaching enemy aircraft.
0101	1201	USS ZEILIN commenced firing 3"/50 anti-aircraft guns. Noted three planes down in flames.
0102	1202	Two more planes down.
0103	1203	U.S. Transport on fire. Two more planes down.
0110	1210	Remaining Japanese planes proceeding to westward. Conservative estimate: 7 planes down and probably several more damaged.
0115	1215	Attack ceased. No casualties on this vessel.
0301	1401	Enemy planes reported approaching.
0309	1409	Carrier planes dive-bombing Tulagi Island.
1540	1640	All clear. Returning to swept anchorage, off entrance to Tulagi Island Harbor.
0545	1645	Destroyers resume shelling Tulagi Island.
0627	1727	Anchored in swept area off Tulagi Island. Bungana Island bearing 101-T. Distance: 3.0 miles.
0808	1908	Destroyers dropping depth charges between anchorage and Tulagi Island.
0809	1909	Destroyer shelling Tanambogo Island at close range. Additional surf boat landings from transports of this group.
0824	1924	More depth charges dropped.
1230	2330	Depth charges dropped from screening destroyers.
1243	2343	Depth charges dropped from screening destroyers.

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August 9, 1942.

<u>G.C.T.</u>	<u>L.C.T.</u>	
1301	0001	Anchored as before. Heavy overcast light rain and mist.
1500	0200	Parachute flares bearing 270-T in vicinity of Savo Island followed by heavy gunfire for fifteen to twenty minutes receding to westward. Three ships in flames, a fourth believed hit.
1540	0240	Gunfire ceased or resided.
1545	0245	Numerous flares dropped from planes on a line from Florida Island to Guadalcanal approximately 5 miles to the eastward. Heavy overcast and drizzle.
1625	0325	Received signal to hoist in all boats as soon as possible and prepare to get underway.
1820	0520	Orders to get underway cancelled until further notice.
1840	0544	Making preparations to land guns and ammunition provisions; Marine and Navy personnel to Tulagi.
1900	0600	Commenced transferring troop arms, ammunition, and light weapons by surf boat and tank lighter to the Government landing, Tulagi.
2005	0705	Underway closed in toward Gavutu Island.
2043	0743	Moved to Gavutu Island bearing 30-T. Distance: 1.5 miles. Continue discharging cargo.
2154	0854	Received signal to repel aircraft attack.
2159	0859	Underway. Formed ships on beam with USS JACKSON, USS HAYES, and USS ADAMS. Various courses and speed outside 100 fathom curve off Tulagi Island.

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August 9, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

2327	1027	Proceeding to discharging area off Gavutu Island. Secured from air alarm.
0014	1114	Moved to as before. Continue unloading operations.
0400	1500	Transferred to Tdagi Island one officer and fifty enlisted personnel with 3 Higgins surf landing boats, 3 Chris Craft ramp type surf boats, and four tank lighters plus spare gear equipment.
0508	1608	Destroyers dropped depth charges to westward.
0545	1645	Commenced hoisting in boats. All Marine personnel being landed with as much equipment as possible.
0549	1649	CLARK, Jack, #359091, USMC, Rate unknown, brought to ship by boat crew, found lying on beach unconscious from head wounds.
0730	1830	All boats, less transfers aboard plus 4 USS HEYWOOD surf boats.
0735	1835	All Marine personnel disembarked, underway forming up with USS NEVILLE. Ordered column formation.
0810	1910	Formed astern of USS NEVILLE. Proceeding through Lengo channel to eastward, thence to sea. Course 90-T through Lengo Channel.
1200	2300	Changed course to 120-T. Speed 12 knots.

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August 10, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Steaming as before. On base course 120-T. Speed 12 knots. Double column formation in company with (1) USS MCCAWLEY (Flag), USS HAYES, USS ADAMS, USS ALCHIBA - (2) USS NEVILLE, USS ZEILIN, USS HEYWOOD, USS JACKSON. Screening formation one-half mile circle spacing. Cruisers USS SAN JUAN, AUSTRALIA, HOBART, and destroyers WILSON, HULL, MONSSEN, BUCHANAN, BAGLEY, HENLY, BLUE, SELFRIDGE - APD's USS MCKEAN, LITTLE, CALHOUN, and GREGORY.
1912	0612	Change speed to 14 knots.
1917	0617	Commence zig-zag plan No. 11, U.S. 1940.
1930	0630	Destroyers report submarines in vicinity. Various emergency changes of courses.
1954	0654	Torpedo sighted by USS SAN JUAN.
2002	0702	Resume zig-zag as before.
2059	0759	Cease zig-zag. Resumed base course.
2100	0800	Position: 10-19'5 S., 162-25 E. Change fleet course and axis to 118-T.
2125	0825	Resumed zig-zag as before.
2135	0835	CLARK, Jack, #35909, USMC, died this date from gunshot wound in the head. Not attached to this vessel.
2216	0916	Received signal look out for enemy aircraft.
2225	0925	All clear.
0100	1200	Position: 10-44 S., 163-09 E. Weather: Wind N, force 4, Barometer 29.84. Temperature 84. Sea 80. Distance since departure: 207 miles.
0120	1220	Submarines reported in vicinity emergency changes of course.

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<u>C.C.T.</u>	<u>L.C.T.</u>	
0125	1225	Destroyers dropped three depth charges.
0131	1231	Destroyers dropped four depth charges.
0145	1245	Destroyers dropped three depth charges on starboard quarter.
0148	1248	Resumed zig-zagging as before.
0204	1304	Ceased zig-zagging. Changed course to 163-T.
0205	1305	Destroyers dropped three depth charges on port beam.
0225	1325	Changed course to 118-T. Resumed zig-zagging as before.
0233	1333	Destroyers dropped three depth charges off port quarter.
0658	1758	Ceased zig-zagging. Resumed mean course.
0720	1820	Speed 10 knots.
0800	1900	Changed course to 157-T.
0814	1914	Increased speed to 14 knots.
0900	2000	Position: 11-40 S., 164-25 E. CLARK, Jack #35909, USLC, rate unknown, was buried at sea with honors.

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<u>C.C.T.</u>	<u>L.C.T.</u>	
1301	0001	Steaming as before.
1905	0605	Resumed zig-zagging plan #38.
1955	0655	Sighted ship on horizon bearing 249-T. Remainder of Task Force #62.

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SECRETAugust 11, 1942.

<u>G.C.T.</u>	<u>L.C.T.</u>	
2006	0706	Ceased zig-zag.
2013	0713	Changed course to 172-T. Changed speed to 12 knots.
2022	0722	Resumed zig-zag plan No. 11.
2100	0800	Position: 14-08 S., 165-16 E.
2150	0850	Ceased zig-zag.
2235	0935	Various changes of course.
2310	1010	Destroyer on port bow dropping depth charges.
2320	1020	Increase speed to 14 knots.
2330	1030	The following ships and their escort joined this convoy - USS HUNTER LIGGETT, AMERICAN LEGION, BARNETT, CRESCENT CITY, FULLER, FOMALHAUT, BELLATRIX, ALHENA, BETELGUSE, LIBRA. Cruiser USS CHICAGO and 9 destroyers. Convoy formation modified AC3, four columns. (4) BEVILLE, ZEILIN, HEYWOOD, BETELGUSE, (3) HUNTER LIGGETT, ALCHIBA, FOMALHAUT. (2) FULLER, AMERICAN LEGION, BELLATRIX, JACKSON, ALHENA. (1) MCCAWLEY, BARNETT, LIBRA, CRESCENT CITY, ADAMS, HAYES.
0019	1119	Resumed zig-zag plan No. 11.
0100	1200	Position: 14-48 S., 165-36 E. Distance since noon - 306 miles. Weather: Wind SExE, Force 3 Barometer 29.89. Temperature 85, Sea 79. Part cloudy. Slight SxE'ly sea and swell.
0200	1300	Convoy speed 13.5 knots.

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0700	1800	USS JACKSON, CRESCENT CITY, ADAMS, ALHENA, and HAYES with escort left convoy.
0715	1815	Cease zig-zag. Resumed mean course.
0900	2000	Position: 16-27 S., 166-21 E.

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1301	0001	Steaming as before.
1910	0610	Resumed zig-zag plan No. 11.
1912	0612	Sighted USS CIMMARON, ARRON WARD bearing 100-T.
1915	0615	Sighted friendly aircraft.
2100	0800	Position: 18-48 S., 167-40 E.
0100	1200	Position: 19-37 S., 168-04 E. Distance since noon - 323 miles. Weather: Wind SxE force 4, Barometer 29.94. Temperature 77. Sea 74. Part cloudy. Moderate short S'ly sea and swell.
0322	1422	Ceased zig-zag.
0329	1429	Changed base course to 160-T.
0346	1446	Resumed zig-zag plan No. 11.
0422	1522	Ceased zig-zag.
0500	1600	Rotated fleet axis to 203-T.
0525	1625	Sighted allied aircraft on patrol.

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0615	1715	Resumed zig-zag plan No. 11.
0700	1800	Ceased zig-zag.
0900	2000	Position: 21-10 S., 168-39.5 E.
0904	2004	Changed course to 198-T.

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1301	0001	Steaming as before.
1800	0500	Changed course to 253-T.
1904	0604	Isle of Pines bearing 336-T.
1930	0630	Sighted allied aircraft bearing 355-T.
1942	0642	Resumed zig-zag plan No. 11.
2100	0800	Position: 23-13 S., 167-14 E.
2127	0827	Ceased zig-zag.
2130	0830	Changed course and rotated fleet axis to 283-T.
2150	0850	Resumed zig-zag plan No. 11.
2243	0943	Ceased zig-zag.
2246	0946	Changed course to 320-T and rotated fleet axis
2312	1012	Resumed zig-zag plan #38.
0042	1142	Ceased zig-zag.
0044	1144	Changed course to 332-T.

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0051	1151	Resumed zig-zag plan 38.
0100	1200	Position: 22-49 S., 166-32 E. Distance since noon - 314 miles. Weather: Wind SxE, force 3. Barometer 30.11. Temperature 72. Sea 72. Part cloudy. Moderate heavy S'ly swell.
0126	1226	Sighted Amedee Island light bearing 002-T.
0130	1230	Cease zig-zag.
0156	1256	Speed 12 knots.
0205	1305	Speed two-thirds ahead.
0207	1307	Sections of convoy proceeding to anchorage Dumbia Bay, Nomea, New Caladonia at various courses and speeds.
0315	1415	Passing through north Bularia Passage.
0348	1448	Thisbee shoal abeam to starboard.
0519	1619	Anchored in Dumbia Bay, Nomea, New Caladonia. Berth #22.
0530	1630	Returned Heywood boats and crews.
0900	2000	Unloading provisions to USS SELFRIDGE.
1000	2300	Completed transfer of provisions to USS SELFRIDGE.

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SECRETAugust 14, 1942.G.C.T.L.C.T.

1301 0001 Anchored as before. Ships present:
 USS MCCAWLEY (SOFA), CHICAGO, SAN JUAN,
 SELFRIDGE, HOBART, HENLEY, HELM, SOUTHARD,
 TREVER, BLUE, HEYWOOD, BETELGUESE, FORMALHAUT,
 ARGONNE, SUMNER, SOLACE, NEVILLE, BELLATRIX,
 FULLER, BARNETT, AMERICAN LEGION, ALCHIBA,
 HUNTER LIGGETT, LIBRA, GWIN, RAINIER,
 KASKASKIA and HMRAS AUSTRALIA, USS PLATTE,
 MUGFORD, LONG, CLARK, HOVEY and ZANE.

0100 1200 Weather: Wind NE, force 1. Barometer 30.14.
 Temperature 78. Part cloudy. Fine.

0210 1310 Transferred following passengers to HUNTER
 LIGGETT: AUSTIN, R.H., Pfc, USMC, and AKIN,
 CA, Pvt., USMC. To USS GWIN: COOPER, R.N.,
 F2c, USN.

0400 1500 Transferred 37 officer and 13 enlisted
 passengers to USS SAN JUAN.

0500 1600 Transferred 12 officer and 19 enlisted
 passengers to USS ARGONNE.

0520 1620 Transferred 9 enlisted passengers to USS
 BARNETT.

0610 1710 SS PAN AMERICAN and SS WELTERVEDIN standing
 in.

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August 15, 1942.G.C.T.L.C.T.

1301 0001 Anchored as before.

2300 1000 Transferred four 36-foot surf landing boats
 to USS AMERICAN LEGION.

2400 1100 USS PRESIDENT GRANT standing in.

0059 1159 USS BLUE and HENLEY underway and standing
 out.

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0100	1200	Weather: Airs 1. Barometer 30.09. Temperature 75. Partly cloudy. Fine.
0205	1305	SS DE ROCHE standing in.
0320	1420	SS MERKUR standing in.
0425	1525	USS HENLEY and BAGLEY standing in.
0615	1715	Transferred dry stores and provisions to USS HOVEY.
0820	1920	Completed provisioning USS HOVEY.
1230	2330	Continuous working party to USS FOMALHAUT to handle cargo.

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August 16, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Anchored as before.
2020	0720	USS HEYWOOD, LEBRA, ZANE, FULLER, SOUTHEARD underway and standing out.
2110	0810	USS SCLACE underway and standing out.
2115	0815	Commenced discharging No. 4 hold of ammunition to USS AMERICAN LEGION; provisions to USS FOMALHAUT.
2305	1005	Transferred provisions to USS TREVER.
0057	1157	Completed provisioning USS TREVER.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind SE, force 3. Barometer 30.06. Temperature 78. Partly cloudy. Fine. USS BLUE and ALDEBARAN standing in.

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August 14, 1942.

From: The Executive Officer.
 To : The Commanding Officer.
 Subject: Report after action off Tulagi, Solomon Islands, August 8, 1942.
 References: (a) Article 948 U.S. Navy Regulations, 1920.

1. At 1155 while steaming in company with transports of group Yoke plus USS ADAMS and USS HAYES, with anti-aircraft screen vessels to the southward, twenty-one Japanese Mitsubishi 97 (Dart type) planes were observed approaching from Dugana Island at a low altitude. As the enemy neared the formation they were taken under fire by a destroyer in the rear of the anti-aircraft screen. Its bursts appeared to be low. The enemy planes reduced their altitude to within twenty (20) to one hundred (100) feet and continued on a course parallel to the formation course, coming under the fire of our cruisers. The enemy did not appear to attempt to develop the attack even when they were ahead of our transports. As the planes passed the formation this vessel fired thirteen (13) rounds of 3"/50 caliber as opportunity presented, to fire without endangering ships of our anti-aircraft screen, the control officer having been warned to hold fire as our vessels were at times in direct line with the target. Our bursts occurred among combatant ship bursts well clear of our forces.

2. During the engagement the leading planes of the formation were particularly observed and it appeared that they lacked sufficient altitude to turn toward the targets. No torpedoes were seen launched. Lookouts were cautioned to pay strict attention to their overhead sectors as it was considered that the low flying planes may have been sent in to draw anti-aircraft fire from bombers. No bombers were over our formation. Four enemy planes were seen shot down, three of which seemed to be under fire of the USS SAN JUAN. In a check made immediately after the attack observers on the control platform reported ten planes crashed. While maneuvering into the westward after the engagement three crashed planes were observed.

3. The ship's battery was fully manned when planes were first sighted. The personnel performed their duties efficiently during the action. There were no individual instances of conduct deserving particular mention.

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S E C R E TAugust 16, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

0120 1220 USS BUCHANAN underway and standing out.

0200 1300 SS EASTERN SUN standing in.

0330 1430 USS HELM underway and standing out.

0345 1435 Pursuant to orders of CO GEORGE F. ELLIOTT
(on board USS AMERICAN LEGION) 21 enlisted
personnel reported aboard for duty.

0430 1530 USS CLARK underway and standing out.

0445 1545 SS TASIANTA standing in.

0550 1650 USS PLATTE, KASKASKIA, SAN JUAN, CLARK and
GWIN underway and standing out.

1300 2400 Completed transfer of 500 tons cargo
(provisions) and 5 crates shoves to FOMALHAUT.
Secured working party.

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August 17, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301 0001 Anchored as before.

0005 1105 YMS 97 and 98 standing in.

0059 1159 USS BAGLEY underway and standing out.

0100 1200 Weather: Wind 1. Barometer 30.11. Temperature
78. Partly cloudy. Fine.

0120 1220 SS CHESTER SUN underway and standing out.

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SECRETAugust 18, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Anchored as before.
2100	0800	USS BLUE, HELM, HENLY, and FOULMANT under-way and standing in.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind SE, force 3. Barometer 30.13. Temperature 79. Partly cloudy.

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August 19, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Anchored as before.
2305	1005	USS WHARTON and JACKSON standing in.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind SE, force 3. Barometer 30.07. Temperature 74. Partly cloudy. Fine.
0145	1245	Commenced discharging No. 8 hold vehicles to Pier.
0345	1445	Discharging vehicles from No. 3 and 4 holds.
0600	1700	Covered No. 8 hold.
0650	1750	Covered No. 3 and 4 holds.

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August 20, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Anchored as before.
1920	0620	Resumed discharging vehicles to Pier from No. 3, 4 and 8 holds.

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August 20, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

0100	1200	Weather: Wind E, force 2. Barometer 30.18. Temperature 74. Partly cloudy. Fine.
0212	1312	USS WHITNEY standing in.
0405	1505	Commenced discharging vehicles from No. 2 hold to Pier.
0442	1542	Secured No. 8 hold.
0830	1930	Secured No. 2, 3, and 4 holds.

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August 21, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Anchored as before.
1920	0620	Resumed discharging vehicles from No. 2 hold.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind SE, forces 4 and 5. Barometer 30.14. Temperature 78. Partly cloudy. Fine.
0129	1229	Anchor aweigh shifting berth to inner harbor.
0429	1500	Moored in Berth A-4 Great Bay, New Caledonia. Starboard side to USS BELLATRIX with port anchor underfoot.
0500	1600	Commenced loading provisions in No. 2 hold.
0630	1730	Discharging medical supplies and quartermaster stores from No. 8 hold.
0650	1750	Discharging Marine Quartermaster stores from No. 4 to USS BETELGEUSE.
0950	2050	Secured No. 8 hold.

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August 22, 1942.

<u>G.C.T.</u>	<u>L.C.T.</u>	
1301	0001	Moored as before. Continued working No.2 and 4 holds.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind E, force 1. Barometer 30.10. Temperature 77. Partly cloudy. Fine.
0125	1225	USS NEVILLE standing in.
0225	1325	HMS ACHILLES standing in.
0325	1425	USS PHOENIX standing in. Secured No.4 hold.
0355	1455	Commenced loading No. 6 hold with vegetables.
0410	1510	USS CHICAGO and TALBOT underway and standing out.
0515	1615	USS JACKSON and WHARTON underway and standing out.
0540	1640	Secured No. 2 hold.
0630	1730	Secured No. 6 hold.

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August 23, 1942.

<u>G.C.T.</u>	<u>L.C.T.</u>	
1301	0001	Moored as before.
1220	0920	Resumed loading provisions in No. 2 and 4 holds.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind SE, force 2. Temperature 79. Partly cloudy. Fine.
0700	1800	Secured No. 2 hold.

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SECRETAugust 24, 1942.G.C.T.L.C.T.

1301	0001	Moored as before. Continued loading #4 hold.
1550	0250	Secured #4 hold. Completed loading having received 225 tons rations from USS BELLATRIX and approximately 300 tons rations from Noumea.
2006	0706	SS EASTERN SUN alongside port side.
2050	0750	Receiving fuel oil from SS EASTERN SUN.
2400	1100	Completed fueling having received approximately 10,000 barrels.
2430	1130	Cast off SS EASTERN SUN.
2459	1159	Cast off from USS BELLATRIX.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind E, force 2. Barometer 30.04. Temperature 80. Cloudy. Fine.
0110	1210	Anchor aweigh. Various courses and speeds leaving harbor in accordance with Task Force Commander 62 operation Orders A10-42.
0320	1420	North Bulari Passage abeam.
0335	1435	Set course to 180-T.
0352	1452	Convoy speed 13.75 knots. In company with following ships: USS ZEILIN (Flag) BERTHOUSE, POLARISUT, HAWAJO, HULL (Escort) in van.
0355	1455	Changed course to 143-T.
0411	1511	Commenced zig-zagging plan #11, US 1940.
0715	1815	Ceased zig-zagging.
0720	1820	Changed course by wheeling to 090-T.
0750	1850	Resumed zig-zagging as before.

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August 26, 1942G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Steaming as before.
1600	0300	Ceased zig-zagging.
1605	0305	Changed course by wheeling to 006-T.
1610	0310	Resumed zig-zagging as before.
1827	0527	Efate Island bearing 110-T.
1907	0607	Sighted friendly aircraft.
1924	0624	Adjusted course to 001-T.
2005	0705	Adjusted course to 356-T.
2053	0753	Convoy speed 14 knots.
2055	0755	Ceased zig-zagging.
2100	0800	Position: 16-48-S., 168-02 E. Changed course to 346-T.
2110	0810	Resumed zig-zagging.
2222	0922	Ceased zig-zagging.
2225	0925	Changed course to 322-T by wheeling.
2235	0935	Resumed zig-zagging.
2244	0944	Passed active volcano on Ambrim Island (Mt. Marum) on starboard beam.
2257	0957	Friendly aircraft sighted.
0100	1200	Position: 16-02 S., 167-37 E. Weather: Wind Calm. Barometer 29.90. Temperature 82. Sea 80. Cloudy - smooth sea.
0240	1340	Adjusted course to 327-T.
0301	1401	Ceased zig-zagging.

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0315	1415	Formed single column.
0320	1420	Changed course to various positions in approaching harbor.
0330	1430	Bruat channel abeam.
0354	1454	Entering Segond channel.
0441	1541	Anchored in berth A-5 Segond Channel, Espiritu Santos Island, New Hebrides. Ships present-USS CURTIS(SOPA), ALDERBARAN, FOMALHAUT, ALHENA, BETELGEUSE, SABINE, MANLEY, COLHOUN, GREGORY, LITTLE, MCKEAN, NAVAJO, HULL, HELM, STRINGHAM, GAMBLE, M99, SS PRESIDENT POLK, SANTA ANA, DEL BRAZIL.

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August 27, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Anchored as before.
1920	0620	Underway shifting berths.
1956	0656	Anchored in berth 600 yards NW (A-9).
2050	0750	Commenced discharging No. 8 hold to beach.
2105	0805	Commenced discharging #2, 4, and 7 holds.
2117	0817	Marine detail consisting of 3 officers and 103 men aboard to assist unloading.
2155	0855	Amphibious tanks(Marine) reported alongside to assist discharging 90mm ammunition.
2300	1000	Covered #2 hold because of rain. Opened #3 hold and commenced discharging.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind SE, force 1. Barometer 29.93. Temperature 73. Overcast rain squalls.

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SECRETAugust 27, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

0405 1505 USS PHOENIX standing in.

0430 1530 Covered No. 4 hold.


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August 28, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301 0001 Anchored as before.

1930 0630 USS PHOENIX and HULL underway and standing out.

2045 0745 Commenced discharging No. 4 hold.

2112 0812 YP239 alongside to port.

2115 0815 Receive stores from USS ALDERBARAN in No. 6 hold.

2130 0830 Commenced loading No. 239YP.

0045 1145 Secured No. 6 hold.

0100 1200 Weather: Wind SW, force 2. Barometer 29.94.
Temperature 80. Cloudy passing showers.

0205 1305 USS SABINE underway and standing out.

0305 1405 YP284 alongside to starboard.

0445 1545 Commenced loading No. 284YP.

0531 1631 YP239 cast off.

0550 1650 YP346 alongside to port.

0606 1706 Commenced loading YP346.

0748 2048 Secured No. 7 and 8 holds for the night.


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SECRETAugust 29, 1942.

<u>G.C.T.</u>	<u>L.C.T.</u>	
1301	0001	Anchored as before. Working holds No. 2, 3,4. Loading YP284 and 346.
1450	0150	Cast off YP284.
1455	0155	Secured No. 4 hold.
1935	0635	Resumed unloading No. 4,7,8, hold.
1940	0650	Cast off YP346.
2145	0845	Completed discharging No. 7 hold.
0045	1145	USS SOLACE standing in.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind SE, force 1. Barometer 29.97. Temperature 83. Partly cloudy.
0225	1325	Lt. G. Howe, R.A.N.R. reported aboard for transportation to Noumea.
0255	1355	Received aboard 26 enlisted men U.S. Navy for transportation to Noumea.
0435	1535	USS BREEZE alongside starboard for fuel and water.
0452	1552	YP284,346,239 underway and standing out.
0530	1630	SS O.W. HOLMES standing in.
0600	1700	USS BETELGEUSE standing out.
1031	2131	Completed discharging No. 7 hold.
2258	2358	USS BREEZE cast off having received 72,550 gallons fuel oil and 7,500 gallons water.

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SECRETAugust 30, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Anchored as before. Continued discharging No. 4 hold.
1320	0020	USS MC KEAN alongside to starboard.
1341	0040	Commenced fueling USS MC KEAN.
1600	0300	Resumed discharging No. 2 hold.
1900	0600	USS MC KEAN cast off having received 53,957 gallons of fuel oil.
1945	0645	USS BALLARD alongside to starboard.
2015	0715	Commenced fueling USS BALLARD.
2255	0955	USS BALLARD cast off having received 31,000 gallons of fuel oil.
0058	1158	SS HOLMS alongside to starboard.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind SE, force 1. Barometer 29.91. Temperature 81. Cloudy. Fine.
0235	1335	Loading No. 7 hold from SS HOLMS approximately 5 tons supplies and equipment for Noumea discharge.
0535	1635	Completed loading No. 7 hold. SS HOLMS cast off.
0550	1650	Commenced discharging No. 6 hold, provisions.
0635	1735	Completed discharging #2 hold. Resumed No.3.
0855	1955	Darken ship. All unloading operations ceased due to submarine alert.
0915	2015	Resumed discharging #3 and #4 holds.

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August 31, 1942.G.C.T. L.C.T.

1301	0001	Anchored as before. Continue discharging No. 3 and 4 holds.
1710	0410	Completed discharging #4 hold.
2040	0740	Completed discharging #3 hold. Resumed #6.
2100	0800	USS SOLACE underway and standing out.
2210	0910	Lt. G. Howe, R.A.N.R. transferred to USS FOMALHAUT for further transportation.
2300	1000	Completed discharging #6 hold. All Button cargo discharged.
2310	1010	Marine working party left ship.
0100	1200	Weather: Wind ESE, force 2. Barometer 29.97. Temperature 82. Overcast.
0225	1325	Beach party returned to ship. All cargo landing completed.

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APPROVED:

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Convoy Commander, Convoy No. 4120 and
Commander Transport Division Four and
Commanding, U.S.S. ZEILIN.