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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

No. 947

Date 1 September, 1944

PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/1:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF: "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
1 PC: 1123
(ii) Task Force 73 : 2 AVP: "ORCA" "HALF MOON"
(iii) Task Force 76 : 1 DE: "THOMASON"
5 PF: "EUGENS" "BURLINGTON" "ORANGE" "CARSON"
CITY" "LONGBEACH"
(iv) Task Group 76.7 : 1 CMS: "ARIADNE"
3 DD: "LANG" "MURRAY" "STACK"
(v) Miscellaneous : 17 PT
5 MV
- (2) "AUSTRALIA" (CA) "BOISE" "PHOENIX" (CL) "ABNER READ" "AMMEN" "BACHE"
"BEALE" "DALY" "HUTCHINS" "MULLANY" "WARRAMUNGA" (DD)
proceeding Milne Bay to Manus ETA 1200/1: exercising en
route.
- (3) "CAPE ESPERANCE" (CVE) departed Manus 1330/31 for Langemak ETA 1400/1,
carrying out A/A practice en route about 0900/1.
- (4) "PC.1122" departed Caloundra 2300/27 for Hollandia ETA 1800/1.
- (5) "GOLDSTAR" (AG) was to depart Sek Harbour 0600/31 for Woendi ETA 1800/2.
- (6) "SUSQUEHANNA" (AO) departed Langemak 2359/31 for Humboldt Bay ETA 1500/1
- (7) "WARREGO" (PS) was to depart Madang 1800/31 for Aitape ETA 1800/1.
- (8) "COWRA" (AMS) departed Milne Bay 1000/31 for Langemak ETA 1600/1 thence
Madang.
- (9) "PONTUS" (AGP) departed Finschhafen 1700/30 for Milne Bay ETA 1300/1.
- (10) 3 submarines on patrol: 3 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Noemfoor:

Escorts 1 : 1 PF: "GLENDALE"
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 278
Merchantmen 1

Siak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 4 SS : "BASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "FLYING FISH" "HADDO"
47 PT

Escorts 13 : 3 PF: "ROCKFORD" "CORONADO" "GALLUP"
1 PC: 1124
1 PS: "SWAN"
2 YMS: 316, 393

Auxiliaries 21 : 6 ML: 425, 428, 816, 817, 818, 819
"TANGIER" "WRIGHT" (AV) "SAN PABLO" (AVP)
"ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE"
"MOBJACK" "KOOPA" (AGP) "TRINITY" (AO)

Blak Is-Woendi (Contd.)
 Auxiliaries (Contd.) : "SAKATONCHEE" (AOG) "MAETSUYCKER" "TASMAN" (AN)
 "SILVERBELL" (AN) "TEABERRY" (YN) "QUAPAW" (AT)
 "MINK" (IX) 2 YFD 1 AFR 1 YP: 236

Merchantmen 10
 Maffin Bay:
 Combat Units 1 DD : "STEVENS"
 Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "ARARAT"
 Merchantmen 12
 Umboldt Bay:
 Combat Units 14 DD : "RUSSELL" "ANDERSON" "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER"
 "MORRIS" "RADFORD" "HUGHES" "MUSTIN" "HARRISON"
 "MCKEE" "JOHN RODGERS" "SIGSBEE" "SCHROEDER"
 "RINGGOLD"
 Escorts 35 : 1 DE: "EICHENBERGER"
 5 PF: "EL PASO" "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "VAN BUREN"
 "SAN PEDRO"
 7 AMS: "LITINGOW" "BENDIGO" "GELLONG" "COLAC"
 "ROCKHAMPTON" "KAPUNDA" "DELORAINÉ"
 7 PC: 476, 477, 479, 1119, 1120, 1133, 1134
 7 SC: 637, 732, 744, 748, 735, 749, 981
 8 YMS: 8, 9, 10, 46, 47, 51, 334

Auxiliaries 33 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "BISHOPDALE" "VICTORIA"
 "CHEPACHET" (AO) "CARTER HALL" (LSD) "ELKHORN"
 "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "WARD" "HERBERT" "KILTY"
 "CROSBY" "SCHLEY" (APD) "DOBBIN" (AD) "AMYCUS"
 (ARL) "POYANG" (AE) "WASATCH" (AG) "DERRICK" (YC)
 "VENT" (ARS) "OGLALA" (ARG) "BOOTES" (AK)
 "VILLALOBOS" "OCTORARA" "PANDA" (IX) "TEAK"
 (AN) "LARK" (AM) "VIREO" (ATF) "INDUS"
 "MURZIM" (AK) "LAURABADA" (AG) "
 3 YP: 240, 280, 291 1 ARD

Merchantmen 31
 Altape:
 Combat Units 26 PT
 Escorts 2 : 2 SC: 745, 982
 Auxiliaries 5 : "CRESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" (APA) "SALAMONIE"
 (AO) "TITANIA" (AKA) 1 YP: 516

Merchantmen 10
 Admiral ties:
 Combat Units 10 CVE : "CHENANGO" "SUWANNEE" "SANGANON" "MIDWAY"
 "NEHENTA BAY" "SANTEE" "HOGGATT BAY" "NASSAU"
 "SARGENT BAY" "STEAMER BAY" "RUDYARD BAY"
 1 CA : "SHROPSHIRE"
 1 CL : "NASHVILLE"
 13 DD : "BUSH" "DASHIELL" "HOPEWELL" "NICHOLAS"
 "O'BANNON" "TAYLOR" "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON"
 "CAPPS" "DAVID W. TAYLOR" "JOHN D. HENLEY"
 "EVANS" "THATCHER"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 12 PT

Escorts 32 : 22 DE: "EDMONDS" "R.S.BULL" "EVERSOLE" "SHELTON"
 "DENNIS" "LEVY" "MCCONNELL" "OSTERHAUS"
 "MORRE" "WITTER" "BEBAS" "SEID" "STEELE"
 "SAMUEL S. MILES" "PARKS" "MITCHELL"
 "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "WEAVER" "HILLBERT"
 "LAMONS" "RIDDLE"
 1 AMS: "GOULBURN"
 1 PC: 1139
 3 SC: 741, 746, 747
 1 ML: 827
 4 YMS: 49, 52, 70, 97

Auxiliaries 54 : "MISSISSINAWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPAN-
 HANOCK" "PAMANSET" "SEBEC" "MONONGABELA"
 "PATUXENT" "NEOSHO" "LACKWANNA" "SAUNGATUCK"
 "CACHE" "CIMARRON" "PLATTE" "SABINE"
 "GUADALUPE" "CALIENTE" "NECHES" "TOMAHAWK"
 "KENNEBAGO" "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" "PECOS"
 "SCHUYLKILL" "MILLICOMA" (AO) "PASQUOTANK"
 "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR) "VARUNA" (AGP)
 "HERCYN" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL" "SAMARITAN" (AH)
 "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS)

Admiralties (Contd.)Auxiliaries (Contd.)

: "GINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "PHOBOS" (AK)
 "SILVER CLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU"
 "ABARENDA" "ARETHUSA" "ARAYAT" "LEOPARD"
 "PORCUPINE" (IX) "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT) "
 "ARGONNE" (AG) 2 ARD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD

Merchantmen 12

Ale xishafen-Madang:

Combat Units 1 DD

Escorts 14

: "JENKINS"
 1 PF: "HAWKESBURY"
 5 AMS: "KATOOMBA" "GYMPIE" "COOTAMUNDRA"
 "KIAMA" "GLADSTONE"
 1 PC: 1132
 3 SC: 703, 736, 742
 4 ML: 801, 803, 806, 812
 : "REXUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARG)
 "MESQUITE" (CCC) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG)
 "OTUS" (AS) "SREKONK" (AOG) "POLLUX" (AKS)
 "PING WO" (ASIS) "GANYMED" (AK)
 2 YRD 1 ARD 2 AFD 1 YP: 504

Auxiliaries 16

Langemak:

Combat Units 9 PT

Escorts 12

: 2 PF: "BARCOO" "MUSKOGEE"
 2 AMS: "BROOME" "TOWNSVILLE"
 2 PC: 1121, 1131
 2 SC: 650, 698
 2 YMS: 316, 335
 1 ML: 802
 1 PGM

Auxiliaries 11

: "KANIMBLA" "MANCORA" "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA)
 "REPUBLIC" (AP) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO)
 "CHETCO" (AT) "RACE POINT" (AT) "SCULPTOR" (AK)
 "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CLYDE" (IX)

Merchantmen 37

Lae:

Auxiliaries 1

Merchantmen 9

: "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Morobe:

Auxiliaries 1

: 1 AFDOrc Bay:

Auxiliaries 1

: "GENERAL JOHN POPE" (AP)

Merchantmen 13

Milne Bay:

Combat Units 1 DD

Escorts 11

: "ARUMTA"
 3 DE: "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND" "JAMES E. CRAIG"
 3 AMS: "STAWELL" "WAGGA" "GLENEIG"
 1 SC: 734
 1 ML: 431
 3 YMS: 48, 50, 313

Auxiliaries 21

: "OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN)
 "RAIL" "SHAWNEE" "TANGRED" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT)
 1 ARD 3 YP 4 AFD
 6 YP: 233, 236, 237, 278, 288, 449

Merchantmen 28

Port Moresby:

Escorts 1

: 1 ML: 825

Auxiliaries 2

: "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

Merchantmen 5

2. SOLOMONS:(a) At Sea to 1200/1:

- (1) "WILLMARTH" (DE) escorting "STRATFORD" (AGP) proceeding Green Is. to Emirau ETA 1800/2.
- (2) "YMS.259" departed Tulagi 0001/30 for Green Is.
- (3) "WINTLE" (DE) escorting "JOHN HOPE" proceeding Emirau to Lunga ETA 0700/3.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau Is:

Escorts 3

: 2 SC: 999, 1274 1 PC: 589

Auxiliaries 1

: "CAMANGA" (AG)

Green Is:
 Combat Units 12 PT
 Escorts 6 : 1 DE: "FOREMAN"
 1 DM: "BREEZE"
 1 FC: 584
 2 SC: 677, 518
 1 YMS: 95, 2
 Auxiliaries 1 : "SAN CARLOS" (AVP)

Torokina:
 Escorts 5 : 1 DE: "SPADFIELD"
 2 FC: 723, 1029
 2 SC: 1128, 1590
 Auxiliaries 1 : "ARIDED" (AK)
 Merchantmen 1

Treasury Is:
 Combat Units 34 PT
 4 PGM
 Escorts 5 : 1 DE: "WHITEHURST"
 2 SC: 722, 1039
 2 FC: 605, 1229
 Auxiliaries 4 : "TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "NAOS" (AK)
 "BUTTERNUT" (YN)

Munda:
 Escorts 4 : 3 SC: 514, 702, 1267
 1 YMS: 196

EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/1:

- (1) "SONOMA" (AT) departed Mackay 0800/29 for Milne Bay ETA 1400/3.
- (2) "MIZAR" (AF) departed Sydney Heads 1400/31 for Milne Bay ETA 0800/4.
- (3) "COMFORT" (AH) departed Milne Bay 1520/30 for Brisbane ETA 1900/2.
- (4) "RIGEL" (AR) departed Milne Bay 0600/27 for Sydney ETA 0600/6.
- (5) "SHEPPARTON" (AGS) departed Thursday Island 0800/28 for survey ground.
- (6) "BUNDABERG" (AMS) departed Townsville 1246/30 for Brisbane ETA 2000/1.
- (7) "ML.805" was to depart Cairns 0700/1 for Brisbane ETA 1500/6, passing via Gladstone where ETA 1500/4.
- (8) "CRUX" (AK) departed Caloundra 1200/30 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/5 for onward routing to Finschhafen and Manus Island.

(b) In Harbour:

Thursday Is:
 Escorts 4 : 3 AMS: "PARKES" "PIRIE" "FREMANTLE"
 1 ML: 813
 Auxiliaries 2 : "VIGILANT" (AGS) "KURUMBA" (AO)

Cairns:
 Escorts 12 : 3 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "LATORBE" "STRAHAN"
 5 SC: 699, 737, 739, 748, 750
 4 YMS: 71, 73, 314, 336
 Auxiliaries 7 : "FIRE ISLAND" "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT) ANDREW
 DORIA" (IX) "CABLE" (ARS) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC)
 1 ARD 1 AT

Townsville:
 Auxiliaries 2 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)

Bowen:
 Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Brisbane:
 Combat Units 5 SS : "CERO" "DACE" "DARTER" "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
 Escorts 13 : 1 PF: "OGDEN"
 2 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL" "WHYALLA"
 3 PCE: 848, 849, 850
 7 ML: 424, 425, 804, 808, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 12 : "TULSA" (RG) "ALGORAB" (AKA) "TRIANGULUM" (AK)
 "MERKUR" "OCTANS" (AF) "PYRO" (AE) "ETOLIN" (AK)
 "CARONDOLET" (IX) "BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
 2 YP: 283, 421

Sydney:
 Combat Units 1 CL : "HOBART" (refitting)
 3 DD : "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 7 : 1 PF: "BURDEKIN"
 3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"

Sydney (Contd.)

Escorts (Contd.)

Auxiliaries

7 : 3 ML: 810, 822, 823
 : "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT) "BUNGAREE" (CM)
 "MANUNDA" (AH)

Melbourne:

Combat Units

Escorts

Auxiliaries

1 DD : "NAPIER"
 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN" "DOOMBA"
 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP)

Adelaide:

Escorts

1 : 1 AMS: "IPSWICH"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/1:

- (1) Task Units 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESEY"
 3 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUCA" "JUNEE"
 (2) "BOWEN" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.70 ("ALAGNA") departed Thursday Is.
 1900/30 for Darwin ETA 1600/4.
 (3) "ML.807" escorting "LORINNA" departed Darwin 0712/23 for Sir Graham
 Moore Is. Champagne Is., West Bay and return.
 (4) "INVERELL" (AMS) "ML.809" escorting "DUNDULA" departed Darwin 0008/1
 for West Bay ETA 1200/2. On arrival convoy "INVERELL"
 returns independently to Darwin.
 11 submarines on patrol: 8 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts

Auxiliaries

Merchantmen

6 : 3 AMS: "BALLARAT" "CASTLEMAINE" "BUMBURY"
 3 ML: 429, 814, 815
 1 : "COUCAL" (ASR)
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5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/1: - Nil.(b) In Harbour:Exmouth Gulf:

Auxiliaries

Merchantmen

Combat Units

1 : 1 YP: 286
 1 CL : "ADELAIDE"
 17 SS : "ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BONEFISH"
 "CABRILLA" "CLYDE" "COD" "CREVALLE"
 "HAMMERHEAD" "HOE" "LAPON" "PARGO" "PORPOISE"
 "SANDLACE" "SPIEFUL" "K.14" "K.15"
 Escorts 9 : 1 FF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
 1 FS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA"
 1 SC: 729
 1 ML: 824
 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 "ATHOS" (AP) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons
 except tankers and commissioned ships.

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville-Buka - On 30 Aug. an enemy party of undetermined strength was engaged by our outposts in the Upper Laruma Valley. The enemy camp area near Ibu approx. midway between Torokina and Numa Numa ~~was~~ was attacked 30 Aug. by 17 Dauntless. On the same day a bridge in Southern Bougainville was bombed by 12 Corsairs, a small boat off Taiof Island (Buka Passage) was attacked by 2 Corsairs and other targets on Buka were bombed by 4 Corsairs.
- (2) New Ireland - Night 29-30 Aug. Kavieng was harassed by 3 Mitchells. On 30 Aug. 2 bridges were destroyed and another 2 bridges damaged in the Numatanai area during attacks by 21 Dauntless. Other targets widespread over New Ireland were attacked 30 Aug. by 10 Corsairs, 1 Ventura.
- (3) Rabaul - Night 29-30 Aug. Rabaul was harassed by 2 Mitchells which dropped bombs on Matupi Island. On 30 Aug. supply areas, buildings and bridges throughout Gazelle Peninsula and Duke of York Island were attacked by 42 Corsairs.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Yakumul - Details concerning air offensive 30 Aug. show that weather interfered and that only 1 Beaufort and 4 Aircobras participated attacking huts near Wewak and personnel along the beaches. On 31 Aug. 19 Beauforts attacked Kairiru village destroying a number of huts and another 19 Beauforts attacked personnel area near Wewak.
- (2) Maffin Bay area - On 30 Aug. stores at Sami Point were bombed and strafed by 4 Thunderbolts.
- (3) Middelburg Island - Following the raid on Middelburg Island on 28 Aug. there was another alert after dark 29 Aug. when enemy aircraft approached but no bombs were dropped. Shortly after 0200/31 2 enemy planes approached Middelburg area and 1 aircraft bombed Middelburg strip and the second bombed another strip on the mainland opposite Middelburg; negligible damage or casualties was suffered.
- (4) Maccluer Gulf - At 0945/31 Kokas sawmill was bombed by 12 Kittyhawks and No. 1 runway on Babo airfield was dive bombed by 10 Kittyhawks. In addition, during the morning 31 Aug. sweeps were conducted along the shores of Maccluer Gulf by 3 flights each of 4 Kittyhawks; small craft and coastal targets were bombed and strafed.
- (5) Sorong area - At dusk 30 Aug. 3 enemy fighters attacked 2 PT boats at the east end of Sagewan Straits; the planes appeared to be coming from the direction of Sorong.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Ambon area - A delayed report states that on 29 Aug. runways on both aerodromes at Namlea were dive bombed by 32 Lightnings. At approx. midnight 30-31 Aug. a Catalina over Ambon saw 1 small freighter transport at the entrance to Ambon Bay and another small seatruck nearby; the freighter transport was hit with 1 bomb, also near misses and strafed, and left on the rocks, the other small ship was also accurately strafed. At 1015/31 aircraft observed 3 seatrucks stationary east of Liang, and at 1200/31 3 luggers were sighted off the west coast of Boeroe Island on course 240°.
- (2) Tanimbar Islands - At 1200/31. 7 barges in Loke Bay on Moloe Island (northernmost island of Tanimbar Group) were attacked by 2 reconnaissance Mitchells and 5 were destroyed, the other

- (2) Timber Islands (contd) 2 damaged: some of the barges appeared to be loaded with oil.
At 1630/31 Saumlaki was bombed by another 2 reconnaissance Mitchells.
- (3) Timor - At 1130/31 Cape Chater strip was bombed by 1 reconnaissance Liberator and soon after 1200/31 Cape Chater aerodrome was again bombed by 24 Liberators. Bombs fell across the strip and at the dump and dispersal areas.
At 0958/31 a camouflaged barge at Limboer (N. Coast Alor Island) was strafed by 2 Mitchells.
- (4) S.E. Celebes - At 2958/30 2 Catalinas over S.E. Celebes observed 1 small ship and several small craft off Boetoeng town.
- (5) N. Celebes - Night 29-30 Aug. 3 Catalinas over Northern Celebes contacted the following shipping:
- 1 seatruck and several barges in a cove off North Cape: Seatruck damaged by bombing and strafing and barges strafed.
 - 6 cargo vessels (2 medium, 4 small) and 2 3-masted schooners in the vicinity of Manado: 1 schooner was sunk, the other damaged and 1 small merchant-ship probably destroyed by bombing and strafing.
 - 3 seatrucks on north side of Amoenang Bay and some 30 barges beached on the south shore of the Bay: bombs were dropped amongst the beached barges.
 - 1 small escort vessel at Cape Sidate.
 - Many small craft apparently en route Manado to Amoenang but nothing westward from Amoenang as far as Quandang Bay.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Davao - At approx. midnight 29-30 Aug. Davao wharf area was bombed by 3 reconnaissance Liberators individually.
- (2) Luzon - At 0730/31, 1 heavy cruiser ("MOGAMI" class) 2 light cruisers ("AGANO" class) and 5 destroyers entered Manila Harbour.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Marshalls - On 28-29 Aug. usual moderate scale raids were conducted on enemy held positions, particularly Mille, Wetje and Moloelap.
- (2) Marianas - On 28 Aug. Pagan Island was bombed by 4 Liberators and 16 Thunderbolts. On 29 Aug. Pagan was again bombed by 16 Thunderbolts.
- (3) Bonins - Night 27-28 Aug. Iwojima was bombed by reconnaissance Liberator. On 28 Aug. the south airfield on Iwojima was bombed by 13 Liberators and the following night 28-29 Aug. Iwojima airfields were again bombed by Cenpac Liberators dropping 190 tons of 120lb. fragmentation clusters. 2 enemy fighters were airborne during the last reported night raid but no interception was attempted.
- (4) Formosa - Photos of Takao 26 Aug. show 5 warships including 3 destroyers, 1 destroyer escort and 1 unidentified naval craft, and 26 merchant ships totalling 91,400 tons. The merchantships included 1 tanker (7-10,000 tons) 2 medium freighters, 6 medium freighter transports, 4 small freighter transports and 15 other small merchantships between 500-1000 tons. In addition, a number of small craft under 150 ft. long were in the Harbour.

NORTH PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Kuriles - On 28 Aug. shipping at Paramushiro was attacked by at least 3 and probably more reconnaissance Venturas: 1 tanker received a direct hit and was set on fire, 1 large cargo ship was hit and a heavy explosion ensued; 1 patrol vessel was also attacked. 3 enemy fighters attempted interception and damaged 1 Ventura. On the same day 2 search Liberators attacked 2 patrol vessels near Paramushiro sinking 1 and damaging the other.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Mobilization of enemy naval strength in Philippines together with significant warship sightings Northern Philippines.
- (2) Continued air attacks against small type shipping N. Celebes-Ceram area.
- (3) Reconnaissance of Takao.

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PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
		<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>		
<u>CV(E)</u>	(8)	CAPE ESPERANCE CHEWANG O MIDWAY MEHINTA BAY	SANGAMON SANTEE SUWANNEE MOGGATT BAY	(9) LONG ISLAND FANSHAW BAY MAPANIKAU	-
<u>CA</u>	(2)	AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE			-
<u>CL</u>	(4)	BOISE PHOENIX NASHVILLE = HOBART		= LEANDER	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2)	TANGIER WRIGHT			-
<u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(6)	HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINGOPAGUE ORCA		-
<u>DD</u>	(43)	ARUN T A WARRAMINGA STUART VENDETTA NAPIER NEPAL AEMER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH CAFFS DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR FLINCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JINKIN S JOHN D. HENLEY JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN NICHOLAS O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RADFORD RINGGOLD RUSS ILL SCH ROEDER SIGSBEE ST ACK STEVENS TAYLOR		-
<u>SS</u>	(3)	GUAVINA ST INGRAY	NARWHAL	) on patrol	5
	(3)	BREAM S.42	TELEMACHUS	) on passage	
	(3)	BASHAW FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH	) at Woendi	
	(2)	S.45	S.47	) at S eadler	
	(5)	CERO DACE	DAPPER PERMET SEAWOLF	) at Brisbane	
	(2)	K.9	K.12	) at Sydney = non effective	

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (contd)

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>PF</u>	Approx. 175	-	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>AFD</u>	(11) H.T. ALLEN (APA) KANIM BLA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGO RAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (AFD) SCHLEY HERBERT C MOSBY KILTY	3 AFD	-
<u>AGC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OPUS EURENKE HOLLAND ORION	-	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBWIN	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(10) RIGEL (AR) MEDUSA PLATYPUS MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYC US VENT (ARS) CABLE	-	-
<u>LSD</u>	C AFTER HALL	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-		(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) RENEWAK DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND		AEUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9		5
<u>SS</u>	10		Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TR ENPON		-
<u>DD</u>	9		-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Philippines-
Mandates-E, Indies Empire

	(18)	IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH CAROLINA INDIAN A MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND NEW MEXICO OKLAHOMA	(2) FIBO HANUNA	(7) YAMATO * MIBASHI * MAGATO YAMASHIRO * KONGO ISE (conv.to HYUGA) carry a/c.
<u>CV</u>	(9)	SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP		-	(4) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9)	CABOT COMPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY		-	(4) CHITOSE CHIYODA ZUIHO * RYUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>CV(E)</u>	(28)	GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY OMMANEY BAY PETROF BAY	HUDYERD BAY SARGENT BAY SHAMROCK BAY SITKOH BAY STEAMER BAY ADMIRALTY ISLANDS ALTAMARA BARNES BRETON	COPAHUE CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND NASSAU PRINCE WILLIAM SALAMATA SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS	(2) KAIYO JINYO	UNYO
<u>CV(T)</u>						HOSHIO
<u>CA</u>	(13)	BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND		(7) AOBA KIMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO	(5) * APAGO * TAKAO * CHOKAI MOGAMI * MAYA
<u>CGA</u>						6
<u>CL</u>	(17)	COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONPELLIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCHENNES HOUSTON MIAMI	(4) NOSHIRO KINU KITAGAMI * NATORI (prob. sunk)	(6) NAGARA OYODO TAMA KISO (poss. sunk) ISUZU * YAHAGI
<u>AV/OVS</u>	(4)	CURTISS POCOCKOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD		-	(2) AKITSUSHIMA * NOFORO
<u>OL(T)</u>						(2) KASHI KASHIMA
<u>DD</u>		Approx. 180			15-20	30 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>		Approx. 30			30	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>		?			?	2 (1 repairing)

* These units possibly in Malaya-Philippines area
* Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Southwest Pacific
(Western Section)

Eastern Fleet area

Malaya-Indian Ocean

<u>F</u>	-			(5) HOWE	-
				QUEEN ELIZABETH	
				VALIANT	
				RENOWN	
				RICHELIEU	
<u>CV</u>	-			(3) VICTORIOUS	SHOKAKU (uncertain)
				ILLUSTRIOUS	
				INDOMITABLE	
<u>CV(E)</u>	-			(6) BATTLER	ATHELING
				UNICORN	BEGUM
				SHAH	AMBER
<u>CA</u>	-			(3) CUMBERLAND	-
				LONDON	
				SUFFOLK	
<u>CL</u>	ADELAIDE			(7) CEYLON	NEWCASTLE
				KENYA	TROMP
				GAMBIA	PHOEBE
				NIGERIA	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-			ALBATROSS	-
<u>XCL</u>	-			(2) CANYON	-
				CHITRAL	
<u>DD</u>	-			Approx. 27	5
<u>SS</u>	(11)	BLUEFISH	PADDLE	MUSKELLUNGE	" 16
		GUFFARO	HAKE	RATON	) on patrol
		GUNNEL	HARDER	REDFIN	
		GUYVARD	JACK		
	(8)	FLASHER	NAUTILUS	SEA ROVER	) on passage
		MINGO	RAY	STURDY	
		TELEMACHUS	ZWARDFISCHEREN		
		HADDO			at Woendi
	(17)	ANGLER	COB	PARGO	) at Fremantle
		ASPRO	CREVALLE	PORPOISE	
		BLUEGILL	SANDBLACT	SPIRIFUL	
		BONETISH	HAMMERHEAD	K.14	
		CABRILLA	HOE	K.15	
		CLYDE	LAPON		
<u>AS</u>	(2)	GRIFFIN			
		BURYALE			

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons- Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	-	3	183	396	51
S/E Bombers	-	-	39	86	23
T/E Bombers	-	-	111	123	21
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Floatplanes	10	-	57	27	20
Obsn. a/c	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	419	627	125
	666				

TOP SECRET

British — MOST SECRET

U.S. — SECRET

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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PART I

(1) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/2:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF: "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
1 PC: 1123
(ii) Task Force 73 : 2 AVP: "ORCA" "HALF MOON"
(iii) Task Force 76 : 1 DE: "THOMASON"
5 PF: "EUGENE" "BURLINGTON" "ORANGE" "CARSON
CITY" "LONGBEACH"
- (iv) Miscellaneous : 17 PT
5 MV
- (2) "LONG ISLAND" (CVE) proceeding Santo to Finschhafen ETA 0800/31 thence to proceed Manus Island.
- (3) "ROI" (CVE) proceeding Santo to Finschhafen ETA 2200/4: thence to proceed Manus Island.
- (4) "CORONADO" (PF) escorting "WRIGHT" (AV) departed Biak 0800/1 for Manus Island ETA 1200/3: "CORONADO" to be relieved en route at 0700/2.
- (5) "GOLDSTAR" (AG) was to depart Sek Harbour 0600/31 for Woendi ETA 0600/3.
- (6) "WAGGA" (AMS) departed Milne Bay 1300/31 for Madang ETA 1200/2.
- (7) "JAMES E. CRAIG" (DE) departed Milne Bay 1237/1 for Langemak.
- (8) "ML.825" departed Port Moresby 0830/1 for Milne Bay ETA 1300/2.
- (9) 3 submarines on patrol: 3 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:

Noemfoor:

Escorts 1 : 1 PF: "GLENDALE"

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 273

Biak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 4 SS : "BASHAW" "FLOUNDER" "FLYING FISH" "HADDO"
47 PT

Escorts 12 : 2 PF: "ROCKFORD" "GALLUP"

1 PC: 1124

1 PS: "SWAN"

2 YMS: 316, 393

6 ML: 425, 428, 816, 817, 818, 819

Auxiliaries 22 : "TANGIER" (AV) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) "ORION" (AS)

"HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE" "MOBJACK"

"KOOA" (AGP) "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" (AO)

"ELKHORN" "SAKATONCHEE" (AOG) "MAETSUYCKER"

"TASMAN" (AH) "SILVERBELL" (AN) "TEABERRY" (YN)

"QUAPAW" (AT) "MINK" (IX) 2 YFD 1 ATR

1 YP: 236

Merchantmen 6

Maffin Bay:

Combat Units 1 DD : "STEVENS"
 Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "ARARAT"
 Auxiliaries 1 : "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG)
 Merchantmen 13

Humboldt Bay:

Combat Units 1 CMS : "ARIADNE"
 21 DD : "LANG" "MURRAY" "STACK" "RUSSELL" "ANDERSON"
 "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER" "MORRIS" "RADFORD"
 "HUGHES" "MUSTIN" "HARRISON" "MCKEE" "SIGSBEE"
 "JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD" "HOPEWELL"
 "TAYLOR" "NICHOLAS" "O'BANNON"
 Escorts 34 : 1 DE: "EICHENBERGER"
 5 PF: "EL PASO" "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "VAN BUREN"
 "SAN PEDRO"
 7 AMS: "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "GEELONG" "COLAC"
 "ROCKHAMPTON" "KAPUNDA" "DELORAINIE"
 7 PC: 476, 477, 479, 1119, 1120, 1133, 1134
 7 SC: 637, 732, 744, 748, 735, 749, 981
 7 YMS: 8, 9, 10, 46, 47, 51, 334
 Auxiliaries 30 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "BISHOPDALE" (AO) "SUSQUEHANN"
 (AOG) "CARTER HALL" (LSD) "WARD" "HERBERT"
 "KILTY" "CROSBY" "SCHLEY" (APD) "DOBBIN" (AD)
 "AMYCUS" (ARL) "POYANG" (AE) "WASATCH"
 "LAURABADA" (AG) "DERRICK" (YO) "VENT" (ARS)
 "OGLALA" (ARG) "BOOTES" (AK) "VILLALOBOS"
 "OCTORARA" "PANDA" (IX) "TEAK" (AN) "LARK" (AM)
 "VIREO" (ATF) "INDUS" "MURZIN" (AK)
 3 YP: 240, 285, 291 1 ARD
 Merchantmen 27
Aitape:
 Combat Units 26 PT
 Escorts 3 : 1 PS: "WARREGO"
 2 SC: 745, 982
 Auxiliaries 5 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" (APA) "TITANIA" (AKA)
 "SALAMONIE" (AO) 1 YP: 516
 Merchantmen 10
Admiralties:
 Combat Units 11 CVE : "CHENANGO" "SUWANNEE" "SANGAMON" "MIDWAY"
 "NEHENTA BAY" "SANTEE" "HOGGATT BAY" "NASSAU"
 "SARGENT BAY" "STEAMER BAY" "RUDYERD BAY"
 2 CA : "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
 3 CL : "NASHVILLE" "BOISE" "PHOENIX"
 17 DD : "BUSH" "DASHIELL" "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON"
 "CAPPS" "DAVID W. TAYLOR" "JOHN D. HENLEY" "EVANS"
 "THATCHER" "WARRAMUNGA" "ABNER READ" "AMMEN"
 "BACHE" "BEALE" "DALY" "HUTCHINS" "MULLANY"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 12 PT
 Escorts 34 : 22 DE: "EDMONDS" "R.S. BULL" "EVERSOLE" "SHELTON"
 "DENNIS" "LEVY" "MCCONNELL" "OSTERHAUS"
 "MCREE" "WITTER" "EBBAS" "SEID" "STEELE"
 "SAMUEL S. MILES" "PARKS" "MITCHELL"
 "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "WEAVER" "HILLBERT"
 "LAMONS" "RIDDLE"
 4 PC: 1122, 1131, 1132, 1139
 3 SC: 741, 746, 747
 1 ML: 827
 4 YMS: 49, 52, 70, 97
 Auxiliaries 54 : "MISSISSINewa" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPANHANOCHE"
 "PAMANSET" "SEBEC" "MONONGABELA" "PATUXENT"
 "NEOSHO" "LACKWANNA" "SAUNGATUCK" "CACHE"
 "CIMMARON" "PLATTE" "SABINE" "GUADALUPE"
 "CALIENTE" "NECHES" "TOMAHAWK" "KENNEBAGO"
 "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" "PECOS" "XXX"
 "SCHUYLKILL" "MILLICOMA" (AO) "PASQUOTANK"
 "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEBUSA" (AR) "VARUNA" (AGP)
 "HERON" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL" "SAMARITAN" (AH)
 "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS)
 "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "PHOBOS" (AK)
 "SILVER CLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU" "ABARENDA"
 "ARETHUSA" "ARAYAT" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX)

Admiralties (Contd.)

<u>Auxiliaries (Contd.)</u>		:	"TAWABA" "TERN" (AT) "ARGONNE" (AG) 2 <u>ARD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 585 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ABSD</u>
Merchantmen	15		
<u>Alexishafen-Madang:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	1 DD	:	"JENKINS"
Escorts	13	:	1 <u>PF</u> : "HAWKESBURY" 5 <u>AMS</u> : "KATOOMBA" "GYMPIE" "COOTAMUNDRA" "KIAMA" "GLADSTONE" 3 <u>SC</u> : 703, 736, 742 4 <u>ML</u> : 801, 803, 806, 812
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	17	:	"REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "CHEPACHET" (AO) "OTUS" (AS) "MESQUITE" (CGC) "SEEKONK" (AOG) "POLLUX" (AKS) "PING WO" (ASIS) "GANYMEDE" (AK) 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ARD</u> 2 <u>AFD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 504
<u>Langemak:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	1 <u>OVE</u> 9 <u>PT</u>	:	"CAPE ESPERANCE"
Escorts	13	:	2 <u>PF</u> : "BARCOO" "MUSKOGEE" 4 <u>AMS</u> : "BROOME" "TOWNSVILLE" "COWRA" "GOULBURN" 1 <u>PC</u> : 1121 2 <u>SC</u> : 650, 698 2 <u>YMS</u> : 316, 335 1 <u>ML</u> : 802 1 <u>PGM</u>
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	11	:	"KANIMBLA" "MANOORA" "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "REPUBLIC" (AP) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "CHETCO" (AT) "RACE POINT" (AT) "SCULPTOR" (AK) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CLYDE" (IX)
Merchantmen	31		
<u>Lae:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	:	"CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
Merchantmen	11		
<u>Morobe:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	:	1 <u>AFD</u>
<u>Oro Bay:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	:	"GENERAL JOHN POPE" (AP)
Merchantmen	12		
<u>Milne Bay:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	1 DD	:	"ARUNTA"
Escorts	9	:	2 <u>DE</u> : "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND" 2 <u>AMS</u> : "SPAWELL" "GLENEIG" 1 <u>SC</u> : 734 1 <u>ML</u> : 431 3 <u>YMS</u> : 48, 50, 313
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	22	:	"OYSTER BAY" "PONTUS" (AGP) "SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "SHAWNEE" "TANCRED" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) 1 <u>ARD</u> 3 <u>YT</u> 4 <u>AFD</u> 6 <u>YP</u> : 233, 236, 237, 278, 288, 449
Merchantmen	24		
<u>Port Moresby:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	2	:	"WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)
Merchantmen	4		

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/2:

- (1) "GENERAL R.L. HOWZE" (AP) departed Guadalcanal 1000/1 for Finschhafen.
- (2) "MARTIN" (DE) escorting "AGAWAM" (AOG) proceeding Tulagi to Torokina
ETA 1500/2.
- (3) "Q.402" escorting "ARIDED" (AK) proceeding Torokina to Russells ETA
0630/3.
- (4) "SC.1039" escorting "OVID BUTLER" proceeding Treasury to Lunga due 0700/2.
- (5) "WINTLE" (DE) escorting "JOHN HOPE" proceeding Emirau to Lunga ETA 0700/3.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau Is:

Escorts	5	:	1 <u>DE</u> : "WILLMARTH" 2 <u>SC</u> : 999, 1274 2 <u>PC</u> : 584, 589
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Emirau Is (Contd.)

Auxiliaries	2	:	"CAMANGA" (AG) "STRATFORD" (AGP)
<u>Green Is:</u>			
Combat Units	12 PT		
Escorts	6	:	1 DE: "FOREMAN" 1 DM: "BREEZE" 2 SC: 677, 518 2 YMS: 95, 259
Auxiliaries	1	:	"SAN CARLOS" (AVP)
<u>Brokina:</u>			
Escorts	5	:	1 DE: "STADFELD" 2 PC: 723, 1029 2 SC: 1128, 1590
<u>Merchantmen</u>			
Treasury Is:	1		
<u>Combat Units</u>			
	34 PT		
	4 PGM		
Escorts	4	:	1 DE: "WHITEHURST" 1 SC: 722 2 PC: 605, 1229
Auxiliaries	4	:	"TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "NAOS" (AK) "BUTTERNUT" (YN)
<u>Munda:</u>			
Escorts	4	:	3 SC: 514, 702, 1267 1 YMS: 196

EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/2:

- (1) "SONOMA" (AF) departed Mackay 0800/29 for Milne Bay ETA 1400/3.
- (2) "MIZAR" (AF) departed Sydney Heads 1400/31 for Milne Bay ETA 0800/4.
- (3) "WHYALLA" "WARRNAMBOOL" (AMS) escorting "DACE" "DARTER" (SS) were to depart Caloundra 1700/1: "WARRNAMBOOL" detaches at 1800/4 and returns to Brisbane ETA 0500/7; "WHYALLA" parts company at 1800/5 and proceeds Milne Bay ETA 1400/6.
- (4) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) was to depart Caloundra 1500/1 for Milne Bay ETA 1800/5 for onward routeing to Finschhafen, Hollandia and Woendi.
- (5) "PYRO" (AE) was to depart Caloundra 2300/1 for Finschhafen ETA 1600/6 for onward routeing and escort to Hollandia & Woendi.
- (6) "BUNGAREE" (GM) departed Sydney 0900/2 for Milne Bay and Madang.
- (7) "COMFORT" (AH) departed Milne Bay 1520/30 for Brisbane ETA 1900/2.
- (8) "RIGEL" (AR) departed Milne Bay 0600/27 for Sydney ETA 0600/6.
- (9) "SHEPPARTON" (AGS) departed Thursday Island 0800/28 for survey ground.
- (10) "ML.805" departed Cairns 0700/1 for Brisbane ETA 1500/6, passing via Gladstone where ETA 1500/4.
- (11) "GRUX" (AK) departed Caloundra 1200/30 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/5 for onward routeing to Finschhafen and Manus Island.

(b) In Harbour:Thursday Is:

Escorts	4	:	3 AMS: "PARKES" "PIRIE" "FREMANTLE" 1 ML: 813
Auxiliaries	2	:	"VIGILANT" (AGS) "KURUMBA" (AO)
<u>Cairns:</u>			
Escorts	12	:	3 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "LATROBE" "STRAHAN" 5 SC: 699, 737, 739, 748, 750 4 YMS: 71, 73, 314, 336
Auxiliaries	7	:	"FIRE ISLAND" "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "CABLE" (ARS) "BUTTON WOOD" (GGC) 1 ARD 1 AT
<u>Townsville:</u>			
Auxiliaries	2	:	"STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)
<u>Bowen:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1	:	"CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
<u>Brisbane:</u>			
Combat Units	3 SS	:	"CERO" "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
Escorts	12	:	1 PF: "OGDEN" 1 AMS: "BUNDABERG"

Brisbane (Contd.)

Escorts (Contd.)

Auxiliaries

10

: 3 PCE: 848, 849, 850
 7 ML: 424, 425, 804, 808, 811, 820, 821
 "TULSA" (PG) "ALGORAB" (AKA) "MERKUR"
 "OCTANS" (AF) "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX)
 "BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
 2 YP: 283, 421

Sydney:

Combat Units

1 CL

: "HOBART" (refitting)

3 DD

: "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"

2 SS

: "K.9" "K.12"

Escorts

7

: 1 PF: "BURDEKIN"

3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"

3 ML: 810, 822, 823

Auxiliaries

6

: "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)Melbourne:

Combat Units

1 DD

: "NAPIER"

Escorts

2

: 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN" "DOOMBA"

Auxiliaries

2

: "PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP)

Adelaide:

Escorts

1

: 1 AMS: "IPSWICH"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/2:

- (1) Task Unit 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESBY"
 4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUCA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAINE"
- (2) "BOWEN" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.70 ("ALAGNA") departed Thursday Is. 1900/30 for Darwin ETA 1600/4.
- (3) "ML.807" escorting "LORINNA" departed Darwin 0712/23 for Sir Graham Moore Is., Champagne Is., West Bay and return.
- (4) "INVERELL" (AMS) "ML.809" escorting "DUNDULA" departed Darwin 0008/1 for West Bay ETA 1200/8. On arrival convoy "INVERELL" returns independently to Darwin.
- (5) 10 submarines on patrol: 9 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts

5

: 2 AMS: "BALLARAT" "BUNBURY"

3 ML: 429, 814, 815

Auxiliaries

1

: "COUCAL" (ASR)

Merchantmen

4

SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/2: - Nil.(b) In Harbour:Exmouth Gulf:

Auxiliaries

1

: 1 YP: 286

Fremantle:

Combat Units

1 CL

: "ADELAIDE"

18 SS

: "ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BONEFISH"

"CABRILLA" "CLYDE" "COD" "CREVALLE"

"HAMMERHEAD" "HOE" "LAPON" "PARGO" "PORPOISE"

"RAY" "SANDLACE" "SPITEFUL" "K.14" "K.15"

Escorts

9

: 1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"

1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"

3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA"

1 SC: 729

1 ML: 824

2 YMS: 11, 72

Auxiliaries

6

: "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)

"ATHOS" (AP) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - On 31 Aug. targets of opportunity throughout Bougainville with particular attention to the northern part of the island were bombed by 26 Corsairs.
At 1630/1 Sept. a/c sighted a periscope 35 miles east of Numa Numa heading S.E. There is no other intelligence to support the likelihood of a submarine in these waters but the possibility remains that one such unit may be engaged on supply mission to Southern Bougainville.
- (2) New Ireland - On 31 Aug. bridges and plantation buildings widely spread over New Ireland were attacked by 33 Dauntless, 4 Venturas and 34 Corsairs.
- (3) New Britain - Night 30-31 Aug. Rabaul was harassed by 1 Mitchell which dropped bombs in the vicinity of Vanakanau. On 31 Aug. personnel and stores areas around Rabaul were bombed by 36 Corsairs: 1 Corsair was lost to A/A fire.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Yakamal - A fuel dump at Cape Pus and gun positions at Maschu Island were attacked by 4 Aircobras co-operating with PT boats conducting off-shore sweep early daylight 31 Aug.
On 1 Sept. camouflaged huts on Kairiru Island were bombed by 3 Beauforts, a village near Sagua was bombed by 9 Beauforts. Ground patrols in the area at the mouth of the Dendr iwad river report contacts with small enemy parties and an ~~strong~~ enemy camp area on 31 Aug. Known enemy dead in the general Aitape area to 31 Aug. number 8,807: prisoners taken total 130.
- (2) Biak - On 30 Aug. enemy positions on Seopiori Island were bombarded by a frigate. Known enemy dead on Biak to 31 Aug. number 4970: 315 Japs have been captured in addition to 205 Formosans.
- (3) Manokvari area - A.M. 31 Aug. Ransiki and Moemo airstrips were bombed by 8 Thunderbolts. Both strips are reported as unserviceable.
- (4) Sensapor Area - A patrol returning from Salem (24 miles inland from Sensapor) reported no Japs in that area and that in fact the interior in this sector had not been visited by the Japs at all.
- (5) Sorong - A.M. 31 Aug. Jefman strip was dive bombed by 3 Thunderbolts. Several aircraft were observed around both the aerodromes, but their serviceability is not known.
- Maccluer Gulf - At approx. midday 1 Sept. the Kokas sawmill was dive bombed by 19 Kittyhawks and a coastal sweep was conducted by another 10 Kittyhawks. 1 beached barge near Kokas and motor transport was strafed and hit during the latter sweeps. Beaufighters returning from a sweep over Ceram reported that Sagan, Otawiri and Mongosah strips appeared ~~serviceable~~ unserviceable 1 Sept. and that apparently no attempt has been made to repair them.
- (7) Kaimana - On 31 Aug. A/A positions and defence installations at Utarom were bombed by 46 Bostons and 2 Mitchells. Also a.m. 31 Aug. Utarom strips and A/A positions around them were dive bombed by 8 Thunderbolts.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Kai Islands - At approx. 2000/1 Sept. Langgeer strip was bombed by 6 Mitchells: 1 Mitchell is missing.
- (2) Aroe Islands - At 1145/1 Sept. a 100 ft lugger off Taberfane was bombed and strafed by 2 reconnaissance Mitchells.
- (3) Tanimbar Islands - At 1142/1 Sept. Saumlaki jetty area was bombed by 2 Mitchells.
- (4) Ambon area - Photos 23/24 Aug. show 6 serviceable aircraft including 1 fighter, 1 medium bomber and 1 transport on Old Nemlea aerodrome on which 1 of the 4 runways only is serviceable; at Nemlea town drome the runway is serviceable but there are no operative aircraft present: 3 flying boats and 1 float plane are visible at the Seaplane base.

- (4) Ambon area (contd) At 1317/1 Sept. Old Namlea aerodrome was bombed by a reconnaissance Liberator.
- (5) Southern Ceram - A.M. 1 Sept. small craft along the S.E. coast of Ceram were strafed by 3 Beaufighters, but only 2 luggers and 1 canoe were located.
- (6) Halmahera - Photos 23 Aug. show 5 serviceable aircraft, 3 fighters, 2 medium bombers on Lolobata airfield where the runway is rough but serviceable. G alela runway is also rough but serviceable although there are no operative aircraft present.
- (7) S.E. Celebes - At 2225/31 Catalinas over Boeteeng reported 4 small ships, 1 prob. landing barge and a few small craft off Boeteeng.
- (8) N. Celebes - Photos 23 Aug. of 2 airfields in the Manado area show 6 aircraft (2 medium bombers, 4 fighters) at Mapanget and 57 aircraft (27 fighters, 30 medium bombers) all serviceable on Langoan; runways on both aerodromes are serviceable.
At 2230/31 a report from aircraft in-flight indicates 2 medium and 2 small vessels sighted in Manado Bay.
Photos 22 Aug. show 4 floatplanes in Lembek Straits.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Davao - Midnight 30-31 Aug. Metina aerodrome (2 miles south of Davao) was attacked by 3 Liberators individually; the following night 31 Aug.- 1 Sep. aircraft over Davao Gulf observed 6 small ships at Metina and another 6 unidentified vessels in the general vicinity.
- (2) Mindanao - Photos 22 Aug. show 2 previously unreported aerodromes; 1 inland south of Cagayan (on north coast) 3 fighters and 6 medium bombers were present and the second believed to be in the vicinity of Malaybalay (north central Mindanao) where 3 runways are apparently operational although no aircraft are visible.
- (3) Luzon - At 0700/1, 3 vessels described as 1 "AGANO" class Light cruiser, 1 new destroyer and 1 mine craft entered Manila Bay from south after passing through Verde Is. Passage. It was via this same route that the 3 cruisers and 5 destroyers reported in Yesterday's summary No. 947 arrived prior to entering Manila Bay.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Falan - At 1045/31 Koror town, Pelaliu aerodrome, Babelthuap aerodrome and Angaur were bombed by 33 Liberators. Intense A/A was encountered but no fighter interception. A destroyer was observed underway near the previously reported beached destroyer on Ngaruangl Reef and 2 freighters were observed in the Koror area.
- (2) Nauru - Night 29-30 Aug. Nauru airstrip was bombed by 1 Catalina and on 30 Aug. airfield and gun positions were bombed by 36 Mitchells.
- (3) Bonins - Night 29-30 Aug. Iwojima was bombed by 2 Liberators. A preliminary report indicates that on 1 Sept. a small convoy of 2 small freighters and 3 self propelled sampans were attacked by Cempac aircraft 60 miles North by East Iwojima; 1 cargo vessel was sunk and the other left stationary and burning.
- (4) Formosa - Increased shipping again reported in Takao Harbour as shown by photographs 29 Aug: 118,800 tons of merchant shipping are present, involving 2 large and 1 small tankers, 2-3 transports of 7-9000 tons each, 6-7 freighters or freighter transports of over 5000 tons each and 9 merchantships of 2-5000 tons and 13 other ships, mainly seatruck type under 1000 tons. In addition, 12 naval craft are present of which 9 are identified as including 5 destroyers and 4 destroyer escorts.
A convoy outside Takao Harbour was seen moving south at 1045/29 and photographs show this convoy to include 11 merchantships totalling 63,400 tons of which one was a medium sized tanker and 2 were larger tankers. Probably this convoy was attacked by 2 China based Liberators night 28-29 Aug. without success.
Photos of Toshiu Harbour (Northern Formosa) on 30 Aug. show nearly 11,000 tons of shipping present of which 2 are medium tankers and 1 was a small damaged cargo vessel.

(h) Formosa (contd)

In addition, 11 merchant-ships including 1 tanker and totalling probably 56,000 tons are present outside Toshien Harbour.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- Mobilisation of enemy naval strength in Philippines together with significant warship sightings Northern Philippines.
- (2) Continued air attacks against small type enemy shipping N.Celebes-Ceram area.
- (3) Consistent high tonnage enemy shipping in Formosa area.

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PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CV(E)</u>	(12) CAPE ESPERANCE CHENANGO HOGGATT BAY MIDWAY NASSAU NEHEHTA BAY	RUDYERD BAY SANGARON SANTEE STEAMER BAY SARGENT BAY SUWANNEE	(3) LONG ISLAND FANSHAW BAY MATANIKAU	-
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		-	-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX * HOBART	* LEANDER	-
<u>AV/ATS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-	-
<u>XAV/XOVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINCOPREAGUE ORCA	-	-
<u>DD</u>	(45) AHUNTA WARRAMINGA STUART VENDETTA NAPIER NEPAL AMHERST HEAD ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH C APIS DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR EVANS FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JENKINS JOHN D. HENLEY JOHN RODGERS L ANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN NICHOLAS O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RADFORD RINGGOLD RUSSELL SCHROEDER SIGSBEE STACK STEVENS TAYLOR THATCHER	8	-
<u>SS</u>	(3) GUAVINA STINGRAY S.42	NARWHAL	) - ) on patrol	5
	(4) BASHAW FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH HADDO	) ) ) at Woendi	
	(2) S.45	S.47	) at Seeadler	
	(5) CERO DACE	DARTER PERMIT BEANWOLF	) ) ) at Brisbane)	
	(2) K.9	K.12	) at Sydney	
		* non effective		

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>PF</u>	Approx. 17 5	-	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AFD</u>	(11) H.F. ALLEN (APA) KANIMBLA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (AFD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILTY	3 AFD	-
<u>AOC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OPUS ENKEATE HOLLAND ORION	-	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBBIN	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR) MEDUSA PLATYPUS MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG) OGLALA HEMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENT (ARS) CABLE	-	-
<u>ISD</u>	CARPER HALL	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHICARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	ASUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> (Western Section)	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
		<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Malaya-Indian Ocean</u>	
<u>BB</u>	-	(5) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT REVENGE RICHELIEU	-		
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE		SHOKAKU (uncertain)	
<u>CV(E)</u>	-	(6) BATTLE UNICORN SHAH	APHELING BECUM AMEER	OTAKA	
<u>CA</u>	-	(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK			
<u>OL</u>	ADELAIDE	(7) DEYLON KENYA GAMBIA NI GERIA	NEWCASTLE TROMP PHOEBE		
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-	ALBATROSS			
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2) CANTON CHITRAL			
<u>ED</u>	-	Approx. 27		5	
<u>SE</u>	(10)	GUTFARO PADDLE MUSKELLUNGE) GUNNEL HAKE RAMON) GUYWARD HARDER REDFIN) JACK)	" 16 on patrol	12 (incl. 7 German)	
	(9)	BREAM NAUTILUS TANTIVY) FLASHER SEA ROVER TELEMACHUS) MINGO STURDY ZWARTFISCH)	on passage		
	(18)	ANGLER COD PARGO) ASPRO GREVALE PORPOISE) BLURGILL SANDLACE SPITEFUL) BONNETSH HAMMERHEAD RAY) CABRILLA HO B K.14) CLYDE LAFON K.15)	at Fremantle		
<u>AS</u>	(2)	GRIFFIN BURYALE			

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons</u> <u>Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	-	3	183	336	51
S/E Bombers	-	-	39	92	23
T/ E Bombers	-	-	97	123	21
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Floatplanes	10	-	57	27	20
Obsn. a/c	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	405	693	125

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

Philippines-
Mandates-E. Indies

ENEMY FORCES

Empire

<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND NEW MEXICO * OKLAHOMA	(2) BUSO HARUNA	(7) YAMATO * MITSUBISHI * NAGATO YAMASHIRO * KONGO ISE (converted to HYUGA) carry a/e
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP		-	(4) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COWPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY		-	(4) CHITOSE CHIYODA ZUIHO * RYUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>CV(S)</u>	(25) GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY OMMANEY BAY	PETROF BAY STIKOH BAY ADMIRALTY IS. AITAMAHA BARNES BRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND PRINCE WILLIAM SALAMAU SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS	(2) KAIYO JINYO	UNYO
<u>CV(T)</u>					HOSHO
<u>CA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND		(7) AOBA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHI KUMA MYOKO HAGURO	(5) * ATAGO * TAKAO * CHOKAI * MOGAMI * MAYA
<u>OCA</u>					6
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANPA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON MIAMI	(4) NOSHIRO KINU KIPAGAMI * NATORI (prob. sunk)	(6) * OYODO HAGARA TAMA KISO (poss. sunk) ISUZU * YAHAGI
<u>CL(T)</u>					(2) KASHI KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHANDELEUR B ALLARD			(2) AKITSUSHIMA * NOTORO
<u>D</u>	Approx. 180			15-20	30 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30			30	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?			?	2 (1 repairing)

* These units possibly in Philippines area
* Non-effective

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREANEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/3:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF : "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
1 PC : 1123
(ii) Task Force 73 : 2 AVP : "ORCA" "HALF MOON"
(iii) Task Force 76 : 1 DE : "THOMASON"
4 PF : "EUGENE" "BURLINGTON" "LONGBEACH"
"VAN BUREN"
(iv) Miscellaneous : 17 PT :
6 MV
- (2) "ROI" (CVE) proceeding Santo to Finschhafen ETA 2200/4: thence to proceed Manus Island.
- (3) "KATOOMBA" (AMS) departed Madang 1500/2 for Langemak, due 0600/3: to depart Langemak 0300/4 for Townsville ETA 0700/3 via Milne Bay, whence ETD 1500/5.
- (4) "KIAMA" (AMS) was to depart Lae 1000/3 for Dreger Harbour ETA 1500/3.
6 submarines on patrol : 3 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Noemfoor:

Escorts 1 : 1 PF: "GLENDALE"
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 278
Merchantmen 2

Biak-Woendi Is:

Combat Units 1 SS : "HADDON"
47 PT
Escorts 12 : 3 PF: "ROCKFORD" "GALLUP" "CORONADO"
1 PS: "SWAN"
2 YMS: 316, 393
6 ML: 425, 428, 816, 817, 818, 819
Auxiliaries 22 : "TANGIER" (AV) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) "ORION" (AS)
"HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE" "MOBJACK"
"KOOPA" (AGP) "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" (AO)
"GOLD STAR" (AG) "SAKATONCHEE" (AOG) "MAETSUY-
CRER" "TASMAN" (AH) "SILVERBELL" (AN) "TEABERRY"
(YN) "QUAPAW" (AT) "MINK" (IX) 2 YFD 1 ATR
1 YP: 236
Merchantmen 13

Maffin Bay:
 Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "ARARAT"
 Auxiliaries 1 : "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG)
 Merchantmen 11

Humboldt Bay:
 Combat Units 1 CMS : "ARIADNE"
 23 DD : "LANG" "MURRAY" "STACK" "RUSSELL" "ANDERSON"
 "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER" "MORRIS" "RADFORD"
 "HUGHES" "MUSTIN" "HARRISON" "MCKEE" "STEVEN S"
 "DASHIELL" "JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD"
 "HOPEWELL" "TAYLOR" "NICHOLSAS" "O'BANNON"
 "JENKINS"

Escorts 31 : 1 DE: "EICHENBERGER"
 6 PF: "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "SAN PEDRO" "MUSKOGEE"
 "ORANGE" "CARSON CITY"
 6 AMS: "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "GEEELONG" "COLAC"
 "KAPUNDA" "DELORAINÉ"
 8 PC: 476, 477, 479, 1119, 1120, 1124, 1133, 1134
 7 SC: 637, 732, 744, 748, 735, 749, 981
 7 YMS: 8, 9, 10, 46, 47, 51, 334

Auxiliaries 53 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGG) "BISHOPDALE" "SALAMONIE" (AO)
 "SUSQUEHANNA" "ELKHORN" (AOG) "CARTER HALL" (LSD)
 "WARD" "HERBERT" "KILTY" "CROSEY" "SCHLEY" (ARD)
 "MANOCRA" (APA) "DOBBIN" (AD) "AMYCUS" (ARL)
 "POYANG" (AE) "WASATCH" "LAURABADA" (AG)
 "DERRICK" (YO) "VENT" (ARS) "OGLALA" (ARG)
 "BOOTES" (AK) "VILLALOBOS" "OCTORARA" "PANDA"
 (IX) "TEAK" (AN) "LARK" (AM) "VIREO" (ATF)
 "INDUS" "MURZIN" (AK)
 3 YP: 240, 280, 291 1 ARD

Merchantmen 30

Altape:
 Combat Units 1 DD : "SIGSBEE"
 26 PT

Escorts 3 : 1 PS: "WARREGO"
 1 SC: 745
 1 PC: 1122

Auxiliaries 6 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" "HENRY"
 T. ALLEN" (APA) "TITANIA" (AKA) 1 YP: 516

Merchantmen 10

Admiralties:
 Combat Units 11 CVE : "CHENANGO" "SUWANNEE" "SANGAMON" "MIDWAY"
 "MEHENTA BAY" "SAWTEE" "HOGGATT BAY" "NASSAU"
 "SARGENT BAY" "STEAMER BAY" "RUDYERD BAY"
 2 CA "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
 3 CL : "NASHVILLE" "BOISE" "PHOENIX"
 17 DD : "BUSH" "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON" "CAPPS" "DAVID"
 W. TAYLOR" "JOHN D. HENLEY" "EVANS" "THATCHER"
 "ARUNEA" "WARRAMUNGA" "ABNER READ" "AMMEN"
 "BACHE" "BEALE" "DALY" "HUTCHINS" "MULLANY"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 12 PT

Escorts 36 : 22 DE: "EDMONDS" "R. S. BULL" "EVERSOLE" "SHELTON"
 "DENNIS" "LEVY" "MCCONNELL" "OSTERHAUS"
 "MCREE" "WITTER" "BEBAS" "SEID" "STEELE"
 "SAMUEL S. MILES" "PARKS" "MITCHELL"
 "BANQUST" "WATERMAN" "WEAVER" "HILLBERT"
 "LIMONS" "RIDDLE"
 2 PF: "EL PASO" "HAWKESBURY"
 3 PC: 1131, 1132, 1139
 4 SC: 741, 746, 747, 982
 1 ML: 827
 4 YMS: 49, 52, 70, 97

Auxiliaries 57 : "MISSISSINewa" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPANHANOCK"
 "PAMANSET" "SEBEC" "MONONGABELA" "PATUXENT"
 "NEOSHO" "LACKWANNA" "SAUNGATUCK" "CACHE"
 "CIMMARON" "PLATTE" "SABINE" "GUADALUPE"
 "CALIENTE" "NECHES" "TOMAHAWK" "KENNEBAGO"
 "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" "PECOS" "SCHUYLKILL"
 "MILLICOMA" (AO) "PASQUOTANK" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG)
 "MEDUSA" (AR) "VARUNA" (AGP) "WRIGHT" (AV)

Admiralties (contd)

<u>Auxiliaries (contd)</u>			: "HERON" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL" "SAMARITAN" (AH) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "PHOBOS" "SCULPTOR" (AK) "SILVER CLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU" "ABARENDA" "ARETHUSA" "ARAYAT" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX) "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT) "ARGONNE" (AG) "MESQUITE" (CGC) 2 <u>ARD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 585 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ABSD</u>
Merchantmen	17		
<u>Alexishafen-Madang:</u>			
Combat Units	13		
Escorts	13		: 6 <u>AMS</u> : "GYMPIE" "COOTAMUNDR" "COWRA" "GLADSTONE" "WAGGA" "ROCKHAMPTON" 3 <u>SC</u> : 703, 836, 742 4 <u>ML</u> : 801, 803, 806, 812
Auxiliaries	16		: "REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "GULEERA ISLAND" (ARG) "CHEPACHET" (AO) "OMUS" (AS) "SHEKONK" (AOG) "POLLUX" (AKS) "PING WO" (ASIS) "GANYMED" (AK) 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ARD</u> 2 <u>AFD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 504
<u>Langehak:</u>			
Combat Units	2 CVE 9 PT		: "CAPE ESPERANCE" "LONG ISLAND"
Escorts	13		: 1 DE: "JAMES E. CRAIG" 1 PF: "BARCOO" 3 <u>AMS</u> : "BROOME" "TOWNSVILLE" "GOULBURN" 1 <u>PC</u> : 1121 2 <u>SC</u> : 650, 698 3 <u>YMS</u> : 316, 335, 336 1 <u>ML</u> : 802 1 <u>PGM</u>
Auxiliaries	9		: "GENERAL JOHN POPE" "GENERAL R.L. HOWZE" "REPUBLIC" (AO) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "CHETCO" (AT) "RACE POINT" (AT) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CLYDE" (IX)
Merchantmen	30		
<u>Lae:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1		: "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
Merchantmen	10		
<u>Morobe:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1		: 1 <u>AFD</u>
<u>Oro Bay:</u>			
Merchantmen	11		
<u>Milne Bay:</u>			
Combat Units	13		
Escorts	9		: 2 DE: "LOCELACE" "ENGLAND" 2 <u>AMS</u> : "STAWELL" "GLENELG" 1 <u>SC</u> : 734 2 <u>ML</u> : 431, 825 2 <u>YMS</u> : 48, 50
Auxiliaries	22		: "OYSTER BAY" "PONTUS" (AGP) "SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "SHAWNEE" "TANCRED" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) 1 <u>ARD</u> 3 <u>YT</u> 4 <u>AFD</u> 6 <u>YP</u> : 233, 236, 237, 278, 288, 449
Merchantmen	30		
<u>Port Moresby:</u>			
Auxiliaries	2		: "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)
Merchantmen	5		

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/3:

- (1) "FOREMAN" "BOWERS" (DE) on A/S search off North Cape Choiseul Is.
 (2) "WILLOUGHBY" (AGP) departed Tulagi 0700/2 for Milne Bay
 (3) "SC.1275" escorting "ADONIRAM JUDSON" departed Lunga 0600/3 for Treasury Is. ETA 1200/4.

(b) In Harbour:

<u>Emirau Is:</u>			
Escorts	5		: 1 DE: "WILLMARTIN" 2 <u>SC</u> : 999, 1274 2 <u>PC</u> : 584, 589
Auxiliaries	2		: "CAMANGA" (AG) "STRATFORD" (AGP)
<u>Green Is:</u>			
Combat Units	12 PT		

Green Is (contd)

Escorts	5	: 1 <u>DM</u> : "BREEZE" 2 <u>SC</u> : 677, 518 2 <u>YMS</u> : 95, 259
Auxiliaries	1	: "SAN CARLOS" (AVP)
<u>Torokina:</u>		
Escorts	6	: 2 <u>DE</u> : "STADFELD" "MARTIN" 2 <u>PC</u> : 723, 1029 2 <u>SC</u> : 1128, 1590
Auxiliaries	1	: "AGAWAM" (AOG)
Merchantmen	1	
<u>Treasury Is:</u>		
Combat Units	34 PT	
	4 PGM	
Escorts	4	: 1 <u>DE</u> : "WHITEHURST" 1 <u>SC</u> : 722 2 <u>PC</u> : 605, 1229
Auxiliaries	4	: "TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "NAOS" (AK) "BUTTERNUT" (YM)
<u>Punda:</u>		
Escorts	4	: 3 <u>SC</u> : 514, 702, 1267 1 <u>YMS</u> : 196

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/3:

- (1) "SONOMA" (AT) departed Mackay 0800/29 for Milne Bay ETA 1400/3.
- (2) "MIZAR" (AF) departed Sydney Heads 1400/31 for Milne Bay ETA 0800/4.
- (3) "WHYALLA" "WARRNAMBOOL" (AMS) escorting "DACE" "DARTER" (SS) were to depart Caloundra 1700/1: "WARRNAMBOOL" detaches at 1800/4 and returns to Brisbane ETA 0500/7: "WHYALLA" parts company at 1800/5 and proceeds Milne Bay ETA 1400/6.
- (4) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Caloundra 1500/1 for Milne Bay ETA 1800/5 for onward routing to Finschhafen, Hollandia and Woendi.
- (5) "PYRO" (AE) departed Caloundra 2300/1 for Finschhafen ETA 1600/6 for onward routing ~~via Finschhafen~~ and escort to Hollandia and Woendi.
- (6) "BUNGAREE" (CM) departed Sydney 0900/2 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/9 thence Madang.
- (7) "CRUX" (AK) departed Caloundra 1200/30 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/5 for onward routing to Finschhafen and Manus Island.
- (8) "RIGEL" (AR) departed Milne Bay 0600/27 for Sydney ETA 0600/6.
- (9) "YMS.313" departed Milne Bay 1330/1 for Cairns ETA 1500/3.
- (10) "SHEPPARTON" (AGS) departed Thursday Island 0800/28 for survey ground.
- (11) "YP.283" was to depart Caloundra 1600/2 for Cairns ETA 1300/6.
- (12) "ML.805" departed Cairns 0700/1 for Brisbane ETA 1500/6, passing via Gladstone where ETA 1500/4.
- (13) "BUNDABERG" (AMS) departed Brisbane 1600/2 for Sydney ETA 0600/4.
- (14) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.

(b) In Harbour:Thursday Is:

Escorts	3	: 2 <u>AMS</u> : "PIRIE" "FREMANTLE" 1 <u>ML</u> : 813
Auxiliaries	2	: "VIGILANT" (AGS) "KURUMBA" (AO)
<u>Cairns:</u>		
Escorts	10	: 2 <u>AMS</u> : "KALGOORLIE" "STRAHAN" 5 <u>SC</u> : 699, 737, 739, 748, 750 3 <u>YMS</u> : 71, 73, 314
Auxiliaries	7	: "FIRE ISLAND" "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "CABLE" (ARS) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) 1 <u>ARD</u> 1 <u>AT</u>
<u>Townsville:</u>		
Escorts	1	: "LATROBE"
Auxiliaries	2	: "STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)
<u>Bowen:</u>		
Auxiliaries	1	: "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
<u>Brisbane:</u>		
Combat Units	3 SS	: "GERO" "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
Escorts	11	: 1 <u>PF</u> : "OGDEN"

Brisbane (contd)

Escorts (contd) : 3 PCE: 848, 849, 850
 7 ML: 424, 425, 804, 808, 811, 820, 821
Auxiliaries 10 : "TULSA" (PG) "ALGORAB" (AKA) "MERKUR"
 "OCTANS" (AF) "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX)
 "BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "COMFORT" (AH)
 1 YP: 421

Sydney:

Combat Units 1 CL : "HOBART" (refitting)
 3 DD : "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
Escorts 7 : 1 PF: "BURDEKIN"
 3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
 3 ML: 810, 822, 823
Auxiliaries 6 : "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)

Melbourne:

Combat Units 1 DD : "NAPIER"
Escorts 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN" "DOOMBA"
Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP)

Adelaide:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "IPSWICH"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/3:

- (1) Task Unit 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESBY"
 4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUCA" "JUNEE" "CAS LEMAINÉ"
 (2) "BOWEN" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.70 ("ALAGNA") departed Thursday Is.
 1900/30 for Darwin ETA 1600/4.
 (3) "PARKES" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.71 ("KURUMBA" (AO) towing ML.813"
 was to depart Thursday Is. for Darwin ETA 1600/5.
 (4) "ML.807" escorting "LORINNA" departed Darwin 0712/23 for Sir Graham
 Moore Is. Champgny Is. West Bay and return
 (5) "BALIARAT" (AMS) escorting "MCNTORON" was to depart Darwin 1200/2 for
 Melville Bay.
 (6) "INVERELL" (AMS) departed West Bay 1100/2 for Darwin ETA 1200/3.
 (7) 10 submarines on patrol: 10 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 4 : 1 AMS: "BUNBURY" 3 ML: 429, 814, 815
Auxiliaries 1 : "COUCAL" (ASR)
Merchantmen 4

West Bay:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 809
Merchantmen 1

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/3:

- (1) "NIGERIA" (CL) escorting "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AP)
 proceeding Fremantle ETA 0630/5: "DUNOTTAR CASTLE"
 detaches and proceeds Melbourne ETA 1700/10.
 (2) "YP.286" departed Exmouth Gulf 0932/1 for Fremantle ETA 0901/4.

(b) In Harbour:Fremantle:

Combat Units 1 CL : "ADELAIDE"
 18 SS : "ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BONEFISH"
 "CABRILLA" "CLYDE" "COD" "CREVALLE" "HAMMERHEAD"
 "HOE" "LAPON" "PARGO" "PORPOISE" "RAY" "SANDLACE"
 "SPITEFUL" "K.14" "K.15"
Escorts 9 : 1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
 1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 3 AMS: "BUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA"
 1 SC: 729
 1 ML: 824
 2 YMS: 11, 72
Auxiliaries 5 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons
 except tankers and commissioned ships.

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - On 1 Sept. an enemy trail block at Sisivie (inland from Torokina) was bombed by 17 Dauntless, a reported headquarters near Kahili was attacked by 36 Corsairs and personnel were strafed by another 6 Corsairs conducting patrols over the island.
At 2230/1 a possible submarine was D/F'd in the area off Soem bi Head (central West coast Choiseul). At 1024/2 a fair submarine contact was made by A/S vessel 42 miles East of Kieta; an attack was made after which contact was lost. Air and surface searches continue.
- (2) New Ireland - Night 31 Aug-1 Sept. Kavieng was harassed by 2 Mitchells. On 1 Sept. ammunition dumps, bridges and plantation buildings spread over New Ireland were attacked by 18 Dauntless, 2 Venturas, 46 Corsairs.
- (3) St. George's Channel - A possible submarine was located by D/F in St. George's Channel south of Cape Gazelle.
- (4) Rabaul - Night 31 Aug-1 Sept. Rabaul was harassed by 1 Mitchell. On 1 Sept. buildings and huts at Rabaul were bombed by 8 Corsairs.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Yakam ul - a.m. 2 Sept. enemy camp area near Dagua was bombed by 1 Beaufort. Natives report that the Japanese are concentrating near the Dendriwad River mouth.
- (2) Biak - At 2123/1 1 enemy bomber raided Mokmer aerodrome area causing minor damage and casualties. A second bomber was shot down by our night fighters before reaching the target.
- (3) Western Geelvink Bay - Night 31 Aug-1 Sept. a barge beached at Cape Saweba (15 miles N.W. of Manokwari) was destroyed by PT boats which also strafed Karinsore village on the Bentoni Isthmus.
- (4) Soro ng - A delayed report relates that on 31 August Samate and Jefman strips were bombed by 12 Lightnings.
- (5) Babo - On 1 Sept. Babo aerodrome was bombed by 44 Bostons and 3 Mitchells.
- (6) Kokas - Between 0600-1130/2 Kokas sawmill was attacked by 3 flights each of 16 Kittyhawks leaving the sawmill totalling demolished and damaging or destroying several small craft off-shore.
- (7) S.W. Dutch New Guinea - Around midday 2 Sept. coastal sweeps in Maccluer Gulf and South to Kaimana were conducted by another 3 flights each of 4 Kittyhawks strafing several small craft.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Aroe Islands - At 1200/2 a suspected barge hideout on the Maikoor River was strafed by 4 Beaufighters.
At 1545/2 a camouflaged lugger possibly beached at Taberfane was unsuccessfully attacked by a patrol Liberator.
- (2) Kai Islands - At 2100/1 Toeal was bombed by 6 Mitchells with unobserved results.
At 0813/2 Larat village was bombed by 2 Mitchells.
- (3) Tanimbar Island - At 1140/2 Saumlaki jetty area was bombed by a Liberator.
- (4) Watoeboela Group - At 0940/2 a reconnaissance Liberator reported 3 small coastal sea trucks off West coast Tiore Island; bombs were dropped and damaging near misses scored.
- (5) Ambon area - Night 31 August-1 Sept. a sea truck in Piroe Bay was sunk by a direct hit during an attack by a Navy Catalina. In addition to this ship a merchant vessel of 2-4,500 tons was observed aground in the entrance to Ambon Bay, possibly the ship attacked and damaged during the previous night's attack. The Catalina reported a large flight of aircraft over Ambon shortly before midnight.
- (5) Eastern Ceram - On 1 Sept. Boela was bombed by 32 Thunderbolts and 11 Lightnings.
At 1315/2 a 25-foot lugger near Goelegoele was bombed and strafed and damaged by 2 Beaufighters conducting a sweep along the South coast. Another lugger at Alan g was strafed and hit.
- (6) Namlea - On 31 August the runways on both Namlea aerodromes were bombed by 24 Lightnings. On 1 Sept. runway and barracks on Old Namlea drome were dive-bombed by 10 Kittyhawks.
- (7) Timor - Photos of Cape Chater 31 Aug. taken during the Liberator strike show no serviceable aircraft present and the runway rendered unserviceable by the strike.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)3. EAST INDIES (Contd.)

- (7) Timor (Contd.) - At 1135/2 Lautem aerodrome and town were bombed by 21 Liberators as alternative to Ambon airfields which were not attacked due to weather.
- (8) Northern Celebes - Night 31 Aug-1 Sept. 3 Catalinas attacked shipping along North coast Manado District as follows:-
- (a) 1 sea truck in Laimpangi Bay bombed and strafed and left sinking.
 - (b) 3 sea trucks in Amoerang Bay bombed and strafed; 1 direct 100-lb bomb hit scored. 3 other small merchant ships seen leaving Amoerang Bay.
 - (c) 2 medium and 2 small cargo vessels in Manado Bay: attacked was foiled by intense shore A/A fire.
 - (d) Many ships were seen in Lembah Strait and 1 small sea truck with decks awash off North Cape.
- Reconnaissance Liberator over the same area midday 1 Sept. reported:-
- (a) 3 medium merchant vessels, 2 small merchant vessels, 1 sea truck, 2 escorts anchored in Tolitoli Bay.
 - (b) 1 small freighter off-shore just West of Kwandang Bay: bombs straddled the ship which headed for the beach.
 - (c) 2 small freighters, 1 gunboat with 1 aircraft covering off Laimpangi Bay heading East.
 - (d) 12 sea trucks, 1 small freighter in Manado Bay
 - (e) 2 small freighters, 3 sea trucks in Lembah Strait and 1 destroyer underway in the same area.
- (9) Taland Island - Beo was bombed 1 Sept. by 5 Liberators which were unable to reach Davao.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Davao - On 1 Sept. the Southern Philippines were raided for the first time in daylight: 57 Liberators from Schouten Islands dropped 110 tons of fragmentation clusters on Matina, Sassa and Likanan aerodromes (all in the vicinity of Davao). 9 enemy fighters were airborne but only 1 pressed his attack and this 1 was shot down. Photos show 26 fighters and 11 bombers destroyed or badly damaged on the ground and the 3 airfields. 2 Liberators were lost to intense and accurate A/A fire.
- (2) Eastern Mindanao - A preliminary 'in-flight' aircraft report indicates that at 0820 /2, 12 sea trucks were observed 15 miles East of Cape San Augustin.
- (3) Panay - At 1110/2, 1 light cruiser was seen heading N.E. out of Guimaras Strait.
- (4) Tawi Tawi area - At 1330/2, 1 destroyer, 2 sea trucks, 1 small tanker and 1 other merchant ship were observed off S.E. Tawi Tawi Island.
- (5) S. Luzon - At 1200/2, 1 destroyer, 2 escort vessels, 2 small freighter-transport and 2 sea trucks were observed heading East through Verde Island Passage.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Carolines - Woleai: On 29 August installations on Woleai were bombed by 1 Cenpac reconnaissance Liberator and again on 30 August.
- Palau: At 1055/1 Koror town was bombed by 34 Manus-based Liberators: fires were started in the Eastern and Southern part of the town. There was no interception but intense, accurate A/A fire shot down 1 Liberator. Several ships were observed in the Southern Palau area.
- (2) Marshalls - On 31 August gun positions on Mille were subjected to light to moderate strikes by Cenpac aircraft.
- (3) Marianas - Pagan was attacked on 31 August by 8 Thunderbolts.

C. INDIAN OCEAN

- (1) Sumatra - Details concerning the previously reported carrier-based strike on Padang on 24 August show that 2 attacks were conducted at dawn 24 Aug. The cement works and installations at Indaroeng were attacked by 20 Barracudas with 20 Corsairs escorting with 58 x 500 lb. bombs: results were not assessed due to dust.
- Emmahaven was attacked by 12 Barracudas with 12 Corsairs escorting and 2 merchant ships were each hit with 2 or more 500 lb. bombs, a destroyer or minelayer was straddled by 3 bombs and the wharf and buildings were hit.

C. INDIAN OCEAN (Contd.)

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(1) Sumatra (Contd.) - Only 3 enemy fighters and 1 bomber were seen airborne and of these only 2 fighters attacked weakly and ineffectively. 1 Corsair and 1 Barracuda crashed in sea probably as a result of A/A fire; both crews were lost. There was apparently no attempt to attack the Task Force.

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(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS.

1. Mobilization of enemy naval strength in Philippines.
2. Lack of enemy opposition to aircraft carrier strike against W. Sumatra.
3. First major Blue air strike on Philippines.
4. Continued air attacks against small type enemy shipping N. Celebes - Ceram area.
5. Possible enemy submarines in Bismarck-Solomons area.

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PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>CV(E)</u>	(14) CAPE ESPERANZA CHENANGO HOGGATT BAY MIDWAY NASSAU MEHENTA BAY ROI	RUDYERD BAY SANGAMON SANTEE STEAMER BAY SARGENT BAY SUWANNEE LONG ISLAND	(2) FAIRHAW BAY MATANIKAU -
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX * HOBART	* LEANDER -
<u>AV/VS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-
<u>KAV/KVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINCOTEAGE ORCA	-
<u>DE</u>	(15) AHUNTA WARRAMUNGA STUART VENDETTA NAPIER NEPAL AEMER READ AN DERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH CAFFS DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR EVANS FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JENKINS JOHN D. HENLEY JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN NICHOLAS O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RADFORD RINGGOLD RUSSELL SCHROEDER SIGBEE STACK STEMMS TAYLOR TRITCHER	8 -
<u>SE</u>	(6) BASHAW GUAVINA STINGRAY	FLOUNDER FLYING FISH NARWHAL	) ) on patrol)
	(3) S.42 DAHMER	DACE	) ) on passage
	(2) S.45	S.47	) at Seeadler
	(3) CERO	FERRIS SEAWOLF	) ) at Brisbane
	(2) K.9	K.12	) at Sydney

* Non effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (contd)

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>PF</u>	Approx. 175	-	?
<u>AKA</u> <u>AFD</u>	(11) H. T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMBLA MANGORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (AFD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILTY	3 AFD	-
<u>AGC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OTUS HOLLAND ORION	-	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBBIN	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR) MEDUSA FLATYFUS MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG) OGLALA RIMAS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENT (ARS) CABLE	-	-
<u>LSB</u>	CARTER HALL	*	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT FALEIGH RICHMOND	AEUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

Philippines-
Mandates-E. Indies

ENEMY FORCES
Empire

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	Philippines- <u>Mandates-E. Indies</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u> <u>Empire</u>
<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND NEW MEXICO * OKLAHOMA
			(4) MUSASHI NAGATO FUSO HAMUNA
			(5) YAMATO YAMASHIRO * KONGO ISE (converted to HYUGA) carry A/G
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	IMPREGID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP	-
			(4) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COWPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY	-
			(4) CHITOSE CHIYODA ZUIHO * HYUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>C</u>	(24) GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY OMLANEY BAY	PETROF BAY SITKOH BAY ADM IRALTY IS. ALTAMAHA BARNES BRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPANEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND PRINC E WILLIAM SALAMAU SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS
			UNYO
			(2) KAIYO JINYO
<u>CV(T)</u>	-	-	-
			HOSHO
<u>QA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(11) AOKA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIRUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI
			* MAYA
<u>CCA</u>	-	-	-
			6
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANPA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON MIAMI
			(5) YAHAGI NOSHIRO KINU KITAGAMI * NATORI (prob. sunk)
			(5) * OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (prob. sunk)
<u>CL(T)</u>	-	-	-
			KASHII
			KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVE</u>	(4) CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD	-
			(2) AKITSUSHIMA * NOTORO
<u>I</u>	Approx. 180		25-30
			20 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30		30
			Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?		?
			2 (1 repairing)

* This unit possibly in Philippines area

* Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

				<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
				<u>Southwest Pacific (Western Section)</u>	<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>	<u>Malaya-Indian Ocean</u>
<u>BB</u>	-			(5) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIEU	-	
<u>CV</u>	-			(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	SHOKAKU (uncertain)	
<u>CV(B)</u>	-			(6) BASTYLER APHELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMEER	OTAKA	
<u>CA</u>	-			(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK	-	
<u>CL</u>	ADELAIDE			(7) CEYLON NEWCASTLE KENYA TROMP GAMBIA PHOEBE NIGERIA	-	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-			ALBATROSS	-	
<u>XCL</u>	-			(2) CANTON CHITRAL	-	
<u>DD</u>	-			Approx. 27	5	
<u>SS</u>	(10) GUITARO GUNNEL GURNARD HAKE	HARDER JACK PADDLE	MISKELLUNGE RATON REDFIN	) Approx. 16)) on patrol)	12 (incl. 7 German)
	(10) BREEM CREVALLE FLASHER MINGO	NAUTILUS SEA ROVER STURDY	TANTIVY TELEMACHUS ZWANDFISCH	) ) ) on passage)	
	(1) HADDO			at Woendi		
	(17) ANGLER ASPRO BLUEGILL BONFISH CABRILLA CLYDE	CO D HAMMERHEAD HOE LAPON PARGO	PORPOISE SPITEFUL RAY SANDLACE K.14 K.15	) ) ) ) at Fremantle))	
<u>AS</u>	(2) GRIFFIN MURYALE					

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons- Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	-	3	183	336	51
S/E Bombers	-	-	39	92	23
T/E Bombers	-	-	97	123	21
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Floatplanes	10	-	57	27	20
Oban. A/C	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	405	633	125

TOP SECRET

British — MOST SECRET

U.S. — SECRET

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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Date 4 September, 1944

PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/4:

- (1) (1) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF: "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
1 PC: 1123
(11) Task Force 73 : 2 AVP: "ORCA" "HALF MOON"
(111) Task Force 76 : 1 DE: "THOMASON"
3 FF: "EUGENE" "BURLINGTON" "VAN BUREN"
(iv) Miscellaneous : 1 AMS: "KIAMA"
17 PT
6 MV
- (2) "SUSQUEHANNA" (AO) departed Hollandia 1430/3 for Biak ETA 1200/4.
(3) "POLLUX" (AKS) was to depart Madang 1000/3 for Hollandia ETA 1200/4.
(4) "YMS.10" escorting 1 LST departed Humboldt 2 Sept. for Alexishafen
ETA 0600/5.
(5) "GLENELG" (AMS) departed Milne Bay 1015/3 for Langemak ETA 1500/4
thence Madang.
(6) "ML.825" departed Milne Bay 1400/3 for Langemak ETA 0700/5 thence Madang
(7) "EL PASO" en route Manus to Alexishafen.
(8) "H.T.ALLEN" (APA) departed Aitape 3 Sept. for Sydney.
(9) "KATOOMBA" (AMS) was to depart Langemak 0300/4 for Townsville ETA
0700/8 via Milne Bay, whence ETD 1500/5.
✓ (10) "ROI" (CVE) proceeding Santo to Finschhafen ETA 2200/4: thence to
proceed Manus Island.
X (11) "MUNDA" (CVE) en route Espiritu Santo to Finschhafen ETA 0700/7.
(12) 6 submarines on patrol: 3 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Noemfoor:

Escorts 1 : 1 PF: "GLENDALE"
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 278
Merchantmen 2

Biak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 47 PT
Escorts 12 : 2 PF: "ROCKFORD" "GALLUP"
1 PS: "SWAN"
2 YMS: 316, 393
6 ML: 425, 428, 816, 817, 818, 819
Auxiliaries 22 : "TANGIER" (AV) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) "ORION" (AS)
"HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE" "MOBJACK"
"KOOPA" (AGP) "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" (AO)
"GOLDSTAR" (AG) "SAKATONCHEE" (AOG) "MAETSUYCKE"
"TASMAN" (AH) "SILVERBELL" (AN) "TEABERRY" (YN)
"QUAPAW" (AT) "MINK" (IX) 2 YFD 1 ATR
Merchantmen 13

Maffin Bay:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "ARARAT"
 Auxiliaries 1 : "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG)
 Merchantmen 11

Humboldt Bay:

Combat Units 1 CMS: "ARIADNE"
 23 DD: "LANG" "MURRAY" "STACK" "RUSSELL" "ANDERSON"
 "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER" "MORRIS" "RADFORD" "HUGHES"
 "MUSTIN" "HARRISON" "MCKEE" "STEVENS" "DASHIELL"
 "JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD" "HOFEWELL"
 "TAYLOR" "NICHOLAS" "O'BANNON" "JENKINS"

Escorts

41 : 1 DE: "EICHENBERGER"
 8 PF: "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "SAN PEDRO" "MUSKOGEE"
 "ORANGE" "CARSON CITY" "LONGBEACH" "CORONADO"
 10 AMS: "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "GELLONG" "COLAC"
 "COOTAMUNDRA" "WAGGA" "GLADSTONE" "KAPUNDA"
 "DELORAIN" "BROOME"
 9 PC: 476, 477, 1119, 1120, 1122, 1124, 1133, 1134
 479
 7 SC: 637, 732, 744, 748, 735, 749, 981
 6 YMS: 8, 9, 46, 47, 51, 334

Auxiliaries

32 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "BISHOPDALE" "SALAMONIE" (AO)
 "ELKHORN" (AOG) "CARTER HALL" (LSD) "WARD" "HERBERT"
 "KILTY" "CROSBY" "SCHLEY" (APD) "MANOORA" (APA)
 "DOBBIN" (AD) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "FOYANG" (AE) "WASTACH"
 "LAURABADA" (AG) "DERRICK" (YO) "VENT" (ARS)
 "OGLALA" (ARG) "BOOTES" (AK) "VILLALOBOS" "OCTORARA"
 "PANDA" (IX) "TEAK" (AN) "LARK" (AM) "VIREO" (ATF)
 "INDUS" "MURZIM" (AK) 3 YP: 240, 280, 291 1 ARD

Merchantmen

30

Atape:

Combat Units

1 DD: "SIGSBEE"
 26 PT

Escorts

2 : 1 PS: "WARREGO"
 1 SC: 745

Auxiliaries

5 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA)
 "TITANIA" (AKA) 1 YP: 516

Merchantmen

9

Admiralties:

Combat Units

11 CVE: : "CHENANGO" "SUWANNEE" "SANGAMON" "MIDWAY" "NEHEMIA"
 "BAY" "SANTEE" "HOGGATT BAY" "NASSAU" "SARGENT BAY"
 "STEAMER BAY" "RUDYERD BAY"

2 CA: "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"

3 CL: "NASHVILLE" "BOISE" "PHOENIX"

17 DD: "BUSH" "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON" "CAPPS" "DAVID W.
 TAYLOR" "JOHN D. HENLEY" "EVANS" "THATCHER" "ARUNTA"
 "WARRAMUNGA" "ABNER READ" "AMMEN" "BACHE" "BEALE"
 "DALY" "HUTCHINS" "MULLANY"

2 SS: "S.45" "S.47"

12 PT

Escorts

36 : 22 DE: "EDMONDS" "R.S.BULL" "EVERSOL" "SHELTON"
 "DENNIS" "LEVY" "MCCONNELL" "OSTERHAUS"
 "MCREE" "WITTER" "BEBAS" "SEID" "STEELE"
 "SAMUEL S. MILES" "PARKS" "MITCHELL"
 "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "WEAVER" "HILLBERT"
 "LAMONS" "RIDDLE"

1 PF: "HAWKESBURY"

4 PC: 1121, 1131, 1132, 1139

4 SC: 741, 746, 747, 982

1 ML: 827

4 YMS: 49, 52, 70, 97

Auxiliaries

57

: "MISSISSINNEWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPANHANOCK"
 "PAMANSET" "SEBEC" "MONONGABELA" "PATUXENT" "NEOSHO"
 "LACKWANNA" "SAUNGATUCK" "CACHE" "CIMARON" "PLATTE"
 "SABINE" "GUADALUPE" "CALIENTE" "NECHES" "TOMAHAWK"
 "KENNEBAGO" "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" "PECOS"
 "SCHUYLKILL" "MILLICOMA" (AO) "PASQUOTANK" "RIO
 GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR) "VARUNA" (AGP) "WRIGHT" (A)
 "HERON" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL" "SARNA" "SAMARITAN" (AH)
 "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "CINNAMON"
 "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "PHOBOS" "SCULPTOR" (AK) "SILVER
 CLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU" "ABARENDA" "ARETHUSA"

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)Admiralties (Contd.)

Auxiliaries (Contd.) : "ARAYAT" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX) "TAWABA"
 "FERN" (AT) "ARGONNE" (AG) "MESQUITE" (CGC)
 2 ARD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD

Merchantmen 17

Alexishafen-Madang:
 Escorts 10 : 3 AMS: "GYMPIE" "COWRA" "ROCKHAMPTON"
 3 SC: 703, 736, 742
 4 ML: 801, 803, 806, 812

Auxiliaries 16 : "REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "CULEBRA
 ISLAND" (ARG) "CHEPACHET" (AO) "OTUS" (AS)
 "SEEKONK" (AOG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "GANYMEDE" (AK)
 2 YRD 1 ARD 2 AFD 1 YP: 504

Langemak:
 Combat Units 2 CVE: "CAPE EPSEANCE" "LONG ISLAND"
 9 PT

Escorts 11 : 1 DE: "JAMES E. CRAIG"
 1 PF: "BARCOO"
 2 AMS: "TOWNSVILLE" "GOULBURN"
 2 SC: 650, 698
 3 YMS: 316, 335, 336
 1 ML: 802
 1 PGM

Auxiliaries 9 : "GENERAL JOHN POPE" "GENERAL R.L. HOWZE" "REPUBLIC"
 (AP) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "CHETCO"
 "RACE POINT" (AT) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CLYDE" (IX)

Merchantmen 36

I:
 Auxiliaries 1 : "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
 Merchantmen 8

Morobe:
 Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AFD

Oro Bay:
 Merchantmen 11

Milne Bay:
 Escorts 7 : 2 DE: "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND"
 1 AMS: "STAWELL"
 1 SC: 734
 1 ML: 431
 2 YMS: 48, 50

Auxiliaries 24 : "OYSTER BAY" "PONTUS" (AGP) "SHASTA" (AE) "MIZAR"
 (AP) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "SHAWNEE" "TANCRED"
 "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "SONOMA" (AT) 1 ARD 3 YT 4 AFD
 6 YP: 233, 236, 237, 278, 288, 449

Merchantmen 28

Port Moresby:
 Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)
 Merchantmen 5

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/4:

- (1) "SC.1275" escorting 1 MV departed Guadalcanal 0600/3 for Treasury ETA 1200/4.
- (2) "BREEZE" (DM) escorting "TAGANAK" (AO) departed Guadalcanal 0730/3 for Torokina.
- (3) "FOREMAN" "BOWERS" (DE) on A/S search off North Cape Choiseul Island.
- (4) "PC.584" escorting 1 MV en route Emirau to Russells ETA 0600/7.
- (5) "WILLOUGHBY" (AGP) departed Tulagi 0700/2 for Milne Bay.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau Is:
 Escorts 4 : 1 DE: "WILLMARTH"
 2 SC: 999, 1274 1 PC: 589

Auxiliaries 2 : "CAMANGA" (AG) "STRATFORD" (AGP)

Green Is:
 Combat Units 12 PT

Escorts 4 : 2 SC: 677, 518
 2 YMS: 95, 259

Auxiliaries 1 : "SAN CARLOS" (AVP)

Torokina:
 Escorts 6 : 2 DE: "STADFELD" "MARTIN"
 2 PC: 723, 1029
 2 SC: 1128, 1590

Torokina (Contd.)

Auxiliaries	1	:	"AGAWAM" (AOG)	
<u>Treasury Is:</u>				
Combat Units	34	PT		
	4	PGM		
Escorts	4	:	1 DE: "WHITEHURST" 1 SC: 722	
			2 PC: 605, 1229	(YN)
Auxiliaries	4	:	"TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "NAOS" (AK) "BUTTERNUT" //	
<u>Munda:</u>				
Escorts	4	:	3 SC: 514, 702, 1267	
			1 YMS: 196	

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/4:

- (1) "WHYALLA" "WARRNAMBOOL" (AMS) escorting "DACE" "DARTER" (SS) departed Caloundra 1700/1: "WARRNAMBOOL" detaches at 1800/4 and returns to Brisbane ETA 0500/7: "WHYALLA" parts company at 1800/5 and proceeds Milne Bay ETA 1400/6.
- (2) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Caloundra 1500/1 for Milne Bay ETA 1800/5 for onward routing to Finschhafen, Hollandia and Woendi.
- (3) "PYRO" (AE) departed Caloundra 2300/1 for Finschhafen ETA 1600/6 for onward routing and escort to Hollandia and Woendi.
- (4) "CRUX" (AK) departed Caloundra 1200/30 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/5 for onward routing to Finschhafen and Manus Island.
- (5) "CABLE" (ARS) departed Cairns 1400/3 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/5.
- (6) "OCTANS" (AF) departed Caloundra 1300/3 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/7.
- (7) "BUNGARRE" (CM) departed Sydney 0900/2 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/9 thence Madang.
- (8) "RIGEL" (AR) departed Milne Bay 0600/27 for Sydney ETA 0600/6
- (9) "SHEPPARTON" (AGS) departed Thursday Island 0800/28 for survey ground.
- (10) "YP.283" was to depart Caloundra 1600/2 for Cairns ETA 1300/6.
- (11) "M.805" departed Cairns 0700/1 for Brisbane ETA 1500/6, passing via Gladstone where ETA 1500/4.
- (12) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.

(b) In Harbour:Thursday Is:

Escorts	3	:	2 AMS: "PIRIE" "FREMANTLE"	
			1 ML: 813	
Auxiliaries	2	:	"VIGILANT" (AGS) "KURUMBA" (AO)	
<u>Cairns:</u>				
Escorts	10	:	1 AMS: "KALGOORLIE"	
			5 SC: 699, 737, 739, 748, 750	
			4 YMS: 71, 73, 313, 314	
Auxiliaries	6	:	"PIRE ISLAND" "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) 1 ARD 1 AT	
<u>Townsville:</u>				
Escorts	2	:	2 AMS: "LATROBE" "STRAHAN"	
Auxiliaries	2	:	"STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)	
<u>Bowen:</u>				
Auxiliaries	1	:	"GAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)	
<u>Brisbane:</u>				
Combat units	3	SS	:	"CERO" "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
Escorts	11	:	1 PF: "OGDEN"	
			3 PC: 848, 849, 850	
			7 ML: 424, 425, 804, 808, 811, 820, 821	
Auxiliaries	9	:	"TULSA" (PG) "ALGORAB" (AKA) "MERKUR" (AR) "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "BENALLA" (AGS) "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "COMFORT" (AH) 1 YP: 421	
<u>Sydney:</u>				
Combat Units	1	CL	:	"HOBART" (refitting)
	3	DD	:	"NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
	2	SS	:	"K.9" "K.12"
Escorts	8	:	1 PF: "BURDEKIN"	
			1 AMS: "BUNDABERG"	
			3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"	
			3 ML: 810, 822, 823	

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)Sydney (Contd.)

Auxiliaries 6 : "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" (AE)
"RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)

Melbourne:

Combat Units 1 DD : "NAPIER"
Escorts 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN" "DOOMBA"
Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP)

Adelaide:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "IPSWICH"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/4:

- (1) Task Units 70.5.3. : 1 AGS: "MORESEY"
4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUCA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAINE"
(2) "BOWEN" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.70 ("ALAGNA") departed Thursday Is.
1900/30 for Darwin ETA 1600/4.
(3) "PARKES" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.71 ("KURUMBA" (AO) towing "ML.813"
was to depart Thursday Is. for Darwin ETA 1600/5
(4) "ML.807" escorting "LORINNA" departed Darwin 0712/23 for Sir Graham
Moore Is., Champagny Is., West Bay and return.
(5) "BALLARAT" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.77 ("MONTORO") was to depart Darwin
1200/2 for Melville Bay ETA 0630/5 thence Thursday Is.
(6) 10 submarines on patrol: 11 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 5 : 2 AMS: "INVERELL" "BUNBURY"
3 ML: 429, 814, 815
Auxiliaries 1 : "COUCAL" (ASR)
Merchantmen 4

West Bay:

Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 809
Merchantmen 1

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/4:

- (1) "NIGERIA" (CL) escorting "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AP)
proceeding Fremantle ETA 0630/5: "DUNOTTAR CASTLE"
detaches and proceeds Melbourne ETA 1700/10.

(b) In Harbour:Fremantle:

Combat Units 1 CL : "ADELAIDE"
17 SS : "ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BONEFISH" "CLYDE"
"CABRILLA" "COD" "HAMMERHEAD" "HOE" "LAPON"
"PARGO" "PORPOISE" "RAY" "SANDLACE" "SPITEFUL"
"K.14" "K.15"
Escorts 9 : 1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA"
1 SC: 729
1 ML: 824
2 YMS: 11, 72
Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFIN" "BURYALE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
"CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD 1 YP: 286

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons
except tankers and commissioned ships.

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A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - During Sept. 2 28 Corsairs, 18 Avengers, 18 Dauntless, 6 Venturas and 5 Mitchells were involved in attacks on Southern Bougainville. Night Sept. 1 PT boats operating around the East Bougainville coast strafed shore positions near Kieta while the following night other PT's strafed a drifting mine in Bougainville Strait.
- (2) New Ireland - Sept. 2 our air offensive against enemy targets this area was continued by Corsairs, Dauntless and Mitchells. The main targets were Kavieng Harbour, A/A positions and bridges Namatanai. Mitchells made the usual harassing attack on Kavieng during the night hours.
Photos Sept. 2 show Kavieng unserviceable but Panapai serviceable.
During night Sept. 2 our PT boats again shelled shore positions along the N.E. New Ireland coast.
- (3) Rabaul - During night Sept. 1 5 Mitchells carried out the usual harassing raids while during the following day 18 Dauntless and 60 Corsairs were involved in attacks on the Rataval area while another 15 Corsairs worked over buildings and huts around Gazelle Peninsula.
Photos Sept. 2 show 3 of the Rabaul airfields serviceable and 12 buildings destroyed in the Rataval area since August 26.
- (4) Waterfall Bay - a.m. Sept. 1 a floatplane was sighted over this area on a southwesterly course.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Aitape - On Sept. 3 Beauforts continued their regular strikes against targets of opportunity in the Wewak area.
- (2) Biak - ~~Night Sept. 1~~ Further details of the air raid on Mokmer drome night Sept. 1 indicate that 1 or 2 twin-engined bombers dropped 8-10 bombs in the dispersal area damaging 5 aircraft and causing several personnel casualties.
- (3) Manokwari - A submarine was reported by 1 of our aircraft 60 miles N.W. of Manokwari at 0720/2.
- (4) Sorong - During Sept. 2 11 Lightnings dive-bombed this area starting a large fire and damaging several small craft. Night Sept. 2 Amsterdam PT boats attacked Jefman with mortar fire and reported receiving 90 m.m. fire from 3 enemy shore positions at Jefman.
- (5) Maccluer Gulf - On Sept. 3 RAAF Kittyhawks again swept the Southern shores of Maccluer Gulf strafing several small craft.
Other Kittyhawks again dive-bombed the Babo strips which remain unserviceable.
- (6) S.W. Dutch New Guinea - 8 Kittyhawks made a sweep along this coast Sept. 3 destroying and damaging several barges in the Kaimana area.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Tanimbar Island - Forenoon Sept. 3 2 Mitchells attacked the jetty at Saumlaki.
- (2) Ceram - The Amahai airfield was dive-bombed by 15 Thunderbolts Sept. 1 while the following day 3 Bostons swept the N.E. coast of Ceram attacking buildings.
- (3) Timor - Afternoon Sept. 3 6 Beaufighters swept for shipping along the N.W. coast of Timor damaging or destroying several luggers and a barge.
Photos Sept. 2 show Lautem West strip probably serviceable but no aircraft visible.
- (4) Celebes - During Sept. 2 11 Mitchells attacked warehouses and installations in Lembeh Strait while night Sept. 2 a Catalina bombed and strafed a small to medium merchant vessel 45 miles North of this area. 2 Mitchells were lost to A/A fire. Same night 13 small coastal freighters, majority less than 1,000 tons, were reported in Manado

3. EAST INDIES (Contd.)

- (4) Celebes (Contd.) - Harbour while shipping in Lembah Strait was reported to include 4 possible warships including the damaged minelayer, 2 medium sized freighters and 4 smaller vessels which were strafed.
- (5) Halmaheras - During Sept. 2 a patrol Liberator sighted several small coasters near Ternate Island while the following morning 1 u/i vessel was observed in Kau Bay. During Sept. 2 11 Mitchells attacked enemy installations near Pitoe airfield on Morotai Island.
- (6) Sangihe - Forenoon Sept. 2 a patrol Liberator sighted a hospital ship 140 miles W.N.W. of Sangihe Island on a southeasterly course. Another aircraft reported a submerging submarine 65 miles N.W. of Sangihe Island heading N.W.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Mindanao - Forenoon Sept. 3 patrol Liberators reported 2-3 small freighters and 30 barges and luggers near jetties at Davao. 1 of our search planes afternoon Sept. 3 attacked a small freighter 35 miles E.S.E. of Surigao Strait leaving the vessel burning and low in the water. During Sept. 2 58 Liberators again attacked the Davao area dropping 130 tons of bombs. 55 tons were dropped on warehouse and stores area at Lasang, 50 tons fell in barracks area at Likanan while 25 tons were dropped in personnel area and near shipyard at Bunawan. Lightning cover destroyed 1 Zeke and 2 Lily's after the latter had dropped phosphorous bombs at the Liberators. Medium to heavy A/A fire was encountered. All of our aircraft returned.
- (2) Central Philippines - Forenoon Sept. 2 a "Natori" class light cruiser was reported off the East coast of Panay Island heading on a northeasterly course. At 0900 Sept. 2 a convoy comprising 1 warship, 2 medium AK's, and 1 small AK were reported southbound off the West coast of Negros Island covered by 3 aircraft. a.m. Sept. 2 13 small AK's were reported to enter or pass the port of Cebu.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Carolines - Palau: 33 Liberators attacked the Palau Islands on Sept. 2 concentrating on Koror township. 1 twin-engined aircraft was observed taking off from the Peleliu airstrip. Heavy A/A fire was encountered and 1 of our Liberators failed to return. Shipping observed in the area included 4 small to medium AK's and 1 large vessel, possibly a hospital ship. Earlier the same morning a destroyer was sighted to the North of Palau heading North and a hospital ship was reported E.S.E. of Peleliu Island heading East. 1 of our patrol Liberators was attacked during the morning by 1 of 8 enemy fighters 40 miles West of Palau but failed to press home his attack. Yap-Woleai: These bases were attacked by Liberator search planes from the Marianas on Sept. 1 and 2. Sorol: Another search plane sighted an enemy submarine crash-dive 75 miles W.S.W. of Sorol Island.
- (2) Bonins-Volcano Islands - On Sept. 1 a Marianas search plane attacked 2 small AK's with 3 sampans near Iwojima. 1 AK was sunk and the other damaged by strafing.

C. INDIAN OCEAN

Evidence of recent enemy submarine activity is summarised hereunder:-
 (a) On 19 Aug. SS "Wayfarer" was torpedoed and sunk in position estimated to be off Mozambique in Mozambique Channel. It is recalled that a submarine, probably German, sank "Empire City"

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)C. INDIAN OCEAN (Contd.)

in the northern approaches to Mozambique Channel on 6 Aug. and a submarine, thought to be the same one was attacked and believed sunk West of Seychelles on 12 Aug. It would thus appear that another unit is responsible for the sinking of SS "Wayfarer", especially as a submarine was located by D/F on 20 Aug. in Mozambique Channel between 10° and 15° S.

- (b) Shortly before 31 Aug., a merchant ship (name uncertain but probably Liberty ship) was sunk by enemy submarine 200-250 miles N.E. of Socotra.
- (c) On 21 Aug., a submarine was located by D/F in vicinity Ten Degree Channel between Andamans and Nicobar Islands.

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(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

1. Mobilization of enemy naval strength in Philippines.
2. Another heavy Blue air strike on Davao.
3. Continued air attacks against small type enemy shipping N. Celebes - Ceram- Southern Philippines area.

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PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>CV(E)</u>	(14) CAPE ESPERANCE CHENANGO HOGGATT BAY MIDWAY LONG ISLAND NEHERTA BAY NASSAU	RULYERD BAY SANGAMON SANTEE STEAMER BAY SARGENT BAY SUWANNEE ROI	(2) FANSHAW BAY MATANIKAU -
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROBESHIRE		-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX * HOBART	* LEANDER -
<u>AV/OVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-
<u>XAV/XOVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINCOTEAGUE ORCA	-
<u>DE</u>	(45) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA STUAR T VENDETTA NAFLER NEPAL AMNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH CAPES DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR EVANS FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JENKINS JOHN D. HENLEY JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN NICHOLAS O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RADFORD RINGGOLD RUSSELL SCHROEDER SIGSBEE STACK STEVENS TAYLOR THATCHER	8 -
<u>SS</u>	(6) BASHAW GUAVINA STINGRAY	BLONDER FLYING FISH NAHVAL	) ) on patrol)
	(3) S.42 DACE	DARTER	) ) on passage
	(2) S.45	S.47	) at Seeadler
	(3) ORO PERMIT	SEAWOLF	) ) at Brisbane
	(2) K.9	K.12	) at Sydney

* Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u> <u>South Pacific</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>PT</u>	Approx. 175	-	?
<u>APD</u>	(11) H.T. ALLIN (APA) KANIMELA MANOORA WEST BILIA ALGORAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (APD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILBY	3 APD	-
<u>AGC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OTUS HOLLAND ORION	-	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBBIN	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR) MEDUSA PLATYPUS MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENT (ARS) CABLE	-	-
<u>LSB</u>	CARTER HALL	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	ABUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	FRENCH	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

Philippines-
Mandates-E. Indies

ENEMY FORCES

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	Philippines- <u>Mandates-E. Indies</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u> Empire
<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA * OKLAHOMA	(4) MISASHI NAGATO FUSO HAYUNA
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP	(4) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COWPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY	(4) CHITOSE CHIYODA ZUIHO * KUUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>CV(E)</u>	(24) GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KIT KUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY OMMANEY BAY	PETROF BAY SITKOH BAY ADMIRALTY IS. AITAMAHA BARRIS BRETON SHADROCK BAY COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND PRINCE WILLIAM SALAMAUA SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS
<u>CV(T)</u>			UNYO (2) KAIYO JINYO
<u>CA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CAMBER RA WICHIT A NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(11) AOBA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI
<u>OCA</u>			6
<u>CL</u>	(17) CO LUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	(5) YAHAGI NOSHIRO KINU KITAGAMI * NATORI (prob. sunk)
<u>CL(T)</u>		BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON MIAMI	(5) * OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (prob. sunk)
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD	KASHI KASHIMA (2) AKITSUSHIMA * NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 180		25-30 20 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30		30 Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?		? 2 (1 repairing)

* This unit possibly in Philippines area
* Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEANALLIED FORCESENEMY FORCES

<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Western Section)</u>		<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Malaya-Indian Ocean</u>
<u>BB</u>	-	(5)	HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIEU	-
<u>CV</u>	-	(3)	VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	SHOKAKU(uncertain)
<u>CV(E)</u>	-	(6)	BATTLER ATHLETIC UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMERR	OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	-	(3)	CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK	-
<u>CL</u>	(2)ADELAIDE NIGERIA	(6)	CEYLON NEWCASTLE KENYA TROMP GAMBIA HOEBE	-
<u>KCL</u> <u>AT/STP</u>	-	(2)	CANTON CHITRAL	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-		ALBATROSS	-
<u>DD</u>	-		Approx. 27	5
<u>SS</u>	(10) GUITARO GUNNEL HADDO HAKE	HANDER JACK PADDLE	MUSKELLUNGE) RATON) REDFIN) on patrol	Approx. 16
	(11) BREAM CREVALLE FLASHER GURNARD	NAUTILUS SEA ROVER STURDY MINGO	TINTIVY) TELEMACHUS) ZWARDFISCH) on passage	
	(17) ANGLER ASPRO BLUEGILL BONEFISH CABRILLA CLYDE	COD HAMMERHEAD HOE LAPON PARGO	PORPOISE) SPITEFUL) RAY) SANDLACE) K.14) K.15) at Fremantle	
<u>AS</u>	(3) MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN EURYALE			-

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons-</u> <u>Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	-	3	177	337	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	39	92	23
T/E Bombers	-	-	124	112	21
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Floatplanes	10	-	57	27	20
Obsn. A/C	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	426	623	113

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREANEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/5:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF: "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
1 PC: 1123
(ii) Task Force 73 : 2 AVP: "ORCA" "HALF MOON"
(iii) Task Force 76 : 1 DE: "THOMASON"
3 PF: "EUGENE" "BURLINGTON" "VAN BUREN"
(iv) Miscellaneous : 1 AMS: "KIAMA"
17 PT
6 MV
- (2) "GLENELG" (AMS) departed Milne Bay 1015/3 for Langemak ETA 1500/4 thence Madang.
- (3) "ML.825" departed Milne Bay 1400/3 for Langemak ETA 0700/5 thence Madang.
- (4) "EL PASO" en route Manus to Alexishafen.
- (5) "KATOOMBA" (AMS) was to depart Langemak 0300/4 for Townsville ETA 0700/8 via Milne Bay, whence ETD 1500/5.
- (6) "H.T.ALLEN" (APA) departed Aitape 3 Sept. for Sydney.
- (7) "MUNDA" (CVE) en route Espiritu Santo to Finschhafen ETA 0700/7.
- (8) "CAPE ESPERANCE" (CVE) departed Langemak 1300/3 for U.S.A.
- (9) "MIZAR" (AF) departed Milne Bay 1255/4 for Langemak ETA 1100/5.
- (10) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Caloundra 1500/1 for Milne Bay ETA 1800/5 for onward routeing to Finschhafen, Hollandia and Woendi.
- (11) "PYRO" (AE) departed Caloundra 2300/1 for Finschhafen ETA 1600/6 for onward routeing to Hollandia and Woendi.
- (12) "CRUX" (AK) departed Caloundra 1200/30 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/5 for onward routeing to Finschhafen and Manus.
- (13) 5 submarines on patrol: 4 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Noemfoor:

Escorts 1 : 1 PF: "GLENDALE"
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 278
Merchantmen 2

Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 47 PT
Escorts 12 : 2PF: "ROCKFORD" "GALLUP"
1 PS: "SWAN"
2 YMS: 316, 393
6 ML: 425, 428, 816, 817, 818, 819
Auxiliaries 21 : "TANGIER" (AV) "SAN EBLO" (AVP) "ORION" (AS)
"HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE" "MOBJACK"
"KOOPA" (AGP) "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" "SUSQUEHANNA"
(AO) "GOLDSTAR" (AG) "TASMAN" (AH) "QUAPAW" (AT)
"SILVERBELL" (AN) "TEABERRY" (YN) "MINK" (IX)
Merchantmen 16 : 2 YPD 1 ATR "CHIP-EWA" (AT)

Haffin Bay:
 Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "ARARAT"
 Auxiliaries 1 : "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG)
 Merchantmen 11

Humboldt Bay:
 Combat Units 1 CMS : "ARIADNE"
 23 DD : "LANG" "MURRAY" "STACK" "RUSSELL" "ANDERSON"
 "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER" "MORRIS" "RADFORD"
 "HUGHES" "MUSTIN" "HARRISON" "MCKEE" "STEVENS"
 "DASHIELL" "JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD"
 "HOPEWELL" "TAYLOR" "NICHOLAS" "D'BANNON"
 "JENKINS"

Escorts 42 : 1 DE: "EICHENBERGER"
 8 PF: "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "SAN PEDRO" "MUSKOGEE"
 "ORANGE" "CARSON CITY" "LONG BEACH" "CORONADO"
 10 AMS: "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "GEELONG" "COLAC"
 "COOTAMUNDRA" "WAGGA" "GLADSTONE"
 "KAPUNDA" "DELORAINNE" "BROOME"
 9 PC: 476, 477, 1119, 1120, 1122, 1133, 1134
 479
 8 SC: 637, 698, 732, 744, 748, 735, 749, 981
 6 YMS: 8, 9, 46, 47, 51, 334

Auxiliaries 35 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "BISHOPDALE" "SALAMONIE" (AO)
 "SAKAPONCHIE" "ELKHORN" (AOG) "CARTER HALL"
 (LSD) "WARD" "HERBERT" "KILTY" "CROSBY"
 "SCHLEY" (APD) "MANOORA" (APA) "DOBBIN" (AD)
 "AMYCUS" (ARL) "POYANG" (AE) "WASATCH"
 "LAURABADA" (AG) "DERRICK" (YO) "VENT" (ARS)
 "OGLALA" (ARG) "BOOTES" (AK) "VILLALBOS"
 "OCTORARA" "PANDA" (IX) "TEAK" (AN) "LARK" (AM)
 "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "VIREO" (ATF) "INDUS"
 "MUHZIM" (AK) "POLLUX" (AKS)
 3 YP: 240, 280, 291 1 ARD

Merchantmen 26

Aitape:
 Combat Units 1 DD : "SIGSBEE"
 26 PT

Escorts 2 : 1 PS: "WARREGO"
 1 SC: 745

Auxiliaries 5 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA)
 "TIPANIA" (AKA) 1 YP: 516

Merchantmen 9

Admiralties:
 Combat Units 11 CVE : "CHENANGO" "SUWANNEE" "SANGAMON" "MIDWAY"
 "MEHENTA BAY" "SAMTEE" "HOGGATT BAY" "NASSAU"
 "SARGENT BAY" "STEAMER BAY" "RUDYERD BAY"
 2 CA : "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
 3 CL : "NASHVILLE" "BOISE" "PHOENIX"
 17 DD : "BUSH" "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON" "CAPPS" "DAVID"
 "W. TAYLOR" "JOHN D. HENLEY" "EVANS" "THATCHER"
 "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "ABNER READ" "AMMEN"
 "BACHE" "BEALE" "DALY" "HUTCHINS" "MULLANY"
 2 SS : "S.45" "S.47"
 12 PT

Escorts 36 : 22 DE: "EDMONDS" "R.S.BULL" "EVERSOLE" "SHELTON"
 "DENNIS" "LEVY" "MCCONNELL" "OSTERHAUS"
 "MCREE" "WITTER" "BERAS" "SEID" "STEELE"
 "SAMUEL S. MILES" "PARKS" "MITCHELL"
 "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "WEAVER" "HILLBERT"
 "LAMONS" "RIDDLE"
 1 PF: "HAWKESBURY"
 4 PC: 1121, 1131, 1132, 1139
 4 SC: 741, 746, 747, 982
 1 ML: 827
 4 YMS: 49, 52, 70, 97

Auxiliaries 56 : "MISSISSINewa" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPAN-
 HANOCK" "PAMANSET" "SEBEC" "MONONGABELA"
 "PATUXENT" "NEOSHO" "LACKWANNA" "SAUNGATUCK"
 "CACHE" "CIMARRON" "PLATTE" "SABINE" "GUADALUPE"
 "CALIENTE" "NECHES" "TOMAHAWK" "KENNEBAGO"
 "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" "PECOS" "SCHUYLKILL"
 "MILLICOMA" (AO) "PASQUOTANK" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG)

Admiralties (Contd.)
Auxiliaries (Contd.)

			: "MEDUSA" (AR) "VARUNA" (AGP) "HERON" (AVP) "BOUTIFUL" "SAMARITAN" (AH) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "PHOBOS" "SCULPTOR" (AK) "SILVER CLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU" "ABARENDA" "ARETHUSA" "ARAYAT" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX) "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT) "ARGONNE" (AG) "MESQUITE" (CGC) 2 <u>ARD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 585 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ABSD</u>
Merchantmen	21		
<u>Alexishafen-Madang:</u>			
Escorts	11		: 3 <u>AMS</u> : "GYMPIE" "ROCKHAMPTON" "GOULBURN" 3 <u>SC</u> : 703, 736, 742 4 <u>ML</u> : 801, 803, 806, 812 1 <u>YMS</u> : 10
Auxiliaries	16		: "REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) " SEEKONK " "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "CHEPACRET" (AO) "OTUS" (AS) "SEEKONK" (AOG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "GANYMEDE" (AK) 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ARD</u> 2 <u>AFD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> :504
<u>Langemak:</u>			
Combat Units	2 CVE 9 PF		: "LONG ISLAND" "ROI"
Escorts	11		: 1 <u>DE</u> : "JAMES E. CRAIG" 1 <u>PF</u> : "BARCOO" 2 <u>AMS</u> : "TOWNSVILLE" "CONRA" 1 <u>SC</u> : 650 3 <u>YMS</u> : 316, 335, 336 1 <u>ML</u> : 802 1 <u>PGM</u>
Auxiliaries	10		: "GENERAL JOHN POPE" "GENERAL R.L.HOWZE" "REPUBLIC" (AP) "WRIGHT" (AV) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "CHETCO" "RACE POINT" (AT) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CLYDE" (IX)
Merchantmen	33		
<u>Lae:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1		: "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
Merchantmen	8		
<u>Morebe:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1		: 1 <u>AFD</u>
<u>Oro Bay:</u>			
Merchantmen	10		
<u>Milne Bay:</u>			
Escorts	8		: 2 <u>DE</u> : "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND" 1 <u>AMS</u> : "STAWELL" 1 <u>PC</u> : 1124 1 <u>SC</u> : 734 1 <u>ML</u> : 431 2 <u>YMS</u> : 48, 50
Auxiliaries	24		: "OYSTER BAY" "PONTUS" (AGP) "SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "SHAWNEE" "TANGRED" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "CABLE" (ARS) "SONOMA" (AT) 1 <u>ARD</u> 3 <u>YT</u> 4 <u>AFD</u> 6 <u>YP</u> : 233, 236, 237, 278, 288, 449
Merchantmen	26		
<u>Port Moresby:</u>			
Auxiliaries	2		: "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)
Merchantmen	2		

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/5:

- (1) "AGAWAM" (AOG) en route Torokina to Green Is. was due 0640/5.
- (2) "BREEZE" (DM) escorting "TAGANAK" (AO) en route Guadalcanal to Torokina/
ETA 1200/5.
- (3) "SC.502" escorting 1 MV en route Russells to Torokina EPA 0600/6.
- (4) "FOREMAN" "BOWERS" (DE) on A/S search off North Cape Choiseul Island.
- (5) "PC.584" escorting 1 MV en route Emirau to Russells ETA 0600/7.
- (6) "WILLOUGHBY" (AGP) departed Tulagi 0700/2 for Milne Bay.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau:
 Escorts 4 : 1 DE: "WILLMARTH" 2 SC: 999, 1274 1 PC: 589
 Auxiliaries 2 : "CAMANGA" (AG) "STRATFORD" (AGP)

Green Is:
 Combat Units 12 PT
 Escorts 4 : 2 SC: 677, 518 2 YMS: 95, 259
 Auxiliaries 1 : "SAN CARLOS" (AVP)

Torokina:
 Escorts 6 : 2DE: "STADFELD" "MARTIN"
 2 PC: 723, 1029
 2 SC: 1128, 1590

Treasury Is:
 Combat Units 34 PT
 4 PGM
 Escorts 5 : 1 DE: "WHITEHURST" 2 SC: 722, 1275
 2 PC: 605, 1229
 Auxiliaries 4 : "TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "NAOS" (AK)
 "BUTTERNUT" (YN)

Munda:
 Escorts 4 : 3 SC: 514, 702, 1267 1 YMS: 196

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/5:

- (1) "WHYALLA" (AMS) escorting "DACE" "DARTER" (SS) ex Brisbane northwards until 1800/5 then proceeds Milne Bay 1400/6.
 (2) "OCTANS" (AF) departed Caloundra 1300/3 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/7.
 (3) "BUNGAREE" (CM) departed Sydney 0900/2 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/9 thence Madang.
 (4) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.
 (5) "SHEPPARTON" (AGS) en route survey ground to Townsville ETA 1600/7
 (6) "WARRNAMBOOL" (AMS) returning Brisbane ETA 0500/7 from escort duties.
 (7) "ML.805" departed Gladstone 0600/5 for Brisbane ETA 1200/6.
 (8) "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT) towing "ALGORAB" (AKA) departed Caloundra 1400/5 for U.S.A.
 (9) "BURDEKIN" (PF) escorting 1 MV to vicinity 36°00'S. 157°40'E departed Sydney 1257/4, thence to proceed Brisbane direct ETA 0700/7

(b) In Harbour:

Thursday Is:
 Escorts 3 : 2 AMS: "PIRIE" "FREMANTLE"
 1 ML: 813
 Auxiliaries 2 : "VIGILANT" (AGS) "KURUMBA" (AO)

Cornwall:
 Escorts 10 : 1 AMS: "KALGOORLIE"
 5 SC: 699, 737, 739, 748, 750
 4 YMS: 71, 73, 313, 314
 Auxiliaries 5 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX)
 "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) 1 ARD 1 AT

Townsville:
 Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "LATROBE" "STRAHAN"
 Auxiliaries 2 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)

Bowen:
 Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Brisbane:
 Combat Units 3 SS : "CERO" "HERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
 Escorts 11 : 1 PF: "OGDEN"
 3 PC: 848, 849, 850
 7 ML: 424, 425, 804, 808, 811, 820, 821
 Auxiliaries 8 : "TULSA" (PG) "MERKUR" (AF) "ETOLIN" (AK)
 "CARONDOLET" (IX) "MENALLA" (AGS) "CAPE LEEUWIN"
 (AGS) "COMFORT" (AH) 1 YP: 421

Sydney:
 Combat Units 1 CL : "HOBART" (refitting)
 3 DD : "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 8 : 1 EX: AMS: "BUNDABERG"
 3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
 3 ML: 810, 822, 823

Sydney (Contd.)
 Auxiliaries 7 : "RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK)
 "YUNNAN" (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT" (AT)
 "MANUNDA" (AH)

Melbourne:
 Combat Units 1 DD : "NAPIER"
 Escorts 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA"
 Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN ANDERSON" (AP)

Adelaide:
 Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "IPSWICH"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/5:

- (1) Task Units 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESEY"
 4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUCA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAINE"
- (2) "INVERELL" (AMS) escorting 1 MV was to depart Darwin 0630/5 for Thursday Island.
- (3) "PARKES" (AMS) escorting Convoy TD.71 ("KURUMBA" (AO) towing "ML.813") was to depart Thursday Is. for Darwin ETA 1600/5.
- (4) "ML.807" escorting "LORINNA" departed Darwin 0712/23 for Sir Graham Moore Is., Champagne Is., West Bay and return.
- (5) "BALLARAT" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.77 ("MONTORO") was to depart Darwin 1200/2 for Melville Bay ETA 0630/5 thence Thursday Is.
- (6) 11 submarines on patrol: 12 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:
 Escorts 5 : 2 AMS: "BUNBURY" "BOWEN"
 3 ML: 429, 814, 815
 Auxiliaries 1 : "COUCAL" (ASR)
 Merchantmen 4

West Bay:
 Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 809
 Merchantmen 1

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/5:

- (1) "NIGERIA" (CL) escorting "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AP) proceeding Fremantle were due 0630/5; "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" detaches and proceeds Melbourne ETA 1700/10.

(b) In Harbour:

Fremantle:
 Combat Units 1 CL : "ADELAIDE"
 16 SS : "ANGLER" "ASRO" "BLUEGILL" "BONEFISH" "CLYDE"
 "GABRILLA" "COD" "HAMMERHEAD" "HOE" "LAPON"
 "PORPOISE" "RAY" "SANDLACE" "SPITEFUL" "K.14"
 "K.15"
 Escorts 9 : 1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
 1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMNORTH" "MILDURA"
 1 SC: 729
 1 ML: 824
 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 6 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" (AS) "ISABEL" (FY)
 "CHAMFICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD 1 YP: 286

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) New Ireland - Night September 3 PT boats shelled enemy shore positions on N.E. New Ireland coast.
- (2) Rabaul - Photos Sept. 3 show Lakunai and Tobera runways still serviceable but many buildings destroyed in the Rataval Supply area.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Aitape - During Sept. 4 our Beauforts continued their regular strikes against enemy targets this area.
- (2) Geelvink Bay - Our patrols continue to mop up small groups of enemy troops on Biak and Noemfoor. Total enemy casualties to Sept. 3 on Biak were 5,107 dead, 337 captured, 235 Formosans captured/ On Noemfoor to the same date casualties totalled 1759 killed 192 captured, 571 Formosans captured, 403 Javanese captured, plus 1 Korean and 1 Chinese.
- On Sept. 3 a total of 38 Bostons and 4 Mitchells were involved in attacks on Nabire airstrip starting many fires. The same day 2 Lightnings dive bombed the Waren runway.
- (3) Manekwari - Night Sept. 2 Amsterdam PT Boats destroyed a beached camouflaged barge this area while 9 Thunderbolts were involved in attacks on stores and personnel areas with 500 pounders.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Ceram - On Sept. 3 9 Lightnings attacked Boela oil tanks with 1000 pounders and also hit radio station.
- (2) Banda Sea - Forenoon Sept. 4 a patrol Liberator reported a medium sized tanker with escort vessel 80 miles S.W. Boeroe Island heading on a westerly course suggesting the force returning Balikpapan from Ambon. Our aircraft attacked without effect. 2 enemy aircraft were observed patrolling near the convoy.
- (3) Flores Island - Photos Sept. 4 reveal 3 runways serviceable but nil aircraft visible. Shipping included 2 small coastal freighters and 26 barges.
- (4) Celebes - Photos Sept. 2 reveal new air strip near Amoer ang (N.W. Celebes) with runways serviceable and 1 twin engine aircraft present. Aircraft over Lembah Strait Sept. 3 report 1 cruiser (possibly damaged minelayer), 1 medium freighter and 4 smaller vessels.
- During Sept. 3 a force of 60 Liberators were involved in attacks on Langoan airfield and installations and shipping in Lembah Strait.
- 22 of these aircraft attacked Langoan with 50 1000 pound bombs encountering interception by 10 fighters of which one was destroyed and 1 probably destroyed. 38 of the Liberators attacked the Lembah Strait waterfront dropping 100 tons of bombs and destroying many buildings and shore installations. A small coastal freighter was destroyed, hits were also scored on shipping. Interception by 8-10 enemy fighters was encountered of which 2 were destroyed and 3 others probably.
- Our Catalinas operating over this area at night continue to report successful attacks against enemy shipping; during the night Sept. 2 several small coastal freighters and barges were sunk or badly damaged in the general Manado area while the following night another Catalina sank 3 barges and damaged several others vicinity Amcerang Bay.
- (5) Halmaheras - During Sept. 3 11 Mitchells attacked Tobelo destroying buildings and sinking 1 small freighter. A patrol Liberator over this area same day also reported damaging a small coastal freighter in Kace Bay.
- (6) Talaud Island - Night Sept. 2 a Catalina attacked small freighter in Beo Bay. Results uncertain.

4. PHILIPPINES - A Catalina over Davao Gulf night Sept. 2 attacked 8 small coastal freighters and reported leaving 3 sinking and another 3 heavily damaged and probably sinking.

Same night several 500 lb. bombs were dropped on Matina airfield. Following day (Sept.3) a Patrol Liberator attacked a small coastal freighter S.E. of Sarangani Bay leaving the vessel burning and heading for the beach.

Night Sept. 3 another aircraft attacked a small vessel in Davao Gulf which was reported to explode.

Sept. 2 an enemy convoy described as including 22 vessels most of which were warships, including 1 possible carrier, was observed proceeding through Guimaras Strait on a South westerly course. 3 aircraft were reported patrolling over the carrier type vessel.

A.M. Sept. 4 a convoy described as 1 "NATORI" class light cruiser with 3 other merchantmen was observed on a southerly course vicinity Cebu.

5. Palawan Island - During Sept. 2 enemy convoy comprising 7 merchantships with 3 escorts heading on a northeasterly course off S.E.Coast Palawan Island.

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(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Mobilisation of enemy naval strength in Philippines.
- (2) Continued shipping activity in Central Philippines.
- (3) Heavy air attack on Manado-Lembah area.
- (4) Combined success of our search planes against small enemy shipping Southern Philippines-Eastern N.E.I.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CV(E)</u>	(15) CAPE ESPERANCE CHIENANGO HOGGATT BAY LONG ISLAND MIDWAY MUNDA NASSAU	NEHEMIA BAY ROI SANGAMON RUDYERD BAY SANTEE SARGENT BAY STEAMER BAY SUWANNEE	(2) FANSHAW BAY MATANIKAU	-
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		-	-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE NASHVILLE	* PHOENIX * HOBART	* LEANDER	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-	-
<u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HER ON CHINCOT BAGUE ORCA	-	-
<u>DD</u>	(45) ARENTA WARRAMUNGA STUART NAPIER NEPAL AENER READ VENDETTA ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH CAPTS DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR EVAN S FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JENKINS JOHN D.H ENLEY JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN NICHOLAS O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RADFORD RINGGOLD RUSSELL SCHROEDER SIGSBEE STACK STEVENS TAYLOR THATCHER	8	-
<u>SS</u>	(5) BASHAW GUAVINA	FLOUNDER FLYING FISH NARWHAL	) ) on patrol	5
	(4) S.42 DACE	DARTER STINGRAY	) ) on passage	
	(2) H.45	S.47	) at Seeadler	
	(3) CERO PERMIT	SEAWOLF	) ) at Brisbane	
	(2) K.9	K.12	) at Sydney	

* Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	Southwest Pacific (<u>Eastern Section</u>)	South Pacific
<u>PT</u>	Approx. 175	- ?
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>APD</u>	(11) H.T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMELA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (APD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILTY	3 APD -
<u>AGC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	- -
<u>AS</u>	(3) OPUS HOLLAND OPION	- -
<u>AD</u>	DOBBIN	- -
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR) MEDUSA PLATYPUS MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMY CUS VENT (ARS) CABLE	- -
<u>ISD</u>	CARTER HALL	- -

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	ABUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

Philippines
Mandates-E. Indies

ENEMY FORCES

Empire

<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA *	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND NEW MEXICO OKLAHOMA *	(4) MIBASHI NAGATO FUSO HARUNA	(5) YAMATO YAMASHIRO * KONGO ISE)conv. to HYUGA)carry a/e
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP		-	(4) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COWPER BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY		-	(4) CHITOSE CHIYODA ZUIHO * RYUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>CV(E)</u>	(24) GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY OMAN BY BAY	PETROF BAY SITKOH BAY ADMIRALTY IS. ALTAMAHA BARNES BRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND PRINCE WILLIAM SALAMUA SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS	UNYO	(2) KAIYO JINYO
<u>CV(T)</u>					HOSHO
<u>CA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACO LA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND		(11) AOBA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI	* MAYA
<u>OCA</u>					6
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBI A CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON MIAMI	(4) YAHAGI NOBHIRO KINU KITAGAMI	(5) * OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (prob. sunk)
<u>CL(T)</u>				KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) CURTISS POCCMOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD			(2) AKITSUSHIMA * NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 180			25-30	20 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30			30	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?			?	2 (1 repairing)

* This unit possibly in Philippines area
* Non-effectiv *

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

	Southwest Pacific (Western Section)	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		Eastern Fleet Area		Malaya-Indian Ocean
<u>BB</u>	-	(5)	HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIEU	-
<u>CV</u>	-	(3)	VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	SHOKAKU (uncertain)
<u>CV(E)</u>	-	(6)	BATTLEFLEET ATHLETIC UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMBER	OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	-	(3)	CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK	-
<u>CG</u>	(2) ADELAIDE NIGERIA	(6)	CEYLON NEWCASTLE KENYA TROMP GAMBIA PHOEBE	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-		ALBATROSS	-
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2)	CANTON CHITRAL	-
<u>DD</u>	-		Approx. 27	5
<u>SS</u>	(11) BATTLESHIP HARDER MUSKELLUNGE GUITARO JACK RATON GUNNEL HAKE REDFIN HADDO PADDLE		Approx. 16 on patrol	12 (incl. 7 German)
	(12) BREAM NAUTILUS FARGO CREVALLE SEA ROVER TANTIVY FLASHER STURDY TELEMACHUS GURNARD MINGO ZWADFISCH		on passage	
	(16) ANGLER CLYDE PORPOISE ASPRO COD SPITEFUL BLUEGILL HAMMERHEAD RAY BONEFISH HOE SANDLACE CABRILLA LAPON K.14 K.15		at Fremantle	
<u>AS</u>	(3) MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN EURYALE			

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	Solomons- Bismarcks	New Guinea	East Indies	Philippines	Mandates
Bombers	-	3	177	337	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	39	92	23
T/E Bombers	-	-	124	112	21
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Floatplanes	10	-	57	27	20
Obsn. A/C	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	426	623	113

TOP SECRETBritish — MOST SECRET
U.S. — SECRETGENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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Date 6th September, 1944

PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1 NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/6:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF: "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
1 PC: 1123
(ii) Task Force 73 : 2 AVP: "ORCA" "HALF MOON"
(iii) Task Force 76 : 1 DE: "THOMASON"
4 PF: "EUGENE" "BURLINGTON" "VAN BUREN"
"ROCKFORD"
(iv) Miscellaneous : 1 AMS: "KIAMA"
1 AT: "CHETCO"
17 PT
6 MV
- (2) "MUSKOGEE" (PF) departed Humboldt Bay 4 Sept. for Alexishafen to escort 1 LST to Manus Island.
- (3) "TASMAN" (AH) departed Hollandia 1300/4 for Langemak ETA 1400/6.
- (4) "VAN DER LIJN" reported grounded approximately 1800/4 off Saidor: "COWRA" "GLENELG" (AMS) "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) and "TPIG3" and TP 115" (AT) standing by to assist.
- (5) "SC.734" escorting 2 LST departed Milne Bay 0800/5 for Langemak ETA 0800/7
- (6) "SONOMA" (AT) departed Milne Bay 1400/3 for Hollandia ETA 0600/8, via Langemak ETA 1900/5.
- (7) "EL PASO" en route Manus to Alexishafen.
- (8) "KATOOMBA" (AMS) was to depart Langemak 0300/4 for Townsville ETA 0700/8 via Milne Bay, whence ETD 1500/5.
- (9) "H.T.ALLEN" (APA) departed Aitape 3 Sept. for Sydney.
- (10) "MUNDA" (CVE) en route Espiritu Santo to Finschhafen ETA 0700/7
- (11) "PYRO" (AE) departed Caloundra 2300/1 for Finschhafen ETA 1600/6 for onward routing to Hollandia and Woendi.
- (12) 6 submarines on patrol: 2 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:

mpcor:
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 278
Merchantmen 1

Biak Is-Woendi:
Combat Units 47 PT
Escorts 10 : 1 PS: "SWAN"
1 AMS: "ARARAT"
2 YMS: 316, 393
6 ML: 425, 428, 816, 817, 818, 819

Biak Is-Woendi (Contd.)
Auxiliaries 19

: "TANGIER" (AV) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) "ORION" (AS)
 "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE" "MOBJACK"
 "KOOPA" (AGP) "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" (AO)
 "SUSQUEHANNA" (AOG) "GOLDSTAR" (AG) "QUAPAW"
 "CHIPPEWA" (AT) "SILVERBELL" (AN) "TEABERRY"
 (YN) 2 YFD 1 ATR

Merchantmen 16

Offin Bay:
Auxiliaries 2
Merchantmen 10

: "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "CHEPACHET" (AO)

Humboldt Bay:
Combat Units 1 CMS

23 DD : "ARIADNE"
 "LANG" "MURRAY" "STACK" "RUSSELL" "ANDERSON"
 "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER" "MORRIS" "RADFORD"
 "HUGHES" "MUSTIN" "HARRISON" "MCKEE" "STEVENS"
 "DASHIELL" "JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER"
 "RINGGOLD" "HOPEWELL" "TAYLOR" "NICHOLAS"
 "O'BANNON" "JENKINS"

Escorts 43

: 1 DE: "EICHENBERGER"
 9 PF: "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "SAN PEDRO" "GALLUP"
 "GLENDALE" "ORANGE" "CARSON CITY"
 "LONGBEACH" "CORONADO"
 11 AMS: "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "GEELONG" "COLAC"
 "COOTAMUNDRA" "WAGGA" "GLADSTONE"
 "GYMPIE" "KAPUNDA" "DELORAINIE" "BROOME"
 8 PG: 476, 477, 479, 1119, 1120, 1122, 1133
 1134
 8 SC: 637, 698, 732, 744, 748, 755, 749, 981
 6 YMS: 8, 9, 46, 47, 51, 334

Auxiliaries 38

: "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "BISHOPDALE" "PLATTE"
 "SALAMONIE" (AO) "SAKATONCHEE" "ELKHORN" (AOG)
 "CARTER HALL" (LSD) "WARD" "HERBERT" "KILTY"
 "CROSBY" "SCHLEY" (APD) "MANOORA" (APA)
 "DOBBIN" (AD) "REPUBLIC" "GENERAL JOHN POPE"
 (AP) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OGLALA" (ARG) "VENT" (ARS)
 "POYANG" (AE) "WASATCH" "LAURABADA" (AG)
 "DERRICK" (YO) "TEAK" (AN) "LARK" (AM)
 "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "VIREO" (ATF) "INDUS"
 "BOOTES" "MURZIN" (AK) "POLLUX" (AKS)
 "VILLALOBOS" "OCTORARA" "PANDA" (IX)
 3 YP: 240, 280, 291 1 ARD

Merchantmen 26

Altape:
Combat Units 1 DD

: "SIGSBEE"

Escorts 2

: 1 PS: "WARREGO"
 1 SC: 745

Auxiliaries 5

: "ORRESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA)
 "TITANIA" (AKA) 1 YP: 516

Merchantmen 10

Admiralties:
Combat Units 11 CVE

: "CHENANGO" "SUWANNEE" "SANGAMON" "MIDWAY"
 "NEHENTA BAY" "SANTEE" "HOGGATT BAY" "NASSAU"
 "SARGENT BAY" "STEAMER BAY" "RUDYERD BAY"

2 CA : "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"

3 CL : "NASHVILLE" "BOISE" "PHOENIX"

17 DD : "BUSH" "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON" "CAPPS" "DAVID
 W. TAYLOR" "JOHN D. BENLEY" "EVANS" "THATCHER"
 "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "ABNER READ" "AMMEN"
 "BACHE" "BEALE" "DALY" "HUTCHINS" "MULLANY"

3 SS : "S.42" "S.45" "S.47"

12 PF

Escorts 36

: 22 DE: "EDMONDS" "R.S. BULL" "EVERSOLE" "SHELTON"
 "DENNIS" "LEVY" "MCCONWELL" "OSTERHUAS"
 "MCREE" "WITTER" "BEBAS" "SEID" "STEELE"
 "SAMUEL S. MILES" "PARKS" "MITCHELL"
 "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "WEAVER" "HILLBERT"
 "LAMONS" "RIDDLE"

1 PF: "HAWKESBURY"

4 PG: 1121, 1131, 1132, 1139

4 SC: 741, 746, 747, 982

1 ML: 827

4 YMS: 49, 52, 70, 97

(1) ALLIED FORCES (Contd.)Admiralties (Contd.)

<u>Auxiliaries</u>	56	:	"MISSISSINEWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPANHONOCK" "PAMANSET" "SEBEC" "MONONGABELA" "PATUXENT" "NEOSHO" "LACKWANNA" "SAUNGATUCK" "CACHE" "CIMARRON" "SABINE" "GUADALUP" "CALIENTE" "NECHES" "TOMAHAWK" "KENNEBAGO" "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" "PECOS" "SCHUYLKILL" "MILLICOMA" (AO) "PASQUOTANK" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR) "VARUNA" (AGP) "HERON" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL" "SAMARITAN" (AH) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "SCULPTOR" (AK) "SILVER CLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU" "ABARENDA" "ARETHUSA" "ARAYAT" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX) "GENERAL R.L. HOWZE" (AP) "HIDATSA" "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT) "ARGONNE" (AG) "MESQUITE" (CGC) 2 <u>ARD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 585 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ABSD</u>
<u>Merchantmen</u>	21		
<u>Alexishafen-Madang:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	10	:	2 <u>AMS</u> : "ROCKHAMPTON" "GOULBURN" 3 <u>SC</u> : 703, 736, 742 4 <u>ML</u> : 801, 803, 806, 812 1 <u>YMS</u> : 10
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	14	:	"REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "OTUS" (AS) "SEEKONK" (AOG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "GANYMEDE" (AK) 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ARD</u> 2 <u>AFD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 504
<u>Remak:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	2 CVE	:	"LONG ISLAND" "ROI"
	9 PT		
<u>Escorts</u>	10	:	1 <u>DE</u> : "JAMES E. CRAIG" 1 <u>PF</u> : "BARCOO" 1 <u>AMS</u> : "TOWNSVILLE" 1 <u>SC</u> : 650 3 <u>YMS</u> : 318, 335, 336 2 <u>ML</u> : 802, 825 1 <u>PGM</u>
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	8	:	"WRIGHT" (AV) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "PHOBOS" (AK) "MIZAR" (AF) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CLYDE" (IX)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	38		
<u>Lae:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	:	"SHAWNEE" (AT)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	11		
<u>Morobe:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	:	1 <u>AFD</u>
<u>Bay:</u>			
<u>Merchantmen</u>	10		
<u>Milne Bay:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	7	:	2 <u>DE</u> : "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND" 1 <u>AMS</u> : "STAWELL" 1 <u>PC</u> : 1124 1 <u>ML</u> : 431 2 <u>YMS</u> : 48, 50
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	24	:	"OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "ROCHAMBEAU" (AP) "CRUX" "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "TANCRED" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "CABLE" (ARS) 1 <u>ARD</u> 5 <u>YP</u> 4 <u>AFD</u> 6 <u>YP</u> : 233, 236, 237, 278, 288, 449
<u>Merchantmen</u>	30		
<u>Port Moresby:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	2	:	"WINTER" (AG) "ST GILES" (AT)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	2		

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/6:

- (1) "FOREMAN" "BOWERS" (DE) on A/S search off North Cape Choiseul Island.
- (2) "WILLOUGHBY" (AGP) departed Tulagi 0700/2 for Milne Bay.
- (3) "SC.1274" escorting "CAPE SAINT ELIAS" proceeding Emirau to Torokina
ETA 0830/7
- (4) "WILLMARTH" (DE) escorting "STRATFORD" (AGP) proceeding Emirau to
Torokina ETA 0930/7
- (5) "SC.999" escorting "CAMANGA" (AG) proceeding Emirau to Munda ETA 1500/9

2. SOLOMONS (Contd.)

- (6) "PC.584" escorting "J.S.HUTCHINSON" proceeding Emirau to Russells ETA
0700/7
- (7) "SC.502" escorting "ALDERAMIN" (AK) proceeding Russells to Torokina due
0600/6.
- (8) "DEMPSEY" (DE) escorting "NAOS" (AK) proceeding Treasury to Noumea ETA
1800/12.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau:
Escorts 1 : 1 PC: 589

Green Is:
Combat Units 12 PT
Escorts 4 : 2 SC: 677, 518 2 YMS: 95, 259
Auxiliaries 2 : "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) "AGAWAM" (AOG)

Torokina:
Escorts 8 : 2 DE: "STADFIELD" "MARTIN" 1 DM: "BREEZE"
2 PC: 723, 1029 3 SC: 502, 1128, 1590
Auxiliaries 1 : "TAGANAK" (AO)

Treasury Is:
Combat Units 34 PT
4 PGM
Escorts 5 : 1 DE: "WHITEHURST" 2 SC: 722, 1275
2 PC: 605, 1229
Auxiliaries 3 : "TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "BUTTERNUT" (YN)

Noumea:
Escorts 4 : 3 SC: 514, 702, 1267 1 YMS: 196

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/6:

- (1) "WHYALLA" (AMS) escorting "PACE" "DARTER" (SS) ex Brisbane northwards
until 1800/5 then proceeds Milne Bay ETA 1400/6.
- (2) "OCTANS" (AF) departed Caloundra 1300/3 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/7.
- (3) "BUNGARREE" (CM) departed Sydney 0900/2 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/9 thence
Madang.
- (4) "COMFORT" (AH) departed Caloundra 0900/6 for Milne Bay ETA 1130/9: for
onward passage to Lae, Aitape and Hollandia. 12.
- (5) "POMPUS" (AGP) departed Milne Bay 0915/5 for Brisbane ETA 1500/2k.
- (6) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.
- (7) "SHEPPARTON" (AGS) en route survey ground to Townsville ETA 1600/7
- (8) "WARRNAMBOOL" (AMS) returning Brisbane ETA 0500/7 from escort duties.
- (9) "SOUTHWEST PASS" (AT) towing "ALGORAB" (AKA) departed Caloundra 1400/5
for U.S.A.
- (10) "BURDEKIN" (PF) escorting 1 MV to vicinity 36°00'S. 157°40'E. departed
Sydney 1257/4, thence to proceed Brisbane direct ETA
0700/7.

(b) In Harbour:

Thursday Is:
Escorts 2 : 1 AMS: "PIRIE" 1 ML: 813
Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AGS)

Cairns:
Escorts 10 : 1 AMS: "KALGOORLIE"
5 SC: 699, 737, 739, 748, 750
4 YMS: 71, 73, 313, 314
Auxiliaries 5 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX)
"BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) 1 ARD 1 AT

Townsville:
Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "LATROBE" "STRAHAN"
Auxiliaries 2 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)

Bowen:
Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Brisbane:
Combat Units 3 SS : "CERO" "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
Escorts 12 : 1 PF: "OGDEN"
3 PC: 848, 849, 850
8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 805, 808, 811, 820, 821
Auxiliaries 7 : "TULSA" (EG) "MERKUR" (AF) "ETOLIN" (AK)
"CARONDOLET" (IX) "BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
1 YP: 421

Sydney:

Combat Units	1 CL	:	"HOBART" (refitting)
	3 DD	:	"NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
	2 SS	:	"K.9" "K.12"
Escorts	7	:	1 AMS: "BUNDABERG"
		:	3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
		:	3 ML: 810, 822, 823
Auxiliaries	7	:	"RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK)
		:	"YUNNAN" (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT)
		:	"MANUNDA" (AH)

Melbourne:

Combat Units	1 DD	:	"NAPIER"
Escorts	2	:	2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOIB A"
Auxiliaries	2	:	"PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN ANDERSON" (AP)

Adelaide:

Escorts	1	:	1 AMS: "IPSWICH"
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4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/6:

- (1) Task Units 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESBY"
4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUCA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAINE"
- (2) "FREMANTLE" (AMS) escorting "SCHWEDAGON" was to depart Thursday Is. 0900/6 for Darwin.
- (3) "INVERELL" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.78 (1 MV) departed Darwin 0650/5 for Thursday Island ETA 0800/8
- (4) "ML.807" escorting "LORINNA" departed Darwin 0712/23 for Sir Graham Moore Is., Champagne Is., West Bay and return.
- (5) "BALLARAT" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.77 ("MONTORO") was to depart Darwin 1200/2 for Melville Bay ETA 0630/5 thence Thursday Is.
- (6) 10 submarines on patrol: 9 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts	7	:	3 AMS: "BUNBURY" "BOWEN" "PARKES"
		:	4 ML: 429, 813, 814, 815
Auxiliaries	2	:	"COUCAL" (ASR) "KURUMBA" (AO)
Merchantmen	4	:	

West Bay:

Escorts	1	:	1 ML: 809
Merchantmen	1	:	

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/6:

- (1) "NIGERIA" (CL) escorting "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AP) proceeding Fremantle were due 0630/5: "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" detaches and proceeds Melbourne ETA 1700/10.

(b) In Harbour:Fremantle:

Combat Units	1 CL	:	"ADELAIDE"
	7 SS	:	"ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BOONEFISH" "GLYDE"
		:	"CAERILLA" "COD" "HAMMERHEAD" "GURNARD" "HOE"
		:	"PORPOISE" "RAY" "SANDLACE" "SEA ROVER"
		:	"SPITEFUL" "K.14" "K.15"
Escorts	9	:	1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
		:	1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
		:	3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA"
		:	1 SC: 729
		:	1 ML: 824
		:	2 YMS: 11, 72
Auxiliaries	6	:	"GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
		:	"CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD 1 YP: 286

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1,000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Solomons - Weather conditions limited Corsairs air operations Sept. 4 and attacks were confined to Bougainville-Buka targets. 40 Corsairs attacked the Kahili area with 1000 pounders while 6 Mitchells worked on Balalle. Other Corsairs attacked targets on Buka Island.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak-Aitape - During Aug. 5 Beauforts again attacked targets this area and during the night Sept. 3-4 PT boats shelled shore positions around Cape Djeruan (Aitape) encountering some 75 mm. fire from the shore
- (2) Noenfoer - Our ground forces continue to mop up enemy groups this area where total enemy casualties now number 1777 dead, 210 captured. 572 Fommesans, 1 Korean captured.
- (3) Manokwari - Night Sept. 3 our PT boats operating off Cape Mambiwi encountering heavy 50 calibre, 20 mm. and 40 mm fire from the shore.
- (4) Sorong - Forenoon Sept. 5 32 RAAF Kittyhawks attacked Jefman and Semate strips. Both strips were reported unserviceable but 2 twin engine aircraft were observed near one strip.
- (5) Bonerai Peninsula. Forenoon Sept. 5 2 groups of Kittyhawks made sweeps around the coast strafing targets of opportunity.
- (6) Maccluer Gulf - 4 RAAF Kittyhawks swept this area Sept.5 destroying and damaging several barges.
- (7) Rainana - On Sept. 4 33 Bostons escorted by Mitchells dropped 25 tons of bombs on Uteram runways and gun positions.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Tanimbar Islands - Noon Sept. 5 14 Spitfires 1 Mitchell attacked enemy camp and installations Selaree Island.
- (2) Ceram - Forenoon Sept. 5 7 Bostons attacked Boela strip while 3 Beauforts swept the S.E.C east strafing several barges.
- (3) Ambon - Night Sept. 3 Navy Catalina attacked small shipping this area sinking a sailing vessel and damaging a small coastal freighter. The following night another Catalina reported 2 small freighters with an escort 75 Miles S.W. Ambon heading towards this base. 2 Liberators attacked a bridge near Lautem West Sept. 5.
- (4) Celebes - Night Sept. 4 23 Liberators attacked Kendari airfield causing extensive fires. 1 possible large AK and 2 small AK were sighted in the area.

On Sept. 4 a Navy Liberator attacked 3 small coasters 1 lugger and 4 barges in a bay 70 miles S.W. Menado setting freighter on fire and sinking the lugger. Another Liberator also sank 3 and damaged 5 barges loaded with personnel in the same area.

At 1430/5 one of our patrol aircraft reported a large warship, described as a battleship, and 5 escorts entering Menado Bay from the North. There has been no other recent intelligence to suggest the presence of a battleship in this area and the large vessel may possibly be a cruiser/minelayer.

Photos Langoan airfield taken during strikes Sept. 3 reveal 23 fighters 24 bombers and 21 transport aircraft.

Photos shipping Lembah Strait Sept. 3 revealed a damaged minelayer apparently underway, 1 subchaser, 1 small to med. freighter, 1 small coaster and 30 barges/luggers and picket boats.

At 1142/5 a patrol aircraft reported a large merchantman 35 miles S.E. Lembah Strait heading S.E.

- (5) Halmaherasa - Night Sept. 3 Navy Catalina attacked 6 small coasters and a group of barges this area scoring several hits.

- (5) Halmaheras (contd) Another Navy Catalina attacked 1 4000 ton AK northwest of Tidore Island scoring 1 hit and leaving the vessel listing. Another small AK was strafed nearby.
4. PHILIPPINES - At 1700/4 1 warship, 3 small freighters were reported in Tawi Tawi Bay heading N.E. If the position of this shipping is correct this is the first evidence of shipping using Tawi Tawi Bay for some time now.
- Night Sept. 3 2 Liberators bombed Sassa airfield in the Davao area encountering only light A/A fire. Same night 2 U/I vessels and 2 possible warships reported in the Samal-Talikud Island area (Davao Gulf). The possible warships were heading W.S.W.
- Shipping Davao Gulf night Sept. 3 was reported to include 4 small coasters apart from barges. The following morning 1 medium freighter and 1 small coaster were observed off Malalag Bay and the large vessel was reported to be burning and a large oil fire observed close inshore.
- Night Sept. 4 Navy Catalinas attacked 5 small coasters S.W. Sarangani Island leaving 3 badly damaged and sinking.
- At 1045/5 a Liberator reported the following shipping at anchor Zamboanga : 1 AO, 1 AP, 3 AK, 3 med. AK, 13 small AK and luggers.
- At 1700/4 a medium AO was reported off Dipolog (Western Mindanao) heading N.E.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Bonins - One of our fast carrier groups again attacked enemy positions in the Bonins-Volesno Islands, on Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 and 2. On Aug. 31 and Sept. 2 Chichi jima and Iwojima were bombarded by Corsairs and destroyers while our aircraft dropped 196 tons of bombs and fired 490 rockets with the following results:
- Shipping:
- | | | |
|----------------------|---|--|
| <u>Sunk</u> | 3 small AK, 1 barge
1 small AK
1 small AO, 6 barges
1 small AK | Iwojima
S.W. Hahajima
Chichi jima.
N.W. Chichi jima |
| <u>Probably sunk</u> | 1 small AK, 1 IC
1 FC
1 FC | N.W. Iwojima
S.W. Chichi jima
Hahajima |
| <u>Damaged</u> | 2 FC
1 FC and 1 sampan | Iwojima
near Chichi jima |
- Aircraft:
- Destroyed or damaged:
- 10 a/c shot down near Iwojima
1 T/E bomber shot down over our Task Force
33 a/c destroyed on the ground
29 probably destroyed and
10 damaged at Iwojima
2 seaplanes destroyed at Chichi jima.
- Ground Installations:
- Extensive damage to hangars, shops, warehouses, fuel dumps and A/A positions by bombing and shelling. Several A/A positions destroyed at Iwojima, a large warehouse destroyed at Hahajima, seaplane base demolished Chichi jima.
- On Sept. 3 Saipan based Liberators again attacked Iwojima dropping 95 tons of bombs reporting only 1 enemy fighter attempting interception.
- (2) Marianas - On Sept. 1, 2 and 3 Rota Island gun emplacements, bivouac areas and air installations were attacked by Genpae a/c while Pagan Island also received 2 attacks Sept. 2 and another Sept. 3. Little opposition was encountered. Mang Is. was also attacked by rocket firing fighters Sept. 3.
- (3) Carolines - On Sept. 2 Genpae Liberator bombed airfield installations at Yap, while Sept. 2 a force of Genpae Liberators dropped 55 tons of bombs on Truk encountering only 1 interceptor, while another

- (3) Carolines (contd) force of Mitchells attacked Ponape.
- (4) Marshalls - Mille, Wotje and Maloelap Atolls were attacked Sept. 2 by Dauntless and Corsairs, dropping 63 tons of bombs.
- (5) Wake Island On Sept. 4 ~~Carriers~~^{Carriers} and destroyers bombarded Wake Island and aircraft from the carrier group bombed the Island. Some coastal defense guns and A/A emplacements were knocked out. Extensive damage done, to over gun positions; 3 small craft in the Lagoon were heavily damaged. There was no opposition from enemy aircraft and return fire from shore patrols was ineffective.
- (6) Marcus Island - Forenoon Sept. 5 one of our patrol aircraft reported attacking 2 enemy aircraft this area.
- (7) Kapingamarangi - At 0845/5 a Navy Liberator reported surfaced submarine 145 miles N.W. Kapingamarangi heading E.S.E. The submarine crash dived on the approach of our aircraft.

C. NORTHERN PACIFIC

- (1) Kuriles - On Sept. 1 Liberator and Mitchell attacked Paramusiro, the latter sinking a small AK and scoring a direct hit on docking facilities. Nil interception encountered.

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(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Successful carrier and surface bombardment of Bonins base.
- (2) Mobilisation of enemy naval strength in Philippines.
- (3) Continued shipping activity in Central Philippines
- (4) Successful Carrier and surface strike on Wake.
- (5) Continued success of our search planes against small enemy shipping Southern Philippines-Eastern N.E.I.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Southwest Pacific
(Eastern Section)

South Pacific

CV(E)

(15) CAPE ESPERANCE
CHENANGO
HOGGATT BAY
LONG ISLAND
MIDWAY
MUNDA
NASSAU

NEHERTA BAY
ROI
SANGAMON
RUDYERD BAY
SANTEE
SARGENT BAY
STEAMER BAY
SUWANNEE

(2) FANSHAW BAY
MATANIKAU

-

CA

(2) AUSTRALIA
SHROPSHIRE

-

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(4) BOISE
NASHVILLE

PHOENIX
* HOBART

* LEANDER

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XAV/XCVS

(6) HALF MOON
SAN PABLO
SAN CARLOS

HERON
CHINCOTEAGUE
ORCA

-

-

DD

(45) ARUNTA
WARRAMUNGA
STUART
VENDETTA
NAPIER
NEPAL
AEBNER READ
ANDERSON
BACHE
BEALE
BUSH
CAPES
DALY
DASHIELL
DAVID W. TAYLOR
EVANS
FLETCHER
HALL
HARRISON
HOPEWELL
HUGHES
HUTCHINS

JENKINS
JOHN D. HENLEY
JOHN RODGERS
LANG
LA VALLETTE
MCKEE
MORRIS
MURRAY
MUSTIN
O'BANNON
PAUL HAMILTON
RADFORD
RINGGOLD
NICHOLAS
RUSSELL
SCHROEDER
SIGSBEE
STACK
STEVENS
TAYLOR
THATCHER

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(6) BASHAW
GUAVINA
FLOUNDER

FLYING FISH
MINGO
NARWHAL

)
) on patrol
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(2) DACE

DARTER

) on passage

(3) S.42
S.45

S.47

)
) at Seeadler

(3) CERO
PERMIT

SEAWOLF

)
) at Brisbane

(2) K.9

K.12

) at Sydney

AV/CVS

(2) TANGIER
WRIGHT

* Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)	South Pacific
	Approx. 175	-
<u>APA</u> <u>APA</u> <u>AED</u>	(11) H.T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMELA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (AED) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILBY	3 AED
<u>AGC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) ORUS HOLLAND OHION	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBBIN	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR) MEDUSA PLATYPUS MIDAS (ARS) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENI (ARS) CABLE	-
<u>ASD</u>	CARTER HALL	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	AEUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>Philippines- Mandates-E. Indies</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u> <u>Empire</u>
<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND NEW MEXICO * OKLAHOMA	(4) MUSASHI NAGATO FUSO HARUNA	(5) YAMATO YAMASHIRO * KONGO ISE)conv. to HYUGA)carry a/e
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP	-	-	(4) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COWPER BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY	-	-	(4) CHITOSE CHITODA ZUIHO * RYUKO (p oss. sunk)
<u>CV(E)</u>	(24) GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NAPOMA BAY OMANEY BAY	PETROF BAY SITKOH BAY ADMIRALTY IS. ALTAMAHA BARNES BRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND PRINCE WILLIAM SALAMAU SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS	UNYO	(2) KAIYO JINYO
<u>CV(T)</u>	-	-	-	-	HOSHU
<u>CA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(11) AOBA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAM I ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI	-	* MAYA
<u>OCA</u>	-	-	-	-	6
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON MIAMI	(4) YAHAGI NOSHIRO KINU KITAGAMI	(5) * OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (prob. sunk)
<u>CL(T)</u>	-	-	-	KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) CURTISS POCCOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD	-	-	(2) AKITSUSHIMA * NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 180	-	-	25-30	20 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30	-	-	30	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?	-	-	?	2 (1 repairing)

* This unit possibly in Philippines area
* Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Southwest Pacific
(Western Section)

Eastern Fleet Area

Malaya-Indian Ocean

<u>BB</u>	-			(5) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOUN RICHELIEU	-
<u>CV</u>	-			(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	SHOKAKU(uncertain)
<u>CV(E)</u>	-			(6) BATTLEER ATHELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMEER	OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	-			(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK	-
	(2) ADELAIDE NIGERIA			(6) KENYA NEWCASTLE CEYLON TROMP GAMBIA FHOEBE	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-			ALBATHROSS	-
<u>XCL</u>	-			(2) CANTON CHITRAL	-
<u>DD</u>	-			Approx. 27	5
<u>SS</u>	(10) BATTLEFISH FLASHER GUITARO	GUNNEL HADDO HAKE HANDER	JACK PADDLE MUSKELLUNGE) on patrol	Approx. 16	12 (incl. 7 German)
	(9) BREEM CREVALLE LAPON	BRITISH PARGO RATON STURDY	TANTIVY TELEMACHUS ZWARDFISCH) on passage		
	(3) NAUTILUS	REDFIN	STINGRAY) at Darwin		
	(17) ANGLER ASPRO BLUEGILL BONE FISH CABRILLA CLYDE	COD GUNNARD HAMMERHEAD HOE PORPOISE RAY	SANGLACE SEA ROVER K.14 K.15 SPITEFUL) at Fremantle		
<u>AS</u>	(3) MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN BURYALE				

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons- Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	-	3	177	336	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	39	92	23
T/E Bombers	-	-	124	110	21
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Floatplanes	10	2	57	27	20
Obsn. A/C	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	426	620	113

TOP SECRET

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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Date 7th. September, 1944

PART I

(1) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/7:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF: "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
1 PC: 1123
(ii) Task Force 73 : 2 AVP: "ORCA" "HALF MOON"
(iii) Task Force 76 : 1 DE: "THOMASON"
4 PF: "EUGENE" "BURLINGTON" "VAN BUREN"
"ROCKFORD"
(iv) Miscellaneous : 1 AMS: "KIAMA"
1 AOG: "SUSQUEHANNA"
1 AT: "CHETCO"
17 PT:
6 MV.
- (2) "MUSKOGEE" (PF) departed Humboldt Bay 4 Sept. for Alexishafen to escort 1 LST to Manus Island.
- (3) "PC.479" departed Humboldt Bay 1800/5 for Milne Bay ETA 1300/11 via Finschhafen
- (4) "SONOMA" (AT) with tow departed Langemal 1500/5 for Humboldt Bay ETA 1900/8.
- (5) "ATR.31" towing 2 loaded pontoon wharf sections was to depart Milne Bay 2 Sept. for Woendi.
- (6) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Milne Bay 0505/6 for Langemak ETA 1500/7.
- (7) "EL PASO" en route Manus to Alexishafen
- (8) "H.T.ALLEN" (APA) departed Aitape 3 Sept. for Sydney.
- (9) "VAN DER LIJN" reported grounded approximately 1800/4 off Saidor: "COWRA" (AMS) "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) and "TP.103" and "TP.115" (AT) standing by to assist.
- (10) 6 submarines on patrol: 2 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:

Noemfoor:

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 278

Merchantmen 1

Wak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 47 PT

Escorts 10

: 1 PS: "SWAN"

1 AMSE "ARARAT"

2 YMS: 316, 393

6 ML: 425, 428, 816, 817, 818, 819

Blak Is-Woendi: (cont'd)

<u>Auxiliaries</u>	17	:	"TANGIER" (AV) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE" "MOBJACK" "KOOA" (AGP) "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" (AO) "QUAPAW" "CHIPPEWA" (AT) "SILVERBELL" (AN) "TEABERRY" (YN) 2 <u>YFD</u> 1 <u>ATR</u>
<u>Merchantmen</u>	16		
<u>Waffin Bay:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	2	:	"SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "CHEPACHET" (AO)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	10		
<u>Humboldt Bay:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	1 <u>CMS</u>	:	"ARIADNE"
	23 <u>DD</u>	:	"LANG" "MURRAY" "STACK" "RUSSELL" "ANDERSON" "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER" "MORRIS" "RADFORD" "HUGHES" "MUSTIN" "HARRISON" "MCKEE" "STEVENS" "DASHIELL" "JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD" "HOPEWELL" "TAYLOR" "NICHOLAS" "O'BANNON" "JENKINS"
<u>Escorts</u>	41	:	1 <u>DE</u> : "EICHENEERGER" 9 <u>PF</u> : "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "SAN PEDRO" "GALLUP" "GLENDALE" "ORANGE" "CARSON CITY" "LONGBEACH" "CORONADO" 11 <u>AMS</u> : "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "GHELONG" "COLAC" "COTTAMUNDRA" "WAGGA" "GLADSPONE" "GYMPIE" "KA PUNDA" "DELORATINE" "BROOME" 7 <u>PC</u> : 476, 477, 1119, 1120, 1122, 1133, 1134 7 <u>SC</u> : 637, 698, 732, 744, 735, 749, 981 6 <u>YMS</u> : 9, 9, 46, 47, 51, 334
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	38	:	"BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "BISHOPDALE" "PLATTE" "SALAMONIE" (AO) "SAKATONCHEE" (AOG) "CARTER" "HALL" (LSD) "WARD" "HERBERT" "KILTY" "CROSSY" "SCHLEY" (APD) "MANOORA" (APA) "DOBBIN" (AD) "REPUBLIC" "GENERAL JOHN POPE" (AP) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OGLALA" (ARG) "VENT" (ARS) "POYANG" (AE) "GOLDSTAR" "WASATCH" "LAURABADA" (AG) "DERRICK" (YO) "TEAK" (AN) "IARK" (AM) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "VIREO" (ATF) "INDUS" "BOOTES" "MURZIM" (AK) "POLLUX" (AKS) "VILLALOBOS" "OCTORARA" "PANDA" (IK) 3 <u>YP</u> : 240, 280, 291 1 <u>ARD</u>
<u>Merchantmen</u>	26		
<u>Aitape:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	1 <u>DD</u>	:	"SIGSBEE"
<u>Escorts</u>	26 <u>PT</u>		
	2	:	1 <u>PS</u> : "WARREGO" 1 <u>SC</u> : 745
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	5	:	"CRESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA) "TITANIA" (AKA) 1 <u>YP</u> : 516
<u>Merchantmen</u>	10		
<u>Admiralties:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	13 <u>OVE</u>	:	"CHENANGO" "SUWANNEE" "SANGAMON" "MIDWAY" "NEHENTA BAY" "SANTER" "HOGGATT BAY" "NASSAU" "SARGENT BAY" "STEAMER BAY" "RUDYERD BAY" "ROI" "LONG ISLAND"
	2 <u>CA</u>	:	"AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
	3 <u>CL</u>	:	"NASHVILLE" "BOISE" "PHOENIX"
	17 <u>DD</u>	:	"BUSH" "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON" "CAPPS" "DAVID" "W. TAYLOR" "JOHN D. HENLEY" "EVANS" "THATCHER" "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "ABNER READ" "AMMEN" "BACHE" "BEALE" "DALY" "HUTCHINS" "MULLANY"
	3 <u>SS</u>	:	"S.42" "S.45" "S.47"
<u>Escorts</u>	12 <u>PT</u>		
	36	:	22 <u>DE</u> : "EDMONDS" "R.S.BULL" "EVERSOLE" "SHELTON" "DENNIS" "LEVY" "MCCONNELL" "OSTERHAUS" "MOREE" "WITTER" "BEBAS" "SAID" "STEELE" "SAMUEL S. MILES" "PARKS" "MITCHELL" "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "WEAVER" "HILLBERT" "LAMONS" "RIDDLE" 2 <u>PF</u> : "HAWKESBURY" "BARCOO" 5 <u>PC</u> : 1121, 1132, 1139 4 <u>SC</u> : 741, 746, 747, 982 1 <u>ML</u> : 827 4 <u>YMS</u> : 49, 52, 70, 97

Admiralties (contd)

<u>Auxiliaries</u>	57	:	"MISSISSINEWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPANHONOCK" "PAMANSET" "SEBEC" "MONONGABELA" "PATUXENT" "NEOSHO" "LACKWANNA" "SAUNGATUCK" "CACHE" "CIMARON" "SABINE" "GUADALUP" "CALIENTE" "NECHES" "TOMAHAWK" "KENNEBAGO" "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" "PECOS" "SCHUYLKILL" "MILLICOMA" (AO) "PASQUOTANK" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR) "CARUNA" "WILLOUGHBY" (AGP) "HERON" (AVP) " "BOUNTIFUL" "SAMARITAN" (AH) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "SCULPTOR" (AK) "SILVER CLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU" "ABARENDA" "ARETHUSA" "ARAYAT" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX) "GENERAL R.L.HOWZE" (AP) "HIDATSA" "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT) "ARGONNE" (AG) "MESQUITE" (CGC) 1 <u>ARD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 585 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ABSD</u>
<u>Merchantmen</u>	21		
<u>Alexishafen-Madang:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	11	:	3 <u>AMS</u> : "ROCKHAMPTON" "GOULBURN" "GLENELG" 3 <u>SC</u> : 703, 736, 742 4 <u>ML</u> : 801, 803, 806, 812 1 <u>YMS</u> : 10
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	14	:	"REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "OTUS" (AS) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "SEKONK" (AOG) "PING WO" (ASIS) "GANYMED" (AK) 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ARD</u> 2 <u>AFD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 504
<u>Langemak:</u>			
<u>Combat Units</u>	1	<u>OVE</u>	"MUNDA"
	9	<u>PT</u>	
<u>Escorts</u>	11	:	1 <u>DE</u> : "JAMES E. CRAIG" 1 <u>AMS</u> : "TOWNSVILLE" 1 <u>PC</u> : 1131 2 <u>SC</u> : 650, 734 3 <u>YMS</u> : 318, 335, 336 2 <u>ML</u> : 802, 825 1 <u>PGM</u>
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	12	:	"WRIGHT" (AV) "PYRO" "SANGAY" (AE) "TASMAN" (AH) "AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "PHOBOS" "CRUX" (AK) "MIZAR" (AF) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CLYDE" (IX) "ELKHORN" (AOG)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	38		
<u>Lae:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	:	"SHAWNEE" (AT)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	11		
<u>Robe:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	:	1 <u>AFD</u>
<u>Oro Bay:</u>			
<u>Merchantmen</u>	10		
<u>Milne Bay:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	8	:	2 <u>DE</u> : "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND" 2 <u>AMS</u> : "STANELL" "WHYALLA" 1 <u>PC</u> : 1124 1 <u>ML</u> : 431 2 <u>YMS</u> : 48, 50
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	22	:	"OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "ROCHAMBEAU" "OCTANS" (AF) "SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "TANCRED" "SPRIGELY" (AT) "CABLE" (ARS) 1 <u>ARD</u> 3 <u>YT</u> 4 <u>AF</u> 5 <u>YP</u> : 233, 236, 237, 288, 449
<u>Merchantmen</u>	30		
<u>Port Moresby:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	2	:	"WINTER" (AG) "ST GILES" (AT)
<u>Merchantmen</u>	2		

2/ SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/7:

- (1) "FOREMAN" "BOWERS" (DE) on A/S Search off North Cape Choiseul Island.
- (2) "SC.999" escorting "CAMANGA" (AG) proceeding Emirau to Munda ETA 1500/9
- (3) "WILLMARTIN" (DE) escorting "STRATFORD" (AGP) proceeding Emirau to Torokina ETA 0730/8

2. SOLOMONS (contd)

- (4) "STATDFELD" (DE) escorting "AGAWAM" (AOG) proceeding Green Is. to Tulagi ETA 8 Sept.
- (5) "SC.620" escorting "YP.520, 514" departed Russells 0600/7 for Emirau ETA 1900/10. "YP.514" detaches at 0700/9 and proceeds Green Island.
- (6) "PC.588" escorting 6 Army Crash Boats was to depart Guadalcanal about 1700/6 for Finschhafen via Munda, where ETA dawn 11 Sept.; thence proceeding via Woodlark and Kiriwina. "PC.588" detaches at Munda and returns Guadalcanal.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau:
Escorts 1 : 1 PC: 589

Green Is:
Combat Units 12 PT
Escorts 4 : 2 SC: 677, 518 2 YMS: 95, 259
Auxiliaries 1 : "SAN CARLOS" (AVP)

Torokina:
Escorts 8 : 1 DE: "MARTIN" 1 DM: "BREEZE"
2 PC: 723, 1029 4 SC: 502, 1128, 1274, 1590
Auxiliaries 2 : "TAGANAK" (AO) "ALDERAMIN" (AK)

Treasury Is:
Combat Units 34 PT
4 PGM
Escorts 5 : 1 DE: "WHITEHURST" 2 SC: 722, 1275
2 PC: 605, 1229
Auxiliaries 3 : "TURBULE" "VELOCITY" (AM) "BUTTERNUT" (YN)

Munda:
Escorts 4 : 3 SC: 514, 702, 1267 1 YMS: 196

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA

(a) At Sea to 1200/7:

- (1) "YMS.71" "SC.738" were to depart Cairns 0800/7 for Milne Bay ETA 1200/9
- (2) "BUNGAREE" (CM) departed Sydney 0900/2 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/9 thence Madang.
- (3) "COMFORT" (AH) departed Caloundra 0900/6 for Milne Bay ETA 1130/9; for onward passage to Lae, Aitape and Hollandia.
- (4) "PONTUS" (AGP) departed Milne Bay 0915/5 for Brisbane ETA 1500/12.
- (5) "KATOOMBA" (AMS) departed Milne Bay 1500/5 for Townsville ETA 0700/8.
- (6) "PIRIE" (AMS) escorting "ISLANDER" departed Thursday Island 1922/6 for Merauke ETA 1600/7.
- (7) "SHEPPARTON" (AGS) en route survey ground to Townsville ETA 1600/7.
- (8) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.

(b) In Harbour:

Thursday Is:
Escorts 1 : 1 ML: 813
Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AGS)

Cairns:
Escorts 9 : 2 AMS: "KALGOORLIE" "STRAHAN"
4 SC: 699, 737, 748, 750
3 YMS: 73, 313, 314
Auxiliaries 6 : "PIRE ISLAND" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX)
"BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) 1 ARD 1 AT 1 YP: 283

Townsville:
Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "LATROBE"
Auxiliaries 2 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)

Bowen:
Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Brisbane:
Combat Units 3 SS : "CERO" "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
Escorts 14 : 2 PF: "OGDEN" "BURDEKIN" 1 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL"
3 PC: 848, 849, 850
8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 805, 808, 811, 820, 821
Auxiliaries 7 : "TULSA" (PG) "MERKUR" (AF) "EPOLIN" (AK)
"CARONDOLET" (IX) "BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
1 YP: 421

Sydney:

Combat Units	1 CL	:	"HOBART" (refitting)
	3 DD	:	"NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
	2 SS	:	"K.9" "K.12"
Escorts	7	:	1 AMS: "BUNDABERG"
		:	3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
		:	3 ML: 810, 822, 823
Auxiliaries	7	:	"RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK)
		:	"TUNNAN" (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT)
		:	"MANUNDA" (AH)

Melbourne:

Combat Units	1 DD	:	"NAPIER"
Escorts	2	:	2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNNSEN" "DOOMBA"
Auxiliaries	2	:	"PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP)

Adelaide:

Escorts	1	:	1 AMS: "IPSWICH"
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4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/7:

- (1) Task Units 70.5.3 : 1 AGS : "MORESEY"
4 AMS : "HORSHAM" "ECHUCA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAINE"
- (2) "FREMANTLE" (AMS) escorting "SCHWEDAGON" was to depart Thursday Is. 0900/6 for Darwin
- (3) "INVERELL" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.78 (1 MV) departed Darwin 0650/5 for Thursday Island ETA 0800/8
- (4) "BUNBURY" (AMS) escorting "SUVA" "ALAGNA" was to depart Darwin 0400/7 for Thursday Island.
- (5) "ML.807" escorting "LORINNA" departed Darwin 0712/23 for Sir Graham Moore Is. Champagne Is. West Bay and return.
- (6) "BALLARAT" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.77 ("MONFORO") was to depart Darwin 1200/2 for Melville Bay ETA 0630/5 thence Thursday Is.
- (7) 9 submarines on patrol: 8 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts	6	:	2 AMS: "BOWEN" "PARKES"
		:	4 ML: 429, 813, 814, 815
Auxiliaries	2	:	"COUCAL" (ASR) "KURUMBA" (AO)
Merchantmen	4	:	

West Bay:

Escorts	1	:	1 ML: 809
Merchantmen	1	:	

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/7:

- (1) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AP) proceeding Melbourne ETA 1700/10.

(b) In Harbour:Fremantle:

Combat Units	2 CL	:	"NIGERIA" "ADELAIDE"
	20 SS	:	"ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BONEFISH" "CREAM"
		:	"CLYDE" "CABRILLA" "COD" "HAMMERHEAD" "GURNARD"
		:	"HOE" "PORPOISE" "RAY" "SANDLACE" "SEA ROVER"
		:	"STURDY" "SPITEFUL" "TELEMACHUS" "K.14" "K.15"
Escorts	9	:	1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
		:	1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
		:	3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MID URA"
		:	1 SC: 729
		:	1 ML: 824
		:	2 YMS: 11, 72
Auxiliaries	7	:	"GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
		:	"MAIDSTONE" (AS) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD
		:	1 YP: 286

Note: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - Sept. 5, 10 Corsairs strafed shore positions around the Bougainville coast.
- (2) New Ireland - During Sept. 4, 18 Dauntless and 36 Corsairs attacked targets in Northern New Ireland hitting 2 bridges, while during the following day Sept. 5, 22 Dauntless, 16 Corsairs, 3 Venturas and 2 Avengers were involved in similar attacks.
- (3) Gazelle Peninsula - On Sept. 5, a total of 42 Corsairs 16 Dauntless attacked targets around the Rabaul area while another 40 Corsairs dropped 1000 lb. bombs on Nordup destroying 15 buildings.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Newak-Aitape - Night Sept. 5, 3 large barges were observed off Dagua heading East and later reported at Benak and Kofi.
During Sept. 5 Beauforts and Aircobras were again involved in attacks against targets of opportunity in the Newak area while the following day, Sept. 6, these missions were repeated.
- (2) Maffin Bay - Sept. 5, 10 Bostons attacked enemy hill defences near Sarmi with 100 lb. bombs.
- (3) Geelvink Bay - On Sept. 5 vill ages from Koride to Sorendidori on Seepieri Is. were bombed and strafed by 16 Kittyhawks using 500 and 100 pounders.
- (4) Bentoni Isthmus - On Sept. 5 4 Aircobras fired buildings at Sinjori village (south west Moemi).
- (5) Sansapor - There are no developments of any importance this area where a few small enemy groups are still being observed outside our perimeter. A few Japs were captured east of Dore Bay Sept. 5 and several others killed along the Yuma river.
- (6) Sorong - On Sept. 5 10 Lightnings dropped bombs on Jefman and Samate runways with unreported results.
- (7) Kaimana - During Sept. 6 Beaufighters sweeping along S.W. Dutch New Guinea coast strafed and damaged 3 large barges 55 miles S.W. Kaimana and another 3 barges in the same general area.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Ceram - Sept. 6, 5 Bostons attacked Boela strip. Night Sept. 5-6 Navy Catalina reported 5 large, 3 medium and 5 smaller merchantmen in Ambon Bay. The larger vessels were reported camouflaged with netting.
- (2) Celebes - Photos Kendari airfield night Sept. 4 reveal a new runway east end of No. 1 runway, where 7 bombers and 10 fighters were present.
On Sept. 5 our patrol aircraft reported 2 small coasters off N. Eastern Celebes.
At 0010/6 a Navy Catalina reported 1 large cruiser, 1 destroyer and 2-3 escort vessels 20 miles north of Belaangoeki (N. coast Celebes) heading on a westerly course. Another attack was made on these vessels and the force may have been proceeding away from Manado area. 1 large warship and 5 escorts were reported entering Manado Bay from the North Sept. 5.
On Sept. 5 a total of 55 Liberators attacked Langoan revetment area with 250 lb. bombs destroying an estimated number of 15 aircraft. 4-6 enemy fighters weakly attempted interception but were driven off by our escorting Lightnings who claimed destroying one of these aircraft.
During Sept. 5 our patrol Liberators again made attacks on shipping in the Lembah Strait area scoring near misses on 2 freighters. 1 enemy fighter weakly attempted interception.
- (3) Soela Island - Early hours Sept. 6 a Navy Catalina reported an enemy hospital

- (3) Socia Island (contd) ship off east tip Mangole Island.
- (4) Halmahera - On Sept. 5 16 Mitchells attacked Djailolo airfield in the Ternate area with parafrags starting many fires.
 Same day 14 Thunderbolts bombed Kase airfield while 15 Mitchells attacked luggers in Southern Kase Bay and also Kase township, where a large fire was started. 3 medium sized freighters were reported off Kase town but these are probably wrecks previously reported.
 On Sept. 5, 54 Lightnings also dive bombed Galela airfield dropping 23 tons of bombs.

4. PHILIPPINES - Night Sept. 4 one of our patrol aircraft reported sinking 3, possibly 5, small coastal freighters at the entrance of Sarangani Bay. The following morning one of our patrol aircraft reported observing a merchant vessel burning in Sarangani Bay.

An old report indicated that morning Sept. 2 one of our Liberators over Davao Gulf sighted 89 barges near Piso. (East shore Davao Gulf).

Night Sept. 4 1 Liberator dropped parafrags on Matina airfield with unobserved results and reported being intercepted by 1 enemy fighter without effect. At 1025/5 another patrol aircraft reported 15 small unidentified vessels near Davao town. Night Sept. 4 a Navy Catalina bombed 2 minelayers at anchor near Zamboanga scoring hits on both causing fires and explosions.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Carolines - Palau - Forenoon Sept. 5, 36 Liberators of the 13th. Air Force attacked Peleliu runways and the Saipan town on Angaur Island. 6 unidentified aircraft were reported parked on Peleliu while another was observed airborne. 1 med. freighter was reported 125 miles East Palau islands heading east at 1313/5.
Yap - During Sept. 3 and 4 single Compa Liberator harassed this area receiving accurate A/A fire.
- (2) Marianas - On Sept. 4, 15 Thunderbolts rocketed and strafed Pagan Island starting fires,

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(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Further heavy strikes on Palau and Celebes.
- (2) Continued shipping activity in Central Philippines.
- (3) Continued success of our search planes against small enemy shipping Southern Philippines-Eastern N.E.I.

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PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>CV(R)</u>	(14) CHENANGO HOGGATT BAY LONG ISLAND MIDWAY MUN DA NASSAU NEHEMTA BAY	ROI SANGAMON RUDYERD BAY SANTEE STEAMER BAY SARGENT BAY SUWANNEE	(4) FANSHAW B AY MATANIKAU ADMIRAL IS. CAPE ESPERANCE -
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROBSHIRE	-	-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOESE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX * HOBART	* LEANDER -
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT	-	-
<u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINGOTEAGUE ORCA	-
<u>DR</u>	(45) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA STUART VENDETTA NAPIER NEPAL ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH CAPES DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR EVANS FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JINKINS JOHN D. HENLEY JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RADFORD RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER HUSSELL SIGSBEE STACK STEVENS TAYLOR THATCHER	8 -
<u>SS</u>	(6) BASHAW GUAVINA FLOUNDER (2) DACE (3) S.42 S.45 (3) CERO PERMIT (2) K.9	FLYING FISH MINGO NARWHAL DARTER S.47 SEAWOLF K.12	) ) on patrol)) on passage)) at Seeadler)) at Brisbane) at Sydney

* Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	Approx. 175		-	?
<u>APA</u>	(11) H.T. ALLEN (APA)		3 APD	-
<u>AKA</u>	KANIMBLA			
<u>APD</u>	MANOORA			
	WESTRALIA			
	ALGORAB (AKA)			
	TITANIA			
	WARD (APD)			
	SCHLEY			
	HERBERT			
	CROSBY			
	KILBY			
<u>AGC</u>	BLUE RIDGE		-	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OTUS		-	-
	HOLLAND			
	ORION			
<u>AD</u>	DOBBIN		-	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR)		-	-
	PLATYPUS			
	MEHSA			
	MIDAS (ARB)			
	CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG)			
	OGLALA			
	REMIS (ARL)			
	ACHILLES			
	AMYCUS			
	VENT (AIS)			
	CABLE			
<u>LSD</u>	CARTER HALL		-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	ABUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>Philippines- Mandates-E. Indies</u>	<u>EMERY FORCES Empire</u>
<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND NEW MEXICO * OKLAHOMA	(4) MUSASHI NAGATO FUSO HARUNA	(5) YAMATO YAMASHIRO * KONGO ISE) converted HYUGA) to carry a/s
<u>CV</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP	-	-	(4) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COWPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY	-	-	(4) CHITOSE CHIYODA ZUIHO * RYUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>CV(T)</u>	(23) GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY OMANNEY BAY	PETROF BAY SITKOH BAY ALTAMAHA BARNES BRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND SALAMAUA PRINCE WILLIAM SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS	UNYO	(2) KAIYO JINYO
<u>GA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(11) AOKI KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI	-	* HAY A
<u>OGA</u>	-	-	-	-	6
<u>OL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELLIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BI HAMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE MIAMI	BI LOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON	(4) YAHAGI NOSHIRO KINU KITAGAMI	(5) * OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (prob. sunk)
<u>OL(T)</u>	-	-	-	KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHANDLER BALLARD	-	-	(2) AKITSUSHIMA * NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 180	-	25-30	-	20 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30	-	30	-	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?	-	?	-	2 (1 repairing)

* This unit possibly in Philippines area
* Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Western Section)</u>	<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Malaya-Indian Ocean</u>
<u>BB</u>	-	(5) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RINOWN RICHELIEU		-
<u>CV</u>	-	(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE		SHOKAKU (uncertain)
<u>CV(E)</u>	-	(6) BATTLESHIP UNICORN SHAH	ATHELING BEGUM AMEER	OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	-	(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK		-
	(2) ADELAIDE NIGERIA	(6) KENYA CEYLON GAMBIA		NEWCASTLE TROMP HOBBE
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-	ALBATROSS		-
<u>YCL</u>	-	(2) CANTON CHITRAL		-
<u>DD</u>	-	Approx. 27		5
<u>SS</u>	(9) BATTLESHIP FLASHER GUNNEL	HADDO HAKE HARDER	JACK PADDLE MUSKELLUNGE	Approx. 16 on patrol
	(8) CREVALLE GUITARRO LAPON	PARGO RATON STINGRAY	TANTIVY ZWAIDFISCH	on passage
	(2) NAUTILUS	REDFIN		at Darwin
	(20) ANGLER ASPRO BLUEGILL BREAM BONEFISH CABRILLA CLYDE	GOD GURNAED HAMMERHEAD HOE PORPOISE RAY	SEA ROVER SANDLACE SETFUL STURDY TELEMACHUS K.14 K.15	at Fremantle
<u>AS</u>	(3) MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN BURYALE			

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons-</u> <u>Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	-	3	159	406	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	39	192	23
T/E Bombers	-	-	114	160	21
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Floatplanes	10	-	57	27	20
Obsn. A/C	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	398	780	113

TOP SECRET

British — MOST SECRET

U.S. — SECRET

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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Date 8 September 1944

PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/8:

- (1) ~~X~~ (1) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF: "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
1 PC: 1123
(ii) Task Force 73 : 2 AVP: "ORCA" "HALF MOON"
(iii) Task Force 76 : 1 DE: "THOMASON"
4 EF: "EUGENE" "BURLINGTON" "VAN BUREN"
"ROCKFORD"
(iv) Miscellaneous : 1 AMS: "KIAMA"
1 AOG: "SUSQUEHANNA"
1 AT: "CHETCO"
17 PT
6 MV
- (2) "SONOMA" (AT) with tow departed Langemak 1500/5 for Humboldt Bay ETA 1900/8
- (3) "MURZIM" (AK) departed Biak 0800/7 for Humboldt Bay ETA 1400/7
- (4) "HIDATSA" (AT) was to depart Manus about 6 Sept. for Biak ETA 9 Sept.
- (5) "TOWNSVILLE" (AMS) escorting "FYRO" (AE) departed Langemak 1000/7 for Humboldt Bay ETA 1100/9
- (6) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Langemak 1257/7 for Humboldt Bay ETA 1500/9
- ~~X~~ (7) "VARUNA" (AGS) with 2 MTB Squadrons (24 boats) departed Manus 1600/7 for Humboldt Bay ETA p.m. 9 Sept.
- (8) "ATR.31" towing 2 loaded pontoon wharf sections was to depart Milne Bay 2 Sept. for Woendi.
- (9) "MUSKOGEE" (PF) departed Humboldt Bay 4 Sept. for Alexishafen to escort 1 LST to Manus Island.
- (10) "PC.479" departed Humboldt Bay 1800/5 for Milne Bay ETA 1300/11 via Finschhafen.
- (11) "EL PASO" en route Manus to Alexishafen.
- (12) "BARCOO" (PF) en route Langemak to Thursday Island via Milne Bay (ETA 1300/7 Milne Bay).
- (13) "VAN DER LIJN" reported grounded approx. 1800/4 off Saidor: "COWRA" (AMS) "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) and "TP.103" and "TP.115" (AT) standing by to assist.
- (14) "YMS.71" "SC.738" were to depart Cairns 0800/7 for Milne Bay ETA 1200/9
- (15) "BUNGAREE" (CM) departed Sydney 0900/2 for Milne Bay ETA 1000/9 thence Madang.
- (16) "COMFORT" (AH) departed Caloundra 0900/6 for Milne Bay ETA 1130/9
- (17) 6 submarines on patrol: 2 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Noemfoor:

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 278
Merchantmen

Biak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units	47 PT	
Escorts	10	: 1 PS: "SWAN" 1 AMS: "ARARAT" 2 YMS: 316, 393 6 ML: 425, 428, 816, 817, 818, 819
Auxiliaries	17	: "TANGIER" (AV) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE" "MOBJACK" "KOOPA" (AGP) "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" (AO) "QUAPAW" "CHIPPEWA" (AT) "SILVERBELL" (AN) "TEABERRY" (YN) 2 YFD 1 ATR
Merchantmen		
<u>Maffin Bay:</u>		
Auxiliaries	2	: "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "CHEPACHET" (AO)
Merchantmen		
<u>Humboldt Bay:</u>		
Combat Units	1 CMS	: "ARIADNE"
	23 DD	: "LANG" "MURRAY" "STACK" "RUSSELL" "ANDERSON" "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER" "MORRIS" "RADFORD" "HUGHES" "MUSTIN" "HARRISON" "MCKEE" "STEVENS" "DASHIELL" "JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD" "HOPEWELL" "TAYLOR" "NICHOLAS" "O'BANNON" "JENKINS"
Escorts	40	: 9 PF: "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "SAN PEDRO" "GALLUP" "GLENDALE" "ORANGE" "CARSON CITY" "LONGBEACH" "CORONADO" 11 AMS: "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "COLAC" "COOTAMUNDRA" "WAGGA" "GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "KAPUNDA" "DELORAINIE" "BROOME" "GLENELG" 7 PC: 476, 477, 1119, 1120, 1122, 1133, 1134 7 SC: 637, 698, 732, 735, 744, 749, 981 6 YMS: 8, 9, 46, 47, 51, 334
Auxiliaries	38	: "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "BISHOPDALE" PLATTE" "SALAMONIE" (AO) "SEEKONK" "ELKHORN" "SAKATONCHEE" (AOG) "CARTER HALL" (LSD) "WARD" "HERBERT" "KILTY" "CROSBY" "SCHLEY" (APD) "MANOORA" (APA) "DOBBIN" (AD) "REPUBLIC" "GENERAL JOHN POPE" (AP) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OGLALA" (ARG) "VENT" (ARS) "POYANG" (AE) "GOLDSTAR" "LAURABADA" (AG) "DERRICK" (YO) "TEAK" (AN) "LARK" (AM) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "VIREO" (ATF) "INDUS" "BOOTES" (AK) "POLLUX" (AKS) "VILLALOBOS" "OCTORARA" "PANDA" (IX) 3 YP: 240, 280, 291 1 ARD
Merchantmen		
<u>Aitape:</u>		
Combat Units	1 DD	: "SIGSBEE"
Escorts	26 PT	
	2	: 1 PS: "WARREGO" 1 SC: 745
Auxiliaries	6	: "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA) "TITANIA" (AKA) "WASATCH" (AG) 1 YP: 516
Merchantmen		
<u>Admiralties:</u>		
Combat Units	13 CVE	: "CHENANGO" "SUWANNEE" "SANGAMON" "MIDWAY" "MEHENTA BAY" "SANTEE" "HOGGATT BAY" "NASSAU" "SARGENT BAY" "STEAMER BAY" "RUDYERD BAY" "ROI" "LONG ISLAND"
	2 CA	: "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
	3 CL	: "NASHVILLE" "BOISE" "PHOENIX"
	17 DD	: "BUSH" "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON" "CAPPS" "DAVID W. TAYLOR" "JOHN D. HENLEY" "EVANS" "THATCHER" "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "ABNER READ" "AMMEN" "BACHE" "BEALE" "DALY" "HUTCHINS" "MULLANY"
	3 SS	: "S.42" "S.45" "S.47"
Escorts	12 PT	
	35	: 22 DE: "EDMONDS" "R.S.BULL" "EVERSOLE" "SHELTON" "DENNIS" "LEVY" "MCCONNELL" "OSTERHAUS" "MCREE" "WITTER" "BEBAS" "SEID" "STEELE" "SAMUEL S. MILES" "PARKS" "MITCHELL" "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "WEAVER" "HILLBERT" "LAMONS" "RIDDLE" 1 PF: "HAWKESBURY"

Admiralties (Contd.)
Escorts (Contd.)

: 3 PC: 1121, 1132, 1139
4 SC: 741, 746, 747, 982
1 ML: 827
4 YMS: 49, 52, 70, 97

Auxiliaries 55

: "MISSISSINEWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPANHANOCK"
"PAMANSET" "SEBEC" "MONONGABELA" "PATUXENT"
"NEOSHO" "LACKWANNA" "SAUNGATUCK" "CACHE"
"CIMARRON" "SABINE" "GUADALUP" "CALIENTE"
"NECHES" "TOMAHAWK" "KENNEBAGO" "NIORARA"
"KASKASKIA" "PEGOS" "SCHUYLKILL" "MILLICOMA" (AO)
"PASQUOTANK" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR)
"WILLOUGHBY" (AGP) "HERON" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL"
"SAMARITAN" (AH) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER"
(AGS) "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AM) "SCULPTOR" (AK)
"SILVER CLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU" "ABARENDA"
"ARETHUSA" "ARAYAT" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX)
"GENERAL R.L. HOWZE" (AP) "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT)
"ARGONNE" (AG) "MESQUITE" (CGC)
1 ARD 1 YP: 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD

Merchantmen
Alexishafen-Madang:
Escorts

11

: 2 AMS: "ROCKHAMPTON" "GOULBURN"
3 SC: 703, 736, 742
5 ML: 801, 803, 806, 812, 825
1 YMS: 10

Auxiliaries

13

: "REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "OTUS"
(AS) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "PING WO" (ASIS)
"GANYMEDE" (AK) 2 YRD 1 ARD 2 AFD 1 YP: 504

Langemak:

Combat Units

1 CVE
9 PT

: "MUNDA"

Escorts

11

: 2 DE: "JAMES E. CRAIG" "EICHENBERGER"
1 AMS: "GEELONG"
1 PC: 1131
2 SC: 650, 734
3 YMS: 318, 335, 336
1 ML: 802
1 PGN

Auxiliaries

10

: "WRIGHT" (AV) "SANGAY" (AE) "TASMAN" (AH)
"AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "PHOBOS"
"CROX" (AK) "MIZAR" (AF) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM)
"CLYDE" (IX)

Merchantmen

Iae:

Auxiliaries

1

: "SHAWNEE" (AT)

Merchantmen

Morobe:

Auxiliaries

1

: 1 AFD

Oro Bay:

Merchantmen

Milne Bay:

Escorts

7

: 2 DE: "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND"
2 AMS: "STAWELL" "WHYALLA"
1 ML: 431
2 YMS: 48, 50

Auxiliaries

22

: "OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "ROCKAMBEAU" "OCTANS" (AF)
"SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "TANGRED"
"SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "CABLE" (ARS) 1 ARD 3 YF
4 AFD 5 YP: 233, 236, 237, 288, 449

Merchantmen

Port Moresby:

Auxiliaries

2

: "WINTER" (AG) "ST GILES" (AT)

Merchantmen

Merauke:

Escorts

1

: 1 AMS: "PIRIE"

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/8:

- (1) "SC.620" escorting "YP.520, 514" departed Russells 0600/7 for Emirau ETA 1900/10. "YP.514" detaches at 0700/9 and proceeds Green Island.
- (2) "PC.588" escorting 6 Army Crash Boats departed Guadalcanal about 1400/6 for Finschhafen via Munda, where ETA dawn 11 Sept; thence proceeding via Woodlark and Kiriwina. "PC.588" detaches at Munda and returns Guadalcanal.
- (3) "STADFIELD" (DE) escorting "RED ROVER" Torokina to Guadalcanal ETA 9 Sept.
- (4) "BREEZE" (DM) escorting "TAGANAK" (AO) from Torokina to Guadalcanal ETA 0900/9
- (5) "FOREMAN" "BOWERS" (DE) on A/S search off North Cape Choiseul Island.
- (6) "SC.999" escorting "CAMANGA" (AG) proceeding Emirau to Munda ETA 1500/9.

(b) In Harbour:

<u>Emirau:</u>			
Escorts	1	:	1 PC: 589
<u>Green Is:</u>			
Combat Units	12 PT		
Escorts	4	:	2 SC: 677, 518 2 YMS: 95, 259
Auxiliaries	1	:	"SAN CARLOS" (AVP)
<u>Torokina:</u>			
Escorts	7	:	1 DE: "WILLMARTH" 2 PC: 723, 1029 4 SC: 502, 1128, 1274, 1590
Auxiliaries	2	:	"ALDERAMIN" (AK) "STRATFORD" (AGP)
<u>Treasury Is:</u>			
Combat Units	34 PT		
	4 PGM		
Escorts	5	:	1 DE: "WHITEHURST" 2 SC: 722, 1275 2 PC: 605, 1229
Auxiliaries	3	:	"TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "BUTTERNUT" (YN)
<u>Munda:</u>			
Escorts	4	:	3 SC: 514, 702, 1267 1 YMS: 196

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/8:

- (1) "KATOOMBA" (AMS) departed Milne Bay 1500/5 for Townsville ETA 0700/8
- (2) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.
- (3) "H.T.ALLEN" (APA) departed Aitape 31 Sept. for Sydney
- (4) "PC.1124" en route Milne Bay to Brisbane ETA 1700/9
- (5) "PONTUS" (AGP) departed Milne Bay 0915/5 for Brisbane ETA 1500/12.
- (6) "BUNDABERG" (AMS) departed Sydney 1432/7 for Adelaide ETA 1400/10.

(b) In Harbour:

<u>Thursday Is:</u>			
Escorts	2	:	1 AMS: "FREMANTLE" 1 ML: 813
Auxiliaries	1	:	"VIGILANT" (AGS)
<u>Cairns:</u>			
Escorts	8	:	1 AMS: "STRAHAN" 4 SC: 699, 737, 748, 750 3 YMS: 73, 313, 314
Auxiliaries	7	:	"FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "SHEPPARTON" (AGS) "BUTTON WOOD" (CGC) 1 ARD 1 AT 1 YP: 283
<u>Townsville:</u>			
Escorts	2	:	2 AMS: "LATROBE" "KALGOORLIE"
Auxiliaries	2	:	"STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS) "CAMBRIAN"
<u>Bowen:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1	:	"SALVOR" (ARS)
<u>Brisbane:</u>			
Combat Units	3 SS	:	"CERO" "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
Escorts	14	:	2 PF: "OGDEN" "BURDEKIN" 1 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL" 3 PCE: 848, 849, 850 8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 805, 808, 811, 820, 821
Auxiliaries	7	:	"TULSA" (PG) "MERKUR" (AF) "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX) "BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) 1 YP: 421

Sydney:

Combat Units	1 CL	:	"HOBART" (refitting)
	3 DD	:	"NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
	2 SS	:	"K.9" "K.12"
Escorts	6	:	3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
		:	3 ML: 810, 822, 823
Auxiliaries	7	:	"RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK)
		:	"YUNNAN" (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT)
		:	"MANUNDA" (AH)

Melbourne:

Combat Units	1 DD	:	"NAPIER"
Escorts	2	:	2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA"
Auxiliaries	2	:	"PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP)

Adelaide:

Escorts	1	:	1 AMS: "IPSWICH"
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4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/8:

- (1) Task Units 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESEY"
4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUCA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAINE"
- (2) "BOWEN" (AMS) towing "ML.815" was to depart Darwin 1900/7 for Onslow
ETA 9 Sept.
- (3) "ML.809" escorting "DUNDULA" was to depart West Bay 0001/8 for Darwin
ETA 1000/9
- (4) "INVERELL" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.78 (1 MV) departed Darwin 0650/5
for Thursday Island ETA 0800/8
- (5) "BUNBURY" (AMS) escorting "SUVA" "ALAGNA" departed Darwin 0630/7 for
Thursday Island ETA 2000/11.
- (6) "ML.807" escorting "LORINNA" departed Darwin 0712/23 for Sir Graham
Moore Is., Champagny Is., West Bay and return.
- (7) "BALLARAT" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.77 ("MONTORO") was to depart Darwin
1200/2 for Melville Bay ETA 0630/5 thence Thursday Is.
- (8) 9 submarines on patrol: 7 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts	6	:	2 AMS: "BOWEN" "PARKES"
		:	4 ML: 429, 813, 814, 815
Auxiliaries	2	:	"COUCAL" (ASR) "KURUMBA" (AO)
Merchantmen		:	

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/8:

- (1) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AP) proceeding Melbourne ETA 1700/10.

(b) In Harbour:Exmouth Gulf:

Combat Units	1 SS	:	"PARGO"
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Fremantle:

Combat Units	2 CL	:	"NIGERIA" "ADELAIDE"
	20 SS	:	"ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BONEFISH" "BREAM"
		:	"CABRILLA" "CLYDE" "COD" "HAMMERHEAD" "GURNARD"
		:	"HOE" "PORPOISE" "RAY" "SANDLACE" "SEA ROVER"
		:	"STURDY" "SPITEFUL" "TELEMACHUS" "K.14" "K.15"
Escorts	9	:	1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
		:	1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
		:	3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA"
		:	1 SC: 729
		:	1 ML: 824
		:	2 YMS: 11, 72
Auxiliaries	7	:	"GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL"
		:	(PY) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD 1 YP: 286

Note: Merchant ship totals in port not received for 9 Sept, 1944

A. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - Minor enemy contacts reported by ground patrols in the Upper Laruma River area on 5-6 September.
On 6 September huts in Duka Passage area were attacked by 21 Corsairs and other targets around Bougainville were attacked by 6 Corsairs on patrol. A hulk at Kahili believed to be mounting machine guns was also attacked by 1 Mitchell.
- (2) New Ireland - On 6 September buildings and huts and fuel dump in Northern New Ireland were attacked by 17 Dauntless, 42 Corsairs, while bridges and buildings in Southern New Ireland were attacked by 21 Dauntless and 8 Corsairs.
- (3) New Britain - On 6 September huts around Rabaul were attacked by 24 Corsairs.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak - At 1030/7 Wewak strip was bombed and strafed by 5 Beauforts.
- (2) Nabire - On 6 September Nabire aerodrome was attacked by 24 Bostons, 6 Mitchells and 12 Kittyhawks.
- (3) Riak - On 6 September villages and jetties on south coast Seopieri Island were bombed and strafed by 15 Kittyhawks.
- Vogelkop Peninsula - On 6 September Moemi, Rensiki and Waren aerodromes were bombed by 15 Aircobras. Jerman and Samate strips were bombed and strafed by 27 Kittyhawks in successive attacks during the day. Samate strip was again attacked throughout 7 Sept. by small flights involving a total of 32 Kittyhawks. In addition coastal sweeps around the shores of Maccluer Gulf as far south as Kaimana, were made by 2 Beaufighters a.m. 7 September.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Kai Islands - Midday 6 Sept. Kai Island coastline was reconnoitred by 8 Kittyhawk which strafed and at least damaged some 30 small craft and barges. A.M. 7 Sept. similar sweep was conducted by another 8 Kittyhawks when 1 small seatruck and 2 small craft were bombed and strafed.
- (2) Tanimbar Islands - At 1210/7 Saumlaki was bombed by 2 Mitchells.
- (3) Ceram - At 0730/7 Boela strip was bombed by 3 Bostons. Aircraft over Boela midday 7 Sept. observed that the strip was probably serviceable and that freighter craters appeared freshly filled in. Photos on 1 Sept. showed Boela runway unserviceable and no operative aircraft present.
Night 6-7 Sept. a Catalina over the S. coast Ceram-Ambon area attacked 3 merchantships comprising 1 medium freighter 1 small freighter and 1 seatruck in the Ambon area; the 2 larger ships were thought to have been sunk by direct hits and the seatruck was left in a sinking condition after near misses and strafing. Another 5 seatrucks were observed off the Eastern part of S. coast Ceram.
A.M. 7 Sept. 2 barges and 1 motor vehicle were strafed and hit by 2 Beaufighters conducting a coastal sweep on S.E. coast Ceram.
- (4) Timor - At 0740/7 a bridge in Central Timor was attacked and damaged by 4 Mitchells.
- (5) Northern Celebes - Night 5-6 Sept. stores along the shore off Lembah Strait were bombed by 1 Liberator.
On 6 September an enemy fighter was intercepted by Lightnings and shot down near Lembah Strait.
Reconnaissance a/c a.m. 7 September reported 1 large merchantship in Lembah Strait and 8 unidentified ships in Manado Harbour.
- (6) Halmaheras - On 6 Sept. Galela personnel area was bombed by 11 Mitchells; a village on south coast Morotai Island was attacked by another 6 Mitchells and Djailolo runway was bombed by 28 Lightnings

- (7) Talud Islands - On 6 Sept. Rainis village on East coast Karakelang Island was bombed by 15 Liberators which were unable to reach Davao, their primary target.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Sulu Archipelago - At 1000/6 aircraft observed 3 small to medium merchantships 3 probable seatrucks and 1 destroyer escort in San Rafael Bay (West coast Basilan Island) and also 3 seatrucks (1 large 2 small) and 4 luggers approx. 30 miles S.W. Basilan Island.
At 1220/7 1 large tanker 2 medium freighter transports 7 seatrucks and 1 possible destroyer were observed by reconnaissance Navy Liberator 10 miles N.W. Zamboanga.
- (2) Southern Mindanao - Night 6-7 Sept. 4 seatrucks and 5 barges were attacked by Catalina in Sarangani Bay: the largest seatruck and 1 large barge were sunk and all other vessels strafed and damaged.
- X (3) Davao - At 1020/6 aircraft reported a small freighter at the entrance of Davao Gulf on course 40°. Night 5-6 Sept. Likanan runway was bombed by 1 recon. Liberator. On 6 Sept. Santa Anna town near Davao was bombed by 44 Liberators dropping 100 tons of 1000 lb. bombs: there was no interception although intense but ineffective A/A was encountered.
Also 6 Sept. Buayan airfield in Southern Mindanao was attacked by 11 Mitchells which damaged the repair shops and motor pool: there was no interception but escorting Lightnings destroyed 1 airborne transport plane.
- (4) East Coast Philippines - At approx. 1200/7 aircraft reported 1 destroyer 135 miles E.N.E. off Surigao Strait, course 290°.
- (5) Luzon - At 1030-1320/7 respectively 2 vessels described as "YUBARI" class cruisers individually left Manila Bay passing eastwards through Verde Island passage. At 1400/7 1 4 stack warship possibly an old converted U/S destroyer entered Manila Bay.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

- (1) Palau - At 1130/7 a subchaser 210 miles N.E. Palau on course 350° was attacked by aircraft: the ship was left trailing oil and abandoned by her crew.
- (2) Bonins - Night 4-5 Sept. Iwojima airfield was bombed by a Cenpac Liberator and on 5 Sept. Iwojima airfield was again attacked by 19 Liberators. The same target was attacked again the following night 5-6 Sept. by a patrol Liberator.
- (3) Marianas-Marshalls-Carolines - Regular strikes by moderate scale formations of Cenpac aircraft are being conducted against enemy held territory in these areas.

C. CHINA COAST

- (1) Hong Kong - Night 1-2 September an enemy convoy was attacked south of Hong Kong by 4 Seas. Liberators and 1 small freighter was sunk. A submarine (more probably fuel barge) probably sunk. A small tanker was damaged: 2 other freighters were apparently also in the convoy.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Heavy strikes on Mindanao.
(2) Continued shipping activity in Central Philippines.
(3) Continued success of our search planes against small enemy shipping southern Philippines-Eastern N.E.I.

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Southwest Pacific
(Eastern Section)

South Pacific

<u>CV(E)</u>	(14) CHENANGO HOGGATT BAY LONG ISLAND MIDWAY MUNDA NASSAU NEHEHTA BAY	ROI SANGAMON RUDYERD BAY SANTEE STEAMER BAY SERGEANT B AY SUWANNEE	(4) FANSHAW BAY MATANIKAU ADMIRAL IS. CAPE ESPERANCE	-
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROBESHIRE		-	-
<u>OT</u>	(4) BOISE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX * HOBART	* LEANDER	*
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-	-
<u>XAV/XCVE</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINGOTEAGUE ORCA	-	-
<u>DD</u>	(45) ARUNTA WARRAM UNCA STUART VENDETTA NAPIER NEPAL AHRER READ ANDERSON BAC HE BEALE BUSH CAPPS DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR EVANS FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JINKINS JOHN D. HENLEY JOHN RODGERS LAN G LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RADFORD RADFORD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER RUSSELL SIGSBEE STACK STEVENS TAYLOR THATCHER	8	-
<u>SS</u>	(6) BASHAW GUAVINA FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH) MINGO) NARWHAL)	-	5
	(2) DACE	DARTER	) on patrol	
	(3) S.42 S.45	S.47	) at Seadler	
	(3) CERO PERMIT	SEAWOLF	) at Brisbane	
	(2) K.9	K.12	) at Sydney	

* Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (contd)

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>South Pacific</u>
<u>PT</u>		Approx. 175	-
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>AED</u>	(11)	H.T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMBELA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALGORAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (AED) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILTY	3 AED
<u>ACC</u>		BLUE RIDGE	-
<u>AS</u>	(3)	OPUS HOLLAND ORION	-
<u>AD</u>		DOBBIN	-
<u>AR</u>	(11)	RIGEL (AR) PLATYPUS MEDUSA MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARG) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENT (ARS) WABLE	-
		CARTER HALL	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>		-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3)	DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	ABUKUMA
<u>ID</u>		9	5
		10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>		TRENTON	-
<u>ID</u>		9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

				Philippines		
				Mandates-E. Indies	Empire	
<u>BB</u>	(18)	IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLO RADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND NEW MEXICO * OKLAHOMA	(4) MUSASHI NAGATO FUSO HARUNA	(5) YAMATO YAMASHIRO * KONGO ISE)converted RYUGA)to carry a/c.
<u>CV</u>	(9)	SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP	-	-	(4) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9)	CABOT CORPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY	-	-	(4) CHITOSE CHIYODA ZUIHO * HYUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>CV(E)</u>	(23)	GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOM A BAY GEMANEY BAY	PEPROF BAY SITKOH BAY ALTAMAMA BARNES BRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND SALAMAU PRINCE WILLIAM SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS	UNYO	(2) KAIYO JINYO
<u>CV(T)</u>						HOSHO * MAYA
<u>CA</u>	(13)	BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(11)	AOBA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI	
<u>OCA</u>						6
<u>CL</u>	(17)	COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTEPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE MIAMI	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON	(4) YAHAGI NOSHIRO KINU KITAGAMI	(5) * OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (prob. sunk)
<u>CL(T)</u>					KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>V/CVS</u>	(4)	CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHARDLEBUR BALLARD			(2) AKTISUSHIMA * NOPORO
<u>DD</u>		Approx. 180			25-30	20 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>		Approx. 30			30	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>		?			?	2 (1 repairing)

* This unit possibly in Philippines area
* Non effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

	<u>ALL IED FORCES</u>			<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Western Section)</u>	<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>			
<u>BB</u>	-			(5) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIEU	-
<u>CV</u>	-			(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	SHOKAKU (uncertain)
<u>CV(E)</u>	-			(6) BATTLEH APELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMEER	OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	-			(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK	-
<u>CL</u>	(2) ADELAIDE NIGERIA			(6) KENYA NEWCASTLE CEYLON THOMP GAMBIA PHOEBE	-
<u>AV /CVS</u>	-			ALBATROSS	-
<u>XOL</u>	-			(2) CANTON CHETRAL	-
<u>ID</u>	-			Approx. 27	5
<u>SE</u>	(9) BATTLESHIP HADDO JACK) FLASHER HAKE PADDLE) GUNNEL HARDER MICKELLUNGE) on patrol			" 16	12 (incl. 7 German)
	(7) CREVALLE RATO N TANTIVY) GUITARRO STINGRAY SWARDFISCH) on passage LAPON)				
	(2) NAUTILUS REDFIN) at Darwin PARGO) at Exmouth Gulf				
	(20) ANGLER COD SEA ROVER) ASPRO GUNNARD SANDLACE) BLUEGILL HAMMERHEAD SPITFUL) at Fremantle BREAM RO E STURDY) BONNETSH PORPOISE TELEMACHUS) CABRILLA RAY K.14) CLYDE K.15)				
<u>AS</u>	(3) MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN BURYALE				

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	-	3	159	406	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	39	132	23
T/E Bombers	-	-	114	160	21
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Floatplanes	10	-	57	27	20
Obsn a/c	-	2	23	42	10

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Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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Date 9th September 1944

PART I(1) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREANEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/9:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PT : "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
1 PG : 1123
(ii) Task Force 73 : 2 AVP: "ORCA" "HALF MOON"
(iii) Task Force 76 : 3 PT : "EUGENE" "BURLINGTON" "ROCKFORD"
(iv) Miscellaneous : 1 AMS: "KIAMA"
1 AGG: "SUSQUEHANNA"
1 AT : "CHETCO"
17 PT :
6 MV
- (2) "YMS9" escorting 10 LCT was to depart Humboldt Bay 1800/6 for Maffin ETA 1000/7; thence Biak ETA 1200/8; thence Noemfoor ETA 0600/9.
- (3) "VARUNA" (AGP) with 24 PTs departed Manus 1800/7 for Humboldt due PM 9 Sept.
- (4) "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) departed Manus 1500/7 for Woendi due 1000/9.
- (5) "PC.479" departed Humboldt Bay 1800/5 for Milne Bay ETA 1300/11 via Finschhafen.
- (6) "ATR.31" towing 2 loaded pontoon wharf sections was to depart Milne Bay 2 Sept. for Woendi.
- (7) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) departed Finschhafen 1257/7 for Hollandia ETA 1500/9.
- (8) "VAN DER LIJN" reported grounded approximately 1800/4 off Saidor: "COWRA" (AMS) "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) and "TP.103" and "TP.115" (AT) standing by to assist.
- (9) 6 submarines on patrol: 2 submarines on passage.

(r) In Harbour:Noemfoor:Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 278Biak Is-Woendi:Combat Units 47 PTEscorts 10 : 1 PS: "SWAN"
1 AMS: "ARARAT"
2 YS: 316, 393
6 ML: 425, 428, 816, 817, 818, 819

Blak Is-Noendi: (Contd)

Auxiliaries 18 : "TANGIER" (AV) "SAN PABLO" (AVP) "ORION" (AS) "HILO"
"FORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE" "MOBJACK" "KOOBA" (AGP)
"TRINITY" "VICTORIA" (AO) "QUAPAN" "CHIPPEWA" (AT)
"SILVERBELL" (AE) "TEABERRY" (YN) "VEREO" (ATF) 2 YFD 1 ATR

McKin Bay:
Auxiliaries 2 : "SHIKELLAMY" (AOC) "CHEPACHET" (AO)

Humboldt Bay:
Combat Units 1 CMS : "ARIADNE"
20 DD : "LANG" "MURRAY" "STACK" "RUSSELL" "ANDERSON" "LA VALLETTE"
"FLETCHER" "MORRIS" "RADFORD" "HUGHES" "HARRISON" "DASHIELL"
"JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD" "HOPEWELL" "TAYLOR"
"NICHOLAS" "O'BANNON" "JENKINS"

Escorts 41 : 1 DE: "THOMASON" 1 AMS: "TOWNSVILLE"
12 PF: "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "SAN PEDRO" "GALLUP" "GLENDALE"
"ORANGE" "CARSON CITY" "VAN BUREN" "LONGBEACH"
"CORONADO" "MUSKOCOE" "EL PESO"
12 AMS: "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "GEELONG" "COLAC" "GOOTAMUENRR"
"WAGGA" "BLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "KAPUNDA" "DELORAINIE"
"BROOME" "GLENELG"
77 PG: 476, 477, 1119, 1120, 1122, 1133, 1134,
7 SC: 637, 698, 732, 744, 735, 749, 981
5 YS: 8, 46, 47, 51, 334

Auxiliaries 37 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AOC) "BISHOP DALE" "SALAMONIE" (AO)
"SAKATONCHEE" "SEEKONK" (AOC) "PYRO" (AE) "CARTER HALL" (LSD)
"WAFO" "HERBERT" "KILTY" "SCHLEY" (APD) "MANOORA" (APA)
"DOBBIN" (AD) "REPUBLIC" "GENERAL JOHN POPE" (AP)
"AMYCUS" (ARL) "OGLALA" (ARG) "POYANG" (AE) "GOLDSTAR"
"LAURABADA" (AG) "DERRICK" (YO) "TEAK" (AN) "LARK" (AM)
"MAHISUNCKER" (AH) "SONOMA" (AT) "INDUS" "GANYMEDE"
"BOOTES" "MURZIM" (AK) "POLLUX" (AKS) "VILLALOBOS"
"OCTORARA" "PANDA" (IX) 3 YP: 240, 280, 291 1 ARD

Aitape:
Combat Units 4 DD : "SIGSBEE" "MCKEE" "MUSTIN" "STEVENS"
26 PT

Escorts 2 : 1 PS: "WARREGC"
1 SC: 745

Auxiliaries 7 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA) "WASATCH" (AG)
"TITANIA" (AKA) " 1 YP: 516

Admiralties:
Combat Units 1 BB : "NEW JERSEY"
19 CVE : "SANGAMON" "SUNANNEE" "SANTEE" "CHENANGO" "FANSHAW BAY"
"MIDWAY" "NEHENTA BAY" "SARGENT BAY" "LONG ISLAND"
2 CA : "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
3 CL : "NASHVILLE" "BOISE" "PHOENIX"
15 DD : "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "ABNER READ" "AMMEN" "BACHE" "BEALE"
"DALY" "HUTCHINS" "MULLANY" "BUSH" "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON"
"DAVID W. TAYLOR" "HUNT" "HICKON" "
3 SS : "S.42" "S.45" "S.47"

Escorts 31 : 18 DE: "EDMONDS" "R.S.BULL" "EVERSOLE" "SHELTON" "DENNIS"
"LEVY" "McCONNELL" "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "REYNOLDS"
"LAKE" "LYMAN" "DONALDSON" "R.M.ROWELL" "J.C.BUTLER"
"RAYMOND"
1 PF: "HAWKESBURY"
3 PG: 1121, 1132, 1139
4 SC: 741, 746, 747, 982 1 ML: 827
4 YS: 49, 52, 70, 97

Auxiliaries 45 : "MISSISSINEWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPANHONOCK" "PAMANSET"
"SEREG" "LACKWANNA" "SAUCATUCK" "CACHE" "TOMAHAWK"
"KENNEBAGO" "NEORARA" "KASKASKIA" (AO) "PASQUOTANK"
"RIO GRANDE" "(AOC) "MEDUSA" (AR) "WILLOUGHBY" (AGP)
"HERON" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL" "SAMARITAN" (AH) "ALABASTER" (PYC)
"PATHFINDER" (ALS) "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "CRUX"
"SCLIPTOR" (AK) "SILVERCLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU"
"ABARANDA" "ARETHUSA" "ARAYAT" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX)
"GENERAL R.L.HOFFZE" (AP) "HIDATSA" "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT)
"ARCONNE" (AG) "MESQUITE" (CCG)
1 ARD 1 YP: 585 2 YFD 1 ATRD

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts	11	:	2 <u>AMS</u> : "ROCKHAMPTON" "GOULBURN"
			3 <u>SC</u> : 703, 736, 742
			5 <u>ML</u> : 801, 803, 806, 812, 825
			1 <u>YMS</u> : 10
Auxiliaries	12	:	"REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "OTUS" (AS)
			"CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "PING WO" (ASIS)
			2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ARD</u> 2 <u>ARD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 504
<u>Manzema:</u>			
Combat Units	1	CVE	:"MUNDA"
	9	PT	:
Escorts	10	:	2 <u>DE</u> : "JAMES E. CRAIG" "EICHENBERGER"
			1 <u>PC</u> : 1131
			2 <u>SC</u> : 650, 734
			3 <u>YMS</u> : 316, 335, 336
			1 <u>ML</u> : 802
			1 <u>PGM</u> :
Auxiliaries	12	:	"WRIGHT" (AV) "ROCHAMBEAU" (AP) "SANGAY" (AE) "TASMAN" (AH)
			"AASE MAERSK" (AO) "RACE POINT" (AT) "PHOBOS" (AK)
			"MIZAR" "OCTANS" (AF) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CLIDE" (IX)
			ELKHORN" (AOC)
<u>Lae:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1	:	"SHAWNEE" (AT)
<u>Morobe:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1	:	1 <u>ARD</u>
Milne Bay: Combat Units	1	CVE:	"ROI"
Escorts	9	:	2 <u>DE</u> : "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND"
			1 <u>PT</u> : "BARCOO"
			2 <u>AMS</u> : "STAVELL" "WHYALLA"
			1 <u>SC</u> : 738
			1 <u>ML</u> : 431
			2 <u>YMS</u> : 48, 50, 71
Auxiliaries	23	:	"OYSTER BAY" (AGP) "COMFORT" (AR) "OCTANS" (AF)
			"BUNGAREE" (CM) "SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL"
			"TANGRED" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "CABLE" (ARS) 1 <u>ARD</u> 3 <u>YP</u>
			4 <u>ARD</u> 5 <u>YP</u> : 233, 236, 237, 288, 449
<u>Port Moresby:</u>			
Auxiliaries	2	:	"WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/9:

- (1) "SC.999" escorting "CAMANGA" (AG) proceeding Emirau to Munda ETA 1500/9.
- (2) "SC.620" escorting "YP's 520, 514" departed Russells 0600/7 for Emirau ETA 1900/10.
"YP.514" detaches at 0700/9 and proceeds Green Island.
- (3) "PC.588" escorting 6 Army Crash Boats was to depart Guadalcanal about 1700/6 for Finschhafen via Munda, where ETA dawn 11 Sept.; thence proceeding via Woodlark and Kirwina. "PC.588" detaches at Munda and returns Guadalcanal.
- (4) "PC.606" escorting 1 LST was to depart Guadalcanal 1400/8: escort detaches after 24 hours to return to Guadalcanal: LST proceeds Finschhafen for onward routing to Hollandia.
- (5) "FOREMAN" (DE) escorting "ADONIRAM JUDSON" (for Finschhafen ETA 1100/10) departed Treasury 1200/8: escort detaches after 6 hours and returns Treasury ETA 2230/8.
- (6) "DEMPSEY" (DE) escorting "ORIENTAL" departed Treasury 1800/8 for Green Island ETA 1800/9.
- (7) "STRATFORD" "JAMESTOWN" (AGP) proceeding Torokina to Milne Bay ETA 1500/10.
- (8) "SC.502" escorting "CAPE SAINT ELIAS" proceeding Torokina to Lunga ETA 0800/10.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts	1	:	1 <u>PC</u> : 589
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Green Is:

Combat Units	12	PT	
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Escorts	4	:	2 <u>SC</u> 677, 518 2 <u>YMS</u> : 95, 259
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Torokina:
 Escorts 7 : 2 DE: "MARTIN" "WILLMARTH"
 2 PG: 723, 1029 3 SG: 1274, 1188, 1590
 Auxiliaries 2 : "TAGANAK" (AO) "ALDERAMIN" (AK)
Treasury Is:
 Combat Units 34 PT
 4 PGM
 Escorts 4 : 1 DE: "WHITEHORST" 1 SG: 722
 2 PG: 605, 1229
 Auxiliaries 3 : "TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "BUTTERNUT" (YN)
Munda:
 Escorts 3 : 3 SG: 514, 702, 1267

3. EAST AND SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/9:

- (1) "H.T. ALLEN" (APA) departed Milne Bay 0500/6 for Brisbane due 1100/9.
- (2) "PONTUS" (AGP) departed Milne Bay 0915/5 for Brisbane ETA 1500/12.
- (3) "HERC" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.
- (4) "BURDABERG" (AMS) departed Sydney 1432/7 for Adelaide ETA 1400/10.

(b) In Harbour:

Craker:
 Escorts 1 : "PIRIE" (AMS)
Thursday Is:
 Escorts 3 : 2 AMS: "INVERELL" "FREMANTLE"
 1 ML: 813
 Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AGS)
Galang:
 Escorts 9 : 2 AMS: "STRAHAN" "KALGOORLIE"
 4 SG: 699, 737, 748, 750
 3 MS: 73, 313, 314
 Auxiliaries 6 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "BUTTERWOOD" (CGG)
 1 AD 1 AT 1 YP: 283
Townsville:
 Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "LATROBE" "LATOOMBA"
 Auxiliaries 3 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" "SHIPPARTON" (AGS)
Bowen:
 Auxiliaries 1 : "GAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)
Brisbane:
 Combat Units 3 SS : "CERO" "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
 Escorts 15 : 2 PF: "OGDEN" "BURDEKIN" 1 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL"
 3 PGE: 848, 849, 850
 8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 805, 808, 811, 820, 821
 1 PG: 1124
 Auxiliaries 7 : "TULSA" (PG) "MERCUR" (AF) "ETOLIN" (AK) "CARONDOLET" (IX)
 "BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
 1 MP: 421
Sydney:
 Combat Units 1GL : "HOBART" (refitting)
 3DD : "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
 2SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 6 : 3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILGANNIA" "YANDRA"
 3 ML: 810, 822, 823
 Auxiliaries 7 : "RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AR)
Melbourne:
 Combat Units 1 DD : "NAPIER"
 Escorts 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CHILJENSEN" "DOOMBA"
 Auxiliaries 2 : "FLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP)
Adelaide:
 Escorts 1 : 1 AMS "IPSWICH"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/9:

- (1) Task Units 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORSEBY"
4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUCA" "JUNEE" "CASTERMARNE"
- (2) "BUNBURY" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT 79 ("SUVA" "ALAGHA") departed Darwin 0630/7 for Thursday Island ETA 2000/11.
- (3) "ML.807" escorting "LORDINA" departed Darwin 0712/23 for Sir Graham Moore Is., Champagny Is., West Bay and return.
- (4) "BALLARAT" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT.77 ("MONTORO") was to depart Darwin 1200/2 for Melville Bay ETA 0630/5 thence Thursday Island.
- (5) "BOWEN" (AMS) towing "ML.815" was to depart Darwin 1900/7 for Onslow due 9 Sept.
- (6) 9 submarines on patrol: 7 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Fremantle:

Combat Units

2 CL : "NIGERIA" "ADELAIDE"
20 SS : "ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BONEFISH" "BREAM" "CARRILLA"
"CLYDE" "GOD" "HAMMERHEAD" "GURNARD" "HOE" "PORPOISE"
"RAY" "SANDLACE" "SEA ROVER" "STURDY" "SPITEFUL"
"TELEMACHUS" "K.14" "E.15"

Escorts

9 : 1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA"
1 SG: 729
1 ML: 824
2 YMS: 11, 72

Auxiliaries

7 : "GRIFFIN" "BURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
"CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD 1 YP: 286

NOTE: Merchant ship totals in port include all ships over 1000 tons except tankers and commissioned ships.

4. SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - During Sept. 7, 21 Corsairs attacked Southern Bougainville targets with 1000 pounders, while 1 Avenger attacked the Matchin Bay area in Northern Bougainville.
- (2) Rabaul - Forenoon Sept. 7, 5 Venturas attacked Keravat area, while during the afternoon 5 Corsairs attacked buildings in the Vara Vara area.
- (3) Gazelle Peninsula - Our patrols continued to contact small enemy parties in the Jacquinot Bay area but latest reports suggest that the enemy is now cleared from the Wide Bay area.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak - On Sept. 7, Aircobras continued their attacks on enemy personnel positions in the Wewak area.
- (2) Biak - Early hours Sept. 7, 2 T/E aircraft dropped 8-10 bombs on Owi Island, damaging some a/c and causing 1 casualty.
- (3) Soepiori - On Sept. 7, our troops made 3 simultaneous unopposed landings on Soepiori Island, supported by 2 frigates, near Napido (NW coast), Korido (S coast), and Aminweri (SE coast).
Same day, 26 Kittyhawks attacked enemy hideouts this area with 500 pounders.
- (4) Vogelkop Peninsula - On Sept. 7, 9 Corsairs attacked the Manokwari strip with 500 pounders, scoring hits on AA positions. Same day, 6 Aircobras attacked Ransiki strip.
- (5) Sansapor - During Sept. 7, our troops continued to meet small enemy groups around this area and several additional stragglers were killed. Total enemy casualties in this area number; 431 killed, 69 captured, apart from 152 Formosans and 6 Koreans.
- (6) Sorong - Night Sept. 7, a Navy Catalina unsuccessfully attacked a small coastal freighter in Sorong Bay, encountering heavy AA fire.
- (7) Babo - Same day, 6 Mitchells attacked Babo runways.
- (8) Waigeo Island - Evening Sept. 7, a Navy Cat reported an enemy submarine 45 miles east to the North of Waigeo Island, heading on a Southeastern course. The unit may have been en route to Sorong, possibly on a transport run.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Tanimbar Islands - Shortly after noon Sept. 7, 2 Mitchells bombed the Saumlaki defense area.
- (2) Ceram - Same day, 3 Bostons hit Soela airfield, while 23 Lightnings attacked the Old Namlea airfield with 1000 pounders, starting many fires and destroying 1 grounded aircraft. Nil interception encountered.
- (3) Halmaheras - On Sept. 7, Lightnings dive bombed Djailolo with 1000 pounders.
Forenoon Sept. 8, our patrol aircraft again reported only a limited amount of shipping in this area. Sightings in Wasilo Bay included 3 w/i and 1 small coaster, while another a/c reported 2 other small coasters in the area.
- (4) Celebes - Preliminary reports of shipping sighted around the Northern tip of Celebes Sept. 7, indicates 11 vessels in the general area. 8 w/i vessels were reported in Manado Bay and 1 large AK in Lembeh Strait.
23 Liberators hit Manado targets during Sept. 7, dropping 150 tons of bombs. Several buildings were demolished throughout the dock and warehouse area and numerous fires, including oil fires, started. The Hqs 2nd Area Army was attacked and reported left blazing, while other factory type buildings were also effectively hit and flattened. Nil interception was encountered.
Night Sept. 7, a Navy Cat attacked a small camouflaged freighter in Amcerang Bay, scoring a near miss. Same a/c strafed several small craft in Soetoeng Straits.
- (5) Timor - Forenoon Sept. 7, 4 Mitchells attacked a bridge Southwest of Dikli.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Luzon - A reliable report indicates enemy shipping in Manila Bay Sept. 6, totals 50 vessels, including:

2 battleships
 4 heavy cruisers
 5 light cruisers
 9 destroyers
 8 patrol craft
 miscellaneous merchant vessels.

Noon Sept. 6, one of our submarines attacked a enemy convoy consisting of 4 medium merchant vessels, escorted by a Asashio class destroyer, off the NW coast of Luzon. Scoring 1 hit on the destroyer. The convoy was apparently South bound, possibly heading for Manila from Formosa.

- (2) Mindanao - Afternoon Sept. 7, a Navy Patrol Liberator reported 2 small freighters departing Davao Gulf on a Southwesterly course.
 Same afternoon, 2 small coasters and a lugger were attacked W of Sarangani Bay and one freighter left burning and listing.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA1. CAROLINES

- (1) Palau - On Sept. 6, 7, and 8, some strong fast carrier groups from Central Pacific, commenced a series of heavy attacks on Palau. The details not yet available.
 (2) Yap - On Sept. 6-7, another fast carrier group from Central Pacific carried out a series of attacks against Yap.

2. BONINS - During Sept. 5, Mariana based Liberators continued to attack ^{Iwojima} ~~Hotje~~ airfields. One Liberator operating at night and a force of 19 attacking during the day.. One of our aircraft observed an enemy transport plane, escorted by a Nell, in this general area, destroying the transport.

3. MARIANAS - During Sept. 5, 17 Thunderbolts again attacked Pagan, while 8 Corsairs hit Rota.

4. Marshalls - During Sept. 5, Liberators and Corsairs continued to attack enemy positions on Wotje, Taroa and Mille.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Heavy carrier attacks on Palau and Yap.
 (2) Sighting of strong enemy naval force in Manila Bay Sept. 6.
 (3) Continued shipping activity in the Philippines.
 (4) Further heavy air attacks against Manado area.

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PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CV(E)</u> <u>CV(L)</u>	Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section) CHENANGO (14) CHENANGO HOGGATT BAY LONG ISLAND MIDWAY MANUS NASSAU NEHENTA BAY ROI L SANGAMEN WINDWARD BAY SANTEE STEAMER BAY SARGENT BAY SUWANNEE	South Pacific (4) FARMING BAY MATANIKAU ADMIRALTY IS. CAPE ESPERANCE
<u>CA</u>	(2) ANTOPIA SHERBORN	-
<u>DL</u> <u>AV/CVS</u> <u>AV/CS</u>	(4) BOISE ^W NASHVILLE ^W FREDERIX ROBERT	* LEANDER
<u>XAV/CS</u> <u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(2) TANTLER WRIGHT	-
<u>AV/CS</u> <u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS HERON WINNETOQUE OSCA	-
<u>AV</u>	(45) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA STUART VINDICTA NAVIER DEPAL ABERN REND ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BIRK CARR LASKY DASHILL DAVID W. TAYLOR EVANS FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JERKINS JOHN D. HURLEY JOHN RIDGERS LANG LA VALLENTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY NESTIN O'BARRON PAUL HAMILTON RAYFORD RINGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER HIGGELL HIGGINS STACE STEVENS TAYLOR TRITCHER
<u>AV</u>	(6) BARRON ORAVINA KLOUNESS DARTER E.42 E.45 DORO PEROTT K.9	FLYING FISH KING NARBEE DARTER E.47 SEAWOLF K.12) on patrol) on passage) at Goodler) at Brisbane) at Sydney
		5
		* Non-effective

Sigsbee

HOPEWELL

Narbee

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Southwest Pacific
(Eastern Section)

South Pacific

PT

Approx. 175

(11) H.T. ALLEN (APA)
 KARIMBLA
 MANOORA
 WESTRALIA
 ALGONIAS (AEA)
 TITANIA
 WARD (APD)
 SCHLEY
 HERBERT
 CHOLEY
 HILTY

3 APD

AGC
 AGO

BLUE RIDGE

AS

(3) OTUS
 HOLLAND
 ORION

AR

ROBIN

AR

(11) RIGEL
 RIGEL (AR)
 FLATFIRE
 NERISA
 NIDAL (ARS) (ARR)
 GULBERG ISLAND (ARG)
 OGLALA
 REXUS (ARL)
 ACHILLES
 ANYUS
 VENT (ARS)
 VENT (ARS)
 CABLE

LRD

CANTON HALL

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

CA

-

(2) NACHI
 ASHICANA

NACHI
 ASHICARA

EL

(3) DETROIT
 RALEIGH
 RICHMOND

Raleigh

ANNIBIA
 ABUKUMA

EE

9

5

EE

10

APPROX. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

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4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

Philippines-
Mandates-E. Indies

NAVY FORCES

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>Philippines- Mandates-E. Indies</u>	<u>NAVY FORCES</u>
<u>BB</u>	(18) IOWA NEW JERSEY SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	PHOENIX MISSISSIPPI IDaho MARYLAND NEW MEXICO OKLAHOMA
			(4) MUSASHI YAMASHIRO HAGATO FUSO FUSO HARUNA HARUNA
<u>BY</u>	(9) SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YONKON LEXINGTON HOUSTON	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP	(4) URYU TAIHO ZUIKASU HAYATAKA
			YAMASHIRO * KONGO ISE (converted HYUGA) to carry a/c
<u>BY(L)</u>	(9) CABOT COMPENS BATAAN BELLINGWOOD INDREPELNGE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTREY	(4) CHITOSE CHIYODA ESIMO * KIUCHI (prob. sunk)
		JACINTO	
<u>BY(S)</u>	(23) GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITHUN BAY MANILA BAY MATEWA BAY GEMSBAY BAY	PETROF PETROF BAY SITKON BAY ALTAMARA BAVES BRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPAHUE (Cofahue)	CORAL SEA CONRADOR LUNGA POINT MANGUS ISLAND SALAMANA PRINCE WILLIAM SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS
			URYU (2) KAIYO JINYO
<u>BY(T)</u>			HOSHIO Hoshio
<u>CA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE BOSTON CHICAGO CAMBRIDGE WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(11) AGUA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MAGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI
			Aoba Kumano Suzuya Tone Chikuma Myoko Haguro Magami Atago Takao Chokai
<u>CA</u>			* MAYA
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	EL BRINGHAM GADTA PE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE MIAMI	(4) YAMAGI HOSHINO KINU KITAGAMI
		SI LOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENTES HOUSTON	Yahagi Noshino Kinn Kitagami
<u>CL(T)</u>			(5) OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO
<u>AV/VE</u>	(4) CURTIS POCKROE	CHANDELEUR CHANDLER BALLARD	(2) ARITSUSHIMA * NOTORO
		CHANDLEUR	Akitushima Notoro
<u>BE</u>	Approx. 180		25-30 20 (several repairing)
<u>BE</u>	Approx. 30		30 Approx. 30
<u>BE</u>	?		? 2 (1 repairing)

* This unit possibly in Philippines area
* Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>			<u>RUSSY FORCES</u>	
	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> (<u>Western Section</u>)	<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Malaya-Indian Ocean</u>	
<u>BF</u>	-	(5) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RESCUE <i>Rescue</i> RICHELIEU <i>Richelieu</i>			
<u>CF</u>	-	(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE			SHOKAKU SHOKAKU (uncertain)
<u>CV(1)</u>	-	(6) BATTLEWAGON ATHLETIC UNICORN BACON SHAH AMER			OTAKA OTAKA
<u>EA</u>	-	(3) CUMBRIAND LOCH ON SUFFOLK			
<u>EL</u>	(2) ABELAIDE NIGERIA <i>Nigeria</i>	(6) ERICIA <i>Newcastle</i> CEYLON <i>Tramp</i> DANRIA <i>JOBBS</i>			
<u>AV/EA</u>	-	ALBATROSS			
<u>ICL</u>	-	(2) CANTON CHITRAL			
<u>BE</u>	-	Approx. 27			5
<u>SE</u>	(9) BATTLESHIP HANNO JACK FLAGSHIP HAKE <i>Hake</i> FADOLE SUBMARINE HANDE <i>Hander</i> MUCKELUNGE YUNNEL		Approx. 16		12 (incl. 7 German)
	(8) CHEVALLE PAROS TANTIVY QUITANGO RAYON <i>Raton</i> BRANFISCH LANGE STERORAY ZWAARDFISCH				on passage
	(2) NAUTILUS REDFIN				at Darwin
	(20) ANGLER COU SEA ROVER ALFRO QUICHAIS SANDLAGE <i>N</i> BLINGILL HAMMERHEAD BRITFUL BREAM HOS STURDY BONEFISH PORPOISE TELEMACHUS CARRILLA RAY E.14 CLYDE E.15				at Fremantle <i>Telemachus</i>
<u>AL</u>	(3) MAINTOP GRIFFIN SURTAL <i>EURYALE</i>				

RETAINERS OF RUSSY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons-</u> <u>Hismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	-	3	159	406	39
B/S Bombers	-	-	39	132	23
T/S Bombers	-	-	114	160	21
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Floatplanes	10	-	57	27	20
Obsn. A/C	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	398	780	113

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA
Combined Operational Intelligence Centre
DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/10:

- (1) (i) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF : "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON"
1 PC : 1123
(ii) Task Force 73 : 2 AVP : "ORCA" "HALF MOON"
(iii) Task Force 76 : 3 PF : "EUGENE" "BURLINGTON" "ROCKFORD"
(iv) Task Force 77 : 5 APD : "KILTY" "CROSBY" "HERBERT" "WARD" "SCHLEY"
4 LST
3 LCT
8 LCI
(v) Miscellaneous : 1 ACG : "SUSQUEHANNA"
1 AT : "CHETCO"
1 AH : "MAETSUYCKER"
17 PT
6 MV
- (2) "ARIADNE" (CMS) proceeding Humboldt Bay to Milne Bay was due 0900/10.
(3) "OCTANS" (AF) departed Langemak 1940/8 for Woendi ETA 0900/11.
(4) "LARK" (AM) was to depart Hollandia 0600/9 for Woendi EAT 1200/11, towing wharf sections.
(5) "HIDATSA" (AT) was to depart Manus about 6 Sept. for Woendi, on arrival taking in tow pontoon wharf section.
(6) "ATR.31" towing 2 loaded pontoon wharf sections was to depart Milne Bay 2 Sept. for Woendi.
(7) "YMS.85" departed Manus 0900/8 for Guadalcanal ETA 12 Sept.
(8) "PC.479" departed Humboldt Bay 1800/5 for Milne Bay ETA 1300/11 via Finschhafen.
(9) "VAN DER LIJN" reported grounded approximately 1800/4 off Saidor: "COWRA" (AMS) "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) and "TP.103" and "TP.115" (AT) standing by to assist.
(10) 6 submarines on patrol: 3 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:

Noemfoor:

Escorts 1 : 1 YMS : 9
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP : 278

Lak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 47 PT :
Escorts 9 : 1 PS : "SWAN"
2 AMS : "ARARAT" "GLENELG"
2 YMS : 316, 393
4 ML : 428, 817, 818, 819

Biak Is-Woendi: (Contd)

Auxiliaries 21 : "TANGIER" (AV) "SAN PABLO" "SAN CARLOS" (AVP) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE" "MOBJACK" "KOOPA" (AGP) "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" (AO) "OYSTER BAY" "CHIPPEWA" (AT) "SILVERBELL" (YN) "TEABERRY" (YN) "VIREO" "QUAPAW" (ATF) "POLLUX" (AKS) 2 YFD 1 ATR

Maffin Bay:
Auxiliaries 2 : "SHIKELLAMY" (ACG) "CHEPACHET" (AO)

Humboldt Bay:
Combat Units 21 DD : "LANG" "MURRAY" "STACK" "RUSSELL" "ANDERSON" "LA VALLETTE" "FLETCHER" "MORRIS" "RADFORD" "HUGHES" "HARRISON" "DASHIELL" "JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD" "HOPEWELL" "TAYLOR" "NICHOLAS" "O'BANNON" "JENKINS" "SIGSBEE"

Escorts 24 PT
43 : 1 DE : "THOMASON" 1 AMS : "TOWNSVILLE"
12 PF : "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "SAN PEDRO" "GALLUP" "GLENDALE" "ORANGE" "CARSON CITY" "VAN BUREN" "LONGBEACH" "CORONADO" "MUSKOGEE" "EL PASO"
10 AMS : "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "COLAC" "COOTAMUNDRA" "WAGGA" "GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "KAPUNDA" "DELORAINIE" "BROOME"
7 PC : 476, 477, 1119, 1120, 1122, 1133, 1134,
7 SC : 637, 698, 732, 744, 735, 749, 981
5 YMS : 8, 46, 47, 51, 334

Auxiliaries 32 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "VARUNA" (AGP) "BISHOP DALE" "SALAMONIE" (AO) "ELKHORN" "SAKATONCHEE" "SEEKONK" (ACG) "PYRO" "POYANG" (AE) "CARTER HALL" (LSD) "MANCOORA" (APA) "DOBBIN" (AD) "GENERAL JOHN POPE" (AP) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OGLALA" (ARG) "GOLDSTAR" "LAURABADA" (AG) "MIZAR" (AF) "DERRICK" (YO) "TEAK" (AN) "SONOMA" (AT) "INDUS" "GANYMEDE" "MURZIM" "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "VILLALOBOS" "OCTORARA" "PANDA" (IX) 3 YP : 240, 280, 291 1 ARD

Aitape:
Combat Units 3 DD : "McKEE" "MUSTIN" "STEVENS"
26 PT

Escorts 2 : 1 PS : "WARREGO"
1 SC : 745

Auxiliaries 6 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA) "WASATCH" (AGC) "TITANIA" (AKA) 1 YP : 516

Admiralties:
Combat Units 1 BB : "NEW JERSEY"
9 CVE : "SANGAMON" "SUWANNEE" "SANTEE" "CHENANGO" "FANSHAW" "BAY" "MIDWAY" "NEHENTA BAY" "SARGENT BAY" "LONG ISLAND"
2 CA : "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
3 CL : "NASHVILLE" "BOISE" "PHOENIX"
15 DD : "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "ABNER READ" "AMMEN" "BLICHE" "BEALE" "DALY" "HUTCHINS" "MULLANY" "BUSH" "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON" "DAVID W. TAYLOR" "HUNT" "HICKON"
3 SS : "S.42" "S.45" "S.47"

Escorts 29 : 18 DE : "EDMONDS" "R.S.BULL" "EVERSOLE" "SHELTON" "DENNIS" "LEVY" "McCONNELL" "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "REYNOLDS" "LAKE" "LYMAN" "DONALDSON" "R.M.ROWELL" "J.C.BUTLER" "RAYMOND"
2 PC : 1132, 1139
4 SC : 741, 746, 747, 982 1 ML : 827
4 YMS : 49, 52, 70, 97

Admiralties: (Contd)
Auxiliaries 47 : "MISSISSINEWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPANHONOCK"
 "PAMANSET" "SEBEC" "LACKWANNA" "SAUGATUCK" "CACHE"
 "TOMBLANK" "KENNEBAGO" "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" (AO)
 "PASQUOTANK" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR)
 "WILLOUGHBY" (AGP) "HERON" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL" "SAMARITAN"
 (AH) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "GINNAMON"
 "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "CRUX" "BOOTES" "LEONIS" "SCULPTOR" (AK)
 "SILVERCLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU" "GENERAL R.L. HOWZE"
 (AP) "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT) "ARGONNE" (AG) "MESQUITE" (CGC)
 1 ARD 2 YP: 288, 585 2 YRD 1 ABSD

Saidor: 1 : "TANCRED" (AT)
Auxiliaries 1 : "TANCRED" (AT)

Alexishafen-Madang:
Escorts 15 : 1 PF : "HAWKESBURY"
 3 AMS: "ROCKHAMPTON" "GOULBURN" "GEELONG"
 3 SC : 703, 736, 742
 7 ML : 426, 801, 803, 806, 812, 816, 825
 1 YMS: 10

Auxiliaries 12 : "REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "OTIS" (AS)
 "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "PING HO" (ASIS)
 2 YRD 1 ARD 1 YP: 504

Langemak:
Combat Units 1 CVE : "MUNDA"
 9 PT

Escorts 12 : 2 DE : "JAMES E. CRAIG" "EICHLBERGER"
 1 AMS: "KIAMA"
 2 PC : 1121, 1131
 2 SC : 650, 734
 3 YMS: 316, 335, 336
 1 ML : 802
 1 PGM

Auxiliaries 10 : "WRIGHT" (AV) "REPUBLIC" "ROCHAMBEAU" (AP) "SANGAY" (AE)
 "TASMAN" (AH) "AASE MAERSK" (AG) "RACE POINT" (AT)
 "PHOBOS" (AK) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CLYDE" (IX)

Lae:
Auxiliaries 1 : "SHAWINNE" (AT)

Morobe:
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AFD

Milne Bay:
Combat Units 1 CVE : "ROI"
Escorts 7 : 2 DE : "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND"
 1 AMS: "STAWELL"
 1 SC : 738
 1 ML : 431
 2 YMS: 48, 50, 71

Auxiliaries 20 : "COMFORT" (AH) "OCTANS" (AF) "BUNGAREE" (CM) "SHASTA" (AE)
 "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "CABLE" (ARS)
 1 ARD 3 YP 4 AFD 4 YP: 233, 236, 237, 449

Port Moresby:
Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/10:

- (1) "SC.620" escorting "YP's 520, 514" departed Russells 0600/7 for Emirau ETA 1900/10. "YP.514" detaches at 0700/9 and proceeds Green Island.
- (2) "PC.588" escorting 6 Army Crash Boats was to depart Guadalcanal about 1700/6 for Finschhafen via Munda, where ETA dawn 11 Sept.; thence proceeding via Woodlark and Kiriwina. "PC.588" detaches at Munda and returns Guadalcanal.
- (3) "STRATFORD" "JAMESTOWN" (AGP) proceeding Torokina to Milne Bay ETA 1500/10.
- (4) "PC.1128" escorting "AGAWAM" (AOG) was to depart Tulagi 1700/9 for Emirau ETA A.M. 12 Sept.
- (5) "SC.1275" escorting "MORTON McCARVER" was to depart Munda 1600/9 for Green Is ETA 0600/11.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau:
Escorts 1 : 1 PC : 589

Green Island:
Combat Units 12 PT
Escorts 5 : 1 DE : "DEMPSEY"
2 SC : 677, 518 2 YMS : 95, 259

Torokina:
Escorts 6 : 1 DE : "MARTIN"
2 PC : 723, 1029 3 SC : 1274, 1188, 1590
Auxiliaries 2 : "TAGANAK" (AO) "ALDERAMIN" (AK)

Treasury Is:
Combat Units 34 PT
4 PGM :
Escorts 6 : 3 DE : "FOREMAN" "WILLMARTH" "WHITEHURST" 1 SC : 722
2 PC : 605, 1229
Auxiliaries 3 : "TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "BUTTERNUT" (YN)

Munda:
Escorts 4 : 4 SC : 514, 702, 999, 1267
Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMANGA" (AG)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/10:

- (1) "MERKUR" (AF) departed Brisbane 1123/8 for Milne Bay ETA 0930/12.
- (2) "BURDEKIN" (PF) escorting "CERO" (SS) was to depart Caloundra 1800/9 North-bound: "BURDEKIN" proceeds Madang ETA 0700/16.
- (3) "WHYALLA" (AMS) departed Milne Bay 0930/8 for Brisbane ETA 1000/12
- (4) "PONTUS" (AGP) departed Milne Bay 0915/5 for Brisbane ETA 1500/12.
- (5) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.
- (6) "BUNDABERG" (AMS) departed Sydney 1432/7 for Adelaide ETA 1400/10.

(b) In Harbour:

Morauke:
Escorts 1 : "PIRIE" (AMS)

Thursday Is
Escorts 5 : 1 PF : "BARCOO"
3 AMS : "INVERELL" "FREMANTLE" "BALLARAT"
1 ML : 813
Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AMS)

Cairns:
Escorts 9 : 2 AMS : STRAHAN" "KALGOORLIE"
4 SC : 699, 737, 748, 750
3 YMS : 73, 313, 314
Auxiliaries 6 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "BUTTERWOOD"
(CCC) 1 ARD 1 YP : 283

Townsville:
Escorts 2 : 2 AMS : "LATROBE" "KATOOMBA"
Auxiliaries 3 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" "SHEPPARTON" (AGS)

Bowen:
Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBERIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Brisbane:
Combat Units 2 SS : "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
Escorts 14 : 1 PF : "OGDEN" 1 AMS : "WARRNAMBOOL"
3 PCE : 848, 849, 850
8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 805, 808, 811, 820, 821
1 PC : 1124
Auxiliaries 7 : "TULSA" (PG) "ETOLIN" (AK) "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA)
"CARONDOLET" (IX) "BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
1 MP : 421

Sydney:

Combat Units 1 CL : "HOBART" (refitting)
 3 DD : "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 6 : 3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
 3 ML : 810, 822, 823
 Auxiliaries 7 : "RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAM"
 (AE) "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AR)

Melbourne:

Combat Units 1 DD : "NAPIER"
 Escorts 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA"
 Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "GEN. ANDERSON" (AP)

Adelaide:

Escorts 1 : 1 AMS: "IPSWICH"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/10:

- (1) Task Units 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MOLESBY"
 4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUGA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAINE"
 (2) "BUNBURY" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT 79 ("SUVA" "LAGUNA") departed Darwin
 0630/7 for Thursday Is ETA 2000/11.
 (3) "ML.807" escorting "LORINNA" departed Darwin 0712/23 for Sir Graham Moore Is.,
 Champagne Is., West Bay and return.
 (4) 9 submarines on patrol: 7 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Escorts 5 : 1 AMS: "PARKES"
 4 ML : 429, 809, 813, 814
 Auxiliaries 2 : "COUCAL" (ASR) "LORUMBA" (AO)

Onslow:

Escorts 2 : 1 AMS: "BOWEN" 1 ML : 815

Fremantle:

Combat Units 2 CL : "NIGERIA" "ADELAIDE"
 20 SS : "ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BONEFISH" "BREAM" "CABRILLA"
 "CLYDE" "COD" "HAMMERHEAD" "GURNARD" "HOE" "PORPOISE"
 "RAY" "SANDLACE" "SEA ROVER" "STURDY" "SPITEFUL"
 "TELEMACHUS" "K.14" "K.15"
 Escorts 9 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI"
 1 PS : "SALVORGNAU DE BRAZZA"
 3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILPERRA"
 1 SC : 729
 1 ML : 824
 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 7 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY)
 "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD 1 YP : 286

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/10:

- (1) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AP) proceeding Melbourne ETA 1700/10.

A. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - On 8 Sept. Kahili was bombed by 40 Corsairs and other targets including personnel concentrations and bridges in Central Bougainville were attacked by 14 Dauntless & Venturas and 28 Corsairs.

Native sources report that recent bombings of enemy concentrations inland from Torokina accounted for over 100 Jap troops killed.

Night 8 Sept. a barge beached near Buka passage was strafed by PT boats while a co-operating Catalina bombed villages nearby.

- (2) New Ireland - On 8 Sept. plantation buildings in New Ireland were attacked by 18 Dauntless and 48 Corsairs.

Night 8-9 Sept. road targets along the shores of Fangalawa Bay (Northern N.E. coast) were strafed by PT boats.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak Area - Delayed reports relate that on 7 Sept. Wewak airfield was bombed by 5 Beauforts and strafed by 12 Aircobras and that on 8 Sept. Wewak airfield was bombed by 7 Beauforts and strafed by 14 Aircobras while villages and dumps in the vicinity of Dagua were bombed another 6 Beauforts.

Ground patrols in the area around Yakamul continued to make isolated enemy contacts on 8 Sept.

- (2) Noemfor Island - Early AM 9 Sept. 4 enemy aircraft approached the S. coast but no attack was made.

- (3) Vogelkop Peninsula - At 0405/9 2 enemy aircraft approached Middelburg Island and made individual passes but were turned back by AA fire.

Delayed reports relate that on 7 Sept. A/A positions and personnel targets at Manoekwari were attacked by 9 Thunderbolts and 6 Aircobras in addition to the 9 Bostons reported in yesterday's summary No. 955, and that Samate strip was bombed by 32 Kittyhawks: on 8 Sept. Manoikwari area, Moemi and Ransiki airdromes were attacked by 6 Aircobras while Jefman and Samate strips were dive bombed by 7 Lightnings.

- (4) MacCluer Gulf - On 7 Sept. Mongosah strip was bombed by 6 Bostons and Utarom runway was bombed by 12 Mitchells. On Sept. 8 Babo airdrome was again attacked involving 4 Squadrons of Mitchells while Utarom was attacked by one group of Bostons.

3. EASTINDIES

- (1) Kai Islands - At 1300/8, air fields in the Kai Group including Langgoer, Faan, and Toeal were bombed by 23 Liberators: on Langgoer bombs fell among 5 aircraft parked near the strip and at Toeal direct hits were scored on buildings but otherwise results were unobserved.

- (2) Ambon Area - At 0810/8, Boela runway was bombed by 5 Bostons and 6 Beaufighters. Also on 8 Sept. 3 supply laden small craft were attacked by a reconnaissance Liberator off the N. coast Ceram and were left unserviceable.

- (3) Halmahera Islands - On 7 Sept. Galela airdrome was bombed by one group of Liberators while stores along the Wasile Bay coast were attacked by 24 Mitchells and Kae airdrome was bombed by 16 Thunderbolts. On 8 Sept. Lolobata airdrome was bombed by one group of Liberators, Personnel areas at Galela were bombed by 20 Mitchells, buildings at Tobelo were bombed by 18 Mitchells and Koe airdrome was attacked by 12 Thunderbolts.

(4) N. Celebes - Night 7-8 Sept. Manado was bombed by 2 patrol Liberators and next day, 8 Sept., Langoan airdrome was subjected to a heavy strike involving 56 Liberators which dropped 180 tons of bombs covering the entire length of the runway and destroying an estimated 3 parked planes. No interception was encountered and only one Squadron encountered slight A/A fire. The Liberators were escorted by 25 Lightnings which strafed and set fire to a small cargo vessel and a lugger in Amoerang Bay and damaged small craft in the same vicinity.

An in-flight report from reconnaissance aircraft states that 10 small ships were observed in Manado Bay at about noon 9 Sept.

Reconnaissance aircraft sighted a hospital ship at 1200/8 90 miles SEE of Lembea Strait on course 350°. (5) S. Celebes - Photographs covering 75% of Kendari airdrome, taken 4 Sept., show 7 medium bombers and 10 fighters present.

(6) Timor - At 0950/8, the barracks area at Soe (inland from Koepang) were bombed by 9 Beauforts. In addition Mina River bridge was hit by incendiary bombs from the same aircraft.

4. PHILIPPINES

(1) Sulu Archapelego - At 1400/8 aircraft observed one small freighter and 2 Sea trucks in Zamboanga Harbor.

At approx. 0100/9 a Catalina located one large tanker, 7 other merchant ships (2000 - 8500 tons each) in addition to 5 escort vessels plus barges, all at anchor around Basilan Island: the large tanker was considered destroyed when hit by bombs which caused an explosion followed by an intense fire: a sea truck in the same area was also bombed without observed effect.

At 1000/8 aircraft observed 2 large transports, 3 medium transports and 2 sub-chasers off SW coast Jolo Is land on course NE and approx. same time one small fuel laden cargo vessel with one escort in the same vicinity also on course NE.

(2) S. Mindanao - Night 8 Sept. 6 small cargo vessels were observed heading S. out of Davao Gulf and probably the same 6 ships were seen entering Sarangani Bay at 0730/9.

At 0745 one medium cargo vessel was seen entering Sarangani Bay.

(3) W. Mindanao - At 0845/7, 4 small cargo vessels and 2 escorts were observed off Sindangan Pt. on course S.

At 1900/7 4 ships described as 2 destroyers, 1 large merchant ship and 1 tender plus small craft were observed anchored off Sindangan Pt and at 1355/8 poss. the same 4 ships, described this time as 1 DD, 1 aux., 1 large tanker, 1 tender, were reported leaving Sarangani.

(4) Mindanao General - Strong Cenpac fast aircraft carrier task forces attacked airdromes in Mindanao 9 Sept. but details are not yet available.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

1. CAROLINES

(1) Palau - Details concerning the carrier-based air attacks on Palau 6 & 7 Sept. show that only a few operational aircraft were found on the airfields and these were destroyed, only a few small craft were located in the anchorages and these were set on fire by strafing and that no opposition was encountered except for slight A/A fire. Photos taken show that recent bombing by SWPA based bombers had been very effective and all observations indicate a material reduction in personnel since the last carrier-based strikes on 26 July. Details are yet available concerning strikes on 8 Sept.

- (2) Yap - Only few suitable targets were found on Yap by carrier-based aircraft making two strikes on 8 Sept. 152 sorties were flown and 51 tons of bombs dropped. Only meager A/A fire was encountered which shot down one fighter. Photos taken show absence of enemy positions on Ngulu and Ulithi.
- (3) Ponape - Was bombed 5 Sept by Mitchells dropping 11 tons bombs.
2. BONINS - On 6 Sept airfields on Iwojima were bombed by 17 Senpac Liberators.
- C. INDIAN OCEAN - Early AM 1 Sept, "Troilus" (British merchant ship, 7400 tons) was sunk by enemy submarine approx. 360 miles ENE of Socotra. Subsequent search of this area resulted in one contact at early AM 3 Sept. some 250 - 300 miles westward of the site of the attack.
- AM 4 Sept, a possible submarine was seen in the area approx. 300 miles W. of Maldiva Island and PM 4 Sept., a German submarine was located by D/F in the area approx. 1000 miles S.W. of Sabang.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Absence of opposition to carrier attacks Palau 6 & 7 Sept.
- (2) Further carrier strike Yap 8 Sept.
- (3) Continued shipping activity in the Philippines
- (4) Further heavy air attacks against Menado area.

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PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> (<u>Eastern Section</u>)	<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>BB</u>	NEW JERSEY		
<u>CV(E)</u>	(15) CHEWANGO FANSHAW BAY HOGGATT BAY LONG ISLAND MIDWAY MUNDA NASSAU NEHENTA BAY	ROI SANGAMON RUDYERD BAY SANTHE STEAMER BAY SACRAMENT BAY SUWANNEE	(3) MATANIKAU ADMIRALTY IS. CAPE ESPERANCE
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		" "
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX HOBART	* LEANDER
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		" "
<u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINCOTEAGUE ORCA	" "
<u>DD</u>	(45) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA STUART VENDETTA NAPIER NEPAL AEMER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH CAPPS DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR EVANS FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JENKINS JOHN D. HENLY JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RADFORD RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER RUSSELL SISEBEE STACK STEVENS TAYLOR THATCHER	8
	(6) BASHAW GUAVINA FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH MINGO NARWHOL	) on patrol
	(2) DACE	DARTER	) on passage
	(3) S.42 S.45	S.47	) At Seadler
	(3) CERO PERMIT	SEA WOLF	) At Brisbane
	(2) K.9	K.12	) At Sydney

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)</u>	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u> <u>South Pacific</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>PT</u>	Approx. 175	-	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>APD</u>	(11) R.T. ALLEN (APA) KAWIMBLA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALCORAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (APD) SCHLEI HERBERT CROSSBY KILTY	3 APD	-
<u>ACC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OTUS HOLLAND ORION	-	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBIEH	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIBEL (AR) PLATYPUS MEDUSA MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARC) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES ALYCUS VENT (ARS) CAELE	-	-
<u>LD</u>	CARTER HALL	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALEIGH RICHMOND	ABUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Philippines-
Mandates-E. Indies Empire

<u>BB</u>	(17)	IOWA SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND NEW MEXICO # OKLAHOMA	(4)	MISASHI NAGATO FUSO HARUNA	(5)	YAMATO YAMASHIRO #KONCO ISE) converted RYGUA) to carry a/c
<u>CV</u>	(9)	SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX FUNKER HILL WASP	-	-	(4)	UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA	
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9)	CABOT COMPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY	-	-	(4)	CHITOSE CHIYODA ZUIRO #RYURO (poss. sunk)	
<u>CV(T)</u>	(23)	GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY OMMANEY BAY	PETROF BAY SITKOH BAY ALTAMAHA BARNES BRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND SALAMAUA PRINCE WILLIAM SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS	UNYO	(2)	KAIYO JINYO	
<u>CA</u>	(13)	BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(11)	AOBA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKA CHOKAI	#MAYA		
<u>CC</u>							6	
<u>CL</u>	(17)	COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MIBOLE	BI LOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON	(4)	YAHAGI NOSHIRO KINU KITAGAMI	(5)	* OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (prob. sunk)
<u>CL(T)</u>						KASHII	KASHIMA	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4)	CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD				(2)	AKITSUSHIMA #NOTORO
<u>DD</u>		Approx. 180			25-30		20 (several repairing)	
<u>SS</u>		approx. 30			30		Approx. 30	
<u>AS</u>		?			?		2 (1repairing)	

* This unit possibly in philippines area

Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

Southwest Pacific
(Western Section)

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Eastern Fleet Area-Malaya- Indian-Ocean

<u>BB</u>	-			(5) HOWE	4
				QUEEN ELIZABETH	
				VALIANT	
				REKHOWN	
				RICHELIEU	
<u>CV</u>	-			(3) VICTORIOUS	SHOKAKU(uncertain)
				ILLUSTRIOUS	
				INDOMITABLE	
<u>CV(K)</u>	-			BATTLE	THELING ATAKA
				UNICORN	BEGUM
				SHAH	AMEER
<u>CA</u>	-			(3) CUMBERLAND	4
				LONDON	
				SUFFOLK	
<u>CL</u>	(2) ADELAIDE			(6) KENYA	NEWCASTLE 4
	NIGERIA			CEYLON	TROMP
				GAMBIA	PHOEBE
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-			ALBATROSS	-
<u>KGL</u>	-			(2) CANTON	-
				CHITRAL	
<u>DD</u>	-			Approx 27	5
<u>SS</u>	(9) BATFISH	HADDO	JACK	) Approx 16	12 (incl. 7 Germ.)
	FLASHER	HAKE	PADDLE		
	GUNNEL	HARDER	MUSKELLUNGE		
	(8) GREVALLE	PARGO	TANTIVY	) on passage	
	GUITARRO	RATON	ZWARDFISCH		
	LAPON	STINGRAY			
	(2) NAUTILUS	REDFIN		) at Darwin	
	(20) ANGLER	COD	SEA ROVER	) at Fremantle	
	ASPRO	BURNARD	SANDLACE		
	BLUEGILL	HAMMERHEAD	SPITEFUL		
	BREAM	HOE	STURDY		
	BONEFISH	PORPOISE	TELYMACHUS		
	CABRILLA	RAY	K.14		
	CLYDE		K.15		
	(3) MAIDSTONE				
<u>AS</u>	GRIFFIN				
	EURYALE				

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons- Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	-	3	146	433	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	39	177	23
T/E Bombers	-	-	125	192	21
Flying boats	-	-	6	13	-
Float planes	10	-	60	27	20
Oban. A/C	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	399	884	113

TOP SECRET

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA
Combined Operational Intelligence Centre

DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.
Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/11:

(1) (i) Task Force 77.1 : 6 CVE: "SANGAMON" "SUWANNEE" "CHENANGO" "SANTEE"
"FANSHAW BAY" "MIDWAY"
8 DE: "R.S.BULL" "R.M. ROWEEL" "EVERSOLE" "DENNIS"
"J.C. BUTLER" "RAYMOND" "EDMONDS" "SHELTON"
Task Force 77.2 : 2 CA: "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
2 CL: "PHOENIX" "BOISE"
8 DD: "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "AMMEN" "MULLANY"
"HUTCHINES" "BEALE" "BACHE" "DALY"
Task Force 77.3 : 11 DD: "ANDERSON" "MORRIS" "MUSTIN" "McKEE" "STEVENS"
"RUSSELL" "FLETCHER" "STACK" "TAYLOR" "JENKINS"
"LA VALLETTE"
5 APD: "KILTY" "CROSBY" "HERBERT" "WARD" "SCHLEY"
1 APA: "MANOORA"
1 LSD: "CARTER HALL"
36 LCI
12 IST
12 LCT
Task Force 77.4 : 2 DD: "HOPEWELL" "LANG"
(ii) Task Group 70.2 : 2 PF: "BELFAST" "HUICHINSON"
1 PC: 1123
(iii) Task Force 73 : 4 AVP: "ORCA" "HALF MOEN" "SAN CARLOS" "SAN PABLO"
(iv) Task Force 76 : 2 PF: "EUGENE" "ROCKFORD"
(v) Miscellaneous : 1 AOC: "SUSQUEHANNA"
1 AT: "CHETCO"
17 PT
6 MV

- (2) "YMS.85" departed Manus 0900/8 for Guadalcanal ETA 12 Sept.
(3) "PC.479" departed Humboldt Bay 1800/5 for Milne Bay ETA 1300/11 via Finschhafen.
(4) "CAPABLE" (AM) escorting 1 MV proceeding Manus from Cenpac ETA 1600/13.
(5) "SC.743" departed Langemak 0846/10 for Aitape ETA 0630/12, thence Hollandia ETA PM
12 Sept., to relieve "SC.732" which departs for Cairns via Langemak.
(6) 5 submarines on patrol: 3 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:

Noemfoor:

Escorts 1 : 1 YMS: 9
Auxiliaries 1 : 1 YP: 278

Biak Is-Noendi:

Combat Units 47 PT
9 : 1 PS: "SWAN" 2 PF: "BURLINGTON" "CARSON CITY"
2 AMS: "ARARAT" "GLENELG"
4 ML: 428, 817, 818, 819

Biak Is-Woendi: (Contd)

Auxiliaries 23 : "TANGIER" (AV) "ORION" (AS) "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WACHAPREAGUE"
 "MOBJACK" "KOOPA" (AGP) "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" (AO) "OYSTER BAY"
 "CHIPPEWA" "HIDATAS" (AT) "OCTANS" (AF) "SILVERBELL"
 "TEABERRY" (YN) "VIREO" "QUAPAW" (ATF) "LARK" (AM) "POLLUX" (AKS)
 2 YFD 2 ATR

Maffin Bay:

Escorts 4 : 1 PS : "WARREGO" 1 SC : 698 2 YMS: 316, 393
Auxiliaries 2 : "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "CHEPACHET" (AO)

Humboldt Bay:

Combat Units 1 CL : "NASHVILLE"
 13 DD : "MURRAY" "ABNER READ" "BUSH" "HARRISON" "RADFORD" "HUGHES"
 "DASHIELL" "JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD" "NICHOLAS"
 "O'BANNON" "SIGSBEE"

24 PT
Escorts 42 : 1 DE : "THOMASON" 1 AMS: "TOWNSVILLE"
 11 PF : "BISBEE" "GASCOYNE" "SAN PEDRO" "GALLUP" "GLENDALE"
 "ORANGE" "VAN BUREN" "LONGBEACH" "CORONADO" "MUSKOGEE"
 "EL PASO"
 11 AMS: "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "COLAC" "COOTAMUNDRA" "WAGGA"
 "GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "KAPUNDA" "DELORAINIE" "BROOME"
 "COWRA"

7 PC : 476, 477, 1119, 1120, 1122, 1133, 1134
 6 SC : 637, 732, 735, 744, 749, 981
 5 YMS: 8, 46, 47, 51, 334
Auxiliaries 30 : "BLUE RIDGE" (AGC) "VARUNA" (AGP) "BISHOPDALE" "SALAMONIE"
 (AO) "ELKHORN" "SAKATONCHEE" "SEEKONK" (AOG) "PYRO" "POYANG"
 (AE) "DOBBIN" (AD) "GENERAL JOHN POPE" (AP) "AMICUS" (ARL)
 "OGLALA" (ARG) "GOLDSTAR" "LAURABADA" (AG) "MIZAR" (AF)
 "DERRICK" (YO) "TEAK" (AN) "SONOMA" (AT) "INDUS" "GANYMEDE"
 "MURZIM" "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "VILLALOBOS" "OCTORARA" "PANDA"
 (IX) 3 YP : 240, 280, 291 1 ARD

Aitape:

Combat Units 26 PT :
Escorts 1 : 1 SC : 745
Auxiliaries 6 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA) "WASATCH" (AGC)
 "TITANIA" (AKA) 1 YP : 516

Admiralties:

Combat Units 1 BB : "NEW JERSEY"
 3 CVE : "NEHENTA BAY" "SARGENT BAY" "LONG ISLAND"
 5 DD : "HALL" "PAUL HAMILTON" "DAVID W. TAYLOR" "HUNT" "HICKON"
 3 SS : "S.42" "S.45" "S.47"
Escorts 20 : 9 DE : "LEVY" "McCONNELL" "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "REYNOLDS"
 "LAKE" "LYMAN" "DONALDSON" "WITTER"
 2 PC : 1132, 1139
 4 SC : 741, 746, 747, 982 1 ML : 827
 4 YMS: 49, 52, 70, 97
Auxiliaries 47 : "MISSISSINEWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "TAPPANHONOCK" "PAMANSET"
 "SEBEC" "LACKWANNA" "SAUGATUCK" "CACHE" "TOMAHAWK" "KENNEBAGO"
 "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" (AO) "PASQUOTANK" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG)
 "MEDUSA" (AR) "WILLOUGHBY" (AGP) "HERON" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL"
 "SAMARITAN" (AH) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS)
 "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "CRUX" "BOOTES" "LEONIS"
 "SCULPTOR" (AK) "SILVERCLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU"
 "GENERAL R.L.HOWZE" (AP) "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT) "ARGONNE" (AG)
 "MESQUITE" (CGC) 1 ARD 2 YP : 288, 585 2 YRD: 1 ABSD

Saidor:

Auxiliaries 1 : "TANCRED" (AT)

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 15 : 4 AMS: "ROCKHAMPTON" "GOULBURN" "GEEELONG" "KIAMA"
 3 SC : 703, 736, 742
 7 ML : 426, 801, 803, 806, 812, 816, 825
 1 YMS: 10

Auxiliaries 12 : "REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "OTUS" (AS)
 "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "PING YO" (ASIS) 2 YRD 1 ARD 2 AFD
 1 YP : 504

Langemak:

Combat Units 1 CVE : "MUNDA"
 9 PT

Langemak: (Cont)

Escorts	12	:	2 <u>DE</u> : "JAMES E. CRAIG" "EICHENBERGER"
			1 <u>PF</u> : "HAWKESBURY"
			2 <u>PC</u> : 1121, 1131
			2 <u>SC</u> : 650, 734
			3 <u>YMS</u> : 316, 335, 336
			1 <u>ML</u> : 802
			1 <u>PGM</u> :
Auxiliaries	8	:	"WRIGHT" (AV) "ROCHAMBEAU" (AP) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AG) "RACE POINT" (AT) "PHOBOS" (AK) "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CLYDE" (IX)
<u>Lae:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1	:	"SHAWNEE" (AT)
<u>Morobe:</u>			
Auxiliaries	1	:	1 <u>AFD</u>
<u>Milne Bay:</u>			
Combat Units	1	<u>CVE</u>	: "ROI"
	1	<u>CMS</u>	: "ARIADNE"
Escorts	7	:	2 <u>DE</u> : "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND"
			1 <u>AMS</u> : "STAWELL"
			1 <u>SC</u> : 738
			1 <u>ML</u> : 431
			2 <u>YMS</u> : 48, 50, 71
Auxiliaries	23	:	"COMFORT" (AH) "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) "BUNGAREE" (CM) "SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "JAMESTOWN" "STRATFORD" (AGP) "REPUBLIC" (AP) "RAIL" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "CABLE" (ARS) 1 <u>ARD</u> 3 <u>YF</u> 4 <u>AFD</u> 4 <u>YP</u> : 233, 236, 237, 449
<u>Port Moresby:</u>			
Auxiliaries	2	:	"WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/11:

- (1) "PC.588" escorting 6 Army Crash Boats was to depart Guadalcanal about 1700/6 for Finschhafen via Munda, where ETA dawn 11 Sept.; thence proceeding via Woodlark and Kiriwina. "PC.588" detaches at Munda and returns Guadalcanal.
- (2) "PC.1128" escorting "AGAWAM" (AOG) was to depart Tulagi 1700/9 for Emirau ETA A.M. 12 Sept.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts	2	:	1 <u>PC</u> : 589 1 <u>SC</u> : 620
Auxiliaries	1	:	1 <u>YP</u> : 520

Green Is:

Combat Units	12	<u>PT</u>	
Escorts	6	:	1 <u>DE</u> : "DEMPSEY"
			3 <u>SC</u> : 677, 518, 1275 2 <u>YMS</u> : 95, 259
Auxiliaries	1	:	1 <u>YP</u> : 514

Torokina:

Escorts	7	:	1 <u>DE</u> : "MARTIN"
			2 <u>PC</u> : 723, 1029 4 <u>SC</u> : 505, 1274, 1188, 1590
Auxiliaries	2	:	"TAGANAK" (AO) "ALDERAMIN" (AK)

Treasury Is:

Combat Units	34	<u>PT</u>	
	4	<u>PGM</u>	
Escorts	6	:	3 <u>DE</u> : "FOREMAN" "WILLMARTH" "WHITEHURST" 1 <u>SC</u> : 722
			2 <u>PC</u> : 605, 1229
Auxiliaries	3	:	"TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "BUTTERNUT" (YN)

Munda:

Escorts	4	:	4 <u>SC</u> : 514, 702, 999, 1267
Auxiliaries	1	:	"CAMANGA" (AG)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/11:

- (1) "PCE, 860" was to depart Brisbane 2200/9 for Hollandia via Milne Bay where ETA 0800/13.
- (2) "MERKUR" (AF) departed Brisbane 1123/8 for Milne Bay ETA 0930/12.
- (3) "TULSA" (PG) was to depart Caloundra 1330/10 for Milne Bay ETA 0900/14.
- (4) "BURDEKIN" (PF) escorting "CERO" (SS) was to depart Caloundra 1800/9 Northbound: "BURDEKIN" proceeds Madang ETA 0700/16.
- (5) "WHYALLA" (AMS) departed Milne Bay 0930/8 for Brisbane ETA 1000/12.
- (6) "PONTUS" (AGP) departed Milne Bay 0915/5 for Brisbane ETA 1500/12.
- (7) "TASMAN" (AH) departed Milne Bay 1510/9 for Sydney ETA 1200/14.
- (8) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:Escorts 4 : 1 AMS: "PIRIE" 3 YMS: "RINDJANI" "SMEROE" "MERBAROE"Thursday Is:Escorts 5 : 1 PF: "BARCOO"
3 AMS: "INVERELL" "FREMANTLE" "BALLARAT"
1 ML: 813

Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AMS)

Cairns:Escorts 9 : 2 AMS: "STRAHAN" "KALGOORLIE"
4 SC: 699, 737, 748, 750
3 YMS: 73, 313, 314Auxiliaries 6 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "BUTTERWOOD" (GCC)
1 ARD 1 YP: 283Townsville:Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "LATROBE" "KATOOMBA"
Auxiliaries 3 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" "SHEPPARTON" (AGS)Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Brisbane:Combat Units 2 SS : "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
Escorts 13 : 1 PF: "OGDEN" 1 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL"2 PCE: 848, 849
8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 805, 080, 811, 820, 821
1 PC: 1124Auxiliaries 6 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "CARONDOLET" (IX)
"BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
1 YP: 421Sydney:Combat Units 1 CL : "HOBART" (refitting)
3 DD : "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"Escorts 6 : 3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
3 ML: 810, 822, 823Auxiliaries 7 : "RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAM" (AE)
"RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AR)Melbourne:Combat Units 1 DD : "NAPIER"
Escorts 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA"
Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "DJNOTTAR CASTLE" (AP)Adelaide:Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "IPSWICH" "BUNDABERG"4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/11:

- (1) Task Unit 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESBY"
4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUGA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAINE"
- (2) "BUNBURY" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT 79 ("SUVA" "ALAGMA") departed Darwin 06030/7 for Thursday Is ETA 2000/11.
- (3) "PARKES" (AMS) escorting Convoy DT 80 was to depart Darwin 0800/9 for Thursday Is, ETA 1030/13.
- (4) 10 submarines on patrol: 6 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:

Combat Units	4 SS	:	"CREVALLE" "NAUTILUS" "NARWHAL" "STINGRAY"
Escorts	5	:	5 ML : 429, 807, 809, 813, 814
Auxiliaries	2	:	"COUCAL" (ASR) "KURUMBA" (AO)

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/11:

Nil.

(b) In Harbour:

Onslow:

Escorts	2	:	1 AMS: "BOWEN" 1 ML : 815
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Fremantle:

Combat Units	2 CL	:	"NIGERIA" "ADELAIDE"
	21 SS	:	"ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BREAM" "CABRILLA" "CLYDE" "COD" "HAMMERHEAD" "GUITARO" "GURNARD" "HOE" "PORPOISE" "RAY" "SANDLACE" "SEA ROVER" "STURDY" "SPITEFUL" "TELEMACHUS" "ZWAARDFISCH" "K.14" "K.15"

Escorts	9	:	1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI" 1 PS : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA" 3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA" 1 SC : 729 1 ML : 824 2 YMS: 11, 72
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Auxiliaries	7	:	"GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (PY) "CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD 1 YP : 286
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A. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

(1) Choiseui - On 9 Sept. Yukiki village was bombed by 7 Mitchells.

(2) Bougainville - On 9 Sept. bridges in the Buin area were bombed by 13 Dauntless 31 Corsairs, piers in Tonolei Harbor were bombed by 28 Dauntless and enemy concentrations in central Bougainville and Buka Passage area were attacked by 16 Dauntless 26 Corsairs. Huts on Buka Is. were also attacked by 4 Corsairs.

Minor enemy contacts by our ground patrols on Sept. 9 in the upper Laruma Valley.

(3) New Ireland - On 9 Sept. a variety of targets in N. New Ireland were attacked by 10 Dauntless and 32 Corsairs. Night 9-10 Sept. coastal targets along NE coast New Ireland were strafed by PT boats.

(4) New Britain - Additional reports show that buildings in Rabaul town were attacked 8 Sept. by 12 Corsairs.

On 9 Sept. road targets around Rabaul were attacked by 12 Corsairs while the Keravat Rivier bridge was destroyed by 2 Venturas.

2. NEW GUINEA

(1) Finschafen - At 1545/9 a possible submarine was sighted by aircraft 25 miles SE off Cape Cretin.

(2) Wewak - At 0100/9 Wewak strip was bombed by 3 Beauforts. The same night 3 barges off the Wewak coast were attacked by 2 Beauforts co-operating with PT boats: All 3 barges were forced ashore.

Reconnaissance shows that the enemy has apparently been working on the Wewak strip which appeared AM 9 Sept. to be serviceable for about 3000 feet. During 9 Sept. the Wewak strip was again bombed by 12 Beauforts.

(3) Aitape - Patrols found an enemy camp on 9 Sept. 19 miles SE of Yakamul containing 75 Jap dead.

(4) Biak - At 0300/9, 8-10 enemy medium bombers attacked Owii, Mokmer and Boroekoe strips: slight damage was caused and a few casualties suffered. 2 enemy planes were shot down by our night fighters.

(5) NW. New Guinea - Active patrolling continues in all sectors including Maffin Bay area, Biak, Noemfoor and Sansapor. Enemy remnants continue to be encountered and mopped up.

Enemy held airfields in Vogolkop Peninsula were again attacked 9 Sept. by our aircraft: Manokwari and Ransiki were attacked by 4 Kittyhawks 10 Aircobras, Utarom by 9 Bostons, Sagan by 6 Bostons and Mongasah by 12 Bostons.

3. EAST INDIES

(1) Tanimbar Group - At 1330/9 Saumlaki was bombed by 2 Mitchells.

(2) Ambon Area - During 9 Sept. airfields on Ambon Island, Ceram and Boeroe were subjected to dive bombing attacks by fighter-bombers: Haroekoe was attacked by 24 Lightnings, Liang by another 24 Lightnings, and 48 Thunderbolts, Old Namlea by 7 Lightnings, Namlea Township drome by 12 Lightnings and Boela by 6 Bostons.

- (3) Halmaheras - Photos 8 Sept. showed 2 fighters and 1 bomber on Lolobata, no aircraft on Djilolo nor on Galola.
On 9 Sept. Galola airdrome was attacked by one group of Liberators.
- (4) N. Celebes - At 1145/9 Hapanget was attacked by 58 Liberators escorted by 18 Lightnings. Many fires and explosions were caused in the airdrome area and A/A positions were hit and silenced. Some enemy aircraft were observed airborne but no interception was attempted.
Photos of Langoan airdrom 8 Sept. show 4 serviceable fighters and 5 bombers: the runway was left temporarily unserviceable by the attack that day.
- (5) S. Celebes - Early AM 9 Sept. Kendari airdrome was attacked by 2 Liberators separately and Boroboro airdrome was bombed by another Liberator.
- (6) E. Celebes - On 9 Sept. one sea truck and a few barges were observed by reconnaissance aircraft in the Banggai Archipelago.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) S. Mindanao - At 1015/10 reconnaissance aircraft observed a warship described as a FUSO class battleship 40 miles ESE of Sarangani Is. on course 340°.
- (2) SW. Mindanao - Photos Zamboanga Harbor taken 8 Sept. show 8 merchant ships, totaling 16,000 tons, 13 luggers 1 fuel barge and 27 other barges.
At 0415/10, 2 tankers, 1 large cargo vessel and 1 small greighter were observed by Catalina near Zamboanga.
- (3) N. Mindanao - AM 9 Sept. 50 enemy fighters were reported to be flying N-NW over Agusan Province and another 16 aircraft flying probably S.
- (4) Mindanao Airfields - Photos 6-8 Sept. show the following:-
Dallao - No aircraft, runway serviceable.
Libby - No aircraft, runway serviceable.
Padada - 1 fighter 1 bomber in revetments, runway serviceable
Sassa - 4 fighters 4 bombers 2 transports, runway serviceable.
Likanan - 6 fighters 1 bomber, runway serviceable.
Matina - 5 fighters 3 bombers, runway serviceable.
San Ramon - 5 fighters 3 bombers, runway serviceable.
Calarian - No aircraft, runway serviceable.
In addition to the above aircraft a number of unserviceable planes are visible and 3 float planes at Zamboanga anchorage.
- (5) Cebu Area - At 1920/9, a convoy comprising 11 merchant ships (4 medium 7 small) 7 small escorts 7 launches and 8 landing craft was observed heading N. apparently out of Cebu Harbor.
At midday 9 Sept. reconnaissance Liberator over Basilan Is. observed 2 destroyers 1 gunboat 2 small to medium merchant ships and 5 small sea trucks.
- (6) Sulu Archipelago

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA

1. CAROLINES

- (1) Palau - On 7 Sept. Palau was shelled by cruisers and destroyers in addition to the carrier-borne aircraft strikes. Many defence installations and buildings were destroyed. Photos taken by aircraft show new beach defenses on W coast Pelolij and extensive strengthening of

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.) TOP SECRET

- defenses on beaches on E. Coast of Peleliu.
- (2) Truk - On 7 Sept. Moen was attacked by 26 Liberators, 4-6 enemy fighters interfered only with phosphorus bombs.
2. MARSHALLS - On 7 Sept. Wotje was attacked by 40 Corsairs and Milli by 20 Dauntless and 1 Corsair.
3. MARIANAS - On 7 Sept. Pagan Is. was attacked by 16 rocket firing Thunderbolts and Aguijan Is. in the same vicinity by 8 Thunderbolts.
4. WAKE - On 7 Sept. 2 small coastal freighters and a few barges were observed by aircraft at Wake.
5. NAMPO SHOTO - On 7 Sept. 2 destroyers 3 cargo vessels were observed by aircraft 120 miles WNW of Chichi Jima on course 110°; 1 sea truck 35 miles W of Chichi Jima on course 300° was attacked by same aircraft and left burning.
- At 1155/10, aircraft observed 1 light cruiser 90 miles WNW of Chichi Jima course W, and a convoy of 2 small merchant ships with 1 destroyer 70 miles W. of Chichi Jima course E.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Continued shipping activity in the Philippines.
- (2) Further heavy air attacks against ~~Manabo~~ areas and immobilization Amboan Area aerodromes.

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PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Eastern section)</u>		<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>BB</u>	NEW JERSEY			
<u>CV(E)</u>	(15) CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY HOGGATT BAY LONG ISLAND MIDWAY MUNDA NASSAU NEHENTA BAY	ROI SANGAMON RUDYERD BAY SANTEE STEAMER BAY SARGENT BAY SUWANNEE	(3) MATANIKAU ADMIRALTY ISLAND CAPE ESPERANCE	"
<u>CL</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		"	"
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) BOISE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX HOBART	* LEANDER	"
<u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		"	"
<u>DD</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINCOTEAGUE ORCA	"	"
<u>SS</u>	(45) ARUUATA WARRAMUNGA STUART VENDETTA CAPIER NEPAL ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH CAPPS DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR DVANS FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JENKINS JOHN D. HENLY JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RADFORD GINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER RUSSELL SIGSBEE STACK STEVENS TAYLOR THATCHER	8	"
	(5) BASHAW GUAVINA FLOUNDER	GLYING FISH MINGO	) on patrol	
	(3) DACE	DARTER POLLACK	) on passage	
	(3) S.42 S.45	S.47	) at Seeadler	
	(3) CERO PERMIT	SEA WOLF	) at Sydney	

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	Southwest Pacific (<u>Eastern Section</u>)	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
			South Pacific	
<u>PT</u>	Approx. 175	-	-	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>APD</u>	(11) H.T.ALLEN (APA) KANIMBLA MANOORA WESTRALIA ALCORAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (APD) SCHLEY HERBERT CROSBY KILTY	3	APD	-
<u>ACC</u>	BLUE RIDGE	-	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OTUS HOLLAND ORION	-	-	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBBIN	-	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR) PLATIPUS MEDUSA MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARC) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENT (ARS) CABLE	-	-	-
<u>LSH</u>	CARTER HALL	-	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALDIGH RICHMOND	ABUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TENTON	
<u>DD</u>	9	

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

@ ALLIED FORCES

EMERY FORCES

Philippines-
Mandates-E. Indies Empire

<u>BB(17)</u>	IOWA SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI ID. HO MARYLAND NEW MEXICO #OKLAHOMA	(4) MUSASHI NAGATO FUSO HARUNA	(5) YAMATO YAMASHIRO #KONGO ISE) converted BY (UA) to carry a/c
<u>CV (9)</u>	SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP	-	-	(4) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA
<u>CV(L)(9)</u>	CABOT COMPENS BATAAN BELLE UOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY	-	-	(4) CHITOSE CHIYODA ZUIRO #TYURO (poss. sunk)
<u>W(E)(23)</u>	GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY MATOMA BAY OMMANEY BAY	PETROF BAY SITKOH BAY ALTAMAHA BARNES BRETON SHARROCK BAY COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGICOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND SILBENUA PRINCE WILLIAM SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS	UNYO	(2) KAIYO JINYO
<u>CV(T)</u>	-	-	-	-	HOSHO
<u>CA(13)</u>	BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WICHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PIENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(11) AOKI KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI	-	#MAYA
<u>CCA</u>	-	-	-	-	6
<u>CL(17)</u>	COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELLIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE MIAMI	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON	(4) YAHAGI NOSHIRO KINU KITGAMI	(5) # OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (prob. sunk)
<u>CL(T)</u>	-	-	-	KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS(4)</u>	CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHAUDELEUR BALLARD	-	-	(2) AKITSUSHIMA #NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 180	-	25-30	-	20 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30	-	30	-	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>	?	-	?	-	2 (1 repairing)

@ Some of these units operating temporarily in SWPA

* This unit possibly in Philippines ares.

Non-effective

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

Southwest Pacific (Western Section)		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
				Eastern Fleet Area-Malaya-Indian ocean	
<u>BB</u>	"		(5) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOIN RICHELIEU		"
<u>CV</u>	"		(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE		SHOKAKU (uncertain)
<u>CV(K)</u>	"		(6) BATTLE THELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMEER		OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	"		(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK		"
<u>CL(2)</u>	ADELAIDE NIGERIA		(6) KENYA NEW CASTLE CEYLON TROMP GAMBIA PHOIBE		"
<u>AV/CVS</u>	"		ALBATROSS		"
<u>XCL</u>	"		(2) CANTON CHITRAL		"
<u>DD</u>	"		Approx. 27		5
<u>SS(10)</u>	B. SFISH BLUEFISH FL. SEAR BUNNEL	HADDO WAKE HARDER	JACK PADDLE MUSKELLUNGE	) Approx. 16) on patrol	12 (incl. 7 German)
(6)	BONEFISH LATOR	RENTIV RATOR	RENTIV TANTIV	) ) on passage	
(4)	CREVALLE BARKHAL	WANTHIC	STINGRAY	) at Darwin	
(21)	LANGLER SPRO BLUEBILL BREAM CARRILLA CLYDE	COD GUITARO GURNARD HAMMERHEAD PORPOISE RAY ROE	SEA ROVER SUNLACE SPITEFUL STURDY TELEARCHUS ZWARDFISCH K.14 K.15	) ) ) ) ) at Fremantle)	
<u>AS(3)</u>	MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN EURYALE				

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>Solomons- Bismarcks</u>	<u>New Guinea</u>	<u>East Indies</u>	<u>Philippines</u>	<u>Mandates</u>
Fighters	-	3	131	433	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	57	159	23
T/E Bombers	-	-	115	192	21
Flying boats	-	-	6	13	-
Float planes	10	-	60	27	20
Oban. A/C	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	392	866	113

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/12:

- (1) (1) Task Force 77.1 : 6 CVE: "SANGAMON" "SUWANNEE" "CHENANGO" "SANTEE"
"FANSHAW BAY" "MIDWAY"
8 DE: "R.S.BULL" "R.M. ROWELL" "EVERSOLE" "DENNIS"
"J.C. BUTLER" "RAYMOND" "EDMONDS" "SHELTON"
- Task Force 77.2 : 2 CA: "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
3 CL: "PHOENIX" "BOISE" "NASHVILLE"
10 DD: "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "AMMEN" "MULLANY"
"HUTCHINS" "BEALE" "BACHE" "DALY" "ABNER READ"
"BUSH"
- Task Force 77.3 : 1 AGC: "WASATCH"
11 DD: "ANDERSON" "MORRIS" "MUSTIN" "MCKEE" "STEVENS"
"RUSSELL" "FLETCHER" "STACK" "TAYLOR" "JENKINS"
"LA VALLETTE"
5 APD: "KILTY" "CROSBY" "HERBERT" "WARD" "SCHLEY"
1 APA: "MANGORA"
1 LSD: "CARTER HALL"
36 LCI
12 LST
12 LCT
2 AGP: "OYSTER BAY" "MOBJACK"
2 PF: "BURLINGTON" "CARSON CITY"
30 PT
- (ii) Task Force 73 : 4 AVP: "CROCA" "HALF MOON" "SAN CARLOS" "SAN PABLO"
(iii) Task Force 76 : 1 PF: "EUGENE"
(iv) Miscellaneous : 1 AT: "CHETCO"
17 PT

- (2) "LONG ISLAND" (CVE) departed Manus 1000/9 for U.S.A. via Vitiaz Strait.
(3) "REPUBLIC" (AP) was to depart Milne Bay 12 Sept. for San Francisco.
(4) "CAPABLE" (AM) escorting: 1 MV proceeding Manus from Cenpac ETA 1600/13. "CASCOYNE"
(PF) to relieve "CAPABLE" (AM) for the latter part of escort duty.
(5) "SC.743" departed Langemak 0846/10 for Aitape ETA 0630/12, thence Hollandia ETA
PM 12 Sept., to relieve "SC.732" which departs for Cairns via
Langemak.
(6) 7 submarines on patrol: 2 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:

Noemfoor:

Escorts 1 : 1 YMS: 9

Biak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 71 PT

Escorts 13 : 5 PF: "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON" "ORANGE" "VAN BUREN" "ROCKFORD"
3 AMS: "ARARAT" "GLENELG" "KAPUNDA" 1 PC: 1123
4 ML: 428, 817, 818, 819

Biak-Woendi: (CONT)

Auxiliaries 25 : "TANGIER" (AV) "ORION" (AS) "VARUNA" "HILO" "PORTUNUS"
 "WILLOUGHBY" "WACHAPREAGUE" "KOOPA" (AGP) "TRINITY"
 "VICTORIA" (AO) "CHIPPEWA" "HIDATSA" (AT) "OCTANS" (AF)
 "SILVERBELL" "TEABERRY" (YN) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF)
 "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "POLLUX" (AKS) 2 YFD 1 ATR
 2 YP : 236, 278

Maffin Bay:

Combat Units 4 DD : "HOPEWELL" "LANG" "NICHOLAS" "O'BANNON"
 Escorts 4 : 1 PS : "WARREGO" 1 SC : 698 2 YMS : 316, 393
 Auxiliaries 4 : "SHIKELLAM" (AOG) "CHEPACHET" (AO) "GEN. JOHN POPE" (AP)
 "QUAPAW" (ATF)

Humboldt Bay:

Combat Units 9 DD : "MURRAY" "HARRISON" "RADFORD" "HUGHES" "DASHIELL"
 "JOHN RODGERS" "SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD" "SIGSBEE"
 Escorts 36 : 1 DE : "THOMASON" 1 AMS : "TOWNSVILLE"
 8 PF : "BISBEE" "SAN PEDRO" "GALLUP" "GLENDALE" "LONGBEACH"
 "CORONADO" "MUSKOGEE" "EL PASO"
 10 AMS : "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "COLAC" "COOTAMUNDRA" "WAGGA"
 GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "DELORAINIE" "BROOME" "COWRA"
 6 PC : 476, 1119, 1120, 1122, 1133, 1134
 6 SC : 637, 732, 735, 744, 749, 981
 5 YMS : 8, 46, 47, 51, 334

Auxiliaries 28 : "BLUE RIDGE" (ACG) "BISHOPDALE" "SALAMONIE" (AO) "ELKHORN"
 "SAKATONCHEE" "SEEKONK" (AOG) "PYRO" "POYANG" (AE) "DOBBIN"
 (AD) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OGLALA" (ARG) "GOLDSTAR" "LAURABUDA"
 (AG) "MIZAR" (AF) "DERRICK" (YO) "TEAK" (AN) "SONOMA" (AT)
 "INDUS" "GANYMEDE" "MURZIM" "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "VILLALOBOS"
 "OCTORARA" "PANDA" (IX) 3 YP : 240, 280, 291 1 ARD

Aitape:

Combat Units 26 PT
 Escorts 1 : 1 SC : 745
 Auxiliaires 5 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA) "TITANIA"
 (AKA) 1 YP : 516

Admiralties:

Combat Units 1 BB : "NEW JERSEY"
 5 CVE : "NEHEMIA BAY" "SARGENT BAY" "BARNES" "SITKOH BAY" "MUNDA"
 3 DD : "HALL" "HUNT" "HICKON"
 3 SS : "S.42" "S.45" "S.47"
 Escorts 24 : 12 DE : "LEVY" "PIEDMONT" "LASSEN" "DELAHANTY" "LAKE"
 "LYMAN" "DONALDSON" "WITTER" "EICHENBERGER" "WESSON"
 "SWEARER"

4 PC : 477, 1131, 1132, 1139
 4 SC : 741, 746, 747, 982, 1 ML : 827
 4 YMS : 49, 52, 70, 97
 Auxiliaries 36 : "MISSISSINEWA" "MARIAS" "MANATEE" "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA"
 (AO) "PASQUOTANK" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR) "HERON"
 (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL" "SAMARITAN" (AH) "ALABASTER" (PYC)
 "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "CRUX"
 "BOOTES" "LEONIS" "SCULPTOR" (AK) "SILVERCLOUD" "ARMADILLO"
 "CARIBOU" "ABARENDA" "ARETHUSA" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX)
 "GEN. R.L.HOWZE" (AP) "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT) "ARGONNE" (AG)
 1 ARD 2 YP : 288, 585 2 YRD : 1 ABSD

Saidor:

Auxiliaries 1 : "TANCRED" (AT)

Seixhafen-Madang:

Escorts 14 : 3 AMS : "ROCKHAMPTON" "GOULBURN" "KIAMA"
 3 SC : 703, 736, 742
 7 ML : 426, 801, 803, 806, 812, 816, 825 1 YMS : 10
 Auxiliaries 12 : "REMUS" "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "OTUS" (AS)
 "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "PING YO" (ASIS) 2 YRD 1 ARD
 2 AFD 1 YP : 504

Langemak:

Combat Units 9 PT
 Escorts 10 : 1 DE : "JAMES E. CRAIG" 1 PF : "HAWKESBURY"
 1 PS : "SWAN" 1 PC : 1121
 2 SC : 650, 734 2 YMS : 335, 336
 1 ML : 802 1 PGM

Langemak: (Cont)

Auxiliaries 8 : "ROCHAMBEAU" (AF) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AG)
"RACE POINT" (AT) "PHOBOS" (AK) "CLYDE" (IX) "MAETSUYCKER"
(AH) "MESQUITE" (CGC)

Lae:

Escorts 1 : "GEELONG" (AMS)
Auxiliaries 2 : "SHAWNEE" (AT) "COMFORT" (AH)

Morobe:

Auxiliaries 1 : 1 AFD

Milne Bay:

Combat Units 1 CVE : "ROI"
1 CMB : "ARIADNE"
Escorts 9 : 2 DE : "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND"
1 AMS : "STAWELL" 1 FC : 479
1 SC : 738 1 ML : 431
3 YMS : 48, 50, 71, 315

Auxiliaries 21 : "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) "MERKUR" (AF) "BUNGAREE" (CM)
"SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "JAMESTOWN" "STRATFORD"
(AGF) "RAIL" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "CABLE" (ARS)
1 ARD 3 YF 4 AFD 3 YF : 233, 237, 449

Fort Moresby:

Auxiliaries 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/12:

- (1) "HOWORTH" (DD) escorting "WHITNEY" (AD) was to depart Guadalcanal 1100/10 for Seeadler Harbour ETA 14 Sept.
- (2) "FC.588" escorting 6 Army Crash Boats was to depart Guadalcanal about 1700/6 for Finschhafen via Munda, where ETA dawn 11 Sept.; thence proceeding via Woodlark and Kiriwina. "FC.588" detaches at Munda and returns Guadalcanal.
- (3) "FC.1130" escorting "DIXIE" (AD) was to depart Port Purvis 1200/10: escort detaches and proceeds Sydney: "DIXIE" proceeds Espiritu Santo.
- (4) "SC.628" escorting "YF.520" departed Emirau 1700/11 for Lunga ETA 1800/15.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts 3 : 2 FC : 589, 1128 1 SC : 620
Auxiliaries 1 : "AGAWAM" (AOG)

Green Is:

Combat Units 12 FT
Escorts 8 : 2 DE : "DEMSEY" "FOREMAN"
4 SC : 505, 677, 518, 1275, 2 YMS : 95, 259
Auxiliaries 2 : 1 YF : 514 "ALDERAMIN" (AK)

Torokina:

Escorts 7 : 2 DE : WILLMARTH" "OSMUS"
2 FC : 723, 1029, 3 SC : 1274, 1188, 1590
Auxiliaries 1 : "TAGANAK" (AG)

Treasury Is:

Combat Units 34 FT
4 FGM
Escorts 5 : 2 DE : "BOWERS" "WHITEHURST"
1 SC : 722 2 FC : 605, 1229
Auxiliaries 4 : "TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "BUTTERNUT" (YN) "HOLLAND" (AS)

Munda:

Escorts 4 : 4 SC : 514, 702, 999, 1267
Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMANGA" (AG)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/12:

- (1) "FCE.850" was to depart Brisbane 2200/9 for Hollandia via Milne Bay where ETA 0800/13.
- (2) "TULSA" (FG) was to depart Caloundra 1330/10 for Milne Bay ETA 0900/14.
- (3) "BURDEKIN" (FF) escorting "CERO" (SS) was to depart Caloundra 1800/9 Northbound: "BURDEKIN" proceeds Madang ETA 0700/16.

(a) At Sea to 1200/12: (CONT)

- (4) "PONTUS" (AGP) departed Milne Bay 0915/5 for Brisbane ETA 1500/12.
 (5) "TASMAN" (AH) departed Milne Bay 1510/9 for Sydney ETA 1200/14.
 (6) "LIRIE" (AMS) escorting "ISLANDER" was to depart Merauke 0600/11 for Thursday Island ETA 0300/12.
 (7) "WRIGHT" (AV) departed Milne Bay 1300/10 for Brisbane ETA 0600/14.
 (8) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.

(b) In Harbour:

Merauke:
 Escorts 3 : 3 YMS: "RINDJANI" "SMEROE" "MERBARBOE"

Thursday Is:
 Escorts 4 : 4 AMS: "INVERELL" "FREMANTLE" "BALLARAT" "BUNBURY"
 Auxiliaries 1 : "VIGILANT" (AMS)

Cairns:
 Escorts 9 : 2 AMS: "STRAHAN" "KALGOORLIE"
 4 SC: 699, 737, 748, 750
 3 YMS: 73, 313, 314
 Auxiliaries 6 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "BUTTORWOOD" (CCC)
 1 ARD 1 YF: 283

Townsville:
 Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "LATROBE" "KATOOMBA"
 Auxiliaries 3 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" "SHEPHERTON" (AGS)

Bowen:
 Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SLAVON" (AFS)

Brisbane:
 Combat Units 2 SS : "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF"
 Escorts 14 : 1 LF: "OGDEN" 2 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL" "WHYALLA"
 2 ICE: 848, 849
 8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 805, 808, 811, 820, 821
 1 IC: 1124
 Auxiliaries 6 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "HENRY T. ALLEN" (ATA) "CARONDOLET" (IX)
 "BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS)
 1 YF: 421

Sydney:
 Combat Units 1 CL : "HOBART" (refitting)
 3 DD : "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"
 Escorts 6 : 3 A/S: "KYERA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
 3 ML: 810, 822, 823
 Auxiliaries 7 : "RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AR)

Melbourne:
 Combat Units 1 DD : "NAPIER"
 Escorts 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA"
 Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AF)

Adelaide:
 Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "ITSWICH" "BUNDA BERG"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/12:

- Task Unit 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESBY"
 4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUGA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAINE"
- (2) "PARKES" (AMS) escorting Convoy DP 80 ("KURUMBA" (AO)) was to depart Darwin 0800/9 for Thursday Island ETA 1030/13.
 (3) "BARCOO" (PF) escorting "KATOOMBA" was to depart Thursday Is 1100/10 for Darwin.
 (4) 12 submarines on patrol: 7 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:
 Combat Units 2 SS : "NAUTILUS" "NARWHAL"
 Escorts 5 : 5 ML: 429, 807, 809, 813, 814
 Auxiliaries 1 : "COUCAL" (ASR)

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA

(a) At Sea to 1200/12:

Nil.

(b) In Harbour:

Onslow:

Escorts 2 : 1 AMS: "BOWEN" 1 ML : 815

Fremantle:

Combat Units 2 CL : "NIGERIA" "ADELAIDE"
21 SS : "ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BREAM" "CABRILLA" "CLYDE"
"CCD" "HAMMERHEAD" "GUITARO" "GURNARD" "HOE" "PORPOISE"
"RAY" "SANDLACE" "SEA ROVER" "STURDY" "SPITEFUL"
"TELEMACHUS" "ZWAARDFISCH" "K.14" "K.15"

Escorts

9 : 1 PF : "CORFUS CHRISTI"
1 ES : "SAVORGHAN DE BRAZZA"
3 AMS : "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA"
1 SE : 729
1 ML : 824
2 YMS : 11, 72

Auxiliaries

7 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (FY)
"CHANTICLEER" (ASR) 1 ARD 1 YP : 286

A. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - On 10 Sept. bivouac and supply areas at Tarlena near Buka Passage were bombed by 33 Dauntless led in by 1 Avenger. On the same day gun positions behind Buin were attacked by 19 Dauntless while HQ in the Buin area were attacked by 7 Mitchells and bridges near Kieta were effectively bombed by 12 Corsairs.
- (2) Bismarcks - Air operations 10 Sept. over Gazelle Peninsula and New Ireland are not yet to hand.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak - Additional reports relate that Wewak was bombed by another 8 Beauforts PM 9 Sept.
- (2) NW. New Guinea - On 10 Sept. attacks were repeated on enemy held airdromes in this area; Moemi, Manokwari and Ransiki were attacked by 11 Kittyhawks and 13 Aircobras; Samate strip was bombed by Kittyhawks in 27 sorties. Late reports state that Babo runway was bombed 9 Sept. by 5 Mitchells.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Kai Islands - On 9 Sept. barges and other small craft around the shores of Kai Islands were attacked by 8 Kittyhawks. Photos 8 Sept. show only 1 fighter present on all Kai Island airdromes and the only serviceable runway was at Faan.

- (2) Ambon Area - On 9 Sept. a mobile radar station in W. Ceram was attacked by 2 Beaufighters.

On 10 Sept. airfields in the Ambon area were again subjected to comparatively heavy air strikes. Laha airdrome was bombed by 24 Liberators which cratered one runway and probably destroyed 3 parked planes; Amahai was bombed by 1 group Bostons; AA fire shot down 2 planes; Boela airdrome and oil storage tanks were dive bombed by 12 Lightnings; Namlea Township airdrome was dive bombed by 11 Lightnings and in addition both Namlea airdromes were attacked by 42 Mitchells at minimum altitude; one Mitchell was lost to AA fire.

Sightings by the Liberators over Ambon Bay 10 Sept. included 2 medium merchant vessels and a number of sea trucks and small craft in the harbor.

Late reports state that Haroekoe runways were attacked 9 Sept. by 36 Thunderbolts in addition to the Lightnings previously reported.

- (3) Halmaheras - On 10 Sept. the airdrome at Lolobata and Hatetabako as well as stores along the beaches at Wasile Bay were attacked by 4 Squadrons Liberators. There was no interception but intense AA fire damaged 1 Liberator.

Aircraft observations 10 Sept. indicate possibly 3 sizeable merchant ships in Wasile Bay and one sea truck plus a few barges in Kace Bay.

- (4) Talaud Islands - On 10 Sept. villages in the Nanoesa group were bombed by 3 Mitchells.
- (5) N. Celebes - Night 9-10 Sept. Manado was bombed by 2 Liberators and the waterfront at Lombh Straits was bombed by 1 other Liberator.

On 10 Sept. camps, Airdromes and wharves along N. coast Manado District were raided by a total of 58 Liberators as follows:-

- (5) N. Celebes (Contd.) - Barracks at Tomohon (10 miles W. of Manado) were bombed by 24 Liberators destroying a HQ building: Manado water front was bombed by 5 Liberators while Langoan and Mapanget strips were bombed by 16 and 13 Liberators respectively. There was no interception during any of these strikes and AA was reported only over Manado proper.

Photos 9 Sept. show at Manado 2 small freighters 9 luggers 33 barges.

Negs 10-11 Sept. a Catalina located 2 merchant ships (2000-5000 tons respectively) underway 10 miles NE. of Bolaangoeki Bay. As a result of bombing and strafing the smaller ship was considered sunk and the large was hit, left grounded and considered probably destroyed.

- (6) Soemba - At 0930/10 an airfield on Soemba was bombed by 4 Mitchells.
- (7) Timor - At 1617/10 Dilli town was bombed by 1 Liberator.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) SW. Mindanao - Night 9-10 Sept. a Catalina attacked shipping off Zamboanga scoring hits on 2 medium sized unidentified type ships.
- (2) E. Mindanao - Airfields and shipping in Mindanao were attacked 9 and 10 Sept by strong Cenpac fast aircraft carrier task forces but no details are available as yet.
- (3) W. Mindanao - At 0710/11, 3 small freighters were sighted off Sindangan Pt. course SW. and at about same time 1 small greighter was seen off Lanboyan Pt. course NE.
- (4) Sulu Archipelago - A preliminary report from aircraft in flight indicates 1 merchant ship sighted and attacked by reconnaissance Liberator in Celebes Sea midway between Tawitawi and N. entrance of Makassar Strait at approx. 1440/11.
- (5) Central Philippines - At 1300/10, 22 motor launches and 4 landing craft were observed in Camotes Sea heading N.-
- AM 10 Sept. a convoy comprising 1 medium transport, 4 small freighters and 2 destroyer escorts were seen in S. Vizayan Sea course N. Heavily laden.
- PM 10 Sept. a convoy comprising 7 cargo vessels (3 medium 4 small) with 2 small escorts were sighted in Tanon Strait (between Negros and Cebu Is.) course N.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. CAROLINES

- (1) Palau - Night 9-10 Sept. Ngesebus airdrome was bombed by 1 Liberator
- (2) Nampo Shoto - Preliminary reports from aircraft in flight indicate that a medium sized tanker was attacked and left sinking at approx. 1415/10, 70 miles WSW. of Kita Iwo Jima.

Another preliminary report from aircraft in flight indicates a convoy comprising 2 destroyers 2 large merchant ships 120 miles NNW. of Chichi Jima on course 369.

Delayed reports reveal that Iwo Jima airfield and installations were bombed 8 Sept. by 9 Liberators and that on the same day shipping at Chichi Jima was attacked by Cenpac Liberators and 1 freighter was damaged.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Repeated strikes Mindanao and Palau by strong blue task forces.
- (2) Continued shipping activity in the Philippines.
- (3) Further heavy air attacks against Manado areas and immobilization Ambon Area aerodromes.
- (4) Further convoy movements in Bonins.
- (5) Continued success of night Catalinas Celebes Sea Area.

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PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES
(incl. mandates)

% Southwest Pacific
(Eastern section)

South Pacific

BB

NEW JERSEY

CV (E) (15)	CHENANGO FANSHAW BAY HOGGATT BAY LONG ISLAND MIDWAY MUNDA NASSAU NEHENTA BAY	ROI SANGAMON RUDYERD BAY SANTEE STEAMER BAY SARGENT BAY SUWANNEE	(3)	MATANIKAU ADMIRALTY ISLAND CAPE ESPERANCE
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CA

(2) AUSTRALIA
SHROPSHIRE

CL

(4)	BOISE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX HOBART	@	LEANDER
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AV/CVS (2) TANGIER
WRIGHT

XAV/XCVS (6)	HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINCOTEAGUE ORCA	-	-
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DD

(45)	ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA STUART VENDETTA NAPIER NEPAL ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR EVANS FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HUGHES HUTCHINS	JENKINS JOHN D. HENLY JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER RUSSELL SIGSBEE STACK STEVENS TAYLOR THATCHER	8	-
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(6)	BASHAW DACE DARTER	GUAVINA FLOUNDER FLYING FISH	}	on patrol
(2)	CERO	POLLACK		on passage
(3)	S.42 S.45	S.47	}	at Seadler
(2)	PERMIT	SEAWOLF		at Brisbane
(2)	K.9	K.12	}	at Sydney

% Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily operating at sea this area

@ Non-effective

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

<u>Southwest Pacific</u> (<u>Eastern Section</u>)		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u> (inc mandates)	
			<u>South Pacific</u>	
<u>PT</u>	Approx: 175		-	?
<u>APA</u>) <u>AKA</u>) <u>APD</u>)	(11) H.T.ALLEN (APA) KANIMBLA WESTRALIA ALCORAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (APD) SCHLEY HEBERT CROSBY KILTY		3 APD	-
<u>AGC</u>	(2) BLUE RIDGE WASATCH		-	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OTUS HOLLAND ORION		-	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBBIN		-	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR) PLATIPUS MEDUSA MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARC) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENT (ARS) CABLE		-	-
<u>LA</u>	CARTER HALL			

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>		-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALIEGH RICHMOND		ABUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9		5
<u>IS</u>	10		Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON		-
<u>DD</u>	9		-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

@ ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Philippines-
E. Indies Empire

<u>E</u>	(17)	IOWA SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND NEW MEXICO OKLAHOMA	(3)	MUSASHI NAGATO FUSO	(5) YAMAYO YAMASHIRO EKONGO ISE) converted to carry a/c HYUGA
<u>CV</u>	(9)	SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP		-		(4) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA
<u>CV(L)</u>	(9)	CABOT COWPENS BATAAN BELLEAUWOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY				(4) CHITOSE CHIYODA ZUIHO £. YUHO poss. sunk
<u>CV(E)</u>	(23)	GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY OMMANEY BAY	PETROF BAY SITKOH BAY ALTAMAHA BARNES GRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPAHEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND SALAMAUA PRINCE WILLIAM SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS	UNYO	(2) KAIYO JINYO	
<u>CV(T)</u>							HOSHO
<u>CA</u>	(13)	BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WITCHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND		(11)	AOBA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI	£MAYA
<u>CCA</u>							6
<u>CL</u>	(17)	COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU SAINT LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE MIAMI	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON	(4)	YAHAGI NOSHIRO KINU KITGAMI	(5) SOYDO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (Pr ob. sunk)
<u>CL(T)</u>						KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>ASVS</u>	(4)	CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD				(2) AKITSUSHIMA £NOTORO
<u>DD</u>		Approx. 180			25-30		20 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>		Approx. 30			30		Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>		?			?		2 (1 repairing)

@ Some of these units operating temporarily in SWPA.
% This unit possibly in Philippines area.
£ Non-effective

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5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

	<u>Southwest Pacific (Western Section)</u>	<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>	<u>Malay-Indian Ocean</u>
<u>BB</u>	"	(5) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RENOWN RICHELIU	HARUNA
<u>CV</u>	"	(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	SHOKAKU (prob. sunk)
<u>CV(E)</u>	"	(6) BATTLER THELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMEER	OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	"	(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK	"
(2) ADELAIDE NIGERIA		(6) KENYA NEWCASTLE CEYLON TROMP GAMBIA PHOIBE	"
<u>AV/CVS</u>	"	(1) ALBATROSS	"
<u>XCL</u>	"	(2) CANTON CHITRAL	"
<u>DD</u>	"	Approx. 27	5
<u>SS</u> (12)	BLUEFISH HADDO MINGO) CREVALLE HAKE PADDLE) FLASHER HARDER MUSKELLUNGE) GUNNRL JACK REEFIN)	Approx. 16 on patrol	12 (incl. 7 German)
(7)	BATFISHL PARGO STINGRAY) BONEFISH RATON TANTIVY) LAPON)	on passage	
(2)	NARWHAL NAUTILUS	at Darwin	
(21)	ANGLER COD SEA ROVER) ASPRO GUITARO SANDLACE) BLUEBILL GUNNARD SPITEFUL) BREAM PORPOISE STURDY) CARRILLA RAY TELEMACHUS) CLYDE ROE ZWARDFISCH) K.14 K.15 HAMMERHEAD)	at Fremantle	
<u>AS</u> (3)	MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN EURYALE		

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS BISMARCKS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
Fighters	-	3	131	433	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	57	159	23
T/E Bombers	-	-	115	192	21
Flying Boats	-	-	16	13	-
Float Planes	10	-	60	27	20
Obsn. A/C	-	2	23	42	10
TOTAL	10	5	392	866	113

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA-BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/13:

- (1) (i) Task Force 77.1 : 6 CVE: "SANGAMON" "SUWANNEE" "CHENANGO" "SANTEE"
"FANSHAW BAY" "MIDWAY"
8 DE: "R.S.BULL" "R.M.ROWELL" "EVERSOLE" "DENIIS"
"J.C.BUTLER" "RAYMOND" "EDMONDS" "SHELTON"
- Task Force 77.2 : 2 CA: "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
3 CL: "PHOENIX" "BOISE" "NASHVILLE"
10 DD: "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "AMMEN" "MULLANY" "HUTCHINS"
"BEALE" "BACHE" "DALY" "ABNER READ" "BUSH"
- Task Force 77.3 : 1 AGC: "WASATCH"
11 DD: "ANDERSON" "MORRIS" "MUSTIN" "McKEE" "STEVENS"
"RUSSELL" "FLETCHER" "STACK" "TAYLOR" "JENKINS"
"LA VALLETTE"
5 APD: "KILTY" "CROSBY" "HERBERT" "WARD" "SCHLEY"
1 APA: "MANCORA"
1 LSD: "CARTER HALL"
- Task Force 77.3.1 : 36 LCI 12 LST 12 LCT
2 PC: 1119, 1134 2 LCI(G) 2 LCI (R) 1 LCI (D)
1 AT: "SONOMA"
- Task Force 77.3.2 : 4 PC: 1120, 1133, 476, 1122 4 YMS: 8, 46, 51, 9
4 LCI (G) 2 LCI (R) 1 LCI (F)
- Task Group 77.4 : 4 DD: "HOPEWELL" "LANG" "NICHOLAS" "O'BANNON"
1 ES: "WARREGO" 2 YMS: 316, 393 1 HDML: 1074
12 LST 9 LCT (incl. 1 LCT (Rad.)) 18 LCI 4 AK

- (2) "RADFORD" (DD) was to depart Humboldt Bay 1200/12 for Manus Is. ETA 1800/13: for onward routing to Pearl Harbor.
- (3) "WATO" (AT) departed Madang 1700/11 for Woendi ETA 0800/15.
- (4) "REMIS" (ARL) was to depart Alexishafen about 12 Sept. and proceed Woendi.
- (5) "CAPABLE" (AM) escorting 1 MV proceeding Manus from Cenpac ETA 1600/13. "GASCOYNE" (PF) to relieve "CAPABLE" (AM) for the latter part of escort duty.
- (6) "MIZAR" (AF) departed Hollandia 0500/12 for Milne Bay ETA 1130/14, routed via Finschhafen ETA 1200/13.
- (7) 7 submarines on patrol: 1 submarine on passage.

(b) In Harbour:

Sansapor:

Combat Units 47 PT
Auxiliaries 7

- : 2 AGP: "OYSTER BAY" "MOBJACK"
4 AVP: "ORCA" "HALF MOON" "SAN CARLOS" "SAN PABLO"
1 AT: "CHETCO"

Biak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 71 PT
Escorts 14

- : 5 RF: "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON" "ORANGE" "BURLINGTON"
"CARSON CITY"
5 AMS: "ARARAT" "GLENELG" "KAPUNDA" "COWRA" "TOWNSVILLE"
3 ML: 428, 817, 818 1 PC: 1123

Biak-Woendi: (CONT)

Auxiliaries 25 : "TANGIER" (AV) "ORION" (AS) "VARUNA" "HILO" "PORTUNUS"
"WILLOUGHBY" "WACHAPREAGUE" "KOOPA" (AGP) "TRINITY"
"VICTORIA" (AO) "CHIPPEWA" "HIDATSA" (AT) "OCTANS" (LF)
"SILVERBELL" "TEABERRY" (YN) "ARAYAT" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF)
"LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "POLLUX" (AKS) 2 YFD 1 ATR
2 YP : 236, 278

Affin Bay:
Escorts 1 : 1 SC : 698
Auxiliaries 5 : "SHIKELLAMY" (AG) "CHEPACHET" (AO) "GEN. JOHN POPE" (AP)
"QUAPAW" (ATF) "CABLE" (ARS)

Humboldt Bay:
Combat Units 8 DD : "MURRAY" "HARRISON" "HUGHES" "DASHIELL" "JOHN RODGERS"
"SCHROEDER" "RINGGOLD" "SIGSBEE"
Escorts 31 : 1 DE : "THOMASON"
11 PF : "BISBEE" "SAN PEDRO" "GALLUP" "GLENDALE"
"LONGBEACH" "ROCKFORD" "CORONADO" "MUSKOGEE"
"EL PASO" "EUGENE" "VAN BUREN"
9 AMS : "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "COLAC" "COOTAMUNDRA" "WAGGA"
"GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "DELORAIN" "BROOME"
7 SC : 637, 732, 735, 743, 744, 749, 981
3 YMS : 10, 47, 334

Auxiliaries 27 : "BLUE RIDGE" (ACG) "BISHOPDALE" "SALAMONIE" (AO) "ELKHORN"
"SAKATONCHEE" "SEEKONK" "SUSQUEHANNA" (ACG) "FYRO" "POMAG"
(AE) "DOBBIN" (AD) "AMYCUS" (ARL) "OGLALA" (ARG) "GOLDSTAR"
"LAURABADA" (AG) "DERRICK" (YO) "TEAK" (AN) "INDUS"
"GANYMEDE" "MURZIM" "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "VILLALOBOS"
"OCTARA" "PANDA" (IX) 3 YP : 240, 280, 291 1 ARD

Aitape:
Combat Units 26 FT
Escorts 1 : 1 SC : 745
Auxiliaries 5 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA) "TITANIA" (AKA)
1 YP : 516

Admiralties:
Combat Units 1 BB : "NEW JERSEY"
2 CVE : "CASABLANCA" "MUNDA"
2 DD : "HUNT" "HICKON"
3 SS : "S.42" "S.45" "S.47"

Escorts 22 : 9 DE : "PIEDMONT" "LASSEN" "DELAHANTY" "LAKE" "LYMAN"
"DONALDSON" "WITTER" "EICHENBERGER" "JAMES E. CRAIG"
4 PC : 477, 1131, 1132, 1139
4 SC : 741, 746, 747, 982, 1 ML 827
4 YMS : 49, 52, 70, 97

Auxiliaries 35 : "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" "PONAGANSET" (AO) "PASQUOTANK"
"RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR) "HERON" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL"
"SAMARITAN" (AH) "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS)
"CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "CRUX" "BOOTES" "LEONIS"
"SCULPTOR" (AK) "SILVERCLOUD" "ARMADILLO" "CARIBOU"
"ABARENDA" "ARETHUSA" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX)
"GEN. R.L.HOWZE" (AP) "CEBU" (ARG) "TAWARA" "TERN" (AT)
"ARGONNE" (AG)
1 ARD 2 YP : 288, 585 2 YRD : 1 ARSD

Saidor:
Auxiliaries 1 : "TANCRED" (AT)

Alexishafen-Madang:
Escorts 14 : 3 AMS : "ROCKHAMPTON" "COULBURN" "KIAMA"
3 SC : 703, 736, 742
8 ML : 426, 801, 803, 806, 812, 816, 819, 825

Auxiliaries 11 : "ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "OTUS" (AS) "CULEBRA ISLAND"
(ARG) "PING WO" (ASIS) 2 YRD 1 ARD 2 AFD
1 YP : 504

Langemak:
Combat Units 9 FT
Escorts 9 : 1 PF : "HAWKESBURY" 1 PS : "SWAN"
1 PC : "1121" 2 SC : 650, 734
2 YMS : 335, 336 1 ML : 802 1 FGM

Auxiliaires 9 : "ROCHAMBEAU" (AP) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AG)
"RACE POINT" "SHAWNEE" (AT) "PHOBOS" (AK) "CLYDE" (IX)
"MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "MESQUITE" (CGC)

Lae:
 Auxiliaires 1 : "COMFORT" (AH)

Morobe:
 Auxiliaires 1 : 1 AFD

Milne Bay:
 Combat Units 1 CVE : "ROI"
 1 CMS : "ARIADNE"

Escorts 11 : 2 DE : "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND"
 2 AMS : "STAWELL" "GEE LONG" 1 PC : 479
 1 PCE(R) : 850 1 SC : 738
 1 ML : 431 3 YMS : 233, 237, 449

Auxiliaires 18 : "CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) "MERKUR" (AF) "BUNGARIE" (CM)
 "SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT)
 1 ARD 3 YF 4 AFD 3 YP : 233, 237, 449

Port Moresby:
 Auxiliaires 2 : "WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/13:

- (1) "HOWORTH" (DD) escorting "WHITNEY" (AD) was to depart Guadalcanal 1100/10 for Seeadler Harbour ETA 14 Sept.
- (2) "JAMESTOWN" "STRATFORD" (AGP) departed Milne Bay 1400/11 for Treasury Is ETA 13 Sept.
- (3) "PC.1589" escorting "PROMETHEUS" (AR) was to depart Purvis Bay 0600/12 for Finschhafen, whence "PC.1242" returns to Purvis Bay: "PROMETHEUS" proceeds Seeadler.
- (4) "MANNING" (DE) escorting "CHIKASKIA" (AO) was to depart Purvis Bay 1700/11 for Seeadler Harbour ETA AM 14 Sept.: "MANNING" to return to Purvis Bay.
- (5) "GALE" (AM) escorting 1 MV departed Green Is 1900/12 ETA Torokina 1400/13.
- (6) "SC.505" escorting "ALDERAMIN" (AK) departed Green Is 1700/12 for Lunga.
- (7) "DEMSEY" (DE) escorting "ORIENTAL" departed Green Is 1830/12 for Lunga ETA 0500/14.
- (8) "SC.628" escorting "YP.520" departed Emirau 1700/11 for Lunga ETA 1800/15.
- (9) "PC.1130" escorting "DIXIE" (AD) was to depart Port Purvis 1200/10: escort detaches and proceeds Sydney: "DIXIE" proceeds Espiritu Santo.
- (10) "PC.584" was to depart Tulagi 1200/11 for Sydney ETA 1200/17.
- (11) "PC.596" escorting "WHIPSTOCK" (YO) departed Tulagi 1800/12 for Green Is ETA AM 15 Sept.

(b) In Harbour:

Emirau:
 Escorts 3 : 2 PC : 589, 1128 1 SC : 620
 Auxiliaires 1 : "AGAWAM" (AOG)

Green Is:
 Combat Units 12 FT
 Escorts 6 : 1 DE : "FOREMAN"
 3 SC : 677, 518, 1275 2 YMS : 95, 259
 Auxiliaires 1 : 1 YP : 514

Torokina:
 Escorts 7 : 2 DE : "WILLMARTH" "OSMUS"
 2 PC : 723, 1029 3 SC : 1274, 1188, 1590
 Auxiliaires 1 : "TAGANAK" (AC)

Treasury Is:
 Combat Units 34 FT
 4 PGM

Escorts 5 : 2 DE : "BOWERS" "WHITEHURST"
 1 SC : 722, 2 PC : 605, 1229

Auxiliaires 4 : "TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "BUTTERNUT" (YN) "HOLLAND" (AS)

Munda:
 Escorts 4 : 4 SC : 514, 702, 999, 1267
 Auxiliaires 1 : "CAMANGA" (AG)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/13:

- (1) "TULSA" (PG) was to depart Caloundra 1330/10 for Milne Bay ETA 0900/14.
- (2) "BURDEKIN" (PF) escorting "CERO" (SS) was to depart Caloundra 1800/9 Northbound: "BURDEKIN" proceeds Madang ETA 0700/16.
- (3) "SC.750" was to depart Cairns 1600/12 for Milne Bay ETA 1100/14.

(a) At Sea to 1200/13: (CONT)

- (4) "TASMAN" (AH) departed Milne Bay 1510/9 for Sydney ETA 1200/14.
 (5) "WRIGHT" (AV) departed Milne Bay 1300/10 for Brisbane ETA 1600/14.
 (6) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.

(b) In Harbour:

Merauke:
 Escorts 3 : 3 YMS: "RINDJANI" "SMEROE" "MERRARBOE"

Thursday Is:
 Escorts 6 : 6 AMS: "INVERELL" "FREMANTLE" "BALLARAT" "BUNBURY" "PIMII"
 "PARKES"

Auxiliaries 2 : "VIGILANT" (AMS) "KURUMBA" (AO)

Cairns:
 Escorts 8 : 2 AMS: "STRAHAN" "KALGOORLIE"
 3 SC: 699, 737, 748
 3 YMS: 73, 313, 314

Auxiliaries 6 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "BUTTORWOOD" (CCC)
 1 ARD 1 YP: 283

Townsville:
 Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "LATROBE" "KATOOMBA"
 Auxiliaries 3 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" "SHEPPARTON" (AGS)

Bowen:
 Auxiliaires 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (AR)S

Brisbane:
 Combat Units 3 SS : "HERMIT" "SEAWOLF" "FOLLACK"
 Escorts 14 : 1 FF: "OGDEN" 2 AMS: "WARRNAMBOOL" "WHYALLA"
 2 FCE: 848, 849
 8 ML: 424, 425, 804, 805, 808, 811, 820, 821
 1 FC: 4124

Auxiliaires 7 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "CARONDOLET" (IX)
 "BENILLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "PONTIUS" (AGF)
 1 YP: 421

Sydney:
 Combat Units 1 CL : "HOBART" (refitting)
 3 DD : "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"
 2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"

Escorts 6 : 3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"
 3 ML: 810, 822, 823

Auxiliaires 7 : "RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNMAN" (AE)
 "RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA" (AH)

Melbourne:
 Combat Units 1 DD : "NAPIER"
 Escorts 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA"
 Auxiliaires 2 : "PLATYFUS" (AR) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AF)

Adelaide:
 Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "IFSWICH" "BUNDABERG"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/13:

- (1) Task Unit 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESBY"
 4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUGA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAINE"
- (2) "BARCOO" (FF) escorting "KATOOMBA" was to depart Thursday Is 1100/10 for Darwin.
- (3) 13 submarines on patrol: 7 submarines on passage

(b) In Harbour:

Darwin:
 Combat Units 2 SS : "NAUTILUS" "NARWHAL"
 Escorts 5 : 5 ML: 429, 807, 809, 813, 814
 Auxiliaires 1 : "COUCAL" (ASR)

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At sea to 1200/13:

Nil

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

Escorts 2 : 1 AMS: "BOWEN"
1 ML: 815

Fremantle:

Combat Units 2 CL : "NIGERIA" "ADELAIDE"
22 SS : "ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BREAM" "CAERILLA" "CLYDE"
"COD" "HAMMERHEAD" "GUITARO" "GURNARD" "HOE" "PORPOISE"
"RATON" "RAY" "SANDLACE" "SEA ROVER" "STURDY" "SPITEFUL"
"TELEMACHUS" "ZWAARDFISCH" "K.14" "K.15"

Escorts

9 : 1 PF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
1 ES: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA"
1 SC: 729
1 ML: 824
2 YMS: 11, 72

Auxiliaries

7 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MILDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (FY)
"CHANTICLEER" (ASR)
1 ARD
1 YF: 286

A. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS - No further detail has been received regarding air strikes on 10 Sept. nor for operations for 11 Sept.

Night 11-12 Sept. both NE. and SW coasts of New Ireland were patrolled by PT boats which strafed coastal targets.

Photos 12 Sept. show Lakunai and Vunakanau runways in the Rabaul Area also the Panapai runway at Kavieng to be serviceable. One twinengined aircraft which had been at Vunakanau since 27 August has disappeared.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak Area - Night 9-10 August Wewak strip was bombed by 2 Beauforts and on 10 August by 26 Beauforts. On 11 Sept. Wewak and Boram strips were bombed by 8 Beauforts.

- (2) Maffin Bay Area - On 10 Sept. personnel and other targets in vicinity of Sarmi were attacked by 4 Thunderbolts.

Ground patrols report contact with enemy on 12 Sept. W. of Woske River but no further details have been received.

- (3) Geelvink Bay - Active patrolling continued 11 Sept. on Biak and Noemfoor Islands and mopping of small parties proceeds. Enemy casualties to 11 Sept. number:-

Biak: Killed or found dead	5456
Japs captured	388
Formosans captured	249
Noemfoor: Killed or found dead	1840
Japs captured	230
Formosans/Koreans captured	584

- (4) Manokwari - On 11 Sept. Manokwari and Ransiki strips were bombed and strafed by 9 Kittyhawks 2 Aircobras.

- (5) Sansapor - Active patrolling and ambushing continued 11 Sept. bringing the total known enemy dead up to 498: Japs captured number 77 and Formosans/Koreans captured total 159.

- (6) McCluer Gulf - On 10 Sept. Babo runways were bombed by 35 Bostons. On 11 Sept. Utarom airdrome was attacked by 21 Bostons 1 Mitchell and on 12 Sept. Kokas was attacked by 2 Bostons.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Kai Islands - On 10 Sept. small craft around Kai Islands shores were attacked by 8 Hittyhawks and on 11 Sept. villages in Kai Islands were attacked by 4 Kittyhawks.

- (2) Ambon Area - Neutralization of Ambon Area airfields was continued 10, 11 and 12 Sept. and reports received to date show the following strikes:-

Boela: 10 Sept. 46 Mitchells 24 Thunderbolts and 6 Bostons.

11 Sept. 12 Lightnings.

Amahai: 10 Sept. 45 Thunderbolts - additional to one group Bostons (36 aircraft) previously reported.

11 Sept. 27 Mitchells 34 Lightnings.

Old Namlea - 11 Sept. 67 Lightnings.

All ships attacked were rendered at least temporarily inoperative. The Lightnings which attacked Old Namlea airdrome destroyed an estimated 2 grounded planes and also strafed a sea truck off N. coast Boeroe Is. leaving the vessel sinking.

- (2) Ambon Area (Contd.) - A Navy Catalina over Ambon night 10-11 Sept. sank or destroyed 2 sea trucks and 1 large barge, drove aground and probably destroyed a small freighter transport and also strafed another sea truck with unobserved results, all in the Ambon - Piroe Bay area. At 1630/11 a reconnaissance Mitchell encountered 2 enemy fighters over Bocroe Is. which engaged the Mitchell for a short time with out aggression.
- (3) NW. Celebes - On 11 Sept. a lugger was attacked and hit by a reconnaissance Liberator close inshore near Dampal Bay.
- (4) SE. Celebes - Photos 9 Sept. with fair coverage of Kendari, Boroboro, Ambesia, Witicola and Tiworo show no aircraft present on any fields except Kandari where 9 fighters 8 medium bombers and 1 transport were present: all runways were serviceable.
- (5) Talauud Is. - On 12 Sept. Talauud Is. were attacked by a Cenpac aircraft carrier task group but no details are yet available.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) Sarangani Bay - Reconnaissance Liberator sighted a possible beached sea truck and 2 luggers in NE. Sarangani Bay.
- (2) Zamboanga - At 1045/10 Sept. 2 cargo vessels (1 medium 1 small) were observed approx. 15 miles NE. Zamboanga Harbor heading SW. At 0035/11 Sept San Roque airdrome was bombed by a Liberator. During daylight 11 Sept. a reconnaissance Liberator observed 1 large merchant ship and 5 small freighters or sea trucks in Zamboanga Harbor in addition to another 4 sea trucks and 4 luggers in the Zamboanga - Basilan Is. area.
- (3) W. Mindanao - At 0710/11 Sept. 3 small cargo vessels were observed off Sandangan Pt. course SW.
- (4) Central Philippines - At 0715/12 Sept. a convoy comprising 4 small freighters with two escorts described as 1 light cruiser and 1 destroyer were observed off San Jose (W. coast Panay) course N. At 1240/12 Sept. 2 warships described as battleships and 3 disguised escort vessels were observed in Southern Tanon Strait course SW.
- (5) Davao - On 12 Sept. Davao and Palmas Is. off Davao were attacked by aircraft from strong Cenpac aircraft carrier task groups but no details are yet available.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. CAROLINES

- (1) Palau - Night 10-11 Sept Peleliu and Ngesebus airfields and the Arakabesan seaplane base were attacked by 4 Liberators. On 12 Sept. Palau was attacked by aircraft from a Cenpac aircraft carrier task group and was also bombarded by heavy units. No details are yet available.
- (2) Ponape - On 9 Sept. fortifications and the 2 airdromes on Ponape were attacked by 12 Cenpac Mitchells.
- (3) Marshalls - On 9 Sept. Mille and Jaluit were attacked by formations of Cenpac Dauntless and Corsairs.

(4) Formosa - Photos 9 Sept. show a very great reduction of shipping at Takao and Toshien compared with tonnage present on 29-30 Aug. In Takao Harbor there are shown to be 1 destroyer and 33,700 tons of merchant shipping including 1 large tanker; At Toshien 26,900 tons merchant shipping including 1 large tanker are visible but no warships.



Comparative figure end Aug are:-

Takao: (excluding convoy outside harbor): 118,800 tons merchant shipping, 12 naval craft including 5 destroyers.

Toshien: 67,000 tons including 56,000 tons anchored outside harbor.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Repeated strikes Talaud Is., Mindanao and Palau by strong Blue task forces.
- (2) Continued shipping activity in the Philippines.
- (3) Neutralization Ambon Area airdromes.
- (4) Continued success of night Catalinas Ambon Area.

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Distribution:

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES
(incl. mandates)

% South west Pacific
(Eastern section)

South Pacific

<u>BB</u>	NEW JERSEY			
<u>CVE</u>	(15) ADMIRALTY ISLANDS CHEMANGO FARSHAW BAY HOGGATT BAY MIDWAY MUNDA NASSAU NEHEMATA BAY	ROI SANGAMON RUDYERD BAY SANTEE STEAMER BAY SARGENT BAY SUWANNEE	(3) MATANIKAU CAPE EXPERANCE LONG ISLAND	-
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		-	-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX HOBART	@ LEANDER	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER WRIGHT		-	-
<u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINCOTEAGUE ORCA	-	-
<u>DD</u>	(46) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA STUART NAPIER NETAL ABNER READ ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL DAVID W. TAYLOR EVANS FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HOWORTH HUGHES HUTCHINS	JENKINS JOHN D. HENLY JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON PAUL HAMILTON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER RUSSELL SIGSBEE STACK STEVENS TAYLOR THATCHER	8	-
<u>SS</u>	(7) BASHAW DACE DARTER CERO (3) S.42 S.45 (3) PERMIT POLLACK SEAWOLF (2) K.9	GUAVINA FLOUNDER FLYING FISH STINGRAY S.47 K.12	) ) ) on patrol)) on passage) at Soodlor) at Brisbane) at Sydney	

% Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily operating at sea
this area.
@ Non-effective.

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u> (incl. mandates)
Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)	South Pacific	
<u>T</u>	Approx. 175	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>APD</u>	(11) H.T.ALLEN (APA) KANIMBLA WESTRALIA ALCORAB (AKA) TITANIA WARD (APD) SCHLEY HEBERT CROSBY KILTY	3 APD
<u>AGC</u>	(2) BLUE RIDGE WASATCH	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OTUS HOLLAND ORION	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBBIN	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR) PLATIPUS MEDUSA MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARC) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENT (ARS) CABLE	-
<u>LSD</u>	CARTER HALL	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALIEGH RICHMOND	ABUKUMA
<u>CD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

@ ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

		Philippines - E. Indies			Empire		
<u>BB</u>	(17)	IOWA SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND OKLAHOMA	(3)	MUSASHI NAGATO FUSO	(5) YAMAYO YAMASHIRO EKONGO ISE) con- HYUGA) vert ed to car- ry a/c
<u>CV</u>	(9)	SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP		-	(5) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA AMAGI	
<u>CVL</u>	(9)	CABOT COWPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY			(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSHO ZUIHO ERYUHO (poss. sunk)	
<u>CVT</u>	(23)	GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATCHA BAY OMMANEY BAY	PETROF BAY SITKOH BAY ALTALANA BARNES GRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPANEE	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND SALAMAUA PRINCE WILLIAM SAVO ISLAND WHITE PALMS		UNYO	(2) KAIYO JINYO
<u>CA</u>	(13)	BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WITCHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND		(11)	AOBA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI	EMAYA
<u>OCA</u>							6
<u>CL</u>	(17)	COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SANDELEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE MIAMI	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VINCENNES HOUSTON	(4)	YAHAGI NOSHIRO KINU KITAGAMI	(6) SEKAWA OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (prob. sunk)
<u>CLT</u>						KASHII	KASHIMA
<u>ASVS</u>	(4)	CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD				(2) AKITOMISHIMA & NOTORO
<u>DD</u>		Approx. 180				25-30	20 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>		Approx. 30				30	Approx. 30
<u>AS</u>		?				?	2 (1 repair- ing)

@ Some of these units operating temporarily in SWPA.
& Non-effective.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
		<u>Southwest Pacific</u> <u>(Western Section)</u>	<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>	<u>Malay-Indian Ocean</u>
<u>BB</u>	-		(5) HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RICHELIU	HARUNA
<u>CV</u>	-		(3) VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	-
<u>CVE</u>	-		(6) BATTLER THELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMEER	OTAKA
<u>CA</u>	-		(3) CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK	-
<u>CL</u>	(2) ADELAIDE NIGERIA		(6) KENYA NEWCASTLE CEYLON TROMP GAMBIA PHOEBE	-
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-		(1) ALBATROSS	-
<u>L</u>	-		(2) CANTON CHITRAL	-
<u>DD</u>	-		Approx. 27	5
<u>SS</u>	(13)	BLUEFISH HADDO MINGO CREVALLE HAKE PADDLE FLASHER HARDER PARGO GUNNEL JACK MUSKELLUNGE REDFIN	} Approx. 16	12 (incl. 7 German)
	(7)	BATFISH O.19 TANTIVY BONEFISH P.318 SIRDAR LAPON	} on passage	
	(2)	NARWHAL NAUTILUS	} at Darwin	
	(22)	ANGLER COD SEA ROVER ASPRO GUITARO SAND LACE BLUEGILL BURNARD SPITEFUL BREAM PORPOISE STURDY CARRILLA RATON TELEMACHUS CLYDE RAY ZWARDFISCH K.14 ROE HAMMERHEAD K.15	} at Fremantle	
<u>AS</u>	(3)	MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN EURYALE		

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u> <u>BISMARCKS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
Fighters	-	3	124	433	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	57	159	10
T/E Bombers	-	-	115	192	15
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Float Plane	10	-	60	30	220
Obsn. A/C	-	2	23	42	10
	10	5	385	869	94

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA
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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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PART I(i) ALLIED FORCESSOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS(a) At Sea to 1200/14:

- (1) (i) Task Force 77.1 : 6 CVE: "SANGAMON" "SUWANNEE" "CHENANGO" "SANTREE"
"FANSHAW BAY" "MIDWAY"
8 DE : "R.S.BULL" "R.M.ROWELL" "EVERSOLE" "DENIS"
"J.C.BUTLER" "RAYMOND" "EDMONDS" "SHELTON"
- Task Force 77.2 : 2 CA : "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE"
3 EL : "PHOENIX" "BOISE" "NASHVILLE"
10 DD : "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "AMMEN" "MULLANY" "HUTCHINS"
"BEALE" "BACHE" "DALY" "ABNER READ" "BUSH"
- Task Force 77.3 : 1 AGC: "WASATCH"
11 DD : "ANDERSON" "MORRIS" "MUSTIN" "McKEE" "STEVENS"
"RUSSELL" "FLETCHER" "STACK" "TAYLOR" "JENKINS"
"LA VALLETTE"
5 APD: "KILTY" "CROSEY" "HERBERT" "WARD" "SCHLEY"
1 APA: "MANOCORA"
1 LSD: "CARTER HALL"
- Task Force 77.3.1 : 36 LCI: 12 LST 12 LCT
2 PC : 1119, 1134 2 LCI(G) 2 LCI (R)
1 LCI(D) 1 AT : SONOMA "
- Task Force 77.3.2 : 4 PC : 1120, 1133, 476, 1122 4 YMS: 8, 46, 41, 9
4 LCI(G) 2 LCI(R) 1 LCI(F)
- Task Group 77.4 : 4 DD : "HOPEWELL" "LANG" "NICHOLAS" "O'BANNON"
1 FS : "ALFREDO"
2 YMS: 316, 393
1 HDML 1074 12 LST (including 1 LCT(Rad.))
18 LCI 4 AK
- Task Group 77.5 : 4 DD : "RINGGOLD" "SCHROEDER" "SIGSBEE" "DASHIELL"
8 LST
- (2) "ROI" (CVE) departed Manus Is. 1100/11 for U.S.A. via Vitiaz Strait.
(3) "MUNDA" (CVE) departed Manus Is. 1300/11 for U.S.A. via Vitiaz Strait.
(4) "ADMIRALTY ISLAND" (CVE) proceeding from U.S.A. to Finschhafen ETA 15 Sept. thence Seeadler.
(5) "EVANS" (DD) departed Owi Is. 1430/12 for Manus Is. ETA 1500/14.
(6) "WATO" (AT) departed Madang 1700/11 for Woendi ETA 0800/15.
(7) "REMUS" (ARL) was to depart Alexishafen about 12 Sept. and proceed Woendi.
(8) "THOMASON" (DE) departed Humboldt Bay 1800/12 for S.P.A. via Finschhafen and Milne Bay, whence ETD 1600/16 for Purvis Bay.
(9) "CASTOR" (AKS) proceeding S.P.A. to Finschhafen ETA 17 Sept., thence Manus.
(10) 7 submarines on patrol: 1 submarine on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Sansapor:

Combat Units 47 FT
 Auxiliaries 5 : 2 APG: "OYSTER BAY" "MOB JACK"
 2 AVP: "HALF MOON" "SAN CARLOS"
 1 AT : "CHETCO"

Isak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 71
 Escorts- 15 : 6 PF : "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON" "ORANGE" "BURLINGTON"
 "CARSON CITY" "LONG BEACH"
 5 AMS: "ARARAT" "GLENELG" "KAPUNDA" "COWRA" "TOWNSVILLE"
 3 ML : 428, 817, 818 1 PC : 1123
 Auxiliaries 30 : "TANGIER" (AV) "ORCA" "SAN PABLO" (AVP) "ORION" (AS) "VARUNA"
 "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WILLOUGHBY" "WACHAPREAGUE" "KOOBA" (AGP)
 "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" "SALAMONIE" (AO) "CHIPPEWA" "HIDATSA"
 (AT) "OCTANS" (AF) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "SILVERBELL" "TEABERRY"
 (YN) "ARAYAT" "MINK" (IX) "VIREO" (ATF) "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL"
 (AM) "POLLUX" (AKS)
 2 YFD 1 ATR 2 YP : 236, 278

Maffin Bay:

Combat Units 1 CMS : "ARIADNE"
 Escorts 2 : 1 SC : 698 1 PF : "MUSKOGEE"
 Auxiliaries 5 : "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "CHERACHET" (AO) "GEN. JOHN POPE" (AP)
 "QUAPAW" (ATF) "CABLE" (ARS)

Humboldt Bay:

Combat Units 4 DD : "MURRAY" "HARRISON" "HUGHES" "JOHN RODGERS"
 Escorts 28 : 9 PF : "BISBEE" "SAN PEDRO" "GALLUP" "GLENDALE" "ROCKFORD"
 "CORONADO" "EL PASO" "EUGENE" "VAN BUREN"
 9 AMS: "LITHGOW" "BENDIGO" "COLAC" "COOTAMUNDIRA" "WAGGA"
 "GLADSTONE" "GYMPIE" "DELORAINIE" "BROOME"
 7 SC : 637, 732, 735, 743, 744, 749, 981
 3 YMS: 10, 47, 334
 Auxiliaries 24 : "BLUE RIDGE" (ACG) "BISHOPDALE" (AO) "ELKHORN" "SEEKONK"
 "SAKATONCHEE" "SUSQUEHANNA" (AOG) "PYRO" "POYANG" (AE)
 "DOBBIN" (AD) "DERRICK" (YO) "TEAK" (AN) "INDUS" "GANYMEDE"
 "MURZIM" (AK) "VILLALOBOS" "OCTARA" "PANDA" (IX)
 2 YP : 240, 291 1 ARD

Aitape:

Combat Units 18 FT
 Escorts 1 : 1 SC : 745
 Auxiliaries 5 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA) "TITANIA" (AKA)
 1 YP : 516

Admiralties:

Combat Units 1 BB : "NEW JERSEY"
 1 CVE : "CASABLANCA"
 4 DD : "HUNT" "HICKON" "RADFORD" "HOWORTH"
 3 SS : "S.42" "S.45" "S.47"
 Escorts 23 : 9 DE : "PIEDMONT" "LASSEN" "DELAHANTY" "LAKE" "LYMAN"
 "DONALDSON" "WITTER" "EICHENBERGER" "JAMES E. CRAIG"
 4 PC : 477, 1131, 1132, 1139 1 PS : "SWAN"
 4 SC : 741, 746, 747, 982 1 ML : 827
 4 YMS: 49, 52, 70, 97
 Auxiliaries 39 : "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" "PONAGANSET" "MASCOMA" "CHIKASKIA"
 (AO) "PASQUOTANK" "RIO GRANDE" (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR) "HERON"
 (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL" "SAMARITAN" (AH) "ALABASTER" (FYC)
 "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD" (AN) "CRUX" "BOOTE"
 "BOOTES" "LEONIS" "SCULPTOR" (AK) "SILVERCLOUD" "ARMADILLO"
 "CARIBOU" "ABARENDA" "ARETHUSA" "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX)
 "GEN. R.L. HOWZE" (AP) "CEBU" (ARG) "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT)
 "ARGONNE" (AG) "WHITNEY" (AD)
 1 ARD 3 YP : 280, 288, 585
 2 YRD 1 ABSD

Saidor:

Auxiliaries 1 : "TANCRED" (AT)

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 14 : 3 AMS: "ROCKHAMFTON" "GOULBURN" "KIAMA"
 3 SC : 703, 736, 742
 8 ML : 426, 801, 803, 806, 812, 816, 819, 825

Alexishafen-Madang: (CONT)

Auxiliaries	11	:	"ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "OTUS" (AS) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "PING WO" (ASIS)	2 <u>YRD</u> 2 <u>AFD</u>	1 <u>YF</u> : 504
<u>Langemak:</u>					
Combat Units	4	FT			
Escorts	7	:	1 <u>PF</u> : "HAWKESBURY"	1 <u>FC</u> : 1121	
			2 <u>SC</u> : 650, 734	2 <u>YMS</u> : 335, 336	
			1 <u>ML</u> : 802	1 <u>PGM</u>	
Auxiliaries	10	:	"ROCHAMBEAU" (AP) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AG) "RACE POINT" "SHAWNEE" (AT) "PHOBOS" (AK) "CLYDE" (IX) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "MESQUITE" (CGC) "PROMETHEUS" (AR)		
<u>Lae:</u>					
Auxiliaries	1	:	"COMFORT" (AH)		
<u>Oro Bay:</u>					
Auxiliaries	1	:	"ROCHAMBEAU" (AP)		
<u>Morobe:</u>					
Auxiliaries	1	:	1 <u>AFD</u>		
<u>Milne Bay:</u>					
Combat Units	4	PT			
Escorts	8	:	2 <u>DE</u> : "LOVELACE" "ENGLAND"		
			3 <u>AMS</u> : "STAWELL" "GEELONG" "STRAHAN"		
			1 <u>FC</u> : 479	1 <u>FCE</u> (R) : 850	
			1 <u>ML</u> : 431	2 <u>SC</u> : 738, 750	
Auxiliaries	20	:	"CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) "MIZAR" "MERKUR" (AF) "BUNGAREE" (CM) "SHASTA" (AE) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "TUESA" (AG) 1 <u>ARD</u> 3 <u>YF</u> 4 <u>AFD</u> 3 <u>YF</u> : 233, 237, 449		
<u>Port Moresby</u>					
Auxiliaries	2	:	"WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)		

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/14:

- (1) "SC.628" escorting "YP.520" departed Emirau 1700/11 for Lunga ETA 1800/15.
- (2) "PC.596" escorting "WHIPSTOCK" (YO) departed Tulagi 1800/12 for Green Is ETA A.M. 15 Sept.
- (3) "PC.1128" escorting "AGAWAM" (AOG) departed Emirau 1700/13 for Tulagi ETA 1800/16.
- (4) "WINTLE" (DE) escorting "HIGH FLIER" proceeding Torkina to Emirau ETA 1300/14.
- (5) "YP.514" departed Green Is. 1645/13 for Lunga ETA 1500/15.
- (6) "KIWI" (YMS) escorting "PATAPSCO" (AOG) departed Tulagi 0800/14 for Treasury Is. ETA P.M. Sept. 15, thence Torokina and return to Tulagi.
- (7) "PC.1589" departed Finschhafen P.M. Sept. 13 for Furvis Bay.

(b) In Harbour:Emirau:

Escorts	2	:	1 <u>FC</u> : 589, 1 <u>SC</u> : 620
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Green Is:

Combat Units	12	PT		
Escorts	6	:	1 <u>DE</u> : "FOREMAN"	
			3 <u>SC</u> : 677, 518, 1275	2 <u>YMS</u> : 95, 259

Torokina:

Escorts	7	:	2 <u>DE</u> : "WILLMARTH" "OSMUS"	
			2 <u>FC</u> : 723, 1029	3 <u>SC</u> : 1274, 1188, 1590
Auxiliaries	2	:	"TAGANAK" (AO) "GALE" (AM)	

Treasury Is:

Combat Units	34	PT		
	4	PGM		
Escorts	5	:	2 <u>DE</u> : "BOWERS" "WHITEHURST"	
			1 <u>SC</u> : 722	2 <u>FC</u> : 605, 1229
Auxiliaries	7	:	"TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "BUTTERNUT" (YN) "HOLLAND" (AS) "JAMESTOWN" "STRATFORD" (AGP) 1 <u>YF</u> : 515	

Munda:

Escorts	4	:	4 <u>SC</u> : 514, 702, 999, 1267	
Auxiliaries	1	:	"CAMANGA" (AG)	

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At Sea to 1200/14:

- (1) "BURDEKIN" (FF) escorting "CERO" (SS) was to depart Caloundra 1800/9 Northbound:
 "BURDEKIN" proceeds Madang ETA 0700/16.
- (2) "WRIGHT" (AV) departed Milne Bay 1300/10 for Brisbane ETA 1600/14.
- (3) "YMS.315" departed Milne Bay 1300/12 for Cairns ETA 1600/14.
- (4) "SHFFARTON" (AGS) proceeding Cairns to Thursday Is.
- (5) "BINGERA" (AG) departed Sydney 1400/12 for Madang ETA 1500/31.
- (6) "FC.1130" proceeding from S.F.A. to Sydney ETA 0800/16.
- (7) "FC.584" departed Tulagi 1200/11 for Sydney ETA 1200/17.
- (8) "HEROS" (AT) with tow departed Newcastle 0045/2 for Bowen.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:Escorts 3 : 3 YMS: "RINDJANI" "SMEROE" "MERBARBOE"Thursday Is:Escorts 6 : 6 AMS: "INVERELL" "FREMANTLE" "BALLARAT" "BUNBURY" "FIRIE"
"PARKES"

Auxiliaries 2 : "VIGILANT" (AMS) "KURUMBA" (AO)

Cairns:Escorts 7 : 1 AMS: "KALGOORLIE"
3 SC: 699, 737, 748
3 YMS: 73, 313, 314Auxiliaries 6 : "FIRE ISLAND" (AT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "BUTTORWOOD" (CCC)
1 ARD
1 YF: 283Townsville:Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "LATROBE" "KATOOMBA"

Auxiliaries 2 : "STELLA" "FORARIS" (AGS)

Bowen:

Auxiliaries 1 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS)

Brisbane:Combat Units 3 SS : "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF" "POLLACK"Escorts 14 : 1 PF: "OGDEN" 2 AMS: "WARRNABOOL" "WHYALLA"2 FCE: 848, 8498 ML: 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 8211 FC: 1124Auxiliaries 7 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "CARONDOLET" (IX)
"BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "PONTUS" (AGF)
1 YF: 421Sydney:Combat Units 1 CL : "HOBART" (refitting)3 DD : "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"2 SS : "K." "K.12"Escorts 6 : 3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"3 ML: 810, 822, 823

Auxiliaries 8 : "RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" (AE)

"RESERVE" "POINT LOMA" (AT) "MANUNDA" "TASMAN" (AH)

Melbourne:Combat Units 1 DD : "NAPIER"Escorts 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA"

Auxiliaries 2 : "PLATYPUS" (AR) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AP)

Adelaide:Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "IESWICH" "BUNDABERG"4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/14:

- (1) Task Unit 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESBY"
4 AMS: "HOFSHAM" "ECHUGA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAIN"
- (2) "BARCOO" (FF) escorting "KATOOMBA" was to depart Thursday Is 1100/10 for Darwin.
- (3) 13 submarines on patrol: 7 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Combat Units 2 SS : "NAUTILUS" "NARWHAL"
 Escorts 5 : 5 ML : 429, 807, 809, 813, 814
 Auxiliaries 1 : "COUCAL" (ASR)

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/14:

(1) "LAUNCESTON" "BATHURST" (AMS) escorting "EUROPE" proceeding Addu Atoll.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

Escorts 2 : 1 AMS : "BOWEN"
 1 ML : 815

Fremantle:

Combat Units 2 CL : "NIGERIA" "ADELAIDE"
 22 SS : "ANGLER" "ASPRO" "BLUEGILL" "BREAM" "CABRILLA" "CLYDE"
 "COD" "HAMMERHEAD" "GUITARO" "GURNARD" "HOE" "FORPOISE"
 "RATON" "RAY" "SANDLACE" "SEA ROVER" "STURDY" "SPITEFUL"
 "TELEMACHUS" "ZWAARDFISCH" "K.14" "K.15"
 Escorts 9 : 1 PF : "CORPUS CHRISTI"
 1 ES : "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 3 AMS : "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILDURA"
 1 SC : 729
 1 ML : 824
 2 YMS : 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 7 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (FY)
 "CHANICLEER" (ASR)
 1 ARD
 1 YP : 286

A. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - Night 10-11 Buin Area was harrassed by one Mitchell which dropped bombs on Poporang Is. During 11 Sept. targets widely spread over Bougainville were attacked by patrol aircraft. Night 11-12 Sept. Kahili was bombed by 1 harrassing Mitchell. On 12 Sept. targets in Choiseul were attacked by 6 Mitchells, Fauro Is. was attacked by another 6 Mitchells and buildings and huts inland between Torokina and Kieta were attacked by 43 Corsairs led in by 1 Avenger.
- (2) New Ireland - On 11 Sept. buildings and huts in Northern New Ireland were attacked by 16 Corsairs. Night 11-12 Sept. Kavieng and Panapai were bombed by 2 Mitchells and during 12 Sept. a variety of targets were attacked by 6 Corsairs.
- (3) Gazelle Peninsula - The main air strikes on 11 and 12 Sept. were directed at the bivouac areas at Waitavalo on Ataliklikun and against Pondo on the W. coast. 30 Dauntless 10 Mitchells 21 Corsairs were involved 11 Sept. and 55 Dauntless 30 Corsairs on 12 Sept. In addition sweeps around the Peninsula were conducted both days by small formations of Corsairs.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak Area - Additional reports indicate that Wewak strip and other targets in the vicinity were attacked 12 Sept. by an aggregate of 16 Beauforts. Aircraft crews report that Wewak strip was considered unserviceable with many unfilled craters: There was no sign of work on Boram. PM 13 Sept. Wewak strip was again bombed by 10 Beauforts. PT boats operating off the Wewak coast night 12-13 Sept. made no contact with enemy coastal traffic. Ground patrols operating Eastwards from Driniumor River reached Marubian on 12 Sept, through Babuing, without enemy contact.
- (2) Maffin Bay Area - The contact made with enemy 12 Sept. in the Woske River Area was apparently with a party of some 25 armed Japs.
- (3) Manokwari Area - On 12 Sept Manokwari strip was bombed by 12 Thunderbolts, Manokwari town by 6 Kittyhawks and Moemi by 6 Aircobras. Kittyhawks pilots report that part of the Manokwari strip appeared serviceable and that repairs were probably in progress.
- (4) Sorong - Further reports state that Samate strip was bombed and strafed by 12 Kittyhawks, during 12 Sept. by 22 Kittyhawks and AM 13 Sept. Samate strip was again attacked by 12 Kittyhawks. Pilots report that both Jefman and Samate strips appeared unserviceable.
- (5) McCluer Gulf - On 12 Sept. Babo was bombed by 39 Bostons led in by 3 Mitchells, Mongosah was bombed by 12 Bostons and Sagan by 9 Bostons. On 13 Sept. road targets near Kaimana were attacked by 8 Kittyhawks and a total of 16 prauws and canoes were attacked by 4 Kittyhawks conducting a sweep of McCluer Gulf shores.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Kai Islands - At 0415/12 Sept. Langgoer strip was bombed by 5 Mitchells and at 1030/13 Sept. Langgoer was again bombed by 10 Mitchells. AM 13 Sept. Kai Is. shores were swept by 2 Beauforts which strafed a lugger off shore and several coastal targets.
- (2) Ceram - During 13 Sept. a coastal sweep was conducted by 2 Beaufighters which strafed 3 prauws 2 barges probably destroying one of each type.

- (2) Ceram (Contd.) - AM 13 Sept. a suspected radar station on SE tip Ceram was bombed by 6 Bostons as alternative to Boela: 2 Small craft in the same vicinity were also strafed by the Bostons.
A late report states the Boela strip was bombed 1200/11 Sept. by 6 Corsairs.
- (3) Ambon Area - Further reports show that additional 11 Lightnings 9 Thunderbolts attacked Amahai PM 11 Sept. and that an additional 6 Mitchells 12 Lightnings attacked Kairatoo strip PM 11 Sept. Lightnings returning from attacks on airfields 11 Sept. (already reported) also strafed buildings in Ambon town and set two small freighters on fire in Ambon Harbor.
On 12 Sept. runways on Old Namlea airdrome were dive bombed by 15 Lightnings and a reconnaissance Mitchell attacked and sank 3 supply laden sailing vessels off NW coast Boeroe Is.
Photos 10 Sept. show 2 medium bombers 1 fighter serviceable in addition to 14 other unserviceable aircraft on Laha airdrome: the runway was serviceable.
- (4) Halmaheras - Midday 11 Sept. Galela airdrome was bombed by 12 Liberators and Miti runway was bombed by 13 Liberators. At the same time Kau airdrome was attacked by 44 Bostons.
On 12 Sept Lolobata was attacked by 3 Squadrons Liberators, Hatetabako by one Squadron Liberators, personnel areas at Galela by 21 Mitchells, Kau town by 18 Mitchells and reported radio installations at Morotai by 6 Liberators.
- (5) N. Celebes - Lembeh Straits waterfront targets were bombed night 11-12 Sept. by 2 Liberators and started fires and scored a near miss on an unidentified merchant ship. At 1130/12 Sept. 1 medium merchant ship and 2 luggers were observed by aircraft anchored in Lembeh Straits.
At 0130-0200/12 Sept. Manado town was bombed by 2 Liberators: the first run over the target was apparently a complete surprise as the township was not blacked out.
On 12 Sept. Mapanget, Langoan and Sidate strips were bombed by 48 Liberators dropping 157 tons bombs: there was neither opposition nor interception. Escorting Lightnings strafed small craft including some 12 luggers or sea trucks in Manado Bay setting some on fire. The Lightnings reported that fires started in Manado town by 2 Liberators which attacked previous night were still burning.
- (6) Molucca Sea - A preliminary report from aircraft in flight states that at 1345/13 Sept. a convoy comprising 5 large merchant ships with 1 cruiser was observed 105 miles ESE of Kendari course 330°. It is considered that size of the ships is exaggerated.

4. PHILIPPINES

- (1) S. Luzon - At approx. 1100/13 Sept. 2 groups of ships one described as 4 small freighters and the other as 2 large loaded cargo vessels with 2 destroyers, were observed heading S. through Verde Is. Passage having come out of Manila Bay.
- (2) Central Philippines - Preliminary reports state that airfields and shipping in the Leyte-Cebu area were heavily attacked 12 and 13 Sept. by a strong Cenpac aircraft carrier task force. The strikes on 12 Sept. at least, are reported to have been highly successful but no further details are yet available.
- (3) S. Mindanao - 2 escort vessels were attacked by a U.S. submarine near Sarangani Strait night 12-13 Sept.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC

1. CAROLINES - Details concerning the carrier task force attack on Palau 12 Sept. show that beach defenses and gun positions at Peleiu and buildings on Angaur were attacked during 270 sorties expending 77 tons bombs plus 116 rockets.

1. CAROLINES (Contd.) - Preliminary reports show that Palau was again attacked 13 Sept. by aircraft from a Cenpac aircraft carrier task group which attacked coastal defenses and Angaur light house; extensive desolation rendered specific assessment of damage impossible. Heavy surface units also bombarded Palau.
In addition to the above Peleliu and Ngesebus airfields were bombed by 2 Liberators night 11-12 Sept.
2. MARSHALLS - On 10 Sept. Wotje was bombed by 36 Corsairs.
3. MARIANAS - A preliminary report from aircraft in flight indicates that at 1305/13, 2 Jap landing craft type ships were attacked approx. 300 miles WNW of Pagan Is. on course 1000.
4. NAMPOSHOTO - Night Sept 9 Iwo Jima runway was bombed by 1 Liberator. On 10 Sept. airfields and installations on Iwo Jima were bombed by 16 Liberators: 7-10 enemy fighters intercepted and at least 5 were shot down: 3 Liberators were damaged of which one crash landed at base.
5. FORMOSA - Photos 10 sept. show 103,000 tons of merchant shipping including 3 large tankers 1 transport 4 medium and 3 small freighter transports in addition to 4 probable naval vessels Takao Harbor. Shipping in Toshien Harbor totals 31,900 tons including 2 large tankers 2 large transports and 1 large freighter transport. These photos show more normal shipping than those of 9 Sept. indicating possible incomplete coverage on that date.
6. HONG KONG - Photos 10 Sept. show 120,700 tons merchant shipping at Hong Kong

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Heavy strikes on Central Philippines and Palau by strong Blue task forces.
- (2) Continued shipping activity in the Philippines.
- (3) Neutralization Ambon, Halmahera and Manado airdromes.
- (4) Shipping reconnaissance Formosa and S. China coast.

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCE</u>
<u>%</u> South west Pacific (Eastern Section)		South Pacific	
<u>BB</u>	(1) NEW JERSEY		
<u>CVE</u>	(10) ADMIRALTY ISLANDS CHENANGO MIDWAY MUNDA CASABLANCA	SANGAMON SANTEE SARGENT BAY SUWANNEE FANSHAW BAY	(4) MATANIKAU CAPE ESPERANCE LONG ISLAND ROI
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		
<u>C</u>	(4) BOISE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX HOBART	@ LEANDER
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER	WRIGHT	
<u>XAV/XCVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINCOTEAU ORCA	
<u>DD</u>	(38) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA NAPIER NEPAL ABNER READ ALMEN ANDERSON BACHE BEALE BUSH DALY DASHIELL FLETCHER FLETCHER HARRISON HOPEWELL HOWORTH HUGHES HUTCHINGS	JENKINS JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER RUSSELL STACK STEVENS TAYLOR HUNT HICKON	
<u>AD</u>	WHITNEY		10
<u>SS</u>	(7) BASHAW DACE DARTER CERO (3) S.42 S.45 (3) PERMIT POLLACK (2) K.9	GUAVINA) FLOUNDER) FLYING FISH) on patrol STINGRAY) S.47) SEAWOLF) at Seeadler K.12) at Sydney	

% Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily operating at sea.
@ Non-effective.

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

	<u>Southwest Pacific</u> (<u>Eastern Section</u>)	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u> <u>South Pacific</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u> (incl. mandates)
<u>PT</u>	Approx. 175	-	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>APD</u>	(10) H. T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMBLA WESTRALIA TITANIA WARD (APD) SCHLEY HEBERT CROSBY KILTY	3 APD	-
<u>AGC</u>	(2) BLUE RIDGE WASATCH	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OTUS HOLLAND ORION	-	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBBIN	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR) PLATIPUS MEDUSA MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARC) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENT (ARS) CABLE	-	-
<u>LSD</u>	CARTER HALL	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-	(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALIEGH RICHMOND	ABUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9	5
<u>SS</u>	10	Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON	-
<u>DD</u>	9	-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC

@ ALLIED FORCES

ENEMY FORCES

Philippines -
E. Indies

Empire

		Philippines - E. Indies		ENEMY FORCES
<u>BB</u>	(17)	IOWA SOUTH DAKOTA INDIANA MASSACHUSETTS ALABAMA	NORTH CAROLINA WEST VIRGINIA WASHINGTON COLORADO CALIFORNIA PENNSYLVANIA	TENNESSEE (3) MISSISSIPPI IDAHO MARYLAND OKLAHOMA
				MUSASHI (5) YAMATO YAMASH EKONGO ISE) HYUGA) ed to carry
<u>CV</u>	(10)	SARATOGA ENTERPRISE YORKTOWN LEXINGTON HORNET	FRANKLIN INTREPID ESSEX BUNKER HILL WASP	- (5) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAK HAYATA AMAGI
<u>CVE</u>	(9)	CABOT COWPENS BATAAN BELLEAU WOOD INDEPENDENCE	LANGLEY PRINCETON SAN JACINTO MONTEREY	(5) CHITOSH CHIYODA HOSHO ZUIHO ERYUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>CVE</u>	(27)	GAMBIER BAY HOLLANDIA HOGGATT BAY KADASHAN BAY KALININ BAY KITKUN BAY MANILA BAY NATOMA BAY OMMANEY BAY	PETROF BAY SITKOH BAY RUDYERD BAY ALTAMAHA BARNES GRETON SHAMROCK BAY COPAHEE NEHENTA BAY	CORAL SEA CORREGIDOR STEAMER BAY LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND SALAMAUA PRINCE WILLIAM SAVO ISLAND WHITE PLAINS
				JINYO KAIYO
<u>CA</u>	(13)	BALTIMORE BOSTON CHESTER CANBERRA WITCHITA NEW ORLEANS LOUISVILLE	MINNEAPOLIS PENSACOLA INDIANAPOLIS SAN FRANCISCO SALT LAKE CITY PORTLAND	(11) AOBA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI
<u>OCA</u>				- 6
<u>CL</u>	(17)	COLUMBIA CLEVELAND DENVER MONTPELIER HONOLULU ST LOUIS	BIRMINGHAM SANTA FE SAN DIEGO SAN JUAN MOBILE MIAMI	BILOXI OAKLAND RENO VICINNES HOUSTON
				(4) YAHAGI (6) NOSHIRO KINU KITAGAMI SEKAWA OYODO NAGARA ISUZU TAMA KISO (pro sun)
<u>CLT</u>				KASHII KASHIMA
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(4)	CURTISS POCOMOKE	CHANDELEUR BALLARD	- (2) AKITSUSHIMA NOTORO
<u>DD</u>		Approx. 180		25-30 20 (several repairing)
<u>SS</u>		Approx. 30		10 Approx. 45
<u>AS</u>			?	? 2 (1 repair ing)

@ Some of these units operating temporarily in SWPA.
& Non-effective.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

	Southwest Pacific (Western Section)	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
		Eastern Fleet Area		Malay-Indian Ocean	
<u>BB</u>	-	(5)	HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RICHELIU	HARUNA	
<u>CV</u>	-	(3)	VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE	-	
<u>CVE</u>	-	(6)	BATTLER ATHELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMEER	(2) OTAKA UNYO	
<u>CA</u>	-	(3)	CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK	-	
<u>CL</u>	(2) ADELAIDE NIGERIA	(6)	KENYA NEWCASTLE CEYLON TROMP GAMBIA PHOEBE	-	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-	(1)	ALBATROSS	-	
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2)	CANTON CHITRAL	-	
<u>DD</u>	-		Approx. 27	5	
<u>SS</u>	(13)	BLUEFISH HADDO CREVALLE HAKE FLASHER HARDER GUNNEL JACK	MINGO PADDLE PARGO MUSKELLUNGE REDFIN) Approx. 16))))	10 (poss. all German)
	(7)	BATFISH 0.19 BONFISH P.318 LAPON	TANTIVY SIRDAR)) on passage)	
	(2)	NARWHAL NAUTILUS) at Darwin	
	(22)	ANGLER COD ASPRO GUITARO BLUEGILL GURNARD BREAM HOE CARRILLA PORPOISE CLYDE RATON K.14 RAY K.15	SEA ROVER SAND LACE SPITEFUL STURDY TELEMACHUS ZWARDFISCH HAMMERHEAD)))) at Fremantle)))	
<u>AS</u>	(3)	MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN EURYALE			

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	SOLOMONS BISMARCKS	NEW GUINEA	EAST INDIES	PHILIPPINES	MANDATES
Fighters	-	3	114	433	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	54	168	10
T/E Bombers	-	-	115	169	15
Flying oats	-	-	6	13	-
Float Plane	10	-	60	30	20
Obsn. A/C	-	2	19	33	10
	10	5	368	846	94

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA
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Part I: Allied and Enemy Activity.

Part II: Allied and Enemy Order of Battle.

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PART I

(i) ALLIED FORCES

SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

1. NEW GUINEA - BISMARCKS

(a) At Sea to 1200/15:

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|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| (1) Task Force 77.1 | : 6 <u>CVE</u> : "SANGAMON" "SUWANNEE" "CHENANGO" "SANTEE" "FANSHAW BAY" "MIDWAY" | | |
| | 8 <u>DE</u> : "R.S. BULL" "R.M. ROWELL" "EVERSOLE" "DENNIS" "J.C. BUTLER" "RAYMOND" "EDMONDS" "SHELTON" | | |
| Task Force 77.2. | : 2 <u>CA</u> : "AUSTRALIA" "SHROPSHIRE" | | |
| | 3 <u>CL</u> : "PHOENIX" "BOISE" "NASHVILLE" | | |
| | 10 <u>DD</u> : "ARUNTA" "WARRAMUNGA" "AMMEN" "MULLANY" "HUTCHINES" "BEALE" "BACHE" "DALY" "ABNER READ" "BUSH" | | |
| Task Force 77.3 | : 1 <u>ACG</u> : "WASATCH" | | |
| | 12 <u>DD</u> : "ANDERSON" "HUGHES" "MORRIS" "MUSTIN" "McKEE" "STEVEN" "RUSSELL" "FLETCHER" "STACK" "TAYLOR" "JENKINS" "LA VALLETTE" | | |
| | 5 <u>APS</u> : "KILTY" "CROSBY" "HERBERT" "WARD" "SCHLEY" | | |
| | 1 <u>APA</u> : "MANOORA" | | |
| | 1 <u>LSD</u> : "CARTER HALL" | | |
| | 36 <u>LCI</u> | 12 <u>IST</u> | 12 <u>LCT</u> |
| Task Force 77.3.1 | : 2 <u>PC</u> : 1119, 1134 | 2 <u>LCI</u> (G) | 2 <u>LCI</u> (R) |
| | 1 <u>AT</u> : "SONOMA" | 1 <u>LCI</u> (D) | |
| Task Force 77.3.2 | : 4 <u>PC</u> : 1120, 1133, 476, 1122 | | 3 <u>YMS</u> : 8, 46, 47 |
| | 4 <u>LCI</u> (G) | 2 <u>LCI</u> (R) | 1 <u>LCI</u> (F) |
| Task Group 77.4 | : 4 <u>DD</u> : "HOPEWELL" "LANG" "NICHOLAS" "O'BANNON" | | |
| | 1 <u>PS</u> : "WARREGO" | 2 <u>YMS</u> : 316, 393 | 1 <u>HDML</u> : 1074 |
| | 12 <u>LST</u> (including 1 <u>LCT</u> (Rad)) | | 18 <u>LCI</u> |
| | 1 <u>ATF</u> : "QUAPAW" | | 5 <u>AK</u> |
| Task Group 77.5 | : 4 <u>DD</u> : "RINGGOLD" "SCHROEDER" "SIGSBEE" "DASHIELL" | | |
| | 12 <u>LST</u> | | |
| Task Group 77.6 | : 3 <u>DD</u> : "JOHN RODGERS" "HARRISON" "MURRAY" | | |
| | 2 <u>PF</u> : "GLENDALE" "CORONADO" | | 6 <u>IST</u> |
| Task Group 77.7 | : 2 <u>PF</u> : "SAN PEDRO" "LONG BEACH" | | 2 <u>YFD</u> |
| | 2 <u>AFD</u> | 2 <u>YO</u> | 3 <u>AT</u> |
| | 2 <u>YFD</u> | 2 <u>YB</u> | 2 <u>LCM</u> |
| | 2 <u>YOG</u> | 4 <u>AT</u> | |
| Task Force 77 (Misc): | 2 <u>AGP</u> : "OYSTER BAY" "MOBJACK" | | 30 <u>PT</u> |
| (2) "ADMIRALTY ISLANDS" (CVE) | proceeding from USA to Finschhafen ETA 15 Sept., thence Seeadler. | | |
| (3) "THOMASON" (DE) | departed Humboldt Bay 1800/12 for S.P.A. via Finschhafen and Milne Bay, whence ETD 1600/16 for Purvis Bay. | | |
| (4) "CASTOR" (AK) | proceeding S.P.A. to Finschhafen ETA 17 Sept., thence Manus. | | |
| (5) "HOWORTH" | proceeding Manus to Alexishafen ETA 15 Sept. | | |
| (6) "SC.736" escorting "REMUS" (ARL) | towing 1 <u>AFD</u> was to depart Madang 0900/14 for Woendi ETA 0900/19. | | |
| (7) 9 submarines on patrol: | 1 submarine on passage. | | |

(b) In Harbour:Sansapor:

Combat Units 17 PT
 Auxiliaries 3 : 2 AVP: "HALF MOON" "SAN CARLOS"
 1 AT: "CHETCO"

Siak Is-Woendi:

Combat Units 71 PT
 Escorts 15 : 5 PF: "BELFAST" "HUTCHINSON" "ORANGE" "BURLINGTON"
 "CARSON CITY"
 5 AMS: "ARARAT" "GLENELG" "KAPUNDA" "COWRA" "TOWNSVILLE"
 3 ML: 428, 817, 818 1 PC: 1123
 Auxiliaries 29 : "TANGIER" (AV) "ORCA" "SAN PABLO" (AVP) "ORION" (AS)
 "VARUNA" "HILO" "PORTUNUS" "WILLOUGHBY" "WACHAPREAGUE"
 "KOORA" (AGP) "TRINITY" "VICTORIA" "SALAMONIE" (AO)
 "CHIPPEWA" "HIDATSA" "WATO" (AT) "OCTANS" (AF) "VIREO"
 (ATF) "TRIANGULUM" (AK) "SILVERBELL" "TEABERRY" (YN)
 "ARAYAT" "MINK" (IX) "LARK" "WHIPPOORWILL" (AM) "CABLE" (ARS)
 1 ATR 2 YP: 236, 278

Maffin Bay:

Escorts 1 : 1 SC: 698
 Auxiliaries 2 : "SHIKELLAMY" (AOG) "CHEPACHET" (AO)

Humboldt Bay:

Combat Units 1 CMS : "ARIADNE"
 Escorts 26 : 6 PF: "BISBEE" "GALLUP" "EL PASO" "EUGENE" "VAN BUREN"
 "MUSKOGEE"
 8 AMS: "BENDIGO" "COLAC" "COOTAMUNDRA" "WAGGA" "GLADSTONE"
 "GYMPIE" "DELORAINIE" "BROOME"
 1 PC: 477
 , SC: 637, 732, 735, 743, 744, 749, 981
 4 YMS: 9, 10, 47, 334
 Auxiliaries 26 : "BLUE RIDGE" (ACG) "BISHOPDALE" (AO) "ELKHORN" "SEEKONK"
 "SAKATONCHEE" "SUSQUEHANNA" (AOG) "PYRO" "POYANG" (AE)
 "DOBBIN" (AD) "DERRICK" (YO) "TEAK" (AN) "INDUS" "GANYMEDE"
 "MURZIM" (AK) "POLLUX" (AKS) "VILLALOBOS" "OCTARA"
 "PANDA" (IX)
 3 YP: 240, 291, 292 1 ARD

Aitape:

Combat Units 18 PT
 Escorts 1 : 1 SC: 745
 Auxiliaries 5 : "ORESTES" (AGP) "WESTRALIA" "KANIMBLA" (APA) "TITANIA" (AKS)
 1 YP: 516

Admiralties:

Combat Units 1 BB: "NEW JERSEY"
 1 CVE: "CASABLANCA"
 4 DD: "HUNT" "HICKON" "RADFORD" "EVANS"
 3 SS: "S.42" "S.45" "S.47"
 Escorts 23 : 11 DE: "BANGUST" "WATERMAN" "PIEDMONT" "LASSEN" "DELAHANTY"
 "LAKE" "LYMAN" "DONALDSON" "WITTER" "EICHENBERGER"
 "JAMES E. CRAIG"
 2 PC: 1132, 1139 1 PS: "SWAN"
 4 SC: 741, 746, 747, 982 1 ML: 827
 4 YMS: 49, 52, 70, 97
 Auxiliaries 42 : "NIOBRARA" "KASKASKIA" "PONAGANSET" "MASCOMA" "CHIKASKIA"
 "MILLICOMA" "SCHUYKILL" (AO) "PASQUOTANK" "RIO GRANDE"
 (AOG) "MEDUSA" (AR) "HERON" (AVP) "BOUNTIFUL" (AH)
 "ALABASTER" (PYC) "PATHFINDER" (AGS) "CINNAMON" "TORCHWOOD"
 (AN) "CRUX" "BOOTE" "CARIBOU" "ABARENDA" "ARETHUSA"
 "LEOPARD" "PORCUPINE" (IX) "CALAMRES" (AF) "GEN. R.L.HOWZ"
 (AP) "CEBU" (ARG) "TAWABA" "TERN" (AT) "ARGONNE" (AG)
 "WHITNEY" (AD) "SHASTA" (AE)
 1 ARD 3 YP: 280, 288, 585
 2 YRD 1 ABSD

Saidor:

Auxiliaries 1 : "TANCRED" (AT)

Alexishafen-Madang:

Escorts 12 : 2 AMS: "ROCKHAMPTON" "GOULBURN" 2 SC: 703, 742
 8 ML: 426, 801, 803, 806, 812, 816, 819, 825

(i) ALLIED FORCES (CONT)TOP SECRETAlexishafen-Madang: (Cont)

<u>Auxiliaries</u>	10	:	"ACHILLES" (ARL) "MIDAS" (ARB) "CULEBRA ISLAND" (ARG) "OTUS" (AS) "PING WO" (ASIS) 2 <u>YRD</u> 1 <u>ARD</u> 1 <u>AFD</u> 1 <u>YP</u> : 504
<u>Langemak:</u>			
Combat Units	4 FT		
<u>Escorts</u>	11	:	2 <u>PF</u> : "ROCKFORD" "HAWKESBURY" 2 <u>AMS</u> : "LITHGOW" "KIAMA" 1 <u>FC</u> : 1121 3 <u>SC</u> : 659, 734, 738 3 <u>YMS</u> : 335, 336, 71 1 <u>ML</u> : 802 1 <u>PGM</u>
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	10	:	"GEN. JOHN POPE" (AP) "SANGAY" (AE) "AASE MAERSK" (AG) "RACE POINT" "SHAWNEE" (AT) "PHOBOS" (AK) "CLYDE" (IX) "MAETSUYCKER" (AH) "MESQUITE" (CGC) "PROMETHEUS" (AR)
<u>Lae:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	1	:	1 <u>FC</u> : 1131
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	:	"COMFORT" (AH)
<u>Oro Bay:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	:	"ROCHAMBEAU" (AP)
<u>Morobe:</u>			
<u>Auxiliaires</u>	1	:	1 <u>AFD</u>
<u>Milne Bay:</u>			
Combat Units	4 FT		
<u>Escorts</u>	7	:	1 <u>DE</u> : "LOVELACE" 3 <u>AMS</u> : "STAWELL" "GEELONG" "STRAHAN" 1 <u>FC</u> : 479 1 <u>FCE(R)</u> : 850 1 <u>SC</u> : 750
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	18	:	"CALEDONIAN SALVOR" (ARS) "MERKUR" (AF) "BUNGAREE" (CM) "SATINLEAF" (YN) "RAIL" "SPRIGHTLY" (AT) "TULSA" (AG) 1 <u>ARD</u> 3 <u>YFD</u> 4 <u>AFD</u> 3 <u>YP</u> : 233, 237, 449
<u>Port Moresby:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	1	:	1 <u>ML</u> : 431
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	2	:	"WINTER" (AGS) "ST GILES" (AT)

2. SOLOMONS(a) At Sea to 1200/15:

- (1) "SC.628" escorting "YP.520" departed Emirau 1700/11 for Lunga ETA 1800/15.
- (2) "FC.1128" escorting "AGAWAM" (AOG) departed Emirau 1700/13 for Tulagi ETA 1800/16.
- (3) "YP.514" departed Green Is. 1645/13 for Lunga ETA 1500/15.
- (4) "KIWI" (YMS) escorting "PATAFSCO" (AOG) departed Tulagi 0800/14 for Treasury Is.
- (5) "PGM.4" escorting 6 Army Crash Boats departed Treasury 1600/14 due Woodlark 0900/15.
- (6) "ENGLAND" (DE) was to depart Milne Bay 14 Sept. for Treasury Is.
- (7) "FC.585" escorting "MINDANAO" (ARG) departed Espiritu Santo 0600/13 for Finschhafen ETA 0730/16.

(b) In Harbour:

<u>Emirau:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	3	:	1 <u>DE</u> : "WINTLE" 1 <u>FC</u> : 589 1 <u>SC</u> : 620
<u>Green Is:</u>			
Combat Units	12 FT		
<u>Escorts</u>	7	:	1 <u>DE</u> : "FOREMAN" 1 <u>FC</u> : 596 3 <u>SC</u> : 677, 518, 1275 2 <u>YMS</u> : 95, 259
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	1	:	"WHIRSTOCK" (YO)
<u>Torokina:</u>			
<u>Escorts</u>	3	:	3 <u>DE</u> : "WILLMARTH" "OSMUS" "BOWERS" 2 <u>FC</u> : 723, 1029 3 <u>SC</u> : 1274, 1188, 1590
<u>Auxiliaries</u>	2	:	"GALE" (AM) "STRATFORD" (AGP)
<u>Treasury Is:</u>			
Combat Units	34 FT		
	4 PGM		

Treasury Is: (Cont)

Escorts 4 : 1 DE : "WHITEHURST"
 1 SC : 722 2 FC : 605, 1229
 Auxiliaries 5 : "TUMULT" "VELOCITY" (AM) "BUTTERNUT" (YN) "HOLLAND" (AS)
 "JAMESTOWN" (AGP)
 1 YE : 515

Munda:

Escorts 4 : 4 SC : 514, 702, 999, 1267
 Auxiliaries 2 : "CAMANGA" (AG) "TAGANAK" (AO)

3. EAST AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA(a) At sea to 1200/15:

- (1) "BURDEKIN" (PF) escorting "CERO" (SS) was to depart Caloundra 1800/9 Northbound:
 "BURDEKIN" proceeds Madang ETA 0700/16.
 (2) "SHEPHERTON" (AGS) proceeding Cairns to Thursday Is.
 (3) "MIZAR" (AF) was to depart Milne Bay 1300/14 for Brisbane.
 (4) "RINDJANI" (YMS) departed Thursday Is. 0730/13 for Fort Moresby ETA 1200/16.
 (5) "BINGERI" (AG) departed Sydney 1400/12 for Madang ETA 1500/21.
 (6) "FC.1130" proceeding from S.P.A. to Sydney ETA 0800/16.
 (7) "FC.584" departed Tulagi 1200/11 for Sydney ETA 1200/19.
 (8) "DUNOTTAR CASTLE" (AF) departed Melbourne 0826/13 for Wellington.

(b) In Harbour:Merauke:

Escorts 3 : 2 YMS: "SMEROE" "MERBARBOE"

Thursday Is:

Escorts 6 : 6 AMS: "INVERELL" "FREMANTLE" "BALLARAT" "BUNBURY" "PIRIE"
 "FARKES"

Auxiliaries 2 : "VIGILANT" (AMS) "KURUMBA" (AO)

Cairns:

Escorts 7 : 1 AMS: "KALGOORLIE"

3 SC : 699, 737, 748

4 YMS: 73, 313, 314, 315

Auxiliaries 6 : "FIRE ISLAND" (LT) "ANDREW DORIA" (IX) "BUTTORWOOD" (CCC)
 1 ARD 1 YP : 283

Townsville:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "LATROBE" "KATOOMBA"

Auxiliaries 2 : "STELLA" "POLARIS" (AGS)

Bowen:

Auxiliaries 2 : "CAMBRIAN SALVOR" (ARS) "HERCS" (AT)

Brisbane:

Combat Units 4 SS : "PERMIT" "SEAWOLF" "POLLACK" "PLUNGER"

Escorts 14 : 1 FF : "OGDEN" 2 AMS: "WARRNABOOL" "WHYALLA"

2 PCE: 848, 849

8 ML : 424, 425, 804, 805, 811, 820, 821

1 FC : 1124

Auxiliaries 8 : "ETOLIN" (AK) "HENRY T. ALLEN" (APA) "CARONDOLET" (IX)
 "WRIGHT" (AV) "BENALLA" "CAPE LEEUWIN" (AGS) "PONTUS" (AGP)
 1 YP : 421

Sydney:

Combat Units 1 CL : "HOBART" (refitting)

3 DD : "NEPAL" "STUART" "VENDETTA"

2 SS : "K.9" "K.12"

Escorts 6 : 3 A/S: "KYBRA" "WILCANNIA" "YANDRA"

3 ML : 810, 822, 823

Auxiliaries 8 : "RIGEL" (AR) "CHALLENGER" (AGS) "VENUS" (AK) "YUNNAN" (AE)
 "RESERVE" "POINT LOM." (AT) "MANUNDA" "TASMAN" (AH)

Melbourne:

Combat Units 1 DD : "NAFIER"

Escorts 2 : 2 A/S: "ABRAHAM CRIJNSEN" "DOOMBA"

Auxiliaries 1 : "PLATYPUS" (AR)

Adelaide:

Escorts 2 : 2 AMS: "IESWICH" "BUNDBERG"

4. NORTH WESTERN AREA(a) At sea to 1200/15:

- (1) Task Unit 70.5.3 : 1 AGS: "MORESBY"
 4 AMS: "HORSHAM" "ECHUGA" "JUNEE" "CASTLEMAIN"
 (2) 12 submarines on patrol: 12 submarines on passage.

(b) In Harbour:Darwin:

Combat Units 1 SS : "NAUTILUS"
 Escorts 6 : 5 ML : 429, 807, 809, 813, 814
 1 FF : "BARCOO"
 Auxiliaries 1 : "COUCAL" (ASR)

5. SOUTH WESTERN AREA(a) At Sea to 1200/15:

- (1) "MANGANELLA" (AH) was to depart Fremantle 0830/13 for Wellington ETA 0800/23.
 (2) "LAUNCESTON" "BATHURST" (AMS) escorting "EUROPE" proceeding from Addu Atoll to Fremantle ETA 17 Sept.

(b) In Harbour:Onslow:

Escorts 2 : 1 AMS: "BOWEN"
 1 ML: 815

Fremantle:

Combat Units 2 CL : "NIGERIA" "ADELAIDE"
 20 SS : "ANGLER" "ASTRO" "BLUEGILL" "BREAM" "CABRILLA" "CLYDE"
 "COD" "HAMMERHEAD" "GUITARO" "GURNARD" "HOE" "PORPOISE"
 "RATON" "RAY" "SANDLACE" "SEA ROVER" "STURDY" "SPITEFUL"
 "TELEMACHUS" "ZWAARDFISCH" "K.14" "K.15"
 Escorts 9 : 1 FF: "CORPUS CHRISTI"
 1 PS: "SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA"
 3 AMS: "DUBBO" "TAMWORTH" "MILLURA"
 1 SC: 729
 1 ML: 824
 2 YMS: 11, 72
 Auxiliaries 7 : "GRIFFIN" "EURYALE" "MAIDSTONE" (AS) "ISABEL" (FY)
 "CHANTICLEER" (ASR)
 1 ARD
 1 YP: 286

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA1. SOLOMONS - BISMARCKS

- (1) Bougainville - On 13 Sept. Poporang (off Buin) was attacked by 18 Dauntless 6 Mitchells; the Mitchells also strafed Fauro Is. On the same day buildings, bridges and other targets of opportunity around the S. and E. coasts of Bougainville as far as Kieta were attacked by 2 Dauntless 67 Corsairs.
- (2) New Ireland - On 13 Sept. plantation buildings and other targets in the vicinity of Cape St. George were attacked by 19 Corsairs.
- (3) New Britain - Late report states that huts at Malabungao near Rabaul were bombed by 11 Corsairs. On 13 Aug. the Pondo bivouac area was again the main target and 33 Dauntless 26 Corsairs participated in attacks thereon. In addition huts at Natava plantation near Rabaul were bombed by patrol sweeps involving 44 Corsairs and some 50-60 Japs near Rapopo were strafed by 34 Corsairs.

2. NEW GUINEA

- (1) Wewak - During 14 Sept. Wewak strip and neighboring targets were attacked by 16 Beauforts in several flights.
 - (2) Maffin Bay - Patrols 13 Sept. contacted an enemy party of over 25 Japs near Sawar Creek.
 - (3) Manokwari - On 13 Sept. Manokwari strip was bombed by 12 Thunderbolts and Ransiki airfield was bombed by 6 Aircobras.
 - (4) Sansapor - On 13 Sept. one of our ambush parties attacked small groups of enemy throughout the Sansapor area numbering over 50 in total; 25 Japs were killed and one taken prisoner bringing the total known enemy dead in this area up to 532; Jap prisoners captured number 77, Formosans/Koreans number 159.
 - (5) Sorong Area - On 13 Sept. Samate airdrome was bombed by 44 Bostons 11 Thunderbolts 12 Kittyhawks and Jefman strip was bombed by 41 Lightnings.
A.M. 13 Sept Jefman strip was dive bombed by 5 Kittyhawks and Samate strip by 12 Kittyhawks. Last aircraft over the targets report Samate strip definitely unserviceable and Jefman strip unserviceable with no apparent attempt to repair.
Aircraft sightings 14 Sept. include 1 small freighter 2 small sea trucks and a few luggers or barges all near Sorong.
- Babo - A.M. 13 Sept. Babo airdrome was bombed by 29 Bostons.

3. EAST INDIES

- (1) Kai Islands - At 1500/14 Sept. Letfoear runway was bombed by 1 reconnaissance Liberator.
- (2) Ceram - A delayed report states that Boela airdrome was attacked 1230/12 Sept. by 20 Thunderbolts. At 1400-1500/14 Sept. Boela strip was again attacked by 8 Bostons and 8 Beaufighters; last aircraft over the target reported the strip definitely unserviceable.
- (3) Halmaheras - Between 1030/13 and 1200/13 Sept. airfields in N. Halmahera were subjected to heavy air strikes: Lolobata was attacked by 2 groups Liberators, Galela by 6 Liberators and Kau by 4 Liberators. Moderate to intense AA fire was encountered but all our planes returned. In addition, during this period, the area around Pitoe airdrome on SW. coast Morotai were bombed and strafed from minimum altitude by 24 Mitchells; Pango village on NE. coast Morotai was bombed by 2 recce. Mitchells.
By dawn 15 Sept. our amphibous invasion forces had reached the Morotai area without incident and apparently without having been observed enroute.
Landings commenced on 2 beaches N. and S. of the SW. end of Pitoe strip shortly after dawn, supported by surface forces including aircraft carriers, cruisers and destroyers. At 0840/15 Sept., it was reported that the first waves had reached the beaches on schedule unopposed and were establishing positions without interference from the enemy.
- (4) Sangihe Islands - At 0100/13 Sept., 1 unidentified ship was observed by aircraft 12 miles SSW. Siaoe Is. heading NE.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES

- (5) N. Celebes - At 0145/13 Sept. the waterfront and warehouses at Manado were bombed by 1 reconnaissance Liberator using 500 pound incendiaries.

At 1030/14 Sept., 1 unidentified vessel was observed in Lembah Strait. A report of observations by a Squadron of Liberators passing over Lembah Strait 12 Sept. states that a ship, believed to be the mine layer previously damaged in this area, was noticed in Lembah Straits stationary and listing badly.

At 1130/14 Sept., reconnaissance aircraft observed 2 large and 10 small sea truck type ships spread out along N. coast Manado for 25 miles E. of Bolaangoeki.

4. PHILIPPINES - Details concerning the Central Pacific aircraft carrier task force strikes in the Visayan Area 12-14 Sept. inclusive show that a total of 428-433 enemy aircraft were claimed destroyed, 2 destroyer escorts, 3 medium-large ships and 35 small ships were sunk in addition to 1 medium tanker 7 medium-large ships 36 small ships damaged of which some were possibly sunk. Of the aircraft claimed destroyed 123 were on the ground 12 Sept., 139 on the ground 13 Sept. and 10-15 on the ground 14 Sept.: 75 were shot down in combat 12 Sept. 81 were shot down on 13 Sept. and there was no interception on 14 Sept. There was no attempt apparently to attack our surface forces which approached close to the coast within sight of Samar Is. Although pilots claims as regards aircraft destroyed on the ground may be excessive photos confirm an estimated 150-175 destroyed on several airfields on 12 and 13 Sept. The fact that our surface forces were not attacked is indicative of the enemies weakness and that at least the majority of his operational aircraft and facilities had been put out of action. By the time the attacks had been completed on 14 Sept. there were few serviceable aircraft to be seen in the area and no shipping: buildings, barracks, oil storage tanks and ammunition dumps at Cebu, Mactan and Tacloban were shot up and bombed: many buildings and most of the bulk oil supplies were destroyed.

B. CENTRAL PACIFIC1. CAROLINES

- (1) Palau - Early daylight 15 Sept. U. S. Marines commenced landing on Peleiu Is. supported by strong surface forces including aircraft carriers, battleships, cruisers and destroyers but no further details are available.

Further details concerning the recent carrier strikes on Palau show that 1 destroyer and a cargo vessel which had been seriously damaged in earlier raids were hit again 10 Sept.

On 14 Sept., Palau was again subjected to aircraft attacks from carriers and bombardment by heavy surface units from a Cenpac Task Force.

At 0235/0345/13 Sept. Ngesebus airdrome and Arakabesan seaplane base were bombed by 2 Liberators from SWPA.

- (2) Truk - On 11 Sept., Eten Is. and the seaplane base were bombed by 29 Cenpac Liberators dropping 72½ tons bombs. 5 or 6 enemy fighters intercepted dropping phosphorus bombs: 1 Zero was shot down; another probably shot down; 3 Liberators were damaged.
- NOURU - Was bombed 13 Sept. by Cenpac Mitchells dropping 15 tons bombs on runways and gun position.

2. MARSHALLS - On 11 Sept., Maloelap, Jaluit and Milli were attacked by moderate formations of Corsairs. On 12 Sept Wotje and Mille were again attacked by Dauntless and Corsairs.

4. MARIANAS - On 11 and 13 Sept. Pagan Is. was attacked by Thunderbolts.

5. HAMPO SHOTO - Night 11-12 Sept., Iwo Jima airfield was bombed by 1 Liberator.

On 13 Sept. reconnaissance aircraft over Kita Iwo Jima reported 2 landing craft off the W. Coast heading S., another 2 landing craft 40 miles NW. of Kita Iwo Jima on course 120° and 1 sampan 45 miles E. of Kita Iwo Jima course 50°.

(ii) ENEMY FORCES (Contd.)

5. NAMPO SHOTO (Contd.) - the sampan was strafed and 1 of the landing craft probably hit by 1 bomb.

(iii) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT NAVAL DEVELOPMENTS

- (1) Blue landings Palau and Morotai (Halmaheras), latter unopposed.
- (2) Details of successful aircraft carrier strikes on Central Philippines.
- (3) Repeated Task Force operations against Palau.
- (4) Lack of enemy reaction to Blue operations in Central and SW. Pacific areas.
- (5) Neutralization Ambon, Halmahera and Manado airdromes.
- (6) Heavy strikes on Central Philippines and Palau by strong Blue Task Forces

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DAILY NAVAL SUMMARY

PART II

ALLIED AND ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC

	<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>% South West Pacific</u> <u>(Eastern section)</u>			<u>South Pacific</u>
<u>BB</u>	(10) NEW JERSAY		
<u>CVE</u>	(28) ADMIRALTY ISLANDS CHENAGNO MIDWAY CASABLANCA	SANGAMON SANTEE SARGENT BAY FAN SHAW BAY	(5) MATANIKAU CAPE ESPERANCE LONG ISLAND ROI MUNDA
<u>CA</u>	(2) AUSTRALIA SHROPSHIRE		-
<u>CL</u>	(4) BOISE NASHVILLE	PHOENIX HOBART	@ LEANDER
<u>AV/CVS</u>	(2) TANGIER	WRIGHT	-
<u>XAV/AGVS</u>	(6) HALF MOON SAN PABLO SAN CARLOS	HERON CHINCOTEAGUE ORCA	-
<u>DD</u>	(38) ARUNTA WARRAMUNGA NAPIER NEPAL ABNER READ AMMEN ANDERSON BACKE BEALE DALY DASHIEL FLETCHER HALL HARRISON HOPEWELL HOWORTH HUGHES HUTCHINGS BUSH	JENKINS JOHN RODGERS LANG LA VALLETTE MCKEE MORRIS MULLANY MURRAY MUSTIN O'BANNON RINGGOLD NICHOLAS SCHROEDER RUSSELL STACK STEVENS TAYLOR HUNT HICKON	5
<u>AD</u>	WHITNEY		10
<u>SS</u>	(9) BASHAW DACE DARTER GUAVINA FLOUNDER	FLYING FISH MINGO STINGRAY TARPON	) ) ) ) on patrol
	CERO		) on passage
	(3) S.42 S.45	S.47	) ) at Seeadler
	(4) PERMIT POLLACK	PLUNGER SEAWOLF	) ) at Brisbane
	(2) K.9	K.12	) at Sydney

% Excluding Cenpac forces temporarily operating at sea.
@ Non-effective/

1. SOUTH AND SOUTH WEST PACIFIC (Contd.)

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u> (incl. mandates)
		Southwest Pacific (Eastern Section)	South Pacific
<u>PT</u>	Approx. 175	-	?
<u>APA</u> <u>AKA</u> <u>APD</u>	(10) H. T. ALLEN (APA) KANIMELA WESTRALIA TITANIA WARD (APD) SCHLEY HEBERT CROSBY KILTY	3 APD	-
<u>AGC</u>	(2) BLUE RIDGE WASATCH	-	-
<u>AS</u>	(3) OTUS HOLLAND ORION	-	-
<u>AD</u>	DOBEIN	-	-
<u>AR</u>	(11) RIGEL (AR) PLATIPUS MEDUSA MIDAS (ARB) CULEBRA ISLAND (ARC) OGLALA REMUS (ARL) ACHILLES AMYCUS VENT (ARS) CABLE	-	-
<u>LSD</u>	CARTER HALL	-	-

2. NORTHERN PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CA</u>	-		(2) NACHI ASHIGARA
<u>CL</u>	(3) DETROIT RALIECH RICHMOND		ABUKUMA
<u>DD</u>	9		5
<u>SS</u>	10		Approx. 5

3. SOUTH EASTERN PACIFIC

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>	<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>
<u>CL</u>	TRENTON		-
<u>DD</u>	9		-

4. CENTRAL PACIFIC
@ ALLIED FORCES
Philippines - E. Indies

ENEMY FORCES
Empire

	ALLIED FORCES	ENEMY FORCES
<u>BB</u>	(17) IOWA NORTH CAROLINA TENNESSEE SOUTH DAKOTA WEST VIRGINIA MISSISSIPPI INDIANNA WASHINGTON IDAHO MASSACHUSETTS COLORADO MARYLAND ALABAMA CALIFORNIA £ OKLAHOMA PENNSYLVANIA	(3) MUSASHI (5) YAMATO NAGATO MUSASHI FUSO £ KONGO ISE) HYUGA) (convt. to carry A/C)
<u>CV</u>	(10) SARATOGA FRANKLIN ENTERPRISE INTREPID YORKTOWN ESSEX LEXINGTON BUNKER HILL HORNET WASP	(5) UNRYU TAIHO ZUIKAKU HAYATAKA AMAGI
<u>CVL</u>	(9) CABOT LANGLEY COWPENS PRINCETON BATAAN SAN JACINTO BELLEAU WOOD MONTEREY INDEPENDENCE	(5) CHITOSE CHIYODA HOSHO ZUIHO £ RYUHO (poss. sunk)
<u>CVE</u>	(28) GAMBIER BAY WINHAM BAY HOLLANDIA PETROF BAY HOGGATE BAY SITKOH BAY KADASHAN BAY RUDYERD BAY KALININ BAY ALTAMAHA KITKUN BAY BARNES MANILA BAY GRETON NATOMA BAY SHAMROCK BAY OMMNEY BAY COPAHEE NEWENTA BAY	CORAL SEA JINYO KAIYO CORREGIDOR STEAMER BAY LUNGA POINT MARCUS ISLAND SALAMAUA PRINCE WILLIAM SAVO ISLAND WHITE PALINS
<u>CA</u>	(13) BALTIMORE MINNEAPOLIS BOSTON PENSACOLA CHESTER INDIANAPOLIS CANBERRA SAN FRANCISCO WITCHITA SALT LAKE CITY NEW ORLEANS PORTLAND LOUISVILLE	(11) AOBA £ MAYA KUMANO SUZUYA TONE CHIKUMA MYOKO HAGURO MOGAMI ATAGO TAKAO CHOKAI
<u>OCA</u>	-	- 6
<u>CL</u>	(17) COLUMBIA BIRMINHAM CLEVELAND SANTA FE DENVER SANDIEGO MONTPELIER SAN JUAN HONOLULU MOBILE ST LOUIS MIAMI	(4) YAHAGI (6) SEKAWA NOSHIRO OYODO KINU NAGARA KITAGAMI ISUZU TAMA KISO (prob. sunk)
<u>CL</u> <u>AV/CVS</u>	(4) CURTISS POCOMOKE	- KASHII KASHIMA - (2) AKITSUSHIMA £ NOTORO
<u>DD</u>	Approx. 180	25-30 20 (sev. repairing)
<u>SS</u>	Approx. 30	10 Approx. 45
<u>AS</u>	?	? 2 (1 repair- ing)

@ Some of these units operating temporarily in SWPA.
£ Non-effective.

5. EAST INDIES - INDIAN OCEAN

		<u>ALLIED FORCES</u>		<u>ENEMY FORCES</u>	
<u>Southwest pacific</u> <u>(Western section)</u>		<u>Eastern Fleet Area</u>		<u>Malay- Indian Ocean</u>	
<u>BB</u>	-	(5)	HOWE QUEEN ELIZABETH VALIANT RICHELIU	HARUNA	
<u>CV</u>	-	(3)	VICTORIOUS ILLUSTRIOUS INDOMITABLE		
<u>CVE</u>	-	(6)	BATTLER ATHELING UNICORN BEGUM SHAH AMEER	(2) OTAKA UNYO	
<u>CA</u>	-	(3)	CUMBERLAND LONDON SUFFOLK	-	
<u>CF</u>	(2) ADELAIDE NIGERIA	(6)	KENYA NEWCASTLE CEYLON TROMP GAMBIA PHOEBE	-	
<u>AV/CVS</u>	-	(1)	ALBATROSS	-	
<u>XCL</u>	-	(2)	CANTON CHITRAL	-	
<u>DD</u>			Approx. 27	5	
<u>SS</u>	(12)	BLUEFISH HADDO CREVALLE HAKE FLASHER HARDER GUNNEL JACK	PADDLE PARGO MUSKELLUNGE REDFIN	) Approx. 16
	(12)	ASPRO 0.19 BLUEGILL P.318 HAMMERHEAD NARWHAT LAPON	PORPOISE SIRDAR STOIC STORM	) on passage
		NAUTILUS		) at Darwin
	(20)	ANGLER BATFISH BREAM CABRILLA CLYDE K.14	COD GUITARO GURNARD HOE RATON RAY K.15	STA ROVER SAND LACE SPITEFUL STURDY TELEMACHUS ZWARDFISCH TANTIVY) at Fremantle
<u>AS</u>	(3)	MAIDSTONE GRIFFIN EURYALE			

ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SHORE-BASED AIR STRENGTH

	<u>SOLOMONS</u> <u>BISMARCKS</u>	<u>NEW GUINEA</u>	<u>EAST INDIES</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>MANDATES</u>
Fighters	-	3	114	436	39
S/E Bombers	-	-	54	168	10
T/E Bombers	-	-	115	167	15
Flying Boats	-	-	6	13	-
Float Plane	10	-	60	30	20
Obsn. A/C	-	2	19	33	10
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>847</u>	<u>94</u>